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UPN beats... everybody

Debuts at number one for its first night with new 'Star Trek' show; WB up slightly in second outing

By Steve Coe

wo new networks. Two launches. Two markedly different results.

It was unavoidable that comparisons would be made between the launches of the WB Network (Jan. 11) and the United Paramount Network (Jan. 16 and 17), but UPN's numbers extended those comparisons beyond WB to include the established networks as well.

UPN debuted last Monday night with the two-hour premiere of *Star Trek: Voyager*. The pilot boldly took the new network where no new network (aside from the first) had gone before: to number one in its first night of programing. In 29 metered markets, UPN

In 29 metered markets, UPN averaged a 14.5 rating/20 share at 8-10 p.m., according to Nielsen overnight numbers supplied by UPN. In the overnight ratings, Fox finished second to UPN, followed by CBS, NBC and ABC. The two metered markets not reporting were Hartford, Conn., where UPN does not have an affiliate, and St. Louis, where the Fox station that carries UPN programing as a secondary affiliate does not air the programing until later in the week. the network's animated logo, Michigan J. Frog. When asked about the difference in launch ratings, Jamie Kellner, head of WB, orid the UDN "did a second

Promoting the new nets:

UPN showed its debut 'Star

Trek: Voyager' in Times Square, while WB adorned

the Warner water tower with

said that UPN "did a good job, but now it's the week-toweek execution" that counts. On average, the maiden

On average, the maiden voyage of UPN improved on its affiliates' November 1994 numbers by 150%. Because many of UPN's affiliates are secondary affiliations and do not run their schedule in pattern, national numbers for the debut will not be available until later this week. When

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Time Warner eyes 2.5 million subs for \$5 billion

By Rich Brown

ow does a company with \$15 billion in debt go on a \$5 billion spending spree?

That is the puzzle Time Warner hopes to solve as it looks to buy the cable systems of Cablevision Industries Corp. and Houston Industries at a price of about \$2.5 billion per company.

Wall Street has been pondering the question since word got out earlier this month about Time Warner's interest in striking a deal with CVI. And the question became all the more puzzling last week with word that Time Warner also was eyeing the Houston Industries systems.

Some analysts say it could be just a matter of creative dealmaking along the lines of the earlier-announced joint venture involving the cable systems of Time Warner and Newhouse. Time Warner expects to close on the deal with Newhouse (1.4 million subscribers) by midyear and could close even sooner on another deal with Summit Communications (160,000 subs).

"The easy answer is: 'That's why God created stock,' " says analyst Ray Katz of Bear Stearns. And if the seller is not interested in stock, J.P. Morgan Securities analyst Larry Petrella says banks still are likely to make loans to Time Warner based on the company's cash flow of more than \$3 billion.

The Time Warner cable system deals come during a period of intense consolidation in the cable system business. Larger MSOs are looking to acquire smaller MSOs that will enable them to "cluster" systems and better compete with the increasingly aggressive direct broadcast satellite, telephone and wireless cable companies. Virtually all of the top 20 MSOs in the past six months have made a deal or are considering one.

Time Warner, already the nation's second-largest MSO with its 7.3 million subscribers, is poised to equal the leader, Tele-Communications Inc. CVI would give Time Warner an additional 1.3 million subscribers and the Houston Industries deal would add another 1.2 million households.

For several months Houston Industries has been looking to sell its KBLCOM cable system subsidiary. Time Warner is a logical buyer because the media giant already co-owns large KBLCOM systems representing 1.16 million subs in New York City, Florida and California. On its own, KBLCOM owns systems representing 684,000 subs in California, Minnesota, Oregon and Texas.

Hundt's 'market' plan for kids TV

FCC would set quotas for markets rather than stations

By Kim McAvoy

CC Chairman Reed Hundt has been talking to TV network executives and others about basing compliance with children's TV

rules on the performance of an entire market rather than the individual stations, according to FCC and industry sources.

The FCC is expected to propose rules in February clarifying broadcasters' obligation to air educational children's programing under the 1991 Children's TV Act. Among other things, Hundt has talked about establishing

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Broadcasting 1995: Following a tough act

1994's performance is not likely to be repeated in '95, but the forecast is not so bad, either: some say growth could reach 7%

By Steve McClellan

ineteen ninety-four was a banner year for the broadcasting business. But don't expect the same for 1995. Analysts and broadcasting executives expect growth rates this year of half—or less—than what they were in 1994.

Estimates for growth this year range from 3% to 7%. The growth declines are attributed to several factors, including a slowing in the overall economic growth rate, from the 4% range to the 3% range. In addition, two extraordinary broadcasting events helped fuel last

year's growth—record-setting political advertising spending and the winter Olympics.

Those two big events will not be present in 1995, and some general concern is being voiced widely in the industry about rising interest rates and the impact they will have on the economy in 1995 and 1996. Another uncertainty, particularly for local rightsholders, is how the 1995 baseball season will shape up, if at all.

My gut tells me not to get too excited about

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TOP OF THE WEEK

Turner says TBS-NBC talks are off

But money-saving strategic alliance may prove too attractive to avoid

By Rich Brown

he deal is off between NBC and the Turner Broadcasting System-at least for now. The long-standing merger talks between the companies came to an end last week, Ted Turner said at a news conference in Los Angeles.

"The talks have been terminated-very amicably, I might add," Turner said. As he described the situation, NBC parent company General Electric had killed the deal by refusing to relinquish control of the broadcast network.

Indeed, GE quickly issued a statement maintaining that it had no plans to give up majority control of NBC. GE's offer to Turner would have left GE with a 51% share of a company that, they believe, is worth about \$6 billion.

But negotiations might not be over yet. NBC President Robert Wright told the Wall Street Journal late last week that he wouldn't rule out a resumption of talks or a less expansive combination of some operations. Wright could not be reached for comment.

Media companies such as NBC and Turner are eager to develop strategic alliances that will help them compete against increasingly powerful media conglomerates. And the big just keep getting bigger: Top Hollywood producers Paramount and Warner Bros. each have debuted their own broadcast networks, while Capital Cities/ABC is forming a production studio with Hollywood heavyweights David Geffen, Jeffrey Katzenberg and Steven Spielberg.

Merrill Lynch analysts say that combining TBS with a broadcast network could help cut news costs by up to \$150 million per year; provide international opportunities in news, sports and other programing; allow for joint cable-network bids on sports properties; help Ted Turner and NBC's Bob Wright can't agree on control.

in launching new networks: | provide cross-promotional opportunities; and enable the Turner networks to be used as an outlet for production.

Turner's \$2.4 billion debt and its 1994 estimated operating cash flow of \$427 million mean the company likely will have to offer equity when it makes a play for a network. Merrill Lynch analysts say. Turner also might be forced to give up something to Time Warner, a 20% owner in Turner that reportedly has attempted to prevent such an acquisition, the analysts say.

As the NBC-Turner talks apparently subsided, there was increased industry speculation that Turner once again might make some kind of play for CBS. Turner Broadcasting issued the following statement in response: "As in the past, the company will continue to pursue strategic opportunities as they arise in order to maximize shareholder value."

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what we saw in '94 and so far in the first quarter '95," says Michael Finkelstein, president, Renaissance Communications, a Greenwich. Conn.-based group owner of seven television stations. "I think one should be cautious about looking into the future," he says. "There will be some growth, but it will be slower than we've seen.'

The Television Bureau of Advertising is projecting growth in spot and local advertising for 1995 of 5%-7%, says the organization's research vice president, Harold Simpson. "That strikes some of the people on our board as pretty bullish, but there are some indications that we might attain that in 1995," Simpson says.

Indication number one: The current first-quarter sales pace is in the 15% range, impressive considering that a year ago was the middle of the winter Olympics scatter market. Another positive indicator, says Simpson is that last fall, ad sales increases of 20%-30% were registered in October and November, and only about half of those gains were attributable to political spending.

Simpson is confident the first quarter will end up where it's now pacing-in the 15% range. "There is a pretty healthy base of advertisers now, unlike the previous three years when the auto category

was the driving force that kept us from being in the red," he said. "Other categories that were holding back are starting to open up." Computers, phone companies, clothing and insurance are all strong categories, he says.

In 1991, during the depths of the recession, broadcasting industry pundits predicted there would never again be a year of double-digit growth. Last year, the industry proved the pundits wrong-national spot spending on over-the-air stations grew a dramatic 14%, according to the TVB. Local TV spending came in at around 11%, says the TVB. And, according to Arthur Gruen of Wilkofsky Gruen Associates, the network business grew about 8%.

Gruen is predicting 3%-5% growth for both the network business and stations for 1995. "The fed is sort of the wild card here" because it's hard to know

how it will manipulate interest rates this year, says Gruen. But most believe those rates will be adjusted upward once again to further brake economic growth.

Finkelstein also sees a 3%-5% gain for the TV station business this year. "I'd say that's about right, and but for what's going on with the interest rates, it might be a little higher.

Most analysts and executives contacted for this story think that although the economy will continue

to slow down, a recession is not in the cards for the foreseeable future. "Corporate profits are very strong, and that is a pretty good harbinger for broadcasting," says Gruen. "The advertising market should hold up as advertisers are looking to pro-

have to be terrific" for broadcasters to prosper. "Just as long as there are no real surprises.

On Wall Street, the outlook also appears pretty bright for the broadcasting business. "I'm bullish," says Jay Nelson, broadcast and cable analyst with Brown Brothers Harriman. He is predicting 5%-6% growth for the business, discounting last year's Olympics and political money. Among the four networks, Nelson says CBS "is

not going to participate as fully as the others" in this

year's growth. That is due to several factors, including poor fourth-quarter ratings, that required the network to offer make-good inventory. Also, the affiliation changes have forced CBS onto weak UHF stations in some markets, and it will take the network time to build audience.

Harold Vogel, managing director and senior media analyst at Cowen & Co., says ABC is best positioned among the four networks to grow in 1995. The network, he says, should show an earn-

ings per share (EPS) gain of around \$5, or 10%-12% for the year.

CBS, says Vogel, will be flat or up slightly, probably showing an EPS of about \$3.50. In growth, he expects NBC and Fox to come in somewhere in-between.

But overall, he says, "the broadcasting business comes into 1995 with very good momentum. Advertisers are quite optimistic. There's a little bit of a question concerning 1996 with the economy and interest rates, but it's really hard to say how that will turn out."

At Smith Barney, media analyst John Reidy thinks CBS's problems will cause its EPS average to drop almost 10%, to \$3.25, despite a revenue gain of around 5%. Capital Cities/ABC should realize an EPS gain of around 15%, to \$4.90, says Reidy.

Increased compensation costs also will '95e come into play in 1995, putting downward pressure on network profits and, converse-

ly, contributing to station revenues. Reidy says that executives from Belo Corp. attending a recent Smith Barney conference acknowledged that new affiliation agreements will boost its compensation from 3% to 6% of its broadcast revenue base. "That may be an extreme, but suffice it to say many stations will get a compensation spike that may contribute another point or two to revenues." he says.

Although there is some concern about slowing economic growth in late 1995 and beyond, 1996 has two big events that should help broadcasters continue on a growth curve-the 1996 summer Olympics in Atlanta and the 1996 presidential election. Concludes Reidy: "Unless the government hammers the economy and advertisers throw in the towel, broadcasters could be going into a four-year string of good results."



mote brands in a reasonably healthy marketplace." Adds TVB's Simpson: "The economy doesn't

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TOP OF THE WEEK

Redford, Showtime form movie channel

Sundance Film Channel to launch this year and feature independent films

By Rich Brown

ake way for another movie channel. Showtime Networks Inc. and actor/director Robert Redford have formed a 50-50 joint venture to launch The Sundance Film Channel, a 24hour independent movie network that later this year will join the ever-growing list of tems Corp. Most of the cable deals involve packaging IFC with other services as part of the FCC-defined "new-product tiers."

In addition to the competitive challenge from IFC, the Sundance Film Channel will be fighting for channel position against a growing list of movie services that includes multiplexed movie networks



In 1984 Robert Redford (I) used a Sony HDTV system for a project at his Sundance Institute film workshop in Idaho.

movie-based cable networks. SNI Chairman/CEO Tony Cox would not offer specifics on what it will cost to launch the network, but he implied that expenses could be kept down by scheduling movies already available through existing SNI license deals. Plans call for the Sundance channel to strike its own license agreements to supplement product from the SNI library

Redford signed the deal with SNI last week after breaking off talks to become a partner with The Independent Film Channel, a competing independent movie network. IFC, which launched on Sept. 1, 1994, has deals in place for 3 million homes nationally.

IFC executives say that figure includes about 1 million TVRO homes; a Los Angeles-area cable system owned by Cablevision Industries, and a widespread cable subscriber commitment from IFC parent Cablevision Syssuch as HBO, Encore and Showtime, as well as new services like fXM: Movies from Fox and Turner Classic Movies.

tives say they conducted a consumer poll and found that 22% of the respondents expressed "strong" interest and a willingness to pay for a network highlighting independent film. SNI hopes to boost sampling of the new network at launch by featuring Sundance programing on Show-

Programing on Sundance will include first-run independent features, foreign language films, documentaries, film shorts, animation, experimental films and selected classics. Plans also are in the works to televise seminars from Redford's Sundance Institute, an independent filmmakers' organization that oversees the annual Sundance Film Festival in Park City, Utah

Back to normal

This is the second of two tabloid-size issues of BROAD-CASTING & CABLE designed around the NATPE conference. The magazine will return to its standard size and format with next week's issue (Jan. 30). The tabloid format was necessitated by the volume of program advertising generated by the NATPE show.

For those attending NATPE in Las Vegas, B&C will pub-lish three daily editions (Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday). Distribution will be made to delegate rooms in major hotels and through bins in the trade publications area.



Nevertheless, SNI executime and The Movie Channel.

COVER STORY

Aaron Spelling: TV's overachiever

Since he wrote his first script for Zane Grey Theater in 1956, Aaron Spelling has produced more than 3,000 hours of television programing. That's landed him in the



Talkers think young

Syndicators are charging ahead with 11 new talk shows for fall, many of which attempt to skew to the same youth-targeted, fast-paced formula so successfully

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KOVR Sacramento gets a jump on prime time

By Steve Coe

Calif., announced last week that it will move its lineup back an hour to a 7 p.m. start.

