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### Street talk

Look for Televentures to unveil plans to distribute Fox Broadcasting Co.'s 21 Jump Street in syndication at this week's NATPE, making it first FBC program to be so offered. Televentures President Patrick Kenney said it's "yet to be determined" whether 83 episodes of program will be offered for cash in 1990 or 107 episodes in 1991, or whether stations will be given option to choose between two. Televentures approach will be unusual in that company won't be actively pitching show with formal presentation in each market, but instead will simply ask stations that are seriously interested to come in with best offer. "Everybody knows the show and its role in making FBC what it is today," said Kenney. Meanwhile, Columbia Pictures Television will have cast of another popular FBC show, Married ... With Children, at its NATPE booth, and will screen show for those interested. But CPT won't be discussing terms or doing deals for show until future, unspecified date, company official said.

#### Searching

Outgoing Radio Advertising Bureau President and CEO Bill Stakelin is scheduled to hand over torch at Managing Sales Conference in Dallas (Feb. 2-5), but it doesn't look as though there's going to be anyone there to accept it. RAB presidential search committee last week confidentially told five finalists for job that search would be extended in order to actively seek additional candidates for job (toward end of last week, at least three of five asked to remain in race). Looks like top RAB position may not be filled until late February. Stakelin, slated to make valedictory speech at MSC during Feb. 3 lunch, officially exits post Feb. 1.

### Sound decision

If George Bush wants to be "President of all the people of the U.S.," as he has said, then his press secretary, Marlin Fitzwater, seems to want to be press secretary for all White House correspondents, including those serving radio. Fitzwater, who was also press secretary to President Reagan, last week told BROADCASTING he was considering idea for dealing with complaints of White House radio correspondents about the lack of sound bites from his daily briefings—Fitzwater has not permitted sound recording, lest it interfere with giveand-take nature of sessions. (Videotaping, without audio, is permitted during first few minutes.) Solution, he said, could be brief, post-briefing interview with radio correspondents in group "on the story of the day." Briefings, he said, generally boil down to one story that can provide material for sound bite. He plans to discuss idea with radio correspondents, possibly this week.

On other hand, do not look for Bush to carry on Reagan tradition of weekly radio addresses. Although for record Fitzwater said no decision had been made, he later suggested that when decision is made, it would be negative. He called radio addresses distinctly "Reagan phenomenon," because of former President's background in radio and show business. Fitzwater also said Bush would have different work schedule and find other means of communicating with public, possibly through "special messages."

### **Come Saturday morning**

NBC Productions' sitcom, Good Morning, Miss Bliss, recently canceled by Disney Channel, will move to NBC's Saturday lineup with new title-Saved by the Bell-and altered concept with focus of show shifting from junior high school teacher (played by Haley Mills, who has left the show) to five or six of her students. Production resumes in March, with no air date scheduled, although network needs fresh product in noon-1 p.m. time period, where first-season 2 Hip 4 TV was recently canceled (reruns of two half-hour shows now fill spot). Saved by the Bell, after Kissyfur cartoon, would be second NBC Productions Saturday show on air. Network hopes its in-house unit will program perhaps two hours of five hours of Saturday morning fare in future.

### Looking around

Word has it that CBS affiliate KTSP-TV Phoenix has recently been flirting with defection. Executives of parent company, Great American Communications Co. (GACC), had at least one meeting with ABC officials about affiliating station with that network. Which side initiated talks was uncertain. Executives at GACC were said to be either upset at CBS for attempting to buy VHF independent KPHO(TV)—which would have ended KTSP-TV affiliation-or interested in making protective move in anticipation of CBS eventually making purchase. CBS effort to buy KPHO fell apart over price-two parties were said to be about \$25 million apart. But as of last week, KTVK(TV) was keeping ABC affiliation, said ABC Senior VP George Newi.

### **Coming together**

Responding to network affiliate organizations' desire to have greater voice in Washington, ABC, CBS and NBC will hold two-day government affairs forum in March for affiliates' government relations committees. In past, networks (chiefly ABC and CBS) have held separate meetings. Some 75 affiliates are expected to attend Washington session.

### Sports talk

Probable sports rights shift in New York could make winner of Tribune-owned superstation wPIX(TV) there. Broadcast rights to New York Knicks and Rangers, now held by wwor-tv Secaucus, N.J., expire at end of 1989. Madison Square Garden, which owns Knicks, Rangers and regional sports cable network that has landed exclusive rights to Yankees by 1990, could form package with three teams, making broadcast rights deal more attractive to stations and advertisers. WPIX(TV), which has right of first refusal for broadcast rights to Yankees, and wants to continue carrying team, would presumably be leading candidate for package. Since MCA took over as owner of wwor-tv it has placed greater emphasis on building audience through syndicated fare, although it remains bullish about Mets, which it has under contract until 1992.

### Leaving early

As part of cost-cutting effort, FCC has been encouraging staffers with at least 25 years of government service to take early retirement. FCC had anticipated that 15% of eligible employes (some 25 in all) would take advantage of program, but, with about five weeks left before Feb. 28 filing deadline, only 11 have filed appropriate papers with FCC personnel office. Michelle Oppenheimer, who is with office, anticipates more will file, but total will fall short of 25.

FCC hopes early-out program will have minimal impact on operation of agency, but it has apparently already created void in international spectrummanagement. Among those opting for early retirement are Wilson LaFollette and Jonathan David, of Mass Media Bureau's policy and rules division. As assistant chief of division, LaFollette has been bureau's expert on international affairs, serving as vice chairman of U.S. delegations to four ITU conferences and representing U.S. in bilateral spectrum negotiations with Canada and Mexico. David has also served as vice chairman and worked on bilateral negotiations.

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Also expected in early 1989 will be proposal on how to implement expanded AM band. Western Hemisphere countries on June 2, 1988, concluded second and final session of conference to plan use of 100 khz of spectrum added to AM band that had ended at 1605 khz. FCC has indicated that some channels will be reserved for national licensees but broadcasting organizations have favored allocating new band to daytimers in plan to reduce congestion in conventional band.

Despite opposition of National Association of Broadcasters. FCC voted Dec. 12, 1988, to give FM broadcasters greater flexibility in choosing antenna sites and plotting coverage

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by permitting limited "short spacing" of FM stations. NAB believes move will lead to "AMization" of FM band.

FM broadcasters commenting on proposed increases in maximum Class A station power



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NAB and other broadcast groups oppose FCC's proposed expansion of service to allow for local origination by translators, asking that rules establish translators as secondary services to fill in underserved areas of full-power stations and not as "low-power FM" stations.



Issue essentially boils down to reimposition of three-year rule, which required owners to hold broadcast properties for that long before selling. Quiescent at moment.



Cable television industry is under fire from allegations it is "unregulated monopoly." Cities approved new policy week of Dec. 5, 1988, in Boston calling for overhaul of Cable Communications Policy Act this year to strengthen their regulatory grip on cable and to provide entry for telephone companies to offer competitive services.

Motion picture industry and independent broadcasters have been pushing for stricter regulation of cable until there is more competition in delivering cable programing to homes. Top motion picture and cable executives are holding talks to discuss their relationship and possible regulatory changes. House Commerce Committee Chairman John Dingell (D-Mich.) has warned cable to be on best behavior or Congress may reevaluate regulatory environment.



Proponents of children's TV legislation suffered blow when President Reagan pocket vetoed bill on Nov. 5, 1988. Chief executive's rejection of bill has made it priority for 101st Congress, Quick Hill action on revived version of legislation is anticipated druing first 100 days of session. Television networks and National Association of Broadcasters let White House know they backed legislation last year, but President found measure "counterproductive" and at odds with broadcasters' First Amendment rights. Measure would have put commercial limits on children's programs of 10.5 minutes per hour on weekends and 12 minutes on weekdays. It also required broadcasters to serve "special needs" of children, which FCC would have to

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Department of Education has released study concluding, among other things, that "research literature provides little support for most of the common beliefs about the influence of television."

### **Comparative Renewal**

National Telecommunications and Information Administration, in NTIA Telecom 2000 report on future of broadcasting and telecommunications, recommended FCC purge license renewal procedures of "references to program content" as part of overall elimination of rules "governing content." FCC Chairman Dennis Patrick has also called for minimizing role of programing in FCC deliberations at renewal time. But their views are not shared by broadcasting industry. In first round of comments in current FCC proceeding aimed at reforming much-maligned comparative renewal process, broadcasters, led by NAB and INTV, argue that past programing performance should be basis for renewal

FCC proceeding is also aimed at discouraging groups from using comparative renewal process and policy of allowing groups to petition FCC to deny renewal and station transfers to "extort" money from broadcasters. To deter abuse, FCC has proposed limiting payments broadcasters may make to challengers in settlements of comparative renewal proceedings and to groups in exchange for withdrawal of petitions to deny renewals. In addition, it has proposed requiring fuller ownership and financial disclosure information from competing applicants, clarifying standards broadcasters must meet to win "renewal expectancies" and reconsidering criteria used in comparative hearings, particularly diversity of ownership.

### **Compulsory License**

FCC voted in October 1988 to recommend that Congress abolish 12-year-old compulsory copyright license, at least for distant signals, saying move would benefit consumers, broadcasters and cable programing services (BROADCASTING, Oct. 31, 1988). Recommendation will be expanded to cover local signals if FCC Commissioner Patricia Diaz Dennis comes through with vote, which she is withholding until "editorial changes" are made.

What Congress will do is unknown. At very least, if it decides to pass law requiring local

signal carriage, it will probably also preserve copyright license for signals.

Two weeks ago, House Telecommunications Subcommittee member John Bryant (D-Tex.) reintroduced bill he offered in last Congress (BROADCASTING, April 4, 1988) to condition compulsory license on whether cable operator is carrying local broadcast signals. Senate Copyright Subcommittee Chairman Dennis DeConcini (D-Aríz.) offered similar measure in June, 1988 and according to aide, plans to revive measure.

### Crossownership

Telco-cable—FCC tentatively concluded by 2-1 vote last July to recommend that Congress lift crossownership ban on telephone companies providing cable television service in their telephone service areas, and proposed loosening its rules to allow some telcos to own minority interest in or finance cable systems in their service areas.

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A week later, 60 Minutes did a segment on U.S. policy in Central America, with our aid to Honduras being the main focus of attention. Honduras is a democratic country, with free elections and a free press. No one showed any fear of criticizing the government on camera. Mike Wallace interviewed two Americans and two prominent Hondurans who were very critical of both the government and the United States. He devoted nearly a minute to a group of about 25 people carrying three banners protesting the American presence in Honduras, shooting from seven different angles to make it look more impressive.

What was in noticeably short supply were any Hondurans or Americans with a good word to say about either the government of Honduras or the United States. Wallacekeptemphasizing that we had given \$1.3 billion dollars in aid to Honduras over the last eight years. His message was that this had largely been wasted and that the people of Honduras were poorer today than they were eight years ago.

Mike Wallace demonstrated his personal agreement with the Castro line that such things as freedom of speech and press and the right to vote are not important to people in countries like Cuba and Honduras. In an interview with Elliott Abrams, assistant secretary of state for Inter-American Affairs, Wallace objected to Abrams' defining democracy in these terms. Wallace suggested that it ought to mean exactly what Castro's spokesman had listed on 60 Minutes the previous week—work, better health care and schools.

In the segment on Cuba, 60 Minutes

had interviewed an American Marxist and apologist for Castro named Saul Landau. They also employed him as a paid consultant. In Honduras, they relied heavily on another American radical, Joseph Eldridge, and his wife. Eldridge has long been a supporter of Castro and the Sandinistas, but Wallace introduced him as "a liberal."

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nis, who voted against "tentative conclusion," continues to feel ban against telcos controlling programing should be retained, although she believes telcos should be allowed to offer video transmission services as common carriers.

In comments on the "tentative conclusion," telco industry, along with National League of Cities and six major motion picture studios, supported FCC initiatives, but cable operators, led by National Cable Television Association, strongly opposed them.

FCC move follows National Telecommunications and Information Administration report on cable TV regulation recommending telephone companies be allowed to serve as transporters of others' programing, although not as programers themselves, in telcos' own service areas (BROADCASTING, June 20, 1988).

At present, barrier's to such BOC crossownership include not only FCC regulations and 1984 Cable Act but also modified final judgment issued by U.S. Judge Harold Greene in his supervision of breakup of AT&T. NTIA has petitioned FCC to preempt Greene's regulation of BOC's, arguing that judge is hampering their entry into information services, including cable. Duopoly, one-to-a-market—FCC voted Oct. 27, 1988, to relax duopoly rules to allow closer spacing of commonly owned AM and FM stations, arguing that impact on diversity would be negligible and that it would allow some broadcasters to reap certain economies of scale.

Using same justification, FCC relaxed policy for waivers to one-to-market rules Dec. 12, 1988, saying it would look favorably on waiver requests involving top 25 markets with at least 30 broadcast "voices."

Broadcast-newspaper—Appropriations bill (H.R. 4782), which was signed into law, includes provision that prevents FCC from reexamining its broadcast-newspaper crossownership rules.

Rupert Murdoch won victory in U.S. Court of Appeals in Washington March 29, 1988, when court ruled that statute passed by Congress in session's final hours violated First and Fifth Amendments by prohibiting FCC from extending current waivers of rule banning newspaper-television station crossownership. Court did not rule on constitutionality of substance of provision that bars commission from repealing or modifying television-newspaper crossownership ban.

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Commercial AM	4,929	288	5,197	
Commercial FM	4,141	639	4,780	
Educational FM	1,369	260	1,629	
Total Radio	10,439	1,187	11,626	
FM translators	1,650	428	2,078	-
Commercial VHF TV	545	21	566	
Commercial UHF TV	508	228	736	
Educational VHF TV	119	7	126	
Educational UHF TV	216	31	247	
Total TV	1,388	287	1,675	-
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Hughes Communications, authorized to launch two 16-channel DBS birds, each to serve the entire nation from one orbital position, last week joined Dominion Satellite and Continental Satellite in opposing FCC proposal to assign pairs of DBS slots—one east, one west, each serving only half of U.S.—to create most efficient use of spectrum. Multiple applicants have requested one of four eastern slots only (from which whole nation can be served), leaving four western slots (reaching only western half of nation) underused. Replies to comments due last week are due Jan. 31.

Number of applications to operate highpower Ku-band direct-to-home television service satellites has now outstripped available orbital assignments in separate DBS orbital arc, says FCC, which could assign new round of positions early this year.

GE Americom and HBO (Crimson Satellite Associates) filed petitions in early January asking FCC to reconsider its Nov. 8, 1988, decision to deny request to modify their medium-power direct-to-home TV (DBS) satellite, Satcom K-3, power from 45 watts to 60 watts. Denial of power boost, which has been considered necessary to reach mass-marketable three-foot receiving dishes, could be death blow to Crimson plans to start first Ku-band DBS service in U.S., and/or to bring cable programers to Ku-band delivery via already built K-3 (scheduled for launch in January 1990).

"True" high-power Ku-band DBS delivery of TV programing directly to homes will become reality in U.S. in "1992 time frame," says Hughes, whose DBS plan was set to go to parent, General Motors, for approval by end of 1988 but has yet to achieve that green light. Hughes DBS's 200-watt power—10 times higher than current fixed satellite service birds—says Hughes, will enable reception of video programing by affordable one-foot downlinks, thereby expanding consumer home satellite market well beyond current two million.

Hughes says GE service would only be "interim" step toward its 200 watt service. Hughes and GE agree on need to bring together "business system," including programers and cable operators.

FCC extension granted late last year gave Dominion Video Satellite and Hubbard Broadcasting's United States Satellite Broadcasting—among those granted permits with sixyear expirations in December 1982—four more years—until Dec. 4, 1992.



Defense Department will provide up to \$30 million in funding to private organizations researching and developing new, low-cost methods of displaying and processing HDTV pictures. Pentagon hopes program will lead to mass production of low-cost, high-resolution screens for consumer and defense applications. Requests to fund projects should be

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\*Source: NSI %-Change HII Share Nov. 88 vs. Nov. 87, metered markets, access clearances





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submitted by Feb. 13.

National Telecommunications and Information Administration has asked for comments on whether U.S. government should continue to support worldwide adoption of 1,125/60 HDTV production standard. Inquiry asks whether any production format should be supported and, if so, what criteria should be used to decide which is superior. Comments are due March 1, 1989.

Deadline for "action memos" to Telecommunications Subcommittee has been postponed from Jan. 4, 1989, to Feb. 1. Subcommittee Chairman Ed Markey (D-Mass.) has asked Electronic Industries Association, American Electronics Association and Semiconductor Industry Association to submit reports recommending policies that would encourage U.S. activity in HDTV manufacturing. FCC's HDTV advisory task force and NTIA also were asked to prepare reports on subject.

Analysis subgroup of ATS committee's systems subcommittee has received submissions for 15 proposed HDTV or EDTV transmission systems. Thirteen of 15 systems were studied in-depth by analysis group during meeting held Nov. 14-18, 1988, in Washington. Report, based on finding of week-long meeting, will be submitted to systems subcommittee in February.

On Sept. 1, 1988, FCC tentatively decided to eliminate from standardization consideration transmission systems with continuous 9 mhz channel, incompatible with NTSC sets. Move eliminates possibility of terrestrial standardization of NHK's MUSE-E system. Commission also decided to restrict any possible additional spectrum for advanced television broadcasting to currently allotted VHF and UHF television spectrum. Use of band above 1 ghz for augmentation channels was ruled out.

### **Home Satellite**

Giving shot in arm to struggling home satellite industry, 100th Congress passed copyright legislation authorizing transmission of broadcast television signals via satellite to backyard dish owners. (President Reagan signed bill on Nov. 16, 1988.) Under its terms, independent television signals can be beamed to any of more than two million dish owners, but network affiliate signals can only be delivered to those in "white areas"—those not able to receive network programing off air and not choosing to receive it via cable.

Other legislation designed to help home satellite industry did not fare as well. S.889 died in Senate after lawmakers voted 43 to 36 to table measure, but bill's author, Senator Al Gore (D-Tenn.) has vowed to revive measure in 101st Congress.



Implementing stringent indecency law signed into law by President Reagan last fall (BROAD-CASTING, Oct. 3, 1988), FCC unanimously adopted new policy that prohibits "indecent" broadcasts 24 hours per day. But policy and underlying law are being challenged in courts on First Amendment grounds by coalition of broadcasting and public-interest groups, including such diverse groups as National Association of Broadcasters and Action for Children's Television

U.S. Court of Appeals in Washington had affirmed FCC's earlier indecency enforcement policy based on premise that FCC could not ban indecency, but could channel it to times of day when few children were in audience. But court remanded case to commission to justify midnight-to-6 a.m. "safe harbor." In light of congressional action, FCC will not go ahead with its remand rulemaking.



Cable News Network became first non-Intelsat video service provider from U.S. to Latin America in December 1988 after deal with Pan American Satellite Corp. PanAmSat saw its first satellite, PAS 1, go into orbit June 15, 1988, aboard Arianespace rocket launched from Kourou, French Guiana. The satellite is intended to provide domestic services in South American countries as well as international services.

Hollywood film studios have sold nearly billion dollars in movie packages to British pay satellite TV channels in recent weeks. British Satellite Broadcasting, UK direct-to-home service to launch this year, has closed more than \$600 million in multi-year film deals with Paramount, Universal, Columbia/Tri-Star, MGM/UA and Warner. Rival Sky Movies service of Rupert Murdoch, launching this winter on European Astra satellite, has tied up with Walt Disney, Warner and Murdoch-owned 20th Century Fox.

Luxembourg's Astra satellite, being positioned as Europe's new "hot bird" for cable and direct broadcasting, launched successfully Dec. 10 and is preparing to become operational with first programing next month. On 16-channel Astra so far are Rupert Murdoch's Sky Television package (Disney Channel, news, sports, movies, arts and general entertainment) and MTV.

Britain's Conservative government proposed massive overhaul of UK broadcasting system to be debated in parliament during 1989. Proposed changes include opening of new fifth terrestrial TV channel, auctioning of regional commercial TV franchises, relaxed takeover and ownership rules, separation of fourth channel from existing commercial structure and changes in BBC financing.

State Department has "agreed in principle" to pursue special trade agreement with People's Republic of China to allow export of U.S.made commercial satellites into that country for launch by China's Long March launch firm, saying both sides are "definitely prepared to move forward." Hughes Aircraft-built HS 601 birds for Australian Aussat B services and Hughes-built Westar VI, now in hands of Hong Kong-based China-UK consortium, are proposed exports in question.

Intelsat board of governors approved \$394.3 million Intelsat VII series contract with Ford Aerospace during Sept. 8-15, 1988, meeting in Washington. Contract calls for delivery of five satellites, first two to be launched in 1992-93. Each bird will carry C-band and Ku-band capacity, cross-strapping and spot beam antenna.

And in Geneva on Oct. 6, 1988, World Administrative Radio Conference dealing with satellites' use of fixed satellite services completed second and concluding session. Conference, considered reasonable success, completed plan for use of expansion bands associated with 6/4 ghz and 14/11-12 ghz, which assures all countries guaranteed "equitable access" to geostationary orbit.



Last fall, FCC delayed decision on petition to reallocate UHF channels in eight markets to land mobile radio until completion of report on whether UHF channels in question will be needed for broadcasting high-definition systems. But report released in June 1988 by FCC's advisory committee on advanced TV service advised FCC not to act because it is too early to know how much spectrum broadcasters will need. During special meeting on HDTV issues, FCC decided to follow report's advice (BROADCASTING, Sept. 5, 1988).



National Cable Television Association President James P. Mooney iterated in Jan. 10 speech association's willingness to work with broadcasters in persuading Congress to pass "reasonable" must-carry law requiring cable systems to carry some local broadcast signals.

Mooney's message was timed to coincide with meeting of joint board of the National Association of Broadcasters last week in Phoenix. Joint board is trying to come up with language (and rationale) for must-carry law that will not only be acceptable to the cable and Congress, but also to the federal courts, which struck down as violation of First Amendment FCC must-carry rules.

NCTA cooperative attitude is not new. After federal court struck down original must-carry rules, NCTA was party to compromise with broadcasters on new set of rules, which FCC later adopted, but which court also found unconstitutional.

Impact lack of must-carry rules is having is growing. NCTA released survey Sept. 13, 1988, that it said showed cable operators have been responsible in their broadcast carriage decisions. NCTA survey, conducted by Price Waterhouse, found that 98% of qualified stations remain on cable systems. NCTA also found that 94% of cable systems had not dropped stations or denied stations carriage and 91% had not engaged in channel repositioning. FCC released results of must-carry survey Sept. 1, 1988, but they did little to end debate over whether must-carry rules or law requiring cable systems to carry local broadcast signals is necessary. Of 912 television stations that responded, 280, or 31%, report-

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ed 1,533 incidences of being dropped or denied carriage on cable since federal court struck down rules on constitutional grounds; of 4,303 cable systems that responded, 869, or 20%, reported 1,820 incidences of dropping broadcast signals or denying them carriage after court action.

National Association of Broadcasters' survey found that of 259 television stations responding, some 50 stations are not being carried on at least one cable system that would have had to carry stations under must-carry rules.

Network Rules

FCC's network rules are being reviewed, and several may be modified or eliminated on ground that networks now face stiff competition. FCC has opened proceedings looking at rules prohibiting networks from representing affiliates in spot advertising market, barring networks from owning cable systems and limiting network-affiliate contracts to two years.

Proposal to eliminate network-cable crossownership ban has proved highly controversial. In comments, cable industry joined networks in calling for repeal of ban, but network affiliates and advertisers argued for its preservation.



National Association of Public Television

Stations-coordinated National Program Funding Task Force will meet in Washington this week to narrow options for streamlining how public TV acquires new and continuing-series programing. Consolidation of multiple mechanisms—CPB National Program Fund, Station Program Cooperative, PBS Program Development Fund, CPB-PBS Program Challenge Fund—is said to top agenda.

PBS, hoping to assure uniform prime time schedule via at least one station in each major market, has agreements in principle from many member stations to participate in samenight prime time carriage next fall. PBS plans to suggest specific series for same-night carriage in early 1989.

President Reagan's last budget, submitted on Jan. 9, would cap Corporation for Public Broadcasting funding—which is approved two years in advance—at \$242 million 1991 level and stop funding satellite replacement project at amount already appropriated— \$56.8 million—rather than provide total \$200 million over next three years, as authorized by Congress.

Congress in November authorized \$265 million for CPB in 1992 and \$285 million in 1993, down from original congressional proposals of \$345 million and \$404 million. Original proposal for 1991 was \$304 million. Bill creates TV program fund specifically for independent productions.

NPR board will appoint working group early this year to design and present strategic plan for 1990's by next November; 10-member group will comprise mainly "citizen leaders" offering "perspective" from outside NPR



membership and will focus on new programing, FY 1989," which began Oct. 1, 1988, is first year of "unbundled" programing, under which members may now choose to purchase only news or only cultural programing. Board will propose FY 1990 budget in February, likely reflecting 20%-25% member dues increases to finance current service improvements and launch of new services.



FCC now has before it stack of petitions to reconsider, in whole or in part, new syndicated exclusivity rules it adopted at May 18. 1988, meeting. Rules empower broadcasters to enforce exclusivity of programs against cable systems that import duplicative.programing on distant broadcast signals. Broadcasters, led by National Association of Broadcasters and Association of Independent Television Stations, still strongly support rules, but they asked for refinements that would make it easier for broadcasters to enforce exclusivity. Cable interests, on other hand, still strongly oppose rules.

United Video, common carrier for superstations wGN-TV Chicago, wPIX(TV) New York and KTVT-TV Dallas, and Century Communications have already notified U.S. Court of Appeals of their intention to challenge rules in court.



Approximately 500 stations, over one-third of those now on air in U.S., are equipped to transmit stereo audio, including 59 ABC affiliates, 65 CBS affiliates, 146 NBC affiliates and 81 noncommercial stations.



Wireless cable is up and running in several markets and may be in several more within next year.

Microband Companies Inc., New York, is industry leader, with systems in Washington, Detroit and New York. Metropolitan Cablevision has 25,000 subscribers in Cleveland, and claims to be holding its own in head-tohead competition with Viacom-managed North Coast Cable, conventional cable system operator. People's Choice TV has targeted Sacramento, Calif.

Wireless cable's principal problem remains inability to secure right to cable programing at what operators feel are equitable rates. Wireless pioneers charge that programers' recalcitrance is due to pressure from conventional operators, the programers' principal customers and, in some cases, their owners. Programers say any discrimination against wireless cable is result of concern about financial stability of operators and signal security.

To keep cable programing flowing to wireless, WCA plans to keep heat on cable industry in Washington with charges of anticompetitive behavior. WCA has three champions on Capitol Hill: Senators Howard Metzenbaum (D-Ohio), Albert Gore (D-Tenn.) and Larry Pressler (R-S.D.).



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Jan. 23—Telecast of Television Academy Hall of Fame ceremony, sponsored by *Academy of Television Arts and Sciences*, honoring 1988 inductees Jack Benny, George Burns, Gracie Allen, Chet Huntley, David Brinkley, Red Skelton, David Susskind and David Wolper. Fox Broadcasting. Information: (818) 763-2975.

Jan. 23—"Syndication 101," NATPE Educational Foundation seminar. George Brown Convention Center, Houston. Information: (215) 664-4400.

Jan. 23—Deadline for entries in Ernie Pyle Award for human interest reporting, sponsored by *Scripps Howard Foundation*. Information: (513) 977-3035.

Jan. 24-25—Seminar on signal leakage and cumulative leakage index compliance, sponsored by *National Cable Television Association*. Albuquerque Airport Hilton, Albuquerque, N.M. Information: (202) 775-3637.

Jan. 24-27—NATPE International 26th annual convention. Keynote address: Michael Eisner, chairman-CEO, The Disney Co. George Brown Convention Center, Houston.

Jan. 24-27—"Jazz Casual," screening sponsored by *Museum of Broadcasting*, New York. Information: (212) 752-7684.

Jan. 25—New York Television Academy luncheon. Speakers: Jim Ryan, Gordon Elliott and Glenn (Hurricane) Schwartz, Good Day New York, WNYW-TV New York. Copacabana, New York.

■ Jan. 25—National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences, Washington chapter, luncheon. Speaker: Sheila Tate. press secretary for Bush-Quayle campaign and transition press secretary, on "The Press and the President: The Honeymoon Begins." Blackie's House of Beef, Washington. Information: (202) 835-0750.

Jan. 25—Texas Cable TV Association legislative meeting. First State Bank Tower, Austin, Tex. Information: (512) 474-2082.

Jan. 26—47th annual Alfred I. duPont-Columbia University Awards in Broadcast Journalism. Prior to ceremony, seminar will be held: "Broadcast News in the 1990's" featuring network news presidents David Burke, CBS; Michael Gartner, NBC, and Roone Arledge, ABC. Low Memorial Library, Columbia University, New York. Information: (212) 854-5573.

■ Jan. 26—Women in Cable, Chicago area chapter, 7th annual WIC awards banquet. Park West, Chicago.

Jan. 27—Deadline for entries in 21st annual Robert F. Kennedy Journalism Awards for Outstanding. Coverage of the Problems of the Disadvantaged, sponsored by *Robert F. Kennedy Memorial*. Information: Linda Semans. (202) 333-1880.

■ Jan. 27—"Tax Certificates in Telecommunications Ventures," seminar on tax certificates for minority-owned or controlled companies, sponsored by National Telecommunications and Information Administration, in conjunction with FCC, Verner, Liipfer, Bernhard, McPherson and Hand



Jan. 27-28—North American National Broadcasters Association annual meeting. Sheraton hotel, Mexico City. Information: (613) 738-6553.

Jan. 27-28—Colorado Association of Broadcasters winter meeting and awards banquet. Aurora, Colo.

Jan. 27-28—Minnesota Association of Cable Television Administrators sixth annual conference. Scanticon conference center and hotel, Plymouth, Minn.

Jan. 28-Feb. 1—National Religious Broadcasters 46th annual convention and exposition. Sheraton Washington and Omni Shoreham, Washington. Information: (201) 428-5400.

### Also in January

Jan. 30-31—South Carolina Cable TV Association winter meeting. Radisson Columbia hotel, Columbia, S.C. Information: (404) 252-2454.

Jan. 31—Deadline for entries in 14th annual Commendation Awards, sponsored by American Women in Radio and Television, recognizing "genuine and positive depictions of today's women in broadcast programing and advertising." Information: (202) 429-5102.

Jan. 31—Deadline for entries in *National Association of Broadcasters*' "Best of the Best" campaign, honoring radio promotions. Information: (202) 429-5420.

Jan. 31—Deadline for applications for *Harvard University*'s Nieman Fellowships for Journalists. Information: Program officer, Nieman Foundation, Watter Lippman House, One Francis Ave., Cambridge, Mass. 02138.

Jan. 31—Deadline for entries in awards contest sponsored by *Investigative Reporters and Edi*tors. Information: (314) 882-2042.

Jan. 31-Feb. 2—South Carolina Broadcasters Association 41st annual winter convention. Columbia, S.C.

Jan. 31-Feb. 3—"Swing into Spring with Benny Goodman," screening at *Museum of Broadcasting*, New York. Information: (212) 752-7684.

### **February**

Feb. 1—Deadline for entries in National Media Owl Awards, sponsored by *Retirement Research Foundation*, for "outstanding films, videotapes and television programs that address issues related to aging, capturing authentic images of older persons and illuminating the challenge and the promise of an aging society." Information: Joyce Bolinger, Center for New Television, Chicago 60605; (312) 427-5446.

Feb. 1—New York Television Academy drop-in luncheon. Speaker: Nicholas Davatzes, president, chief executive officer, Arts & Entertainment. Copacabana, New York. Information: (212) 765-2450.

Feb. 1—Deadline for entries in Radio-Television News Directors Association regional awards. Information: (202) 659-6510.

Feb. 1—*Television Bureau of Advertising* workshop for TV stations, "The Marketing Approach to Retail Business Development." Downtown Marriott, Chicago. Information: (212) 486-1111.

Feb. 2-4—Radio Advertising Bureau's ninth annual Managing Sales Conference. Loews Anatole,

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May 11-15—American Women in Radio and Television 38th annual convention. Waldorf-Astoria. New York. Information: (202) 429-5102.

May 17-20—American Association of Advertising Agencies 71st annual convention. White Sulphur Springs, W. Va.

May 17-21—Annual Public Radio Conference, coordinated by National Public Radio. St. Francis hotel, San Francisco.

May 21-24—National Cable Television Association annual convention. Dallas Convention Center, Dallas.

June 10-13—American Advertising Federation annual national conference. J.W. Marriott, Washington.

June 17-23—16th International Television Symposium. Montreux, Switzerland Information: 41-21-963-3220.

June 20-23-National Association of Broadcasters summer board meeting Washington.

June 21-25—Broadcast Promotion and Marketing Executives Broadcast Designers Association 33rd annual seminar. Renaissance Center. Detroit

Aug. 20-23—Cable Television Administration and Marketing Society annual conference Marriott, Chicago. Aug. 27-29—Eastern Cable Show, sponsored by Southern Cable Television Association. Merchandise Mart, Atlanta.

Sept. 13-16-Radio-Television News Directors Association annual convention. Kansas City Convention Center, Kansas City. Mo.

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Oct. 3-5—Atlantic Cable Show. Atlantic City Convention Center, Atlantic City, N.J. Information: (609) 848-1000.

Oct. 5-8---Society of Broadcast Engineers fourth annual national convention. Kansas City. Mo. Information: John Battison, (614) 888-3364. Future convention: Oct. 11-14, 1990, St. Louis.

Oct. 12-16—*MIPCOM*, international film and program market for TV, video, cable and satellite. Palais des Festivals. Cannes, France. Information: Perard Associates, (212) 967-7600.

Oct. 21-25—Society of Motion Picture and Television Engineers 131st technical conference and equipment exhibit. Los Angeles Convention Center.

Nov. 13-15-Television Bureau of Advertising annual meeting. Century Plaza, Los Angeles

Dec. 13-15—Western Cable Show, sponsored by California Cable Television Association. Anaheim Convention Center, Anaheim. Calif

Jan. 3-6, 1990—Association of Independent Television Stations annual convention. Century Plaza, Los Angeles.

Sept. 21-25, 1990—International Broadcasting Convention Brighton Convention Center, Brighton, England.

#### Dallas. Information: (212) 254-4800.

Feb. 3-4—Society of Motion Picture and Television Engineers 23rd annual television conference. Guest speaker: Julius Barnathan, president, ABC Broadcast Operations and Engineering. St. Francis hotel, San Francisco.

Feb. 5-7—Michigan Association of Broadcasters midwinter conference and exhibits with engineering seminars. Lansing, Mich. Information: (517) 484-7444.

Feb. 6-7—National Association of Broadcasters managers roundtable, meeting "designed to give small and medium market general managers the chance to exchange ideas." Ramada Renaissance, Atlanta. Information: (202) 429-5420.

Feb. 6-8-Arbitron Television Advisory Council meeting. Doral hotel, Miami.

■ Feb. 7—Robert MacNeil and Jim Lehrer to speak on development and production of *Mac-Neil-Lehrer Newshour*, seminar sponsored by *Museum of Broadcasting*. Museum, New York. Information: (212) 752-7684.

Feb. 7-8—Television Advertising Workshop, sponsored by Association of National Advertisers. Speakers include: Laurence Tisch. CBS; Thomas Murphy, Capcities/ABC; Robert Wright, NBC; Peter Jennings, ABC; Kathleen Sullivan, CBS; Preston Padden, INTV; Robert Aiter, Cable Advertising Bureau; Barbara Corday, CBS Entertainment, and Hugh Downs, ABC. Plaza hotel, New York. Information: (202) 785-1525.

Feb. 7-8—Arizona Cable Television Association annual meeting. Sheraton Phoenix. Information: (602) 257-9338.

Feb. 8—New York Television Academy drop-in luncheon. Speaker: John Gault, executive VP, ATC, and chief executive officer, Manhattan Cable TV. Copacabana, New York. Information: (212) 765-2450.

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Feb. 9—International Radio and Television Society newsmaker luncheon. Speakers: Brandon Tartikoff, president. NBC Entertainment; Brandon Stoddard, president, ABC Entertainment, and Kim LeMasters, president, CBS Entertainment. Waldorf-Astoria, New York.

Feb. 10-Deadline for entries in Corporation for Public Broadcasting's Public Television Local Program Awards, "recognizing outstanding local pro-graming in public television." Information: (202) 955-5211.

Feb. 10-12-Oklahoma Association of Broadcasters winter meeting. Tulsa Marriott hotel, Tulsa, Okla. Information: (405) 528-2475.

11-Presentation of 21st annual Addy Feb. Awards, sponsored by Advertising Club of Metro-politan Washington. Sheraton Washington hotel, Washington. Information: (301) 656-2582.

Feb. 13-Deadline for entries in Livingston Awards for Young Journalists (34 years old and younger), sponsored by Mollie Parnis Livingston Foundation of University of Michigan. Information: (313) 764-2424,

Feb. 13-Deadline for entries in E.W. Scripps Award for service to the First Amendment, sponsored by Scripps Howard Foundation. Information: (513) 977-3035.

Feb. 13-Roundtable forum on libel reform proposal of Annenberg Washington Program. Panelists include libel specialists from law and journalism schools. Annenberg office, Willard office building, Washington. Information: (202) 393-7100.

Feb. 13-14—Georgia Cable Television Associa-tion annual convention. Omni International Atlan-ta. Information: (404) 252-4371.

Feb. 13-18-11th International Film, Television and Video Market. Loews hotel, Monte Carlo, Monaco. Information: (33) 93-30-8701

Feb. 14-15-Broadcast Credit Association Credit seminar. Orlando Airport Marriott, Orlando, Fla. Information: (312) 827-9330.

Feb. 14-15-Seminar on signal leakage and cumulative leakage index compliance, sponsored by National Cable Television Association. Atlanta Airport Hilton, Atlanta. Information: (202) 775-3637

Feb. 15-New York Television Academy drop-in luncheon. Speaker: Michael Alexander, executive vice president, MCA Broadcasting. Copacabana, New York, Information: (212) 765-2450.

Feb. 15-Deadline for entries in 17th annual Clarion Awards "recognizing excellence and outstand-ing achievement in 57 areas of journalism and communications," sponsored by *Women in Com-munications*. Information: (703) 528-4200.

Feb. 16—Federal Communications Bar Association monthly luncheon. Speaker: Robert Allen, chairman, AT&T. Marriott hotel, Washington.

Feb. 16-National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences presentation of Trustees Award to Peggy Charren, founder and president of Action for Children's Television. Marriott Marguis hotel, New York. Information: (212) 586-8424.

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Feb. 22—Illinois Broadcasters Association college seminar. Normal, III.

Feb. 22-24—Texas Cable Show, sponsored by *Texas Cable TV Association*. San Antonio, Tex. Information: (512) 474-2082.

Feb. 23—"The Future of Network News and the Changing Relationship Between Network and Local News," meeting of *Society of Professional Journalists*. Panelists: Barbara Matuso, author, The Evening Stars: "The Making of the Network News Anchor"; George Watson, Washington bureau chief, ABC News; Bob Richbloom, news director, WJLA-TV Washington. and Bret Marcus, news director, WRC-TV Washington. NBC, 4001 Massachusetts Avenue, Washington.

**Feb. 24**—Deadline for entries in *Long Island Advertising Club's* Best on Long Island award, recognizing outstanding marketing and advertising campaigns. Information: (516) 489-5746.

Feb. 27-28—Illinois Broadcasters Association congressional visit, Washington.

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March 1-2—"What's Ahead for the 1990's?" public affairs seminar sponsored by *Women in Communications*. Key Bridge Marriott, Arlington, Va. Information: (703) 528-4200.

■ March 1-3—National Association of Broadcasters leadership conference. J.W. Marriott, Washington.

March 1-4—20th annual Country Radio Seminar, sponsored by *Country Radio Broadcasters*. Opryland hotel, Nashville. Information: (615) 327-4488.

March 2—International Radio and Television Society annual presentation of Gold Medal Award, this year to five recipients, in honor of 50th anniversary of IRTS: For news, Walter Cronkite; radio, Paul Harvey; TV, Bob Hope; advertising, Edward Ney, and cable, Ted Turner. Waldorf-Astoria, New York. Information: (212) 867-6650.

March 3-Deadline for entries in International Gold Medallion competition, sponsored by *Broadcast Promotion & Marketing Executives*. Information: Jay Curtis, (213) 465-3777.



March 3-4— Eighth convention of Northern California chapter of Radio Television News Directors Association. Concord Hilton, Concord, Calif. Information: (415) 451-8760.

March 5-6—Cable Television Public Affairs Association Cable Forum '89. Vista International hotel, Washington. Information: (202) 639-8844.

March 7-10—Audio Engineering Society convention. Congress Centrum, Harnburg, West Germany. Information: (030) 831-28-10.

March 8-9—Ohio Association of Broadcasters congressional salute. Sheraton Grande, Washington.

March 12-14—West Virginia Broadcasters Association spring meeting. Ramada Inn, Beckley, W. Va. Information: (304) 344-3798.

March 12-16—Sixth world conference of broadcasting unions, organized and hosted by *North American National Broadcasters Association*. Willard hotel, Washington. Information: (613) 738-6553.

March 13-14—National Association of Broadcasters group head fly-in, "where heads of radio station groups will meet to discuss common issues and concerns of the broadcast industry." DFW Hyatt Regency hotel, Dallas. Information: (202) 429-5420.

March 14—Ohio Cable Television Association annual meeting and legislative reception. Hyatt on Capitol Square, Columbus, Ohio. Information: (614) 461-4014.

March 15—International Radio and Television Society newsmaker luncheon. Speaker: John Malone, president-chief executive officer, TCI. Waldorf-Astoria, New York. Information: (212) 867-6650.

March 16—45th annual dinner of *Radio & Television Correspondents Association*. Grand Hyatt hotel, Washington. Information: (202) 828-7016.

March 21—American Advertising Federation spring government affairs conference. Willard hotel, Washington. Information: (202) 898-0089.

March 21-23—Satellite Broadcasting and Communications Association/STTI satellite communications trade show. Bally's, Las Vegas. Information: (800) 654-9276 or (703) 549-6990.

March 22—Radio station acquisition seminar, sponsored by *National Association of Broadcast*ers. New York Hilton and Towers at Rockefeller Center, New York. Information: (202) 429-5420.

March 22—Broadcast Pioneers Mike Award dinner. Plaza hotel, New York. Information: (212) 586-2000.

March 23—National Association of Black Owned Broadcasters fifth annual Communications Awards dinner. Sheraton Washington hotel, Washington. Information: Ava Sanders, (202) 463-8970.

March 24-25—11th annual Black College Radio convention, sponsored by *Collegiate Broadcasting Group*. Paschal's hotel, Atlanta. Information: (404) 523-6136.

March 29—New Jersey Broadcasters Association annual managers conference. Rutgers University Continuing Education Center, New Brunswick, N.J. Information: (201) 247-3337.

March 29-30—Illinois Broadcasters Association spring convention. Ramada, Springfield, Va.

March 30—Federal Communications Bar Association monthly luncheon, featuring international telecommunications panel, including Seth Blumenfeld, president, MCI International. Marriott, Washington.

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hy all the fuss about reality-based television programing? Tabloid TV, trash TV. Those and other derogatory terms have been used to describe the subject matter of a growing number of programs. As the developer and producer of *Crimewatch Tonight* (which goes into syndication in September 1989), a program sure to be included with the growing list of reality-based programs, I read with interest the overabundant attacks by television columnists, editorial writers and even hard news reporters in newspapers nationally.

The obvious inference from the expression "tabloid TV" is that these shows are video equivalents of supermarket "newspapers.'' But, the stories we covered in the Crimewatch Tonight pilot also ran in Vanity Fair, The Los Angeles Times and the Oma-ha World Herald. I think the four best crime newspapers in the U.S. are, in order, The Wall Street Journal, The Los Angeles Times, The Miami Herald and The Washington Post. The Journal runs two or three front page crime leaders a week. Naturally, the Journal specializes in white collar crime-it won the Pulitzer for its Ivan Boesky story. But, it also broke the Church of Love mail-order fraud, beating A Current Affair by at least a month with a truly wonderful story.

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On the Sunday before Christmas, 60 Minutes aired yet another crime story, this time about American models who fall victim to promises of fame and fortune from European model agencies. It was a story that we broke first in our Crimewatch Tonight pilot.

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Television made newspaper sports reporting redundant. Nobody needed to read play by play after they had seen it, so newspaper sports reporters went behind the scenes and sports pages read like gossip columns.



<sup>44</sup>Newspaper critics attack individual television programs rather than examine the entire news mix on a broadcast station.<sup>77</sup>

Before the introduction of *Entertainment* Tonight, newspapers had a lock on the inside world of show business. Today, the information broadcast in one segment of *ET* and similar local broadcast entertainment coverage greatly rivals the stories and items contained in the television pages, movie reviews and gossip columns of an average daily newspaper. Television adds glitz complete with sound bites of favorite stars—to an otherwise run-of-the-mill entertainment story found in the local paper. TV seems to offer a more intimate glimpse than the printed page.

Usurped already by news, sports and entertainment coverage, newspapers are not about to label the crime beat "free for the taking." Throughout the country, newspapers are giving more pages to crime.

To give newspapers their due, there are some real differences within the "tabloid TV" genre. When it comes to talk shows, Morton Downey Jr. is by format more sensational than Geraldo and Geraldo is by content somewhat more sensational than Oprah or Donahue. When it comes to magazine tabloid shows, I think its fairest to draw the line at "recreations"—some shows do 'em and some don't.

Years ago, there was a New York tabloid called *The New York Graphic*. Its specialty was composite photos. If a celebrity was murdered and there were no pictures of the body available, they'd find a picture of a body in similar death, superimpose the head of the celebrity on the body picture, print the word "composite" in very small letters under the picture, and sell newspapers. *The New York Graphic* did not survive the competition with *The New York Daily News* and *The Daily Mirror*, which did not use recreations.

I think recreations are today's version of the composite photo. For instance, a recent airing of the NBC program called Unsolved Mysteries told the story of the Mustang massacre in Nevada. The hero of the story was Len Sims, the lawman responsible for protecting the wild horses. Unsolved Mysteries, as we were told, hired an actor to play Sims in the program. We have done the same story for our show, People Magazine on TV. We have Len Sims himself telling the story. Nothing Unsolved Mysteries is doing is wrong. As we understand it, the actor is clearly identified as an actor, but there is a difference between Hollywood and journalism. So long as the "tabloid TV" shows respect that difference, they're still in the news business.

All this is a long way around stating the obvious. Television is programing more news than it used to. News of all kinds, crime news, entertainment news, sports news, style news, etc. That sort of news appears in newspapers along with national news and international news. But, believe it or not, despite what the critics say, national and international news remains a major part of television journalism.

Newspapers' report a mix of national news, entertainment news, crime news, feature news and lifestyle news—it seems eminently reasonable for television stations to do the same. Newspaper critics attack individual television programs rather than examine the entire news mix on a broadcast station. A broadcast station that carries a half hour of *Entertainment Tonight* a half hour of feature news program like A Current Affair or Inside Edition or even Crimewatch Tonight has roughly the same mix of news as most of America's better newspapers.

Until The New York Times decides to drop its B and C sections or the Washington Post drops its Metro and Style sections, I think Peter Boyer and Tom Shales ought to leave us alone.

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#### TOP OF THE WEEK



Ku-band trucks in Washington to transmit coverage of inauguration

#### From pomp to unforeseen circumstance

The media were fast on their feet and in their satellite trucks last week, as Fifth Estate journalists scrambled to cover news across the nation. The stories ranged from the well-planned and extensive inauguration activities of President George Bush and Vice President Dan Quayle in Washington to the unthinkable schoolyard killings in Stockton, Calif.

America and much of the world watch as George Herbert Walker Bush becomes the 41st President of the United States

President George Bush delivered his inaugural address from what he called "democracy's front porch," and a large part of the world watched. From early morning—with television pictures of the President-elect and his wife going to church, through the swearing-in ceremonies and the inaugural address at the Capitol and then the parade down Pennsylvania Avenue—viewers in the U.S. and around the world were witness to another in the series of celebrations that have marked the transfer of power in the U.S. The coverage also provided a graphic closing of the chapter on the Reagan years, with pictures of the former President and his wife boarding the plane to return them to Los Angeles.



Bush at swearing-in

All of that and more was covered by thousands of correspondents, editors, technicians and photographers. Some 7,000 were given credentials. And they represented organizations as far away as Europe and Japan. (Japan's NHK even taped the inauguration with a high-definition television camera for use in demonstrations of the new technology.) Many more helped produce the coverage without ever moving away from a television set. Many of those who were the busiest during the day were the directors and producers who toiled in cramped control rooms, selecting the pictures that would be transmitted. And in the U.S., the television audience for at least some part of the day was expected to approach 45 million.

The story lacked the drama of the events surrounding the first Reagan inauguration, when coverage of the swearing-in competed for attention with the release of the hostages who had been held by Iran for more than a year. But the Bushes did, as ABC News's Brit Hume put it, "energize" the crowd during the parade by climbing out of the new \$600,000 Lincoln assigned to the White House, and walk a short distance, a la





NBC

the Carters in 1977, before climbing back in. And for those in the media looking for signals as to the new President's views that might affect them, there was the passage in his address speaking of the importance of "free markets" and "free speech" as well as "free elections, and the exercise of free will unhampered by the state" as a means of achieving "a more just and prosperous life."

The Bush inauguration—like an increasing number of major stories in recent years—was not the sole property of the major networks. One sign of the changing times was that the *fourth* network, CNN, served as coordinator of the overall pool. (NBC provided the pool on Capitol Hill, CBS at the parade and ABC, at Lafayette Park, across from the White House.) Another was that C-SPAN, which was operating both of its services, also provided a pool, and at prices so cheap—a television station group could subscribe to coverage of the three days of inaugural events for \$700—that 18 organizations subscribed, at least to supplement their own or network pool coverage. The cost of the network pool was not officially disclosed, but an executive of one group owner that refused to subscribe said it would have had to pay \$25,000.

The number of Ku-band trucks that rolled into Washington last week was one indication of how broadly based the television coverage was. The trucks—about 40 in all—served stations in all parts of the country. Then, too, there were the 200 organizations several of them foreign—that were accredited to cover the swearing-in at the Capitol. Like the trucks, many of the organizations represented networks and groups that in turn served dozens of stations. Group W's Newsfeed, for instance, provided services for crews from 15 stations and, in addition, sent its regular feed to 95 stations. The Public Broadcasting Service, whose coverage of America in transition began on Jan. 16 and will culminate with a documentary on Sunday, was also at the inauguration. Noncommercial WETA-TV Washington's Paul Duke anchored one hour of live coverage of the swearing-in and the inaugural address. Inaugurations are not just for networks anymore.