Beginning March 6, the station will move its nighttime edition of KOVR 13 News to 10, with The Late Show with David Letterman following at 11. The station also is in the midst of an affiliation switch and on that same day will change to CBS from ABC.

"Research shows most people would prefer a full-service newscast at 10," says Jeff Suss, KOVR's research director. "By moving our late-night edition to 10 p.m., [we are] moving our highest-rated newscast where more people can watch."

According to a station official, CBS was aware of the station's interest in testing a 7-10 p.m. prime time when the network signed the station as an affiliate. CBS supports the move, according to Rick Blangiardi, group president, River City Broadcasting, which owns KOVR.

"We are very proud of our relationship with KOVR and of our new affiliation," says Tony Malara, president, CBS Affiliate Relations. "CBS is most supportive of KOVR in making this move."

KOVR is the second Sacramento station to test a 7-10 p.m. prime time. In September 1991, KCRA-TV adopted an early prime lineup and considered the test a success, but NBC reportedly pressured the station to return to its traditional 8-11 schedule. Another advantage of the shift, according to Blangiardi, is the scheduling of Letterman. "Another benefit of early prime is our ability to program Letterman head-tohead with the newscasts on the other affiliate stations. In San Francisco, Letterman attracts as large a percentage of young adult viewers as the two 11 p.m. newscasts combined," he says.

KOVR's prime access will shrink from 90 minutes to 30 as a result of the shift. *The CBS Evening News* will air at 5:30, with broadcasts of the *KOVR 13 News* leading in and out of the network news. *Entertainment Tonight* will move to the 6:30-7 slot leading into the CBS entertainment programing. A Current Affair and Hard Copy, currently in access, now will air at 4-5 p.m.

'Flipper' cuts a deal

Getting a boost coming into NATPE, the Samuel Goldwyn Co. signed a group deal with Group W last week to clear Goldwyn's *Flipper, American Gladiators* and *Gladiators* 2000 on some Group W stations. An announcement is expected today (Jan. 23).

As part of the deal, *Flipper* will be cleared in access on Group W's CBS affiliates in Philadel-



phia (KYW-TV) and Pittsburgh (KDKA-TV). Additionally, a deal is pending with Group W's KPIX San Francisco, also a CBS affiliate. These are the first announced clearances for *Flipper*. Overall, the first-run weekly has been cleared in 14 of the top 20 markets. Goldwyn will announce a station lineup at NATPE.

"These clearances represent a great first step for *Flipper*, and we look forward to continuing our excellent relationship with Group W, not only for *Flipper* but for other projects in development," says Dick Askin, president, television, Samuel Goldwyn Television.

Goldwyn's American Gladiators also was cleared on KYW-TV and KDKA-TV and was renewed by Group W's ABC affiliate in Baltimore, WJZ-TV. Gladiators 2000, a spin-off for children, was renewed by three Group W stations: KPIX, WJZ-TV and KDKA-TV.

In another facet of the deal, Group W will handle all barter advertising sales for *Flipper* as well as continuing to oversee ad sales for *American Gladiators* and Goldwyn's two barter movie packages, Samuel Goldwyn Premiere Showcase and Samuel Goldwyn Theater II. —**sc**

Viacom nixs TV deal

iacom has backed out of a deal to sell four TVs to a minority-controlled coalition for around \$400 million.

The stations went into play last November when broadcaster Robert N. Smith and Hispanic Joseph Aragon made an unsolicited bid for the network affiliates (BROAD-CASTING & CABLE, Nov. 7, 1994). Because Aragon was the controlling party, Viacom would have been entitled to a tax certificate enabling it to defer millions of dollars in capital gains taxes. The certificates were created to increase minority ownership of broadcast properties.

But the parties never reached a definitive agreement. "In the end, they just decided not to sell," Smith says. Smith denies speculation that he was unable to put together the financing.

Viacom officials declined comment.

Industry sources suggest that there is another reason the stations came off the block. "They didn't want to give Congress any more ammunition on the tax certificate issue," one investment banker says. —JAZ



Fox Chairman Rupert Murdoch accompanied by Fox attorney Peggy Binzel (above) was the big attraction last Thursday at a telecommunications summit hosted by House Commerce Committee Chairman Tom Bliley and Telecommunications Subcommittee Chairman Jack Fields (R-Tex.). Also among the 11 broadcast executives representing the networks and large TV and radio groups was Capcities/ABC Chairman Tom Murphy (below right). He was escorted by Capcities/ABC's Stephen Weiswasser (I) and Billy Pitts. Reporters and camera crews staked out the event, which was described as a "feel-good" meeting, at which lawmakers asked broadcasters what they could do to help them better compete.



Keep foreigners out, say broadcast execs

Group broadcasters meeting with key Republican lawmakers last week called for retention of the ban against foreign ownership of radio and TV stations, according to one broadcaster in attendance. They warned that lifting the prohibition would harm broadcast localism, the source said, declining to identify the broadcasters.

The meeting was one of several House Commerce Committee Chairman Tom Bliley (R-Va.) and House Telecommunications Subcommittee Chairman Jack Fields (R-Tex.) held last Thursday and Friday with top executives from the cable, local and long-distance telephone, satellite and computer industries. Many of the executives also attended a Thursday dinner hosted by House Speaker Newt Gingrich (R-Ga.).

The closed-door sessions came under sharp attack from Democrats who were not invited. "Neither the public nor media will participate so that the discussions can be 'honest and informative,' " complained John Dingell (D-Mich.), now the ranking Democrat on Commerce.

Dingell, in a letter to Bliley and Fields, said he hoped the meetings "do not signal a break with this tradition, and that key issues bearing on our competitiveness are not colored or debased by partisanship."

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NAB board supports 30% TV ownership cap

At meeting in Florida, it also supports plans for duopoly rule for TV, relaxing one-to-a-market rule and dropping all radio ownership limits

By Kim McAvoy

TV broadcasters want deregulation, but some want more than others.

Last week, the National Association of Broadcasters TV board struggled to reach a consensus on deregulation during the NAB's annual winter board meeting in Boca Raton, Fla.

For the time being, TV broadcasters are hanging together. The board passed a resolution reaffirming its commitment to seek deregulation on the Hill and at the FCC. But the association is going to "wait and see" what Congress proposes before it determines what NAB's overall deregulatory policy for television will be. "We'll take it one step at a time," said NAB President Eddie Fritts.

That first step came last week when the TV board decided to support a more modest relaxation of the FCC's national ownership cap than proposed by the commission last month. The FCC has suggested that the current national ownership cap of 25% be raised 5% every three years until it hits 50%. But NAB reaffirmed its support for a 30% cap, a number adopted by the board last year.

The board also expressed support for other deregulatory proposals pending at the FCC such as creating a duopoly rule for TV (which allows broadcasters to own two TV stations, relaxation of the oneto-a market rule as well as counting local marketing agreements towards a station's ownership limits. Now the board is waiting to

see what Congress will do. A summary of a proposed Sen-

ate telecommunications reform bill calls for either eliminating or justifying all radio, TV and network regulations. House Republicans, however, have not indicated what they want to do, although they aren't likely to stray far from their counterparts in the Senate.

"We're all in agreement with the spirit of deregulation," said Gary Chapman, president of LIN Television and NAB's immediate past joint board chairman.

However, it was clear during the meeting that the four networks and Tribune Broadcasting would have preferred a higher percentage than 30.

But 30% was as high as the affiliate broadcasters wanted to go. Indeed, they felt that lifting the cap any higher would have merely been a "relief act for five companies."

"It's a balance of power between the networks and affiliates," said Nicholas Trigony, president, Cox Broadcasting. "We need each other, but we don't want the networks to weigh in with more power than us, nor do the networks want us to weigh in with more power," he added.

The networks appeared to be taking solace in the fact that the only real point of disagreement was the 30% cap. And they were pleased that there was no support for one director's suggestion that NAB exclude network regulations from any discussion of a deregulatory agenda.

"In the big picture, the endorsement of deregulation and the fact that the board didn't take anything off the table, is a plus," said NBC's Rick Cotton.

"You can't look at the national cap independent of other rules," said Peter Desnoes of Burnham Broadcasting, and the ABC affiliates representative on the board."

NAB's radio board, NBC's was unanimous in its view that it would like to see all radio ownership rules relaxed or eliminated, said Fritts. He said the radio directors felt antitrust regulations should govern radio ownership.

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quotas for educational children's programing, the sources say. But instead of setting a quota that each station would have to meet, the FCC would set a quota that all the stations in a market collectively would have to meet, they say. Unclear is whether the programing of noncommercial stations would count toward the market quota and how strict the quotas would be.

With the marketwide approach, Hundt believes, says a source, the FCC would be taking the same view of children's programing as a parent. "A parent doesn't care if the programing is on channel 2 or channel 5 as long as it's on," said the FCC source.

Hundt Chief of Staff Blair Levin acknowledged conversations with network executives, TV producers and public interest groups about rules that would "accomplish the purposes of the fact through maximizing the role of the marketplace and minimizing the role of the FCC." He declined further comment.

If the substantial amount of children's programing aired by noncommercial stations is allowed to count against the market quotas, commercial stations would have a stake in the continued viability of public TV, whose federal funding is now being threatened by Hill Republicans.

The idea of basing compliance on total programing in a market is "innovative and appealing," says NBC's Rick Cotton. However, he says, NBC is wary of "inflexible numerical" quotas of any kind. "It has to be judgmental."

Longtime children's TV advocate Peggy Charren calls the market proposal "illegal and irresponsible." "It lets broadcasters off the hook and undermines the public trustee concept." Like children's and consumer advocates, Charren has urged the FCC to require stations to air at least an hour a day of educational children's programing.

TV violence no longer a frontburner issue in Washington

By Kim McAvoy

V violence is still on the congressional radar. But Hill Republicans don't appear to be in a rush to regulate nor is the FCC.

"I applaud" the industry for its self-regulation over the past year, FCC Chairman Reed Hundt told BROADCASTING & CABLE.

A year ago, Hundt warned the industry that it must clean up its act and address TV violence or the FCC might step in. But Hundt now says FCC intervention is unnecessary in light of the industry's effort to police itself.

Both broadcasters and cable are now voluntarily airing parental advisories warning viewers about the violent content of certain programs. Each industry is also using independent consultants to monitor their programing for violence. Cable will use the results to develop a ratings system. It has also endorsed V-chip technology, which would allow parents to block programs with violent content.

The most significant development is that the TV industry is no longer denying the connection between violent programing and aggressive behavior, Hundt says.

"We can't ban programs," says Hundt. But, he says, he expects broadcasters and cable to continue their voluntary efforts to curb the violence.

Although the new deregulatory-minded Republicans are reluctant to regulate, they are keeping their eye on the issue.

The Republicans recognize that the TV industry has made progress, says one Republican staffer. But they will continue to "expect a high standard of discipline from the industry," he says.

TV violence was a hot topic in the last Con-



As part of the new Republican-controlled Congress's family celebration on opening day of the 104th Congress, the Mighty Morphin Power Rangers, criticized in the past for purported violent content, were invited to entertain.

gress. Several bills were introduced. Among them were proposals requiring the FCC to issue TV violence report cards or that would ban violent TV programs during times when children are likely to be watching.

Much of the action on TV violence in the last Congress occurred in the Senate, spurred on by the now-retired Paul Simon (D-III.) This year, it may be hard to predict what, if anything, the new chairman of the Senate Commerce Committee—Larry Pressler (R-S.D.) will do on the issue.

Pressler says he has a lot of "trouble" with government regulation in this area. But, on the other hand, he's concerned about gratuitous violence.

Broadcasters anticipate some "jawboning" from Pressler and others. Afterall, says one industry executive, it was the Republicans "who gave us the indecency law."

NAB budget keeps growing

The National Association of Broadcasters plans to spend \$2.3 million more in its upcoming fiscal 1995 (beginning April 1) than in the current year, according to the budget adopted last week by the NAB board and obtained by BROADCASTING & CABLE.

But the increased expenditures should be more than offset by a \$2.8 million jump in revenues, the budget says.

The budget calls for total revenues of \$32.3 million, up 9.6% over fiscal 1994, and total expenditures of \$28.9 million, up 8.7%.

Stand-alone VOD falls in Rochester

Rochester Telephone will not "deploy video on demand as a stand-alone service" after completion of a six-month market trial involving 52 homes in Brighton, N.Y., says Russ Shipley, project director for the trial. "Originally, we thought video on demand was going to be the killer application, but since then we've found video on demand is not sufficient as a stand-alone application," Shipley says. "Rather you need a full array of offerings." USA Video, the pro-gramer handling the VOD service, charged 49 cents-\$3.99 for each VOD offering. Despite the termination of the trial, Rochester Tel has not given up on building broadband networks for video. says spokeswoman Linda Crociata.

Fuchs blasts cable support

In a case of biting the hand that feeds one, HBO Chairman Michael Fuchs blasted cable operators for not supporting cable programing services. Speaking last week before the Television Critics Association press tour in Pasadena, Calif., he said: "The current environment does not nurture new channels and does not allow for what happened in the early days of cable when, all of a sudden, an MTV was on the scene We're involved with Comedy Central. and it's got 30 million homes. It would be a hell of a lot better channel if it had 60 million homes. And the fact that this industry does not see that it could be as exciting to their business as MTV was 10 years ago is a failing on their part."

Face-off expected over QVC deal

Tele-Communications Inc. and Comcast are heading for a showdown with the Federal Trade Commission over their \$1.4 billion deal to acquire QVC. TCI and Com-cast have notified the FTC that they plan to close the deal on Feb. 6. The deal has been in limbo for several months while the FTC investigated potential antitrust problems. The FTC has threatened to scuttle the deal and even said it may require TCI to divest its current 20% interest in QVC. The FTC reportedly is worried that TCI and Comcast could block rival home shopping networks from their combined 14 million cable subscribers. TCI also controls 79% of the Home Shopping Network, the only other major cable home shopping channel.

High court hears minority case

Civil rights lawyers left the Supreme Court breathing a little easier last Tuesday after listening to oral arguments in Adarand v. U.S. Department of Transportation. So were lawyers representing minority interests in communications bar, who are following the case closely because of its potential impact on FCC policies. The case revolves around whether the government can give special treatment to minorities when awarding contracts. Adarand Constructors claims it unfairly lost a bid to a minority company although it submitted the lowest proposal for a contract. Thomas Hart, who represents minority communications companies, says the case appeared to go well for his clients. Only Justice Antonin Scalia asked questions that were hostile to minority interests, he says. The court is expected to issue a decision in the case this summer.

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national numbers are released, however, it is expected that UPN's numbers will drop, but by how much remains to be seen. On a local level, however, the debut proved historic.

In Sacramento on KSCH-TV, the premiere pulled in a whopping 25.0/34 for the two hours. By comparison, the station's average rating and share for February of 1994 was a 2.9/4.

In the larger markets the show was nearly as dominant. In Los Angeles on KCOP(TV). UPN averaged a 20.7/27 and was number one in the time period for every halfhour between 8 and 10 p.m. The 20.7 rating beat any two of the Big Three networks' ratings combined.

Given the name recognition of Star Trek: Voyager a solid debut was expected. UPN's second night of programing last Tuesday-a night considerably more competitive with ABC's Home Improvement and NBC's Frasier as competition at 9-saw the fledgling network descend from the stratosphere. Marker, starring Richard Grieco, pulled in a 5.7/8 at 8-9, and The Watcher at 9-10 garnered a 4.4/6, for a two-hour average of 5.1/7 in the metered markets.

The WB Network, in its second outing last Wednesday (Jan. 18), improved slightly on its debut night, averaging a 2.0/3 in Nielsen national numbers compared with a 1.9/3 for its debut. But rather than focus on the low national number, WB officials were pointing to its local performance.

On WATL-TV Atlanta (the former Fox affiliate). for example, WB averaged a 12.2/18 at 8-8:30 with The Wayans Bros., with the show finishing a strong second behind Fox's 90210 (12.4/19). Among the top three markets. WB saw its second-week numbers increase in Los Angeles and Chicago.

Regardless of the outcome of the first few weeks, if history is any determinant, the new networks will need plenty of backup series, either for launching new nights or replacing failed shows. At the Television Critics Association press tour in Pasadena last week, executives from both ventures outlined development plans.

WB's Kellner said the network hopes to launch its second nightprobably Thursday—in August. To that end, projects in the works include a new version of the 1960s hit 77 Sunset Strip, two Aaron Spelling shows, and a Fred Silverman show about college students who are also part-time detectives. The two Spelling shows are Club Paradise and Savannah (see cover story, page 11).

On the comedy side, WB is developing a series from Danny Jacobson (Mad About You) starring Harland Williams and Peter Dobson as unlikely roommates; an animated comedy from Damon Wayans; a sitcom project from comedienne Jackie Guerra, and a sketch comedy with the working title Men Are Pigs.

In the works at UPN are a comedy project from Barry Kemp about a politically incorrect postal worker, hour shows from Aaron Spelling and Dick Wolf, and Lifeshot, an ensemble drama.

The two new services may be going head-to-head in the near future. Lucie Salhany, UPN president and chief executive officer, says she would prefer to see the network expand on successive nights for promotional purposes and for "the opportunity to counterprogram" WB. She would not speculate, however. on when UPN would add a third night.

Congress keeps up threat to public broadcasting

Despite public broadcasters' opposition to privatization, Congress may force them down that road by cutting federal funding.

'I do not want to privatize," National Public Radio President Delano Lewis said last Thursday during a break in an all-day House subcommittee hearing on continued federal funding for the Corporation for Public Broadcasting. CPB dispenses the money to NPR, the Public Broadcasting Service and 1,000 local stations. "I want to remain public," Lewis said. "We don't want to be in the advertising/commercial market."

Nor does PBS want to go private, President Ervin Duggan said last put them on the chopping block," Lowey said. Tuesday. Privatization amounts to

commercialization, he said, which would destroy the "dream" of noncommercial public broadcasting (see story, page 164).

However, the possibility that public broadcasting will have to carry ads cannot be ruled out, Lewis said: "I'm not dismissing ideas."

Action by the Appropriations Committee's labor subcommittee on rescissions in CPB's1995 budget of \$285.6 million has not been scheduled. But subcommittee members said CPB funding cannot be maintained under the weight of the federal deficit.

"Public broadcasting...should be on the table," said Rep. Bob Livingston (R-La.), chairman of the full committee. "Americans should be asking themselves, 'Can we afford this anymore?'

However, House Speaker Newt Gingrich (R-Ga.) earlier in the day appeared to back away from his calls to "zero out" CPB. "I am not fixed in concrete." Subcommittee Chairman John Porter (R-III.)



Rep. Nita Lowey (D-N.Y.) gets a helping hand from 'Sesame Street's' Bert and Ernie during a House hearing on federal fund-ing for public broadcasting. "The new Republican majority has

suggested that CPB be "forward funded" for two years, then federal money be cut off. Subcommittee member Dan Miller (R-Fla.) recommended phasing out CPB funding over five years.

Senate Commerce Committee Chairman Larry Pressler (D-S.D.) told the subcommittee that public broadcasting could be privatized "and do very well."

Advertising is one solution, Pressler said, adding that "large corporations are lined up to advertise on public radio and television." He apparently was referring to program underwriting credits. Pressler cited a 1982 experiment with commercials on public TV that found the 10 participating stations made enough money to cover costs and generate income.

Even CPB supporter Rep. David Obey (D-Wis.) warned Carlson to expect reductions during the next five to seven years: "Even if you escape the -EAR bullet this time, it is a continuing threat."

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TV's Overachiever

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he syndicated *Beverly Hills*, 90210 has been a pleasant surprise for a lot of stations. There were some less-than-optimistic predictions beforehand about a drama—and a young-targeted show—being able to find an audience. Are you surprised by the results?

We were very surprised about 90210, and thanks to John Ryan and Worldvision people [Ryan is president and CEO, Worldvision Enterprises, which distributes Spelling programs], we were really surprised by what it did. But I think we figured it out. It's that we didn't repeat 90210 too often on Fox. They asked for 34 episodes per year, so you can't repeat that many.

And I think one of the reasons is that we now have kids who were too young to see it who are discovering it, and we're finding families who didn't watch it because their kids were too young to watch it. And it is a show that parents watch with their kids because of some of the social issues. So we were surprised, and thrilled.

Are you going to take a similar approach to the syndication of *Melrose Place*?

I think so. I think we have to also realize that the shows are on Fox and don't have the station coverage that we can now reach through syndication. So to a lot of people it will be a brand new show. We didn't do well our first year, so a lot of people didn't watch the first year. A lot of people ask if we are going to repeat the first year because they want to see how it all started. And the great value of syndication is that you can start all over again—and you can't on the network.

What's the schedule for *Melrose Place* in terms of the rollout?

It will make its off-net debut in 1996.

On the first-run side, there's the Spelling Premiere network, which has had rough going so far. *Heaven Help Us* has been replaced, and *Robin's Hoods* also is rated below what's necessary for long-term survival. The shows were designed to reach women who might not tune in to the traditional action hour. Does that potential audience exist in syndication?

COVER STORY

World Radio History

Aaron Spelling, chairman and CEO of Spelling Television Inc., has deals with ABC, CBS, NBC, Fox and the WB and UPN networks, not to mention cable, firstrun, off-net syndication, theatrical and interactive projects.

Since he wrote his first script for Dick Powell's Zane Grey Theater in 1956, Spelling has produced more than 3,000 hours of television programing, landing him in the Guinness Book of World Records as TV's most prolific producer. From the Emmy-winning HBO movie And the Band Played On to the syndication staple Love Boat; from Dynasty, Fantasy Island and Melrose Place (and The Danny Thomas Show, Mod Squad, Hart to Hart, Charlie's Angels...) to Family, Day One and The Best Little Girl in the World, Spelling has made a career of giving his viewers the kind of television programing they want, as well as presenting them with the issues he thinks they should face. And if he has not always won the minds of critics, he has won the hearts of a huge and loyal audience that he respects and listens to.

In this exclusive interview, NATPE International's Lifetime Achievement Award winner talks with BROADCASTING & CABLE's Steve Coe and David Tobenkin about old friends, new networks and the rewards of following your dreams.

I think that *Heaven Help Us* didn't work, and that's my fault. I think it did appeal, but not to a young audience. And since it preceded *Robin's Hoods* on most stations, since it got an older audience, there was a young audience for us.

I think we recognized that. I was excited by *Heav*en Help Us and Robin's Hoods, but I've never been as excited about them as I am about University Hospital. University Hospital will precede Robin's Hoods, which is action, and it's a perfect lead-in for it.

I will be so disappointed, I can't tell you, if *University Hospital* doesn't work, because we got the right producers and the right writing team at the right time. They had just done two series for us. And so they're writing the script, and I must tell you that the first four shows are as good as any show we've ever done for any network.

What are the elements of that show that you think will make it succeed?

First, we have an extraordinary cast of young ladies and if there was ever a time—and we didn't know when we first planned this what *ER* was going to do or what *Chicago Hope* now in this new time slot is doing. I was at Four Star when all you could sell was westerns, and then suddenly, when I was doing *Mod*



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"You can't listen to that Bel-Air circuit. That's not television. Because if you ask anybody out here what they watch, you'll get the same answer all the time because they don't want to tell you that they watch Dynasty or Melrose Place. It's: "60 Minutes, news and sports." Now, if you believe that, there is a bridge I want to sell you in Brooklyn."

Squad, all you could get on was police shows.

And now the genre of hospitals suddenly is back, as it was during the time when they did *Dr. Kildare* and [*Ben Casey*] and I think the genre has come back, but we're doing it with a much younger genre than any of those two shows, and we've been able, in *University Hospital*, to mix comedy, romance and hospital.

The trick of it is, unlike *Heaven Help Us* or *Robin's Hoods*, that there are three stories every episode. There's an A story, a B story and a C story. So we get a chance for hospital drama, romance and comedy.

It appears—without having seen any of the footage—that what you are doing is going away from the action/light action that you started out with, to a *Melrose/90210* model. Is that accurate?

I think it's absolutely true. University Hospital especially is much more 90210 than either of the other two—certainly much more than Heaven Help Us.

We're still trying at *Robin's Hoods*. We've made switches in the staff. I think

we're on the right track now. We just brought in Rick Springfield as a regular—it was too populated by women. Also, our leading lady is pregnant, so she won't be on the show for the rest of the year. I think Rick feels that with the masculine personality it's going to work. I happen to believe that young women like to watch young women, but they also want to see young men.

You entered the syndication market just as it became flooded with action hours and just before the launch of the two new networks that are taking up clearances and increasing prime time competition. What led you to your decision to take those into syndication, and do you regret your decision not to place them on networks?

No. When Worldvision came to us and asked us to do these shows, we had a little trepidation. We had never done syndication. It has some interesting things about it.

There's no network interference. We are the network. So you don't have to go to them with your casting and everything, although we've had no problems with Fox with that.

It was just a chance to sell a market that we hadn't entered into before, so it was kind of an exciting venture to me. I was really depressed when *Heaven* didn't work, and I'm depressed at the ratings, but if I felt that the shows weren't getting better, I would have begged John Ryan and Worldvision to get out of them gracefully.

But I think there's hope there in putting University first. I mean, I was looking at the ratings in Entertainment Weekly, and they reviewed three shows. Two got a C-. We have not been lucky in Entertainment Weekly, but we got a B. And they said University has the potential of Baywatch in syndication.

That would be OK?

Yes. If we can do what [Baywatch star David] Hasselhoff has done, we'll be very, very happy. But I do think it has that potential.

Long term, what are your plans for the Spelling



Premiere Network? What do you want it to become? What can it become in the current environment?

I don't know. I think we all have to sit back and see because we're going to be facing six networks now, and although I think Warner Bros. and Paramount are really networks, they're really syndication at the same time. I don't think we want to branch out to a lot of things.

I'd love to do a late-night show for syndication because I think there's great opportunity there.

What kind of project would you like to do?

I don't know, but if you look at late night at 11:30 on a Saturday for example, let's say, after *Saturday Night Live*, what do the others have that follows that? So if you went on at 11:30 with an hour latenight show, I think it has to be a little different. I think it has to be flamboyant, or it has to do what hasn't been done.

But that would be interesting. A long time ago Jeff Sagansky asked me to do an 11:30 action/adventure show for CBS and we had something we loved dearly, but again, it was another action show, and I think Steve Cannell does that very well. So, for network, I wouldn't be interested in doing it. But for syndication, it might be very exciting because I do think there's room there.

The Spelling Network has one night of programing. Is a second night your next logical step?

I think it would depend on how many shows we're doing because what we don't want to do is have the company's name on something that really looks cheesy. I've seen a lot of the syndicated shows where all action scenes are shot against a wall. We don't do that.

They told us at Worldvision that we had to make the show for \$750,000; we're making it for \$1 million and you can see the difference on the screen. We can't risk the reputation of the company here and in foreign markets by just slapping something together. I wouldn't be interested in doing that. If we can work and find a great idea, I would be interested in doing a very-late-night serial. I don't think it's been touched yet. I might even be interested in doing a half-hourevery-night series in late night.

And I don't think that a late-night serial, by the way, would depend on how sexy you can make it. You can explore a lot more themes. And I don't think it has to be perky. *Melrose Place* goes pretty far—and not only sexually; some of the stories are outrageous. When she whips her wig off and there's a scar on her head and things like that. I think that's what late-night serials should be—or could be.

You know, it's been a while since the last first-run syndicated comedy, which I think was *The New WKRP in Cincinnati*, which did not do that well. What do you think of the potential of a show like *Madman of the People* for first-run? Is that something that might work?

Well, you've asked me a question about a show that—as I start crying—had some episodes canceled after we were fifth in the country. So it's hard to tell what the networks want with a comedy.

I did the first Smothers Brothers comedy. It's something I created and produced. I think comedy like we did in the first *Smothers Brothers* show, before they went on to their variety show, would be fun to do. But it would have to be something very, very different to get us excited about doing it in syndication. There's just so much out there now. And there seem to be more comedies now than dramas.

Has this NBC experience soured you on the idea of producing any more half-hour sitcoms?