The coverage of the inauguration did more than expose the new





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President and his family to the American public. It enabled the ABC, CBS and NBC news organizations to introduce their new White House correspondents—Hume for ABC, Lesley Stahl, who is returning to the beat for CBS, and John Cochran for NBC.

Two of the network correspondents who had been among the best known on the White House beat and are now moving on to new assignments—ABC's Sam Donaldson and CBS's Bill Plante—on Friday afternoon literally headed into the sunset along with the Reagans. Plante was part of the CBS pool aboard the plane. An ABC spokesperson said Donaldson had been invited by the Reagans to make the last trip with them. He was completing his second term with them, his third in all.

#### Media become part of the story in Miami as news crews are pelted by rocks and bottles while covering riots

Reporters and cameramen were not immune to the violence in Miami last week. As they strove to cover the riots that erupted in the city's black Overtown section on the Martin Luther King Jr. holiday (Jan. 16), they became part of the story. Many were pelted with rocks and bottles. One cameraman was attacked by a group of youths. A CNN crew was pinned down with police by a sniper for an hour. And several station automobiles were set on fire or vandalized.

The trouble started when a Miami police officer, William Lozano, allegedly fatally shot Clement Lloyd, a black man on a motorcycle, following a chase. Relationships between blacks in the area and the police have been strained over the past several years.

According to Fox affiliate wSVN(TV)'s news director Joel Cheatwood, the station first reported the ensuing disturbances at 6:35 p.m., interrupting its evening newscast with a bulletin.

WTVJ(TV), the NBC affiliate, interrupted its scheduled programing at 7:45 p.m. with a newsbrief and then provided regular updates. WPLG(TV), the ABC affiliate, and WCIX(TV), the CBS affiliate, went with the story at 8:15 p.m. and 9 p.m., respectively.

Broadcasting Jan 23 1989 68 WSvN's 10 p.m. news ran until 11:30, while the other three stations extended their 11 o'clock newscasts by 30 minutes.

Among the injured were Lourdes Ruiz-Toledo, a wCIX assignment editor who was hit by a rock thrown through the windshield of her car; John Copeland, a WTVJ photographer who was hit by a bottle; Chuck Cowan, a technician with WSVN, who was hit in the arm and the head with bottles. Carlos Corrales, a cameraman with WLTV(Tv), was attacked by youths while shooting footage in Liberty City, another troubled area. Corrales said he did not want to aggravate the situation, but 'you don't run either.'' None of the injuries was serious, and all were back at work the next day.

Among the more dramatic news reports was one turned in Monday night by wPLG's 11 p.m. anchor Terri Merryman. Merryman and her crew joined several other news crews on an overpass directly above the rioting. Violence erupted when one station's crew turned on its lights. Merryman was preparing to do her report when rioters bombarded the crew with rocks and bottles. She was forced to crouch beside the news van to send her live feed. She said, "It was very frightening....The cameraman made me duck behind the truck....They [the rioters] could see us but we could not see them...." At first rioters were attacking from only one side of the bridge; however, some rushed to the other side, and the news crews were attacked from both sides.

John Zarella, CNN Miami bureau chief, was in a similar situation that night. Zarella was on an overpass getting ready to feed his



WSVN(TV) coverage of disturbance in Miami

report when his crew came under attack. "The next thing l knew l saw a group of kids coming over the embankment and hurling rocks and bottles at us. We left and moved up a quarter of a mile to a higher overpass and did a live shot at [12:15 a.m]." When Zarella was asked whether he could delay his shoot, he said one has to "take it when you can get it or you may not get it."

#### NBC crew goes undercover in Long Beach, films policeman pushing man through storefront window; network refuses to turn over videotape to city investigation

An NBC Network News crew in Los Angeles ventured into undercover, hidden-camera investigative reporting Saturday, Jan. 14, and produced a dramatic story of alleged police brutality that captured national attention last week.

*NBC Nightly News*, the *Today* show and NBC affiliate news programs across the country shocked viewers last Sunday, Monday and Tuesday when they aired footage showing an on-duty Long Beach, Calif., police officer, Mark Dickey, apparently pushing a man into a storefront window, face first, shattering the glass.

In addition to generating local outcries over police conduct, the hidden-camera piece raised constitutional controversy, as NBC refused Long Beach police requests to view video outtakes.

The taping of the confrontation was the result, said NBC News

spokesman John Bianchi, of a "sting operation" arranged with Hawthorne, Calif., police Sergeant Don Jackson—the man pushed through the window in the videotape—who came to NBC "six months ago" with the idea of documenting what he said was a pattern of racially motivated police brutality in the Los Angeles area (Jackson is black). Jackson and NBC News had attempted the sting two months ago, said Bianchi, "but nothing happened."

The video was taped under street light after sunset using one camera concealed inside Jackson's car and another camera concealed in an adjacent van. The only editing of the tape, said *Today* show substitute anchor Deborah Norville on the air Tuesday, was to delete "the profanity, which was bleeped out by audio tones."

However, Thomas Ross, senior vice president, NBC News, told BROADCASTING last Thursday, "We did not broadcast all of the tape, but we did broadcast a journalistically sound excerpt."

NBC Nightly News Weekend Edition aired the videotape first on Sunday, and the Today show aired it Monday morning. Both programs continued to follow the story into the middle of last week . while NBC affiliates did the same.

By Tuesday, officer Dickey had been suspended from duty pending an internal Long Beach Police Department review, and newspapers nationwide were reporting expressions of public outrage toward police.

On Wednesday, Long Beach Mayor Ernie Kell asked the network—on the air, through Norville—to release the network's video outtakes and implied that withholding them constituted obstruction. "NBC could help us greatly if you would agree to let us view the unedited version of the tapes," he said. "It's my understanding you will not, and frankly you're hampering the investigation."

Citing "constitutional protection and California laws that protect reporters' notes and tapes" from confiscation later that day, NBC News President Michael Gartner refused requests for the videotape.

"The network won't provide anything that wasn't shown on the air," neither to Long Beach officials nor anyone else, said Bianchi. Gartner was, said Ross, adhering to NBC's own rule not to provide outtakes. The network, he said, did get requests from the Los Angeles police "to provide outtakes and allow them to interview our people. We respectfully declined on both counts. We have not been subpoenaed."

The version aired on *Today*—less than a minute in length, said Bianchi—began several seconds before Jackson's car was pulled over and ended with Dickey handcuffing and slamming Jackson down onto the hood of the police cruiser. *Today* anchor Jane Pauley interviewed Jackson live Monday morning.

According to Bianchi, NBC's decision to participate in the "sting" had also been questioned. "Public opinion appears split," he said, with some saying it was a legitimate form of journalism, as well as public service, and others saying it "skirts the edges of entrapment."

By mid-week, the entrapment charge was fueled by questions surrounding Jackson's actions during the confrontation and his history with Los Angeles area police. *The Washington Post* Wednesday quoted various police officials, including Hawthorne Police Chief Kenneth Stonebraker, who criticized Jackson's tactics in the Long Beach incident, and in similar past incidents, as provocative.

Jackson's stepping out of the car, complaining about being stopped and refusing to put his hands on his head (actions apparently confirmed by the videotape), said Stonebraker, was cause for alarm on the part of Dickey, who could be heard in the video saying, "I don't know if you've got a [expletive] knife or weapon on you."

Said Ross: "This entire reporting operation was conducted with great care. All our internal guidelines were followed; all the proper authorities in New York were consulted" by the Los Angeles bureau staff. "There was no staging. We feel that it was, in every way, a proper journalistic exercise."

#### Sacramento-Stockton stations faced with delicate problem of covering aftermath of schoolyard massacre

The question of how to handle a bloody tragedy responsibly and with sensitivity faced the TV news departments in the Sacramento-Stockton, Calif., market last Tuesday (Jan. 17), after a man with a rifle and two semi-automatic pistols walked onto the grounds of Cleveland Elementary School in Stockton, shot and killed five children, wounded 29 others and a teacher and then killed himself. All five fatalities were children of Southeast Asian refugees.

NBC affiliate KCRA-TV Sacramento had a video crew on the scene about 15 minutes after the incident, which took place at 11:42 a.m. KCRA-TV reporter Sara Reyes described the scene at that time as "chaos. Utter chaos. There were kids all over. There were



KOVR-TV

emergency crews and police trying to take parents away. Parents were crying and nervous."

Crews from the local ABC affiliate KOVR-TV and CBS affiliate KXTV(TV) arrived minutes after KCRA-TV. However, the first live

reports from the scene were not shown on all three stations until after 1 p.m., because ENG trucks were based in Sacramento, nearly an hour's drive away. Word of the shootings reached the stations and was reported during regular noon newscasts.

Upon the news crews' arrival, parents of children in the school were already on the scene, Reyes said. Reporters tried to interview parents then, but little was known at that time, and the only responses were prayers that their children were safe. Later, further attempts were made to question them as the parents waited in front of the school cafeteria, where they were to find out whether their children had been hurt or killed. "They are real short questions and you don't push them for answers" in such a situation, Reyes said. "If he or she breaks down, you try to comfort them with a hand on the arm and then go on."

At KXTV, news director Tom Newberry was sure that parent interviews were handled with care. "We've been over that ground before and had discussions about these kinds of things," he said. During its 11 p.m. newscast, KXTV was the first to have interviews with families of the victims, according to Newberry.

with families of the victims, according to Newberry. "A lot of the kids' parents didn't speak English, especially the children that were killed," said Bart Feder, KOVR-TV news director. Some of the interviews required a translator, he said.

All stations provided constant live updates throughout the afternoon and expanded their regular evening and night newscasts. All stations also had live coverage of a dramatic press briefing held the next day when Stockton Police Captain Dennis Perry identified the gunman and displayed the weapons used during the attack. All stations had kind words for the local police. "The Stockton

All stations had kind words for the local police. "The Stockton police were very cooperative under the circumstances, which was absolute pandemonium," according to Bob Jordan, KCRA-TV news director. Police placed few restrictions on the crews at the school and provided officers for repeated live interviews in the aftermath.

Video from all the local affiliates were provided to the networks. KCRA-TV also provided pictures for CNN.

#### Paramount takes step toward buy of TVX stations

Agreement in principle would see studio purchase stock of Salomon Brothers in troubled TV group

Paramount Pictures and New York investment bank Salomon Brothers have reached an agreement in principle that would give Paramount the option to purchase Salomon's majority holdings in TVX Broadcast Group, the independent TV station group owner that suffered financial setbacks following its 1987 purchase of five Taft Broadcasting stations.

Under the terms of the agreement in principle, Paramount would acquire options on all of Salomon's common stock and preferred stock in TVX. On a fully diluted basis, Salomon's holdings amount to 79% of the equity of TVX.

In other news related to TVX's finances, the company's chairman, Gene Loving, said last week that TVX has signed a Jetter of intent to sell its Memphis station for \$7 million plus a portion of the station's receivables. The buyer, Loving said, is MT Communications, the company that bought TVX's Nashville station, WCAY-TV, last year. TVX has embarked on a program of station sales in an effort to restructure the company as a financially healthy, five-station group.

As a first step in its agreement with Paramount, Salomon would contribute equity securities representing about 51% of TVX's outstanding voting common stock to a new holding company. Paramount would have an option to buy 49% of the new venture later this year at a cost of \$10.4 million, and would have further options to buy out the rest of the venture and the balance of Salomon's stock not held in the joint venture. To purchase all of the holdings, said a



source familiar with the transaction, would cost Paramount between \$125 million and \$180 million, based on the future financial performance of TVX. Salomon Brothers has about a \$140 million investment in its

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TVX stock, as estimated from TVX's 1988 proxy statement.

Dennis McAlpine of Oppenheimer & Co. said that according to his understanding of the terms of the agreement, Paramount's maximum \$180 million payment for Salomon's stake would represent a multiple of 3.5 times annual cash flow of TVX's fivestation "core" group covering 9% of the country. "That, to me, is a good deal," McAlpine said.

Paramount's potential control of TVX would parallel other studios' ownership of television stations, McAlpine pointed out, including MCA's wwoR-TV Secaucus, N.J. (New York), and Disney's recently acquired KHJ-TV Los Angeles. One industry source said that Paramount has been exploring station acquisitions for some time.

Salomon Brothers' holdings in TVX are rooted in a \$248 million bridge loan it made to TVX in 1987 to temporarily finance TVX's purchase of five major-market independents from Taft Broadcasting Co. When Salomon and TVX were unable to secure replacement, high-yield financing, TVX found itself unable to make a \$200 million payment due in early 1988 on the loan from Salomon. Under a recapitalization plan approved late last year, much of the debt owed Salomon was exchanged for a new issue of preferred stock, convertible into voting common stock at a one-for-one ratio. Salomon currently holds all of the company's 21.6 million shares of convertible preferred stock, as well as 1.4 million of the company's 5.9 million shares of voting

Salomon expects to contribute its 1.4 million shares of voting common stock to the venture with Paramount, along with about 3.3 million shares of preferred stock, which will be converted to common. If Paramount, as expected, purchases a 49% stake in the venture, Salomon will sell 2% to the managers of the venture, leaving Salomon with a venture share equal to Paramount's. A source close to the transaction said that it was possible that current TVX management would be the manager of the venture, which is expected to control 51% of the company's voting common stock.

The \$10.4 million purchase price mentioned for Paramount's stake in the joint venture represents a price of \$4.50 per share of the common stock. On the day the deal was announced, TVX's stock rose \$1.625 per share to close at \$3.875

TVX plans to hold on to WTXF-TV Philadelphia, KTXA(TV) Fort Worth, KTXH(TV) Houston, WDCA-TV Washington and WLFL-TV Raleigh-Durham, N.C. All of those stations, other than WLFL-TV, were acquired in the 1987 Taft purchase. The company is seeking buyers not only for its Memphis station, mentioned above, but also for its New Orleans, Norfolk, and 80%-owned San Antonio stations. Last year, TVX sold wCIX-TV Miami to CBS for \$59 million.

For the nine months ended Sept. 30, 1988, TVX reported an operating loss of \$14.8 million on revenues of \$138.4 million. At that time, the company said it had current and long-term program contract liabilities totalling \$109 million. It is not known how much of that money, if any, is owed to Paramount.

Paramount has a small interest in wGBS-TV Philadelphia, a station that competes with TVX's local WTXF-TV. Following the reorganization of Grant Broadcasting in bankruptcy proceedings last year, Paramount took a stake smaller than 5% in Combined Broadcasting, the company that took over Grant's stations, including wGBS-TV. A spokesman for Paramount said that because of the small size of Paramount's holdings in Combined Broadcasting, the company's holdings in both Philadelphia stations "won't create a problem."

One pre-existing tie between Paramount and the TVX stations is Lucy Salhany, president of the domestic television division of Paramount Pictures. Before she joined Paramount, Salhany worked for several years as vice president of television and cable programing for Taft Broadcasting.□

#### BFM survey ignites controversy over barter impact

#### Other results: slightly fewer network preemptions indicated; business managers expect continued increases in program costs

Results of a survey to be presented at the NATPE International convention this week indicate that many stations do little profit and cost analysis before making programing decisions and do not attempt to involve either financial or sales people in the programing process. The survey, distributed by the Broadcast Financial Management Association to business managers of 1,000 TV stations, indicates that despite intentions of not spending more for programing, station programing costs at most stations are expected to increase by high-single-digit or double-digit percentages over the next five years. The advent of barter programing worsened a station's profitability, according to almost half of those responding.

Not surprisingly, those said to be most involved in programing acquisitions were the general managers and program managers. One-quarter of business and financial managers said they had no involvement in cash programing decisions while sales managers had slightly more involvement. Sales managers were less involved in the acquisition of barter programing than financial managers.

The lack of involvement may lead to apathy; almost one-third of the business managers said they had not read their station's May rating book (the BFM survey was conducted in October).

Whether a station undertakes a profit/cost analysis before making a program decision may depend on the type of programing it's considering. For syndicated programs, such analysis is virtually always done, according to the survey, whereas for feature film packages, analysis is always done by only about half the stations. And for barter programs almost two-fifths said they did a profit/cost analysis only "sometimes" or "never."

The survey provided seemingly opposite answers to the question of programing costs. When asked specifically about different programing forms and whether the station expected to increase its expenditures (see chart), most said they were planning to spend the same, except that roughly half of the stations said they will be spending more on local news and other local programing. However, between 30% and 45% said they would spend less on first-run hours, children's shows and mini-series.

When asked whether programing costs overall would increase next year, only 8% of the respondents said they expected station program costs to go down. Roughly one-fifth said that costs would increase between 1% and 5%; one-quarter between 6% and 10%; one-fifth between 11% and 15%, and almost one-quarter said programing costs would increase more than 16%. For a longer-term projection of programing costs there was a similar spread, with more than three-quarters saying cost increases would average 6% or more over the next five years.

Two-thirds of station business managers indicated the amount of network preemptions would not change at their station in the next year. Roughly 15% said they would preempt "somewhat more"; none said they would increase "substantially more." Saying they would preempt "somewhat less" were 13.8%, and "substantially less," 4.8%.

The BFM survey was initially suggested by NATPE, but the final survey was sponsored by BFM alone. Some NATPE members are reportedly upset by the results to one question: "In your opinion, has the advent of barter programing affected your station's profitability?" Twice as many of those responding said that barter had "somewhat" or "substantially" worsened profitability as those who said barter improved profitability. Roughly one of three respondents indicated it had not changed profitability. Barter spots accounted for more than 50 minutes per week at almost two-thirds of the stations responding.

After discussion with some NATPE members, BFM decided to add George Back, president of All American Television, to the panel session at which the survey results will be presented. The survey drew a 15% response rate, said Bob McAuliffe, BFM's executive director. Of the roughly 145 respondents, half were part of privately owned station groups; another quarter were part of publicly held station groups, with most of the rest being standalone privately owned stations.

#### Program spending strategies: Keeping the cash at the station\*

Percentage intending to spend	More	Less	Same
Local programing	51.9	6.2	41.7
Local news	45.8	5.5	48.8
Sports	25.3	16.1	58.4
Off-network sitcoms	21.6	27.6	50.7
First-run sitcoms	18.8	22.8	58.2
Game shows	12.0	26.6	61.2
First-run hours	11.2	31.8	56.8
Kids-live action	8.7	39.6	51.5
Animation	7.0	43.3	49.6
Mini-series	6.3	44.4	49.2
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#### **King World captures Cassandra**

Nielsen's Cassandra syndication report for the November 1988 sweeps showed King World's troika of programs, *Wheel of Fortune, Jeopardy!* and *The Oprah Winfrey Show*, finishing, once again, first, second and third, respectively, in household rankings.

In its first sweeps outing, the off-network *Cosby Show* vaulted to fourth place, with an average 11.5 rating/22 share, and is expected to make a run at third place, where *Oprah* averaged a 12/24. *Cosby* was ranked number one, however, in key demographics, including women 18-34 and 18-49, men 18-34, and teenagers.

*P.M. Magazine* finished in fifth place overall, and an Oprah Winfrey special, *No One Dies Alone*, finished in sixth place. *Donahue* placed seventh, while *Win, Lose or Draw* and *Entertainment Tonight* tied for eighth. The off-network *Cheers* placed

10th, while first-season *Family Feud* tied *Night Court*, in its first season in syndication, for 11th place.

Family Ties finished 13th, followed by A Current Affair, which averaged a 6.5/12. Geraldo and Star Trek: The Next Generation tied for 15th, each averaging a 6.3 rating (the Star Trek average is for less than the full sweeps period because the first-run weekly was delayed due to the writers' strike).

The much publicized USA Today On TV (known as USA Today: The Television Show during the sweeps) was ranked 20th overall in its first sweeps outing. Paramount's first-season weekly War of the Worlds ranked 30th with an average 4.6/7.

Buena Vista Television's Duck Tales remained the numberone children's show, followed by Cosby, Punky Brewster, Disney and Fun House. The top five shows in late fringe were Newhart, Cheers,  $M^*A^*S^*H$ , Family Ties and Night Court.

#### No discouraging words at NAB board meeting

'Love fest' in Phoenix finds directors pleased with budget, generally in agreement over policy direction

Harmony and unanimity were the watchwords of last week's National Association of Broadcasters joint board of directors meeting in Scottsdale, Ariz. It was, as one director said, "a love fest." The only shortcomings, perhaps, were environmental (the weather, especially at night, was chillier than most preferred and there were complaints that the exclusive Scottsdale Princess hotel complex was too expansive).

A more cohesive NAB emerged after the four-day session. Only a year ago in Hawaii, NAB President Eddie Fritts and the board were at odds. The directors were unhappy with NAB's budget process and Fritts was piqued over what he felt were attempts to micromanage the association (BROADCASTING, Jan. 25, 1988). But the air has since cleared. There is a strong sense among the directors that NAB is on the right track and that its finances are in order, according to radio director Robert Fish of Federal Communications Corp., Providence, R.I.

Whereas the directors were grumbling in Hawaii about the chief executive's travel and entertainment expenses, this year some voiced concern that the NAB president might not be adequately compensated after reading reports about the salaries of rival trade association presidents, which were considerably higher (BROADCASTING, Jan. 2).

There were no major struggles over policy. NAB's \$15.7 million budget breezed through with little discussion (see page 143). The directors were pleased with the 50% boost in the government relations budget. And they were particularly complimentary of chief lobbyist Jim May. The joint board heard the results of a survey conducted among TV and radio group executives that concluded that NAB's primary mission should be representation on Capitol Hill and at the FCC.

May also revealed plans to beef up the association's television and radio political

action committee by establishing a new trustee system aimed at raising \$500,000 a year.

It was anticipated that the toughest policy decision facing the board would involve the fairness doctrine. But the board reaffirmed the association's opposition to the doctrine. The industry has not been in sync over fairness. There are those who want NAB to maintain its steadfast resistance to the doctrine while others want to use fairness as a bargaining chip to achieve the industry's legislative goals.

This time when the board took up fairness it did not become embroiled in a bitter debate. And there was no talk of trade-offs, reported radio director Richard Novik of WKIP(AM) Poughkeepsie, N.Y. Novik, who urged his colleagues not to abandon NAB's position against fairness, is confident that the association will wage a serious campaign to block a fairness doctrine bill.

"The most important message [from the fairness decision] is that this is a matter of principle," said Shamrock Broadcasting's William Clark, a member of the radio executive committee. The board told the executive committee, explained Clark, that it does not want to "sacrifice it...we want to win. This is our policy; do what you have to do to accomplish this."

There was no tension between TV and radio, despite separate legislative objectives for the 101st Congress. Radio is serious about a radio-only license renewal bill. If there were any fireworks during the meeting, sources said they occurred during the radio session when directors expressed dis-

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may over what they felt was an attempt by NAB staff to sidestep the issue of a radioonly bill and put the matter on the association's "backburner." But as one director told BROADCASTING, the board quickly made it clear that radio-only legislation was to be assigned priority status. The radio board also directed NAB to urge the FCC to reconsider its decision approving the use of FM directional antennas. And the directors adopted a resolution stating NAB's determination to "do everything possible to establish localism and spectrum integrity as the foundation of the FCC's radio allocations policies."

On the TV side, it seemed that nothing could be more important than gaining a permanent set of mandatory cable carriage rules (must carry). Fritts updated the directors on the status of his must-carry negotiations with National Cable Television Association President Jim Mooney (BROADCASTING, Jan 16).

In trying to devise a must-carry bill that would pass constitutional muster, NAB is taking an approach that would call for a must-carry rule based on a congressional determination that, for the sake of competition, it is necessary to preserve a universally available television service—that is, broadcasting.

As talks between NAB and NCTA progress, cutting a deal may prove tricky. Broadcasters want language protecting them from having their channel assignments switched by cable operators, and they would like those must-carry signals to be placed on the cable systems' lowest tier of service. There are no signs that cable will meet those demands.

And now, some radio directors are showing an interest in must carry. The subject arose during a legislative forum sponsored by NAB prior to the board meeting (see story, page 139). Board member Paul Hedberg of Hedberg Broadcasting, Spirit Lake, Iowa, voiced his frustration in having no recourse when his local cable operator chose to carry Minneapolis radio signals rather than his station, KEEZ-FM Mankato, Minn.

It is an issue that Fritts later told BROAD-

CASTING would have to be researched further. NAB needs to know how many radio stations are carried by cable systems before it takes a stand on the matter.

While at this point there is little enthusiasm among TV directors for seeking repeal of cable's compulsory copyright license, sources suggested it might become an option if the talks with cable fail to produce an acceptable deal.



Robert Hynes, NBC, Washington, TV board member

Both TV and radio directors heard more about the telephone industry and its ambition to offer video services. A briefing paper prepared for the directors points out that telephone executives "appear to be woefully naive of the programing process, the relationship of Hollywood-based programers and local broadcast stations and the general economics of the programing marketplace. Some of the telephone company executives [NAB has contacted] indicated that they have met with the Hollywood programing community and discussed how their mutual interests could be served."

Moreover, the document emphasizes that the phone companies are fearful of cable. "They express concern that the cable industry could get into their business more easily than the telephone companies could get into the cable television business."

High-definition television was on the TV agenda, with director Hal Protter of Gaylord Broadcasting's WVTV(TV) Milwaukee urging NAB to actively promote consumer use of improved-definition TV until HDTV comes along.

The television board also voted to officially dissolve the Television Information Office on March 31, 1989. And it agreed to have the TIO library become part of the Museum of Broadcasting in New York. TIO will contribute \$50,000 to facilitate the move. And NAB will finance the Roper Study commencing with the 1991 report.

TV's and radio's shared concerns over such issues as spectrum fees and proposals to ban beer and wine ads or limit the deductibility of advertising expenses were also given some attention. And there were strong indications at the legislative forum that the industry was vulnerable on those fronts.

Politicking for seats on NAB's executive committee was well under way when the Scottsdale meeting adjourned. Candidates were lined up for the radio chairmanship and vice chairmanship. Bill Sanders, KICD-AM-FM Spencer, lowa, Bob Pricer of WCLT-AM-FM Newark, Ohio, and Don Newberg with WGOW(AM)-WSKZ(FM) Chattanooga are running for chairman. David Hicks, Hicks Broadcasting, Battle Creek, Mich., and Art Suberbielle of KANE(AM) New Iberia, La., Association with NAB in 1986 expired as Clark reported that the final legal dissolution of NRBA occurred the week before the Arizona meeting.

There was a sense that the unification process was working because as Bernie Mann of Mann Media, High Point, N.C., pointed out (he held one of the NRBA seats), seven former NRBA members have since been elected to the NAB board; more





Eugene Cowen, Capcities/ABC, Washington, TV board member

Jeff Smulyan, Emmis Broadcasting, Indianapolis, and Carl HIrsch, Legacy Broadcasting, Los Angeles, both radio board members



L to r: Nina and Norman Wain, Metroplex Communications, Cleveland; Lynne and Dick Harris, Group W Radio, New York

are seeking the vice chairmanship. No official candidates announced for the TV seats, although Cullie Tarleton of WBTV(TV) Charlotte, N.C., and Ron Townsend of WUSA-(TV) Washington have been mentioned for the chairmanship and vice chairmanship, respectively.

Other activity included the selection of this year's recipient of the NAB Distinguished Service Award—Jim Duffy, Capcities/ABC president, communications, network and broadcast groups. Duffy is being recognized for his work on Project Literacy U.S., an outreach program to fight illiteracy sponsored by ABC and PBS.

For radio, the meeting had special significance. The last of the so-called unification board seats created to accommodate the merger of the National Radio broadcasters have been nominated, and by next June there could be as many as 10 or 11 ex-NRBA members on the board.

It was Mann's hope, he said in farewell remarks to the NAB directors, that the association had benefited from the "feistiness and practicality" of the NRBA.

Mann also presented a \$70,000 check to All-Industry Radio Music License Committee Chairman Dick Harris. The funds, which represent half of what had been in the NRBA treasury, will by used by the committee to establish a New York office.

Among other radio considerations was a decision to hold an AM improvement retreat. TV directors endorsed a bylaws change, subject to full membership vote, to give each of the three network affiliate organizations a seat on the board.  $\Box$ 

#### TOP OF THE WEEK

#### Hold the phone—Capcities/ABC, MGM/UA pick up interactive system

#### System would speed processing of 800 and 900 number calls

Capital Cities/ABC Video Enterprises and MGM/UA have entered into separate agreements with an American Express company for use of technology that could give a big boost to interactive radio and television programing, it was announced last week.

The technology is designed by FDR Interactive Technologies to permit thousands of viewers to participate simultaneously via toll-free 800 numbers and 900 numbers in interactive game shows and programs featuring polls, surveys, sales and promotions.

MGM/UA said it will be using the technology for *Hotline*, a new half-hour, firstrun syndicated game show that will be demonstrated this week at the NATPE programing convention in Houston.

The game calls on viewers to respond to a series of questions via a "900" telephone number, it said. Callers will be selected randomly for prizes; in-studio contestants will compete by answering questions based on home viewers' telephoned responses.

The show is being offered for fall 1989, to

with availability on a cash-barter basis.

Capcities stressed that its use of the technology is strictly experimental. Its arrangement with FDR will allow all areas of the company—the television network, the radio networks, the cable networks and publications—to experiment with the system.

"It may work and it may not work," said Herb Granath, president, Capcities/ABC Video Enterprises. "It all hinges on the test, and our commitment is only for the test," he said, which, he added, will probably run through spring 1989.

Granath would not specify where the new technology would first be applied at Capcities, although he said that he "could see it working with [ESPN's] Sunday Night Football and...its new baseball package."

The biggest user of the new technology during the test period is expected to be advertisers, said Granath. But, he said, "we're not at this point selling the thing, because we don't know how the test is going to work out."

FDR's claims that the biggest advantage of its system over other systems is its ability to handle quickly a high volume of calls.

#### Schedule set for HDTV system testing

An initiative to establish a worldwide high-definition television production standard begun in the Soviet Union last year was advanced as an international group of experts in television technology reconvened in Moscow. Among the group's accomplishments during a Jan. 12-13 meeting were the development of a comparative test plan to examine proposed production systems, the establishment of a technical committee to oversee the tests and an agreement to begin the tests in March. Results of the trials will be forwarded to the International Radio Consultative Committee (CCIR) to aid in its considerations for establishment of a world standard.

The group's efforts began last Sept. 2 when 10 leading television engineers met in Moscow at a meeting called by Henrikas Yushkiavitshus, vice chairman of the USSR State Committee for Television and Radio (BROADCASTING, Sept. 12, 1988). Among the notable attendees at the first meeting were William G. Connolly, president, advanced television systems, Sony Corp. of America; Joseph Flaherty, CBS vice president and general manager, engineeering and development, and Richard C. Kirby, director, CCIR.

A total of 25 attended the second meeting, including most of the attendees from last September. Among the additions were Richard Stumpf, vice president, engineering, Universal Studios (who chaired the group that documented the 1,125/60 standard for the Society of Motion Picture and Television Engineers); Kenneth Davies, director, engineering and technical planning and development, Candian Broadcasting Corp., and Ronald J. Gnidziejko, director, capital projects, NBC.

The group formed a technical committee of specialists and quickly set up a test plan. George Waters, director of the European Broadcasting Union's Technical Center, was named chairman of the technical group and Yuri Krylov, director of the OIRT (International Radio and TV Organization) technical center in Prague was named vice chairman.

Arrangements were made for Japanese 1,125/60 equipment to be sent to Moscow for testing in early March. The group also sent a message to the Eureka HDTV Directorate, which has developed hardware for a 1,250/50 production system, requesting the soonest possible delivery of equipment to test that system. Hardware has not yet been developed for a 1,375-line system which is being developed by the Soviet Union, or a 1,050-line system proposed last fall by NBC.

The test plan developed by the technical committee will subjectively judge the comparative quality of the systems' pictures, post-production capabilities, down-conversion quality into the current NTSC, PAL and SECAM recording systems and quality of transfers onto 35 mm film. Objective tests to spot possible malfunctions in the systems are also to be carried out. Images will be judged on 18-inch and 40-inch monitors and 120-inch projection screens.

The company said it expects to be able to accommodate approximately 30,000 callers at once by year end. Processing calls from a computer based in Omaha, FDR claimed, it will be able to tabulate responses from thousands of calls within one minute.

FDR is an affiliate of Nebraska-based First Data Resources Inc., a wholly owned subsidiary of American Express Travel Related Services Co. FDR Resources provides payment systems, telecommunications and data processing services.

#### Geraldo announces formation of company to buy TV stations

Five Hispanic businessmen, among them Geraldo Rivera and comedian Richard (Cheech) Marin, said last week that they were seeking to establish a TV station group, Maravilla Communications, by pooling their money and taking advantage of the FCC's minority tax certificate policy.

The men said at a press conference last Thursday (Jan. 19) that they hoped to gain a bidding edge on stations through the FCC's tax certificate policy, which grants tax breaks to companies that sell broadcast properties to minorities, including Hispanics. The men emphasized that they would be contributing 51% of their venture's equity, and would have an active interest in station operation. "We're not going to be a front," Rivera said.

Rivera would not specify how much money the men are investing between them, saying only, "We are all men of means." Rivera also declined to identify what investment banking company was helping them raise capital.

Rivera said that the group was interested in acquiring network-affiliated stations in the top 40 markets. He was publicizing the group, he said, to expand his shopping list beyond the approximately 40 network affiliates believed to be on the market. "We know of 40 opportunities," he said. "I'm sure there are 80." Rivera said the group had looked at the Knight-Ridder stations currently for sale, but had not yet made an offer. The group said that they were not currently interested in acquiring Spanishlanguage stations.

In the group, along with Rivera and Marin, are Herman Badillo, former president of the Bronx borough of New York City; Tony Bonilla Sr., an attorney based in Corpus Christi, Tex., and Marcelino Miyares, president of the studio where Rivera tapes his syndicated talk show. All three men have some familiarity with broadcast ownership. Badillo is chairman of the board and 20% stockholder of the company that holds WJIT(AM) New York, a Spanish-language station. Bonilla is a stockholder of KOR-O(TV) Corpus Christi, Tex., a Univision affiliate. Miyares was owner of Spanish language WBBS(TV) Chicago, which was on the air from 1982 to 1985.

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Actually, a few other things remain constant too:

■ Creative talent is a scarce commodity; it cannot be invented, although it can be encouraged. Nor can creativity be legislated—a lesson official Washington has yet to learn.

■ The audience doesn't care where its entertainment comes from—over-the-air TV, cable TV, MMDS, DBS. (Were this written a decade or so hence we might add, "or the telephone company.")

■ But the audience does care. It will discover talent hidden under bushels at the same time it dismisses the most elaborate hype. Indeed, in an unreliable world, the audience's essential good judgment is the programer's greatest constant.

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Thus our optimism for the future. The television pie grows larger even as its pieces grow smaller.

If there is a concern on the horizon it is that the best of the old may be lost as the industry rushes toward the new. "The American system of broadcasting" wasn't meant to be a box office—or certainly, not *just* a box office. There was in the early days of radio and similarly in conventional television a glue to hold it all together. It was that glue that distinguishes broadcasters and broadcasting from the corner video store—a sense of public service, a feeling of community identity, an *editorship*, if you will, that made no two parts of the system like any other two.

BROADCASTING has never been in favor of legislating or regulating program control. We oppose, for example, the notion of codifying a public interest standard, as is now in vogue among some. Such an action flies in the face of the First Amendment and makes lackeys of those upon whom we depend for the freedom of our information and the vitality of our airways/wireways.

We nevertheless commend the spirit of "the American system of broadcasting," and its sense of stewardship, to those who will captain the electronic future. It is not a relic of the past; it is a heritage that can guide both the industry and the country as they advance to the 21st Century.

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#### NATPE '89: The art of programing sales

Tabloid offerings, children's fare, game shows are among wares vying for renewal or chance for firm go at annual gathering in Houston

The Super Bowl of U.S.-based television programing conventions—sponsored by NATPE International—gets its 1989 gathering under way tomorrow (Jan. 24) in Houston. Whether the event lives up to its advance promotion remains to be seen. The reviews are mixed on just how lively, or not, the show will be, and on how much program buying will take place.

No single new show seems to have captured the fancy of the industry, although recent developments in both the children's and tabloid program forms have sparked a lot of publicity and debate about the future of those genres.

At the Association of Independent Television Stations convention earlier this month, both Disney's Buena Vista Television and Warner Bros.-Lorimar announced new animation projects for 1990 (BROAD-CASTING, Jan. 9). That was taken as a signal that those companies believe stations, particularly independents, will remain in the children's programing business for the long term—if suppliers come up with quality animation programs that draw ratings.

The concern from the station community is that they've seen children's national spot advertising revenue shrink considerably in the past two years, including a reported 30% drop last year. Nevertheless, both Buena Vista and Warner-Lorimar are aggressively selling their new projects. Buena Vista has signed several of the Gaylord stations, including flagship station KTVT(TV) Fort Worth, Tex., to the *Disney Afternoon* package of four programs that will be complete by fall 1990. "I'm impressed with Disney," said Charles Edwards, general manager, KTVT. "You've got to bet on them."

Disney's animation block concept is driven by the success of its *Duck Tales* strip, which continues as the number one children's syndication program in its second season on the air. Edwards said he'd also make an offer for the new *Tiny Tunes* program being developed (also for fall 1990 availability) by Warner-Lorimar and Steven

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Spielberg. That program has been picked up already by KCOP-TV Los Angeles.

In tabloid television, King World tried to shake things up with its launch of *Inside Edition* on Jan. 9, but that program fell considerably short of its projected 8 rating. Last week the debate began about what the show's fortunes would do to the genre, although most stressed it is too early to draw many conclusions.

"You hate to write it off after only a week and a half," said Victoria Gregorian, program director, WSVN(TV) Miami. WSVN launched its own local tabloid show, *Inside Story*, on Jan. 3, which has been beating the King World show in the ratings "decidedly" since the latter debuted, she said. If *Inside Edition* does not grow soon, said Gregorian, "that may impact a lot of buyers and sellers. Would-be tabloid launchers, including Paramount [*Tabloid*], MCA [\$*Reward*\$] and Qintex [*Crime Diaries*] may want to wait and see what happens," she said.

There are about 10 new tabloid programs being proposed for launch in 1989, and some program analysts caution that could be too much of a good thing. The concern is that a number of the proposed programs make it to air and then start cannibalizing each other's audiences, leaving all the shows weaker in the process. "You get into an 'eating our young' syndrome," said Richard Kurlander, vice president, director of programing, Petry Television.

In one sense, observers note, the timing of this week's show is a little awkward, although every year, it seems, there are complaints about the timing. "Last year was the NATPE that almost wasn't," said Janeen Bjork, vice president, director of programing, Seltel, a reference to the difficulty syndicators had launching new shows with so many strong programs being renewed.

"This is the NATPE that shouldn't be," at least not this week, added Bjork, explaining that stations that have not made their fall program moves by now are not in a great rush to do so at the convention. "There are the haves and the have-nots in early fringe and access," she said. "If you can't steal Oprah or Geraldo [and don't have The Cosby Show, 2nd ranked in early fringe and third ranked in prime access during November 1988], there is not a lot of excitement about what remains. What's the hurry? If NATPE were happening two months from now there would be more product [bought and sold] for all concerned."

The situation is a little more volatile in prime time access, although King World's Wheel of Fortune and Jeopardy! remain the first- and second-ranked shows in the time period. Still, several rep firms have put out alerts, reporting that both programs have experienced substantial erosion in key female demographics.

Petry's Kurlander agreed with the suggestion that acquisition activity at the show will likely be "on the slow side." For larger markets, "most of the buying is done," although the futures of several existing shows, including the newly launched *Inside Edition* and the newly named USA *Today On TV*, as well as *Family Feud*, "still have to be sorted out," said Kurlander.

But others suggested last week that the stumbling start of *Inside Edition* could work to the advantage of distributors at NATPE. "That show could have come out of the gate and done huge numbers and locked up the time period," said Carol Martz, program director, KCOP(TV) Los Angeles. Some of those time periods now may become available, Martz said, particularly if stations panic in reaction to the "less than stellar" start the show has registered.

Copycat programs have always been a tradition in the television business, at both the network and syndication levels. Martz and others suggest that has never been more evident than in this development season. "There is more copycatting than ever," said Martz, noting not just the tabloid clones permeating the marketplace, but also the emergence of celebrity-driven game shows, where the 'game'' becomes secondary to those playing it. Driven by the success over the past two years of Win, Lose or Draw, new celebrity game shows for next fall include Celebrity Secrets (Casablanca IV/AMG), Star\*Play (MCA TV Enterprises) and Make Your Move (Worldvision).

Other station programers pointed to the continued proliferation of what Gregorian termed "has-been shows," exemplified by such recent remakes as *The Munsters To-day* and *The New Leave it to Beaver*, which will be joined by several more next season, including *Lassie*, *The New Archies* and a colorized version of *McHale's Navy*.

Some remakes work and some don't. Attempts to bring back The Monkees, Rat Patrol and Sea Hunt have all failed in recent years. On the other hand, MCA is satisfied enough with the response to Munsters Today that it has renewed the show for a second year. And, the company already has cleared Lassie in 70% of the country for its fall premiere.

But one first-run program type, the weekly one-hour format, led by Paramount's Star Trek: The Next Generation, has sparked several attempts at not just copycat shows but truly counterprograming efforts. Gregorian of WSVN sees two of them—American Gladiators and Rollergames—as perhaps the only truly innovative program concepts of the current development season.

Rollergames, which brings MTV's slick video style to the roller derby concept, has been cleared by Qintex Entertainment in 26 of the top 30 markets and 57% of the country. Samuel Goldwyn's *Gladiators* pits guest contestants against the show's team of "gladiators" in physical games. Both programs are done in a campy style, not unlike wrestling shows, which have performed well in syndication. The risk, according to Gregorian, is that "people are going to either love it or hate it. I'd rather go with a show that will play well somewhere on the schedule."

Distributors going to NATPE will focus as much on renewals as new projects. "I always go into a show optimistically until I'm proven wrong," said Shelly Schwab, president, MCA TV Enterprises. "We have five returning series and four new ones, and I expect to renew all five [including four first-run comedies and *The Morton Downey* Jr. Show] and bring the four new shows" to air. Schwab said the company's focus at NATPE will be clearing two new shows more geared toward affiliates, Star\*Play and \$Reward\$.

Bob Jacquemin, president of Buena Vista Television, indicated that his sense, from conversations with others in the industry, is that "there will be less of a turnout [among television industry executives] than might normally be anticipated." Jacquemin added he expects Buena Vista to do more renewal business than selling new product. The company's new animation program for fall 1989, Chip 'n' Dale's Rescue Rangers, has been on the market for well over a year. Three new products, including the off-network Golden Girls and two new animation strips, don't debut until 1990. □

NATPE's daily program log



7:30 a.m.: 9:30 a.m.: NATPE management seminar, Managing by Marketing. Speaker: Jagdish Sheth. Room 306.

#### 9-10 a.m.: Concurrent seminars:

ABC meeting. General Assembly A. *Moderator*: Pat Patton, KMBC-TV Kansas City, Mo. *Panelists:* David Lane, WFAA-TV Dallas; Clyde Payne WBKO(TV) Bowling Green, Ky.

CBS meeting. General Assembly B. Moderator: Rick Reeves, wCPO-TV Cincin-

nati. *Panelists:* Kim LeMasters, CBS; Tony Malara, CBS; Scott Michels, CBS; David Poltrack, CBS; George Schweitzer, CBS.

NBC meeting, General Assembly C. *Moderator:* Lon Lee, KCNC-TV Denver. *Panelists:* Pier Mapes, NBC; Brandon Tartikoff, NBC.

Independent meeting—We Don't Do Windows. Room 301 *Moderator:* Preston Padden, INTV. Washington. *Panelists:* Martin Brantley, κρτν(τν) Portland; Charles Edwards, κτντ(τν) Fort Worth; David Kenin, USA Network. New York; Kevin O'Brien, κτνυ(τν) San Francisco.

**PBS meeting—Selling Syndicated Programing to Public TV**. Room 309A. *Moderator:* Tom Doggett, Oregon Public Broadcasting, Portland. *Paneliats:* Robin Breed, Public Broadcasting Service; Julius Cain, BBC/Lionheart, New Orleans; AI Rose, New Jersey Network, Trenton, N.J.; Nikkie Scher, Interre-

#### gional Programing Service, Boston.

Cabie meeting—The Place for Hollywood's Best. Room 309B. Moderator: Char Beales, National Academy of Cable Programing, Washington. Panelists: Gerry Hogan, Turner Broadcasting System, Atlanta: Thomas Freston, MTV Networks, New York; Al Rush, MCA Television Group, Los Angeles.

Home video meeting—How TV Stations Can Join the Video Revolution. Room 308A. *Moderator:* Bob Klingensmith, Paramount, Los Angeles. *Panel-ists:* Ron Castell, Erol's Video, Springfield, Va.; Lou Berg and Susan Gee, Audio/Video Plus, Houston; Alan Kaplan, Applause Video, Omaha; Gary Messenger, North American Video, Durham, N.C.; Barry Rosenblatt, Blockbuster Video, San Diego.

**Community broadcasting—The LPTV Programing Prospective.** Room 305A. *Moderator:* John Kompas, CBA, Milwaukee. *Panelists:* Lana Coon, Fishing the West, Miller, Ore.; Mark Osmundson, K39AS, Marshalltown, Iowa; David Post, ChannelAmerica, New York; Robert Raff; K06K2, Junction City, Kan.

10-11:30 a.m.: Opening general session/brunch. Ballroom. Introduction: Phil Corvo, president, NATPE International.

Welcome, opening comments: Joe Weber, chairman NATPE/MMT Sales. Keynote speaker: Michael Eisner, chairman and CEO, Walt Disney Co.

Fun in Management: Matt Winstein, Playfair.

#### 11:30 a.m.-1:00 p.m.:

#### Concurrent seminars:

The Hot Regulatory issues Facing Television. General Assembly A. Moderator: Carl Grant, Nations Business Today/ESPN, U.S. Chamber of Commerce. Panelists: Brenda Fox, NCTA, Washington; Jim Graf, Contel, U.S. Telephone Association, Washington; Norman Horowitz, MGM/UA Communications, Los Angeles; Mark Mandela, ABC, New York; Preston Padden, INTV, Washington; Donald West, BROADCASTING, Washington.

Kids. General Assembly B. *Moderator:* Actress, producer Shelly Duvall. *Panelists;* Bob Behrens, Behrens Productions, Miami; Andy Heywood, DIC Enterprises Inc., Los Angeles; Phyllis Tucker-Vincent, NBC, New York.

Where to Find Your Next Hit. General Assembly C. *Moderator:* Fred Silverman. The Fred Silverman Co., Los Angeles. *Panelists:* Jim Dauphinee, King World, Los Angeles; Simone Halberstadt Harari, Tele Images, Paris; Bob Pittman, Quantum, New York; Deb Zeyen, Group W Sales, Los Angeles.

Programing, Promotion & the Marketing Process. Room 301. Moderator: Sally Jessy Raphael. Paneliats: Diane Bagwell, wis-tv Columbia, S.C.; Carl Bauman, WREG-TV Memphis; Dick Lippin, The Lippin Group, Los Angeles; Joseph Logsdon, WFTS-TV Tampa; Ron Lowen, KPLC-TV Lake Charles, La.; Michael Mischler, CBS Broadcast Group, Los Angeles; Gary Nielsen, KPTM(TV) Omaha.

#### 1-6:30 p.m.: Exhibition.

4:30 p.m.: International seminar: Over There, Over Here: The American Viewer's Growing Interest in Foreign Programing. General Assembly A. Moderator: Andrew Quinn, Granada Television, Manchester, England. Panelists: Ron Devillier, Devillier Donegan Enterprises, Washington; Pat Faust, wrTw(Tv) Chicago: Larry Fraiberg, MCA Broadcasting, New York; David Kenin, USA Network, New York; Bruce Rider, Disney Cable, Los Angeles; Jim Warner, HBO, New York.

6-7:30 p.m.: International reception. Pre-function area/Ballroom.



7:15-8:30 a.m.: NATPE management institute: Developing Influence. Speaker: Caren Siehl. Room 306.

8:30-10 a.m.: General session/breakfast. Ballroom. *Host:* Lon Lee, first vice chairman, NATPE, KCNC-TV Denver. *Educational Foundation report:* Lew Klein, president, NATPE Educational Foundation/Gateway Communications.

TV with a Bite: New Directions in Talk and Magazine Shows. *Moderator:* Charlie Rose, CBS News, *Nightwatch. Panelists:* Morton Downey Jr.; Maury Povich; Sally Jessy Raphael; Geraldo Rivera.

#### 9:30-11:30 a.m.: International exhibition hours.

#### 10-11:30 a.m.: Concurrent seminars.

Washington update. General Assembly A. *Moderator:* Edward Fritts, NAB, Washington. *Panelists:* Congressman Edward Markey (D-Mass.); Jeff Bauman, NAB, Washington; Patricia Diaz Dennis, FCC; Jim May, NAB, Washington; James Quello, FCC.

The Art of HDTV-the Biggest Change Since Color. Room 305 B. Moderator: Peter Caranicas, Wrap Magazine, New York. Panelists: Mark Blandford, Daystar, Toronto; John Galt, Sony Corp., Toronto; David Niles, 1125 Productions, New York; Barry Rebo, Rebo Studios, New York.

What's My Job Tomorrow? General Assembly C. Moderator: Derk Zimmer-

man, Group W Productions, Los Angeles. *Panelists:* Bill Castleman, ACT III Broadcasting, Atlanta; Karen Copeland, WNBC-TV New York; Bobbi Gabblemann, Paramount Television, New York; Brad Marks, Korn Ferry International, Los Angeles.

Local Program Impact. Room 301. *Moderator:* Bill Kurtis, WBBM-TV Chicago. *Panelists:* Gary Brandt, KLIB-TV Davenport, Iowa; Mark Engel, WBB Atlanta; Pat Patton, KMBC-TV Kansas City, Mo.; Karen Lee Rice, KOIN-TV Portland, Ore.; Joe Schwartzel, WINK-TV Fort Meyers, Fla.

#### 11:30 a.m.-6:30 p.m.: Exhibition.

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11:30 a.m.-1 p.m.: The Future of Hispanic Telecommunications industry. Room 306. *Moderator:* Michael Jay Solomon, Lorimar Telepictures, Los Angeles. *Panelists:* Carlos Barba, Telemundo Group, New York; Osvaldo Barzelatto, MGM/UA Telecommunications, Santiago, Chile; Femando Diez Barroso, Univisa, Los Angeles; Marcel Granier, Radio Caracas Television, Caracas, Venezuela; Valentin Pimstein, Televisa, Mexico City.