It didn't thrill me. You know, the good news—and I thanked them for this—they put [Madman] behind Seinfeld. The bad news is they put it behind Seinfeld. So I think they expected that a new show would do as well as Seinfeld, and you can't do that. And literally, we've had only 11 shows aired so far, and they did pick it up. You know, it was ordered for 13. They kept with their order. They ordered three more. We were waiting for more, and it didn't happen.

Do you think the writing is on the wall for the show?

I happen to like Don Ohlmeyer and Warren Littlefield a lot, and I enjoy working with them. I think that they have some backup shows that they have to put on, and the best way to introduce them is after *Seinfeld*. We will run, I guess, for one or two more. By the way, they do have an option for the next year. They've asked us not to tear down the sets. We have an option on all the actors, and we'll see. I presume that if they put something else behind *Seinfeld* and it doesn't get to be fifth in the country, they'll put this back.

With Fox chasing broader demographics, will they be as accommodating to your shows?

I don't understand the demographic they're looking for. We have three pilot scripts with them now. I can't tell you which one, but one already has been done. I guess the one that's been picked up enlarges the demographics a bit, maybe a margin of three or four years.

Can you tell us about it?

I can tell you this much about it without getting into any trouble: It's a horror series, an hour show.

Have they decided where they're going to put it?

No. We're just in the talking stages. But we have a brilliant script. It's so different from anything you've ever seen or I've ever seen. And we're decid-

ing now whether the first show should be an hour or 90 minutes or two hours. The script is so good, I can't see trimming it to an hour, so I think it has to be an hour and a half. For syndication purposes we would like, obviously, for it to be two hours, if the script can take it.

is that for fall?

Yes. I love what Fox does, launching it a little bit before the opening of the season, in late or mid-August.

You are producing, or at least developing, two new shows for the WB network, *Savannah* and *Club Paradise*. Why did you decide to take them to WB and not to your own UPN? Is WB going to be, given their young demographic, the new Fox for you?

First of all, we didn't take it to WB. Jamie Kellner came here to the office—you know, I got started at Fox when Jamie was there and Garth Ancier was there—and Jamie had an idea for a show and so he asked: "Do you like it?" And I said: "Yeah, that sounds like fun." And we found a writer we like, a lady who's very good, and she's writing the script

now. And then Jamie said while he was here: "Look, why don't we do this? I've given you an idea that you like. Why don't you give me an idea that I like and we will go on at least one of them, script to series?" It's hard to turn that down. So that's what we're doing.

In the meantime, I must tell you that Lucie [Salhany, now head of UPN] was great to me at Fox, and we remain very close friends. She said to someone from Blockbuster: "Why doesn't Aaron give us something?" And I really felt badly, so at four o'clock in the morning I wrote two pages on a series and we're doing that for them.

What kind of show is it?

It's a drama, but each show is complete in itself, although the characters grow through what's happened on the show. I will tell you this much: There has never been a serial about men, and the leads in this show are five bachelors and one divorced guy who all work at a company together, and they're always together. They work together; they have apartments at the beach; they have their weekly poker game. And we follow them.

Most shows—like *Melrose Place* and *Dynasty* really are motivated by the women in the show. I got excited when I was thinking, "Oh gosh, what can I do for Lucie?" And at 4 in the morning I was writing these two pages, and I got so carried away I wrote five stories at the same time. And when the stories come easy, I say, "Hey, we may have something here."

What's the name of it?

We don't have a name. If we had any name to choose from, Paddy Chayevsky said it best: "Bachelor Party." I'd love to steal that title.

Can you tell us a little bit about *Club Paradise*? It was described to us as "a *Love Boat*-like Club Med for 20-year-olds." Is that roughly accurate?

Yes, but I hate Club Med. The characters all work at this year-round resort, and each week there will be one guest who comes to the resort and is affiliated with one of our young people who works theremaybe someone you're running to or someone you're running from. But mostly it deals with the relationships of the people. So I would say *Love Boat* with a little *Melrose Place*. But it's not *Love Boat* in the sense that your stars are the guest stars. Your stars are the regular cast. But we will have only one guest star, so again, it's the B story that will



have a closure, which is different from a serial.

The first show is terrific. Two of our guys, who are best buddies, fall in love or think they're in love with the guest star on the first show, which leads to their breakup. We can go with a guest star, maybe a father that one of our young ladies has run away from. Or it can be a rock 'n' roll young lady who sings and comes to the club, and then that's the romance that I told you about, the two guys. But why she came here, and why it doesn't work, is the interesting part of the story.

What about Savannah? That was described to me as "four Southern girls in New York."

It's four Southern girls in the same sorority. They've grown up together in Georgia, and they're the height of gentility and Southern graciousness. And they're sick of it. You know, where the family says: "You will date so-and-so, and we're merging our company with so-and-so; and you go to those tea parties and you're gracious, and you have your coming-out party and then you have your graduation."

And they go to New York. It's a whole new world to them, with the subways and the cabdrivers and the apartment they get that they thought was going to be beautiful. But one doesn't come with them. There's

> a secret in that, but she will join them before the first show is over. *Savannah* was Jamie Kellner's idea.

Stepping back for a second, what do you think of these two new networks?

It's very good for those of us who produce for the networks because slowly but surely each network is doing more in-house. And suddenly we now have two more networks that are saying: "Come to us." Although Paramount is doing some in-house things that they've developed, I think it's good for producers and writers and directors. That's who I care about most.

Is there enough audience there? I don't know. When you hear about the telephone companies coming in on cable, and there are going to be five—is it trillion now—channels on cable, I don't know. This superhighway we all talk about, you know, can be a flooded road.

You alluded earlier to the repeal of the financial interest and syndication rules. Are you already feeling that, in terms of negotiating with networks for new shows? I mean, what are the new formulas being proposed by the networks? Are they requesting part of the back-end?

No. They haven't done that. This hasn't happened to us, but it's happened to other people. If you're a network and you own the show and another show is exactly the same genre or what you need at that certain time slot, and they're—on a scale of 10—both 7's, which one are you going to pick? And I think that's the answer. And, by the way, it would be bad business for them not to pick it. They have a lot of money in their own development. But, unfortunately, that's what we're going to be and I don't know where it ends. Now that they will soon be able to syndicate, why wouldn't they pick their own?

Is it going to mean now that if an independent producer gives them a show that's a number 9 on the scale of 1 to 10, and their show is a 6 but they can syndicate it, what would you do if you were head of a network?

They haven't done it, but will it come to that? It's a

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little fear we all have. It's not just my fear. We belong to a thing called the Caucus of Producers, and we meet all the time and these are the things that are discussed. It's a little frightening. Your show that you bring to the network is going to need a licensing fee of \$850,000 or \$900,000 to be produced without taking a tremendous loss, right? And so they offer you below that, and you take a gamble and risk. But you have to take some things off the screen to get to where you can produce it.

Now on their shows, since they own foreign rights and they'll be able to syndicate, they can make their show for \$1.1 million, \$1.2 million, \$1.3 million. Now, what show is going to look better? Yours or the network's? That's troubling.

How have the license fees been? Producers I've talked to have said for the most part that license fees have remained pretty flat for the past three or four years.

I haven't seen growth. And I think the problem is that because of union rates increasing each year and the costs of a piece of wood increasing each year when you're

building sets or anything else, costs are going up. And certainly, license fees are not commensurate with the rise in costs. But also, I must say in trying to be logical about it, there's just so much a network can pay too. Because advertising costs haven't gone crazy—although they're better this year than they have been in the past few years. With syndication and all the six networks, how many advertisers are there that can afford to do it? And it's a troubling problem.

At what point do you think the networks and producers have to get together and say: "You've got to make some changes in how we do business, changes that we agree on together, rather than butting heads"?

I don't think that the networks are concerned yet about approaching that problem. As a writer/producer, I am thrilled. I wish there were nine networks. And I hope syndication works forever because it means new avenues are opening up all the time and, obviously, the new networks, as Fox was in its beginning, have got to get shows on. They're not saying: "We'll do them all in-house," or any of that. They just say: "Come to us. Come to us." And there are open doors there, which is great.

And they'll pay what is needed?

Yes. I am amazed about how fair Warner and Paramount are with their fees. Amazed.

Are their fees on a par with those of the other networks?

Very close. Very, very close. I think they're judging the way it should be judged. What is the show? Why could this show be made cheaper or why could this show be made more expensive?

I think all producers will tell you: "Hey, if a show can be made cheaper and still have the quality you want, then the networks shouldn't pay a higher price." But if a show is really a tough mother to make and expensive, I think the networks should pay a higher price. What has saved us all, frankly and I'll tell you, I hate the fact that he's sitting



here—but Worldvision has saved us. What they do in foreign sales enables us to do the kind of shows that we want to do. I guess we haven't learned how to cheat. If we say we're on a college campus, we shoot on a college campus. The days when you can go to a stock shot and then cut inside are over. We don't want to do that.

And the whole idea is if you can just keep your head above water with foreign, then you can take a chance on syndication for the bucks. But if your shows are showing a huge deficit with foreign sales, oh wow. And, you know, we are a public company albeit a small public company—and we just can't do that to our shareholders.

Speaking of foreign, are the foreign programing quotas of some countries a big concern to you?

Not at all. I think one of the most exciting days of my life was when Bert and John brought over some foreign buyers. We had never done this at our house. We don't do this at our house, but this was a special group. And we had nothing to show them on our syndicated shows, and they bought them all. So we haven't seen any strain on quotas yet.

I think the most exciting thing that ever happened to me in foreign was when a certain country, I won't say which one, bought 90210, but didn't play it. They held it back, and they held it back and they held it back. Then I got a call from them and they said, "Well, we're going to try it on an afternoon and a certain day when school is out early." It got only an 83 share—they did not hold it back any longer.

Is Viacom/Paramount/Blockbuster planning to acquire the remaining interest in your company?

I think we're kind of cousins now with Blockbuster, Viacom, Paramount and Showtime. I don't know. I think they own 78%. We've had no indication that they are going to buy the rest of it.

I had one investment source say that Savoy Pictures made a bid for your company. Are you for sale? No. There was no bid. As a matter of fact, it may have been the other way around. We didn't, but the rumor I heard was vice versa.

Are you interested in acquiring them?

I don't know. I wear two different hats. I'm chairman of Spelling Television, and that's what I care about. Writing and producing shows. Fortunately or unfortunately, I'm also vice chairman of Spelling Entertainment, so you have to get involved with some of these things. But the only thing I can tell you is we had one meeting with our new board of directors, with Sumner [Redstone] and Frank Biondi, and it was terrific. But we are listed separately on the stock market, and I presume it will stay that way.

We have made some acquisitions. We acquired Republic, Virgin Interactive and Hamilton Projects. We bought the Carolco movies, which are great for John's library, here and overseas.

Given the redundancy of overhead caused by having separate distribution and production units throughout this giant Viacom/Paramount/Blockbuster conglomer-

ate, does it make sense to maintain these as separate units? Is there any pressure for this all to be consolidated?

I'll take the Fifth on that. But I will say two things. There's been no pressure, and I am more than fond of our distribution company.

Is Spelling co-owned Virgin Interactive developing some software from your titles?

They're investigating a CD-ROM with *Melrose Place* and with 90210. And certainly this new show I've told you about on Fox lends itself perfectly to it. So far, we send them every pilot script of every show that we're working on with all four networks. We have development deals with Fox, ABC, CBS, NBC, Paramount and Warner Bros. It's the first time we've ever done that, because basically we've done most of our development with Fox in the past few years.

What's your vision of the interactive superhighway or information superhighway, and how will it affect the broadcasting industry and you as a producer?

I met with some very important people—and I'm not being secretive—who are entering this new realm of activity, and it was fascinating. I happen to think it's years down the line. I remember how frightened everybody was three years ago: "Oh, it's going to happen and leave us." It's not going to happen and leave you.

Will it change your business, or do you think that in the end the software is going to be the key?

Dick Powell once told me the most important line in my life. He said: "The only positive thing about our business is the negative." And as long as you keep making software, there eventually will be some place for it. And I think, as all new networks find out, you've got to have that material. I mean, is this big thing going to become just a shopping highway like QVC and Home Shopping? I don't think so. I "We have tour buses by our house every day, and when I come home and there's a tour bus there, I get out of the car, I go to the bus. I talk to those people. We have a discussion about television. You can find out a lot when you sign autographs and sort of welcome them to Los Angeles. And someone once said: "Why do you do that?" And I said: "Because they built this house. They made our lives."

want it to do more than that.

Storytellers are always in demand?

I think so. And that's what it's about, storytelling. That's the word.

n what direction do you think television audience tastes are headed?

guess I'm lucky. I don't fly, and so everyplace my 'amily and I go is either by car or by train. I don't hink you can see America from 10,000 feet. So we'll stop and have lunch somewhere, and people will come over—and I'm always thrilled if they recognize me—and the first thing you hear is how nuch they like our shows, and the first question I always ask is: "Forget our shows. What else do you ike? What do you watch on television? What do you want to watch?"

You can find out more from those fans—those TV watchers. And we have a slogan: "We don't make our shows for Beverly Hills and Bel-Air." We make hem for those people. I owe so much to those peoole. I do the most stupid thing in the world, but I get the biggest kick out of it: We have tour buses by our house every day, and when I come home and there's a tour bus there, I get out of the car and I go to the bus. I talk to those people. We have a discussion about television. You can find out a lot when you sign autographs and sort of welcome them to Los Angeles. Someone asked: "Why do you do that?" And I said: "Because they built this house; they made our lives."

You can't listen to that Bel-Air circuit. That's not television. Because if you ask anybody out here what they watch, you'll get the same answer all the time because they don't want to tell you that they watch Dynasty or Melrose Place. It's: "60 Minutes, news and sports." Now, if you believe that, there is a bridge I want to sell you in Brooklyn.

And what are these people telling you now?

They want a little bit more fantasy in their lives. Things are tough. They'd like to go home and enjoy television. Not just comedies—boy, they say that over and over. Something uplifting.

I hear a lot of talk about a show that we did a long time ago called *Family*. They loved that show. They love any show that gives them a lift. They'll say: "My son was drinking too much. And with Luke Perry [Dylan on *Beverly Hills*, 90210] being an ex-alcoholic, he stopped"; "Your condom show was so important to us"; "The fact that 90210 character Donna Martin is still a virgin—you don't know what that means because my daughter, when kids make fun of her, says: 'Well, Donna Martin is still a virgin.'" And you look at this and you think: Are we really touching these people that much? It's a big thrill.