6:30-7:30 p.m.: Alumni ciub reception. Pre-function area/Ballroom.

### Thursday, Jan. 26

7:15-8:30 a.m. NATPE management institute: Understanding Basic Finance. Speaker; John Lacey. Room 306.

8:30-10 a.m.: General session/breakfast. Ballroom. Host: Marc Doyle, second vice chairman, NATPE, Doyle & Associates. The Writers. Moderator: Dick Cavett. Panelists: Steven Bochco, L.A. Law, Hill Street Blues; Stephen Cannell. Hunter, 21 Jump Street; Fay Kanin, Friendly Fire, Heartsounds; John Markus, The Bill Cosby Show; Bruce Paltrow, Tattinger's, St. Elsewhere; Esther Shapiro, Dynasty.

Chairman's award: Joe Weber, chairman, NATPE International, MMT Sales, New York.

#### 10-11:30 a.m.: Concurrent seminars:

Can News and Programing Work Together? General Assembly A. *Modera*tor: Nick Clooney, *On Trial*, Republic Pictures Television. *Panelists:* Jayne Adair, Sue McInerny, KDKA-TV Pittsburgh; Ed Godfrey, Russ Read, wAVE-TV Louisville, Ky.; Steve Currie, Craig Kuhlman, KON-TV Portland, Ore.

Syndication: Riding the Rumble Seat to the '90's. General Assembly B. *Moderator:* Ave Butensky, Fries Distribution, Los Angeles. *Discussant:* Paul Kagan, Paul Kagan & Associates, Carmel, Calif.

—Your Reps Will Show It to You. Panelists: James Coppersmith, wcva-tv Boston; Roger King, King World, New York; John Von Soosten, Katz Communications, New York.

-First-run Fables. With: Rick Levy, D.L. Taffner Ltd., New York; Peter Lund, Multimedia, New York; John Ryan, Worldvision, New York.

—Focus on the Future. With: Ralph Baruch, Gannett Center for Media Studies, New York; John Conomike, Hearst Broadcasting, New York; Charles Fries, Fries Entertainment, Los Angeles; Jim Rosenfield, Blair Communications, New York.

**Coproductions: Canada Brings You to the World**. General Assembly C. *Moderator:* Sam Wendel, Telefilm Canada. *Panelists:* Susan Caven, Alliance Entertainment; Nicolas Clermont, Filmline International; Pat Ferns, Primedia Productions; Claude Heroux, Communications Claude Heroux Inc.; Andre Lamy, Cine Groupe, Montreal.

Music Licensing. Room 306. *Moderator;* Sid Vinnedge, America's Top 10, Los Angeles. *Panelists:* Les Arries, WIVB-TV Buffalo; Andrew Fisher, WSB-TV Atlanta; Jack Zwaska, All Industry Music, New York; ASCAP representative.

**Cost Accounting: But It's Necessary.** Room 301. *Moderator:* Larry Marcus, BFM, St. Louis. *Panelists:* Broadcast Financial Management Association representatives.

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7:30-9 a.m.: NATPE management institute: Do You Listen When You Hear? Speaker: Norman Sigband. Room 306.

#### 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m.: Exhibition.

12:30 p.m.-2:30 p.m.: Iris Awards iuncheon. Ballroom. Host: Ray Combs. Presenters: Mark Linn-Baker; Meredith MacRae; Bronson Pinchot. Starring: David Brenner.

2:30 p.m.: Conclusion. NATPE International business meeting. Room 306.

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The players keep changing but the game's the same in the high-stakes poker of Hollywood and television. In this "At Large" interview with BROADCASTING editors, the head of Columbia Pictures Television tells how it is today and may become tomorrow.

#### How has the network TV business changed in the last five years?

The single biggest change in the network business is the de facto financial interest the networks have secured from producers in the last five years. Five years ago the networks would pay you somewhere from 105%-120% of the cost of producing an episode of television. In the intervening five years, that has dropped to about 70% of the cost of production; so the networks have in fact secured a financial interest in every episode by simply paying such a small percentage of what it costs to make a television series.

The network license fees have grown at a yearly rate of 1% a year in tape—in film, 3%. So the economic risk-taking has shifted from the network to the producer.

That's the single biggest change in network television. You can add to that that network shares have obviously decreased and that the networks' ability to keep television series on the air long enough to get to syndication has decreased substantially. In the last five or six years, the number of network series that get to syndication for five years or more is about 9% of the series that go on the air. That's probably the lowest new product introduction rate of any industry in America.

Together, those are the two most profound changes in terms of how we interact with the network. As far as the network business is concerned, they're losing money to promotion from advertising. They're dealing with peoplemeter issues. Each one of them has been taken over and faced the changes that are associated with that. There are a lot of causes as to why our business with them has changed, but the most profound change is that they simply don't pay for the product anymore.

### I was under the impression that they never did, that they never paid 105% of an episode's cost.

If you add overhead to the cost of the television series, then they never did really pay for the total cost. But if you look at your out of pocket costs, if you produced smartly and efficiently, you could make a living producing television series for the network. Now you clearly cannot make a living producing television series for the network.

#### But you do.

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#### Through the networks?

Through the networks. A smart company now looks at producing television series principally designed for the syndication market, and has the networks finance as much of it as they can get financed. The networks build an awareness of the television series, and pay for about 70% of it. But if that is your end gain, then you're out of business.

#### Does that change the character of the television you produce?

Absolutely. It shifts the emphasis on what kind of programing you do. When I took over this position, about 75% of the company's resources were allocated toward the production of dramas—film entertainment. In the intervening years, we have changed that to about 70-30 in favor of comedy. So basically we have shifted the emphasis of the company from principally drama with some comedy to principally comedy with some drama.

#### Because the syndication market is more receptive to comedy?

There's a life after network for comedy, and it can be a very significant life. Drama is really very modest domestically. It's growing internationally, but modest domestically.

It also affects the kind of television shows you produce—the kind of comedies, the kind of dramas. This company will not be producing shows like *thirtysomething* because while they're critically acclaimed, we see no value for them in an after-market. Or take a show like *St. Elsewhere*, which was a marvelously produced show, sensational television series—but wound up in the domestic syndication market being if not useless, close to it. That's not a business we prefer to be in.

#### Will it be ever thus-or more than ever thus?

Actually, I think it's probably going to swing back in the other direction. I think the networks are going to have to start paying for the programing they want to air. They are becoming increasingly aware of the fact that the producers simply are not going to take \$300,000-an-episode deficits to produce a soft hour drama at 10 o'clock and wind up with a library of 75 episodes that's worth nothing. They're going to find—and have found—fewer and fewer players who will make that kind of programing, and they're going to have to be more creative in incentivizing the producers who know how to make it. I think you'll see the kinds of deals begin to change and I think you'll find the shift begin to move back toward the networks financing more of the product.

#### Do you anticipate this will end up in better network product and perhaps even an end to the erosion of share?

I would love to think that was the case, although I don't think that making sound financial judgments on their part will necessarily translate into audience. But unless they do make those kinds of financial arrangements, they have no chance.

But the networks continue to plead a soft marketplace, and to plead that if they're going to be paying for it, they want a piece of the back end. Are you prepared to give it to them?

Yes.

#### Would you like to do away with the financial interest and syndication rules?

As a company, Columbia is a believer in a level playing field; we are basically not a company that believes in protective legislation. So I think looking at a level playing field gives the advantage to the fastest runners, and we're fleet of foot.

As I said earlier, they already have financial interest. Take a situation comedy with a \$150,000-an-episode deficit. And say that instead of having that deficit today, the network paid you the whole amount, but in the back end they wound up with \$150,000 per episode. That's about a 25% profit participation.

I think the networks are doing better today than they would do if they had financial interest. I'm not so sure they're not negotiating for something that when they had it, they wouldn't want it.

#### Are you a maverick in the Hollywood community on that point?

Probably. But my comments speak for themselves; they own a piece of it now by not paying for it. So it's just a question of how much are they going to own and when are they going to pay? I'd rather have them take a piece of a show that's successful and cover all the ones that aren't, than my covering the risk for all the ones that aren't successful—particularly since their batting average is so low.

## How about the syndication marketplace; how has that changed in the same period?

The most dramatic change in the last five years has been the enormous proliferation of new television stations, which for a brief period of time escalated prices virtually every month.

For a long time in a lot of markets where there had been a 3%, 4%, 5% price increase from year to year in the syndication market, you suddenly found 30%, 40%, 50% price increases because another station had come onto the market. It was a feeding frenzy.

Prices went sky high-and I think prices began to reflect the value of the programing that was being purchased. In the final analysis, what the television station offers is our programing. They're in the hardware business, but nobody tunes in to watch the stick. They tune in to watch a television show. These producers had been very drastically underpaid for years for the value of their television series. In the mid-80's there was a correction in terms of the percentage of the money that came to the source, to the producer. And I think that was a very positive change. The biggest change of late is that the number of stations has begun to taper off as a lot of these stations have gotten into financial trouble. However, the amount of financial trouble that they've gotten into was relatively minor compared with the total magnitude of the television shows that had been sold. The amount of television stations that don't pay or are having trouble paying is really a very small percentage. The rate of collection in this business is really terrific.

As the number of stations has begun to taper off, you found that a lot of stations were over-bought with product acquired defensively because new stations were coming on. That caused the syndication business to kind of come to a screeching slowness for awhile. We see the end of that coming very quickly.

With what effect on prices?







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I think prices will do as prices always have done; prices are going to go up. Prices for good programing will go up. There are more players out there. They all need to fill the air, and that will cause an increased demand for valuable product. And that means the cost of that product will go up.

## At the INTV convention there seemed to be some suggestion that prices were leveling off, if not going down.

It's a question of timing. If you ask "are prices going up today?" the answer is probably not. If you're asking how I view the syndication business, as I look at the Columbia library, do I say that library is going to be more valuable two years from now than it is today? The answer is absolutely. We wouldn't be in the business of building a library if we didn't believe that.

Whether you can get more money today than you could yesterday, or whether next week the prices will turn around—to me, that's not the issue. Those are issues to marginal companies with cash flow problems, not to the few majors in it for the long haul.

## Is it worthwhile asking about a third element of television—which is to say, cable—as a marketplace for you?

Absolutely. I think there are two emerging marketplaces that have changed the game in a big fashion. One is the foreign marketplace—what's happening in foreign now is similar to what happened domestically four years ago. All of a sudden you have basically stagnant marketplaces, you have two or three new players in the game, and as a result, prices have exploded. Arnie Messer [executive vice president, Columbia Pictures Entertainment], has made outstanding precedential type deals throughout Europe for our library that have changed the economics of the game.

Cable? Cable is just beginning to warm up. We saw pay television come and go, and weren't there. We may in fact watch basic cable come and go and find out it's too late to stop it. You can see things like USA Network and essentially wake up one morning and find it the equivalent of a new independent in every market in the country.

Now what are the consequences of putting a new independent in Los Angeles or New York? There hasn't been a new independent in New York in years—ownership changed, but there were the same number of stations. You may wake up one morning and you're going to have a viable independent. And when you take two or three basic cable services and cume their ratings and find them to be as big as any of the independents in the market—and the cable company begins to sell time locally—it's going to be a major factor. And I think they're going to have the money to buy programs.

My suspicion: Within the next year, you will see pieces of product that are sold to cable instead of syndication—and done so by design, not by circumstance. Not just an hour that they took to the syndication marketplace and no one would buy, so therefore they went to cable.

I think you'll see the cable industry step up and buy programing competitively against the syndication market. I think stations have to be very, very conscious of the fact that cable is going to begin to strip off programing, if they choose. If they feel the leverage is on their side in terms of prices, cable will come in and buy the product.



#### What specific opportunities do you see in cable for Columbia Pictures Television?

Selling the library. We have one of the largest and best-balanced libraries in existence. We have in the neighborhood of 3,000 feature films. We have a syndication series library, 75% of which are comedies. I think the basic cable service is going to be like an independent, and it's going to thrive on comedy. So as they buy more and more comedy, I think we are in a unique position to sell them television service.

And my sense is that whereas they previously bought older series—and by older I mean 10 or 15 years old—I wouldn't be surprised if they found that within the next year or two, they bought either the second cycle of a major off-network comedy, or stepped up to the plate and bought first run. So Columbia's plans are as a major supplier.

## Is that part of the reason you see prices going up in the future? Do you see cable coming in and upping the ante?

#### Absolutely.

## Do you see the continued viability of all three markets—network, syndication and cable? Can the television universe support all three without something beginning to collapse?

I think it can support all three. What will change is the degree to which each contributes to the financing of the programing. I think you may wind up now going through two cycles—or two windows—to finance a television series, and get the profits out of a third.

#### With a finite amount of product, or will there be more product?

Oh, I think we will produce more product as the demand increases, absolutely.

#### So the consumer will have more product available?

He will have more product from which to choose. I think you'll find the limit is going to be in terms of the amount of creative expertise that's out there to produce it. We looked down the road and said the name of the game is going to be, as it always has been, who controls the creative talent, and we have chosen to go out and play for those writer/producers who are going to control the action, and we think Weinberger and Hugh Wilson are but two of what will be a series of these kinds of acquisitions.

#### How many such deals do you think you will end up doing?

As we can identify the talent and that talent becomes available, you will find Columbia there and playing. No major comedy talent will sign new deals with anybody without Columbia being there and playing the game; we are determined to play heavily in that end of the business.

#### You're talked a lot about comedy and its importance in the marketplace. Will you spell out your position on the production of one-hour programs?

Well, philosophically we believe that if we can produce a series on which we can essentially break even between U.S. television network license fees and international revenue, then we say that's a project that we will probably go ahead and do. We are now looking to 10 o'clock, soft kinds of pieces, we are looking for harder action kinds of television series, ones that will be in demand when the syndication or basic cable market flourishes more than it does now, and ones where the foreign marketplace will continue to be strong. That's more action/adventure than character pieces.

#### What are you launching at NATPE?

I don't think NATPE is any longer a marketplace to launch television series. In the first-run business, if you haven't sold it by the time you get to NATPE, it's over. And in the off-network business, I think NATPE is the last place you'd want to sell a TV series.

The way off-network is sold now is typically through the bidding process, and these pieces of product are very expensive. The last place I think you want to try to sell the market of, for example, Cleveland is at NATPE. You'd much rather sell Cleveland when all the people in Cleveland are in Cleveland with their financial people, with their research and programing people—they're all in their offices, all of them are accessible and can be found. But in a

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## Coming off of Fox, will *Married With Children* be marketed in similar fashion to a comedy coming off NBC or ABC or will there be special marketing terms?

You market each television series for the series and for the stations who should own it, rather than where it came from—the marketing is more in terms of where it's going than where it's been. *Married With Children* has a unique characteristic that no other off-network series has: It can be played by affiliated stations in the top 50 markets in access because it is not considered as an off-network television series under the FCC rules. It will provide affiliates the first opportunity to do off-network comedy in access since the prime time access rule. We're just beginning to think about the implications of that.

## How about 227 and Designing Women? What can you tell us about plans for those shows?

The next one that will be sold will be 227. After that, perhaps Designing Women or Married With Children; we haven't made any decisions as to which will be next. But we are thrilled about currently having on the air our next four off-network offerings: Who's The Boss?, 227, Married With Children, Designing Women and perhaps My Two Dads.

Can you give us an estimate of when 227 will hit the street?

Well, I will tell you that if we sit here again next year that the show will have been sold by then.

#### On the same general subject of comedies, how extensive will barter be in the marketing of off-network product in the future?

Well, I think *Cosby* created the opportunity, but I think syndicators would be unwise if they thought every show was a *Cosby*. So I think barter will begin to creep in as stations continue to try to transfer risk from themselves to the producer. I think it's a mistake if they do it, but I think you will see more people try. But I think it has to be a unique television show with a unique demand in order to put barter into it.

#### Why is it a mistake?

Philosophically, I don't think stations should give up the only thing they have to sell, which is time.

Turning to first run. You had some experience in the business with Coca-Cola Telecommunications and, eventually, LBS. Did you come away from those experiences with sort of soured expectations about the potential of first run, and if not, why not? And have you considered giving that business another try in any substantial way?

Coca-Cola Telecommunications was not part of what I was involved in; I didn't believe it to be a viable end of the business. But, I think first run is obviously an excellent business. The question is to position yourself, to bring to the marketplace that part that makes sense for your company. You will find a lot of companies go into first run because they have nothing else and have to service the pipeline. Disney is in first run because it has no off-network. I think Paramount is in first run in large measure because it has essentially lost its network business—it hasn't had a new show on network since *Family Ties*. So they have nothing to sell, so they were pushed into first run—and by the way, very successfully.

We don't have that problem. We have a very full pipeline in terms of television shows to sell. My sense is that if we find a series that ties uniquely into our expertise, that it would certainly go into first-run syndication. We have a partner who is very successful in first run, Merv Griffin. So as a company, you've got to look at us and say not only are we in first run, but we have the two most successful television shows in the entire industry: Wheel of Fortune and Jeopardy!

#### When does Windfall go to market?

We haven't decided yet. First you want to see what the reaction to the show is from the networks, because if you look at the game show business, virtually no show that's ever gone into syndication without network exposure has survived. You have 17 game shows being offered now in the marketplace, new ones for next fall, none of which have a network deal. Therefore, none of them can be differentiated from one another.

#### Outside of Merv Griffin's future efforts, do you see Columbia Pictures Television being involved in first run?

Yes. But I can tell you we will not be doing tabloid television. The next talk show, the next tabloid program is not a step forward in terms of the evolution of the medium.

#### What do you see out there that's innovative?

I think if we saw something, we'd be out in the marketplace with it. What we're doing is going after the kinds of people who we think are the best bet, the best chance of coming up with what's next. When we see it, we'll be there with it.

We're not afraid of the marketplace, but we're also not forced into it, so I think we have the luxury of standing back and taking our shot when we believe we have something that's another Mary Hartman. I hate to use an example that is that old, but Mary Hartman was much more than just a television series. It really turned the screw a little bit in terms of where the medium was going. We'd like to do that again.

Not that another game show isn't an excellent enterprise and we won't be in it when the time is right or the program is right. But we're not sitting here saying, "Boy, if we can just find the next one-legged nun in a sit-in in Cleveland!" because we can build a show around it.

#### If it gets good ratings, why not?

Because I don't think just good ratings is all the game is about. I think personally that a lot of what's being done in first-run syndication now appeals to the darker side of the human spirit, and while it might be good commerce, I don't think it's commerce that we will be involved with.

## Do these breakthrough programs come from companies or from individuals?

They come from individuals. That's why Columbia Pictures Television is as creative as the creative roster that we're able to attract. We have to be creative to track these people, to construct the business deal that allows them to be here, to be fairly compensated, and to make them feel it's in their interest to explore their own creativity.

## Can you imagine a breakthrough program coming from or through cable?

Absolutely. In fact, I would suspect their shot was as good or better as syndication. In cable you need only convince one person to believe in you, as with a network; the nice thing about a network deal is that, philosophically, one person, one entity, can say yes.

In syndication you have to have a lot of people say yes, and while you can have 20 people say yes and give you a good time period, you've got 15 people who will say yes and give you a bad time period, and it's over.

In cable you have more control. You only have to sell the dream to one person and that one person can partner with you and make the dream fly, and that's a real advantage.

is it worth your time to talk about the prime time access rule?

What do you want to know?

When you talk about your company being dedicated to a level playing field—PTAR is not a level playing field—a lot of people would like to keep it in place. Are you among them, or do you think there might be advantages to not having it? It was formed to create new film product for television, and never did.

As we sit here in the company, we sit here with Columbia Pictures Television, which has major off-network enterprise. That end of the company wants PTAR to go away, or at least that portion of PTAR that prohibits the playing of off-network.

Clearly we don't want to see the time given back to the networks. My feeling is that it's tough enough getting anybody to watch them 8 to 11; so 7 to 11 isn't going to solve their problem.

So we would like to see that that portion of it that prohibits offnetwork programing be eliminated.



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## Would it really make any difference in the long run if PTAR were eliminated?

I don't think that PTAR will make a contribution one way or the other in terms of the quality of what's on at 7:30. I can say on the one hand, PTAR may be responsible for the likes of *PM Magazine* in its heyday, or *Entertainment Tonight*. When you look at tabloid television, to say, well, PTAR was able to get us all this tabloid television; I don't know if I'd say that has been a great benefit. But that is a subjective point of view on my part. I think it has had some advantages; but it clearly didn't do what

I think it has had some advantages; but it clearly didn't do what was hoped—lead to a proliferation of interesting new program types—I don't think that's happened.

## Do you have a commitment from Fox for a spinoff of *Married With* Children?

We have not sought any commitments from Fox for any additional television series, although I must tell you that if we found a character that we wanted to spin in and spin out of *Married with Children*, that I think we'd find a very receptive ear at Fox—but we haven't discussed it.

## You counted four networks earlier. Is that a commitment that goes beyond commerce? Do you believe there really are four networks in this business?

Well, certainly *Married with Children* has made us a believer in the viability of Fox; I mean, that show is a great experience. We have the ability to branch out creatively in a fashion that clearly you couldn't do on the other three networks.

I think the other three networks' response to the success of *Married with Children* is *Roseanne*, and I think it goes about a third of the way that *Married with Children* does, but that show is breakthrough television; I mean, the ratings go up each and every week. This show they will look back at and that, while the audience size is smaller, in terms of changing the face of television, it's a *Mary Hartman*. In a smaller fashion, it's another *All in the Family*—it's going to be the kind of programing that people will point to and say, 'that was the first one of that type of television show.''

And it could only be done on Fox—they have been incredibly supportive. And, people are watching; and the best news, which was the "Big Unknown" when we got involved with Fox, is, people want to buy it for syndication. That was the big question. You knew independent television stations would buy off ABC or CBS and NBC—the question was, would television stations buy off Fox? And clearly the answer is now yes.

#### Will you be asking for similar prices?

We think *Married with Children* is among the best shows we've ever done, we ever modeled, and the best comes dear.

#### Yes, \$2 million-plus an episode.

We never discuss price.

#### What can you tell us about the future ownership of the company?

I can tell you nothing that you can't read in the papers—49% of the company is held by Coca Cola; to the best of my knowledge there are no plans to sell the company. And I have no plans to buy it, personally!

## What about the structure of CPT? Are you pretty much where you want to be in terms of the structure and the size?

Over the last three years we essentially combined three companies—Columbia Pictures Television, Embassy Communications and TriStar. That's the equivalent of three mergers in as many years.

I think now we've probably got the most effective network production selling team that I have ever been involved with. It's run by Scott Ziegler. The amount of product we have in development, the quality of the staff of writers, the amount of television shows we will have going on the air—I don't think we've ever done better.

On the syndication side, I don't think there's anyone in the business better than Barry Thurston. So, I'm delighted with the staff; in fact, I think we are better prepared today to survive and thrive than we have been any time in our past.

You indicated that you expect to see further consolidation within your business. Are you in any sort of acquisition mode right now?

I really can't comment specifically with regard to that; philosophically, we have been a company that has always been on the lookout for acquisition opportunities. But to speak to your issue of a consolidation at this end of the business:

One of the things we touched on earlier in the conversation that I think is an interesting phenomenon is that I think the number of people out there producing television shows for the network is going to decrease, and I think the importance of a library will become even more significant.

And the reason is this: When I got into the business an entrepreneur could go out and make a television show and make a living making that television show and then hopefully one day sell it in syndication.

The two prime examples of that were Norman Lear and Bud Yorkin; they formed Tandem Productions. You can't do that today.

Today, to do a television series, you have to be prepared to invest somewhere over the life of the series, \$10 million-\$20 million. And then wait four years for the money to come back in syndication. You just can't be a small entrepreneur and do that anymore—you've got to have money.

And the banks I don't think are prepared to lend you that kind of money over a long period of time to a couple of small guys. I think the only way you can have that kind of money is to have a library and be selling the library and using that library to finance production to increase the value of that library.

So I think you will find that companies that don't have libraries and are trying to get into the production business or have been in the production business will begin to drop by the wayside. They clearly won't have the money to finance their own success.

The more television series they get on the air, the more money they're going to lose. I would say that Lorimar is a prime example of a company that was the victim of their own success.

#### A victim of their own success? Can you elaborate a little?

If you are running a \$200,000-an-episode deficit and you have one show on the air, it costs you \$200,000 a week to be in business. If you have 10 shows on the air, it costs you \$2 million a week to be in business—you've got to find the money some place. And if you don't have a library of product that you sell in syndication to get money to finance production, where are you going to get the money?

## Isn't that called moving money on every show, but making it up in volume?

That game was played for a lot of years, but it's over. So you find fewer and fewer people being able to play.

### Can we turn to the future? What's it going to be like in the next five years?

I think the local television stations will financially get stronger, and therefore become a better marketplace than they have been over the last year. In the next two or three years that marketplace will strengthen. I see the network shares probably continuing to decrease perhaps to the low 60's, and I see the networks beginning to pay a higher, rather than a lower, percentage of the costs of the programs they use—perhaps in exchange for participation in the back end.

I see cable stepping up and competing first with syndication for product and then competing with the networks for product, and I see cable beating both of them in key areas.

I think there will be an ever increasing need for capital to play the game at all on the production side, and only those players with large capital pools will be able to play. The television business will get to be like the movie business. You've got to have a lot of money just to stand out on the corner.

The price of creative talent will continue to go up.

Oh, let me add one more thing—first-run syndication. First-run syndication was the last bastion of the small entrepreneurial enterprise. I think you've seen a lot of those companies go out of business; you're going to see the rest of them start to fall by the wayside, and I think that an important ingredient to look at is the consequences of King World's new television series called *Inside* Edition.

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then if you could sell it to enough television stations, it was a go. And essentially, the television stations financed the show because you got license fees every week when you made the television series.

All well and good.

King World now has come along and said, not only are we going to make this television series and give it away if we need to get the time periods, but we're going to launch it with an \$8 million media promotion campaign. By doing that, they have in essence raised the price of admission for getting in the game.

You can't come along and compete anymore with just a television show, because the station is going to say, "Well, how many millions are you going to spend to launch it?" And if you say you're going to spend \$127,000 or are going to give the stations ad slicks to use—hey, forget it.

So I think interestingly—and smartly so—the King brothers have said: "We're going to begin to do in the syndication business what's happened in the network business and we're going to get the little guys out of it by raising the price of admission—we're going to put \$8 million on the table, and \$8 million to us is nothing, we can afford it."

But the next guy who comes along with a little television show can't afford it, he's going to have to bring that show to us or forget about it. Important, significant trend—and it's going to change the game.

### How much do you typically spend in promoting or launching a new off-network show?

Millions. I mean, off-network typically requires a lot less promotion than first run. Look at, for example, Who's the Boss? versus Inside Edition. There isn't anyone in the country who doesn't know what Who's the Boss? is or hasn't seen it or who doesn't already know if they like it or not and know who's in it. The only thing they need to know is what station and what time is it on. That's what you have to sell. With Inside Edition you have to start from scratch: what is it, who's in it, what's it about, when is it on, where is it playing?

So by comparison, it requires four or five times the amount of money, but still you'll put a number of millions of dollars into launching Who's the Boss? just from our side. It's expensive.

#### You said that local stations will get stronger-how come?

I think several things; I think stations basically over-bought and were heavily inventoried, and as time moves on, that inventory will be used up. I think they will begin to absorb what has been the basis of most of the financial trouble that these stations have had and that is not that they paid too much for the programing.

It is that they paid too much for the station; they bought their own stations in anticipation of a 14%-15% annual growth in revenue. That growth wasn't there.

Well, they've restructured, they've refinanced, they've sold off, they've done what they have had to do to better position themselves financially, so I think the financial base upon which they do business will be much stronger as you move into the next three or four years.

Not that I expect necessarily a 20% inflation rate in growth; but I think that much of the excesses of the mid-1980's will have worked their way through by the time you get to the 1990's, and therefore they will be stronger.

## There seems to be some concern among the over-the-air universe that they're threatened with extinction by the wired universe. Do you share any of that?

I don't think congressmen can afford to have the local television stations in their markets go out of business and I don't think it's going to happen.

### Referring to cable, you said that they would be competitive with the networks in "key areas." What did you mean by key areas?

I think in sports you will find them picking off, as they have; I think you will find within the next year or so that they will pluck off a major motion picture package, step in front of the networks and buy a package perhaps that would have gone to the networks or perhaps a package that would have gone to syndication.

I look and am bemused by the fact that I see the amount of money paid by the networks for sporting events in spite of the fact that they continue to lose money; I think CBS's new deal for baseball is about three times the cost per hour of entertainment programing. Amazing, amazing. And most of the programing isn't in prime time.

When you look at where NBC spent that money for the Olympics, for \$400 million they could program all of prime time for approximately 30-35 weeks of the year. I think as cable begins to pluck off some of these sporting things, that the money may begin to come back to entertainment programing because the networks lose sight of the fact that entertainment programing is the guts of their business.

## One thing we didn't talk about was syndicated exclusivity. Can you outline your position on that?

The real difficulty with syndex is that it's a rule to get a rule. Therefore, you find real conflicting interests in the marketplace. On the one hand, you will find the Tribune Co., which says that because they have superstations, you can't give syndex to anybody; and if you give syndex, we won't buy that product.

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## ABC hopes for 'War' record on next round

# Stoddard says series deal with Bochco is moving ahead

ABC will probably schedule the remaining 12 or 12  $\frac{1}{2}$  hours of *War and Remembrance* "closer to one burst than [the first part] was in November," said Brandon Stoddard, president, ABC Entertainment, at the Los Angeles press tour last week.

The November scheduling of the first 18 hours of the mega-series was "a problem, although not an extraordinarily serious one," he said. "I don't think people knew enough about where it was. It was sort of inconsistent. We were on Sunday night, then here comes the NFL [on Monday night], then we're on Tuesday and Wednesday night, then we take three days off and then come back on a Sunday night. It was hard to know just where it was, and I think we can be a little bit better at that. One possibility, he said, is to schedule the remaining hours "across the board for a full week."



Stoddard

Stoddard said he was "a little disappointed with the ratings" for the first part. "I was hoping for a better rating than we got." The 18 hours, scheduled over a 10-day period, averaged an 18.6 rating and a 29 share. Stoddard said War and Remembrance failed to bring in the same age group that The Winds of War failed to attract—the younger demos.

"We were certainly aware of the vulnerability of *War and Remembrance* to a young audience," he said. With that in mind, "we made the biggest push that we had ever made, in terms of colleges and high schools, and our study guide was the biggest mailing on study guides that this network has ever done," he said.

Stoddard is also preparing for the possibility of a Screen Actors Guild strike in July. Saying the effects of the writers' strike will be felt for another year, Stoddard said he has had discussions with the studios to either produce additional episodes of series and tack them on the order this year, or "come back early from hiatus and start production earlier than they might normally do in order to get three or four episodes under the belt prior to mid-July." The de-

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velopment process at the network is still feeling the effects of the strike he said, in that "we have, in essence, no mid-season development."

One project that is moving ahead for ABC is the first series to be produced from the 10-series deal with Steven Bochco. Stoddard would not give details concerning the show, saying only that it would premiere in the fall. In addition, Stoddard said the network has picked up an hour-long drama from Aaron Spelling, describing it as an action/adventure piece, "post-9 p.m." Stoddard also confirmed there had been "some discussions" that CBS's *Murder*, She Wrote would become the fourth spoke in the Monday Night Mystery wheel. Stoddard quickly added, however, that CBS "would be very anxious to keep Murder, She Wrote in any shape or form, including slides, if they could." It is perceived that Universal, which produces Murder, She Wrote and the three movies in the mystery wheel, would benefit from having the highly rated CBS series join the wheel, possibly insuring the survival of the entire movie rotation. The other three parts of the wheel are movies starring Burt Reynolds, Peter Falk (reprising his Columbo role), and Louis Gossett Jr.

### Network's sports president says Olympics, baseball not good business choices for ABC

The Olympics are no longer an economically viable network television product and the Major League Baseball package on ABC was a financial loser, one which the network tried to negotiate out of during the recent bidding for the baseball package, said Dennis Swanson, president, ABC Sports, speaking to an audience of television critics at the Los Angeles press tour on the state of ABC Sports.

"I don't mean this as a sour grapes remark," said Swanson, "but I just don't think it's [the Olympics] a very good business for American networks to be involved in now." In explaining, Swanson said that to "justify the high rights fees, you keep adding hours to the telecast so that you can run more commercials." Regarding ABC's coverage of the winter games in Calgary, Canada, he said: "We had too many commercials in our Calgary programs—we knew that going in."

Swanson said ABC bid \$500 million for both the 1992 summer games in Barcelona, Spain, and the winter games in Albertville, France, but the International Olympic Committee decided to hold open auctions on each event separately and eventually received some \$640 million for both events from CBS and NBC, which won the Albertville and Barcelona games, respectively.

Of the baseball negotiations, Swanson said the three networks could place bids on three different packages. ABC, he said, was in favor of a package that is similar to the present system of alternating the World Series and League Championship Series between two networks and the two networks splitting regular season coverage. CBS bid on the eventual package of exclusivity for one network and NBC bid on a package of Lessons from Campaign '68. Speaking to reporters during the television critics press tour in Los Angeles. Paul Friedman, executive producer, *ABC World Neuw Tonight with Peter Jennings*, raised a proposal for curbing coverage of staged political events during presidential campaigns, or at least giving them a little more substance. 'The networks next time around ought to say, 'We're not going to show any of your staged events on a day during which you are unavailable to answer questions from correspondents,' " Not that ABC News will embrace such a policy, but to Friedman's mind, "that's kind of an interesting idea, and I think there will be a lot of rethinking before the next time around.'' At the same session, *World News Tonight* anchor Peter Jennings said he did not believe the George Rush presidential campaign "used" the media as "successfully and as diligently, and with such sense of panopiy as the Reagan Administration did.'' Jennings suggested Reagan may have used the medium a little too successfully as far as to the kind of coverage that may be in store for the Bush Administration. ''I think we're all a touch bruised by our treatment at the hands of the Reagan scene," Jennings said, adding: ''I'm sure that Mr. Bush will automatically suffer for it.''

regular season games, the All-Star game and the World Series. ABC was not in favor of the CBS proposal because the network was reluctant to pre-empt their prime time lineup to air the entire post-season schedule.

Despite the fact that ABC was outbid for the Olympics in 1992 and has lost the baseball contract following the 1989 season, Swanson said the losses are no indication the network is getting out of the major sports business. "If you take a look at the schedule of events that we have at ABC Sports, I would suggest that we still have a nice variety of major events," he said, naming Monday Night Football, ABC's college football lineup and Wide World of Sports, which, he noted was in its 29th season and is the number-one rated program in its time slot for the nine months of the year that it runs. In addition, he cited ABC's college basketball package and also said, "we think we have the best golf package in network television built around the three majors, the best auto race package built around the the Indy 500 and the best horse race package built around the Triple Crown."

## Cable services show off new wares

# Upcoming series and specials highlighted at press tour

Home Box Office is looking to launch a basic cable channel during the next year, said Michael Fuchs, HBO chairman and chief executive officer, last week at the cable press tour in Los Angeles. "We like the basic cable business. We were involved in USA Network which was a sort of clumsy partnership that we got out of," he said. "HBO is working very hard in trying to do a new basic cable channel, which we hope we can introduce in 1989." Although he would not elaborate on the programing of the channel, Fuchs said that in order to survive today as a basic channel the programing has to be compelling. "We're not coming out with another channel again unless we really think it's got legs," he said, referring to the failed Festival channel that HBO launched in May 1987 and which eventually succumbed to low subscriber numbers.

In addition to the possibility of a basic channel, Time Inc., HBO's parent company may acquire a studio soon. An HBO studio would allow the channel to expand its original productions and increase its producing for outside entities. "We want to expand," he said, "we have a very talented group of people here and we only do a finite amount of programing on HBO and we think that these skills can be transferable or applicable to other parts of the television business, and certainly the theatrical motion picture business."

As for the competition, Fuchs said that HBO and Cinemax have nearly twice the movies of Showtime/The Movie Channel. "In 1990 HBO will have twice as many exclusive movies and 50% more total movies than Showtime," he said. Pay per view, Fuchs said, "is under \$100 million at retail, so we have not really felt pay per view in the marketplace. Obviously, I cannot predict the future, but we have pretty much consistently said that we are not as worried about pay per view as-...Forbes magazine would like us to believe."

In addition to the lineup of original movies that HBO plans for 1989, the network also unveiled plans for a new Jim Hensonproduced series. The series, to launch next fall, is the second for HBO by Henson, the first being *Fraggle Rock*.

On the slate of original movies for HBO is Dead Man Out starring Danny Glover and Ruben Blades. The movie deals with a psychiatrist (Glover) who counsels a death row inmate (Blades) who will be executed when the doctor pronounces him sane. Other projects in 1989 include Tailspin: The Tragedy of Korean Airlines Flight 007, starring Chris Sarandon, Michael Murphy and Michael Moriarty; Time Flies When You're Alive, an autobiographical adaptation of Paul Linke's theatre piece, and A Month of Sundays starring Hume Cronyn and Vincent Gardenia.

Other new series this year on the service are One Night Stand, a half-hour comedy that will introduce new comedians in standup routines; Kids in the Hall, by Lorne Michaels, and a mystery titled Tales From the Crypt.

Amid the new show offerings at the press

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### **Program Notes**

GGP and Tri-Crown Productions announced an agreement last week to collaborate on two one-hour movie review specials, to air In June and December and to be hosted by Good Morning, America film critic Joel Siegel. Tri-Crown, in a venture with Playboy's Alta Loma Productions, is producing After Hours, the proposed late night strip for fall 1989 to be distributed by Worldvision. GGP also said it signed Siegel to do a fourth Joel Siegel's Road to the Academy Awards special this year, a one-hour barter show, with a March 24-29 exhibition window. 



Hall and Garvey

Fawn Hall, the secretary to Oliver North who became an instant celebrity during the arms-for-hostages hearings on Capitol Hill in 1987, has been signed to co-host a series of reality specials from Fries Entertainment entitled Tickets to a Dream. The specials tell the stories of people who have won lotteries. Co-hosting the show with Hall is former L.A. Dodger Steve Garvey.

Two syndication shows are getting facelifts. All American's The Latin Connection will get a new format starting next month, including more musical guest appearances, extended lifestyle segments,

tour, Showtime announced an agreement with Fox/Lorber Associates to syndicate a package of 10 Showtime specials. The package, titled Overboard, will be brought to the NATPE convention this week, and represents the first entrance into syndication by the channel. Overboard consists of 10 one-hour comedy or music specials, and stations will select eight of the 10 and air two each quarter beginning in the fourth quarter of 1989. Sold on a barter basis, the barter sales will be handled by MTV Networks.

Showtime also announced a new series for this year. The Boys, a special that aired last year, has been given an eight-episode commitment from the channel and will begin production in May. The series stars Norm Crosby. Norman Fell, Jackie Gayle. Michael Lerner and Lionel Stander.

Showtime will also have a number of comedy specials on in 1989, with features by Jonathan Winters, Andrea Martin, Jimmy Walker and a special two-part It's Garry Shandling's Show.

Showtime will also air music specials ranging from Gloria Estefan & the Miami Sound Machine to a Smokey Robinson retrospective.

One series that won't be seen on Showtime is Brothers. After five years and 115 episodes, the series will end production in April. According to Fred Schneier, executive vice president, programing, at Showtime, one of the major reasons that the show has been discontinued is its fall debut into syndication. Schneier said that there was concern about the show running on Showtime at the same time that it was making its broadcast run.

Exceeding original expectations, Scott Sassa announced an increase in the amount of original movies on Turner Network Television in the next three years. TNT plans a total of 15 original movies for this year, 30 for 1990 and 52 for 1991. Nightbreaker, starring Martin Sheen and his son Emilio Estevez, airs in March and deals with a successful neurologist who must deal with his involvement in nuclear testing some 20 years ago.

Other TNT movies scheduled for this year include an adaptation of Gore Vidal's Billy the Kid starring Val Kilmer; an eighthour mini-series starring Sam Waterston titled The Nightmare Years; a movie starting and produced by Faye Dunaway; a fourhour mini-series on the life of Michelangelo; a movie starring Richard Dreyfus portraying Ulysses S. Grant. In addition to the movies, TNT will air The Butter Battle Book, a half-hour animated show on the Dr. Seuss book, and two one-hour specials, one about Gary Cooper and hosted by Clint Eastwood, the second commemorating the 50th year of Hanna-Barbera's partnership. Sassa also said that despite the fact that

greater focus on outstanding Hispanic Americans and home video previews. Buena Vista's Win, Lose or Draw, a celebrity game show, is responding to a viewer survey indicating they want more games per show and more opportunity to play at home. Changes are being made to address those findings, said Jamie Bennett, senior vice president, Buena Vista Productions. Win is the third-ranked game show in syndication, now In its second season.

Richard Gold and Chuck Gerber, former executives at Casablanca IV (recently merged with Action Media Group), announced last week the formation of a new program distribution company, G2 Entertainment, serving syndication, network, pay and cable television. Their first project is a reality strip for syndication called Secret Lives, dealing with "people in conflict." The program has been picked up by the Fox station group for a six-week test. It's produced by Barry & Enright Productions.

ALF has been licensed by Warner Bros. Domestic Television to wwor-tv Secaucus, N.J. (New York), for syndicated availability as early as fall 1990. So far, Warner has distributed the program to 93 markets, with more recent sign-ons including wozL(TV) Miami; KTXL(TV) Sacramento, Calif.; wJZY(TV) Charlotte, N.C. and wRAL(TV) Raleigh, N.C. Season-to-date, the program is the highest rated Monday night network series.

Group W Productions has three mid-season first-run half-hour strip programs debuting Jan. 23 across the nation. They are: Couch Potatoes, a TV trivia game show produced by Saban Productions, with Marc Summers (now cleared by 50 stations over 40% of country); Can This Marriage Be Saved?, produced at KPIX(TV) San Francisco with host Brenda Wade (which has been picked up by Fox stations in Los Angeles, Chicago, Washington, Houston and Dallas), and This Evening, with host Karen Glass, also being produced out of Group W's KPIX. In addition, Group W is distributing two animated strips for next fall, Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtles and Bugsburg, and is offering a weekly reality show, Missing/Reward.

> ratings projections are running ahead of expectations, the first-year channel will run in the red for the next three years.

> According to Kay Koplovitz, president and chief executive officer of the USA Network, the channel's "focus right now is in the original production area," and to that end, will produce 24 original movies this year and 24 in 1990. "If that pace works, we'll probably continue at that level or more in the future,'' she said. Among the original movies set to air in

> 1989: The Forgotten, starring Keith Carradine, Steve Railsback and Stacy Keach, scheduled for April 26; Not a Penny More, Not a Penny Less set to begin production in the spring; The Haunting of Sarah Harding, starring Morgan Fairchild; Memory Lane, a murder mystery starring Robert Urich.

> On the series side, USA has given commitments to The Hitchhiker, Diamonds and The Ray Bradbury Theater. The Hitchhiker, an off-HBO series, has been given a 26episode commitment and begins production on Feb. 20 in Paris. The Ray Bradbury Theater has a 12-episode agreement, and Diamonds has been commissioned for nine new episodes.

Lifetime Television will premiere two new series this year as well as a number of

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Esquire: About Men, for Women premieres on May 6, and producers of the show, King Features Entertainment, have a 13-episode commitment. The show is described as "a humorous, enlightening, fly on the wall look at the 49% of the population with whom women share the planet."

Lifetime plans to carry the British documentary Diana: The Making of a Princess on Feb. 1, to coincide with her visit to the U.S. The hour-long special will be narrated by Lifetime's Linda Dano.

Next up for Lifetime's Signature series is Hush Little Baby: The Challenge of Child Care, hosted by thirtysomething star Mel Harris. The show premieres on Jan. 23. Then there is Postpartum: The Birth of the Blues, which examines the sometimes tragic results of postpartum depression and psychosis. The documentary airs on March 29.

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On the slate for the Disney Chanel in 1989 are original movies, specials and the new Mickey Mouse Club series.

The new series will premiere on Monday, April 24, and will be seen Monday-Friday, 5:30-6 p.m. The show will be centered on 12 children, ages 11-14, and two hosts, Fred Newman and Mowava Pryor.

The Disney Channel will premiere a sixhour mini-series of Charles Dickens's "Great Expectations" in the summer. The mini-series stars Anthony Hopkins, Jean Simmons and John Rhys-Davies.

The channel will also premiere Macauley's Daughter, a drama starring Bryan Brown and Rebecca Smart. The story takes place and was filmed in Australia

In addition to the movies, the Disney Channel will also premiere two specials. Singer Judy Collins is the next performer in Disney's Going Home series. Appearing with Collins in the hour-long special set to air on March 19 is Kris Kristofferson. Disney will also premiere Calgary '88: 16 Days of Glory, the official film of the 1988 winter Olympic games. Part one airs March 22, part two airs in May.

## HBO aces ACE's

HBO walked off with top honors in the 10th annual National Academy of Cable Programing ACE awards held last week, winning 35 awards, easily outdistancing its nearest competitor, Arts & Entertainment, which won eight.

HBO's hit parade was led by Vietnam War Story, Tidy Endings and Mandela, three dramas that together won 13 of HBO's 35 awards.

In all, 14 cable networks won awards. Following A&E, CNN won five; Bravo, Discovery, ESPN and Showtime won four; Disney won three; Cinemax, Nickelodeon and USA won two, and Lifetime, Prime Ticket and wTBS(TV) Atlanta each won one.

HBO's Dear America: Letters Home from Vietnam was honored with the Golden ACE award, and Cablevision Chairman Charles Dolan received the industry's Governors Award for a lifetime of programing achievements.



HBO Chairman Michael Fuchs (I) receives Golden Ace, industry's highest programing award, from presenter Billy Crystai

The awards ceremonies were carried simultaneously by 10 cable networks-BET, CBN Family Channel, Discovery, FNN, Lifetime, Movietime, Nick at Nite, wTBS(TV) Atlanta, TNT and USA Network. With numbers in for all but Movietime, the telecast scored a 4.8 rating, reaching 2.5 million households, NACP said. Last year on HBO it was estimated that 1.2 million saw the awards program. Each network except for FNN will rerun the awards three times, and the cumulative rating is expected to go higher. WTBS(TV) reran the program early Monday morning and scored an almost identical rating to the live telecast, NACP said.

Bristol Myers, which originally signed to be one-quarter sponsor of the telecast, bought another quarter of the overall 15 minutes of national advertising time available; the other seven-and-a-half minutes were sold to other national advertisers. There was also five minutes for local advertising and five minutes of promotional time in the telecast. Thirty-second spots sold for \$45,000, with advertisers guaranteed seven million homes, including homes from additional airings of the program.

In addition to the festivities in Los Angeles, cable companies and organizations in six cities-Washington, Atlanta, Boston, New York, Denver and Phoenix-held rcceptions where the the awards ceremonies were seen live.

A complete list of winners follows:

Wesley Snipes, Vietnam War Story: An Old Ghost Walks the Earth, HBO D Actor in a dramatic series.

Pamela Reed, Tanner '88, HBO - Actress in a dramatic series

Rick King, Vietnam War Story: Dusk to Dawn, HBO Directing a dramatic series.

Cindy Lou Johnson and Patrick S, Duncan, Vietnam War Story: R&R, HBO - Writing a dramatic series

Vietnam War Story, HBO Dramatic series. Roy Firestone, Sports Look, ESPN D Sports host

Speedworld '88, ESPN D Sports events coverage series.

Shelley Duvall's Tall Tales & Legends: My Darlin' Clementine, Showtime 

Children's entertainment special or series-nine and older

Dear America: Letters Home from Vietnam.

HBO Documentary special. Harvey Fierstein, HBO Showcase: Tidy End-

ings, HBO □ Writing a dramatic special. HBO Showcase: Tidy Endings, HBO □ Dramatic or theatrical special

The All New Dr. Ruth Show, Lifetime - Talk show special or series

Bravo Profile: The South Bank Show, Bravo

Magazine show special or series. HBO World Stage: Billy Joel from Leningrad, USSR, HBO D Music special.

Lucy Webb, Not Necessarily the News, HBO

Actress in a comedy series. Billy Crystal, HBO Comedy Hour Live: An All-Star Toast to the Improv, HBO D Actor in a comedy series.

Brian Levant, The New Leave it to Beaver,

WTBS(TV) Atlanta Directing a comedy series. Blackadder the Third, A&E and BBC Come-

dy series. Bernard Shaw, CNN D News anchor

Garrison Keillor, A Prairie Home Companion, Disney Channel D Entertainment host

Larry King, Larry King Live, CNN D Program interviewer

Danny Glover, Mandela, HBO D Actor in a movie or mini-series.

Alfre Woodard, Mandela, HBO D Actress in a movie or mini-series

Michael Palin, East of Ipswich, A&E D Writing a movie or mini-series

Philip Saville, Mandela, HBO Directing a movie or mini-series

The Race for the Double Helix, A&E D Movie or mini-series

Robin Williams, Comic Relief 87, HBO D Performance in a comedy special.

Jackle Mason, On Location: Jackie Mason on Broadway, HBO D Writing a comedy special.

Dwight Hemion, On Location: Jackie Mason on Broadway, HBO Directing a comedy special.

On Location: Dennis Miller: Mr. Miller Goes to Washington, HBO D Comedy special

Rated K: For Kids by Kids, Nickelodeon Children's educational or informational special or series

The New Adventures of Winnie the Pooh, Disney Channel Children's educational or Infor-

Boxing's Greatest Knockouts, HBO D Sports

information special. World Championship Boxing: Mike Tyson vs. Larry Holmes, HBO D Sports events coverage special

Chick Hearn, Los Angeles Lakers Basketball,

Prime Ticket D Sports play-by-play announcer. Marc Payton, NFL: Cleveland at San Francisco, ESPN Directing live sports events coverage

special or series. Rip Torn, Laguna Heat, HBO - Supporting actor in a movie or mini-series

Juliet Stevenson, The Race for the Double Helix, A&E D Supporting actress in a movie or miniseries.

Stockard Channing, HBO Showcase: Tidy Endings, HBO - Actress in a dramatic or theatrical special

Daniel Massey, HBO Showcase: Intimate Contact, HBO - Actor in a dramatic or theatrical special

Richard Hartley, HBO Showcase: The Impossible Spy, HBO D Original score.

Joey Carbone, Michelle Nicastro, Tom Gammill, Max Pross, It's Garry Shandling's Show, Showtime Driginal song.