On the TV violence issue, should Congress be involved in determining the content of television? Violence doesn't necessarily come into play when you talk about Aaron Spelling shows, but certainly some issue-oriented programing comes into play, sexual issues in particular.

I'll be honest with you. Len Goldberg and I, years ago, did a show called *S.W.A.T.* Neither he nor I would ever do that show now. I didn't have any children. He didn't have any children. We didn't realize the responsibility that you have. Should Congress do it? No. Please God, no, because once they make that first intrusion, it's not going to stop there. I think we have to censor ourselves, and I find that the networks are much stronger this year than ever before about saying: "No, that's too violent. No, you can't do this." And I think that's good.

But I think Congress has so many problems with our society—and, by the way, I'm not one of those guys who says [about the audience]: "Oh, they know it's a television show and therefore they don't take it seriously." The very well adjusted do not take it seriously, but that one person who could take it seriously could go into that tower in Texas and start firing away, or could walk into the post office and fire away or walk into a McDonald's and fire away. So I think we have to be careful.

I also think you really can do a violent moment, but not make it visually violent. You don't have to see a man fire a gun—in the old days we wouldn't do this for a million dollars—and show the impact and use a blood splot.

Now, if Congress regulates TV content, shouldn't they do the same with cable? Shouldn't they also watch [theatrical] movies? Because at the movies, for sexual content, it gets an R. For violent, violent, violent, it gets an R. But, you know, some of the most violent movies I've seen in the past couple of years get a PG-13. So what are we going to do? We have to be careful, because once that starts I think they'll begin to tell you other things, that every seven hours there should be a religious show, or there should be a show that is anti-this or anti-that. I'm frightened of censorship.

Last year you produced the critically acclaimed And the Band Played On. Are you thinking of producing more television shows like that?

I think the happiest moments I've ever enjoyed in television were when we've done movies like *The Best Little Girl in the World* with Jennifer Jason Leigh, about anorexia, before anybody had ever done anything about anorexia. Unfortunately, it took four and a half years to get *And the Band Played On* on the air. Every network turned us down. HBO came through and did it, and I'm prouder of that than anything I've ever done in my life.

I don't know why everybody refused to do And the Band Played On. HBO called me and said: "Do you still want to do And the Band Played On?" I said: "I can't go through that again. My heart's been broken. A dear friend's [author Randy Shilts] heart has been broken. They said: [We] didn't say, 'Let's develop it. [We] said, 'Let's do it.'" It was a commitment. I got my dear friend Joel Schumacher [director of "Falling Down" and upcoming "Batman Returns"] to come over and work with us. He's the unsung hero of this. He's the one who developed the script and worked on it so hard and went location scouting, everything. I don't know why there can't be more of that on TV. But there's another unsung hero in this. I got a call from Don Ohlmeyer at NBC, who said: "Would you be upset if we bought it from HBO to run on NBC?" And I said to myself: "What a stand-up guy." They're the network that developed the script and then turned it down. Here was a guy who came in new at NBC, took over, and he says: "I don't give a damn that we turned it down. This should be on the network.' And what it enabled us to do was to reach people who can't afford cable, and that's the audience that must be reached.

The other thrill/was when intervon the Emmy. We love doing entertainment, don't misunderstand me

but two of the past four years we won the Emmy award—with *Day One* (about why we never should have dropped the atomic bomb, which I strongly believe) and *And the Band Played On*.

What are your plans for the future? How long do you plan to stay at the company, and what goals have you yet to achieve?

Wow. You sound just like my wife. I'm very happy here. I want to write a book. I desperately want to write a book that would give hope to our young writers out here. I have recurring dreams, you know, that I call "Love Boat landed on Fantasy Island," and I have recurring dreams of that little house in Dallas, Tex. I wrote a line about my life that I put into Mod Squad, when Clarence Williams said: "I lived in a little house." Our house cost \$6,000. A little house with one bathroom and wall-to-wall people—that's where I came from.

But if you follow your dreams, stick with it, work hard at it and get lucky, and meet people who will help you like Dick Powell, Barbara Stanwyck, Bette Davis, Alan Ladd, Danny Thomas helped me. Writers are a strange breed. They always find a mentor. Whether it's an agent or a network executive, they'll find somebody eventually who will give them a chance.

My first job was writing host spots for Zane Grey Theater at \$125 a week, but I was writing. That's all I cared about. And I remember at the 16th host spot, Dick Powell said: "Do you have a script? Why don't you write a script for us?" So I wrote a script. He read the script and called me into his office. I said to myself: "I'm fired. They're going to take away my host spots." And he says: "Hey, Skinny"—he always called me Skinny—"You're going to produce this show one day, aren't you?" And three years later, I was producing it.

But that was because of Dick Powell. And I hope I can give hope to young writers, young directors. An agent went to Duke Vincent's office, one of my closest friends. He's vice chairman of Spelling Entertainment and handles all the production, and said: "I saw this most beautiful girl." And he brought in a young lady that he discovered sacking groceries. We were doing a new series for ABC, and we needed a lovely young lady for a very small part And she grew, and she grew, and she grew and she grew. It was a dreadful series. Dreadful. They came to us with the idea, we did it. But, it was like a new version of "The Dead End Kids." And we were exclusive to the network. The series was over and we said, "Gee, she was really good." So we went to the network and we said: You guys should put her under contract. She's going to be something." And they said, "You can put her under a contract." And we said, "Wait a minute. We're exclusive to you You want us to pay her, and you're not going to use her anyway. You OK her." And so they didn't sign Michelle Pfeiffer.

Those are the anecdotes that I want to put in a book and I can say, "You see? You've got to give it a chance." And I'd love to do that.

I'm skirting your question purposely. I don' know how long I want to continue doing this. The people who work here are my closest friends. We're not a factory. We're not an 18-story building, you know. We don't allow any screaming around here and we treat women the way they should be treated As long as it continues that way, I'll stay. But the day that I love a script and the network doesn't buy it and I'm not very upset. I'll quit

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Syndicated talkers think young

Flood of new hosts looks to follow Lake's lead

By David Tobenkin

espite the generally lackluster performances of this season's crop of new talk shows, syndicators prefer to see the glass as half full and are charging ahead with 11 new shows for 1995.

When they look at last year's nine new talk shows, seven of which are on the ropes (and one canceled), syndicators with new shows see time periods opening up for their shows as most of this season's crop falls. But when pressed, they concede that competition next season will likely be even tougher.

What will intensify the competition is the fact that so many of the new shows are attempting to skew to the same youth-targeted, fastpaced format mined so successfully by Columbia TriStar Television Distribution's *Ricki Lake*.

Too, many returning older shows like Jerry Springer, Jenny Jones and Montel Williams already have increased their pace and audience participation levels and successfully have captured large portions of the younger audience. That, say many, is a recipe for increased fractionalization and a possible ratings freefall for all the talkers.

"Just as we saw the trend last year of the old guard eroding newcomers, there will be further fragmentation over the next year," says Lanie



Among talk's young turks are (clockwise from above): Gabrielle Carteris, Carnie Wilson, Tempestt Bledsoe and Stephanie Miller

Richberger of station rep Seltel. "We have already passed the saturation point beyond which shows begin eating away at other shows."

But those concerns have not kept stations from buying the shows at a rapid pace. Already, Warner Bros.

Already, Warner Bros. Domestic Television Distribution's *Carnie* is cleared in more than 70% of the country, All American Television's *Richard Bey* is cleared in 60% of the country and is running





in nearly as much as a midseason replacement; Rysher Entertainment's *George & Alana* is cleared in more than 60% of the country, and Disney's *Stephanie Miller* is cleared in 60% of the country, including nine of the top 10 markets.

And a product of last year's alliance between Fox and New World, their Genesis Entertainment and Twentieth Television syndication divisions are offering a tagteam of talk shows—Genesis's Mark Walberg and TT's Gabrielle Carteris—that will air together on their respective New World and Fox stations, giving them a whopping 43% clearance of the country even before sales efforts begin.

Farthest along among the new shows is All American's *Bey*, which catapulted from a two-year run on six Chris Craft stations to airing on more than half the country in early January after only three weeks of selling. Helping the show were strong track records on the six stations, including shares that repeatedly beat *Oprah* and *Ricki* in young demos on wwoR(TV) New York.

Like many of the new shows, Bey is fast-paced and features intensive audience participation. Unlike others, it features games that involve the audience and guests, such as a "wheel of torture" in which a guest who feels wronged by his or her significant other straps that person to the wheel and sprays them with food.

"This show has more of a party-and-games atmosphere where anything can happen anytime-and the audience and the viewers pick up on that," says Bey. "One time we had a guy who told me before the show that he was upset because on the Ricki Lake show there had been brownies and coffee and we didn't have any. So during the show I walked up to him and asked him what he would like to eat, like he was at a restaurant. He had the turkey he ordered by the second segment of the show, and we kept feeding him coffee and then desert and asking him if everything was alright during the show.

WBDTD's *Carnie* features Carnie Wilson, 26, the daughter of Beach Boys member

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Brian Wilson and is best known as a member of the pop music trio Wilson Phillips (which included sister Wendy Wilson and friend Chynna Phillips). The group sold more than 12 million albums before breaking up.

The show, to be produced by Warner Bros. subsidiary Telepictures Productions, will feature discussions on relationships and topical issues as well as one-on-one interviews with celebrities. Wilson also occasionally will perform on the show, which will be taped before a studio audience in New York City.

Carnie will be executiveproduced by Cathy Chermol, who most recently executive-produced The Jane Whitney Show and earlier Sally Jessy Raphael. Rob Dauber and Andrew Lassner will serve as the show's supervising and coordinating producers, respectively, reprising their roles for Whitney.

Despite age and physical similarities between Lake and Wilson, Telepictures President Jim Paratore draws a distinction between the two. "Carnie will be more host-driven, whereas I think *Ricki* is more pro-ducer-driven," Paratore says. "They do a lot of games, have a lot of guests.

They do more shtick than we will. We think we have a real personality with Carnie, and that's what we will build the show around."

He says that although Wilson has not hosted a talk show, her experience as a musician on grueling national tours was good preparation for the daily grind of hosting a talk show of her own. By all accounts, the show, helped by an early jump in the market, has secured sizable clearances.

"We will premiere on a lineup of stations and time periods that will be unequaled by any new show this year and surpasses the quality of lineups of any new talk show for the past several years," says Scott Carlin, senior vice president of sales for WBDTD. "People like Carnie, and they see the same thing in her that they saw in Ricki and Jenny. She's fun and open and is also a talented musician. But what sold us was that she could get up in front of 200 or 300 people and really make interesting



George and Alana, together again



Lauren Hutton tries her hand at talk.

> things happen." Columbia TriStar Television Distribution's Tempestt Bledsoe features the former Cosby Show child actress in a one-hour show that will be produced by dick clark productions. Since the Cosby Show ended in 1992, Bledsoe, now in her early 20s, has hosted and guest starred in a number of specials, including NBC's Friday Night Videos, ABC specials Surviving a Break Up and I Hate the Way I Look, and syndicated special Understanding HIV: Does Young America Know the Facts?

> Although it refuses to provide clearance information, CTTD and station reps say that with the help of its newfound Ricki Lake leverage, the show is selling strongly. "Ricki has helped us a great deal as a sales force," says CTTD President Barry Thurston. "When we go into a market and tell them about Tempestt, we have credibility. I think we will get 95% of the country for Tempestt. There's no question about getting the show launched."

"I think [Tempestt]'s very good, and they did an excellent job of presentation," says Petry Television Vice President and Director of Programing Dick Kurlander. "I think it will get on the air with no problem." New World syn-

dication subsidiary Genesis Entertainment will launch The Mark Walberg Show, a daytimetargeted show featuring the thirtyish host of an ESPN magazine show on sports.

"[Walberg] will bring something

that's been missing to the daytime talk show audience-the young male point of view from someone who's involved with all aspects of life in the complicated 1990s," says New World Entertainment Chairman Brandon Tartikoff.

In addition to his ESPN show, Walberg has hosted several game shows for USA Network and has guest hosted E! Entertainment Television's Talk Soup. His new show will be executive-produced by Randy Douthit, who previously developed and executive-produced Jenny Jones and Jane Whitney as well as CNN's Larry King Live.

The Mark Walberg Show will be produced by American Gladiators producer Four Point Entertainment.

Twentieth Television's Gabrielle Carteris will feature the youthful Beverly Hills, 90210 star. "We're bringing a major star who has already established herself with young women into a daypart exploding with young women," says Twentieth Television President Greg Meidel. "She's an extension of what's working. We think she will also appeal to older demographics because they love to watch someone who's 'cool' and because she's a working mother."

Meidel also says Carteris is promotion-friendly: "No one does a better job promoting Fox than Gabrielle. She's attended every affiliation switch since joining 90210 and has been a real workhourse for stations, doing local presentations, calls, visits, key advertiser minutes. She understands how the business is done." The show is now cleared in 53 stations covering 50% of the country.

Rysher Entertainment's

George & Alana will seek to avoid the crush of youngskewing shows by targeting the older daytime crowd that has made Buena Vista Television's Live with Regis & Kathie Lee one of the few veteran shows to remain solid in the face of the new competition. Rysher President Keith Samples thinks he may have found a pair to match the chemistry of Philbin and Gifford, which observers agree is the key to that show.

"We think there is plenty of audience for another show like Regis & Kathie Lee, and the relationship between George Hamilton and Alana Stewart is unique in television," says Samples. "Married for almost five years. they divorced and have remained good friends. Their relationship is filled with warmth, intelligence, wit and good feelings. We are confident that the special chemistry between George and Alana will appeal to audiences across the country." Writer-producer Paul Block is the producer of the series.

Two other new shows will seek to escape the daytime battlefield by targeting latenight clearances.

Buena Vista Television's Stephanie Miller is hosted by the KFI(AM) Los Angeles talk show host and comedienne and hopes to provide an alternative to the heavy field of male late-night network talk show hosts.

"To me, it's amazing there are not that many [syndicated talk] shows in late night." says BVT President Mort Marcus of the decision to steer Stephanie Miller into late fringe. "We think the market is ready for a latenight female voice, and Stephanie Miller is quick, quirky, outrageous and yet charming."

He says that while many stations take second runs of daytime talk shows in late night, they limit their audience by lacking a late-night feel and by being skewed toward women. The show will feature taped sketches highlighting Miller's comedic talents and will use a "phone-in" question-and-answer session, during which Miller's guests will be asked questions by phone-equipped, studio audience members.

Miller began with KFI in fall 1993 and doubled the station's primary demo (adults 35-54) in only one book. In January 1994, she took over the time period occupied by former Los Angeles police chief Daryl Gates and quickly tripled male listeners in the 18-49 demo. She also increased the male 35-54 audience from 24th ranked to number one. The show will be executive produced by John Kalish (Entertainment Tonight, Good Morning America, Lifestyles of the Rich and Famous).

The other new late-night show is Turner Program Services' half-hour interview strip featuring supermodel and actress Lauren Hutton. Lauren Hutton and ... will feature the 51-year-old Hutton conducting edgy, intimate, 30-minute interviews with celebrities, a la Barbara Walters interviews.

"This show will be about what people think, not about what they have done," says **TPS Executive Vice Presi**dent Susan Grant. "We think it will counterprogram latenight talk shows and other late-night programing." As for the choice of Hutton as host, says Grant: "Lauren has led a fascinating life, and she has a pizzazz, articulateness and a real sense about herself and her abilities." Hutton also is expected to appeal equally to older and younger viewers, Grant says. The show's executive producers are Hutton, fashion photograper and filmmaker Luca Babini, who also will direct the show, and TBS Productions staff executive producer Pat Mitchell.

To help it attract younger viewers, the show will be filmed out of a New York loftlike open soundstage, using a roving camera directed at the speaker with a monitor in the backround to register the listener's reaction. The filming also will alternate between color and black-and-white.

Celebrities who have given preliminary agreement to do the show include actress/ model Isabella Rossellini. basketball coach Pat Riley, director Penny Marshall, supermodels Kate Moss, Naomi Campbell, Linda Evangelista and Christy Turlington, rock star Mick Jagger and director Quentin Tarantino.

Reviews for the show's pilot have been mixed. "Pretentious and boring, not recommended," says Petry's Kurlander in a picks and pans review of new shows. "I think what I saw looked fascinating; I'd like to see more," counters Lou Dennig, director of programing at Blair Television.

Cannell Distribution is also aiming a new talk show at late-fringe, with a target audience similar to Multimedia's Rush Limbaugh. Its Armstrong Williams Show is a half-hour program featuring the

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African-American conservative political and social commentator, who also hosts a Washington-based radio talk show and is a columnist for USA Today and the Wall Street Journal. The show's executive producer is former Hard Copy executive producer Linda Ellman, and its producer is Stephen J. Cannell Productions in association with Allbritton TV Productions.

Another youth-oriented talker being marketed is Group W's The Paget Show, hosted by 25-year-old Paget Brewster, a San Francisco art school dropout, former rock musician, former bartender, waitress, office temp and street singer who is a newcomer to television. Brewster clearly doesn't take herself too seriously. On her qualifications to host a talk show, she quips, "I don't have a weight problem, and I've never been molested."

'Paget is a bright, natural talent completely attuned to her generation and, through her varied life experiences, wise beyond her years," says a Group W spokesman. The show, to be executive-produced by Donna Wright Somerville, last week began airing on Group W's KPIX(TV) San Francisco, where it received a 1:30 a.m. berth.

A Group W spokesman says that Paget is not intended as a replacement for either of Group W's new shows this season, Marilu and Jones & Jury, both of which are struggling.

Next season also will see

the revival of a former talk show name. Morton Downey Jr. will return to host a show that its producers hope will capture the working-class spirit of his popular original show without the name-calling and physical brawls that brought advertising and then the show to a halt-and Downey to a nervous breakdown-in 1988.

"With Morton Downey, stations know they are getting a proven talk show host who is not going to learn the craft on their time," says Chris Lancey, president of Western International Syndication, which is distributing the show. Lancey also says that Downey continues to host a Chicago-based radio talk show and the fact that his

The show, to be co-hosted by

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image has mellowed is illustrated by his work as pitchman for a number of major U.S. corporations.

Two talkers in addition to Bey are seeking to preempt the competition by starting before fall.

Newly formed syndicator SeaGull Entertainment will brave the talk show waters this spring with a show featuring comedian and former Family Feud game show host Ray Combs. Ray Combs will feature celebrities promoting merchandise, entertainment projects and books. The show also will air as part of Sea-Gull's cable Celebrity Shopping Network.

Tribune Entertainment recently stepped up to the plate with its new Charles Perez Show, which will launch nationally in March. Aimed at young demographics, the show began testing on Tribune's eight O&O stations in December and has increased its ratings on six of the stations, from a 1.4 rating its first week to a 2.6 rating its fourth week.

"I think Charles Perez has done well when you consider that other than Chicago, none of our stations is in the talk business," says Tribune **Entertainment President Rick** Jacobson.

Perez, 31, will compete against some of the same shows he helped produce. Before launching his show. he was a producer for talk shows Ricki Lake, Montel Williams and Jane Pratt.

Stations face new reality

Syndicators have host of offerings, including magazine, health, law enforcement entries

By David Tobenkin

lthough fall 1995 will not see the entrance of a new reality competitor on the scale of this season's Extra magazine show, the number of new offerings is up as syndicators and stations turn to the format to counter a wealthsome would say glut—of talk.

At least 15 new reality projects are being offered at NATPE this year, compared with seven that made it to launch in fall 1994.

"At some point you can saturate the market, and if there are too many, viewers will perceive them as ripoffs and tend to reject them," says Genesis Entertainment Chief Executive Wayne Lepoff. "But right now, reality is a very healthy format."

Among news magazine strips, the highest profile show is Day & Date, the first fruit of the alignment of CBS and Group W last July.

The development of the hour show, whose firstyear production and marketing expenditures are estimated at \$35 million, is a direct response to viewing-pattern shifts that have accompanied the success of younger-targeted shows like Ricki Lake, Jenny Jones and Montel Williams, says Group W Productions President Derk Zimmerman.

What CBS and Group W have seen is that the shows they could rely on for a news lead-in in the past, they can't rely on anymore," says Zimmerman. "Shows like Donahue and Sally Jessy Raphael are unable to retain their audiences and, with the new shows, no one stays for the news because it's the wrong [too young] demo. The older group of women have left television because there is no show catering to them."

Day & Date will be targeted at afternoon audiences and to network affiliates, who rely on early news for up to 20% of their revenue.



'Day & Date' cohost Dana King

From Peter Brennan, the creator of A Current Affair and an executive producer of Hard Copy, comes another news magazine, Detour, a Worldvision Enterprises-syndicated show that hopes to document ordinary people making extraordinary choices.

"It's stories about real people who have faced adversity or had something major happen in their life and have had to respond to it." says Worldvision Senior Vice President of Marketing Gary Montanus.

The half-hour will be hosted by former A Current Affair reporter Rafael Abramowitz and targeted at early and late fringe and access time periods.

If any doubts remained that Blockbuster subsidiary Worldvision would remain autonomous from Paramount Domestic Television, the other syndication operation of the combined Viacom-Blockbuster-Paramount entity, Detour would seem to lay them to rest, since the show likely will compete for clearances with PDT's Hard Copy. In fact, Brennan is touting the show as a non-tabloid alternative to the "shallow sensationalism" of other magazines. "The idea for Detour is to walk thoughtfully into people's lives, experience what they feel, and hopefully walk away

with a moral that our viewers can embrace," says Brennan in signed doubletruck ads for the show.

Another magazine show, Buena Vista Television's advocacy-oriented The Crusaders, was pulled from weekly production in December after losing the syndicator a large amount of money as a weekly. Although Buena Vista officials say they will attempt to market it as a strip at NATPE, observers say that with ratings for the show's weekly version only so-so, that will be a hard sell.

Also hoping that altruism will pay off with viewers is All American Television's new Thanks A Million, based on millionaire philanthropist Percy Ross's syndicated column, that will adjudicate requests for assistance with the help of viewers. The series will demonstrate through re-creations and home videos why subjects need assistance. "The people in our focus group said it was a compelling, different alternative to what's on," says All American Television President of U.S. Distribution George Back. "You couldn't write stories as dramatic as these."

The show's pilot, for instance, tells the story of a guide dog that defended its 14-year-old disabled owner from a pit bull attack. The show is being produced by Stone Stanley Productions and will be hosted by Ross and former Miss America Debbye Turner.

Hearst Entertainment will offer a half-hour weekly business show, Business Matters, featuring three to four stories per episode dealing with small business. It is being produced by Hearst station wCVB-TV Boston. A total 26 episodes is being offered on a barter basis with a 3.5 minute national/4 minute local split. The show already has cleared WABC-TV New York, WFTV(TV) Orlando, WUSA-TV Washington and WDIV-TV Detroit.

One of the new strips is ready to be pressed into action midseason. Genesis Entertainment's Juvenile Justice had two-week test runs on seven stations in late summer that yielded a 3.7 Nielsen composite rating and an 11 share, off slightly from a 12 share lead-in and the 4.2/12 of programing in the same time period in May, which benefited from a 14 share lead-in. The show is cleared in 40% of the country.

Houston municipal court judge Eric Andell is the host of the show, which features actual juvenile court footage of young people who have committed various crimes in the Houston area, and it tracks their success at rehabilitation. "We're showing the positive effects of the court system—what kids do to try to straighten themselves out," says Genesis's Lepoff, adding that there will be no re-enactments on the show. "Both parents and teens are interested in what is happening to their peers and are con-

It will include space for local news cut-ins. A major question is whether the show can recoup its large investment, given afternoon HUT levels that are lower than those of the access slots that are the target of most magazine shows.

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HARD COPY

Sure, you could have been a cardiologist. But even as a young buck in med school, you knew there had to be a higher calling. Of course. Orthodontia. Pity is, it's an endless cycle of reeling in crooked teeth and telling some little metal-mouth when to spit. Then, that Dr. Blechman

mentioned he never misses Hard Copy. Sure, you thought, how typical of a neurosurgeon. But you secretly watched anyway. And you were stunned.

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Just look at you. You're a woman of the nineties. You've got a career, an aroma therapist and a nice downpayment on a 4x4. You're definitely in control, but not neurotic. You're totally *there* for your friends. You would never

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You're no old lady. You've got better things to do than spend your nights lying wide awake wondering how a person can make matzo balls from a mix and still live with themselves. You're on the move. Full of pep. With it, even. You're not the one who gets her hair net all in a snit over having to bus your own station. No, not PECIALTY once. You think that Jon Stewart is a hoot and a half. Darn cute, too. You think that anyone who's even remotely hip should watch this show. And you think, boy oh boy, if only you were about thirty years younger, why, you'd sure teach him a few new tricks. Yes, indeedy.



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SIGHTINGS
You thought you'd heard it all. The I-left-thecoffee-machine-on bit. The oh-gee-my-speedometer-must-be-on-thefritz line. But one doozy stood out like a kangaroo driving an Edsel. It was 06:00 hours. Foggy. You clocked her doing 80, easy. She talked a blue streak about trying to outrun a huge ghostly apparition that had been following her around since Exit 59. You nearly called for back-up, figuring the dame was nuttier than a candy bar. But after watching Sightings for the first time, all the pieces came together. Suddenly it dawned on you. Maybe she had been telling the truth all along. You never know.





FRASIER



Coupla palm trees, pure white sand beaches, those warm breezes gently ruffling your hair. Blew your whole savings on this little getaway. Even popped for all those sessions at the tanning salon. Everything was primo in paradise. Until your bonehead roommate forgot to tape your favorite show. He knows

> you've never missed it, not once! Boy, are you bummed. Now, your vacation's ruined. A shambles. You reek so bad of loser, even the redhead in the latex bikini dumped you. But hey,

> > all's not lost. You can still find peace and fulfillment in knowing that one day soon Frasier will be on five nights a week. That, and in rigging those

> > > old jumper cables to your roommate's waterbed.

After 38 years of holy matrimony, Paradise Road has somehow made a sharp left turn onto Lonely Street. Suddenly, all Mack seems to care about is cow tipping and swapping mud flaps with the boys. At this point, you'd give anything to turn into a jumbo-size box of Cheeze-Bits just so he'd stand up and take notice of you. Well, the experts say there's one sure way to set your man's barn on fire again. Movie Packages. Lots of 'em. And heck, if it works, the only thing you'll have to worry about is hoping the Peterson's down the road aren't light sleepers.



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Ah, how you yearn for the glory days. When all you had on your mind was marking your territory and mooning over that hot little Pekinese. Of course, that was all before you happened to get a whiff of these Off-Net shows. Man, now all your other passions seem to pale by comparison. Drooling. Tormenting cats. Drinking out of the toilet. In fact, shows like these only prove that humans have a few more biscuits upstairs than you ever thought.

Although, when they make you wear this sweater, you can't help but wonder.







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Los Angeles police officers are the stars of MGM TV's 'LAPD.'

cerned with teenage violence."

Lepoff says strict privacy laws guarding the identities of youthful offenders do not apply if the juveniles and their parents give their consent for television appearances. Neither offenders nor their parents will be paid to appear on the show, he says.

Besides its start date, another aspect that sets the show apart from most other reality entries was its two-week, seven-market test in late summer. The show yielded a 3.7 Nielsen composite rating and an 11 share, off slightly from a 12-share lead-in and a 4.2/12 of programing in the same time period in May, which benefited from a 14-share lead-in. The show is being produced by Grosso-Jacobson Productions, producers of Top Cops, the off-CBS show also distributed by Genesis.

Another strip will try to squeeze demos from a court setting, but from a decidedly different angle.

New Line Television's Court TV: Inside America's Courts is in its second season as a weekly and is cleared in 84% of the U.S., but will become a strip in fall.

The show features live court coverage of highprofile and interesting smaller court cases culled from the Court TV cable network. Each episode will present a fast-moving review of the day's top courtroom cases, along with breaking news, analysis and commentary. Stations' local news broadcasts also will be allowed to supplement their local coverage with the show's resources. "Our relation-ship with and access to Court TV's 24-hour resources and research allow us to put together the most interesting cases from around the country in a way no one else can," says New Line Television President Robert Friedman. "We think this represents a new category of syndicated television programing and can become a unique news institution."