Billy Joel, HBO World Stage: Billy Joel from Leningrad, USSR, HBO D Performance in a music special

Matt Forest, Wired, USA D Art direction: Program graphics

Mauro Pagano, Aida, Bravo D Art direction for a comedy or music special

Alan Price, The Ray Bradbury Theater: Punishment Without Crime, USA - Art direction for a comedy or dramatic series

Ken Sharp, Codename: Kyril, Showtime - Art direction for a dramatic or theatrical special, movie or mini-series

Jurgen Rose, Onegin, Bravo Costume design for a comedy or music special

Annie Hardinge, Blackadder the Third, A&E 🗆 Costume design for a comedy or dramatic series.

Ruth Myers, Baja Oklahoma, HBO Costume design for a dramatic or theatrical special, movie or mini-series

Sheryl Leigh-Ptak, HBO Comedy Hour Live: Harry Shearer: The Magic of Live, HBO D Make-

Wildlife Chronicles, Discovery Channel D Educational or instructional series

AIDS: Everything You and Your Family Needs to Know...But Were Afraid to Ask, HBO Educational or instructional special

Living Dangerously: Paucartambo: Adventure Down the Inca River, A&E 
Recreation and leisure special or series

Ballerina, A&E - Cultural or performing arts special or series.

Cinemax Sessions, Cinemax D Music series. The Ninth Annual ACE Awards, HBO D Variety special or series

Ken Russell, Bravo Profile: The South Bank Show: Ken Russell's ABC of British Music, Bravo D Writing a music special or serie

Antony Jay, Jonathan Lynn, Yes, Prime Minis-

ter, A&É D Writing a comedy series. Gavin Millar, HBO Showcase: Tidy Endings,

HBO Directing a dramatic or theatrical special. Tony Mitchell, Cinemax Sessions: Roy Orbison & Friends: A Black and White Night, Cine-

max Directing a music series Keith MacMillan, The Second Annual Prince's Trust All Star Rock Concert, HBO Directing a music special

Bill Klages, Bob Dickinson, Kirk Witherspoon, Olin Younger, Videopolis Superstar Special, Disney Channel Direction of photography and/or lighting direction for a comedy or music special.

Jack Wallner, Vietnam War Story: R&R, HBO Direction of photography and or lighting direction for a comedy or dramatic series

Mikael Salomon, The Man Who Broke 1,000 Chains. HBO Direction of photography andor lighting direction for a dramatic or theatrical special, movie or mini-series

Mike Hoover, Tim Huntley, Afghanistan-The Secret War, Discovery D Editing for a documentary special or series.

Glenn A. Morgan, Ted Levy, Motown on Showtime: Michael Jackson...The Legend Continues, Showtime Editing for a comedy special or seriesmusic special.

Ralph Sheldon, Mandela, HBO D Editing for a dramatic special or seriestheatrical special, movie or mini-series

Double Dare, Nickelodeon Game show special or series

In Search of a Drug-Free America, CNN 🗆 Short-form programing special or series. America Undercover, HBO Documentary se-

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Peter Ustinov, Peter Ustinov in China, Discovery Informational or documentary host.

Inside Politics '88, CNN D News special or serie

CNN's Coverage of the Washington and Moscow Summits, CNN D Extended news or public affairs coverage

In the Wee Wee Hours, Discovery Channel Public affairs special or series

### Week 17 goes to NBC, delivering 37.7 million households

NBC took the ratings week (ended Jan. 15) with a 16.1 rating and 25.9 share. ABC finished second with a 13.0/21.0. CBS fell to third place with a 12.6/20.3 for the week

Last year, NBC took the 17th week of the 1987-88 season with an 18.0/28.5, while CBS came in second with a 13.7/21.7 and ABC third with a 12.5/19.8. Those ratings numbers represented a combined 44.2 rating, or 39.2 million households.

In the evening news race for week 17, CBS won with a 12.1/21 over ABC's 11.4/19 and NBC's 10.9/19. For the same week last year, the news numbers were: CBS, 12.5/21; ABC, 12.0/20, and NBC, 11.9/20.

In prime time, Monday went to NBC, which averaged a 15.6/24.0. ABC and CBS tied, scoring a 14.2 rating each. Part two of NBC's Twist of Fate averaged a 15.2/24 and ranked 33rd for the week, beating ABC's competing Monday movie, Prince of Bel Air, which averaged a 14.6/23 to rank 37th.

Tuesday went to ABC's 18.2/28.1, edging out NBC's 17.9/27.7 and leaving behind CBS's 11.1/16.6. CBS's Tuesday movie, the theatrical "Starman," averaged an 11.8/18 to rank 50th for the week

Wednesday went to NBC, which pulled a 15.1/24.3. ABC averaged a 14.2/23.3, and CBS a 9.4/15.5.

Thursday went to NBC's 24.1/37.1. CBS managed a 12.3/19.3 and ABC an 8.0/12.4.

Friday night was an ABC win-15.7/26.6-with the nearest competitor being CBS, which pulled a 12.7/21.7 for the night. NBC averaged a 10.7/18.3.

Saturday was another NBC win, 18.9/33.8. The closest ABC could come was an 8.5/15.1 evening average, while CBS posted a 6.8/11.8. Sunday was CBS's night when the network posted a 19.3/30.4. ABC came in with a 12.7/19.8. NBC closed out the night with an 11 9/18 3

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3.	25.4/38	N	Cheers	30.	15.6/26	N	Midnight Caller	57.	10.5/17	Α	Hooperman
4.	23.4/34	A	Roseanne	31.	15.6/28	N	227	58.	10.4/15	N	Day by Day
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7.	21.9/33	C	Murder, She Wrote	34.	15.0/25	A	Mr. Belvedere	61.	9.8/17	A	ABC Saturday Movie
8.	21.3/35	С	60 Minutes	35.	15.0/25	Α	thirtysomething	62.	9.6/14	С	Tour of Duty
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12.	20.1/30	N	In the Heat of the Night	39.	13.7/23	Α	Just the Ten of Us	66.	8.8/13	Α	Mission: Impossible
13.	19.6/30	N	Unsolved Mysteries	40.	13.6/22	N	My Two Dads	67.	8.4/14	Α	Incredible Sunday
14.	19.2/30	A	Growing Pains	41.	13.5/20	Α	MacGyver	68.	7.9/15	N	Tattinger's
15.	19.1/36	N	Hunter	42.	13.4/20	N	Family Ties	69.	7.2/12	C	CBS Saturday Movie, special
16.	18.1/27	N	Matlock	43.	13.3/21	N	NBC Sunday Movie	70.	7.1/13	С	West 57th
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19.	17.4/25	C	Murphy Brown	46.	12.2/21	С	Falcon Crest	73.	6.3/10	Α	Knightwatch
20.	17.3/28	С	CBS Sunday Movie	47.	12.2/24	С	Wiseguy	74.	6.2/10	С	TV 101
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22.	17.0/29	N	Amen	49.	12.0/21	N	Miami Vice	76.	5.2/8	F	Garry Shandling Show
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# Shannon leaving New York's top station

WHTZ(FM) Newark, N.J.'s 'premiere zoo master' says he will not renew his contract with Malrite; planned move to West Coast fuels speculation he will sign with Westwood One

Scott Shannon, a driving force behind wHTZ(FM) Newark, N.J.'s rise to the number one spot in the New York market, told the station's morning listeners last Wednesday (Jan. 18) that he would not be renewing his contract with station owner Malrite Communications Group. The announcement that he would be leaving the station to move to the West Coast increased industry speculation that he would be taking on a position with Westwood One.

Despite the speculation, Westwood One has repeatedly declined to comment on the possibility of a deal. Shannon was not available for comment at the time of his announcement last week, but last month he said that he had held inconclusive talks with the company. He also said at that time that industry speculation, including reports that he would be joining Westwood One to head station KIQQ(FM) Los Angeles and consult





Shannon

the company's syndication and network arms, were premature.

Westwood One and Shannon are no strangers to one another. The company already maintains a working relationship with Shannon as distributor of *Scott Shannon's Rockin' America*, a top-30 countdown shown heard nationally (in New York, the weekly show is carried by WHTZ).

Shannon, vice president of programing and operations for WHTZ and a lead announcer on the station's popular Z-Morning Zoo program, signed on when Malrite bought the property in 1983. Prior to taking the position with WHTZ, he served as operations manager in the development of popular contemporary hit WRBQ-FM Tampa, Fla.

Shannon arrived at WHTZ with bold claims to take the station "from worst to first," ushering listeners through a brash morning drive time Zoo program. The station rose rapidly in the competitive market and in subsequent years managed to maintain its stronghold at or near the top of the list. Stations around the country have frequently cited Shannon's popular program as a trendsetter.

WHTZ General Manager Gary Fisher said the Zoo format will continue without Shannon, noting that the supporting cast remains "contractually and psychically bound" to the show. He would not offer any immediate plans for adding cast members to the program, but has not ruled out the possibility.

Fisher said the station is currently in discussions with Shannon to try to accommodate a departure date earlier than the June 30 expiration date on his contract. "It is our goal," said Fisher, "to make it amicable for him." Shannon did an "outstanding job" during his five-year tenure at wHTZ, according to competitor Stuart Layne, general manager of contemporary hit wQHT(FM) New York. "Scott is the premiere 'zoo master' in America; he is able to know when something's going right and when something's not."

Layne said Shannon's departure should open a "new opportunity" for competition among New York morning shows, noting that the popular host "was, in large part, the identity of that radio station." He was quick to add, however, that the formidable competitor is not expected to "roll over" as a result of the personnel change.

"Although Scott's leaving is good news for us," said Layne, "we by no means feel our work is done."

New York-based consultant Rick Sklar added that Shannon's departure should not affect the sound of the station dramatically, particularly since the Zoo program has grown increasingly music-oriented. While he described Shannon as a talented broadcaster, he said there appear to be enough other talented people working on the sound

Reaching Hispanic market. In yet another new effort by one of the ratings companies to address the Hispanic radio market, Arbitron Radio said it will begin producing Hispanic Local Market Reports for four of five planned markets next month. The new Arbitron reports, which will reflect Hispanic listening to all stations using data reprocessed from its standard radio market reports, will be published for El Paso, Houston, McAllen-Brownsville, San Antonio and, beginning next summer, Dallas. The first four reports will contain Hispanic listening data for the summer 1988 and fall 1988 surveys: the Dallas report will contain estimates from fall 1988, winter 1989 and spring 1989 surveys. Arbitron has already issued a prototype of the report based on summer and fall 1988 surveys in the San Antonio market; a report based on winter, spring and summer 1988 results was also distributed to Dallas clients. The new Hispanic reports will feature the same demographics and daypart estimates as the standard report but its cover colors will be reversed. The company said the data will also be available via software on Radio FasTraQ (for stations) and SpoTraQ (for agencies). Arbitron added that the company would expand its Hispanic Local Market Reports to other markets based on subscriber demand.



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of the station to support the loss of one of its key figures.

"They have the resources and Malrite has the management skills to evaluate potential talent and find another voice to put into that time slot," said Sklar, "so that they will be able to move on without skipping a beat."

### SBS's new New York FM ready to debut

Spanish Broadcasting System's wSKQ(FM) New York is scheduled to go on the air next month, according to SBS President Raul Alarcon Jr., dismissing rumors that the company has had difficulties completing its financing on the ambitious, multimillion dollar deal surrounding the startup.

up. "We have had our financing lined up since Oct. 7," said Alarcon, who announced last August that the company



Alarcon

would obtain its first FM frequency in the city by swapping the AM frequency it had just purchased for \$23 million from Emmis Broadcasting. As part of the deal, SBS would also pay upward of \$60 million in cash to the Forward Association, owner of WEVD(FM), the targeted FM frequency.

The SBS plan calls for an FM counterpart to the company's oldest property, WSKQ(AM) New York, which it acquired in 1983. But with last summer's addition of another AM property (temporarily dubbed WUKQ by SBS) and a deal that has taken longer than expected to complete, the company is now in the awkward position of possessing two AM stations in the market. In the interim, according to Alarcon, the FCC has granted a waiver allowing the company to sell advertising on the AM stations in combination for the six months following Oct. 7, 1988.

Alarcon said delays in the deal have been attributable to time-consuming filing and paperwork requirements, along with a "slight technical problem" with the WUKQ signal (which he last week described as "90% corrected"). Last September, another wrench appeared to be thrown into the deal with reports of a company—Salem Communications Corp.—claiming right of first refusal (BROADCASTING, Sept. 12, 1988).

"We haven't heard anything else from Salem in a while now," said Alarcon. Completion of the deal would give SBS AM-FM combinations in three of the country's major Hispanic markets: the company also owns KSKQ-AM-FM Los Angeles and WCMQ-AM-FM Miami.

While SBS continues to cater to an older Hispanic audience with its music and news format on wSKQ, the company is preparing for the planned station transfer by programing wUKQ with the type of upbeat, Hispanic music that will hopefully attract young Hispanic audiences on the FM band. Some industry observers have theorized that an Hispanic station on the FM band could pose a threat to the city's urban contemporary stations, should the deal be completed.

SBS appears to have little doubt that the deal will be completed. New York Mayor Ed Koch, the company said, has already been lined up to flip the switch.



### Word on 'Word'

Bustany Biggs & Co., a new radio producer and marketer, has announced the creation of its first project, *The Word*. Each daily package in the new series will feature a half-dozen 60-second features (each with a 10-second teaser followed by a local spot and a 50-second feature). Each program, which can be played twice daily and on weekends, will include one of six personalities: Judy Auerbach, sociologist; Michael Eremia, marriage and family counselor; Avery Friedman, people's rights lawyer; Elyse Goldstein, psychotherapist; Tony Hendra, pop culture critic, and Jeremy Rifkin, economist.

"The aim is to push people's emotional buttons," said Don Bustany, who co-founded the company last month after resigning as longtime producer of ABC's American Top 40. The new series will target listeners age 25-plus. The series will be available to a variety of formats. The Word, scheduled to premiere this April, is available on a cash basis. The company's next project, he said, will be a similar series geared toward listeners ages 12-24. Bustany's partner at the Los

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Angeles-based company is Johnny Biggs, who resigned earlier this month as senior management executive of ABC Watermark after 12 years with the company.

### **New York honor**

The New York Market Radio Broadcasters Association honored veteran radio broadcaster Jack Thayer at its annual sales seminar by establishing a scholarship in his name. Thayer, who



Thayer

suffered a stroke about two years ago, has a distinguished career that dates back to 1942 and includes president of NBC Radio; vice president/general manager of wNEW(AM) New York and, most recently, president and executive director of the Radio Network Association.

United Stations Radio President Nick Verbitsky, who introduced Thayer as "one of the most aggressive survivors of a serious stroke," launched the fund with a \$5,000 contribution.

### On his own

Ivan Braiker, who resigned as president of Olympia Broadcasting earlier this month due to what he described as "differences of opinion between myself and some investment banker types," plans to return to the radio business within two months. He would not yet reveal any details on the new project, but emphasized that there would not be any partners. Investors, he said, are already in place for the new enterprise. "I don't mean to cast aspersions on all investment bankers," he said, referring to the "stalemated position" that he said he had reached at Olympia with its chairman, James Ireland, a former investment banker. However, he added, "it is my intent to never have to give up control of a situation again."

### Comedy in the morning

Los Angeles-based Premiere Radio Networks plans to launch a weekly comedy feature for morning drive beginning on Feb. 1. The new series, known as the Premiere Comedy Network, will feature a package of 15-20 comedy bits delivered each week by a team of comedians.

### Radio scoop

United Stations Programing Network will present the American Music Awards Nominations Special with host Dick Clark during the weekend of Jan. 27. The three-hour special, including music and interviews with several of the nominees, will precede the 16th annual telecast of the American Music Awards on Jan. 30.

### AWRT welcome

National Public Radio congressional correspondent Cokie Roberts will serve as MC for a reception, "Celebrating the One Hundred and First Congress," hosted by the Washington chapter of American Women in Radio and Television, and to be held from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m., Jan. 25, at the Cannon House Office Building in the nation's capital. The reception marks the 12th time the biannual event recognizing the newly elected, first-term members of the House of Representatives and Senate has been held since 1967.

Expected to join Roberts, who is also special correspondent for ABC-TV News, are Sally Forman, vice president, NBC-TV; Richard Carlson, director, Voice of America; Senate Majority Leader George Mitchell (D-Me.); House Majority Leader Jim Wright (D-Tex.); Senator Wendell Ford (D-Ky.), and House members Howard Nielson (R-Utah), Matthew Rinaldo (R-N.J.), Frank Pallone (D-N.J.) and Nita Lowey (D-N.Y.).

### **Beatles** get back

WXRT(FM) Chicago morning personality Terri Hemmert is scheduled to broadcast live from the city's Museum of Broadcast Communications on Feb. 9 to kick off a new exhibition, "It Was Twenty-Five Years Ago Today: The Beatles on Television." The exhibit, which runs Feb. 9-12, will be a retrospective of television appearances by the popular music group.



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# Mayors backing telco entry

#### Conference votes to work to remove ban against phone companies owning cable systems in their primary service areas

More trouble for the cable industry on Capitol Hill is on the way.

The transportation and communications committee of the U.S. Conference of Mayors, meeting in Washington last week, decided to prepare a resolution calling for repeal of the statutory ban against telephone companies offering video services in their telephone service areas.

Washington Mayor Marion Barry, chairman of the committee, said the resolution would be drawn up through a series of telephone calls among committee members in the upcoming months so that it would be ready to present to the entire conference when it convenes to adopt its legislative policies in June in Charleston, S.C.

Tuscon, Ariz., Mayor Tom Volgy, chairman of the communications subcommittee and chief proponent of permitting telcos to compete with cable, said, when the conference met in Salt Lake City last summer, most mayors were "enthusiastic" about eliminating the telco-cable crossownership ban to provide competition to cable. But because some mayors had concerns about permitting telcos into television, he said, a vote on whether to eliminate the ban on telco entry was deferred. The ban is part of the Cable Communications Act of 1984.

Since then, Volgy said, the United States Telephone Association has acted to alleviate the lingering concerns. To win the support of the National League of Cities in its battle to eliminated the ban, the USTA agreed in writing to pay franchise fees, provide access channels and, in general, submit to the same sort of local regulations as cable operators. The NLC voted to back telephone entry at its annual Congress of Cities last December (BROADCASTING, Dec. 12, 1988). The NLC board will decide in March whether cable issues should be on its active legislative agenda for the year.

"My sense in that with those guarantees a lot of the concerns we have raised probably would be alleviated to a significant extent," said Volgy, who doubles as chairman of the NLC's transportation and transportation committee. "It's important for the Conference of Mayors to go on record along with the NLC in asking Congress to allow that type of competition."

During a break in the meeting, Volgy told BROADCASTING that cable issues would be on NLC's legislative agenda next year. If the league chooses not to initiate the legislation itself, he said, it will support efforts led by members of Congress or public interest groups

Volgy conceded that cable issues are not as pressing as such issues as housing and transportation and that Congress is less apt to tackle issues that deal with the future than with the present. But, on the other hand, changing the ground rules of cable television requires no federal expenditure. "In some ways it is easier for Congress to handle," he said.

Volgy said the municipalities want either reregulation of rates or competition. "I'll take either one. But to have neither is the worst possible world for our citizens."

(Phoenix Mayor Terry Goddard, the newly installed president of the NLC, in a brief interview with BROADCASTING three weeks ago, suggested that cable issues would not be on the NLC agenda. He said the league had "fairly limited resources" and had to be selective in what in chose to pursue in Washington.)

The muncipalities started seriously considering a push for cable legislation last year after negotiations with the cable over "immunity legislation" broke down.

Such legislation would immunize municipalties from having to pay damages for

License renewal hearing. In response to a federal appeals court, the FCC has ordered a license-renewal hearing for kwic-wi-FM Beaumont, Tex., on charges of race discrimination and failure to meet FCC affirmative action obligations. The action was taken Jan. 12, but was not announced until last week. The National Black Media Coalition and a local branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People had asked the FCC to deny licenses of Pyle Communications Inc. for the stations. The FCC granted a short-term renewal with reporting requirements in March 1987, but after the NBMC and NAACP appealed, the U.S. Court of Appeals in Washington ordered the FCC to take a second look in hearing. "The record evidence, raises troubling questions that remain unresolved about whether the licensee practices intentional employment discrimination. wrote Judge Abner J. Mikva, "The commission acted unreasonably when it pronounced itself satisfied on these points based entirely on the licensee's sketchy and sometimes contradictory explanations." David Honig, attorney for NBMC and NAACP, characterized the FCC action as "a procedural step the FCC had to take to comply with the court" and said it has no "substantive significance of its own." He said he would check the text of the order (which is usually released a few weeks after an action) to make sure "it is faithful to what the court told the FCC to do." Robert Healy, an attorney for the stations, had no comment.

violation of the First Amendment rights of cable operators or would-be operators. Over the past several years, cable operators challenged various municipal regulations in federal court on First Amendment grounds.

Volgy said the municipalities' problems with cable now go far beyond the fear of lawsuits from cable operators wielding the First Amendment. What's more, he said, the tide seems to have turned in those cases, with the cities winning more and more of the First Amendment suits.

The decision to prepare the telco entry resolution was preceded by a presentation by John Haring, chief of the FCC's Office of Plans and Policy, in which he outlined the FCC's tentative recommendation to Congress to do away with the ban.

Even though most telcos will not have built broadband fiber optic networks necessary to transmit video until "well into the 21st century," Haring said, it still a good idea to consider giving telcos permission to compete in video. "That's because potential competition, while it may not be as effective as actual competition, certainly brings some competitive pressure to bear. In other words, it is at least better to have the cable industry looking over its shoulder and worrying about the prospect of this friendly gorilla there in the offing and ready to step in should the opportunity arise."

Some telephone executives have not been helping their industry's cause at the FCC, Haring said. No sooner had the FCC indicated its interest in allowing telcos to come into the television business as a competitive check on cable, he said, than some executives began executives began saying that they really did not want to compete with cable, but rather to buy cable. "The telcos sent signals: 'Let's get in bed with the cable industry,' giving pause to those members of the commission who are somewhat tentative in their support'' of telco entry, Haring said.

(Two weeks ago, FCC Commissioner James Quello issued a statement saying he was reconsidering his "tentative" vote favoring recommending repeal of the telcocable ban. If he were to affirm the vote, he said, it would have to be conditioned on several things, including a prohibition against telco buying a cable system in its telephone service area.)

Haring said he agreed with National Cable Television Association President James P. Mooney that cable is a "good buy" (BROADCASTING, Jan. 16). But from a competive standpoint, he said, it not a question of whether something is a "good buy," it is a question of whether the price is out of line with the cost. "And when we are talking about subscriber value in the \$2,500 to \$3,000 [per subscriber] range, and the cost of wiring is on the order of \$500, it seems to me the issue arises and should at least be joined," he said.

Haring said the cable industry also argues that telcos, if allowed to offer video services, would be unfair competitors—that they would subsidize their competitive video services with revenues from their protected, monopoly telephone businesses.

Haring said that the FCC recognizes that potential for cross-subsidization, but believes "safeguards" can be imposed that would prevent or take away the incentive for the practice. One safeguard would be the substitution of "price caps" for today's rate-of-return regulation, he said.

Under rate-of-return regulation, he said, telephone companies have no real incentive to minimize costs since they are guaranteed a fixed rate of return over and above costs. By contrast, he said, price caps, by limiting prices telcos can charge for various services, would reward reduction in costs and improved efficiencies. And, under a price cap regime, he said, telcos would have far less incentive to shift costs from a competitive service to a regulated service.

Price caps are not a "foolproof" safeguard and should not be the sole protection against cross-subsidization, he said, but combined with others could allow telcos to compete with cable on equal footing and speed the delivery of advanced telecommunications services to the public.

Although politically controversial, Haring said, price caps may come up for a vote at the FCC's Jan. 30 meeting.

# Metzenbaum vows to tighten reins on cable

Senator promises to introduce rate regulation bill; congressmen at NAB forum voice support for must carry, advise association to prepare for major debate on beer-wine

Senator Howard Metzenbaum (D-Ohio) will make a major push this year to reregulate the cable industry. He is promising to introduce and "try to pass" legislation that would strengthen municipal authority to regulate cable rates. Metzenbaum is also troubled by cable's increasing dominance in the marketplace and says he will look at the issue of vertical integration under the aegis of the Senate Antitrust Subcommittee, which he chairs.

The senator announced his intentions last week during a legislative forum hosted by the National Association of Broadcasters in Scottsdale, Ariz. (see "Top of the Week"). Metzenbaum has been a frequent cable critic and last year convened a hearing concerning charges that cable programers are not making their programing available to competing technologies such as wireless cable. And he had the General Accounting Office conduct a survey on cable rate increases in Ohio.

Metzenbaum was one of nine congressmen participating in the forum, held prior to NAB's joint board of directors meeting. Like Metzenbaum, Senator Don Nickels (R-Okla.), chairman of the Republican Congressional Campaign Committee, and freshmen Senators Dan Coats (R-Ind.) and Conrad Burns (R-Mont.), a former farm broadcaster, spoke separately to the NAB group.

Appearing on a panel were Representatives Hank Brown (R-Colo.), Rod Chandler (R-Wash.) and Byron Dorgan (D-N.D.), all members of the House Ways and Means Committee. House Telecommunications Subcommittee members Carlos Moorhead (R-Calif.) and Bill Richardson (D-N.M.) joined Thomas Luken (D-Ohio) on the dais. Luken chairs the Commerce Subcommittee with jurisdiction over advertising issues. NAB directors and group broadcast executives attended the two-day session.

The news from the forum was mixed.

Besides Metzenbaum's aggressive cable agenda (something television directors found heartening), there was resounding support among the lawmakers for mustcarry legislation (requiring cable operators to carry all local broadcast signals). In addition, many of the lawmakers said they thought taxing broadcasters' use of the spectrum or limiting the deductibility of advertising expenses was "wrongheaded."

Nevertheless, they warned broadcasters that trouble is brewing on those fronts. Moreover, the congressmen advised the industry to prepare for a major debate on beer and wine advertising. Coats anticipates a "transt discussion." or the quarticipate has

"great discussion" on the question of banning beer and wine commercials. "There will be hearings and studies," said Coats, although he thinks advocates of an advertising ban will not succeed in this Congress but will be laying the groundwork for action in the future.

Perhaps the seriousness of the issue was highlighted best by Chandler's comments. Chandler, a former newscaster, characterized the present state of beer and wine advertising as "disgusting." He feels the ads are blatantly aimed at young people and that the industry should "do something" about it.

Luken believes Congress will focus more attention on advertising issues, including a proposal to ban all tobacco advertising. Although it would not have a direct impact on broadcasters, Luken said he knows the industry would be unhappy over the precedent it would set. And judging from remarks made during the forum, there is a strong likelihood that Congress may legislate a permanent discount for the lowest unit rate broadcasters charge for political advertising time.

Nickels indicated lawmakers are still divided over the issue of campaign finance reform. However, he said there is an awareness among members as to the "big difference between fixed time and preemptible time."

Metzenbaum, who was reelected last November, complained about the rising cost of political air time. He is clearly frustrated with the campaign process and stated that he would not run again. The senator said he paid \$1,000 for a 30-second spot on *The Waltons* in 1976 versus \$5,500 for a 30second spot on *The Cosby Show* last year. His campaign spent \$600,000 a week on air time "coming down the stretch."

"We have no choice, we need TV spots," said Metzenbaum, adding that "it is not fun chasing back and forth around the country to raise those dollars."

Congress is in the "modo to legislate" on this, warned the senator. "My colleagues feel they are paying too much for TV time." Nor does the lawmaker believe it would be unconstitutional to regulate in this area, especially when broadcasters' use of the spectrum is free and they profit from that use. "The Congress giveth, the Congress can taketh away," he said.

As for cable, Metzenbaum's list of concerns was lengthy. He is worried about the migration of sports programing (baseball and football) from free over-the-air TV to cable. He considers the Madison Square Garden deal with the Yankees a serious implication of what lies ahead. Beginning in 1991, MSG has an option to carry all the Yankee games. Until then, half of the games are on WPIX(TV) New York. If the trend continues, the senator said, "maybe Congress will have to take a harder look at baseball's antitrust exemption."

Cable subscription rates have "shot higher" than network satellites, said Metzenbaum, who hopes to attack that problem through legislation. He feels the FCC's de-



One NAB legilative panel included (i-r): Representatives Hank Brown (R-Colo.); Rod Chandier (R-Wash.), and Byron Dorgan (D-N.D.).

cision on what constitutes "effective competition" was "absurd" and said his legislation would revise the definition to make it tougher for cable systems to escape regulation.

The Cable Communications Policy Act of 1984 stripped most municipalities of their power to regulate cable rates. Under the act, muncipalities cannot regulate rates of systems that are subject to "effective competition," which the FCC defined as the availability of three over-the-air signals.

A Metzenbaum aide in Washington said the staff is looking at several alternative definitions for 'effective competition,' including one suggested by the city of New York. Under the New York standard, a cable system would be presumed not to face 'effective competition' (and thus would be subject to regulation) if any of the three conditions were met: 1) if four over-the-air signals (three network and one noncommercial) were not available; 2) if the cable system has more than 24 channels, or 3) the system's basic cable penetration is 60% or greater.

Metzenbaum, while fielding questions from the group, also expressed an interest in eliminating cable's compulsory license. The lawmaker applauded the NAB for cooperating in the passage of a children's television bill last year. He wanted to see broadcasters step up their efforts to help fight illiteracy.

On tax issues, the Ways and Means Committee members might have differed over whether the federal deficit can be reduced by spending cuts alone, but they were unanimously opposed to the idea of limiting the deductibility of advertising expenses as a means of raising additional revenue. "The real danger here," said Brown, is that Congress would be getting into the "business of taxing ideas."

As for spectrum fees, Dorgan thought the approach would not elicit much backing and would be difficult to move through Congress. Neither Brown nor Chandler were supportive of a spectrum fee.

Moorhead and Richardson offered their view of what the Hill may do on telecommunications issues. Moorhead thinks there will be little action this year except on the fairness doctrine and children's television issues. Richardson said there is a "perception" on the subcommittee that there needs to be more accountability from the cable industry. As a result, he expects "broadscale hearings" but does not envision a legislative response. The congressman does expect that the Hill will hear from the telephone industry concerning its desire to become a provider of television and information services.

## Hooks calls for return to 'bad old days'

# Former commissioner tells FCBA that industry and public were better off before deregulation

For Benjamin L. Hooks, the executive director of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, the Federal Communications Bar Association last Wednesday (Jan. 18) provided the setting for a homecorning and a forum for a speech on the FCC, some 11 years later. Hooks, who was an FCC commissioner for five years before leaving the agency in July 1977 to assume his present post, thinks things, for broadcasters and the public, were better in "the bad old days," before deregulation.

Hooks had been invited to address the first FCBA luncheon of 1989 as a means, FCBA President William Potts said, of calling attention to the 25th anniversary of the enactment of the Civil Rights Act of 1964. And Hooks, who was the first black to serve on the commission, recalled that enactment had been an occasion for rejoicing on the part of blacks—like himself—who had been denied access to public accommodation and who preferred to go without hot meals rather than accept the humiliation of being turned away from the front door of restaurants.

He also showed evidence of the humor that had marked his appearances during his service on the commission. At one point, when soliciting memberships in his organization, he said the charge for lawyers was \$50-\$10 for everyone else—he said, to the apparent delight of his audience that "FCBA stands for 'Fat Cat Bar Association.' " And with a number of former commissioners who had served with him in the audience, he recalled an en banc meeting with an early version of the National Black Media Coalition whose leader wore a dashiki and clearly unsettled the commissioners. Hooks said then-Chairman Dean Burch looked around for support and found Hooks looking at his shoes "to see if they fit" and then-Commissioner and later Chairman Richard E. Wiley "trying to find the stars through the ceiling of the meeting room."

But he was not joking about what he sees

as the consequences of deregulation. He recalled that "everybody jumped up and down" in seeking deregulation. Now that it has been achieved, he said, broadcasters and their attorneys should march on Capitol Hill and say to Representative John Dingell (D-Mich.), chairman of the House Energy and Commerce Committee, and Senator Ernest F. Hollings (D-S.C.), chairman of the Senate Commerce Committee: "We made a mistake. We want the fairness doctrine. We believe it will help us run our business better. We made a mistake. We want regulation in the public interest to serve in the public interest." But he did not expect his advice to be taken. "You're not going to do that," he said.

Hooks attributes many of broadcasting's problems to deregulation. He said that, "with the advent of deregulation," network television's share of the prime time audience has shrunk from more than 90% to 70%. He noted reports of "a glut of VHF television stations up for sale." The prices for UHF stations, he said, "are dismal." As for AM radio, "the grandfather of the industry," Hooks said people are "walking away from it." He noted that NBC, an



industry "pioneer," has left the service. And now, he said, "the FCC no longer

And now, he said, 'the FCC ho longer imposes public interest burdens on stations and allows trafficking.'' Indeed, he suggested that the agency be called the 'Federal Trading Commission.'' 'When I left the FCC in the bad old days, with public interest regulations,'' he said, ''broadcasting was booming. The status of stations was secure, and there was optimisim for the future.'' He recalled that cable entrepreneur Ted Turner had told a group of security analysts in New York last month that an increasing percentage of broadcast television audiences will be viewers who are ''dirt poor, [living] in slum areas'' and cannot afford cable. ''I said the same thing many years ago,'' Hooks said.

He finds serious fault, too, with the content, with the "trash and junk" he said he sees on television. There are those who say anyone who finds the material offensive can simply turn off the set, he said. But he added that "many parents are not there to control the television." He is, he said, a "great believer in the the First Amendment and the rights of free speech. But sometimes I wonder if maybe we haven't gone just a bit far. The sexual revolution has swept America." And he is disturbed, he said, by "the kinds of things we allow our children to see and hear."

Hooks finds fault, too, with the the deregulation of the telephone industry.

He said telephone bills "have gone sky high." And while he would not have preserved AT&T's monopoly indefinitely, he would follow the creed, " 'If it ain't broke, don't fix it.' And we tried to fix everything." He even cautioned the telephone companies to stick to what they had done to become successful in the first place—"service first." And he warned the telephone companies, "If you get into the cable television business, they will get into yours."

Hooks said some deregulation is justified. He also said that he is "not ashamed" of the deregulatory actions in which he participated (although he did not detail them). "But," he said, "there is such a thing as going too far."

Hooks

# Hughes files 'vigorous' opposition to DBS proposal

# Two other applicants also call half-CONUS restriction unnecessary and costly

Hughes Communications met last Wednesday's deadline for comments at the FCC, filing a 21-page opposition to a commission proposal to alter direct broadcast satellite (DBS) orbital assignment rules (BROAD-CASTING, Dec. 5, 1988). Adoption of the FCC proposal to require that all DBS applicants operate each satellite at only halfconus (covering only half the continental United States) from two, not one, orbital positions is unnecessary and 'will have a disastrous effect on Hughes Communications Galaxy's and others' marketing and business plans,'' said Hughes. Authorized to provide direct-to-home

Authorized to provide direct-to-home television service from two satellites at 101 degrees west longitude, Hughes last April requested modification of its proposal to use what would be the most powerful commercial satellites yet—two 200-watt HS-601 birds, each providing 16 channels at 54 dbw to the entire U.S., Alaska and Hawaii from the 101 degrees slot.

The 101 degrees slot is one of four Eastern DBS slots, mirroring four western slots in the separate, as yet unoccupied, DBS arc. If adopted, the paired-slot orbital assignment scheme would require that the two Hughes satellites be assigned to separate slots, one East and one West. And the halfconus restrictions would mean each of the birds could serve only half the U.S.

Offering 32 channels from a single location is "essential to the attractiveness and marketability of the system," said Hughes, adding that the potential need for wider HDTV frequencies is better accommodated by the maximum number of transponders at the single slot.

In addition to arguing that it would be faced with "substantial alteration of technical, business and financing plans" and delay in its plans to launch a direct-to-home television system in 1992, Hughes also argued that the rules change is unnecessary, because commission concerns over potential interference are unfounded. Attached to the comments was a 23-page summary of a study by NASA's Lewis Research Center that Hughes says "shows that the cumulative interference impact of implementation of full-conus operations from several of the U.S. Eastern orbital locations is negligible."

Responding to the FCC's argument that underuse of the four western DBS orbital slots constitutes inefficient use of spectrum, Hughes argued that, to the contrary, cutting in half the area each slot may serve "would prevent the most efficient use of the DBS orbital spectrum resource."

Regardless of who launches and operates

Watching nonprofits' profits. One year from now, religious broadcasters, trade associations, public broadcasters and other tax-exempt organizations—depending on their size—may find themselves facing a new, more rigorous tax reporting job, thanks to the introduction of a new Internal Revenue Service Form 990.

Prepared too late to introduce this year, but promised by the end of FY 1989, the form will require more detailed "income-producing activities" disclosure and "would represent a significant reporting burden increase" for larger tax-exempt entities, IRS legislative liaison, Bryan Slone, said in status report to the House Ways and Means Oversight subcommittee. A new 990EZ will also be created for smaller organizations.

the state-of-the-art high-power DBS birds, they will theoretically be able to reach relatively affordable, easily installed one-meter receiving dishes—the key, most industry experts believe, to expanding the current two-million-subscriber C-band home dish market to as many as 20 million subscribers not passed by cable.

Because of its established relations with cable programers and the potential financial backing of its parent corporation, General Motors, Hughes is widely considered the most viable DBS applicant, with the power to pull together programers, home satellite equipment (including encryption system) manufacturers and cable operators to create a new Ku-band direct-to-home television business, probably to be retailed by the cable industry.

GM was to have considered final approval of the plan by the end of 1988, but Hughes spokesman Thomas Bracken said the process has not moved as quickly as expected. Indeed, Hughes's comments hinted at its own skepticism concerning its competitors' chances of actually launching DBS services. The paired orbital location plan, it said, "forces existing DBS permittees to compromise their DBS plans for the speculative possibility that all of the present applicants ultimately will seriously pursue a DBS program." The commission, it said, "should not sacrifice truly efficient DBS operations, such as full-conus service, simply for the sake of accommodating a larger number of DBS applicants."

Two other DBS applicants, Dominion Satellite and Continental Satellite, had, before the deadline, filed oppositions also describing the proposal as unnecessary and costly. Once it has studied the comments and replies to those comments (due Jan. 31) and made a decision on the orbital assignment guidelines, the commission's distribution services branch of the Mass Media Bureau could begin to finalize authorizations.

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# FCC investigating Wold earth station

# Case appears to center on whether station was built and/or operated without authorization

The FCC is investigating circumstances surrounding Wold Communications' construction of an international satellite earth station in southern California, Common Carrier Enforcement Chief Gregory Vogt confirmed last week.

Although Vogt and John Coles of the commission's international facilities division declined comment on the issues involved, indications are that the investigation centers on whether the earth station was built and/or operated without FCC authorization.

Wold's founder and chairman emeritus, R.N. Wold, told BROADCASTING last July that Wold had begun construction of the 15.5-meter earth station to provide full-time service to JISO, a consortium of Japanese broadcasters (BROADCASTING, July 25, 1988). Whether a construction permit had been granted before construction began remained unclear last week.

But, according to Vogt, the investigation was begun last August—approximately a month before temporary test authority was granted Sept. 28, 1988. Vogt said he did not "want to speculate on what the penalties will be in this case."

Said Wold's Washington attorney Donald Ward: "We've answered [Common Carrier] questions" during the commission's "informal investigation [of the earth station] last fall." Asked whether the investigation centered on authority to construct or authority to operate, Ward said, "I guess that is a matter of debate. What is operating and what is construction? Those can become metaphysical questions."

"No final authority has been granted yet," said Coles.

The outcome of the investigation could affect Wold's near- and long-term business plans, including the JISO agreement and possible merger with, or acquisition of, another satellite services company. Wold parent, New York investment banking firm Welsch, Carson, Anderson & Stowe, directed new Wold President David Connell to "look at the joint venture picture" when he joined the company last July, Connell said two weeks ago. And earlier this month, R.N. Wold told BROADCASTING that consolidation among satellite services companies is inevitable during the next few vears.

(Satellite uplinking company IDB Communications acquired satellite capacity reseller Hughes Television Network during the final days of 1988 [BROADCASTING, Jan. 2].)

The international earth station in question is apparently key to Wold's own consolidation plans. Describing Wold as "in the merger and acquisition mode," Connell said Bonneville Satellite Communications, a major provider of sports programing satellite transmission services, and others have expressed "keen interest" in Wold's access to the Pacific Rim via the international gateway. Companies with which Wold has held joint venture discussions, he said, include Bonneville, which operates a domestic earth station "about one-quarter mile" away from Wold's international dish.

# NAB opposes changes to territorial exclusivity

### MPAA, some broadcasters side with NAB, others argue that repeal would be deregulation serving marketplace

The National Association of Broadcasters urged the FCC last week not to repeal or relax its broadcast territorial exclusivity rules that limit the area for which television stations can contract for programing exclusivity against other stations.

And although some individual broadcasters sided with the trade association, others argued that the agency should relax the rules to allow for wider areas of exclusivity. The Motion Picture Association of America, which represents programers, also lined up with the NAB.

At an open meeting last fall, the FCC proposed repeal or modification of the broadcast territorial rules as well as the cable territorial exclusivity rules (Broadcasting, Oct. 17, 1988).

The two broadcast rules limit the exclusivity one station can acquire and enforce against other stations. The nonnetwork territorial rule restricts exclusivity of syndicated programing to 35 miles. The network territorial rule restricts exclusivity of network programing to a single broadcast market.

The two cable rules limit the exclusivity stations can acquire and enforce against cable systems that are able to import duplicative programing on distant broadcast sig-

Trying again. Representative John Bryant (D-Tex.) reintroduced signal carriage legislation Jan. 3 at convening of 101st Congress. Measure is identical to one offered in last Congress and would condition cable operator's compulsory copyright license on whether operator carries local broadcast signals. If cable system chose not to adhere to set of must-carry rules adopted by FCC in 1987 but later thrown out by court, it would lose its compulsory license. Measure also protects broadcasters from being shifted to undesirable channel assignments. Similar legislation was offered in Senate by Copyright Subcommittee Chairman Dennis DeConcini (D-Ariz.) during 100th Congress, and aide to senator has indicated lawmaker is willing to revive it. nals. The network nonduplication rule restricts exclusivity of network programing to 35 miles in the top 100 markets and 55 miles in the "100-plus" markets. The syndicated exclusivity or syndex rule restricts it to 35 miles.

Although FCC Commissioner James Quello voted to put the FCC proposals out for comment at the October meeting, he made clear that he did not favor relaxing the restrictions on broadcast territorial exclusivity. Without them, he said, stations in large markets would acquire wider exclusivity for programing and preempt stations in "overshadowed" smaller markets from licensing it. "I'm afraid if you have total territorial rights, a very large company could lock out everybody in the state."

The NAB, in its comments on the proposal, echoed Quello's concerns. It said it opposes any modification of the "the nonnetwork territorial rule because of the potentially disastrous effect such action could have on stations (and their audiences) in smaller markets overshadowed by larger markets and because of the uncertainties that would result for all parties in the nonnetwork programing marketplace."

The NAB said the network territorial rule should be left alone for much the same reason. "To the extent that the existing NTE rule has facilitated virtual universal availability of network programing to the viewing public and has provided conditions favorable to the development of local outlets where they might not otherwise exist, the question again must be asked: If the existing rule is working well, why try to fix it?"

The trade association was more flexible when it came to exclusivity against cable systems. It said television stations in markets outside the top 100 should enjoy the same 55-mile exclusivity against cable systems for syndicated exclusivity as they now do for network programing. "Providing hundred-plus market stations with this extra zone of protection for syndicated programing would also have the salutary effect of leveling the playing field for smaller market independent stations vis-a-vis the network affiliates in their markets in that it would provide all stations in smaller markets with the opportunity to acquire basically the same geographic level of exclusivity.

(NAB also argued against another FCC proposal to reduce the protection of network programing outside the top 100 markets from 55 miles to 35 miles simply for the sake of uniformity.

Although the NAB's position was supported by several broadcasters, it was opposed by several others. BHC Inc., owner of stations KCOP(TV) Los Angeles and KPTV(TV) Portland, Ore., and United Television, owner of KBHK-TV San Francisco and four other medium-market stations, in joint comments argued that the protection afforded by the broadcast rules should be extended to the entire television market. "Such action would unshackle broadcasters from the last remaining barriers which prevent them from effectively competing in the video marketplace," they said.

"The existing nonnetwork territorial exclusivity rules have created an artificial zone of exclusivity, which is wholly unrelated to the vagarities [sic] of a particular market," the group broadcasters said. "In many instances, the 35-mile limit fails to give sufficient program exclusivity to broadcasters competing against other stations located within their viewing market."

Cosmos Broadcasting Corp., owner of eight medium-market stations, also argued against the 35-mile limit on nonnetwork exclusivity. The current limit "bears no relationship to the manner in which programs are actually purchased or advertising is sold....The artificial restraint on the free workings of the program marketplace ...should be modified to more closely reflect the realities of that marketplace by permitting stations to obtain exclusivity throughout their ADI's." ADI, or Area of Dominant Influence, is how the Arbitron rating service describes markets.

The MPAA called the FCC proposals "deregulation for its own sake." According to the association, the proposals "do not advance the commission's long-standing and statutorily-rooted goals of diversity, competition and localism in broadcast communications."

CBS refrained from commenting on the broadcast rules, but argued for the expansion of the exclusivity against cable systems. It said the cable rules should be eliminated "at least to the extent of permitting cable syndicated exclusivity and network nonduplication protection to be negotiated for a station's entire geographic market. Should the commission conclude that some limit is required, we would suggest that it be stated in terms of a station's...[ADI] or some other established and objective definition of the geographic market in which the station competes for audiences and advertisers."

Cable interests did not want to see lifting of any of the restrictions that broadcasters could assert against cable systems. "The commission has been unable to garner a shred of public interest support for repeal or modification of the current territorial exclusivity rule," said a group of cable operators represented by the law firm of Cole, Raywid & Braverman. "In a manner strikingly similar to its recent adoption of syndicated exclusivity rules, the commission here pushes forward with its free market agenda despite a total failure to establish evidence or public interest justification in support of its proposal."



# NAB board approves \$15.7 million budget

### It projects '89-'90 revenue of \$15.9 million and net income of \$181,000; government relations expenditures upped by 50%

The National Association of Broadcasters' proposed \$15.7 million budget for its April 1989-March 1990 fiscal year sailed through last week's joint board of directors meeting, generating only a modicum of discussion (also see "Top of the Week"). NAB anticipates revenue of \$15.9 million, up 4.9% from the \$15,174,000 projected for FY '88-'89. The original 1988-89 budget approved by NAB estimated revenue of only \$14.4 million.

Association expenses will rise 5.8% from the amount projected for FY '88-'89. Net income for the association has varied from \$295,103 two years ago to an operating deficit of \$424,505 last year (FY '87-'88) to a projected \$302,416 surplus in 1988-89. Net income under the proposed FY 1989-90 budget is \$181,055. Among the approved proposed budget expenses for FY 1989-90 is some \$6.6 million in staff salaries.

There was a general feeling among the directors that the association's finances are in order and that the complaints lodged last year (the board wanted more input into the budget process) had been addressed. Plus, the new financial advisory committee is believed to be making a difference. It has more authority than its predecessor, the old budget review committee.

The advisory committee has made several recommendations to improve the budget process, including changing NAB's fiscal year to the calendar year and using more outside certified public accountants. They have also suggested NAB review its investment policy. Consequently, the association is going to commission one of the "Big 8" accounting firms to look at those issues. Moreover, the directors were pleased that NAB sent the budget out in advance of the Scottsdale meeting, giving them more time for evaluation.

A rundown on the proposed FY '89-'90 budget as well as some of the projected figures for NAB's current budget are below:

■ In the area of expenses, the \$2.2 million budget for government relations (up 50.88% from the projected \$1.5 million) includes \$400,000 for "contingency" or outside lobbying support. The association will also spend more on its grassroots or legislative liaison activities with \$153,000 (up 49% from the projected \$103,000). NAB's legislative forum held prior to each winter board meeting is penciled in at \$102,050, and government relations salaries will jump from \$791,000 to \$963,000, roughly a 22% increase. The department is undergoing a reorganization; four new positions are being created, and the two-person staff of NAB's Television and Radio Political Action Committee will report to government relations chief Jim May, bringing the staff up from 16 to 22. And there are three vacancies to fill in the department.

Among other expenses: legal, \$1,060,950 (up 8.2% from the FY '88-'89 projected figure); public affairs and communications, \$1,169,035 (up 7.6%); station services, \$1,268,755 (up 12.4%); science and technology, \$657,100 (down 0.17%); minority services, \$135,400 (up 3.1%); research and planning, \$709,650 (up 3.1%); research and planning, \$709,650 (up 3.7%), with research projects alone estimated at \$230,000; radio department, \$1,087,500(up 3.5%), and television, \$674,400, of which \$106,000 is budgeted for NAB's Telejournal (down 2.5%).

Proposed expenses listed under general administrative for FY '89-'90 are \$6.3 million and include \$400,000 for the June 1989 and January 1990 board meetings (down 0.74%); building operations,

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\$855,000; committee meetings, \$150,000; employe benefits, \$480,000; \$150,000 for professional services (for accounting, political consultants and benefit consultants); NAB's private sector initiative activities, \$234,190; Freedom of Expression Foundation, \$10,000; industry relation contribu-tions \$85,400, and \$60,000 for the Broadcast Education Association. Also listed is \$255,000 for travel and entertainment (up 2% from the \$250,000 projected for FY '88-'89). Among the recipients of the travel and entertainment money: NAB President Eddie Fritts; Rory Benson, senior vice president, assistant to the president, national campaign coordinator; Michael Harwood, executive vice president and chief financial officer; Henry Roeder, senior vice president, convention and meetings, and John

Abel, executive vice president, operations. NAB anticipates spending \$500,000 in unbudgeted projects as opposed to the \$740,000 originally projected.

As for proposed revenue in FY '89-'90: radio dues, \$3.7 million (\$74,000 more than projected for FY '88-'89); \$3.7 million (up \$145,000) in television dues; \$1 million in dues from associate members (up 7.8%); \$5 million from the annual convention (up 6.6%); \$1.7 million, NAB services (up 21%); \$400,385 from the radio convention (up 0.1%), and \$375,000 in interest income.

According to the NAB budget, the association's annual convention April 29-May 2 in Las Vegas should bring in gross revenue of \$8.1 million against some \$3 million in expenses. Among the proposed expenses for government relations in Las Vegas: FCC-congressional breakfast, \$6,000; \$69,000 for congressmen and staff; \$8,000 for guests and speakers; honorariums, \$30,000; limo service, \$8,500; legislative liaison dinner, \$55,000, and \$14,000 for a TARPAC board meeting and reception. NAB's legal department estimates it will spend \$10,450 at the convention for FCC staff travel. The research and planning department's budget for the 1989 convention lists \$100,000 for convention research including: \$50,000 for "Hooray for TV"; \$40,000 for a radio project, and \$10,000 for an attendee survey. Under convention and meetings expenses for the Las Vegas convention: golf and tennis, \$12,500; spouse activities, \$18,000, and spouse dinner, \$12,000. The opening session is slated to run \$65,000; engineering lunch, \$24,000; television lunch, \$47,000; radio lunch, \$65,550, and \$8,500 for the allindustry lunch.

The appearance of President Reagan at last year's NAB convention cost \$28,955. Total income from the NAB's 1989 radio convention in New Orleans is expected to reach \$1.5 million against roughly \$1 million in expenses. VIP lounge and VIP expenses for the radio show were \$7,000.□

# Affiliate-network relations in holding pattern

# Questions of compensation changes not causing rifts at ABC, CBS, NBC

The reports from network affiliate meetings during the last two weeks suggest that the controversial side of those relationships is mostly in abeyance. Winter affiliate board meetings for both CBS and NBC were relatively positive, according to those affiliates attending, while discussions between ABC and an ad hoc affiliate group on compensation has yet to become confrontational.

■ CBS did not propose any across-theboard reductions in compensation but may, one board member said, use compensation to encourage better clearance of the network schedule. A joint press release issued after the meeting said: "The issue will be dealt with in individual markets where CBS's analysis of the competitive circumstances identified opportunities for appropriate adjustment."

The CBS meeting—which lasted for several days in Tucson at a resort owned by Loews (which owns 25% of CBS)—consisted mostly of presentations by various CBS/Broadcast Group executives. One of the general managers attending said: "There is still concern about prime time performance, but in advertising and promotion there has just been a marvelous turnaround under George Schweitzer and Michael Mischler."

According to one of those in Puerto Rico two weeks ago for the NBC meeting, it was "a lot more bland" than had been initially expected. Compensation issues had recently been settled prior to the meeting (BROADCASTING, Jan. 2) for the current year, but already there was discussion about possible changes after 1989.

Also at the NBC meeting were network officials, including Entertainment Division President Brandon Tartikoff, NBC Sports President Arthur Watson and NBC News President Michael Gartner. Betty Hudson, vice president, corporate and media relations, gave a presentation on a network affiliate campaign against drug abuse.

After a meeting in New York two weeks ago, ABC executives and affiliate representatives were still discussing compensation structure changes that are to be effective this year. The affiliates, who are continuing to resist a reduction in cash compensation are expected to continue discussing the matter with the network, which for its part desires improved clearances.

Those attending the ABC meeting included Capital Cities/ABC Chairman Tom Murphy and President Daniel Burke and ABC Television Network President John Sias, who declined to discuss the meeting. Affiliate Board of Governors Chairman David Lane called the meeting "amicable .... There were no specific plans offered, accepted or rejected." However, Lane, general manager of WFAA-TV Dallas, added that ABC affiliates were not likely to support the same kind of solution adopted by NBC-switching inventory between affiliates and the network: "At this point inventory exchanges are really not on the table.... It is my belief that when you get into the business of swapping inventory that you are talking about a short-term fix on a longterm problem." Nor, he added, were affiliates especially interested in making contributions to network programing funds. "Right now we are becoming more specific in our philosophical discussions, which divide between reducing the expense line or trying to enhance revenue... and to this point, have not resolved that."

### Bakkers are back on Media Central TV stations

All eight independent stations owned by Chattanooga, Tenn.-based Media Central Inc. will, today, Jan. 23, begin carrying *The Jim and Tammy Show*, hosted by Jim Bakker, founder and former host and president of PTL television ministries. One of Media Central's stations, WOAC(TV) Canton, Ohio, began airing the daily one-hour show Jan. 13, according to J. Clifford Curley, Media Central vice president.

The Bakker's are buying time on the stations, said Curley, who said Media Central is "looking at the 30-day level" for payments.

Jim Bakker and his wife Tammy Faye, who along with daughter Tammy Sue are co-hosting the program, made "tailored promos" for Media Central early last week, said Curley. In Canton, he said, the on-air promotionals brought telephone calls "from as far away as Columbus," Ohio, with callers asking how and when to see the program on WOAC(TV).

"The audience," said Curley, "will vote with their hands—tuning their TV dials and Examining televangelists' books. Three of five IRS examinations of religious broadcasters involving criminal investigations have been referred to the Justice Department, according to a Dec. 5, 1988. IRS report to the House Ways and Means Oversight Subcommittee. And, said the same report, of six IRS examinations involving "prominent television evangelists," two have involved criminal investigations.

IRS and Justice both declined comment on which examinations had been referred to U.S. attorneys. The public version of the report on the status of 29 current examinations blanked out taxpayers' names. Although most case descriptions specified "unreported income" as the issues involved in the investigations, several descriptions specified "political activity," and one described an agent's review of TV broadcasts and other activities "conducted primarily for political purposes."

Although the report described the 29 as a "significant number" of examinations, National Religious Broadcasters association director, Ben Armstrong, said NRB's membership has given "no sense of undue pressure" from the IRS.

reaching into their pocketbooks. He speculating that "by Valentine's Day" the results of that vote will be known, according to whether the Bakkers have garnered enough viewer contributions to buy more air time.

Media Central's previous affiliation with Bakker "is one reason we brought it back," said Curley. "It was a successful ministry," he said, adding that, it "appears to be the nature of the [religious broadcasting] beast" that payments to stations are "a little slow," but PTL paid regularly. (The Media Central stations are WOAC(TV); KBSI(TV) Cape Girardeau, Mo.; KHAI-TV Honolulu, Hawaii; KZKC(TV) Kansas City, Mo.; wDBD(TV) Jackson, Miss.; wKCH-TV Knoxville, Tenn. and WZDX(TV) Huntsville, Ala., and wXTX(TV) Columbus, Ga.)

The show has been fed by satellite since earlier this month weekdays at 11 a.m. ET (the feed changes to noon, Jan. 23) via Hughes Communications Galaxy II, transponder 1, said Curley. He added that it is also being distributed to a dozen markets via broadcast and/or cable television by Program Video Network.

Bakker may have to schedule his taping sessions around court sessions next week. He pleaded innocent in Charlotte, N.C., district court last Tuesday to 15 counts of wire fraud, eight counts of mail fraud and one count of conspiracy. The case was scheduled for trial beginning Jan. 30, although Bakker has 15 days to file pretrial motions, including motions to continue.

The trial of Bakker's top aide, Richard Dortch, who was named in the same indictment handed down late last year (BROAD-CASTING, Dec. 12, 1988), was continued to the court's April calendar, according to the U.S. attorney's office in Charlotte. Dortch also pleaded innocent to the same charges when he waived his right to arraignment earlier last week.



# Internal growth drives MSO performance

### Both basic and pay penetration rose at major operators last year

Top cable MSO's reported high single-digit, and in some cases double-digit, increases in basic and pay penetration in 1988, with much of that increase coming from internal growth within systems.

Warner Cable announced that it added 105,000 basic subscribers in 1988, a 7% increase, to total 1,529,000 by year's end. Pay growth surged further, up 11% with 135,000 new units, to end the year at 1,340,000.

Warner Cable President James Gray said "customer service and marketing were the major factors driving our 1988 subscriber activity [with] nearly half of our growth occurring within existing systems." Warner said nearly 40% of its growth

came from its Brooklyn-Queens system, which added 41,000 subscribers in 1988, to end the year at 104,000. The system added 75,000 pay units, over half the company's total, for a yearend figure of 205,000.

Warner's two largest systems remain Houston (196,458 basic subscribers) and Cincinnati (163,552 subscribers). Warner's figures do not include its 9% stake in First Americable Corp. Warner now passes 2,880,000, giving it a penetration of 53%.

■ Viacom added 90,000 basic subscribers in 1988, said executive vice president Ed Bennett, "all through internal growth." (The company sold two large systems to Cablevision and subtracting those sales, it ended the year with about 950,000 subscribers.) Bennett said the growth stems from "a combination of maintaining high levels of customer service, good marketing campaigns...programing that is stronger than it's ever been and holding on to our customers. It's paying attention to all those things that drive our business."

Pay also had an "excellent year," said Bennett, as Viacom added 70,000 units by pushing that category heavily. Bennett said discounted offers that help promote sampling and attractive marketing campaigns have fueled that growth. "Pay services are helping to drive the business through their own marketing campaigns," he said.

Paragon added 50,000 basic subscribers in 1988, to end the year at 703,000, an 8% increase. Dean Gilbert, vice president marketing and programing, said all but 6,500 of those subscribers came through internal growth.

Gilbert likens cable's growth to a snowball effect, where more money translates into better programing which in turn drives penetration, and customer satisfaction further. It is a trend that shows no sign of slowing down, he said.

Paragon added 33,000 pay units in 1988,

to end the year at approximately 500,000. Gilbert said although pay "is not a growth product," it "still has a lot of value in the marketplace" as part of the home entertainment mix. Paragon has had most success with half-priced offerings over several months, he said. It has found that 88-cent offerings, for instance, drive churn to unacceptable levels, sometimes 100% over the course of a year, he said.

■ Jones Intercable reported it added 152,140 basic subscribers in 1988, a 12% increase, and ended the year with 1.165.433 subscribers. Pay units rose 15%, from 757,317 to 845,879, a 12% increase.

Jones President Greg Liptak cited two reasons for the growth. One is a national customer service audit the company has put in place, where an outside audit firm examines "all aspects of customer service," said Liptak. Jones takes the information and develops plans to improve the service, said Liptak. "It has been very cost effective." Liptak also attributed the increase to "better and better programing," as Jones added TNT and VISN and rolled out Discovery and American Movie Classics systemwide. Liptak also senses that cable is starting to reach the light television viewer "who is beginning to perceive the value on cable."

Cablevision Systems ended the year with 1.1 million basic subscribers and 2.3 million pay units. Those numbers include the acquisition of Adams-Russell Corp. but not of Viacom systems on Long Island and Cleveland. Those will add approximately 200,000 to Cablevision's subscriber count.

Times Mirror ended the year with basic subscribers just under one million. It added 78,676 subscribers during the year, increasing its overall basic number 8.6% to 997,156. Pay units rose 11.3%, from 631,225 to 702,316. All but 10% of that growth came through internal growth, Times Mirror said, the rest through acquisitions.

Comcast added over 100,000 subscribers through internal growth in 1988, which combined with its acquisitions gave it a yearend total of 2.4 million.

### MGM/UA comes up with refinancing plan

Kerkorian invests additional \$180 million; plans to keep MGM and television operations while selling United Artists

Details of a long-standing plan to substitute equity for debt emerged last week at MGM/UA. The television and film production company said it had retired \$265 million of bank debt, largely with \$180 million provided by majority owner Kirk Kerkorian. The more stable financial footing did nothing to change the company's desire to split up, only this time it is proposing to sell the United Artists portion. Just six months



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ago it had planned to sell a portion of its MGM subsidiary instead.

Kerkorian's cash injection bought him 10 million shares of preferred stock, at \$18 per share, which pays no interest until Jan. 17, 1990, at which time it could also be converted into one share of MGM/UA common. The day after last Tuesday's announcement, MGM/UA shares traded in the same \$13-\$14 range that prevailed the previous two weeks. Other shareholders, who hold roughly 20% of the oustanding common stock, would receive rights to purchase—at any time within one year—their pro rata share of the same preferred stock purchased by Kerkorian.

The remainder of existing bank debt, \$85

million, was retired through the sale of certain receivables and television licensing rights for films according to the company's chairman and chief executive officer, Jeffrey Barbakow. The company said the refinancing reduced its current interest expense by almost \$30 million. MGM/UA said it had established a new line of credit with its existing lender, Bank of America.

Along with the refinancing, MGM/UA said it was contemplating the possible sale of its United Artists division: "A transaction would likely take the form of a sale of MGM/UA and repurchase by present sharholders of an interest in a new company which would be created by retaining certain MGM assets."

The remaining MGM assets would include all of the company's current television production operations, while distribution would be handled by the purchaser of United Artists. Barbakow said that while he has had recent talks with interested parties, there were no specific proposals.

Unlike the film operations of MGM/UA, the television division has not publicly displayed effects from the on-again, off-again split-up of the company. This week it is offering two new shows at NATPE: Hot Line and Straight to the Heart. The division also has two shows currently on network television, thirtysomething and In the Heat of the Night, with a third scheduled as a mid-season replacement.

### Taking stock of home shopping

Following a year in which the fall of Home Shopping Network's stock turned many investors sour on the shop-by-television industry, the company's stock price continued to fall in 1988. Meanwhile, the stocks of the other two largest shop-by-television operators, CVN Companies and QVC Network, posted gains.

The billion-dollar business was not colored by HSN's fate or operating results alone. CVN closed out the year with its stock trading less on its earnings and more on takeover prospects, following the November announcement of a bid for the company (see accompanying story, page 147).

Like CVN, the other two large home shopping operators are publicly held. HSN's stock, which started out in 1988 near \$5.375, peaked at \$7.75 in March and closed the year down, at \$4.50. Meanwhile, QVC, which started out the year at \$4.75, peaked at \$11.375 and closed the year at \$8.375 bid.

"The tremendous decline of HSN in 1987 carried the other two with it," said Mark Riely of Robert Fleming, but CVN and QVC "have started to emerge from the shadow of HSN," he said. Following a 1987 high of \$47.00, HSN's stock price fell more than \$40 over the year.

Events of this past year corroborated analysts' suspicions that shopping by television is a business with space for only a handful of operators.

In December 1987, Entertainment Marketing left the home shopping business after sustaining losses for the year of \$4.3 million associated with its television operations. The Travel Channel anounced plans in April to get out of the home shopping business. Cable Value Network took over operations of The Fashion Channel after it went into Chapter 11 in July, and CVN also acquired 70% ownership of the bankrupt America's Shopping Channel.

"Many people that were very optimistic on this industry had their optimism tempered over the past year," said Tim Rice, a partner in New Orleans-based Johnson, Rice & Co. Projections that would have been made for the industry two or three years ago would probably be greater than what was achieved, he said.

"I think this can be a viable business for two or three major players," said Ken Goldman of Hanifen, Imhoff, located in Denver. "Beyond that, it's shaky."

Investor opinion of the industry and of the publicly-traded majors is bordered on one side by appreciation for the high revenue growth and on the other by skepticism that the industry can survive as an ongoing concern. QVC had revenues of \$2.2 million in the fourth quarter of fiscal 1987 and \$112.3 million for fiscal 1988, and Rice said he expected the company to have \$190 million in revenue in fiscal 1989, ending Jan. 31. "There are not that many companies in the history of American enterprise that have shown that kind of growth," he said. Riely pointed out that the company's performance this fiscal year matched up to predictions made to analysts in early 1988.

On the other hand, "There is considerable and probably justifiable investor skepticism" regarding whether this growth and profitability of the home shopping majors can be sustained, Goldman said. Observers don't know whether consumers will retain their appetite for home shopping, he said. "What will it take to keep people buying?" he asked. Lowering prices is one way to keep revenue growing, but such a strategy would have a cost of lower margins, he pointed out.

Growth appears to be more a function of households reached than of increasing consumption appetite per home, Goldman said. "My sense is that viewing interest has peaked on these channels, and the resulting consumption per home is peaked, and not growing," he said. Nevertheless, TCI's offer for CVN is a recognition that "CVN is

Nevertheless, TCI's offer for CVN is a recognition that "CVN is one of the majors that can make this concept work," Goldman said.

HSN's continued decline is attributable to several reasons. Because many investors got hurt in the fall of HSN's stock, there is a "distaste" for the company, said Peter Grandich, author of the Grandich Newsletter. "Certainly on Wall Street, the great majority think home shopping, per se, is a fad," Grandlch said. Grandich made a suggestion about HSN-similar to one that Rice made about QVC-that if the company had the same operating results but did not have the "home shopping" label, its stock would be trading at a higher price. Adding to the general industry outlook is HSN's particular circumstances. Though setting up its own station group to bypass cable carriage problems was "conceptually" a good idea, the view on Wall Street, Rice said, was that the company had overpaid. Wall Street observers are also doubtful that the company should be in the business of offering financial services, analysts said. The company's "colorful, outspoken principals" and their early predictions of success attracted a lot of short-sellers to the stock, Rice said.

Pointing also to the HSN's suit filed in 1987 against GTE and GTE's recent counterclaim, Grandich said HSN has hit bottom in terms of negative reports and operational problems. He said he expected the company, led by its "superior management" to do well in the future. As one sign that the company is in a turnaround stage, Grandich pointed out that the short position in HSN, or number of shares in the company borrowed by investors expecting its stock price to drop, has lowered over the past few months. At five million shares in mid-September, the short position in HSN had dropped to 3.5 million in mid-December.

HSN had earnings of \$18 million for the fiscal year ended Aug. 31, 1988, down 39% from the year before. Net sales were up 25% to \$730 million. For the quarter ended Nov. 30, the company reported net income of \$10.9 million—including a \$4.7 million gain on the repurchase of convertible debt—up 252% from earnings in the corresponding period a year earlier.

# TCI takes back offer to buy CVN

### Stock price of home shopping company rises above offer, causing company to withdraw; TCI says it is still interested

Tele-Communications Inc. withdrew its two-month-old offer for shop-by-television operator CVN Companies last Monday, but the MSO did not close the door to expansions of its holdings of the Minneapolisbased retailer.

TCI said it had withdrawn its \$18-pershare offer because "the current market price [of CVN]...exceeded the value of the offer in light of the time required to complete any transaction." CVN's stock had closed Friday at \$18.50, after a week when its stock had traded near the price of TCI's cash-and-debt bid for the company. When TCI announced its offer in November, CVN's stock was trading for about \$15.

"Our withdrawing the offer doesn't reflect any diminution of enthusiasm about the company," said TCI Senior Vice President Peter Barton. "It's simply a marketrelated decision."

CVN's stock price had risen to the level of TCI's offer, analysts said, out of investor belief that TCI would raise its offer or that another company would top TCI's bid of \$14 in cash and \$4 in debt securities per share. However, once TCI withdrew its offer, analysts familiar with the company said they knew of no likely substitute buyers. TCI's offer implied a value of about \$315 million to CVN.

Following TCI's retraction of the offer, the stock price for the operator of Cable Value Network fell \$2.875 from its Friday level, closing Monday at \$15.625.

Barton refused to discuss whether a drop in CVN's stock price would cause TCI to re-submit its bid. He said conversations between TCI and CVN had not passed preliminary stages, with the companies not even discussing the nature of the subordinated debt securities mentioned as part of TCI's bid.

Analysts said they did not believe CVN's stock price would drop to its pre-November levels of about \$12 per share. The company's stock price began rising at the time of TCI's Nov. 2 announcement that it had raised its holdings to 17.2% of CVN's outstanding common shares, and that it contemplated seeking control of CVN. CVN's



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Merger in store. Heritage Media Corp. last week said it signed definitive merger agreement, subject to conditions, to acquire Actmedia, in-store advertising company. Proposed acquisition, valued at roughly \$175 million, would begin with cash tender offer for 6.4 million Actmedia shares at \$14 per share, cash. In addition, 2.4 million shares are being sold on same terms to Heritage by four of Actmedia's five directors. Following completion of tender offer and upon approval of merger by majority vote of shareholders. Heritage shares. Dallas-based group owner said completion of merger is also contingent upon Heritage obtaining "the financing contemplated by its commitment letters." As part of agreement, Heritage already has equity interest in another in-store advertising company. POP Radio Corp. For nine months ending Sept. 4, 1968. Actmedia had revenue of \$71.6 million and net loss of \$2.3 million.

ID addition. Mark Goodson Promotions has acquired ID TV, firm that brokers 10second promotional spots. ID TV will be consolidated into New York-based Mark Goodson Advertising Sales, and Roy Tilles, founder of ID TV, will become president of combined operation.

Third-quarter numbers. Columbia Pictures Entertainment said it had revenue of \$386.6 million for the fiscal third quarter ended Nov. 30, 1988. Company recorded operating profit of \$46.8 million, with net income applicable to common stock shareholders of \$8 million, or \$0.06 per share. This quarter's results are not comparable with previous statements, because company was formed in December 1987

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Done deal. Warner Communications announced Jan. 11 that its merger with Lorimar Telepictures had been declared effective. Last hurdle to merger had been removed one day earlier when Lorimar closed its sale of wPOH-TV Pittsburgh to Renaissance Communications, company organized by Michael Finkelstein and Warburg Pincus Capital. On Jan. 10, last day of trading of Lorimar shares, stock closed at \$13.375 Upon merger's closing, Lorimar's stock was exchanged for Warner common stock at ratio of .3675 of one Warner share per share of Lorimar. Warner, which closed at \$37,125 per share on Jan. 10, closed week at \$37.25. Transaction was valued at more than \$1.2 billion. Warner assumed Lorimar's debt, amounting to more than \$600 million, and holders of Lorimar received Warner stock valued in market at \$625 million.

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Another done deal. WestMarc Communications has completed its purchase of Taft Cable Partners and entered into related \$750 million revolving bank credit facility with First National Bank of Chicago as agent, according to WestMarc announcement WestMarc paid approximately \$444 million for 210,000-subscriber Taft, joint venture of TCL and Robert M. Bass Group. WestMarc paid \$184 million of purchase price in cash to affiliate of Bass Group. Another \$184 million was paid in form of WestMarc convertible cumulative preferred stock issued to subsidiary of TCL (TCL which already holds 54% of WestMarc's voting securities, would hold 62% if preferred stock were converted to class A common stock.) Balance of Taft purchase price took form of assumption of company's \$75 million debt, \$71 million of which was repaid with proceeds of WestMarc's new credit facility. Company said that \$545 million of credit facility was used to repay WestMarc's existing bank debt and to pay cash portion of Taft purchase price. Unused amount of facility, WestMarc said, would go toward future capital requirements and acquisitions and for working capital.

King up. King World Productions reported net income of \$28.4 million for fiscal first quarter ended Nov. 30, 1988. Figure was 25% increase over income in same period year before. Earnings per share increased 44% over same time period, to \$1.12, partially because of company's repurchase of 3.9 million shares in fiscal 1988 and 1989. Revenues were up 40% from previous first quarter, to \$136.5 million. King World said its performance reflected acceptance of its syndicated programing, as well as production of more episodes in fiscal first quarter 1989 than in quarter one year earlier.

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BEVERLY HILLS, CA 90212 9465 Wilshire Blvd. (213) 274-8151 stock price started 1988 at \$8.00, and had a peak early in the year of \$16.125, closing out 1988 at \$16.375. Since TCI's offer, the stock had been trading above \$15.

"There's still a belief that the issue is not entirely resolved," said Mark Riely of Robert Fleming. Additionally, TCI's interest had raised the visibility of CVN, he said. The stock's close above \$15 on Monday demonstrated a "residual" interest in the stock, said Marcia Raley of Dain Bosworth.

Cable Value Network has a subscriber base of 22.2 million following its December agreements with Cox Cable related to the takeover of America's Shopping Channel, which was in bankruptcy proceedings. As a result of CVN's 70% interest in the reorganized ASC, Cable Value Network received 925,000 subscribers. Additionally, Cox agreed to supply Cable Value Network programing on an exclusive basis to 700,000 homes in its systems.

The Minneapolis-based CVN reported earnings of \$11.4 million for the fiscal year ended Aug. 31, 1988, from sales of \$587.7 million. For the quarter ended Nov. 30, CVN reported net sales of \$171 million, up 18% from the corresponding quarter a year earlier. Net income for the quarter was down 26% from a year earlier. The quarterly results "were negatively affected, in part, by slower sales growth in [CVN's] mail order business and with higher overall costs, including higher postage and paper expense," said CVN Chairman and CEO Theodore Deikel in a company statement.

Raley said she expected the company to have revenues of \$720 million, up 24%, in the fiscal year ending August 1989, and pre-tax income of \$28 million, up 41%.

Cable Value Network started up in 1986 as a joint venture of CVN, called C.O.M.B. Co. at the time, and TCI. The joint venture was dissolved in August 1987. TCI President John Malone serves on CVN's board of directors.

In addition to its holdings in CVN, TCI has a minority interest in QVC Network, another shop-by-television service.  $\Box$ 

## INTV drops co-op ad plan

The Association of Independent Television Stations is shelving its recently approved proposal for an advertising sales co-op. The co-op was initially created at INTV's convention earlier this month as a means of capturing a greater share of network ad dollars (BROADCASTING, Jan. 9). INTV President Preston Padden said in a letter to his membership that the INTV's executive committee voted to "suspend" the project.

Padden explained the decision in a letter to his members: "In the past week it has become clear...that the idea of a single INTV-sponsored co-op does not enjoy the unanimous, or nearly unanimous, support necessary for this kind of association effort. In addition, we have been advised that at least two of our members are likely to initiate or expand non-wired network operations of their own. Thus, any INTV-sponsored co-op would (1) be of questionable viability

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in light of the lack of unanimous support and (2) be potentially competitive with commercial activities of our own members." (He is referring to Fox and Tribune.)

Despite that decision, Padden said INTV will not abandon its efforts to help independent stations garner a greater share of network ad revenues. On Feb. 7, INTV is making a major presentation at the television workshop of the Association of National Advertisers in New York. "We will make our case for adjustments, at the planning level, to yield a larger percentage of spot dollars for independents. And, we will emphasize that vehicles aggregating independent audiences should now be considered candidates for 'network' dollars," Padden's letter said.



KFAC-FM Los Angeles D Sold by Classic Communications to Evergreen Media Corp. for \$55 million. Seller is headed by Louise Heifetz, chief executive officer, and also owns KFAC(AM) Los Angeles. It purchased both stations in 1986 for \$33.5 million ("In Brief" May 5, 1986). It is selling KFAC(AM) to Lotus Communications (see below). Buyer is Dallas-based group of three AM's and three FM's headed by Scott Ginsburg. It is also purchasing RKO's wAx-Y(FM) Fort Lauderdale, Fla. ("In Brief" Oct. 3, 1988). KFAC-FM is on 92.3 mhz with a classical format, 43 kw and antenna 2,910 feet above average terrain.

KFAC(AM) Los Angeles □ Sold by Classic Communications to Lotus Communications for \$8.7 million. Seller is headed by Louise Heifetz, CEO, and also owns KFAC-FM Los Angeles. It purchased both stations in 1986 for \$33.5 million ("In Brief" May 5, 1986). It is selling KFAC-FM to Evergreen Media (see above). Buyer is Hollywood-based group of eight AM's and six FM's headed by Howard Kalmenson. KFAC is fulltimer on 1330 khz with 5 kw.

KXOK(AM) St. Louis and KLTH(FM) Florissant, both Missouri □ Sold by Chester Broadcasting to Saul Frischling for undisclosed amount. Sources estimate value of deal approximately \$6.5 million. Seller is principally owned by Emmet A. Capstick, and has no other broadcast interests. It purchased KXOK in 1985 for \$2 million ("For the Record" April 4, 1985), and KLTH in 1986 for \$3.5 million ("For the Record" Oct. 20, 1986). Buyer also owns wLTJ-FM Pittsburgh. KXOK is fulltimer on 630 khz with 5 kw, and KLTH operates on 97.1 mhz with 100 kw and antenna 560 feet above average terrain. Broker: H.B. LaRue Media Brokers.

KECY(TV) El Centro, Calif. □ Sold by John Smart to Kathrine R. Everett and Robinson O. Everett for \$1.565 million. Seller has no other broadcast interests. Buyer is owned by Kathrine R. Everett, Durham, N.C.-based attorney, and her son, Robinson O. Everett, Chief Judge, U.S. Court of Military Appeals, Washington. Principals own interest in wJKA(TV) Wilmington and wwRD-TV Wilson, both N.C. KE-CY(TV) is CBS affiliate on ch. 9 with 316 kw visual, 34 kw aural, and antenna 1,601 feet above average terrain.

WDSR(AM)-WOPD(FM) Lake City, Fla. □ Sold by Holder Media Inc. to ARSO Radio Corp. for \$1.3 million. Seller is owned by Hugh E. Holder and has no other broadcast interests. Buyer is owned by Jesus M. Soto, president. It also owns WPRN(FM) San Juan, P.R. WDSR is fulltimer on 1340 khz with 1 kw. and woPD is on 94.3 mhz with 3 kw and antenna 300 feet above average terrain. Broker; Hadden & As-

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Kwyp-FM Security, Colo. □ Sold by Kwyp-FM Radio Partners to Optima Communications Inc. for \$1.06 million. Seller is principally owned by Edward Patrick and Richard Martin. It also owns KwyD(AM) Colorado Springs. Buyer is principally owned by Joseph B. McCoy III, and James R. Bond Jr, Bond owns wKJX(FM) Elizabeth City, N.C. McCoy and Bond have interest in KQLA(FM) Ogden, Kan. Kwyp-FM is on 105.5 mhz with 3 kw and antenna 2,230 feet above average terrain.

WLSF(FM) Naples, Fla. □ Sold by Miami Christian College Inc. to Southwest Florida Educational Corp. for \$400,000. Seller is headed by Lyndon C. Conlon, chairman of board. It also owns wMCU(FM) Miami. Robert Singleton, board member, is vice president and chief financial officer for Knight Ridder Broadcasting. Buyer is owned by Byron Campbell, Darwin Davis, T.J. Strickland, Bob Morrow, Robert K. Sheffield and Clyde Anthony Chester, all directors. It has no other broadcast interests. WLSF is noncommercial on 90.9 mhz with 100 kw.

WFE2(FM) Williston, Fla. D Sold by Gulf to Bay Broadcasting Inc. to Bogi Broadcasting Co. for \$400,000. Seller is headed by Reagan Smith, president, and has no other broadcast interests. Buyer is headed by Maurice A. Negrin, president, and also owns wwxx Alpharetta, Ga. WFE2 operates on 92.1 mhz with 3 kw and antenna 525 feet above average terrain, Broker: Hadden & Associates,

For other proposed and approved sales see "For the Record" page 155.

### Whittle proposes ad-supported twist to 'educational' TV

Knoxville-Tenn.-based media company contemplates in-school TV program with commercials

Having been warned not to become "couch potatoes," students may soon be required to watch television, including the commercials, in classrooms across the country. That is the plan of Whittle Communications, which may propose a five-day-aweek "news and information program" to be delivered via satellite to thousands of middle and high schools. In exchange for



the newscast, and accompanying monitors, videocassette recorders and a satellite dish—all of which the school could use for other purposes—Whittle would be allowed to sell two minutes' worth of commercial time in the 12-minute-long daily news show, called Channel One. Whittle would also pay for any required servicing of the equipment.

H. James Ritts III, an executive vice president of the Knoxville, Tenn.-based media company, said Channel One is a result of requests by Knoxville teachers for better material to make students "culturally literate." Ev Dennis, executive director of the Gannett Center for Media Studies, noted that teenagers currently are not big television watchers, and A.C. Nielsen numbers for November currently show the three networks' evening news teen audience at 1.3 million (that age group, 12-17, currently totals 19.9 million).

Donald Wear, senior vice president of CBS International (CBI), which also serves the educational market, said that CBI's sales to schools had so far been done only on a "fee basis…but that is not to say that we have made a conscious decision to avoid advertising. I am not troubled by the commercials aspect in that we have to find novel ways to fund services sometimes." Wear added that he did not think CBI would compete directly with Whittle's project: "...to the contrary, we might become a program supplier using the resources we have. That is a conversation that I haven't had with Whittle yet would like to."

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Ritts said it would be decided in June whether to proceed with the project. That decision will be based on analysis of a fiveweek test beginning March 6 in six high schools, including schools in Knoxville, Detroit and Kansas City, Kan.

A national roll-out would start in 1990, with company executives reportedly projecting a market of roughly 6.5 million students (currently there are 19.9 million teenagers [age 12-17]). The initial investment is projected at roughly \$100-to-\$150 million, with annual revenue estimated perhaps at \$75 million to \$100 million.

Ritts said he did not know whether there was a contractual agreement over who would control the content of the "news." Channel One is to be produced by Susan Winston "in consultation with" William Rukeyser, Whittle editor-in-chief. Winston was with CBS News for three months, before which her background was in producing talk/entertainment/news shows such as *Good Morning, America*, of which she was executive producer, and before that the syndicated show *America*. Ritts said the daily show might have six to eight full-time reporters. The show, to be based in Los Angeles, is reportedly going to use 18-to-24 year olds as "news anchors."

For the past two or three weeks, the company has been talking to advertisers, some of whom have already indicated interest in sponsorships composing 60% of the available time. Certain categories of advertisers were ruled out, such as beer, cigarette and condom advertising, and those reported to have expressed an interest included McDonalds and the Armed Forces.

Whittle already produces "wall magazines," containing advertisements, that are located in thousands of schools. Ritts said Channel One will ask the schools to commit to contracts probably in the neighborhood of three years. Time Inc. recently purchased 50% of the company, but will reportedly have no direct involvement in Channel One.



#### Sale problem

Cencom officials were disputing many contentions made by the New York state cable commission after it ordered the staff to issue a show cause order why the sale of First Carolina's Plattsburgh, N.Y., system to Cencom should be approved. The staff believes the deal's high price will be passed on to consumers, and points to a Cencom projection of a 14% increase in revenue each year.

The system of 16,000 subscribers is part of an overall Cencom buy of First Carolina. The commission is concerned that Cencom's paying 50% more than what First Carolina paid only year earlier (from \$1,600 to \$2,400 per subscriber) will cause the rates to rise. The commission cites a staff projection that the deal is 90% leveraged and that Cencom forecasts a profit margin of 66% by 1993 and average revenue per subscriber jumping from \$21.63 in 1988 to \$36.83 in 1993. In addition, the commission said Cencom proposed staff and maintenance cutbacks.

But Cencom President and Chief Financial Officer Howard Wood took issue with those comments and others reported in the press, saying Cencom does not plan to cut staff or maintenance. He said the overall deal is 80% leveraged, in line with other deals in the industry. And, he said the average revenue projection includes all sources of revenue, including local advertising and pay per view, the latter not yet a part of the system's lineup. The margins discussed, he said, were not much different from other systems and do not take into account depreciation and interest payments.

Cencom follows First Carolina, James, Gateway and Wometco as the fifth buyer in four years of the systems. But Wood said the characterization of Cencom as a speculator was wrong, having been in business since 1982 and constantly building the company.

Still, the commission is concerned about trafficking of systems and has asked its counsel to explore drafting an antitrafficking rule that would mandate ownership for a minimum number of years, such as three or five.

#### **Talking Texas**

Texas Cable Show officials say registration and the number of exhibitors for its Feb. 22-24 annual convention is on track to match past years, with 2,200 attendees and 165 exhibitors expected for the show in San Antonio.

Headlining a roundtable discussion of top industry leaders are Gene Schneider, chairman, United Artists Entertainment; J.C. Sparkman, executive vice president, Tele-Communications Inc.; David Van Valkenburg, president, Paragon Cable; Tony Cox, chairman, Showtime Networks Inc., and John Egan, president, Anixter Communications.

The Community Antenna Television Association open forum will examine sports on cable. CATA President Steve Effros



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will lead a discussion with Roger Williams, senior vice president, affiliate sales and marketing, ESPN; Roy Bliss, executive vice president, United Video; Ed Frazier, president, Home Sports Entertainment; Tom Chestnut, senior vice president. SportsChannel America, and Phil Hochberg, an attorney with Baroff, Koerner, Olender & Hochberg.

Other panel sessions will examine the new technologies, cable' future competition (HDTV, fiber optics, overbuilds, MMDS), advertising, EEO and regulatory and legislative issues. There will also be a complete technical session slate.

#### **MSG** push

Madison Square Garden Network announced a multimedia advertising and marketing effort to highlight its program lineup, which now includes the New York Yankees, the service said last week.

"We've developed this advertising campaign to call attention to our yearround schedule," said MSG Executive Vice President Bob Gutkowski, which also includes the New York Knicks and Rangers. The campaign extends to television the "Look To Us For Greatness" campaign that began last October. Spots began running on local television last week and will be extended to local radio. Newspaper tune-in advertising, consumer and trade magazine and outdoor ads will also be used.

#### **AIDS collaboration**

Bravo and noncommercial wLIW(TV) Garden City, N.Y., will join in a collaborative fundraising telethon for AIDS research that will culminate in a 12-hour simulcast on Sunday, April 23, from 5 p.m. to 5 a.m.

The telethon will be carried on both the station and the cable network. (April 23 is Bravo's day to be showcased among all cable networks during National Cable Month.) The telethon will include an 800number for donations for AIDS research.

The cable-broadcaster cooperation goes further than the telethon simulcast.

Bravo will make AIDS donations in the name of each public television viewer calls in a pledge to the station. And the 25 cable systems making up the New York Metro Co-op will provide discounted cable installation (\$9.95) and a free month of Bravo to pledging Public Broadcasting Service members.

The telethon itself will include a retrospective of the work of artists who have died of AIDS.

#### Tie-in

The Disney Channel is joining with Mott's food company in a joint promotion in which consumers will receive a free Disney Channel-Mickey Mouse Club lunch box and a \$10 rebate when they subscribe and submit proofs of purchase from Mott's products. The campaign will be launched through the mail, with households receiving a 20 cent coupon by the end of the month. The offer is good through March 10.



#### AM agenda

It is believed that the first quarter of 1989 will see FCC adoption of technical rules designed to increase the quality of existing AM signals and provide sound comparable to FM quality on new AM radio receivers. Among other improvements, those radios will have the National Radio Systems Committee (NRSC) deemphasis and other improvements and will handle the newly expanded band to 1705 khz. Mike Rau, NAB vice president, science and technology, appearing at the Electronics Industries Association's Consumer Electronics Show (BROADCASTING, Jan. 16), said that the main problem the broadcasting and manufacturing industries will have after the new AM rules are in place is informing the listeners that better AM is available.

"We cannot communicate to the public and to retailers the concepts of NRSC standards or preemphasis or less distortion or less interference," he said. As a solution, Rau called on EIA to form a joint committee with NAB to design a certification mark for new AM radios capable of receiving AM stereo, NRSC deemphasis and expanded band frequencies. It would be "a way for retailers, manufacturers and broadcasters to jointly promote the new sound of AM service," he said.

#### **Uplink opportunity**

The Society of Broadcast Engineers and the National Association of Broadcasters announced that they will cosponsor a four-day satellite uplink seminar in March "to train uplink operators of television stations and in related industries," said Mike Rau, NAB vice president, science and technology. The goal of the project is to teach those new to broadcasting "about controlling the uplink transmitter, dealing with satellite transponder capacities and, above all, preventing interference with other users of geostationary satellites," Rau said. The seminar will be held annually in Washington.

The announcement was made while officers of SBE were in Washington to discuss society business and work out their latest positions on broadcast technical regulation. SBE Past President Richard Rudman, engineering manager, KFWB(AM) Los Angeles, said that other issues of top concern to the group are AM technical improvement and the allocation of TV support spectrum.

After the expected FCC approval of the NRSC standard and other technical AM measures, AM improvment will still be an issue, Rudman said. SBE will be fighting the "marketplace" philosophy of station allocation policy which, he said, is now held at the FCC. Some, he said, would still like to allocate more stations on the AM band. Rudman also called for measures to guard against RF interference from highintensity lights and other man-made, nonbroadcast sources should be explored. "The marketplace philosophy is not



designed for worst-case scenarios," he said.

On the television allocation side, SBE is concerned that the amount of support spectrum available for ENG applications is becoming scarce and harder to coordinate as more broadcasters use mobile satellite vans. That worry will increase even more when highdefinition television signals, which will likely require more than the current 6 mhz of spectrum, are transmitted. SBE said that it will petition the FCC to allow sharing of the band between 2310 mhz and 2390 ghz, which is now allocated to aeronautical data transmission services which are used at U.S. Air Force bases. SBE is optimistic that if an agreement with the authorities who coordinate aeronautical spectrum can be reached, the FCC will approve the plan.

#### **Satellite selling**

Harris Video Systems, Mountain View, Calif., has found a new way to pitch its graphics workstation. At 2:30 p.m. ET on Feb. 15 it will transmit a five-minute demonstration of its HarrisVws unit over Westar 4's 10D transponder. Audio will be at 6.2/6.8 mhz. Broadcasters and cablecasters are invited to tune in to view or tape the demonstration. The Vws is a 32-bit, digital work station aimed at broadcasters as well as production and post-production studios. A second transmission of the demonstration will be beamed at 2:30 p.m., Feb. 28.

#### Merger

The British-owned Paltex Editing & Productions Systems has acquired the video editing division of EECO Inc., Santa Clara, Calif., manufacturer and marketer of Convergence and EECO video editing systems. The two companies will be consolidated under the new name of Convergence Corp., and will be headquartered in Brentford, England. All of the company's products will be manufactured at Paltex's Tustin, Calif., plant. All EECO employes in the U.S. and in Europe are being retained.

#### Video dispute

Ampex Corp., Redwood City, Calif., has filed suit in U.S. District Court, Northern District of California, for patent infringement against Abekas Video Systems, also of Redwood City. Abekas is charged with using Ampex technology in five different products: A52 and A52-D special effects systems; A62 digital disk recorder; A42 video slide projector, and A52 and A53-D digital effects combiners.

Named in the suit, along with the company, are Abekas founders Junaid Sheikh, Bantval Yeshwant Kamath and Phillip Patrick Bennett, who were Ampex employes before Abekas' establishment in 1982. Ampex did not specify the amount of damages it is seeking.

Abekas denied the allegations. Kamath, the company's president, called the suit "a deliberate attack on our reputation...in response to Abekas' success in the marketplace." Ampex claims that for two years licensing negotiations have been held regarding the five systems and that the suit follows the breakdown of talks. According to Abekas, Ampex has made a number of licensing offers, which Abekas claims do not have any bearing on its products.

#### **HDTV** limited partnership

In cooperation with the American Electronics Association, 16 member companies have agreed to form a forprofit limited partnership to develop HDTV electronics and to license the results of their research. The companies met in Las Vegas during the Winter Consumer Electronics show two weeks ago. The group said it plans to fund and manage a consortia devoted to HDTV research in anticipated cooperation with the federal government. The companies include: Harris, Motorola, Tektronix, Zenith Electronics, Digital Equipment Corp., Varian Associates, Hewlett-Packard, Cohu Inc., Prometrix, AVX, ITT, PCO, IBM, Apple Computer, Raychem, Micro Electronics Computer Technology and Texas Instruments.



## BSB's DBS blueprint includes \$500 million for U.S. shows

British Satellite Broadcasting, the UK's three-channel direct-to-home TV service, is still the better part of a year from operation, but the billion-dollar project has already cut a substantial profile in both the U.S. and Europe.

In Hollywood, BSB has established itself as the big spender, making more than \$500 million in multiyear film deals with five of the top seven studios. And in its home market of Britain, BSB's aggressive buying has set the stage for a head-to-head celestial battle against Rupert Murdoch, whose Sky Television next month launches a six-channel package of competing program offerings.

Guiding BSB's expensive gamble is former Saatchi & Saatchi Communications Chief Executive Officer Anthony Simonds-Gooding. In this talk with BROADCASTING, Simonds-Gooding explains who is backing BSB, why subscription and advertising revenue will add up to a profit in a few short years and how BSB will beat Murdoch at his own game.

## Given the tremendous investment going into developing BSB, how will it ever become profitable?

Let's start off with a few numbers. Initially, we raised 222.5 million pounds [\$405 million] to get us on air, pay for two satellites, pay for the head office and pay for the infrastructure. We were then to go for round two of fund raising as soon as the satellite was up and we could demonstrate that the hardware is working, so the technical risk is obviated.

Now, our shareholders have just stepped up with a further 131 million pounds [\$236 million] of funding, making the pre-launch funding 353.4 million pounds [\$636 million]. This latest increase really is a bringing forward of funds from round two to now in order to do two things. First, to insure that we got a first-rate catalog of movies right now and for the next five years. And with our deals with MGM, Paramount-Universal, Columbia and Warner Bros., we do believe we now have a very powerful catalog of movies. The second thing is to insure that we have a very loud voice between now and when we go on air in September. We're intending to spend 30 million pounds [\$54 million] across all media.

The next envisaged level of serious fund raising will be post the satellite going up in the autumn. We've just been given permission by the London Stock Exchange to go for a public flotation should we so wish. I'm not saying at this stage that it's an option we'll necessarily take up, but it's adding to the options that are open to us.

We consider that it needs a considerable amount of investment to make this work and I'll tell you why. It's our contention that there is a very big opportunity in this country. The advertisers are hungry for an alternative. There's just one source of buying of television advertising. There must be a huge potential there if someone can grab it. People talk over time of a new media force taking 30% of the market. Our aspiration is not to be a peripheral satellite broadcaster but to be a third force. Why would investors choose to invest in us? The first reason is that the prima facie case for the market opportunity is enormous. What comes out quite clearly in our research is that out of about 20 million homes there are about six-and-a-half million that are very, very prone to buy. Two million of the six million are early adopters; they buy at any price. We will be going to something like in excess of three million over two years, five million over three years. We begin to break even and make real profits somewhere between years two and three.

## Why would an investor choose BSB over the competition, such as Rupert Murdoch's Sky Television?

One thing that's different with us compared to other satellite competitors is that we will get our money from a wide spread of shareholders. Nobody's got to bet the business. We might be 600 million pounds-700 million pounds out before the money starts coming in again. Now, no one company can do that. And so to make it possible you have to have a defrayed equity base, in my opinion. The other thing is that we're dedicated to this venture and we have no other businesses, we have no hidden agenda, no other business to look after. We're very single-minded.

Also, we have a real technology hammerlock on Murdoch. He has PAL and we have MAC, encrypted. D-MAC encrypted has got parental control, it's got pay per view, it's got subscription, it's got individual addressability, it leads, most importantly, into wide aspect [wide-screen TV], and shortly after launch, we'll be transmitting in wide aspect and eventually high definition. And we've defied gravity in the sense that we've brought this equipment to the market at the same price as his [Murdoch's].

Murdoch's [movie channel] is now definitely going to be encrypted. He talks about a PALcrypt smart card system, [but] we have no idea how or when he's going to do that. It will take us 18 months from when we began to work on [our technical delivery and customer management system] to actually start delivering the markets. And Mur-



Simonds-Gooding holding a 'squarial' home DBS receive antenna

doch and Sky have really only started very recently talking about an encryption system. I think it's going to take him over a year from now to develop.

In addition to that, striving to get something worthwhile out of Hollywood, Murdoch gave Disney half his subscription channel. In a venture like this, subscription income in the early years, before you've built up an audience, is much more important than advertising. In our figures, the first three years some 65% will come from subscription. He's given half of that income away.

#### What about the fourth and fifth channels on the BSB satellite, which were to remain vacant for three years after launch?

We suggested to the government and the IBA [Independent Broadcasting Authority, the government arm that regulates BSB] that the fourth and fifth DBS channels should be released early, and this has been

### **BSB** at a glance

The system: \$300 million, five-channel Hughes HS-376 satellite launched on Mc-Donnell Douglas Delta Rocket. Programing receivable on 25 cm aerial and receiver priced at less than \$500, with set-top boxes manufactured initially by Thompson, Salora and Tatung. Signal using the European D-MAC standard and scrambled with General Instrument's Eurocypher.

The schedule: Launched Aug. 10, 1988. Operational fall 1989, with 15-year broadcast franchises.

The programing: Three national channels: Now is a free news and sports channel; Zig-Zag is a free women's and family channel, and The Movie Channel is split between a daytime free classic movie service and a nightime pay movie service priced at about \$18 a month. Two remaining channels to be opened to bids from BSB and others for launch in 1990.

The audience: BSB will target the UK market, estimated at more than 20 million homes, and is projecting five million subscribers after three years.

The backers: Contributing to the current \$636 million in backing are Australian media baron Alan Bond (\$228 million), Granada Group (\$90 million), Pearson (\$86 million), France's Chargeurs (\$76 million), Reed International (\$63 million), British retailer Next (\$32 million), London Merchant Securities (\$23 million), UK broadcaster Anglia Television Group (\$21 million), Invest International Holdings (\$12 million) and Trinity International Holdings (\$4.5 million).

agreed to. The IBA will be putting out an advertisement within days, and BSB will be pitching to be given the fourth and fifth. How we're going to do it and what we're going to do is still a matter for consideration. It could well be that we will look for partners who will also bring funds to the party to get an early startup to those two channels. From the viewer point of view, what we're aiming for is a seamless fivechannel service.

Our programs are going to be three channels...one subscription followed soon by a fourth and fifth channel through the same small aerial. [Of BSB's three current channels] one channel is news and sports, eight hours of news, 10 hours of sports, with tabloid-structured gossip. The next has two advertiser-supported strands, a magazine for women and children and, in the evening, music and youth-oriented general entertainment. The third channel is movies, classics free in the afternoon, then pay movies in the evenings until approximately 2 a.m. We'll also have occasional pay-perview events which can preempt either of the two free channels.

## Would the fourth and fifth channel begin on the same time frame as the first three?

It's difficult to say. It just depends on what they are and how complicated they are, but I think that probably the most likely situation is that we start in September 1989 with three, and [the fourth and fifth] join it in early 1990. I think that by the end of this February, the contenders for those two channels will be known. I imagine that the final decision will be made in about April.

#### What response do you expect from terrestrial networks, including the commercial television sector?

I don't pretend it's going to be easy. BBC and ITV [Britain's independent commercial TV sector] have been around for a long time and they do what they do very well. What we've got to do is not go it head-tohead with them. What we've got to do is find a way of additional programing which they cannot copy even if they wanted to.

Our main general advantage, what we call our structural advantage, is that we have 72 hours of programing a day, three channels, which means we can choose certain sectors and subjects and really do them in depth. It's the American cable approach. They can't do that.

Let me give you an example. The terrestrial channels—BBC and ITV—get some very good movies; occasionally they might get a dozen or 20 a year. On our movie channel, we'll have 500 movies a year and first-run movies for television that will be one, two, three, four years ahead of ITV and BBC. Is there going to be enough advertising growth to support additional advertiser-supported channels in Britain?

The share will have to be taken from ITV. It's inconceivable to me they won't lose share. When the dust has settled, BBC and ITV will go from 100% as it is, to around 70%.

The experience in the States is that the combination of advertising and subscriber revenue appears essential to profitability. But most of the U.S. channels didn't hit break even at anywhere near the numbers you're talking about.