The show is hosted by Gregg Jarrett, a reporter/producer who is also a lawyer. As a weekly, the show earned a 2.0 Nielsen average audience national household rating season-to-date through Dec. 11.

Another new show is banking that a glimpse into one of the best-known-and most controversialpolice forces in the country will pique viewers' interest.

LAPD is MGM TV's highest-profile foray into the world of first-run syndication since new leadership took over the company last year. The show will examine the workings of the Los Angeles Police Department.

The show, produced in association with the police department, will send cameras to follow the daily activities of the force, including street officers, homicide detectives, forensics experts, missing persons units and helicopter, vice and beach police. It will be produced by Emmy-winners Dave Bell and Dennis Bogorad.

"It won't be just a cop in a black-and-white car," says John Symes, president of MGM's Worldwide Television Group. "You'll be in a helicopter, in missing persons, with administration. The size of L.A. also presents some flexibility to us; we can cover well-known and diverse areas like Hollywood and Venice."

The show clearly will be an opportunity to repair the image of the force, accused of inactivity during the riots that wracked the city three years ago and of racism by many of the city's minority groups. However, Symes says that the show will strive to remain objective.

MGM is calling the show a go, with coverage in 73 markets representing 68% of the country, including all of the top 10 and 22 of the top 25 markets. Station groups carrying it include Chris Craft/United, Paramount and LIN. A total of 195 half-hours-39 weeks of originals and 13 weeks of repeatswill be produced for the first season.

GTV (formerly Grove Television)'s Living Better hour strip is a morning-targeted health-and-fitness issues show. The show, which was pulled from a planned launch as Living Well this season because of other project demands on the small company, has been reworked, with a new executive producer and two new hosts.

Executive-producing the show will be Steve Clements, former executive producer of Group W's Hour Magazine, and Grove's Roger Lefkon. The new hosts are Dorothy Lucey, featured in CBS show How'd They Do That?, and Jerry Penacoli, host of Lifetime Television show Attitudes and former anchor at NBC affiliate KYW-TV Philadelphia. The show's previous host was Family Circle magazine consultant Kerry Whitaker, who will deliver special reports on the new show.

Three off-net reality strips also are headed stations' way: MTM Television Distribution's off-ABC America's Funniest Home Videos, Twentieth Television's America's Most Wanted: Final Justice and All American Television's off-NBC I Witness Video.

There is no shortage of weekly shows, either. The difficulty of such shows in securing regular clearances is likely to increase next season if the prime time access rule is repealed and the new WB and UPN networks push higher-profile shows into weekend slots.

DLT Entertainment Ltd. will offer Hollywood People, a half-hour show featuring interviews with three or four Hollywood celebrities per episode. A total 22 half-hours is planned for the first season. The show, aimed at weekend late fringe, will be

produced by September Films and executive-produced by motion picture director David Green.

"They will all be U.S. television or movie stars, and we'll cut together the interviews to make them thematic," says DLT Vice President of Sales Don Taffner Jr.

Celebrities already interviewed for the show include Arnold Schwarzenegger, Raquel Welch, Danny DeVito and Cybill Shepherd.

Cannell Distribution Co.'s U.S. Customs Classified will use a combination of actual footage and recreations to depict cases of the federal U.S. Customs Service. The hour series, which will be hosted by Cannell Studios' chairman and network cop show producer, Stephen J. Cannell himself, will use actual footage and re-creations to depict Customs cases. "As a leading producer of dramatic entertainment, I think we can bring production values to the re-creations that will really set the show apart from the competition," says Pat Kenney, president of Cannell Distribution.

The show will be produced by Tradewinds Entertainment and Grab Productions in cooperation with the agency, including access to official records and surveillance tapes.

MG/Perin is launching two reality shows, one of which centers on another federal agency, the Coast Guard

The half-hour Coast Guard will follow the dramatic but generally nonviolent missions of the agency, which include search-and-rescue, environmental protection, drug seizures and immigration enforcement. The show will be produced by Tam Communications and will be shot and edited by Tam and the Coast Guard.

MG/Perin's other new show is the half-hour Scams, which will deal with investigative reports on swindles, stings, cons and rip-offs.

"Most of the crime and law enforcement shows, such as Top Cops, Real Stories of the Highway Patrol and Cops, deal with violence and potential harm to the body," says Richard Perin, executive vice president of MG/Perin. "This deals with potential harm to the wallet.'

Scams will allow the entertainment and news departments of stations clearing the show to contribute their own investigative reports to production of the national show. The show's staff then will follow up on the local stories. Perin says that two similarly themed hour CBS network exposé specials collectively entitled Shame on You delivered impressive ratings in 1993. The show is targeted at early fringe and news adjacencies.

Another crime-fighting themed show is Kelly News & Entertainment's new Safe Streets, a weekly hour public affairs series that will feature two stories per episode of regular people who fought against crime. The show is hosted by Tim Reid (WKRP in Cincinnati and new network show Sister, Sister).

"It's less news-oriented," says Kelly Executive Vice President Alan Winters. "It's more 'Here's what you must do to make yourself safe.' " In addition to 24 first-run episodes of the show for the first season, stations will receive ancillary elements, such as news inserts, PSAs and vignettes. The show has been cleared in 49% of the U.S., including the NBC O&O stations and 22 of the top 30 markets.

Both Scams and Safe Streets may face comtion from renewals of OT visit avoid set, aims at showing viewers how to avoid crime. tion from renewals of GTV's Tough Taro

sel, which ipeti-Litton Syndications Inc. will with to humic est with two new shows hoped to warm view hearts. Amazing Tails is a half-hour, weekly she that canvasses the country for uplifting stories about

"It's about stories like a family that moves from Texas to Wisconsin and puts their eight-year-old cat up for adoption: the cat gets out and four years la shows up at the back door of its owners," says David Morgan, president of LS. The show is targeted to transition weekend dayparts from children to adult programing and is cleared in 4007

try. It will be hosted by Michael Young, former host of ABC's Kids Are People Too.

He notes that Litton has experience in producing animal-themed shows. Its Jack Hanna's Animal Adventures, a Wild Kingdom-like show, is cleared in 90% of the country. Litton's other new show is On the Road Again, a weekly-half hour that looks to adapt the format made famous by CBS's Charles Kuralt to a younger generation. Hosting the show is Keith Morrison, former anchor at KNBC-TV Los Angeles, now a correspondent for Dateline and a father of seven.

"What Ricki is to Oprah, Keith is to Charles Kuralt," says Morgan. "[Morrison's] targeting a younger audience of 18-to-49-year-olds with backbone-of-America-type stories. In the demo, we do a story about the world's strongest man, who lives in Nova Scotia, and on why America loves greeting cards and who writes them. I think there's a groundswell for journalism that turns inward. People are tired of looking at a dirty ashtray each night." The show is cleared in about 20% of the country.

Litton's returning shows, inadvertently omitted from last week's roundup of returning reality shows, include half-hour weekly, magazine-based *Working Woman*, renewed in 50% of the country for fall; half-hour fashion and beauty magazine show Main Floor, renewed in nearly 50%; and *Extremists*, a half-hour show about thrillseekers, cleared in 72% of the country.

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The company decided not to syndicate a third project, *Guardians*.

Targeting the same fitness-and-self-improvement niche as Group W's successful returning Martha Stewart Living show is Warner Bros. Domestic Television Distribution's new Your Mind and Body, literally a magazine show, since it is based on Time Warner's Health magazine. The half-hour show will target female viewers and demonstrate how they can achieve success in various areas of their lives. "The message is that you can set goals that this program will help you select and achieve," says the show's executive producer, Emmy-winning former 20/20 executive producer Av Westin.

Four to five topics will be covered on each episode, based on articles in *Health*. Viewers will be told how to get more information about a given subject from the magazine. Supermodel and mother Kim Alexis will host. "[This show] will have a builtin blue-chip appeal to advertisers hard-pressed to find a show for women in which to put their money," says Scott Carlin, senior vice president of sales for WBDTD. In similar territory is a new half-hour show by syndicator TeleMarc Entertainment. Feelin' Great is a health-and-fitness magazine series hosted by Dynasty star John James and includes segments on nutrition, exercise and healthy lifestyles.

Aimed at 18-34 year olds, it is hoped to skew younger than Your Mind and Body, which is targeting 18-54-year-olds. In-studio features will include a "fitness trainer" and a "Health News Update." "I think the general public right now, as far as healthand-fitness programing, is fed programing of a clinical nature and by those who have products to sell," says TeleMarc President Joan Marcus. "This show, based on the right excercise and nutrition, will skew younger than most."

A total 26 original episodes will be produced, with the show probably also to share a cable run.

TeleMarc will offer A Year to Remember, a series of one-hour documentaries using Pathe newsreel footage to describe events in a given year in each episode, with the entire series to cover the period of 1945 through 1970.

Bohbot Entertainment will offer its first non-kids title with its new weekly half-hour *Talk Music* show, a show featuring music critics discussing new albums and videos.

Syndicators unfazed by action shakeout

Despite number of shows canceled or on bubble, syndicators make pitches for new hours

By Steve Coe

Cable, Jan. 16), a number of new such series will hit the market this year.

In last week's exclusive BROADCASTING & CABLE SUFvey, general managers tapped All American's Baywatch Nights and MGM TV's The Outer Limits as the two weeklies they were eyeing most closely. The first is looking to capitalize on the strength of Baywatch, the former NBC show that was resuscitated ito a first-run hit and an international franchise. Company sources put its clearance level at 72%. Outer Limits is a remake of the '60s science fiction classic. With 77% coverage it is a firm go for fall.

The past season has taken its toll on a slew of syndicated action series canceled or struggling. Among the casualties this year were Robocop, Thunder in Paradise, Heaven Help Us, Time Trax and Acapuco H.E.A.T. Possible casualties are Sirens, Highlander and Hawkeye.

That casualty list not withstanding, and despite the additional loss of time periods thanks to the debut of the United Paramount Network and the WB Network, distributors remain confident of potential success in the genre. "Make better shows" areas

"Make better shows," says Scott Carlin, senior vice president, sales, Warner Bros. Domestic Television Distribution, when asked how syndicators can improve their odds of successfully launching a new action hour. "We're seeing a resurgence of action hours and dramas on the networks, so I don't necessarily think [the high failure rate] is a product of the marketplace."

Carlin does, however, point to "the attrition of time periods" in explaining the current fallout. "Because the more valuable time periods are being taken, it means syndicators will have to settle for less valuable time periods."

Can syndicators settle for those less valuable time periods and still keep the production budgets at current levels? "That is the big question," says Carlin. "It's tough to spend more money when you know you're not going to get the same amount back because of a less valuable time period. Also, when you are in a lesser time period, the station is not going to spend the same kind of promotion dollars it would have in the



better time periods. Maybe one way around the problem is to look for different jointventure deals with more of the cost being assumed by the international market," he said.

"This year with the advent of the UPN and WB networks, the prime clearances that were there last year are now gone," says Dick Askin, president,



Samuel Goldwyn expects 'Flipper' (above) to have broad demographic appeal. Disney's entry in the action hours genre is 'Land's End.'

television, Samuel Goldwyn Co., which is selling the hour-long *Flipper* series. "Monday and Tuesday are gone because of

UPN and Wednesday is gone with the WB Network. Also, PTEN, takes up another night. So a good weekend 4 or 5 p.m. time period is what we're looking for," he said.

Askin says a station group deal is in the works for the show, although the company will not discuss clearance numbers until that contract is signed. "We're getting great access clearances on affiliates and some prime and early fringe on independents," he says. "The vast majority of our clearances are between 4 and 9 p.m., which are the type of clearances we need to make it work," he adds.

Although the marketplace appears more forbidding for new projects than in years past, Askin says he thinks Flipper has a broad appeal that will help it succeed. "The market is difficult, no doubt about it. But what separates Flipper from the other action

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A retail line by Japanese toy company Bandai based on the show has generated sales of more than \$1.5 billion over the past two years in Japan alone.

Sailor is notable for its superhuman teen girl lead character, a draw that will set the project apart from traditional boy-skewing shows in the minds of both advertisers and girl viewers, says DIC Entertainment President Andy Heyward.

"I think there is definite advertiser demand for a show that reaches girls," says Heyward. "When Mattel tries to market Barbie, they have to go into shows where most of the audience is boys to reach girls, which is very inefficient."

Many other syndicators have observed the same shortage and are bringing girl-driven or softer-skewing shows to market. They include Bohbot Entertainment's new Amazin! Adventures II weekend block, Saban's *Tenko and the Guardians of the Magic*, and Summit Media Group Inc.'s *Magic Knight Rayearth* weeklies.

The abundance of female-skewing shows flies in the face of conventional wisdom and past practice.

"The typical thinking is that shows sold to girls don't work," says Bohbot President Allen Bohbot. "I can't remember one successful girls syndicated show. But over the last five years there has been such a tremendous number of shows aimed at boys that we've diluted that market."

SeaGull's other strip is *Beverly Hills Beach Club*, a half-hour sitcom strip targeted at teens. The show is touted as a combination of *Baywatch*, *Beverly Hills*, 90210 and *Saved by the Bell*. The show will feature upscale teens in oddball situations in and around a California beach club and is targeted to run in early fringe and prime access.

"We want to have the next major show, so we wanted a strip—and the only new strips working in syndication this season are off-network sitcom strips," says Paul Siegel, president of SGE. "So that's what we will show when we go out with our presentation, only it will be a fresh, new [first-run] show."

A total 65 episodes of the show are being offered by SGE, targeted at early fringe and prime access, areas of traditional strength for sitcoms and teen shows.

DIC Chief Executive Andy Heyward and Robby London, senior vice president of creative affairs at DIC, will serve as executive producers on the show.

London said that strong writing will be a key to Beach Club, and noted the credits of lead writers and father-and-son team Bruce and Reed Shelly, whose credits include Happy Days, The Lucy Show, Eight Is Enough and M*A*S*H*.

The show is still being cast, with at least one regular with a teen following expected to be hired. There will be six main teenage characters as well as at least four adult supporting characters for comic relief.