First of all there is a vast difference between the States and the UK. How fragmented is the States' market? You have all



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these channels and they don't get much of a market share. We've got four buttons, that's all. That's a very important difference.

While cable in this country has not taken off basically for cost reasons, in the homes that have got cable, and one must be careful about too literal an extrapolation, at peak times against BBC and ITV they held a 30% share, and with some very, very ordinary programing. I think it's a measure of frustration and lack of choice. Our programs will be light years ahead of those because we're funded.

#### Presumably subscriber revenue is going to be a primary source until you reach the critical audience to interest advertisers.

If we could make money with a free service right from day one, we'd do it. You can't. The States has proved that, and you can model it inside out, backward and forward, and you just never make it, because along the way your money runs out. You never have the programing money to start with to bring them in.

The most important part of our business plan is that on subscription we get real money coming in day one, that allows you to build your advertising business at the proper rate. As we get deep into the franchise, and our franchise lasts until 2004, it gets to be a 50-50 split; then I think advertising begins to outstrip subscription.

#### Regarding BSB's technology, how concerned are you about the state of the MAC receiver market?

Intermetall, which is doing the MAC cnip, is very much on track. Bad things could happen to us, but at the moment, we are on schedule for D-MAC. We've seen working prototypes in the hands of the manufacturers. We've got set-top boxes receiving D-MAC in the clear in this office.

We originally went out to 60 manufacturers worldwide and reduced it to three in order to land on day one with a year three price. We're not making money on it, and they're not making much of a margin, but they have a high volume guarantee. What's in it for them is they get into the integrated TV sets and the wide-aspect set, and they're going to be leading in a very strong position. So that's their bit of bread.

Interestingly enough, Sky is meant to be launched in February, and there is literally nothing, but zero, in the shops. There's huge publicity, he's building up a fantastic hype, but there's nothing in the shops.

Last week, we also demonstrated a working prototype of the squarial [a 25 cm square antenna for receiving the service]. McDonnell Douglas and Hughes continuously report to us as being on track, so at this time I have no reason to believe that our launch date is endangered.

Over at General Instrument in San Diego, where they're doing Eurocypher [BSB's encryption system], they have a five-year learning curve. We looked at all the systems. We wanted one that was the toughest on piracy and we wanted the firm that had the greatest learning curve.

So I really do feel that the technology, both in terms of being on time, working and at the right price, is, as far as I can tell you today, all on track.

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Standard & Poor's or as obtained by Broadcasting's own research. Note: \* Jan. 18 quotes are as of mid-day, except for Canadian stocks, which are close, Jan. 17.



As compiled by BROADCASTING from Jan. 12 through Jan. 18 and based on filings, authorizations and other FCC actions.

Abbreviations: AFC—Antenna For Communications; ALJ—Administrative Law Judge; alt.—alternate: ann.—annoucedi; ant.—antenna; aur.—aural; aux.—auxiliary; ch.—channel; CH—critical hours.; chg.—change: CP—construction permit; D—day; DA—directional antenna; Doc.—Docket; ERP—effective radiated power; Freq—frequency; HAAT—height above average terrain; H&V—horizontal and vertical; khz—kilohertz; kw—kilowatts; lic.—license; m—meters; mhz—megahertz; mi.—miles; MP—modification permit: mod.—modification: N—night: pet. for recon.—petition for reconsideration: PSA presunrise service authority; pwt.—power; RC—remote control; S-A—Scientific-Atlanta; SH—specified hours; SL—studio location; TL—transmitter location; trans.—transmitter; TPO—transmitter power output; U or unl.—unlimited hours; vis.—visual; w—watts; \*\_noncommercial. Six groups of numbers at end of facilities changes items refer to map coordinates. One meter equals 3.28 feet.

#### **Ownership Changes**

#### **Applications**

WDKT(AM) Madison, AL (BTC881230EA; 730 khz; 1 kw-D)—Seeks assignment of license from Excelsior Broadcasting Corp. to Vascular Diagnostic Lab, S.C. WDKT was originally purchased by Excelsior in 1985. According to transmittal letter and documents filed with instant application, several transfers have taken place since that time and Commission consent was unknown to Dr. Kelsick until he retained counsel in November 1988. Ownership of corporation is still in dispute and is at issue in US Bankruptcy Court for Northern District of Alabama, where reorganization plan has been submitted which previous shareholders of Excelsior are contesting. Filed Dec. 30, 1988.

■ WINV(AM) Inverness, FL (BAL881229EC; 1560 khz; 5 kw-D)—Seeks assignment of license from Kibbey Broadcasting Services Inc. to WINV Inc. for \$75,000. Seller is owned by Richard Kibbey and Corrine Calvasina, and has no other broadcast interets. Buyer is owned by Robert G. Webb, Karen M. Webb, Richard Kibbey, Corrine Calvasina. Robert G. Webb and Karen M. Webb own KLRK-FM Vandalia, MO. Filed Dec. 29. 1988.

■ KQIS(FM) Clarinda, IA (BALH890103; 106.3 mhz; 3 kw; 300 ft.)—Seeks assignment of license from G.O. Radio Ltd. to KMA Broadcasting L.P. for \$190,000. Seller is headed by Glenn Olson. and has no other broadcast interests. Buyer is owned by Edward W. May Jr., Edward W. May, Eleanor J. May. Annette M. Marra, Karen L. Sislo. Edward W. May Jr., owns 25% interest in WKTY(AM)-WSPL/FM) LaCrosse, W1. He is VP, director and 15% stockholder of May Broadcasting Co. of Arkansas Inc., which owns 5% limited partnership interest in KLRT(TV) Little Rock, AR. Filed Jan. 3.

WSVL(AM) Shelbyville, IN (BAL881229ED; 1520 khz; I kw-D, 250W-N, DA-2)—Seeks assignment of license from Blue River Broadcasting Inc. to ARS Broadcasting COrp. for \$450,000. Seller is owned by Arthur S. Kimball and Thomas Hession. It has no other broadcast interests. Buyer is owned by Alan R. Schriber and Ronald E. Green. It also owns WRBI-FM Batesville, IN. Filed Dec. 29, 1988.

WBPA(AM)-WECL-FM Elkhorn City, KY (AM: BA-L881228EB: 1460 khz; 5 kw-D; FM: BALH881228; 103.1 mhz; 3 kw; 1,530 ft.)—Seeks assignment of license from Mountain Interstate Broadcasting Co. to White Water Broadcasting Inc. for \$225,000. Seller is owned by Allan

Arizona: C-2 FM, big signal in growth mkt. – \$975,000, terms DAVID LAFRANCE 818/893-3199

Rocky Mt. Group: 3 combos, all university towns – \$4,800,000 GREG MERRILL 801/753-8090

Coastal Florida FM turnaround \$1,200,000 cash ERNIE PEARCE 404/698-9100

SW AM/FM combo, 100kw FM 125,000+ mkt. – \$1,900,000 BILL WHITLEY 214/788-2525

SE Class C FM, top rated \$4,000,000 cash ED SHAFFER 404/698-9100 SE AM/FM combo, excellent cash flow – \$3,400,000, terms avail. ED SHAFFER 404/698-9100

Midwest combo, med. mkt. with state univ. - \$3,600,000 cash BILL LYTLE 816/932-5314

Michigan college town, Class A FM - \$1,500,000, negotiable MITT YOUNTS 202/822-1700

Chicago area suburban AM daytimer – \$650,000 cash BILL LYTLE 816/932-5314

California B-1 FM, attractive terms – \$2,500,000 JIM MERCEN 818/893-3199



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Epling and Phillip Epling. It has no other broadcast interests. Buyer is owned by Lonnie Osborne and Kenneth Osborne, and has no other broadcast interests. Filed Dec. 28, 1988.

■ KNIR(AM)-KDEA(FM) New Iberia, LA (AM: BA-L890103EC; 1360 khz; 1 kw-D; FM: BALH890103HH: 99.1 mhz; 100 kw; 984 ft.)—Seeks assignment of license from Donald Bonin and Guy Martin Jr. to Signal Companies of Louistana Inc. for \$1.65 million. Seller has no other broadcast interests. Buyer is owned by Michael A. Griffith and Manual Broussard. It has no other broadcast interests. Filed Jan. 3.

KCLF(AM) New Roads, LA (BAL881215; 1500 khz; 1 kw-D)--Seeks assignment of license from D&L Broadcasting Ltd. to New World Broadcasting Co. for \$230,000. Seller is owned by Jack E. Davenport, Katherine K. Davenport and John B. Camp. It has no other broadcast interests. Buyer is owned by Roosevelt Gremillion, Ernest L. Johnson and Rupert Richardson. It has no other broadcast interests. Filed Dec. 15, 1988.

■ WMDO(AM) Wheaton, MD (BAL881230EB; 1540 khz; 5 kw-D)—Seeks assignment of license from Maryland Lotus Corp. to Los Cerezos Television Co. for \$750,000 ("Changing Hands," Jan. 2). Seller is Los Angeles-based group of nine AM's and six FM's headed by Howard Kalmenson. Buyer is owned by Rosemarie Lieberman, Frank Marrero, Emilio Nicolas Jr., Daniel L. Villanueva. Los Cerezos Television Co., also owns W14AA Washington, DC, and W66BV Detroit, MI. It holds CP for W48AW Washington, DC. Filed Dec. 30, 1988.

■ WNJR(AM) Newark, NJ (BTC881228EH; 1430 khz; 5 kw-U, DA-N)—Seeks assignment of license from Daniel E. Robinson and Harold R. Sims to Spanish American Radio Communications Inc. for \$4.1 million. Seller has no other broadcast interests. Buyer is owned by Rafael Diaz, Hugh G. McComas, and Danny Stiles. McComas owns WOSO San Juan, PR. Filed Dec. 28, 1988.

■ WXMC(AM) Parsippany, NJ (BTC890103EA; 1310 khz; 1 kw-D, DA)—Seeks assignment of license from Lakeland Broadcasting Corp. to Roman T. Bohatiuk for \$250,000. Seller is owned by Robert V. Coppinger, Jack Dadaian, Louise M. Tonning and Tom Fourounjian, who have no other broadcast interests. Buyer has no other broadcast interests. Filed Jan. 3.

■ WSCM(AM)-WACS(FM) Cobleskill, NY (AM: BAL890106HJ; 1190 khz; J kw-D; FM: BALH890106HK; 103.5 mhz; 50 kw; HAAT:)—Seeks assignment of license from Schoharie Communications Corp. to Bruce M. Lyons for \$950,000. Seller is owned by John Clancy and David Mance, who also own WQKA(AM) Penn Yan. WCDO-AM-FM Sydney, both NY. Buyer owns WXXK-FM Newport, NH. Lyons shares of WXXK-FM licensee are held jointly with Susan E. Lyons. They also own interest in NEW FM Danville, VT. Filed Jan. 6.

■ WTKO(AM)-WQNY(FM) Ithaca, NY (AM: BAL890106HF; 1470 khz; 5 kw-D, 500W-N, DA-2; FM: BALH890106HG; 103.7 mhz; 5 kw; 876 ft.)-Seeks assignment of license from Cooney Communications Corp. to Gilmore Communications for \$3.4 million ("Changing Hands," Jan. 16). Seller is owned by Matthew T. Cooney Jr., who also owns WCHN(AM)-WKXZ(FM) Norwich, NY. Buyer is principally owned by James S. Gilmore II. Gilmore is director of Gilmore Broadcasting Corp. (GBC) GBC owns KODE-TV Joplin, MO; WEHT-TV Evansville, IN; WLVE(FM) Miami Beach, FL; KHVN(AM)-KDLZ(FM) Fort Worth, TX. Filed Jan. 6.

■ WOMP-AM-FM Bellaire, OH (AM: BAL881230GN; 1290 khz; 1 kw-D; FM: BALH881230GO; 100.5 mhz; 13.5 kw; 520 ft.)—Seeks assignment of license from WOMP Inc. to WOMP AM-FM Associates L.P. for approximately \$5 million ("Changing Hands," Jan. 16). Seller is owned by Heritage broadcast Group, principally owned by Mario F. lacobelli, who also owns WXXA(TV) Albany, NY, KEZB-AM-FM El Paso. It purchased WDAM-TV Hattiesberg, MS, and WCFT-TV Tuscaloosa. AL ("Changing Hands," Sept. 26, 1988). Buyer is newly formed company principally owned by Theodore H. Baum, cable TV executive, and Dick Rakovan, former RKO radio executive. Filed Dec. 30, 1988.

■ KJFK(FM) Perry, OK (BTCH881227HT; 105.1 mhz; 3 kw; 100 ft.)—Seeks transfer of control from The Andover Corp Inc. to The Andover Company. Transaction is taking place pursuant to an oral agreement between Morgan brothers. in which Robert Morgan will excuse approximately 65,000 of indebtedness of Louis Morgan in consideration for acquisition by transferee of 80% interest in KJFK. Buyer is owned by W. Robert Morgan. 80%, and Louis S. Morgan, 20%. It has no other broadcast interests. Filed Dec. 27, 1988.

WALY-FM Bellwood, PA (BALH881230GP; 103.9 mhz; 310W; 984 ft.)—Seeks assignment of license from Mid-Atlantic Radio Inc. to S&P Broadcasting Ltd. Partnership I for \$1 million (Includes 200,000 noncompete agreement). Seller is principally owned by Gregory Guise, Herbert Gordon, Garrison Cavell, Gary Blau, Ronald Rubin and William McKay. Guise owns 20% interest in WADJ Somerset, PA. Buyer is owned by John A. Piccirillo. It has no other broadcast interests. Filed Dec. 30, 1988.

■ WTIN(TV) Ponce, PR (BALCT881230; ch. 14; 101.8 kw-V, 10 kw-A; ant 781t/53g)—Seeks assignment of license from Hector Nicolau to International Broadcasting Corp. for \$400,000. Seller has no other broadcast interests. Buyer is owned by Pedro Roman Collazo and Angel O. Roman, who have no other broadcast interests. Filed Dec. 30, 1988.

B KUNO(AM) Corpus Christi, TX (BAL881227EC; 1400 khz; 1 kw-D, 250 w-N)—Seeks assignment of license from KUNO Radio Inc. to KDOS Inc. for \$1.2 million ("Changing Hands," Jan. 9). Seller is owned by Tichenor Media Systems, Harllingen TX-based group of five AM's and three FM's principally owned by the Tichenor family. Buyer is owned by Luis Munoz. Alfonso Herrera, and Amador Garcia. It has no other broadcast interests. Filed Dec. 27, 1988.

■ KOZA(AM) Odessa, TX (BAL890106EA; 1230 khz; 1 kw-U)—Seeks assignment of license from Capital Communications Inc. to Mesa Entertainment Inc. for \$85,000. Seller is owned by William G. Haynes and Mark L. Morris Jr., and has no other broadcast interests. Buyer is owned by Agustine G. Mesa, Deeanna Velasquez, Rebecca Velasquez, Ruben Velasquez Jr., and Benjamin Velasquez. and Ruben Velasquez, director. Latter owns interest in KJJT Odessa, TX. Filed Jan. 6.

■ KTBB(AM) Tyler, TX (BAL881229EE; 600 khz; 5 kw-D, 2.5 kw-N, DA-2)—Seeks assignment of license from Broadcasters Unlimited Inc. to Stansell Communications Inc. for \$605,000. Seller is headed by Donald Chaney. Buyer is owned by James I. Stansell, William Harrison, and Wabash Properties Corp. It has interest in KTYL-AM-FM Tyler, TX, and KLAK(FM) Durant, OK. Filed Dec. 29, 1988.

■ WXRI(FM) Norfolk, VA (BALH881230HE; 105.3 mhz; 50 kw; HAAT; ANT 500 ft.)—Seeks assignment of license from CBN Continental to ML Media Partners L.P. for \$5 million ("Changing Hands," Jan. 9). Seller is subsidiary of Christian Broadcasting Network, Virginia Beach, Va.based cable network headed by Thomas Rogeberg. It also owns WYAH(TV) Norfolk, VA and KXTX(TV) Dallas. Buyer is public limited partnership formed by Elton H. Rule, I. Martin Pompadour and Merrill Lynch & Co. It also owns WQAL(FM) Cleveland, OH; WIRE(AM)-WXTZ(FM) Indianapolis; WEJZ(FM) Jacksonville, FL; KBEZ(FM) Tulsa, OK and WEBE(FM) Westport, CT. Filed Dec. 30. 1988.

#### Actions

■ KMAX(FM) Arcadia and KEST(AM) San Francisco, both California (FM: BTCH881108EB; 107.1 mhz: 3 kw; HAAT: -240 ft.; FM: BTC881108EA; 1450 khz; 1 kw-U;)—Granted app. of assignment of license from KMAX Inc. and KEST Inc. (respectively) to Douglas Broadcasting Inc. for \$23 million. Seller is owned by Universal Broadcasting Corp., Mineola. NY-based group of six AM's and three FM's. Buyer is owned by John Douglas, who has no other broadcast interests. Action Dec. 27, 1988.

■ KLOA(AM)-KFIO-FM Ridgecrest. CA (AM: BA-L881117EE; 1240 khz; 250 w-U; FM: BALH881117EF; 104.9 mhz; 750 w; HAAT: 1 ft.)—Seeks assignment of license from KLOA Radio to Roy William Mayhugh for \$552,500. Seller is owned by John J. and Eleanor Quigley, and has no other broadcast interests. Buyer has no other broadcast interests. Action Jan. 4.

■ KSFE(AM) Needles, CA (BAL880509EE; 1340 khz; 1 kw-D, 250 w-N)—Granted app. of assignment of license from William J. Simon, bankruptcy trustee to Coburn Communications Corp. Seller has no other broadcast interests. Buyer is owned by Maurice W. Coburn. Action Dec. 29, 1988.

■ KKIS(AM) Pittsburg, KKIS-FM Walnut Creek, both California (AM: BAL880804EC; 990 khz; 5 kw-U; FM: BALH880804ED; 92.1 mhz; 3 kw; HAAT: 89 ft.)—Granted app. of assignment of license from Chabin Communications Corporation to Diamond Broadcasting of Calif. Inc. for \$4.477,000. Seller is owned by James Chabin, who has no other broadcast interests. Buyer is owned by Ronald H. Strother and Thomas P. Gammon. It also owns KTRR(AM) Loveland, CO and KZXY-AM-FM Apple Valley, CA. Action Dec. 30, 1988.

KEBR(AM) Rocklin, CA (BAL880907EC; 1260 khz)— Seeks assignment of license from J&K Broadcasters to Family Stations Inc. for \$100,000. Seller is owned by R.A. Jones and P.A. Jones. It has no other broadcast interests. Buyer is owned by Harold Camping. It also owns KEAR(FM) San Francisco, KECR(FM) El Cajon, KPRA(FM) Ukiah, KFTL(TV) Stockton, KEFR(FM) Le Grand, KFRN(AM) Long Beach, all California; KY-FR(AM) Shenandoah, IA; WCTF(AM) Vernon, CT; WFME(FM) Newark, WKDN(FM) Camden, both New Jersey; WFRC(FM) Columbus, GA; WFSI(FM) Annapolis, MD: WJCH(FM) Joliet, IL WFCH(FM) Charleston, SC; WCUE(AM) Cuyahoga Falls, OH; WFRJ(FM) Johnstown, PA; KARR(AM) Kirkland, KJVH(FM) Longview, WA; WWFR(FM) Okeechobee, WJFR(FM) Jacksonville, both Florida, and WOTL(FM) Toledo, OH. Action Dec. 30, 1988.

■ KDKO(AM) Littleton, CO (BAL1117EG; A510 khz; 10 kw-D 1.3 kw-N DA-1)—Seeks assignment of license from Adams Radio of Denver Inc. to Peoples Wireless Inc. for \$900.000. Seller is Clearwater. FL-based group of five AM's, six FM's and 10 TV's, headed by Stephen Adams. Buyer is principally owned by James Walker. Walker is 3% shareholder, vice president and director of Tucson Wireless Inc., licensee of KKPW(AM) Tucson, AZ. He holds identical interest in and identical positions with Southwestern Wireless Inc., licensee of KFXX(FM) Green Valley, AZ. Action Jan. 4.

■ WOVU(FM) Ocean View. DE (BALH881026HO; 101.7 mhz; 3 kw; 328 ft.)—Granted app. of assignment of license from Clark Broadcasting Co. to Q-Tone Broadcasting Corp. for \$1,295,000. Seller also owns WCEI-AM-FM Easton, MD, and WKDW(AM)-WSGM(FM) Staunton, VA. Buyer is principally owned by Alvin M. Chanin, a Philadelphia attorney, and Anthony J. Quartarone, program consultant. It has no other broadcast interests. Action Dec. 13, 1988.

■ WCKC(AM) Milton, FL (AM: BAL881003EG; 1490 khz; I kw-U)—Granted app. of assignment of license from Alli-Bird Communications Inc. to Sims Enterprises for \$70,000. Seller is owned by Allison Ann Shadday, Dan Jarret Shadday and Randall Lynn Davis. It has no other broadcast interests. Buyer is equally owned by Louis R. Sims and Christine J. Sims. It has no other broadcast interests. Action Dec. 3, 1988.

■ WBGB(AM) Mount Dora, FL (BAL881007EA; 1580 kh2; 5 kw-D)—Granted app. of assignment of license from Ronald Aicher, Receiver to Central Florida Broadcasting Co. for \$175,000. Selier has no other broadcast interests. Buyer is owned by William Murrell Jr., who has no other broadcast interests. Action Dec. 30, 1988.

■ WNSI(AM) Sanford, FL (BAL881103ED; 1400 khz; 1 kw-U)—Granted app. of assignment of license from River Country Broadcasting Inc. to Bennett Broadcasting Corp. for \$417,000. Seller is owned by Walter Bowen, Everett Demster, A.J. Stanton and Michael Gosdick. Stanton owns KFNB-TV Casper, WY. Buyer is owned by Joan T. Bennett, and has no other brodcast interests. Action Dec. 30, 1988.

■ WPUL(AM) South Daytona, FL (BAL880802EC; 1590 kh2; 1 kw-D 500 w-PSA;)—Granted app. of assignment of license from D&H Radio Inc. to PSI Communications Inc. for \$250,000. Seller is owned by Howard Griboff and David N. Feldman. It has no other broadcast interests. Buyer is owned by Charles W. Cherry II, and has no other broadcast interests. Action Oct. 18, 1988.

■ WPAS(AM) Zephyrhills. FL (BAPL881110EC; 1400 khz; I kw-U)—Granted app. of assignment of license from Charles Wister to Big Z Broadcasting Inc. for \$335,000. Seller has no other broadcast interests. Buyer is principally owned by David Zeplowitz and his father, Franklin Zeplowitz. David is Baltimore broadcast executive and programing consultant for Telesports Inc. Franklin is Buffalo. N.Y., surgeon. They have no other broadcast interests. Action Nov. 10.

■ WCVS(AM)-WFMB(FM) Springfield, IL (BA-L881109EC; 1450 khz; I kw-D 250 w-N; FM:)—Granted app. of assignment of license from Springfield Advertising Co. to Neuhoff Broadcasting Corp. for \$4.25 million. Seller is owned by Eastern Broadcasting Corp., Washington, DC-based group that was sold to TMZ Broadcasting Co. (BROADCASTING Oct. 24, 1988). Prior to consumation of group sale, Springfield stations are to be spun off to Roger Nuchoff's son, Geoffrey. Buyer is principally owned by Geoffrey H. Neuhoff, who has no other broadcast interests. Action Dec. 27, 1988.

WICI(AM) Ellettsville and WBWB(FM) Bloomington.
 both Indiana (AM: BAP880914HL; 600 khz; FM:
 BALH880914HK; 96.7 mhz; 3 kw; HAAT: 280 ft.)—
 Granted app. of assignment of license from Indiana Communications Inc. to University Broadcasting Co. for

\$3,000,000. Seller is principally owned by Rolland Johnson, Bill C. Brown, Dr. James Howard, Steven Shine and Robert Petranoff. It has no other broadcast interests. Johnson is president of Duchossois Communications Inc., Elmhurst, IL-based group of three AM's, three FM's and one TV. Buyer is principally owned by Arthur A. Angotti. It is former owner of cable system and cellular telephone operation in Indianapolis, which recently purchased WAZY(FM) Lafayette, IN ("Changing Hands," July 11). Action Dec. 20. 1988.

■ WPTX(AM)-WMDM-FM Lexington Park, WBMD Baltimore and WQSR-FM Catonsville, all MD (WPTX; BTC881114EC; 920 khz; 5 kw-D l kw-N DA-2; WMDM-FM: BTCH881114ED; 97.7 mhz; 3 kw: WBMD; BTC881114EA; 750 khz; 1 kw-D; WQSR; BTCH881114EB; 105.7 mhz; 50 kw; HAAT; 245 ft.)— Granted ap. of assignment of license from Key Broadcasting Corp. to Sconnix Broadcasting Co. for \$25 million. Seller has no other broadcast interests. Buyer is Gilford, NH-based group headed by Theodore Nixon. Scott McQueen and Randall Odeneal. It also owns WHDH(AM)-WBOS(FM) Boston; WMXJ(FM) Pompano Beach, FL; WIBC(AM)-WKLR(FM) Indianapolis; KFKF-AM-FM Kansas City, KS; WMZ2(AM) Moline, and WLLR(FM) East Moline, both Illinois; WLNH-AM-FM Laconia, NH. Sconnix is selling WHDH(AM) Boston to New England Television Corp., pending FCC approval. Action Dec. 27, 1988.

■ WBOS(FM) Brookline, MA (BAPLH881123GQ: 92.9 mhz; 50 kw: 800 ft.)—Granted app. of assignment of license from Channel Broadcasting Inc. to Ackerley Communications of Massachusetts Inc. for \$19.3 million ("Changing Hands," Nov. 7, 1988). Seller is Gilford. NHbased group headed by Theodore Nixon. Scott McQueen and Randail Odeneal. It purchased station in 1984 for from WBOS Inc. for \$6,830.000 ("Changing Hands," Sept. 17, 1984). It also owns WHDH(AM) Boston: WMXJ(FM) Pompano Beach, FL: WIBC(AM)-WKLR(FM) Indianapolis; KFKF-AM-FM Kansas City, KS: WMRZ(AM) Moline. and WLLR(FM) East Moline. both Illinois; WLNH-AM-FM Laconia. NH. Sconnix is purchasing Key Broadcasting Group of Maryland ("Changing Hands." Nov. 7, 1988). Buyer is Seattle-based group headed by Barry Ackerley. It owns KGET(TV) Bakersfield, and KCBA(TV) Salinas. both California: KKTV(TV) Colorado Springs; WIXT(TV) Syracuse. NY; KSGO(AM) Oregon City, and KGON(FM) Portland, both Oregon; KVOS-TV Bellingham. and KJR(AM)-KLTX(FM) Seattle, both Washington. Action Jan. 6.

■ WOLY(AM) Battle Creek, MI (BAL881117EA; 1500 khz; 1 kw-D, DA)—Seeks assignment of license from Frink Inc. to Christian Family Network Inc. for \$100.000. Seller is headed by Jeanne Frink. Buyer is owned by James L. Elsman and Janice Elsman, joint tenants. Action Dec. 29, 1988.

■ KRWB(AM) Roseau. MN (BAL881109EJ: 1410 khz; 1 kw-U DA-N)—Granted app. of assignment of license from Marlin T. Obie to Robert M. Obie. Assignee shall pay no money or other consideration directly to assignor for assets being conveyed. In consideration, assignee agrees to assume all debts of station as of closing date. Accounts receivables, cash. deposits and prepaid items are also being assigned to assignee. Assignor shall pay all legal and filing fees with respect to this agreement. Seller has no other broadcast interests. Buyer is permittee of KRMB(FM) Roseau, MN. Obie also owns 12.5% of KGPC Co., licensee of KXPO-AM-FM Grafton, ND. Action Dec. 27, 1988.

■ WCKO-FM Vicksburg, MS (BALH880829HU; 98.7 mhz; 56 kw; 310 ft.)—Granted app. of assignment of license from Pepsi Cola Bottling Co Inc. to Calcasieu Television and Radio Inc. for \$1.1 million. Seller is headed by William Brown, president. It also owns WJFL(AM) Vicksburg, MS. Buyer is owned by G. Russell Chambers, Albert H. Smith, and Rita S. Chambers. It has no other broadcast interests. Action Oct. 18, 1988.

■ KJCF(AM) Festus. MO (BAL880707EF; 1400 khz; 1 kw-U)—Granted app. of assignment of license from United Broadcasting Inc. to KREI Inc. for \$230,000. Seller is headed by Harold Wright. Buyer is principally owned by Jerrell A. Shepherd and family. Buyer also owns KREI(AM)-KTJJ(FM) Farmington. MO. Shepherd owns KAAN-AM-FM Bethany, KWIX(AM)-KRES(FM) Moberly and KJEL(AM)-KIRK(FM) Lebanon, all Missouri. Action Jan. 5.

KBLG(AM) Billings. MT (BAL880824ED; 910 khz; 1 kw-D)—Granted app. of assignment of license from Big Sky Communications Inc. to Sunbrook Communications, L.P. for \$175,000. Seller is headed by Dale Owens. Buyer is owned by Sunbrook Communications Corp. and Centennial Business Development Fund. Sunbrook principals are Larry Roberts, 26.24%; Alan Cooper, 26.24%; Edward Cooper, 26.24%, and Centennial Business Development Fund, 21.28%. Action Oct. 18, 1988.

KBSR-AM-FM Hardin, MT (AM: BAL881121EA; 1230 khz; 1 kw-U DA-1)—Seeks assignment of license from Radiovision Partners L.P. to Greater Billings Radio Broadcasting Co. for \$550.000. Seller is headed by Anthony Gazzana and has no other broadcast interests. Buyer is principally owned by Andrew M. Golding, 50%; George J. Beaudet, 20%, and David S. Kelly, 15%. Action Dec. 29, 1988.

KPTL(AM) Carson City, NV (BTC880822EA; 1300 khz; 5 kw-D; 500 w-N)—Dismisssed assignment of license from John A. Schoen to MB Broadcasting Corp. for \$75,000. Seller has no other broadcast interests. Buyer is owned by Craig E. Swope, Mary E. Swope, Christine A. Baker, Truett A. Loftin, Jerry Feutz, Paula Schofield and Fred Primmer. It has no other broadcast interests. Action Jan. 4.

WGOT(TV) Merrimack, NH (ch. 60; 4709 kw; HAAT: 700 feet)—Seeks assignment of license from Golden Triangle TV 60 Corp. to Paugus Television Inc. for \$1.35 million. Seller has no other broadcast interests. Buyer is headed by William L. Putnam and has no other broadcast interests. Action Jan. 6.

■ WIMG(AM) Ewing, NJ (BAL880831EA; 1300 khz; 1 kw-U, DA-1; HAAT:)—Granted app. of assignment of license from Crusade Broadcasting to Woodrow Michael Warren for \$20,000. Seller is owned by L.E. Willis Sr. Willis also owns WOWI-FM Norfolk. VA: WIMG(AM) Ewing, NJ; WBOK(AM) New Orleans, LA: KFTH(FM) Marion, AR; WGSP(AM) Charlotte, WBXB(FM) Edenton, WKWQ(FM) Batesburg, WSRC(AM) Durham. all North Carolina; WAYE(AM) Birmingham, WSFU-FM Union Springs, both Alabama; WWPD(FM) Marion, SC; WPZZ(FM) Franklin, IN; WPCE(AM) Portsmouth. WFTH(AM) Richmond, both Virginia; WSVE(AM) Jacksonville, WPDQ(FM) Green Cove Springs, both Florida; WWCA(AM) Gary, IN; WESL(AM) East St. Louis, IL; WTJH(AM) East Point. GA, and WGTM(AM) Wilson, NC. Willis is also 55% shareholder of licensee of WTNC(AM) Thomasville, NC. Buyer owns CP for NEW FM Maljamar, NM. Action Nov. 10, 1988.

■ KRZY(AM)-KRST(FM) Albuquerque. NM (BA-L881109EF; 1450 khz; 1 kw-D 250W-N DA-1)—Seeks assignment of license from Wagontrain Broadcasting Corp. to Commonwealth Broadcasting of Northern California for \$8.1 million. Sellet is owned by Bill and Patricia Sanders, who also own KIEZ(FM) Ventura, CA, and Drake-Chenault Enterprises. Buyer is San Diego-based group principally owned by Dex Allen and partners of Thorsnes. Bartolotta, McGuire & Padilla, San Diego law firm. It also has interest in KYXI(FM) Yuma, AZ. Action Dec. 29, 1988.

■ WCSS(AM) Amsterdam, NY (BAL881021EE; 1490 khz; 1 kw-U)—Granted app. of assignment of license from Community Service Broadcasting of Amsterdam to Gateway Broadcasting Corp. for \$900.000, Seller is principally owned by Philip Spencer and his wife Frances. It has no other broadcast interests. Buyer is owned by Joseph Isabel, Ernest W. Scialabba, and Lorraine Cosentino. It has no other broadcast interests. Action Dec. 23, 1988.

■ WBRV-AM-FM Boonville, NY (BAL880926EA; 900 khz; 1 kw-D; FM: BAPH880926EB; 101.5 mhz)—Seeks assignment of license from The Atwood Broadcasting Corp. to Lowville Radio Inc. for no consideration. Buyer is owned by Nancy U. Atwood and David R. Atwood, joint tenants. 100%, and has no other broadcast interests. Action Dec. 30, 1988.

■ WLLG(FM) Lowville, NY (BTCH880926GS: 99.3 mhz; 1 kw; HAAT: 520 ft.)—Seeks assignment of license from Nancy U. Atwood to David R. Atwood and Nancy U. Atwood for no consideration. Seller has no other broadcast interests. Buyer is owned by David R. Atwood and Nancy U. Atwood, joint tenants. 100%, Action Dec. 30, 1988.

■ WAQX(FM) Manlius, NY (BALH880727HE; 95.3 mhz; 3 kw; HAAT: 300 ft.)—Seeks assignment of license from AGK Communications Inc. to Atlantic Ventures of New York, L.P. for \$4.5 million. Seller is headed by George Kimble. chairman. and Craig Fox. Fox also has interest in three AM's and five TV's. Buyer is owned by Steven B. Dodge, Eric B. Schultz, Joseph L. Winn and Michael B. Milson, who are all former officers of American Cable Systems, which merged with Continental Cablevision last year, and James T. Herron, former radio consultant based in Chicago, It also owns WNYR(AM)-WEZO(FM) Rochester, NY, and has reached settlement agreement to purchase WRKO(AM)-WROR(FM) Boston. Action Dec. 30, 1988.

• WOKX(AM) High Point. NC (BAL880627EA: 1590 khz; I kw-D)—Granted app. of assignment of license from Agape Ministries Inc. to Club Towers Broadcasting Inc. for \$70,000. Seller is nonprofit ministry headed by David J. Roddick. It has no opther broadcast interests. Buyer is owned by Charles A. Poole, John W. Thomas III, P.A. Thomas Jr. Principals own interest in WTHP-FM Thomasville, NC. Action Oct. 18, 1988.

■ WTYN(AM) Tryon, NC (BAL880829EJ; 1160 khz; 10 kw-D, 500 w-N, DA-2)—Granted app. of assignment of license from Bennington Park Broadcasting Inc. to Gene Alan Milsteen. Seller is owned by John F. Clure and his wife Cathy. It has no other broadcast interests. Buyer has no other broadcast interests. Action Oct. 21, 1988.

KDDR-AM-FM Oakes, ND (AM: BAL880901ED; 1220 khz; 1 kw-D, 327W-N; FM: BALH880901EE; 92.3 mhz; 4 kw; 183 ft.)—Seeks assignment of license from Michael C. Steele to Ronald Frisch for \$120,000. Seller has no other broadcast interests. Buyer has no other broadcast interests. Action Oct. 18, 1988.

■ WKEF-TV Dayton, OH (BALCT880926; ch. 22; 2,340 kw-V; HAAT: 1152 ft.)—Granted app. of assignment of license from Adams TV of Dayton Inc. to KT Communications L.P. for \$71.5 million (''Changing Hands.'' July 25, 1988). Seller is Tampa, FL-based group of three AM's, four FM's and 12 TV's owned by Stephen Adams. Buyer is group of local investors headed by Norberto Kogan and David Tolliver. It has no other broadcast interests. Action Jan. 5.

■ KRDM(FM) Ardmore. OK (BALH8881114GI; 96.5 mhz; 3 kw; 328 ft.)—Granted app. of assignment of license from Stiles Comms, Corp. - Ardmore to Versace Communications Inc. for \$220,297. Seller is owned by James T. Johns and Jerry D. Stiles. It recently sold KERV(AM)-KRVL(FM) Kerrville, TX. Buyer is equally owned by Robert A. Versace and Judi Versace. Action Dec. 29.

KVLH(AM)-KGOK(FM) Pauls Valley, OK (AM: BA-L881109EA; 1470 khz; 1 kw-D, DA; BALH881109EB; 97.7 mhz; 3 kw; HAAT: 303 ft.)-Seeks assignment of license from Garvin County Broadcasting Inc. to Washita Broadcasting Inc. for \$381,000. Seller is owned by Ronald R, Casey, Mary P. Casey, Jeanne F. Martin, and Luther W. Martin. It has no other broadcast interests. Buyer is owned by Glenn L. Bell, 45%; Stephen M. Rawling and Kelly L. Rawling, 35% jointly held; Forrest J. Mitch and Joan D. Mitchell, 5% jointly held; Kevin M. Potter and Dorea Potter, 5% jointly held; Mel L. Hambelton, 5%, and Michael S. Rawlings, trustee, 5%. Forrest J. and Joan D. Mitchell jointly own 75% of voting stock of Mitchell Broadcasting Co., licensee of WMCW(AM) Harvard, IL In addition Mr. Mitchell owns 20% of licensee of WMT-AM-FM Cedar Rapids, IA. Kevin M. and Dorea Potter each hold 50% of stock of KCD Enterprises Inc., licensee of WMOI(AM)-WRAM-FM Monmouth, 1L. Action Dec. 27, 1988.

■ WCNS(AM) Latrobe, PA (BAL881114EK; 1480 khz; 500 w-D, 1 kw-N. DA-N)—Seeks assignment of license from WCNS Inc. to Longo Media Group Inc. for \$150.000. Seller is owned by Advance Communications Corp., and has no other broadcast interests. Buyer is owned by John A. Longo and Donna L. Longo, joint tenants. It has no other broadcast interests. Action Dec. 29, 1988.

■ WEOZ(FM) Saegertown. PA (BALH881116GF; 94.3 mhz: 3 kw; 300 ft.)—Granted app. of assignment of license from Osborne Broadcasting Inc. to Community First Broadcasting Inc. for \$436,943, Seller is owned by Thomas L. and Linda Osborne. It has no other broadcast interests. Buyer is owned by Edward P. Mattar III, 80%, and Wemer Poegel, 20%. It has no other broadcast interests. Action Dec. 29, 1988.

■ WEEO(AM) Waynesboro. PA (BAL881102EB; 1130 khz; 1 kw-D)—Granted app. of assignment of license from Homes By Keystone Inc. to Mar-Bob-Ben for \$60,000. Seller is owned by Guy Miller, and his wife Mary. and Paul Dunlap and his wife Bonnie. Buyer is owned by Mary L. Thomas. Robert L. Thomas. and Benjamin F. Thomas. Benjamin F. Thomas owns WKSL(FM) Greencastle, PA. Action Dec. 22, 1988.

■ WELP(AM) Easley, SC (AM: BAL881108HD; 1360 khz; I kw-D DA-D; FM: BALH881108HE; 103,9 mhz; 3 kw; 328 ft.)—Granted app. of assignment of license from American Communications of Greeneville. South Carolina Inc. to Voyager Communications III Inc. for \$2.6 million. Scller is owned by Robert W. Harrison, who has no other broadcast interests. He purchased station in 1985 from Pickens County Broadcasting Inc. for \$1.15 million ("Changing Hands," June 3, 1985). Buyer is Raleigh. N.C.-based group principally owned by Carl V. Venters, chariman. and Jack P. McCarthy, president. It also owns WMFR(AM)-WMAG(FM) High Point, WWMG(FM) Shelby, and WVOT(AM)-WRDU(FM) Wilson, all North Carolina. Action Jan. 6.

■ WJYR(FM) Myrtle Beach. SC (BALH881021HQ; 92.1 mhz; 3 kw; HAAT: 325 ft.)—Granted app. of assignment of license from Myrtle Beach Broadcasting L.P. to Hirsh Broadcasting Group L.P. for \$2.2 million ("Changing Hands," Oct. 17, 1988). Seller is principally owned by Don McCoy and Doug Grimm. It also owns WREZ(AM)-WSYA-FM Montgomery, AL, and WDEN-AM-FM Macon, GA. Buyer is principally owned by Tony Hirsh, former general manager of WINS New York. It has no other broadcast interests. Action Jan. 6.

■ WKEL(AM) Myrtle Beach, SC (BAL880510EA; 1460 khz; I kw-D, 250 w-N)—Granted app. of assignment of license from Ocean Property Management of Myrtle Beach Inc. to Myrtle Beach Communications Corp. for \$75,000. Seller is owned by Wayne A. Thomas and Thomas Lochr. Wayne Thomas owns interest in WETZ(AM)-WATQ(FM) New Martinsville, WCEF(FM) Ripley, and WKKW-FM Clarksburg, all West Virginia. Buyer is owned by Gardner H. Altman Jr. Doy R. Humphrey, Emily Spillman Randolph, Astrakel International Ltd. Astrakel principals are Gardner H. Altman Jr., Doy R. Humphrey, Barrie L. Little, Frieda S. Hughes. It also owns WGAI(AM) Elizabeth City, NC. Action Nov. 14, 1988.

■ KIJV(AM)-KURO(FM) Huron, SD (AM: BA-L880907EA; 1340 khz; 1 kw-U; FM: BALH880907EB; 92.1 mhz; 3 kw; HAAT: 185 ft.)—Seeks assignment of license from James Valley Broadcast Co. to Dakota Broadcasting Inc. for \$650,000. Seller is Janesville, WI-based group of five AM's and five FM's and newspaper publisher of five newspapers, owned by Sidney H. Bliss and family. Buyer is owned by Raymond A. Lamb, Ross A. Johnson, David L. Johnson and Kay Weisgram. It owns KBRK(AM)-KGKG(FM) Brookings, SD, Lamb has interest in KVFD(AM)-KFDC(FM) Fort Dodge, IA. Action Oct. 18, 1988.

■ KDUV(FM) Kingsville, TX (BALH880819GN; 97.7 mhz; 3 kw; HAAT: 150 ft.)—Granted app. of assignment of license from Edwards Communications Corp to Quality Broadcasting Corp. for \$800.000. Seller is owned by Chet Edwards, who also owns colocated KINE(AM). Buyer is owned by Grace W. Dobson and Thomas E. Dobson. It has no other broadcast interests. Action Dec. 23, 1988.

WWYN-FM Mckenzie, TN (BTCH880817HW; 106.9 mhz; 1 kw; HAAT: 500 ft.)—Granted app. of assignment of license from Edward W. Dobson and Ronald E. Hale to Fortune Media Communications Inc. for \$25,000. Seller has no other broadcast interests. Buyer is owned by Ronald E. Hale, Larry Latham Auctioneers, Ronald E. Hale is 12% shareholder of Fortune Media Inc., licensee of WAK-K(AM)-WAKH(FM) McComb, MS. Action Oct. 19.

KVKM(AM) Monahans, TX (BAL881110EA; 1330 khz; 5 kw-D 1 kw-N DA-2)—Granted app. of assignment of license from Small Business Administration to KLBO Inc. for \$175,000. Seller is receiver for Fluid Capital Corp. Buyer is owned by M.R. (Bob) Batterton. It has no other broadcast interests. Action Dec. 27, 1988.

■ KKYN-AM-FM Plainview, TX (AM: BAL881115EB; 1090 khz; 5 kw-D, 500 w-N, DA-2; FM: BALH881115EC: 103.9 mhz; 3 kw; 325 ft.)—Granted app. of assignment of license from Adams-Shelton KKYN to Plains Broadcasting for \$297,500. AM is owned by Keith Adams, FM is owned by Adams, 90% and Raymond Herndon, 10%. They have no other broadcast interests. Buyer is owned by Michael Fox and Mary Beth Fox, joint owners. It has no other broadcast interests. Action Dec. 27, 1988.

WYND-FM Spotsylvania, VA (BALH881117GJ; 99,3 mhz; 3 kw; HAAT: 328 ft.)—Rescinded app. of assignment of license from Richard J. Hayes & Associates Inc. to Paco-Jon Broadcasting Corp. for \$1.2 million. Seller is owned by Richard J. Hayes. Buyer is owned by Glenn R. Mahone, 51.03%; Richard D. Rosen, 6.25%; Charles C. Cohen, 6.9%. Paco-Jon Broadcasting Corp. owns WPLZ-AM-FM Petersburg, VA. Action Dec. 30, 1988.

■ KGHO(AM) Hoquiam and KGHO-FM Hoquiam-Aberdeen, both Washington (AM: BAL881114EG; 1490 khz; 1 kw-U; FM: BALH881114EH; 95.3 mhz; 1.15 kw; HAAT: 750 ft.)—Granted app. of assignment of license from Planck Broadcasting of Washington Inc. to Trinity Broadcasting Network Inc. for \$280,000. Seller is principally owned by James K. Planck. Buyer is owned by Paul F. Crouch, Janice W, Crouch, Norman G. Juggert, Philip A. Crouch, Matthew Crouch, Charlene E. Williams. Principals of buyer are also principals in licenses of: KTBN-TV Santa Ana, CA; WLXI(TV) Greensboro, NC: WDLI(TV) Canton, OH; KPAZ-TV Phoenix, AZ; KNAT(TV) Albuquerque, NM; KTBO-TV Oklahoma City, OK; KTBW-TV Tacoma, WA; WHFT(TV) Miami, FL; WKOI(TV) Richmond, IN; WCLI(TV) Boomington, IN; WTBY-TV Poughkeepsie, NY; KDTX-TV Dallas, KMLM(TV) Odessa, KLUJ(TV) Harlingen, KITU(TV) Beaumont. KETH(TV) Houston, all Texas; KTDZ(TV) Portland, OR. Action Dec. 27, 1988.

WRJN(AM)-WHKQ(FM) Racine. W1 (BAL881102GI; 1400 khz; 1 kw-U)—Granted app. of assignment of license from S.E. Wisconsin Radio Inc. to Vision Broadcasting Inc. for \$3.665 million. Seller is headed by Dex Card. Buyer is owned by Anthony J. Gazzana and Joseph P. Gibbons. It has no other broadcast interests. Action Dec. 19, 1988.

#### New Stations

#### **Applications**

Anchorage, AK (BPH860102MM)—A.A. Radio Partnership L.P. seeks 92.9 mhz; 100 kw: 387 m. Address: 5401 Cordova, Anchorage, AK 99502. Principal is headed by Jim Taylor, and has no other broadcast interests. Filed Nov. 30, 1988.

Bonita, FL (BPED881229MK)—Manna Christian Missions Inc. seeks 91.9 mhz; 3 kw; 100 m. Address: 11020 Rosemary Drive, Bonita Springs, FL 33923, Principal is owned by Peter Quinn, David Quinn, Warren T. Pope, Shirley Pope, Frank R. Quinn Jr. It has no other broadcast interests. Filed Dec. 29, 1988.

Marlboro, FL (880701MQ)—Marrian Akley seeks 101.5 mhz; .630 kw; 221 m. Address: Route Nine Broadcasting, Marlboro Rd., P.O. Box 2108, West Brattleboro, VT 05301, Principal has no other broadcast interests. Filed July 1, 1988.

Elmwood, IL (881221MS)—Elmwood Broadcasting Co. seeks 97.3 mhz; 16.6 kw; 123 m. Address: 629 Mountain Ave., Lake Bluff, IL 60044. Principal is owned by Tim Ryan Feagan, Harold Dandford West, and Jared John Stehney. Filed Dec. 21, 1988.

Elmwood, IL (881221MT)—Rainbow Broadcasting Co. seeks 97.3 mhz; 25 kw; 100 m. Address: P.O. Box 383, Pekin, IL 61555. Principal is owned by Candace K. Scott, Jerald L. Scott. Filed Dec. 21, 1988.

Carlinville, IL (881221MR)—Donald G. Jones seeks 95.9 mhz; 3 kw; 100 m. Address: 254 Winnebago Drive. Fond du Lac, WI 54935. Principal has no other broadcast interests. Filed Dec. 21, 1988.

Berne, IN (881221MM)—Robert Alan Weaver seeks 93.9 mhz; 3 kw; 100 m. Address: 510 W. Main St., Portland, IN 47371. Principal has no other broadcast interests. Filed Dec. 21, 1988.

■ Pelican Rapids. MN (881221MQ)—Ingstad Broadcasting Inc. seeks 104.1 mhz; 50 kw; 150 m. Address: 232 Third Street, Box 907, Valley City, ND 58072. Principal is owned by Jack W. Ingstad and James Ingstad. James Ingstad owns KNUJ(AM)-KXLP(FM) New UIm. KWA-D(AM)-KKWS(FM) Wadena. 29% of KQHT(FM) Crookston, all Minnesota: and 50% of KOVC-AM-FM Valley City, ND. Filed Dec. 21, 1988.

Pelican Rapids, MN (881221MP)—Linder, Bruce Harrison seeks 104.1 mhz; 50 kw: 150 m. Address: 104 E. Lewis St., Mankato, MN 56001. Principal has no other broadcast interests. Filed Dec. 21, 1988.

Pelican Rapids, MN (881221MO)—Heart of the Lakes Broadcasting seeks 104.1 mhz; 50 kw: 150 m. Address: Rte. 4, Box 30, Pelican Rapids, MN 56572. Principal is owned by Owen R. Thompson and Michael Steele. It has no other broadcast interests. Filed Dec. 21, 1988.

Holly Springs, MS (BPH880715MP)—Lois B. Crain seeks 94.9 mhz; 3 kw; 72 m. Address: Rte. 5. Box 755-1. Byhalia. MS 38611. Principal has no other broadcast interests. Filed Nov. 30, 1988.

Ozark, MO (BPH870127MJ)—Melvin B. Caldwell seeks 98.9 mhz; 2.57 kw ; 108 m. Address: 2606 Roxbury Lane, Fort Smith, AR 72903. Principal has no other broadcast interests. Filed Dec. 28. 1988.

■ Garapan, SA (881221MN)—Radio Saipan International Inc. seeks 97.9 mbz; 4.5 kw; 463 m. Address: P.O. Box 49, Saipan, SA 96950. Principal is owned by William B. Brodersen, Lawrence J, Walters, Clayton E. Duvall. Filed Dec. 21, 1988.

#### TV

■ Las Vegas. NV (BPCT881205)—Echonet Corp. seeks ch. 15; 5000 kw; 719 m. Address: 2500 S. Raritan, Englewood, CO 80110. Principal owns low power TV CP's for K28BG Juneau. and K41CG Anchorage. both ALaska; K11SF Austin. TX; K49AY Cheyenne. WY; W28AG Birmingham. AL, and K54CQ Fort Collins. CO. Filed Jan. 6. Actions

#### AM

Brewer, ME (BP870617AC)—Granted app. of Champion Broadcasters for 1600 khz. Address: Box 1516, Burlington, NJ 08016, Principal is owned by Michael Venditti. It has no other broadcast interests. Action Jan. 4.

FM's

Ellwood, CA (BPH850712WW)—Granted app. of Susan Marie Beth Romaine for 94.5 mhz; 0.85 kw H&V: 2955 m. Address: 5341 King Charles Way. Bethesda. MD 20814. Principal is account executive for WWRC(AM)-WGAY-FM Silver Spring, MD. Action Jan. 4. ■ Visalia. CA (BPED871110NE)—Granted app. of Kings Broadcasting Co. for 89.7 mhz; 1 kw H&V; 247 m. Address: 2748 W. Main St., Visalia, CA 93291. Principal is owned by J. Raymond Wahlen, Franklin Baughman, Leonard Lutz and William Hardt. Action Jan. 5.

■ Cameron, MO (BPH880421MG)—Granted app. of Cameron Radio Inc. for 92.3 mhz; 3 kw H&V; 100 m. Address: P.O. Box 1360, Cameron, MO 64429. Principal is owned by Shellby L. Hendee and Laura L. Hendee, It also owns KMRN(AM) Cameron, MO. Action Jan. 3.

■ Roseburg. OR (BPED871208MA)—Granted app. of State Of Oregon Acting By and Through the State Board of Higher Education for 91.5 mhz; 2 kw H&V; 93 m. Address: P.O. Box 3175. Eugene. OR 97403. Principal is headed by James C. Petersen. Action Jan. 4.

■ Mannington, WV (BPH880531MY)—Granted app. of Sandy S. Garlitz for 102.7 mhz; 3 kw H&V; 100 m. Address: P.O. Box 967, Kingwood, WV 26537. Principal owns WKMM(AM) Kingwood, WV. Action Jan. 5.

#### **Facilities Changes**

#### Applications

#### AM

■ Phoenix, AZ, KPHX 1480 khz—Jan. 6-Application for Mod of CP (BP871207AF) to modify night directional pattern.

■ San Francisco, CA, KIQI 1010 khz—Dec. 29. 1988-Application for Mod of CP (BP880617AA) to increase night power to 1.1 kw and make changes in antenna system.

Bremen, GA, WSLE 1440 khz—Dec. 20, 1988-Application for CP to change TL to Water Works Rd., .4 km NW of Bremen, GA: 33 44 31N 85 09 34W.

Carthage, MO, KDMO 1490 khz—Dec. 22, 1988-Application for CP to change TL: 200 m North of intersection of Hwys 96 and 71, West of Carthage, MO, and make changes in antenna system; 37 10 58N 94 21 43W.

Syracuse. NY, WAQX 670 khz—Dec. 29-Petition for Reconsideration and amendment: Mod of CP (BP860922AC) to change antenna system and TL to 401 W. Kirkpatrick St., Syracuse, NY; 43 03 30N 76 10 00W.

■ Claremont, NC, WCXN 1170 khz—Dec. 20, 1988-Application for CP to reduce power to 6.9 kw; make changes in antenna system and change from non-DA to DA.

■ Homeland Park, SC, WRIX 1020 khz—Dec. 23, 1988-Application for CP to increase power to 10 kw day-3 kw-Critical Hours.

■ Claude, TX, KCLP, 1180 khz—Jan. 5-Application for Mod of CP (BP870303AH) to change city of license to Amarillo, TX; reduce night power to .24kw and change TL to Lakeside D Drive. 1.3 mi N of Hwy 136. Amarillo. TX; 35 16 52N 101 44 18W.

#### FM's

Reform. AL, WVRT 101.7 mhz—Dec. 09, 1988-Application for CP to change ERP: 20.6 kw H&V; HAAT: 229.2 m H&V; TL: Pickens County, Reform. AL; class: C2 (per docket 87-324).

■ Marion, AL, WJAM-FM 103.9 mhz—Dec. 09, 1988-Application for Mod of CP (BPH8504031C as Mod) to change FREQ: 97.5 mhz per docket 87-451); ERP: 2.05 kw H&V; HAAT: 119.1 m H&V; TL: 751 Greensboro Rd., Marion, AL.

■ Osceola. AR, KMPZ 98.1 mhz—Dec. 09, 1988-Application for Mod of CP (BPH850621IP) to change ERP: 60 kw H&V: HAAT: 378 m H&V; TL: .35 mi W of Frenchmans Bayou, just of Hwy 61, Mississippi County, AR.

■ Santa Cruz, CA, KFER 89.9 mhz—Dec. 20. 1988-Application for Mod of CP (BPED840110AA) to change TL: 620-B Frederick St., Santa Cruz, CA.

■ Pukalani, HI, KMVI-FM 98.3 mhz—Dec. 19, 1988-Application for Mod of CP (BPH870629IZ) to change ERP: 50 kw H&V; HAAT: 31 m H&V; class: C2 (per docket 87-440).

■ Bluffton, IN, WBGT, 100.1 mhz—Dec. 05, 1988-Application for CP to change ERP: 2.6 kw H&V; HAAT: 107 m H&V; TL: 644 North Main Street. Bluffton, IN.

Brunswick, ME, WCLZ-FM 98.9 mhz—Dec, 23. 1988-Application for CP to change ERP: 47.5 kw H&V; change directional to non-DA.

■ Leland, MS, WIQQ 102.3 mhz—Dec. 16. 1988-Application for CP to change TL: 3101 Hwy 82 E. Greenville, MS: 33 23 50N 91 00 33W.

Jefferson City, MO, KTXY 106.9 mhz—Dec. 19, 1988-

Application for Mod of CP (BPH870220IC) to change HAAT: 381 m H&V; TL: Approximately 3.5 km NW of intersection of US 50 and Rt PP, near McGirk, MO.

■ Kirksville, MO, KTUF 93.5 mhz—Dec. 19, 1988-Application for CP to change ERP: 50 kw H&V; HAAT: 150 m H&V; TL: County Rd 245, 2.3 km E of Kirksville, MO; 40 11 16N 92 31 32W; FREQ: 93.7 mhz; class: C2 (per docket 87-469).

■ Billings. MT, KFBA 94.3 mhz—Nov. 22, 1988. 1988-Application for Mod of CP (BPH850712UQ) to change HAAT: 310 m H&V; TL: 28.6 km SW of Billings. MT.

Flemington, NJ, WCVH 90.5 mhz—Dec. 20, 1988-Application for CP to change TL: County Rte 617. .3 mi S of Cherryville, Franklin Township, NJ: 40 33 25N 74 54 18W.

■ Plattsburgh, NY, WGFB 99.9 mhz—Dec. 29, 1988-Application for Mod of CP (BPH840927AL) to change directional pattern slightly and other changes.

■ Laurinburg, NC, WSTS 96.5 mhz—Dec. 19, 1988-Application for CP to change HAAT: 183 m H&V: TL: 2.6 km N of Shannon on Rte 1001, Hoke County, NC: 34 42 17N 79 08 49W; ERP: 100 kw H&V.

■ Greencastle. PA, WKSL 94.3 mhz—Dec. 09, 1988-Application for Mod of CP (BPH850613IS) to change ERP: 1.82 kw H&V; HAAT: 129 m H&V; TL: 1475 Burkholder Rd. 4 km E of Greencastle, PA.

Seabrook, TX, KRTS 92.1 mhz—Dec. 15, 1988-Application for CP to change ERP: 32.8 KW H&V; HAAT: 184 m H&V; TL: 3200 N. 38th St., Texas City, TX; 29 24 40N 94 57 04W; class; C2 (per docket 87-276).

■ Albert Lea, MN, KCPI-FM 95.3 mhz—Nov. 22, 1988-Application for CP to change FREQ: 94.9 Mhz (per Docket 87-306); ERP: 50 kw H&V; HAAT: 142 m H&V; TL: .5 km SE of 1-35 and Rte 30 intersection and 1.6 km E of Ellendale, MN; CLASS: C2.

Iuka. MS, WTIB 104.9 mhz—Dec. 19, 1988-Application for CP to change ERP: 50 kw H&V; HAAT: 150 m H&V; TL: Hwy 367, 1.26 km at 219 degrees (T) from Lovejoy Church, MS; CLASS: C2 (per Docket 88-79).

■ Manchester, NH, WGIR-FM 101.1 mhz—Dec. 20, 1988-Application for CP to change ERP: 13.3 kw H&V; HAAT: 290 m H&V.

Portsmouth, NH, WHEB-FM, 100.3 mhz-Dec. 20, 1988-Application for CP to change ERP: 50 kw H&V.

Clinton, OK, KCLI 95.3 mhz—Dec. 22, 1988-Application for CP to change FREQ: 95.5 Mhz; ERP: 50 kw H&V; HAAT: 150 m H&V; CLASS: C2; (per Docket 86-86).

■ Block Island, RI, WBLQ 99.3 mhz—Dec. 27, 1988-Application for Mod of CP (BPH85050111 as Mod) to change HAAT: 54 m H&V.

Winston-Salem, NC, WFDD 88.5 mhz—Dec. 30, 1988-Application for CP to change ERP: 38 kw H&V; HAAT: 345.8 m H&V; TL: Junction of Meadowview & Reedy Creek Rd.

Bridgeport, CT, WPKN 89.5 mhz-Dec. 12. 1988-Application for CP to make changes in antenna system.

■ Charlotte, NC. WFAE 90.7 mhz—Jan. 4-Application for CP to change ERP: 100 kw H&V: HAAT: 210 m H&V; TL: 91 m E of St. Rd. 2826 near Reedy Creek. 3.9 km at 50 degrees (T) from Hickory Grove, NC.

■ Worcester, MA, WSRS 96.1 mhz—Dec. 20. 1988-Application for Mod of CP (BPH8803071C) to change ERP to 16.6 kw H&V.

Honolulu, HI, CP 100.3 mhz—Dec. 7, 1988-Application for Mod of CP (BPH821214AC) to change ERP: 100 kw H&V: HAAT: 599 m H&V; TL: Palikea Ridge. 4 km SE of Palehua. Honolulu, HI: Specify directional antenna.

■ Charlestown, IN CP 104.3 mhz—Nov. 21, 1988-Application for Mod of CP (BPH880229MD) to change TL: Tunnel Mill Boy Scout Camp. 5.3 km NE of Charleson, IN: 38 28 55N 85 37 33W.

Buffalo, KY, CP 101.5 mhz—Dec. 27, 1988-Application for Mod of CP (BPH880406MA) to change TL: Distance to Hodgenville, KY, to 3 mi SE.

■ Roseburg, OR, KRSB-FM 103.1 mhz---Dec. 21, 1988-Application for CP to change ERP: 4.554 kw H&V; HAAT: 458.9 m H&V; TL: 18 km W of Roseburg, OR; CLASS: C2; (per Docket 87-602).

Marshall, MN, KKCK 100.1 mhz—Dec. 6, 1988-Application for Mod of CP (BPH8802031C) to change TL to a site to be determined.

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■ Jamestown, NY, WTJA ch. 26—Dec. 15, 1988-Application for Mod of CP (BPCT861216IABPCT831018KM) to change ERP: 659 kw (Vis); HAAT: 182 m; TL: 2 Orchard Rd, Ellicott, NY; antenna: Bogner-DUI-18A. ■ Manteo, NC, ch. 4—Jan. 5-Application for Amendment of application for CP to to change ERP: 142 kw.

Chattanooga, TN, WTCI ch. 45—Jan. 3-Application for CP to change ERP: 1480 kw (Vis): HAAT: 906'; TL: Sawyer Cemetary RoadHamilton, TN; ANT: RCATFU-30J; 32 12 26N 85 16 52W.

Wausau, WI, WHRM-TV, ch. 20—Jan. 5-Application for CP to change ERP: 1437.3 kw (Vis); HAAT: 300 m; ANT: Andrew ATW30H3-HSO-20; TL: Rib Mtn 4 mi SW of Wausau, WI: 44 55 14N 89 41 31W.

#### Actions

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 Hesperia. CA, KKGO 540 khz—Jan. 5-Application (BP870615AH) granted for CP to increase power to 25kw (21kw-CH).

Memphis. TN, WLOK 1340 khz—Jan. 10-Application (BMP880316AC) granted for Mod of CP (BP860929AC) to change TL to Timothy Drive, Hobson City, AL: 33 36 50N 85 51 19W.

El Centro. CA. KAMP 1430 khz-Jan. 10-Application

granted for CP to change TL: approx. .3 km W of Dogwood Rd. & .4 km N of Villa Ave., near El Centro, CA; make changes in ant. system; 32 48 27N 115 32 18W.

McDqnough, GA, WZAL 1540 khz—Jan. 10-Application (BP880727AG) granted for CP to chage FREQ: 1470 KHz; decrease power to 1 kw; change antenna radiation efficiency & correct geographic coordinates: 33 25 47N 84 07 52W.

State College, PA, WRSC 1390 khz—Jan. 10-Application (BP880115AF) granted for CP to make changes in antenna system; change TL to 4.3 mi NE of State College, 8 mi S of US 322 near State College, PA; reduce day power to 2 kw; 40 48 30N 77 56 32W.

 Humboldt, TN, WHMT 1190 khz—Jan. 10-Application (BP881012AC) granted for CP to reduce day power to .42 w & make changes in antenna system (increase height of antenna).

Rocky Mount, VA. WNLB 1290 khz—Jan. 10-Application (BMP880615AF) granted for Mod of CP (BP861029AC) to correct geographic coordinates to 36 58 37N 79 53 45W.



■ Dedham, MA. WBMA 890 khz—Jan. 4-Application (BMP880909AA) returned for Mod of CP (BP850729AR) to change city of license to Sherborn. MA; increase powers to 3kw-50kw and change TL to Hwy 126, Sherborn, MA: 41 14 49N 71 25 30W.

■ Warwick, RI, WARV 1590 khz—Dec. 22, 1988-Application (BMP880817AD) dismissed for CP to make changes in antenna pattern.

 Churchville, VA, WNLR 1150 khz—Jan. 3-Application (BP870312AC) granted to increase power to 2.5 kw.
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■ Grand Rapids. MI, WCSG 91.3 mhz—Dec. 27, 1988-Application (BPED8703041C) dismissed for CP to change ERP: 35.7 kw H&V; 174 m H&V.

Fayetteville, AR, KUAF 91.3 mhz—Dec. 29, 1988-Application (BMPED8804261A) granted for Mod of CP (BPED850528MD) to change ERP: 87.3 kw H&V; HAAT: 347 m H&V.

Longmont, CO, KQKS 104.3 mhz—Dec. 27, 1988-Application (BPH870430IB) granted for Mod of CP (BPH860617IG) to change TL: Eldorado Mtn. 1.6 km SW of El Dorado Springs, CO; ERP: 32.42 kw H&V; HAAT: 1546' H&V; 39 54 48N 105 17 32W.

Pocatello, ID, KSEI-FM 104.9 mhz—Dec. 29, 1988-Application (BPH880627ID) granted to change HAAT to 316 m H&V.

Incline Village, NV, KLKT 100.1 mhz—Dec. 27, 1988-Application (BPH8803041B) granted for CP to change ERP: .76 kw H&V; HAAT: 901 m H&V; class: C2; TL: Slide Mtn Antenna Farm, 24 km SSW of Reno, NV; 39 18 38N 119 53 01W (per docket 87-197).

Edenton, NC. WBXB 100.1 mhz—Dec. 27, 1988-Application (BPH8807211D) granted for CP to change ERP: 20 kw H&V: HAAT: 89 m H&V: class: C2 (per docket 87-295).

Ponce, PR, WRIO 101.1 mhz—Dec. 20, 1988-Application (BMPH870807IC) granted for Mod of CP (BPH800925AA) to correct coordinates: 18 01 40N 66 39 14W.

Burnet, TX, KHLB-FM 107.1 mhz—Dec. 21, 1988-Application (BPH8809221F) granted for CP to change FREQ: 106.9 mhz (per docket 87-347); ERP: 2 kw H&V; HAAT: 111.8 m H&V; TL: 7.2 km, 251 degrees

 Harker Heights, TX, KIXS 105.5 mhz—Dec. 29, 1988-Application (BMPH880518ID) granted for Mod of CP (BPH870331JK) to change ERP: .93 kw H&V; HAAT: 179 m H&V; TL: .7 mi NNE of Nolanville, TX. on Farm Rd. 439.

Huntsville, AL, WAHR 99.1 mhz—Jan. 6-Application (BMPH881004IA) granted for Mod of CP (BPH870205IC) to change TL: Drake Mtn.

■ Victorville, CA, KVVQ-FM 103.1 mhz—Jan, 6-Application (BPH881109IC) returned for CP to change ERP: .094 kw H&V; HAAT: 437 m H&V; TL: Atop Quartzite Peak, 8.6 km N at 3.5 degrees (T) of Victorville, CA.

■ Medford, OR, KBOY-FM 95.7 mhz—Jan. 4-Application (BPH8809151A) granted for CP to change ERP: 60 kw H&V: HAAT: 229 m H&V.

■ Lompoc. CA. KRQK 100.9 mh2—Jan. 5-Application (BPH8808221D) granted for CP to change FREQ: 100.3 Mh2; ERP: 3.65 kw H&V; HAAT: 263 m H&V; CLASS: B1 (per Docket 86-384).

New Orleans, LA, WQUE-FM 93.3 mhz—Jan. 5-Application (BMPH8810201E) granted for Mod of CP (BPH8702131A) to change TL: Intersect. of Behrman Hwy & Garden Oaks Drive. New Orleans. LA: 29 55 11N 90 01 29W.

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■ Lebanon, TN, WJFB ch. 66—Jan. 6-Application (BPCT881028KH) granted for CP to change ERP: 250 kw (vis); HAAT: 161 m; TL: 4.3 mi S of Lebanon. TN; ANT: SWRTN-24: 36 09 13N 86 22 46W.

■ Valdosta. GA, WVGA, ch. 44—Jan. 4-Application (BPCT881213KE) granted for CP to change ERP: 1365 kw (Vis): HAAT: 281 m; TL: 7.2 km E of Sparks, GA; ANT: BASCSC-28M; 31 10 18N 83 21 57W.

El Centro, CA, KXO-FM 107.5 mhz—Dec. 21, 1988-Application (BPH870203111) granted for CP to change ERP: 25.5 kw H&V.

■ Altus, OK, KEYB 107.9 mhz—Dec. 21, 1988-Application (BMPH88090211) granted for Mod of CP (BPH861110MA) to change HAAT: 100 m H&V; TL; approx. 5 km S of Altus, OK, on State Hwy 283.

Bastrop, TX, KSSR, 107.1 mhz—Dec. 21, 1988-Application (BPH8809221E) granted for CP to change ERP: 45.5 kw H&V; HAAT: 157.9 m H&V; TL: 9 km, 217 degrees T Cedar Creek, TX; class: C2; antenna supporting structure

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Seattle, WA, KNHC 89.5 mhz—Dec. 21, 1988-Application (BMPED870406KB) granted for Mod of CP to change ERP to 30 kw H and 24.63 kw V.

■ San Antonio, TX, KHCE ch. 23—Dec. 21, 1988-Application (BMPET880318KE) dismissed for Mod of CP (BPET830907KG) to change ERP to 640 kw.

■ Santa Fe, TX, KJIB 90.5 mhz—Dec. 20-CP and call letters (KJIB) for BPED870326JR forfeited and cancelled.

#### Actions

#### Commission Actions

Miami, FL. Denied Harold Martin reconsideration of denial of his petition to deny application of Wodlinger Broadcasting of Miami Inc. to assign CP of FM station WCJX(FM) Miami to Beasley-Reed Broadcasting of Miami Inc. (By Order [FCC 88-414] adopted Dec. 19 by Commission.)

■ San Angelo, TX. Designated for hearing mutually exclusive applications of American Indian Broadcast Group Inc., and Southwest Texas FM Limited Partnership for new FM station on channel 270C1 (101.9 mhz) at San Angelo. (MM docket 88-552, by Order | DA 88-1842] adopted Nov. 25 by Chief, Audio Services Division. Mass Media Bureau.)

Marina and Yountville. CA. Affirmed decision by Review Board granting application of Heritage Communications for new AM station on 840 kHz at Yountville. CA, and denying application of Alegria 1 for same facility at Marina, CA. (MM dockets 84-159-160 by MO&O [EGG 88-422] adopted Dec. 22 by Commission.)

■ Pueblo, CO. Denied application to assign construction permit for unbuilt TV station KPCS channel 32. Pueblo, from TVUSA-Pueblo, Ltd. to Sangre de Cristo Communications Inc. and application to modify CP of KPCS filed by Sangre. (By MO&O [DA 88-2068] adopted Dec. 30 by Chief, Mass Media Bureau.)

Breaux Bridge, LA. Granted J.B.C., Inc.'s application for new FM station on channel 243A (96,5 mhz) at Breaux Bridge, provided William D. Jackson divests his interests in WBAD and WESY at Leland, MS, prior to beginning operation with program test authority; denied competing applications of Breaux Bridge Broadcasters, L.P. and Atchafalaya Broadcasting Company Inc. (MM docket 87-371 by ID [FCC 89D-1] issued Jan, 3 by Administrative Law Judge Edward J. Kulhmann.)

■ Mountlake Terrace, WA. Revoked license of KKZU(AM) Mountlake Terrace, WA, licensed to Radio Broadcasting Company. (MM docket 88-107 by Order of Revocation [EGG 88-397] adopted Dec. 6 by Commission.)

By Review Board on Dates Shown:

■ San Diego, CA (Catherine Juanita Henry, et al.) FM proceeding. Granted request by Triple Bogey Broadcasting to amend its application to substitute KIFM Broadcasting L.P.; approved settlement agreements and granted application of KIFM Broadcasting L.P. for new FM station at San Diego; and dismissed following applications: 1) Catherine Juanita Henry; 2) Harbor Communications. California Limited Partnership:3) American Media Group, L.P.; 4) Durden Broadcasting Co.; 5) Simpson Communications.Ltd., L.P.; 6) San Diego Comtrends Inc.; 7) Echeverria Broadcasting Corporation: 8) Amigos De San Diego, California L.P.; 9) New Sounds of San Diego Inc.; 10)San Diego Broadcasting, California L.P.; 11) San Ysidro Communica tions, L.P.; 12) Vista Grande Broadcasting, California L.P.; 13) Diane Osequera; 14) Soledad Broadcasting Company; 15) Maria Elena Laso Bradley; and, 16) Representative Media L.P. (By MO&O, Dec. 8) (MM docket 85-140).

Katy, TX (Victory Media Inc. and Johnson Broadcasting Inc.) TV proceeding. Approved settlement agreement and dismissed application of Victory Media Inc.; and granted application of Johnson Broadcasting. Inc. for new TV station at Katy. (By order, Dec. 22) (MM dockets 84-1033-34).

Nacogdoches, TX. Dismissed petition by East Texas Television Network Inc., for reconsideration of staff action cancelling its CP for KLNL(TV). (By order [FCC 88-408] adopted Dec. 12 by Commission).

By chief ALJ Thomas B. Fitzpatrick on dates shown: ■ Winton, CA (Winton Broadcasting Company and TGR Broadcasting Inc.) FM proceeding. Designated chief ALJ Thomas B. Fitzpatrick to preside in proceeding. Scheduled prehearing conference for March 14 and hearing for May 30. (By order, Dec. 22) (MM docket 88-553).

Englewood, FL (Sarasota-Charlotte Broadcasting Corp.,

et al.) FM proceeding. Designated ALJ Walter C. Miller to preside in proceeding. Schedule prehearing conference for March 16 and hearing for May 8. (By order, Dec. 16) (MM docket 88-538).

■ Frankfork. NY (Broadcast Facilities Corporation. et al.) FM proceeding. Designated ALJ Edward J.Kuhlmann to preside in proceeding. Scheduled prehearing conference for Feb. 22 and hearing for March 24. (By order. Dec. 22) (MM docket 88-547).

Blountville and Bristol, TN (Blountville Education Association Inc., and Family Stations Inc.) ED-FM proceeding. Designated ALJ Edward Luton to preside in proceeding. Scheduled prehearing conference for Feb. 23 and hearing for March 27. (By order, Dec.22) (MM docket 88-564).

■ Chase City, VA (West Mechlenburg Broadcasting Inc., and Patricia B. Wagstaff) FM proceeding. Designated ALJ John M. Frysiak to preside in proceeding. Scheduled prehearing conference for Feb. 22 and hearing for March 24. (By order. Dec. 22) (MM docket 88-546).

By deputy chief ALJ James F. Tierney on dates shown:

■ Laurel, DE and Falmouth. VA (Gwendolyn Gladys Evans and Radio 1170) AM proceeding. Approved settlement agreement and granted amended application ofGwendolyn Gladys Evans for new AM station at Laurel. DE: and granted amended application of Radio 1170 for new AM station at Falmouth, VA: and terminated proceeding. (By MO&O, Dec. 21) (MM docket 88-340).

Peoria. IL (Peoria Broadcasting Company and Peoria Broadcasting Services Inc.) TV proceeding. Granted request for summary decision by Peoria Broadcasting Services and resolved air hazard issuein its favor: approved settlement agreement and dismissed with prejudice application of Peoria Broadcasting Company: granted application of Peoria Broadcasting Services for new UHF television station on channel 59 at Peoria: and terminated proceeding. (By MO&O, Dec. 15) (MM docket88-381).

By ALJ Joseph Chachkin on dates shown:

Greenwood, IN (Sanders Broadcasting Company L.P., et al.) FM proceeding. Dismissed with prejudice application of Julia M. Carson for failure to prosecute. (By order, Dec. 14) (MM Doc-ket 88-468).

■ Goodlettsville, TN (Goodlettsville Broadcasting Co., et al.) FM proceeding. By separate orders, granted requests by Innovative Broadcasting Inc., and Masterpeace Music and dismissed their applications with prejudice; dismissed with prejudce following applications for failure to prosecute: Mr. Toni E. Plummer; H. Randolph Holder, Jr. and Betty C. Holder; Radio Goodlettsville, Inc.; Geri Taczak; and Hartke Communications, Corp. (By orders, Dec. 15, Dec. 20 and Dec.22) (MM docket 88-487).

■ Lebanon, VA (W.B. Moore Jr., et al.) FM proceeding. Approved settlement agreement between W.B. Moore Jr. and Yeary Broadcasting Inc. and dismissed Moore's application with prejudice. (By MO&O, Dec. 13) (MM docket 88-211).

By ALJ John M. Frysiak on dates shown:

Anchorage, AK (Echonet Corporation and Alaska 33 Inc.) TV proceeding. Granted request for summary decision by Echonet Corporation and resolved air hazard issue in its favor; approved settlement agreement and dismissed with prejudice application of Alaska 33 Inc.; granted application ofEchonet Corporation for new UHF television station on channel 332 at Anchorage; and terminated proceeding. (By MO&O. Dec. 21) (MM docket 88-288).

■ Taos, NM (Illini Broadcasting Inc., and Taos County Radio) FM proceeding. Approved settlement agreement and dismissed with prejudice application of Illini Broadcasting; granted application of Taos County Radio for new FM station on channel 260A (99.9 mhz) at Taos; and terminated proceeding. (By MO&O, Dec. 9) (MM docket 88-482).

By ALJ Joseph P. Gonzalez on dates shown:

■ Lowell, AR (Image Broadcasting Inc., et al.) FM proceeding. Memorialized dismissal of applications of Eklund-Walker Communications and Jones Communications for failure to prosecute. (By order, Dec. 28) (MM docket 88-477).

Columbia, LA (Woods Communications Group Inc., et al.) TV proceeding. Granted request for summarydecision by Woods Communications Group and resolved shortspacing issue in its favor. (By MO&O.Dec. 27) (MM docket 88-183).

By ALJ Edward J. Kuhlmann on dates shown:

■ Laurel, DE (Dennis N, O'Neal and M Corps Inc.) FM proceeding. Approved settlement agreement and dismissed with prejudice application of M Corps Inc.; granted application of Dennis N. O'Neal for new FM station on channel 237A (95.3 mhz) at Laurel; and terminated proceeding. (By MO&O, Dec. 20) (MM docket 88-478).

Utica, NY (Telecommunications Network Inc., et al.) FM proceeding. Granted request by Don H.Barden and dismissed with prejudice applications of Welden, Breevoort, Hickman. Inc. and Deborah H. Lanava for failure to prosecute. (By MO&O, Dec. 14) (MM docket 88-447).

■ Vestal. NY (Mary C. Murray, et al.) FM proceeding. Approved settlement agreements and dismissed with prejudice applications of Mary C. Murray, Carol A. Morgan, and KRB Associates; granted application of David G. Mitchell for new FM station on channel 277A (103.3 mhz) at Vestal; and terminated proceeding. (By MO&O, Dec. 16) (MM docket 88-224).

By ALJ Edward Luton on dates shown:

■ Troy, OH (Coffey Broadcasting, L.P., et al.) FM proceeding. Approved settlement agreement between Coffey Broadcasting, L.P., and Don H. Barden and dismissed Barden's application with prejudice: approved settlements among Coffey Broadcasting, John E. Morris and Lawrence R. Baker and dismissed with prejudice application of Morris and Baker; granted Coffey's request to amend its application to substitute WTRJ Broadcasting Inc. as applicant; granted application of WTRJ Broadcasting for new FM station on channel 245A (96.9 mhz) at Troy:and terminated proceeding. (By MO&O. Dec. 15) (MM docket 87-172).

Windson, VA (J&C Broadcasting Company, et al.) FM proceeding. Granted request by J&C Broadcasting Co. and dismissed its application with prejudice. (By order, Dec. 22) (MM docket 88-399).

#### By ALJ Walter C. Miller on dates shown:

Mableton, GA (Mableton Broadcasting Co., et al.) FM proceeding. Granted request by Carter Communications L.P. and dismissed its application with prejudice. (By order, Dec.21) (MM docket 88-400).

St. Louis, MO (Viacom Broadcasting of Missouri Inc. [KMOV(TV)] and Mark L. Wodlinger) TV proceeding. Approved settlement agreement between Viacom Broadcasting of Missouri and Mark L. Wodlinger and dismissed Wodlinger's application with prejudice; granted Viacom's application to renew its license for KMOV(TV) channel 4, at St. Louis: and terminated proceeding. (By MO&O, Dec. 16) (MM docket 88-170).



■ Comanche, OK. At request of Harold E. Cochran, proposed substituting channel 245C2 (96.9 mhz) for channel 244A (96.7 mhz) at Comanche and modifying license of KDDQ to specify operation on higher powered channel. Comments due Feb. 27, replies March 14. (MM docket 88-587 by NPRM [DA 88-1973] adopted Nov. 30 by deputy chief, Policy and Rules Division).

■ The Dalles, OR. At request of Nugent Broadcasting Corporation, proposed substituting channel 249C2 (97.7 mhz) for channel 249A at Dalles and modifying license of KACl(FM) to specify operation on higher powered channel. Comments due Feb. 27, replies March 14. (MM docket 88-588 by NPRM [DA 88-1974] adopted Nov. 30 by deputy chief, Policy and Rules Division).

■ Ravenel and Barnwell, SC. At request of Coastal Broadcasting, Inc., proposed substituting channel 269C2 (101.7 mhz) for channel 269A at Ravenel; substituting channel 256A (99.1 mhz) for channel 269A at Barnwell; modifying license of WMGL(FM) to specify operation on channel 269C2; modifying license of WBAW(FM) to specify operation on channel 256A; and issued order to show cause why WBAW(FM)'s license should not be modified to specify operation on channel 256A. Comments due Feb. 27, replies March 14. (MM docket 88-590 by NPRM and order to Show Cause (DA 88- 1976) adopted Nov. 30 by deputy chief, Policy and Rules Division).

■ Lawrenceburg, TN. Effective Feb. 21, amended FM table by allotting channel 248A (97.5 mhz) to Lawrenceburg, as its second local FM service. filing window opens Feb. 22, closes March 24. (MM docket 88-175 by R&O [DA 88-1971] adopted Nov. 30 by deputy chief. Policy and Rules Division).

■ Cabool, Eldon and Mountain Grove, MO. Effective Feb. 27, substituted channel 224C2 (92.7 mhz) for channel 224A at Eldon and modified license for KLDN(FM) accordingly; substituted channel 293A (106.5 mhz) at Mountain Grove, modified license for KRF1 accordingly; and substituted channel 251A (98.1 mhz) for channel 292A (106.3 mhz) at Cabool and modified that license for KVVC accordingly. (MM docket 86-410 by Second R&O [DA 88-2019] adopted Nov. 30 by deputy chief, Policy and Rules Division, Mass Media Bureau.)

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#### RADIO

#### HELP WANTED MANAGEMENT

General manager: New FM in small mid Michigan market. A great opportunity to develop, from ground up, a new property in a market that desires its own station. The successful applicant will have a strong sales background with a proven record and small market experience; he or she will receive good compensation, and work with a financially strong and capable owner. AVCI, Box 650, Pigeon, MI 48755. EOE.

General manager: KWMU-FM, St. Louis, MO: Seeking general manager for National Public Radio member station providing news. classical, and jazz programing from campus of the University of Missouri-St. Louis to metropolitan area of 2.5 million, to provide leadership for a full-time professional staff of 20 and 20 qualified students. Responsibilities include budget and financial management, fundraising and development, primary liaison to campus and community. Reports to Dean of College of Arts and Sciences. Qualifications: Bachelor's degree required. Master's degree preferred. Proven senior management and development experience. Ability to work with students, friends board, and community advisory board. Salary: Negotiable and competitive. Deadline: February 15, 1989. Send cover letter, resume and three letters of references to Prof. Lance T. LeLoup, Chair. Search Committe, c/o Human Resources. University of Missouri-St. Louis, 8001 Natural Bridge Rd., St. Louis, MO 63121, Equal opportunity employer.

Sunshine Group Broadcasting, one of the fastest growing broadcast groups in New England, requires a general sales manager for WFEA/WZID in Manchester, New Hampshire to bring its well-seasoned and professional combo sales staff to new heights. An excellent compensation package is offered for your achievements. Send your resume and tell me why you should be considered to: General Manager. Box A-19. EOE, M/F.

Sales manager. #1 CHR seeks leader/trainer for seven person staff, Strong sales background a must. Would like to talk at RAB in Dallas. Send resume to Bart Brandmiller, WKLD, 60 Monroe Center, Grand Rapids, MI 49503. EOE.

Station manager for GREAT small/medium market AM/FM combo in Saratoga Springs (near Albany). NY. Duties include full station management and sales. Must have strong sales background and ability to budget and meet monthly station goals. The right person will be rewarded based on station performance. Those with the right stuff and interested in earning an equity position submit letter, resume and references to Howard M. Ginsberg, WKAJ/WQQY, 12 Beech St., Essex Junction. VT 05452, EOE.

Sales manager with opportunity to move up to G.M.; Group broadcaster, expansion minded, Upper Midwest in 100,000 pop. family community near major. Our AM/FM stations are top two local stations in market. Competition minimum. We need experienced sales executive to motivate and organize staff of six A.E.'s. Should be heavy on training, organization, pay planning, station revenue goals, sales presentations. We need a top person and are willing to let him/her run the show. Box A-46. EOE.

Local sales manager: Top 10 market. Looking for idividual with strong local sales management history to lead a staff of 8-10. Experience in sales training and maximizing revenue a must. Resume to Fran Epstein, KRBE/KKZR Radio, 9801 Westheimer, Houston, TX 77042. No phone calls please. EOE.

SpanIsh AM needs GSM. Prefer bilingual. Must have strong sales background with proven record. EOE. Send resume with salary history to KBOR-AM, Box 3407. Brownsville, TX 78523.

GM/GSM needed soon for terrific small market combo in N. II. Need ability to organize, train and motivate sales and programing staffs to higher levels. New, rapidly growing company with great opportunity. Letter with career/salary history to Box A-28. EOE.

#### HELP WANTED SALES

Co-op specialist/service director. Take charge of established co-op department with national reputation. Must be detail-driven, organized, self-starter Retail/sales background with computer skills preferred. Send resume to J McCullough, WLPO/WAJK, Box 215. LaSalle, IL 61301. EOE. WNTX - Oldles 96/Cape Cod, Massachusetts, is seeking self motivated account executives If qualified, earn big \$\$\$. Call Larry Dehaan. General Manager, 508—420-0800. EOE.

Skl at the ski capitol of the East - Killington & live a great life in Vermont. Sales position available al Ihe #1 Birch & #1 ARB stations. Salary plus commission plus benefits. Contact D. Vaughan - WSYB & WRUT, P.O. Box 249, Rutland, VT 05701. EOE.

Major market opportunity in sunny Tampa Bay, Florida. You must have successful radio sales experience with emphasis on new business development. Send resume & compensation requirements to: Randy Braun. GSM, WNLT/WHBO, 51 S. Main Ave., Clearwater, FL 34625. EOE.

Director of co-op and vendor programs: WHRK/WDIA Memphis is looking for a qualified individual with experience in selling co-op and/or vendor support programs. Previous radlo, TV, or print experience necessary. The director will be responsible for a new business development department, and will require excellent selling, communication, and organization skills, as well as strong oral presentation skills. Salary plus commission and company benefits. EEO encouraged. No calls; send resume and salary history to Ernest Jackson, Jr., WHRK/WDIA, 112 Union Ave... Memphis, TN 38103.

Denver: Group owned Christian radio station in Denver looking for experienced, aggressive sales rep. Must have proven track record of success in new business development and selling both rated and non-rated stations. If you are a self-starting achiever, send resume to: Mortenson Broadcasting Company, 333 West Vine St., Suite 200, Lexington, KY 40507, and let's talk. EOE.

Broadcast marketing rep: Top company serving broadcast industry seeks marketing representative for multiplestate region. Experience in broadcast sales, news and/or cable is required. Position involves extensive travel. Resumes, references and salary requirements to Box A-63. EOE.

#### HELP WANTED ANNOUNCERS

KLMS, Lincoln's original Oldies station is searching for a talented morning show host. You must be topical, entertaining, and a team player. Your duties would include being a programing/promotion assistant, and you will earn 18K per year. You must be familiar with 50s, 60s, and 70s music. Please send cassette and resume to: Brent Alberts. Operations Manager, KLMS Radio, 1540 S 70th St., #200, Lincoln, NE 68506, EOE.

Mid Atlantic Full Service AM needs program director. Great opportunity, good pay and great place to work Job includes air work, supervision of air staff and production. Send resume and tape to General Manager, P.O. Box 8152, Newark, DE 19711. EOE.

**Operations managers,** prefer a couple, to operate daytimer in Chattanooga. Living accomodations, utilities and many other benefits. 615—756-7635. EOE.

#### HELP WANTED TECHNICAL

NY's Hudson Valley: AM/FM needs a CE to maintain a first class facility. Experience in DA a must. SBE certification helpful. Competitive salary and benefits. Contact Walter Maxwell, WGHQ/wbpm, 82 John St., Kingston, NY 12401 EOE.

Beasley Broadcast Group, one of the fastest growing radio groups in America, is currently accepting resumes for current and luture engineering positions. We are looking for people experienced in high power FM. AM directional, and studio systems. If you are maintenance minded, have the ability to design and construct state of the art lacitilies, and possess good communication skills, send your resume in confidence to: Kevin McNamara, Director of Engineering, Beasley Broadcast Group. Box 2097, Naples, FL 33940. EOE M/F.

Chlef engineer for Shamrock Communications, Orlando FM. Applicant should have strong management skills and SBE certification. Send resume to Mark Timpany, WOFM, 606 West Wisconsin Ave., Milwaukee, WI, 53203, EOE.

WNTX-FM/Cape Cod, Massachusetts. seeks chief engineer. New facility. Resume Io: Chris Boles. WNTX, 770A Main St., Osterville, MA 02655. EOE.

Enjoy the good life & come to Vermont!!! Wanted experienced engineer Contact Dick Vaughan, WSYB & WRUT, P.O. Box 249, Rutland, VT 05701. Phone - 802-775-5597. EOE. Chlef engineer is needed for a Florida radio station. Must have a solid technical educational background plus a minimum of 5 years experience at both the studio and transmitter. Good communications skills, a must. Salary based on education and experience. Competitive benefits. EOE. Send resume to Box A-58.

Rigger wanted to work on TV, AM-FM tower and antenna systems. If you have the experience and can manage your own crew, we should talk. Major dollars! Call Jim Tiner, 214—891-0555. EOE.

#### HELP WANTED NEWS

Experienced news anchor with strong delivery wanted for top news station in New York's Hudson Valley. Excellent pay and benefits. Mail tape. resume and salary requirements to Hank Silverberg. News Director, WGHQ/Wbpm, PO Box 1880. Kingston, NY 12401. EOE.

Entry-level radio newsperson for medium market news leader. Smaller market experience or educational background in journalism essential. Minority applicants are urged to apply. Send tape and resume to Jeff Thompson, WFNC, P.O. Box 35297, Fayetteville, NC 28303. EOE.

Afternoon anchor/reporter for Newstalk A.M. and toprated F.M. sister. Good writing and delivery necessary. Resume, tape and writing samples to Jim Beasley. News Director, WGOW/WSKZ, Box 11202, Chattanooga, TN 37401. EOE.

#### HELP WANTED PROGRAMING PRODUCTION & OTHERS

Fast growing FM radio station in dynamic Southeastern market is accepting applications for the following positions: 1. PROGRAM DIRECTOR: proven winning track record required. 2. AIR PERSONALITIES: full and part time, 2 years minimum experience required. 3. ACCOUNT EX-ECUTIVES: college degree and previous sales experience preferred. Send resumes to: 3100 Smoketree Court, Suite 709, Raleigh, NC 27604. EOE/M/F/V/H.

#### SITUATIONS WANTED MANAGEMENT

Currently employed manager searching for a new challenge. Experience includes all facets of management from sales, promotion, community involvement, programing, personnel, to engineering and new station construction. Over twelve years with present employer, twenty years in broadcast, overall Prefer small to medium size market in Minnesota, Wisconsin or Michigan. Reply to Box P-74.

General manager/street selling sales manager. 20 years experience. Available immediately. Box 446, Seymour, TX 76380.

General manager - An unusual situation, you've probably read about it, makes me available now! History of sales, profit, turnaround, programing successes. Seeks long term association. All market sizes considered. Box A-42.

Broadcast executive seeking a return to RADIO. Over 35 years experience including ownership, management, sales management, promotion, etc. Seeking work in a Western city. Size is not important, opportunity is. Currently self-employed in allied business. Howard Fisher, 5555 Canyon Crest, #4C, Riverside, CA 92507, 714—781-0201 or 781-9858.

General manager/radio. Turnaround specialist, middle size market. Strong research, rep, organizational, systems specialist. Young talented, professional and polished, Southeast or Northeast preferred. Box A-47.

14 year veteran: On mission to apply management, marketing and sales experience of large and medium markets to an opportunity of marketing support, general or sales management. Extensive training, background. Well developed people skills, take charge leadership, street savvy. Call 415—697-7683 for meeting at RAB/MSC or reply to: Box A-59.

Highly qualified management team seeks management contract/equity position with quality invester. Box P-28.

Managed two small town Nebraska FM's to modest increases. Career includes all areas in small market stations. I have much to offer. Versatile. Nebraska, Iowa, nearby states preferred. Box A-66.

Jim Lord Chaplin: Florida broadcaster, station owner. GM/GSM is available first time in 13 years to GM or GSM your operation. Wears many hats. Successful experience as GM, GSM, sales, PD, and on-air talent radio and TV in 29 year career. Ten years management side. Heavy personal community involvement. Past President F,A,B, Bottom line sales oriented. 407—464-2031, 407—466-5683.

#### SITUATION WANTED SALES

Not getting enough direct business? VP/GM with fully documented direct sales record wants to relocate to Florida and sell. Serious inquiries only! 512—490-4771.

#### SITUATIONS WANTED ANNOUNCERS

Tools...Talent...Desire: Dynamic announcer/production animal. Experienced morning host & news man. Seeking Northeast gig with room to grow. Chris Dowd. 305–296-3574.

Versatile Country announcer with 4 years experience in news & production. Start immediately. Dave - 303—278-0106.

Multi-talented V/O announcer/on camera talent with 100 plus straight, character, celebrity & cartoon voices and faces with excellent references, wishes to move on to bigger opportunity. Creative writing abilities and strong sales background. Mel Blanc called my voices "GREAT!". Irequire significant opportunity. Send for T & R. Box A-41.

Announcer - warm, capable, dependable, 30 years experience. Any market considered. Oldies format preferred. Ed Muscare, Box 1162, Orlando, FL 32802.

Attention: General managers and program directors in top 40 markels and Florida. Top-rated Sportstalk host with number one nighttime program in major market ADI seeks new challenges to boost ratings. Box A-37.

Florida. MOR/Big Band announcer. Responsible professional. Best references. Steve May. 407-626-9024.

#### SITUATIONS WANTED NEWS

Major market sports talent available. Done it all - PBP, Talk, reporting, even news and general talk - for a decade. PBP is awesome. Box A-4.

Wanted: Work for a bright, energetic reporter. Prefer Upper Midwest (Wisconsin, Illinois, Michigan, Minnesota.) Tape, resume available. George Cloyd, 608—249-9037 after 5:30 PM CT.

Multi-talented newscaster seeks challenging position in Rocky Mountain region medium market. Please call Bruce Charles at 913—381-1512.

Major market Sports talent available. Done it all - PBP, Talk, reporting, even news and general talk - for a decade. PBP is awesome. Box A-4.

#### MISCELLANEOUS

Look out, Jack and Vanna. Here's radio's letter guessing game. Word For Word. 4743 South 575 West, Riverdale, UT 84405.

Executive search: Radio, TV and cable. General managers, sales managers recruited confidentially. Corporate and individual inquiries invited. George Ponte, VP., Executive Recruiter, Bornholdt Shivas & Friends, 295 Madison Avenue, Suite 1206, New York, NY 10017. Tel: 212—557-5252. FAX: 212—557-5704.

Troubled AM? Need programing to generate sales? Need sales to make bucks? Call Ray Mineo. 800—321-2349.

#### CONSULTANTS

Valuations/appraisals - Fair market valuations and appraisals for radio, television, CATV. Sample reports available. Media Valuations, 1-800-MEDIA-90.

AM in the red? Get into the black. Tried and true methods. Knock on doors - make sales. Call Karen Trenchard. 303—781-6618.

Is your AM down and out? Make \$ with great programing and good street wise sales programs. Call Crawford Clark. 816—741-3622.

#### PLEASE NOTE:

When answering a Blind Box ad. DO NOT send tapes.

## TELEVISION

Promotion manager. Market-leading, Southeastern CBS affiliate (100+) seeks experienced, hard-working, takecharge, conceptually-creative self-starter. Proven ability to write, shoot and post-produce required. EOE. Box A-49.

Program director/operations manager: 40th ADI, Mid-South's leading Independent has immediate opening for Independent experienced program director with strong operational background. Send resume or call General Manager, Kent Lillie, WPTY-TV, 2225 Union Ave. Memphis, TN 38104, 901—278-2424. EOE

Local sales manager wanted for aggressive, growing SE CBS affiliate. Working knowledge and demonstrated success in research. co-op. vendor support. and event marketing a must. Send resume to GSM. Box A-57. Replies held in strict confidence. EOE. Program director: Network affiliate - Top 50 attractive SE market. Exciting opportunity for aggressive, creativei individual with minimum of 5 years experience. Must be strong in on-air promotion, print, outdoor, multi-media buying and overall station image promotion. Reply with salary requirements to: Box A-56. EOE.

Promotion manager's dream come true:KTVT. Channel 11, 8th market, largest independent in the Southwest has an opening for promotion manager. Minimum two years experience required; must be creative, able to manage promotion depertment, work closely with ad agency, be knowledgeable of sports and movie production, and able to manage promotion budget. Come and let KTVT make your dream come true! Gaylord Broadcasting Co. EOE. M/F. Please contact Ed Cuellar, Business Manager/Personnel Manager at 817—451-1111 during business hours.

#### HELP WANTED SALES

Account executive: Join the Midwest's hottest Fox affiliate. WYZZ-TV has experienced tremendous growth in viewership and local sales. We need a pro to keep the trend going in the right direction. At least one year of direct and agency experience necessary. Accounts are ready. EOE. Call collect: 309—662-4373.

National sales manager for aggressive top 40 CBS affiliate. 2-3 years experience in national sales. Resume to Mike Brunette, GSM, WWMT, 590 W. Maple St., Kalamazoo, MI 49008. EOE.

Broadcast marketing rep: Top company serving broadcast industry seeks marketing representative for multistate region. Experience in broadcast sales, news and/or references and salary requirements to Box A-70. EOE.

#### HELP WANTED TECHNICAL

Chyron graphic artist needed to operate state-of-the-art graphic system. Must have 2-3 years keyboard and palate experience with Chyron 4200. Will be working with Chyron Super Scribe, and 4. Send resumes and demo tape to: Morris Cerullo World Evangelism, Attn: Ossie Mills, P.O. Box 700, San Diego, CA 92138. EOE.

Post production maintenance person: F&F Productions, Inc. is looking for someone to fill an immediate opening in our post production department. If you are up to the challenge of maintaining our two edit suites, studio, and animation equipment - we want you. We require 3-5 years digital and solid state background, with an emphasis on broadcast equipment maintenance and post production techniques. Please send resume and salary requirements to: BIII McKechney, Director of Engineering, F&F Productions, Inc., 10393 Gandy BIvd., St. Petersburg, FL 33702. A division of Hubbard Broadcasting. Inc. EOE, M/F

TV transmitter maintenance engineer: Fox Television, WFXT, Boston is seeking a qualified transmitter engineer with strong background in RF. Previous experience with RCA-TTU110 UHF transmitter and studio equipment preferred. FCC lic. or SBE certification required. Send resume/references to: Moses Primo, CE, WFXT-TV, 100 2nd Ave.. Needham. MA 02194. Equal opportunity employer.

E.I.C. St Louis based mobile production facility seeks experienced engineer for new 48' remote truck. Contact David Houseman, 314—968-7220.

MTCE ENGR. Need engr to maintain 300/Kscope, Digital F/X200, 141 post prod., Harris 9100 AM-FM-TV remote control. ACR's. VPR-2's, 3's, 80's, 5'r. FX 2 SCA's, AM stereo, 5 ENG remote sites, transmitter sites. Not an entry level position. Experienced in all areas desirable. CMML Lic. or SBE Certificate. Contact John Weigand, KFMB, AM-FM-TV, P.O. Box 85888, San Diego, CA 92138. EOE.

Artist - Keyline/paste-up and stat camera operation. Computer and typesetting skills a plus. Art degree or equivalent preferred. Send resume to Don Bowman, WGBO-TV, 875 N. Michigan Ave., #3141, Chicago IL 60611, No telephone calls, please. EOE, M/F.

Master control operator - General knowledge of electronics required. Duties include satellite recordings, video switching, operation of VCR and one-inch VTR, transmitter responsibilities, etc. Starling salary \$350 wk. We are an equal opportunity and affirmative action employer and encourage applicants regardless of race, color, creed, religion, national origin or sex. Send resume to WTKK-TV, Dept. D, Box 3150. Manassas, VA 22110.

#### HELP WANTED NEWS

NIWS graphics artist: Graphics department looking for news illustrior/Paintbox artist. Responsibilities include: Conceptualization and illustration of inputs. Paintbox operation, execution of motion graphics, interface with art director, news producers. Must meet deadlines. Lunction well under pressure. Local station experience in news, electronic graphics required. College degree, art background preferred. Submit letter and resume to: Attn: Judy Solormon, NIWS, 5432 W. 102nd St.. Los Angeles, CA 90045. EOE

Reporter/anchor: 2 years experience. Send tapes & resumes to KIMO-TV, 2700 E. Tudor Rd., Anchorage, AK 99507. No calls. EOE.

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On-air talent - WTVM, Channel 9, in Columbus, Georgia, is seeking co-host for daily noon-day show, trained voice for commercials and moderator for public affairs program. Opportunity for producing specials and projects. Number one station in 115th market. Send resume and tape to W. Carroll Ward, WTVM, P.O. Box 1848, Columbus, GA 31902, Equal opportunity employer.

News producer. Top 50 network affiliate in the South looking for experienced news producer. Must have strong writing and people skills plus live experience. EOE. Send resume to Box A-27.

Talk show host(ess) and co-anchor. Small market, toprated Texas affiliate seeks morning talk show host(ess) and mid-day co-anchor. Desire candidates with at least 3 years of reporting, anchor and/or related experience, degree and good on-air presence. Excellent compensation package. Send resume and tape to News Director, KLST-TV, 2900 Armstrong, San Angelo, TX 76903. EOE.

Sports anchor: South Bend, ABC affiliate home of Notre Dame and Hoosier hoops hysteria. Mature, authoritative sports journalist with minimum two years sports anchor experience. Resume and tape with stamped return envelope to Morrie Goodman, News Director, WSJV-TV, P.O Box 1646, Elkhart, IN 46515. EOE.

We want reporters who can write. Blonde hair and blue eyes not required. We want reporters who can think. Blue blazers and penny loafers not required. If you are a journalist, please send your resume and tape to: Robert Stoldai, KLAS-TV, P.O. Box 15047, Las Vegas, NV 89114. We broadcast two and a half hours of news a day so we also want reporters who can work. EOE.

Sports director/anchor: 6 & 10 weeknights. Reporting required. Minimum 2 years experience. Send tapes and resumes to: Kathy Nelson, WCBI, Box 271, Columbus. MS 39703. No calls. EOE.

WOWL-TV in Florence, Alabama is seeking two general assistant reporters. Send tapes and resume to Jay Hurt News Director, WOWL-TV, 840 Cypress Mill Rd., Florence AL 35630. EOE.

Interesting anchor possibility. Dominant news operation in one of the nation's fastest growing and most interesting cities. This opportunity is only for those who are committed to a long term involvement with us. Box A-61. EOE.

WFSB-TV, a Post Newsweek station in Hartford is looking for a news producer/interview booker for #1 5:00 newscast. The person we seek is an aggressive booker who can deliver the interviews that are on the cutting edge The candidate must have strong news judgement as well as wide ranging interests and top-notch people skills. If you have a strong journalistic background, experience in booking guests, and know how to manage and lead please send your resume to Deborah Johnson, Executive Producer, WFSB-TV, 3 Constitution Plaza, Hartford, CT 06115. EOE.

Executive producer. If you're the best producer in your shop; if you are a wiz with the bells and whistles; if you know what people need and want inside as well as outside the shop; and want to earn your stripes as an executive producer, this is your chance. Send your resume, your lape and a lew pargraphs about what you think news should be to News Director, WJKS, 9117 Hogan Rd., Jacksonville, FL 32216. WJKS is an equal opportunity employer.

"Beach Blanket Bingo" paradise! Seeking primary news anchor/reporter, upbeat weathercaster, creative videographer/editor, and versatile sportscaster with play-by-play capabilities. Rush non-returnable VHS samples: P.O. Box 22607, Tampa, FL 33622-2607, EOE.

Anchor wanted with strong writing and reporting skills Ability to produce is a plus. Send letter and resume to Box A-65. Equal opportunity employer.

Wanted: Sports personality, a master at clevel repartee and the unique writing ability to turn a phrase. Must have strong anchor skills, and experience. EOE. Box A-64.

#### HELP WANTED PROGRAMING PRODUCTION & OTHERS

Tape library supervisor for Independent TV station in Southwest. Experienced in tape/film editing, ordering, shipping & receiving, usage reports, and personnel supervision & training Send resume including references and salary required to Box A-35.

Videotape editors needed for staff and freelance positions with Philadelphia area production facility. GVG switchers, CMX, Mirage, DVE, Chyron, Dubner paint system, ect. Must be experienced and have quality reputation. Send resume including salary/rate desired to Box A-32. EOE.

We've got the reporters, we've got the anchors, we've got the latest tools including an SNG truck. We need more producers who are good journalists Send tape and writing samples to: Robert Stoldal, News Director, KLAS-TV, P.O. Box 15047, Las Vegas, NV 89114. EOE. Production manager for Northeast VHF. Busy production department needs creative, organized leader, knowledgeable in production of creative commercials, promotions and public service. Hands-on experience preferred. We have "the tools" and the staff. We need someone who can lead. Excellent salary and benefit pkg. Join a winner, EOE Box A-31.

WTNH-8 (New Haven/Hartford) is looking for a creative services director. Must have 3-5 years previous management experience with emphasis on news promotion Send resumes (no telephone calls) to: Lew Freifeld. Vice President and General Manager, WTNH-8, 8 Elm St., New Haven, CT 06510. Equal opportunity employer

Associate producer—WIPB-TV has an opening for a creative individual to assist in the production of high quality, imaginative video pieces for corporate clients. BS degree or equivalent in telecommunication or related field plus up to 1 year shooting and editing experience required. Starting salary to \$18,048. Application deadline 2/3/89. Send letter of application, resume and copy of college transcripts to. Human Resources. Ball State University, Muncie, IN 47306. An equal opportunity/affirmative action employer.

News promotion producer- If you have strong writing and conceptualization skills, two years experience, and want to work in a creative, competitive environment then send a resume and sample reel to Ron Gates, WIVB-TV, 2077 Elmwood Ave., Buffalo, NY 14207. EOE

Promotion director: Amarillo's #1 affiliate is seeking an enthusiastic and aggressive person to handle all promotion as a one person department. Must be creative. well organized, have excellent writling skills and be strong in news promotion. Minimum 2 years experience preferred. Send resume and tape to: Mac Douglas, Program/Operations Manager, KVII-TV, One Broadcast Center. Amarillo. TX 79101-4328. EOE.

Production equipment coordinator: Candidates must have 2+ years experience in industrial or commercial production. The position requires an energetic person to coordinate equipment use at a high end, full service production facility. Send resumes to: Mobile Images Corporation, Ken Schramm, 21175 Melrose, Southfield, MI 48075. EOE.

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Kids host: Major market TV station seeking experienced host(ess) for wrap-rounds. Must be kid-oriented, do personal appearances/promotional events. No "clown acts" or "Mr. Rogers" types. Big brother/siter types. Resumes immediately to Box A-60. EOE.

Director. Beautiful city on the ocean. Direct weekend newscasts and fill in for production department personnel. Must be familiar with all aspects of television production and operations. Tape and resume to Charlie Thompson. WCSC-TV, P.O. Box 186. Charleston, SC 29402. EOE.

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WNWO-TV is seeking a creative producer for two fastpaced, people-oriented daily newscasts. Strong writing skills a must. Some on-air work possible. Send a nonreturnable tape and resume to: George Noteff, News Director, WNWO-TV, 300 S. Byrne Rd., Toledo, OH 43615. Deadline: 2/5/89. WNWO-TV is an equal opportunity employer.

Director-Proven ability to switch fast paced newscasts. Production oriented, CMX experience a plus but not necessary. Must be organized people person with very good technical skills. Southeast top 50 market, EOE, M/F. Send resume to Box A-62.

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### PRESIDENT

Radio-Television News Directors Association

The Radio-Television News Directors Association, the largest professional association dedicated to electronic journalism, is seeking an individual with unique qualifications and extensive experience in financial and personnel management to serve as its President and chief operating officer. The person must demonstrate a thorough understanding of RTNDA and its goals and must be capable of leadership in the formulation of the policies, plans and goals established through the board of directors.

- Applicant must have proven leadership qualities with extensive experience in management, preferably in electronic or print journalism.
- Applicant must have name recognition and be able to work effectively with national and local leaders of the communications industry.
- Applicant must be able to work effectively with government officials and federal agencies in Washington, D.C. and elsewhere.
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# Fates & Fortunes

#### Media

Howard L. Wood, president, Cencom Cable Associates Inc., St. Louis, named chief executive officer.

Barry Mines, assistant to VP, chief of staff, Cablevision Systems Corp., Woodbury, N.Y., named director of pay per view, Cablevision Systems.

Charles Persing, VP, finance. United Stations Radio Networks, New York, named senior VP and chief financial officer.

Daniel E. Slusser, senior VP and general manager, MCA Inc., Universal City, Calif., named VP.

Theodore J. Cutter, president, CEO and cofounder, Bowers Imaging Technologies, Berkeley, Calif., joins Warner Cable Communications Inc., Dublin, Ohio, as executive VP, Metro Systems and business development. Cutler will assume responsibility for company's Houston, Cincinnati and Milwaukee systems.

Stephen B. Engles, general sales manager, wKFT(TV) Fayetteville, N.C., joins KZKC(TV) Kansas City, Mo., as general manager.

Dale Bennett, executive VP, KSAS-TV Wichita, Kan., named interim general manager.

Will Wright, news director, KRIV(TV) Houston, named VP. Wright will remain news director.

Madison Hodges, director of radio and general manager, noncommercial wFSU-FM and Florida Public Radio Network, Tallahassee, Fla., named interim director. television, and general manager, noncommercial wFSU-TV Tallahassee and wsFG(TV) Panama City, both Florida. Hodges will continue to supervise radio facilities.

Appointments at WWSB(TV) Sarasota. Fla.: J. Manuel Calvo, VP, station manager, named executive VP and assistant general manager; Linda DesMarals, VP, news and programing, named VP, station manager; Glen Eklund, operations manager, named VP, broadcasting operations and production.

William J. Elliott Jr., independent consultant and contractor, joins Strauss Communications as general manager, wELV-AM-FM Ellenville, N.Y.

Gina Maxwell, controller. wOwO-AM-FM Fort Wayne, Ind., named VP of parent, Wayne Broadcasting Corp.

Jim Esposito, general sales manager, WPOP (AM) Hartford and WIOF(FM) Waterbury, both Conn., named station manager. Esposito will continue as general sales manager.

#### Marketing

Richard A. Goldstein, VP, television, Seltel, New York, joins CBS there as VP, market-



Britain bound. President George Bush's choice for the prestigious diplomatic post of ambassador to Great Britain is Henry E. Catto, an executive of a major broadcast group with a history of diplomatic service. Catto is vice chairman of H&C Communications, which owns kvOA-TV Tucson, Ariz.; WESH-TV Daytona Beach, Fla.; kCCI-TV Des Moines, Iowa; WTVF(TV) Nash-ville; KPRC-AM-TV Houston and KSAT-TV San Francisco. H&C is owned by Oveta Culp Hobby (who is married to Catto) and her children, William and Jessica.

Catto founded Washington Journalism Review in 1979 and ran it until making a gift of it in June 1987 to the University of Maryland's journalism department. Besides his background in communications, Catto has had a number of diplomatic posts. He was ambassador to El Salvador from 1971 until 1973, served as chief

of protocol for the White House and the Department of State in 1974, and was permanent representative to the European Office of the United Nations in Geneva from 1976 to 1977. He also served as Pentagon spokesman, as assistant secretary of Defense for public affairs, from 1981 to 1983.

ing and development, CBS affiliate relations.

Miki Dahlgren, senior director. business affairs, Aaron Spelling Productions, Los Angeles, joins MGM/UA Television Production Group Inc., Culver City. Calif., as executive director, business affairs.

John Figueroa, VP, sales and marketing, Galavision, Los Angeles. basic cable service serving Hispanic community, joins Z Channel, sports and movie cable network, Santa Monica, Calif., in same capacity.

Appointments at Home Shopping Network, St. Petersburg, Fla.: William L. Doten, director, marketing, American Television & Communications Corp., Denver, named VP, marketing; Scott A. Reid, director. creative services, Storer Communications Inc., Miami, joins Home Shopping Network as VP, creative services.

Arlene Kekalos, senior VP, Corinthian Communications, New York, joins Arts & Entertainment cable network there as account executive.

Marc Rosenberg, account executive, Gillett/ Storer Television, Los Angeles, joins Group W Television Sales there in same capacity.

Jack Kraushaar, director. corporate services, Omnicom Group Inc., New York, named chairman and CEO, Blair Advertising and GM DuBois Corp., Rochester, N.Y.

Appointments at All American Television. New York: Lori Koch and Larry Schatz, station sales executives, named Northern division manager, syndication, and Atlantic division manager, syndication, respectively; Steve Engelson, network negotiator, J. Walter Thompson, New York, joins All American Television as sales executive.

F. Scott Conant, VP, director of national sales. Financial News Network. New York. joins Choice Cable Corporation, Cherry Hill,

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Jon M. Hennessey, director. sales planning, Phillip Morris Inc., New York, joins Capital Sports Inc., Stamford, Conn.-based sports marketing firm, as VP, business development.





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Appointments at Durpetti & Associates: Michael Weiss, sales manager, New York office, named regional manager there; Eric Perry, sales manager, Philadelphia office, named regional manager there; Chris Tsitouris, sales manager, Atlanta, named regional sales manager there.

Appointments at Katz Communications Inc.: Margaret Tjepkema, New York manager, Katz Continental Television's East Central station group; Chris Jordan, New York manager, Katz Continental Television's East station group; Carey Moler, New York manager, Katz Continental Television's West station group; John Doyle, manager, Katz Continental Television's silver station group. Chicago, and Kim Bradley, manager, Katz Continental Television's Olympic sport group, Chicago, all named divisional VP's.

#### Programing

Anthony Masucci, VP, movies for television. NBC Entertainment and NBC productions. Burbank, Calif., named senior VP, movies for television and mini-series. NBC Entertainment and NBC productions.

Appointments at 20th Century Fox Film Corp., Los Angeles: Stephen Friedman, manager of research. Fox domestic syndication, named director of research, domestic syndication, television division: Patricia Fitzgerald, research analyst, Fox domestic syndication, named manager of research; Jennifer L. Fate, recent graduate, Stanford University, Stanford, Calif., named manager. strategic and financial planning; Robert T. Flemming, VP, business development, named VP, finance and administration, television distribution division.



Lucy Chudson, VP, family programing, Home Box Office, New York, joins Arts & Entertainment Cable Network there as director, film and drama programing.

Patricia Wells, director, programing research, New York, joins MCA TV there as research manager,

off-network and features.

Karen Katz, staff producer. Lifetime Television, New York, named program executive.

Burl Hechtman, VP, first-run syndication and home entertainment programing, Motown Productions, Los Angeles, named executive VP, television.

Appointments at National Geographic Society. television division, New York: Julia Mair, supervising executive in charge of programing and acquisition, Columbia Television, New York, named director, programing; Todd Berman, director, marketing and special projects, named director, marketing and distribution.

Beverly Schuch, business correspondent, CNN, New York, named host, CNN's business program, *Pinnacle*.

Appointments at MTV Networks. New York: Laurie Goldstein, director, MTV production management. named VP, production operations; Mike Dugan, writer. on-air promotion, named director, series development.

Nancy Glass, co-host, Evening Magazine, KYW-TV Philadelphia, named national host, Group W's This Evening. Glass will work in both Philadelphia and San Francisco.

Appointments at Management Company Entertainment Group Inc.. Los Angeles: Rick Endelson, director, finance and accounting, Telepictures, Los Angeles, named production controller; Tracey Chikahisa, financial accounting manager, Maxi-Care Health Plans, Los Angeles, named director, financial reporting.

Jane Hirz, producer-director, WKYC-TV Cleveland, and Greg Stehlin, program director, WKYC-TV, form Creative Video Marketing Inc., Cleveland-based consulting and production company.

Mark T. Mills, producer, *Chronicle*, news magazine show, wCVB-TV Boston, named executive producer. special projects.

Kelly Womack, administrative and programing assistant. KSAS-TV Wichita, Kan., named program director.

#### News and Public Affairs

Appointments at ABC's Nightline: F.D. Wilkinson, associate director, ABC News promotion, named producer, New York; Tracey Day, associate producer, CNN's Crossfire, named booker, New York; Lori Beecher, desk assistant, named researcher. Washington; Scott Willis, producer, ABC News, London, named producer, New York.

Peter Holland, assistant general manager, Reuters Holdings PLC, London, named chairman of board, Visnews Limited, international television news agency. Previously Reuters was managing director, Reuters Overseas Limited. Reuters is majority shareholder in Visnews. Holland will be based in both New York and London.

Kimberly Safford, foreign correspondent, United Stations Radio Networks, London, named manager/correspondent, European bureau.

Kevin Lynch, editor, Voice Magazine, VOA's overseas quarterly report, Washington, named chief, current affairs, Voice of America, Washington. Lynch formerly was editor-in-charge of VOA's features unit. He joined VOA from National Review where he was executive editor.

Appointments at Washington Independent News, Washington-based television news bureau: Steve Phillips, assignment editor, and Kevin Conley, photographer/editor, In Washington/American News Bureau. Washington-based independent television news service, named assignment manager and photographer/editor, respectively; Phil Shortt, photographer/editor, named chief photographer; Nancy Caldwell, reporter, named bureau chief.

Appointments at News 12 Long Island, New York: Karen Ryan, freelance business writer/ producer/reporter. ABC News and ABC Radio, named business editor; Alan Gerstel, anchor/reporter, named transportation editor;



New Assignments. Appointments at ABC News: Brit Hume, national correspondent, named chief White House correspondent. Hume replaces Sam Donaldson, who will be a host/correspondent on ABC's still-untitled prime time news hour. Chris Wallace will be chief correspondent for show. Ann Compton, chief correspondent, House of Representatives, named White House correspondent; Compton will also cover vice-president Dan Quayle. Lark McCarthy, general correspondent, will also be White House correspondent. James Wooten, national correspondent. named congressional correspondent. Sheilah Kast, White House correspondent, named House of Representatives correspondent. John McWethy, State Department correspondent, named chief national security

correspondent. David Ensor, Rome correspondent, named State Department correspondent. Walter Rodgers, Moscow bureau chief and correspondent, named Department of Justice correspondent. Dennis Troute, Justice Department correspondent, named general assignment correspondent concentrating on intelligence community and law enforcement. Jeanne Meserve, State Department correspondent, named general assignment correspondent. Jim Laurie, chief Asia correspondent, named Moscow bureau chief and correspondent. Rick Inderfurth, national security correspondent, will also report from Moscow Jim Hickey, Johannesburg correspondent, named Rome correspondent. Richard Sergay, producer, Johannesburg, named Johannesburg bureau chief and producer. Joyce Hanley, producer, Night Edition, adds duties of anchot/reporter; Joellyn O'Loughlin, associate producer, Evening Edition, named associate producer, Focus 12 Special Projects; Ian Rubin, producer, WLNE(TV) New Bedford, Mass., joins News 12 as writer.



Appointments at The Nightly Business Report, produced by noncommercial WPBT(TV) Miami: Jim Wicks, news anchor, Canadian Broadcasting Corporation, Torontc, named co-anchor; John Defterios, special segments producer/reporter, Washington bureau, named

European correspondent, London.

Nick Peter, executive editor, Medialink, New York, joins Programlink, Syndicators' Newswire that carries 'time-critical'' programing information between programers and distributors, there as general manager.

Jerry Fedell, news director, WKBW-TV Buffalo, N.Y., joins KTVI(TV) St. Louis as assistant news director.

Jonathan Knopf, executive producer/special projects, WVUE(TV) New Orleans, named director, news operations.

Tony Bouza, former police chief, Minnneapolis, joins KSTP-TV there to provide commentary and analysis of crime.

Appointments at WHOI(TV) Peoria, Ill.: Rich-

The search is on. The Radio Television News Directors Association has begun a search for a new president to replace Ernie Schultz, who announced his resignation last month-Applicants are asked to respond by Feb. 25, with a new president expected to be named in June. Schultz will continue in his present position until a transition to new leadership has been completed. Applications, including resume and cover letter outlining qualifications and salary requirements, may be sent to RTNDA Chairman Bob Priddy, 216 E. McCarty Street, Jefferson City, Mo., 65101. An outline of job requirements is available from Priddy.

ard Maginn, producer, 10 p.m. newscast, named executive producer, 19 Eyewitness News; Karen Southern, reporter/producer, noncommercial WCBU(FM) Peoria, named general assignment reporter.

#### Technology

Appointments at Switchcraft, Chicago-based manufacturer of electronic and electromechanical components for telecommunications: **B.H. Ware**, acting VP and general manager, named VP and general manager; **Gerald J. McElligott**, senior VP, components division, named senior VP, international operations.

Jack Strange, member, board of directors,

C-COR Electronics, State College, Pa., resigned Jan 1. C-COR manufactures electronic equipment and power systems for cable television systems.

Barry Samuels, sales representative, Townsend Broadcast Systems Inc., Austin, Tex., joins DYMA Engineering, Los Lunas, N.M., as technical sales specialist. DYMA is engineering and equipment company serving teleproduction, video and broadcast industries.

**Daniel D. Roberts,** VP and general manager, sales and marketing, JVC Professional Products Company, Teaneck, N.J., joins Digital F/X, Mountain View, Calif., as VP, sales.

Appointments at Katz Media Data, Katz Communications Inc., New York: Kimberly Ford, network technician, named network control manager; John Corsell, computer operator, named network control assistant; Liz Kulig, secretary, named senior personal computer specialist.

Gunnar Rieger, engineering manager, WLVI-TV Boston, named VP, engineering.

#### Promotion and PR

Genifer Van Wynen, account representative, special markets, Showtime/The Movie Channel, New York, joins Lifetime Television there as manager, on-air promotion.

Kim Reed, VP, advertising, publicity and promotion, MGM/UA Television, Los Angeles, joins Buena Vista Television there as VP, publicity.

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Woman of the Year. Mary Alice Williams (r), CNN/New York's vice president and principal anchor, has been honored with Women in Cable's Woman of the Year award. Presenting the award is Michele Gault, president of the New York Chapter of WIC. The award was going to be presented to Williams at the Western Cable Show in Anaheim but the ceremony had to be delayed because Williams had to co-anchor coverage of Mikhail Gorbachev's New York visit. Gault said that Williams "...exemplifies Women in Cable's mission state-

ment: to empower women in cable or related businesses both personally and professionally toward their goals." Williams said that she was "delighted to receive the *Woman of the Year* award because it represents the efforts all women are making to become key decisionmakers in our industry, one that serves to inform and entertain the American public."

Mark Gullett, promotion manager, WRFX(FM) Kannapolis, N.C., joins wFOX(FM) in same capacity.

Julie Wood, promotion manager, KSCH-TV Stockton, Calif., joins KMPH(TV) Fresno, Calif., in same capacity.

Lori Betts, traffic assistant, WLSO(TV) Asheville, N.C., named promotion assistant.

**Cynthia Hatcher**, program manager, WFLI-TV Cleveland, joins WDSI-TV Chattanooga, as promotions assistant.

Appointments at KMOM(AM) Monticello, Minn.: Steve Johnson and Veronica Cole, air personalities, named promotion manager and public service manager respectively.

#### **Allied Fields**

Molly Wilson-Deloje, senior VP, legal division. MGM/UA Communications, Los Angeles, joins Home Box Office Inc. there as VP and senior counsel, West Coast programing.

Martin J. Yudkowitz, senior counsel, Olympics. NBC, New York, named VP, business affairs, for co-owned CNBC, Consumer News and Business Channel,

Southern California Cable TV Marketing Council, Los Angeles, announced board of directors: Deborah Nicholson, Choice TV, Los Angeles, named chairman; Chris Daly, American Cablesystems, Los Angeles, named VP, operators; Janice Aull, Home Box Office, Los Angeles, named VP, programers. Marc Edwards, VP and general manager, KFSN-TV Fresno, Calif.; Ralph W. Gabbard, VP and general manager, WKYT-TV Lexington, Ky., and Bill Harper, general manager, WSMH(TV) Flint, Mich., elected representatives, Arbitron Television Advisory Council, New York. Terry Drucker, director, research, CBS Radio Representatives, New York, elected research consultant, Arbitron Radio Advisory Council.

Eddy W. Friedfeld, associate, Reavis & McGrath, New York, joins Showtime Networks Inc. there as assistant counsel.

Karen B. Possner, director, legislative policy and analysis, BellSouth Corp., Washington, named director of legislative policy.

Kenneth C. Howard, associate. Baker & Hostetler, Washington, named partner. Howard is communications lawyer.

Thomas "Rocky" Bloniarz, general sales manager, WCKG(FM) Chicago, joins Chicago Cable Marketing Council, consortium of Chicago area cable television operators and programing services, as executive director.

Elected trustees. Museum of Broadcasting, New York: Joel Chaseman, chairman, Post-Newsweek Stations Inc., Washington; Barbara Fleischman, president, board of The Acting Company, and VP. New York Public Library; Michael Fuchs, chairman and CEO, Home Box Office. New York; Bill Haber, Los Angeles, Creative Artists Agency Inc., New York; Frank C. Mancuso, chairman and CEO, Gulf + Western's Paramount Pictures Corp., Los Angeles; Burton B. Staniar, chairman and CEO, Westinghouse Broad-

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Presidential recognition. United States Information Agency director Charles Z. Wick, the longest serving director (71/2 years), received the Presidential Citizens Medal from President Reagan in a ceremony at the White House Jan. 18. Reagan said that through Wick's efforts "new understandings were reached on disinformation and on the exchange of films and publications. The Voice of America is no longer jammed by the Soviets. And they have granted permission for the first time for the Voice of America to open a bureau in Moscow." Wick is the only USIA director to have traveled to the Soviet Union, having made four trips in the last three years.

casting Company Inc., New York, and producer David Wolper, Los Angeles.

Don Bussell, VP, radio, Gammon & Ninowski, Media Investments Inc., Washington, resigned to establish QuestCom Radio Brokerage Inc. there.

David Levy, senior financial analyst, NBC Television Network, N.Y., joins Malarkey-Taylor Research, Washington, division of Malarkey-Taylor Associates, telecommunications, financial management and engineering consultants.

#### Deaths



William P. Laffey, 61, VP, broadcast negotiations, Media General Broadcast Services Inc., Memphis, died January 14 of cancer at St. Francis Hospital in Memphis. Laffey begin his career with wOR-AM-TV New York in 1955 as traffic manager. In 1957 he joined Screen Gems

division of Columbia Pictures in New York as assistant general manager. In 1959 he became VP, Atwood-Richards Inc., New York-based advertising agency. He joined Media General in 1968. Laffey is survived by his wife and one daughter.

Lawrence M. Mazursky, 56, president and general manager, Canyon Communications, Phoenix, died of heart attack Dec. 24, 1988, at his home in Phoenix. Mazursky was instrumental in founding Lotus Communications, owners of 15 radio stations, Los Angeles. When he left in 1981, he was executive VP. Mazursky then purchased KLFF(AM) Phoenix and KNOC(AM) Sun City, both Arizona, and formed Canyon Communications, licensee of two stations. Mazursky is survivied by three sons, Michael, Jeffrey and Daniel, and one daughter, Elizabeth.

David A. Campbell, 43, producer/director, noncommercial WSIU-TV Carbondale, Ill., died of liver failure at Firmin DeSloge Hospital in St. Louis. Campbell had been with station for more than seven years. He is survived by two children.



## Roger Werner and the sporting life

In 1981, Getty Oil brought in the management firm of McKinsey & Co. to advise it on what to do with the cable sports network it had acquired, ESPN, which was floundering in a sea of red ink. The ensuing recommendations, co-authored by McKinsey analyst Roger Werner, now president and chief executive officer of ESPN, suggested that if Getty had the patience and the money, a 24-hour sports network could be a very good business.

Not long after McKinsey finished its work, Werner was asked by Bill Grimes, who had just joined the company as chief operating officer—a position McKinsey had recommended ESPN create—to join him at the network. Together, they set out to turn the ship around, and became largely responsible for building ESPN into the largest (50 million subscribers) and one of the most profitable cable services (an estimated \$95 million operating cash flow in 1988).

The service has steadily built its base of programing, adding the National Football League in 1987 to a large college basketball and football lineup. And although it lost rights to the National Hockey League to SportsChannel America last summer in a deal ESPN says was too expensive, it redeemed itself as the leading provider of cable sports programing three weeks ago by landing a national contract to Major League Baseball—175 games starting in 1990. With that, Werner has, in a sense, fulfilled the promise of the McKinsey report.

For a service that faced years of red ink, and later, the prospect of being eclipsed by regional and other national sports services, or held in check by the power of cable's top MSO's, ESPN has managed to successfully navigate each shoal. It is due in no small part to Werner, who took over at the ESPN helm last August after Grimes departed.

The baseball deal came at a cost of \$400 million over four years to ESPN and two straight nights without sleep for Werner, as negotiations went around the clock. "Baseball clearly is very important to us, because of the volume of programing and the quality of product," Werner said.

Baseball was one of the many plums still out of reach for ESPN in the early 1980's, as it struggled for survival. Werner, who earned a master's degree in business administration from the University of Virginia, joined McKinsey & Co. in 1979 after a stint at Richardson-Vicks, where he worked on the Oil of Olay and Lavoris business.

"I gravitated toward their media practice group" at McKinsey, said Werner, which dealt with broadcasting, publishing and films. One of the clients was Getty Oil. "We were called in to help Getty Oil figure essentially whether to shut ESPN down or keep it going," said Werner. "Business



ROGER LIVINGSTON WERNER-President and chief executive officer, ESPN, New York. p. Jan. 19, 1950, Chicago; BA, English, Trinity College, Hartford, Conn., 1972; sales manager, Fred Edelston Co., Chicago, 1972-75; MA, business administration, University of Virginia, Charlottesville, 1977; product director, Richardson-Vicks Corp., Wilton, Conn., 1977-79; engagement manager, McKinsey & Co., New York, 1979-82; VP, finance, administration and planning, ESPN, 1982-83; VP, marketing, 1983-85, executive vice president, 1985-87; executive vice president, ABC Television Network, 1987-88; present position since Aug. 18, 1988. Single.

was way, way off the plan sold to Getty," he said. In fact, first-year advertising revenue was projected at \$25 million. When Werner and company arrived eight months into the year, only \$1 million had been billed, he said. "They didn't know what to do with it," said Werner.

Werner believed "it would indeed be a good business, but it would not be a business that would be breaking even in the second, third or fourth year." What ESPN needed was time and money, and Getty Oil, said Werner, was willing to provide both.

One specific recommendation, in addition to organizing the company, was to "get very good at ad sales and programing," Werner said. Since the original affiliation agreements with MSO's were nearly giveaways, Werner said, ESPN would have to make it on advertising revenue alone in the early years. It also had "to develop new product that did not have a lot of exposure on network TV," he said, such as auto racing, skiing and golf. The major sports either were unaffordable or unavailable.

Five months after Grimes arrived, he asked Werner to be his number-two man, initially to oversee finance, administration, marketing, planning and programing. He was made executive vice president within three years.

By 1985, one year after ABC became majority owner, ESPN turned the corner,

earning a modest profit, entering new and more lucrative affiliation contracts—giving them another revenue stream—adding more subscribers and kicking up its program offerings a notch. It won kudos for its coverage of the America's Cup yachting race in 1986, and a year later it brought the NFL to cable, setting the stage for its baseball deal.

Although there is much activity on the regional sports front, and ESPN has looked at entering that business, Werner does not see it as a direct threat. ESPN has done research in several regional sports markets and has found it "has done quite well," he said. "There is plenty of appetite for national and international sports on ESPN and local games on another level."

SportsChannel America, the umbrella national sports network now 50% owned by NBC, is another matter. It's being pitched to MSO's as a head-to-head competitor, said Werner, and may appeal to MSO's looking to keep ESPN's per-subscriber rates in check. "Whether there is room for two national services is a subject of some debate," he said. "There may not be room for two national sports services."

Werner describes ESPN's overall relationship with cable operators as "very good...They know where our rates are going and they know the kind of programing service we want to build for the future."

Building for the future was what ABC had in mind when it brought Werner over to the network in early 1988, only to lose him five months later when Grimes departed. ABC Video Enterprises President Herb Granath said "what differentiates [Werner] is that he really has abiding enthusiasm for his assignment. He has more energy...than most anybody I run up against."

Charles Fruit, vice president, corporate media, Anheuser-Busch, a large ESPN advertiser, says of Werner, "You won't meet a better guy in our business...[ESPN executives] are real people. They are not overly impressed with their position in this world."

"That's the way we try to operate," said Werner. "We don't feel we have any reason to be arrogant. I think we've been successful in large part because we've been straight and we've been good partners for the guys we do business with, whether they are advertisers, program affiliates or suppliers."

Werner is an avid sportsman, who skis, windsurfs, sails and was due to participate in an auto race this past weekend in Florida. It is many of those "minor" sports that have helped ESPN get where it is today, and Werner believes the public has benefited. "That has created all kinds of new jobs, tremendous new interest in sports that benefits athletes, coaches and sponsors and it really has allowed us to say that we've done more than just televise more of the same that we've been able to bring something new to the party."



ABC decided last Friday to renew affiliation of wrvQ-TV Lexington. Ky., though cash compensation of more than \$300,000 per year was eliminated. Shamrock Broadcasting station had been competing for past several months for affiliation with another UHF in market, WDKY, currently Fox affiliate ("In Brief," Nov. 14. 1988). In addition to clearing more network programing, station has agreed to improve promotion and news effort. Shamrock Broadcasting President Bill Clark, told BROADCASTING: "Already we are bringing back to the market a very strong anchor personality." Clark also said Shamrock promised ABC it would no longer consider selling station, which was being pursued prior to affiliation problems.

U.S. Court of Appeals in Washington has scheduled oral argument for 3 p.m. today (Jan. 23) on motion of 17 media and citizen groups for stay of FCC order extending ban on indecent programing from six hours—midnight-6 a.m.—to 24 hours. Order is scheduled to become effective Jan. 27. However, court denied request by groups that argument be heard by same three-judge panel that considered groups' appeal of order that had narrowed "safe harbor" for indecent programing by two hours. It had been 10 p.m.-6 a.m.

Association of Independent Television Stations closed its regional marketing offices in Dallas and Chicago at end of last month. Responsibilities will be shifted to remaining offices in New York and Los Angeles. Decision to close offices, under discussion for some time, was said to be budgetary one.

FCC last week rejected request of Los Angeles Television to file competing application against KHLTV Los Angeles, which was transfered from RKO to Walt Disney Co. as part of FCC-approved settlement of 23-year-old license renewal challenge against station. All California stations were open to renewal challeges filed by Nov. 1, 1988, but FCC exempted KHJ-TV, because not to would have undermined settlement among RKO, Disney and competing applicant, Los Angeles Television, which it had found to be in public interest.

Viacom's The Super Mario Brothers Super Show, live action/animated half-hour strip, has been cleared in 20 of top 25 markets, representing 44% of country. Series, produced by DIC Enterprises Inc., premieres in fall and is based on Nintendo video game characters.

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Following merger of Lorimar Telepictures Corp. with Warner Communications Inc., Warner Brothers Domestic Television Distribution has been reorganized. Dick Robertson, formerly member of Lorimar office of president, is new president of division. New division will handle all distribution, marketing, media sales and research for Warner Brothers Television and Lorimar Television. New appointments at division include; Scott Carlin, senior VP, first-run division; Karl Kuechenmeister, senior VP, media sales; Leon Luxenberg, senior VP, administration.

ESPN has eye on foreign TV rights to 1992 Olympic games. Separate consortium of unidentified U.S. companies has also shown interest" in European TV rights to Barcelona summer games, source said. Cable service, whose parent company Capcities/ABC lost bidding for domestic rights, has "interest" in and is examing overseas rights through its international operations. ESPN could also launch bid through 25%-owned

## **Lobbying in Los Angeles**

The NCTA used the occasion of the ACE Awards to take care of a little business. Prior to the ACE Awards ceremony on Sunday night (Jan. 15), it presented an elaborate "off-the-record" seminar on the state of television to a group of 13 congressmen, who had come to Los Angeles at NCTA's invitation and expense, and later entertained them. And the day following the awards presentation, members of the NCTA board convened for their last meeting prior to the annual NCTA convention (May 21-24 in Dallas). According to an NCTA spokesman, the directors adjourned after five hours without taking any significant action.

NCTA's seminar for the 12 representatives, many of whom are members of the key Energy and Commerce Committee, and one senator (James Exon [D-Neb.]) in attendance, was apparently designed to make two points: 1) cable is subject to plenty of competition from other media and, thus, is not a monopoly, and 2) cable is as capable as (or, perhaps, more capable than) telephone companies in providing such advanced technology as fiber optics and HDTV. The points were made by Turner Broadcasting System's Bob Wussler in an opening presentation and by two panels. One featured NCTA Chairman John Goddard, Viacom Cable; Robert Erburu, Times Mirror; Charles Dolan, Cablevision, and TBS's Ted Turner (sitting in for absent Steve Ross of Warner); the other, Frank Drendel, General Instrument; Richard Green, Cable Labs; Jim Chiddix, American Television & Communications, and NCTA President Jim Mooney (sitting in for absent John Malone, president, Tele-Communications Inc.). Wrapping up the seminar, ABC News commentator Jeff Greenfield led an audience-participation discussion. "I did a Phil Donahue without the skirt," he said.

Thomas Luken (D-Ohio) called the seminar "very substantive" and "very businesslike. They did want to put their best foot forward, but it was not a brainwashing session," he said. According to sources, Turner enlivened the otherwise "businesslike" affair with a tirade against the three broadcast networks, at one point accusing General Electric, NBC's corporate parent, of being "crooks." Turner was apparently refering to the government's indictment of a GE unit.

In addition to paying travel expenses and honoraria (reportedly \$1,500 for representatives and \$2,000 for senators), NCTA picked up the hefty tab for entertaining the lawmakers. NCTA hosted a dinner party at the L'Ermitage, a French restaurant near Beverly Hills, for many of the congressmen, board members and other cable executives in town-more than 80 people in all. according to one account. And on Sunday, NCTA took many of the congressmen to Santa Anita Park in Arcadia, Calif., for a day at the races. Carlos Moorhead (R-Calif.), who went from the NCTA seminar to Phoenix to appear at the National Association of Broadcasters joint board's legislative forum, said of NCTA. 'They were going to do all kinds of nice things for us.

If the Saturday's seminar was "businesslike" so was Monday's board meeting. Mooney and other NCTA staffer presented status reports on various issues. Among them: must carry legislation, home satellite regulation, telephone-cable crossownership, syndicated exclusivity rules and the compulsory license.

NCTA spokesman John Wolfe said Mooney reported that telephone companies would would push to shift regulation of the business activities of the Bell operating companies from the federal courts to Congress and permit the BOC's to offer "information services." According to Wolfe, Mooney said NCTA would be kept busy resisting the effort, but "he didn't expect any legislation to pass.

NCTA Chairman John Goddard said the board is "increasingly hopeful" that NCTA and broadcasters can come up with a mutually acceptable language for a must-carry law along the lines of the last set of FCC must-carry rules. The rules, which were struck down as unconstitutional by a federal court, were based on a compromise between NCTA and broadcasting's leading trade associations

Screensport, European satellite sports channel soon to switch to cable-DBS bird Astra in direct competition to European Broadcasting Union-Rupert Murdoch Eurosport channel also on Astra

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King World has tapped former HBO executive Fred M. Cohen to head new international division. Cohen, most recently executive VP of Sunbow Productions, will oversee New York syndicator's foreign distribution, co-production, format deals and other international ventures. Buena Vista will continue overseas representation of King World properties. In other international programing appointments last week: Granada TV International has named Mad Max producer Gregory Coote head of its new Los Angeles office, responsible for developing TV and theatrical film co-productions on West Coast with U.S. and foreign partners, for making TV program format deals and for seeking entertainment acquisition opportunities; Radio Vision International, worldwide distributor of long-form music programing, named former New Line Cinema executive Seth Willenson as new chief operating officer effective Feb. 1., and former Trans World International executive Lorenzo Camerana as head of a new sponsorship operation, and MTV has given Lee Masters, executive VP and general manager, responsibility for programing and production on MTV's international affiliates.

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Showtime and Disney Channel have landed simultaneous rights to Touchstone Pictures's "Who Framed Roger Rabbitt," biggest box office draw in 1988, for carriage sometime "in mid-1990's."

Capital Cities/ABC Radio President **James Arcara** is recovering from "very minor" heart attack he suffered two weeks ago, according to company spokeswoman. He plans to be back in office within two weeks, she added.

First FMX stereo FM receivers have been introduced and are ready to go on retailer's shelves in the spring, according to Broadcast Technology Partners, company that owns FMX technology. FMX enhancement provides wider coverage of FM

**New USIA chief.** Bruce S. Gelb, vice chairman of Bristol-Myers Co. and a long-time friend and political supporter of President George Bush is Bush's choice to serve as director of the U.S. Information Agency. The announcement—long

anticipated—was made last week. Gelb attended Phillips Andover Academy and Yale with Bush, and served as cochairman of the Bush finance committee in New York. He also worked for Bush in his first presidential campaign. in 1980. Gelb, whose appointment requires Senate confirmation, would bring to the USIA post a background in ad-



vertising and marketing. After receiving an MBA from Harvard in 1953, he was a brand manager with Procter & Gamble in Cincinnati, then moved to Clairol as advertising manager in 1957. He was named marketing vice president of the company in 1959 and executive vice president in 1961. He served as president from 1965 to 1977, when he was elected executive vice president of Bristol-Myers, in charge of the consumer products group. He became president of the group in 1981 and three years later was elected to the board of directors. He moved up to his present position, with responsibility for the company's consumer products and health care businesses, in May 1985. Among Gelb's outside activities is service as a member of the USIA's Voice of America broadcast advisory committee.

#### Stations object to Headline News stock crawl

The stock market crawl at the bottom of CNN Headline News is causing some consternation in the marketplace. Not only have some cable subscribers called to complain, but broadcast stations that use excerpts from Headline News are also upset. Tom Petner, news director at wwoR-TV New York, which excerpts Headline News video, wrote to CNN that "a valuable service is being visually destroyed" by the stock ticker. In addition to being distracting to viewers, Petner said the ticker is often out-of-date when the news material is aired on wwor.tv. Removing the ticker electronically takes too much time and money, Petner said, given the limited amount of pre-production time the station has before newscasts. Additionally, removing the ticker results in aspect ratio problems, which downgrades the production quality of the feed, he said. In the letter to CNN, Petner said "it is now impossible to excerpt material as per the terms of our contract.

A CNN spokesman acknowledged there were "a noticeable number of complaints" from cable subscribers about the ticker, but there has not been a shift in ratings. Ratings for Headline News in daytime have remained consistently at 0.4 before and after the ticker was added on Jan. 2.

The CNN spokesman said the crawl will remain in place, saying it was the choice of the cable operators who control the TBS board to add the crawl. CNN "is primarily a cable network." he said. After the cable component is met, the spokesman said, CNN will "try to meet the broadcasters' needs. We value and benefit greatly from our relationship with 210 broadcast affiliates." One option CNN is considering is to send a separate feed of Headline News, without ticker, during portions of daytime block. For a full eight hours, the yearly satellite cost could run over \$400,000.

signal and some reduction of static from interference. JVC Co. of America will sell its model 5500 car receiver with FMX for \$549 and Alpine Electronics will sell its model 1390 tuner for \$200. FMX prototypes were displayed by Blaupunkt, Sansui Electronics Corp. and other manufacturers at recent Winter Consumer Electronics Show in Las Vegas.

Ted Turner has appointed **Brian Roberts**, executive VP of Comcast, to TBS board, replacing Bill Bevins.

Federal district court in New York has rejected USA Network request for preliminary injunction seeking to block Jones Intercable from dropping service.

Centel reported more than 15 bidders submitted proposals for 560,000-subscriber cable subsidiary company has on block. Next phase in transaction is more comprehensive due diligence, expected to be completed in about one month.

ABC will test new post-Nightline one-hour late night show in March called Day's End, described as review and follow-up on current affairs and news events culled from daily television programs. Show was being tagged by ABC officials last week as "convenient TV for busy people," highlighting "the best of the broadcast day." Show will be broadcast live from studio in New York, but will rely heavily on clips from various network and syndicated news and reality programs. Two of three co-hosts have been named—Good Morning, America's Spencer Christian (who will continue his GMA duties) and former Fox Broadcasting Late Show host Ross Shafer. Woman co-host will be named shortly.

E. William Henry, chairman, Advanced Television Systems Committee (ATSC) since its establishment in 1983, announced his resignation from that job last week, effective Feb. 23.

# Editorials

#### The spirit of Scottsdale

Only the cactus was prickly in Arizona last week. For the National Association of Broadcasters, whose joint board of directors was facing up to the tough issues of industry survival, unanimity was the order of the day. Not a moment too soon. All the old acrimony between radio and television was gone. Unification had worked. Not only that, but the association as a whole was in agreement that a course of radio-only deregulation was in everyone's best interest. Given the new unity and clout, it is now a real possibility that a radio-only bill will be introduced and passed in the 101st Congress.

Even more encouraging—certainly to this page—is the NAB's courageous decision to stand for principle on the fairness doctrine and to fight any congressional initiative to stifle the medium's First Amendment rights forever. More than journalism is at stake here. It was the old fairness doctrine that cost broadcasting the entire category of cigarette advertising, and a new fairness doctrine—enforced with a vengeance—could well threaten beer and wine revenues and those of any other controversial commercial product. Long after the blazing sunsets of Scottsdale have been forgotten, a grateful industry will remember how principle won out over politics on this pivotal issue.

President Eddie Fritts, who only a year ago felt it necessary to throw down his gauntlet to the board, had so won them over in the meantime that the only serious discussion concerning his stewardship was whether he was being paid enough for it. (The board was embarrassed by reports that such rival trade association chiefs as Jack Valenti of the Motion Picture Association of America and Jim Mooney of the National Cable Television Association were drawing down multiples of the Fritts takehome.) The performance of Jim May as the association's chief lobbyist has only endeared Fritts further to the NAB powers that be.

Just because everything's sweetness and light within the association doesn't mean that the big bad world has gone away, of course. Broadcasters confront a number of major challenges on their horizon, including a children's TV bill, threats of spectrum fees and a transfer tax, a political advertising giveaway (the same congressmen who want to run radio and television through a fairness doctrine also want a break when they rerun for office), a big what-to-do about must carry and, before long, a dilemma over telco entry, preservation of their spectrum for HDTV and fending off the threat of nondeductibility of advertising. The worst thing may be that they'll have to fight those fights without a Ronald Reagan in the White House or a Mark Fowler or Dennis Patrick at the FCC. That is, without executive branch peers who believe in broadcasting and the freedom thereof. (The good news is that George Bush may be made of the same stuff.)

The further good news is that broadcasters have their act together. Whatever 1989 brings, they're ready for it at the NAB.

#### The other bottom line

Art: "The power of performing certain actions especially as acquired by experience, study or observation...technical skill often as though aided by magic...application of skill and taste to production according to aesthetic principles." Those definitions fit television programers comfortably and well.

It is fitting, then, that the theme of this year's NATPE convention in Houston is "The Art and Impact of Television." Broadcasters have at times been slow to celebrate their business for the art that it is. (They are daily confronted with the impact, which is enormous and grows greater as technology and its creative application constantly extend the horizons of the possible.) Thanks to the efforts of broadcasting museums in New York, Chicago and elsewhere, some of that art is now being preserved, catalogued and exhibited. And the art of television is not confined to grainy, black and white kinescopes from the "golden age." Yes, there was memorable television then, but for every *Playhouse 90* there were, well, several forgettable offerings. There is great television and not so great television today, with the differentiation between still the ultimate province of the audience.

The art of television is alive in the combined abilities of writer, director, producer, actor, editor, distributor, programer...(the list goes on) to entertain, enlighten and occasionally offend (yes, Congressman Swift, even offend), and to do it seven days a week, 52 weeks a year. No other entertainment medium past or present has been required to sustain its craft at such volume and pace and for so vast and unhomogeneous an audience as has the Fifth Estate. Implicit in that task is that what is meat to the masses may be a faction's poison. And it is an unfortunate truism that the dispeptic are far more likely to register their sentiments than the contented.

"As though aided by magic": Television is still the stuff of dreams. Yet it is also the stuff of sleepless nights. For the producer who must bank on an uncertain future to finance a creative gamble, for the program director who must pay for an off-network powerhouse with a pricetag to match, then hope that it packs a syndicated wallop as well, the behind the screens business of entertainment can be much more grind than glitter.

So, in addition to conducting the business of program selling in Houston this week, attendees are encouraged to celebrate the dreammaking that is television's other bottom line.

**Can we talk?** Radio group owners got together two weeks ago in Indianapolis. The drawing card was a cooperative National Association of Broadcasters-Radio Advertising Bureau public awareness advertising campaign, whose debut had been pushed back from September 1988, some said partly due to a lack of coordination among radio group heads. The "landmark" meeting, as one executive described it, ended both with real progress on funding the campaign and an unexpected bonus, what was being described as the beginnings of an informal caucus of radio group owners that would meet several times a year to discuss issues and "make our ideas known." We encourage all steps to improve cooperation among Fifth Estaters. Communication is, after all, the name of the game.





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