Some station reps wonder whether a first-run sitcom strip can maintain the quality that is challenging enough for weekly, higher-budgeted network sitcoms. "It's not possible to produce 65 quality halfhours in one season," says one station rep. "It's been tried before and failed."

Another syndicator targeting the often perilous teen market is Rysher Entertainment, which enjoyed great success with off-network *Saved by the Bell* and will now strip the dual off-NBC and weekly first-run teen series *California Dreams*.

A total 65 episodes will be offered for 1995-96 that debuted on NBC in 1992-93 as part of the network's TNBC Saturday morning teen block. It expanded to syndication as a weekly in 1993-94, with 13 episodes airing on the network and 13 in syndication, an arrangement that continues this season.

The action comedy follows the exploits of two teenagers who team up with a couple of good friends to form a rock band, the California Dreams. It is



executive-produced by Peter Engel, executive producer of Rysher's hit Saved by the Bell.

While the busy lives of teens often make them difficult to reach on a regular basis, syndicators of the new shows may be encouraged by the success this season of Saban Entertainment's *Sweet Valley High* in delivering strong teenage demos. The show's 2.9 Nielsen Cassandra teen ranking is tops among all new shows and third after leading action hours *Baywatch* and *Star Trek: Deep Space Nine*.

A number of shows are trying to expand their demos to older viewers, since a portion of the success of shows like FCN's *Animaniacs* is due to using jokes that only older viewers will get.

"We're trying to make programing that is larger than just the core audience," says Nina Hahn, vice president of development at Sunbow Productions, which is producing Claster-syndicated strip *The Littlest Pet Shop*. "We try to make the programing appeal to the core 6 to 11 audience but write from a humor level and a writing level that attract people outside that group."

The show, based on a small doll line whose sales were projected to exceed \$100 million in 1994, tells the tongue-in-cheek tale of pets sold at a pet shop who try to get back to the shop to rejoin their animal friends.

"Local television stations are looking for properties that already have a great deal of recognition and built-in audience awareness." says Claster. "The Littlest Pet Shop has developed into a franchise, which will also pave the way for a successful television series. We think the series will appeal equally to boys and the often ignored girls audience, and will be a great counterprograming alternative to the glut of action shows in the marketplace."

Bohbot will offer a strip based on Rysher Entertainment's successful syndicated action-hour *Highlander* and the movie of the same name. Forty episodes of *Highlander: The Animated Series* will be produced by French production company Gaumont for 1995-96.

Newly formed syndication company Active Entertainment, headed by former Bohbot senior vice president Adrien Seixas, will syndicate *Mutant League*, which debuted this season as a weekly, as a strip.

The older boy-skewing animated show, backed by toymaker Galoob and computer software company Electronic Arts, is cleared in 85% of the country this season. The show, which will offer 40 new and repeat episodes in 1995-96, has already cleared

wwor(TV) New York as a strip.

Disney will attempt to tap the power of its hit Lion King theatrical release with a new animated weekly syndicated television series for fall 1995 featuring two of the movie's supporting animal characters. Timon & Pumbaa, previously reported in development as a regular series of shorts (BROADCASTING & CABLE, Nov. 21), is being rolled out as a 30-minute show that is part of the Monday lineup of Disney syndication arm Buena Vista Television's Disney Afternoon. Thirteen episodes will be produced for the first season.

"The Lion King was the biggest film—live or animated—for 1994, and as it's now approaching the \$700 million mark worldwide, it ranks as Disney's most successful theatrical of all time," says BVT's Marcus of the choice of the show. "So when it came to developing a new comedy series to expand our Monday Mania themed daypart, it was obvious where we'd find it."

The show will air last in the block at 4:30 p.m., following *Goof Troop* at 3 p.m., *Bonkers* at 3:30, and the *Snookums & Meat Funny Cartoon Show* at 4 p.m.

Of the decision to focus on Timon and Pumbaa in the television series rather than the main lion and hyena characters in the feature film, Walt Disney Television Animation President Gary Krisel says: "To me, Timon and Pumbaa are the best new comedy team to come on the scene in a long time."

The movie voices of the characters, Nathan Lane and Ernie Sabella, will reprise their roles in the television series.

A total 13 episodes will be produced in the show's first season, each episode having two 11-minute gag-driven adventures featuring the characters "anyplace in any era."

The two characters are already featured in a national U.S. Department of Agriculture healthy eating habits campaign that includes free spots provided to TV stations, networks and cable services. New strips, *Blinky Bill* and *Bananas in Pajamas*

New strips, Blinky Bill and Bananas in Pajamas from Sachs Family Entertainment, are FCC-friendly shows designed to run together as an hour block. That is highly unusual because most FCC-friendly shows, which must educate as well as entertain, at best break even as weeklies, with strips nearly unheard of.

"We believe there is a marketplace for programs that meet the standards, that have good entertainment and good merchandise values to them," says Jerry Sachs, president of SFE. "PBS has proven you can attract audiences to shows with educational

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Maury Povich	4.7
Sally Jessy Raphael	4.7
Live-Regis & Kathie Lee	4.2
Montel Williams	4.2
Donahue	4.0
Geraldo	4.0
Jerry Springer	3.4
Gordon Elliott	3.0
Rolonda	2.3
Judge For Yourself	1.9
Susan Powter	1.9
Marilu	1.7
Jones & Jury	1.5
Dennis Prager	1.1
Suzanne Somers	0.9

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Ricki Lake	5.0
Oprah Winfrey	4.9
Jenny Jones	3.9
Montel Williams	2.8
Geraldo	2.4
Maury Povich	2.4
Sally Jessy Raphael	2.4
Jerry Springer	2.1
Donahue	2.0
Gordon Elliott	1.7
Live-Regis & Kathie Lee	1.7
Rolonda	1.3
Susan Powter	1.0
Judge For Yourself	0.9
Jones & Jury	0.8
Marilu	0.6
Suzanne Somers	0.5
Dennis Prager	0.3
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Women 18-49

Program	RATING
Oprah Winfrey	5.5
Ricki Lake	4.4
Jenny Jones	3.7
Maury Povich	2.7
Sally Jessy Raphael	2.7
Montel Williams	2.6
Donahue	2.4
Geraldo	2.3
Live-Regis & Kathie Le	e 2.3
Jerry Springer	2.1
Gordon Elliott	1.8
Rolonda	1.5
Judge For Yourself	1.2
Susan Powter	1.2
Marilu	0.9
Jones & Jury	0.7
Suzanne Somers	0.5
Dennis Prager	0.4



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Women 25-	-54
Program	RATING
Oprah Winfrey	6.0
Ricki Lake	3.8
Jenny Jones	3.7
Maury Povich	2.9
Sally Jessy Raphael	2.9
Live-Regis & Kathie Lee	2.8
Donahue	2.6
Montel Williams	2.4
Geraldo	2.3
Jerry Springer	2.1
Gordon Elliott	1.9
Rolonda	1.6
Judge For Yourself	1.2
Susan Powter	1.1
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merit. We have selected two shows with lots of merchandise tied to them, so it's not just the shows."

Both shows are Australian productions. Blinky, which debuted this season on 123 stations covering 90% of the country, tells the story of a mischievous Koala and his animal friends. Figurines and accessories based on the show are being introduced by lead toy licensee Ertl and others this month.

Bananas in Pajamas is an Australian Broadcasting Corp. show that features a pair of prankish twins who live in a storybook world. It is the best-selling children's video in Australia.

Both shows will give stations a 10% share of royalties from merchandise sales tied to the shows.

Both shows number among at least six major FCC-friendly projects, a surprisingly high number given the grim results of most of last year's FCC-friendly shows. Driving the number of shows is the possibility that the FCC this year will interpret the Children's Television Act as calling for stations to dedicate a portion of each day's schedule to educational programing.

Hearst Entertainment will offer two new kids shows at NATPE. The first is *The Magical Adventures of Quasimodo*, to be offered for possible syndication or cable distribution in fall 1995. The half-hour animated show features the fantasy adventures of 16-year-old Quasimodo and his

friends in medieval Paris. The show is a production of Montreal's Animation Cine-Groupe and Ares-Films, with 26 half-hours available. The syndicator will also offer FCC-friendly *Success by Six*, a comprehensive two-season educational programing and promotional campaign to prepare children for the challenges of school and life. The first season consists of 15 vignettes, 3 one-hour programs, and one half-hour program. Year two will include 15 vignettes, 2 one-hour programs and one half-hour program. The show is produced by Hearst's wCVB-TV Boston in conjunction with the United Way and is being offered in a cash deal.

The success of two new live-action shows this season—Saban's V.R. Troopers and All American Television's Superhuman Samurai Syber-Squad—in duplicating on a smaller scale the success of Saban's FCN show Mighty Morphin Power Rangers has led to three new weekly live-action shows.

Saban will try to hook *Power* Rangers viewers with a new liveaction/animation show that will add the ingredient of a world-class magician, *Princess Tenko and the Guardians of the Magic. Tenko* features Japanese magician Princess Tenko as a superhero who battles to save the world from the dark forces of evil twins Jana and Janus.

"In [Mighty Morphin] Power Rangers, we have generated tremendous success with female characters who are both the physical and the intellectual equal of boys, so we thought it was time to do a series whose main focus was a strong female character and that incorporates the element of magic, which has proved very popular with kids," says David Goodman, Saban senior vice president of domestic distribution.

The show will be packaged with returning weekly *Creepy Crawlers* in the new Saban Children's Hour block. Thirteen episodes of both shows will be produced for 1995-96.



Australian import 'Bananas in Pajamas'

Bohbot Entertainment will launch Action Man, a live-action show produced by DIC Entertainment that tells the story of an international secret agent who heads an elite multinational task force.

The \$500.000-per-episode show, targeted at males 12-34, will be shot on various locations, including Los Angeles, Malaysia, France and the United Kingdom. A total 26 half-hour episodes, an unusually large order for a weekly show, will be produced.

Summit Media Group Inc. will syndicate a new weekly live-action martial arts contest show, *Quest* for the Dragon Star. The show will feature martial arts masters of various disciplines competing for the Dragon Belt and is aimed at teen and young adult viewers. The half-hour show will be produced by 4Kids Productions, which, like Summit, is a subsidiary of New York-based Leisure Concepts.

"Basically, we looked at the [World Wrestling

Federation] and Mighty Morphin Power Rangers and asked ourselves how we could blend the best elements of both and take the quality to the next level," says Summit Chief Executive Shelly Hirsch. "It's very serious. Every one of the actors is a real martial artist, many of whom were Olympic gold, silver and bronze medalists. The disciplines and the way the competitors approach them are not compromised."

The show will be co-hosted by Shannon Lee, daughter of martial arts master Bruce Lee, and is sanctioned by the World Martial Arts Council.

New Line Television will offer halfhour Nelvana Ltd.-produced live-action shows Nancy Drew and The Hardy Boys, which will update the classic teen mystery-solvers, and package them as a mystery hour. Nelvana's Nancy Drew will be a 20-year-old who sets out in her vintage Mustang convertible, while The Hardy Boys adventures will be played out against an urban backdrop of recession, unemployment, drugs and crime.

Aimed at viewers 13-30, a total 13 halfhour episodes of each show will be produced at an estimated budget of \$400,000 per episode. Executive story editor for *Nancy Drew* is Laura Phillips (*Fraggle Rock*); for *The Hardy Boys* it is David Cole (*Due South*).

"While we are bringing Nancy Drew and The Hardy Boys into the '90s, the fun-

damental family values of the characters will remain intact," says Michael Hirsh, Nelvana's chairman. "Both series will reflect Nelvana's commitment to providing young audiences with quality entertainment that they can relate to and enjoy."

Bohbot's new weekend girls block, Amazin! Adventures II, includes new shows Gadget Girl, produced by DIC, and a spin-off of the popular *Inspector Gadget* and *Enchanted Camelot*, produced by NFE/Pixie Box, as well as returning shows *Sonic the Hedgehog* and a fourth show yet to be determined.

The syndicator's returning two-hour Amazin! Adventures I Sunday block will include new DICproduced, comic strip-based Ultraforce, returning Sky Surfer Strike Force from producer Ruby Spears; new DIC-produced and Mattel Toy-based Street Sharks and the returning Double Dragon. There will

be 13 episodes of the first three shows and 26 of *Double Dragon*.

Genesis Entertainment will also revamp this season's Marvel Action Hour, downgrading its low-rated *Biker Mice from Mars* strip to a weekly, adding it to MAH shows *Fantastic Four* and *Ironman* and rechristening the result the Marvel Action Universe.

Active Entertainment will offer three new weekly shows (13 episodes each): Creatures of Delight, Happy Ness: The Secret of the Loch and Jelly Bean Jungle.

Creatures, about monsters that inhabit a "closet world," will contain a satiric element designed to appeal to parents as well as kids. Music for the show has been composed by Electric Light Orchestra. *Happy Ness* is an FCC-friendly offering that will feature Broadway musical performers in a show abut the legendary Loch Ness monster.

Jelly Bean, a live-action puppet show for pre-school kids that is FCC friendly, is described as "Candyland meets Sesame Street," says Active's



shows will be produced for 1995-96. Saban Entertainment is sweet on 'Sweet Valley High'

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SeaGull's other new show is *Dragon Ball*, a weekly produced by Japanese production company Toei and adapted for the U.S. market. A total of 26 halfhours are being adapted for the first season and will be supported by a Bandai toy line. The show is among the top-ranked shows in Japan, France, Spain and Hong Kong.

Some syndicators are trying to adapt old favorites to new times, such as a new weekly Claster Television version of 30-year-old kids icon G.I. Joe.

With this season's incarnation of G.I. Joe, producer Sunbow is updating Joe with a series of 20-second live-action bumpers in which a live-action version of one of the 13 characters in the show introduces that day's episodes.

In addition, in keeping with the continuing concern over violence in children's television, the show will play down battle scenes. "There will absolutely be more of a U.N. peacekeeper feel than a military feel," says Sunbow's Hahn. "They will go a lot of places and deal with a lot of issues that are environmental or strategic, like saving oil fields or the polar cap."

Thirteen episodes will be offered, with Claster also syndicating another 139 episodes of earlierproduced versions of the show.

Summit Media will offer weekly Magic Knight

Rayearth, an animated series expected to appeal to girls 2-11. The show tells the tale of three junior high school girls who are transported to a magical world they must save from evil forces bent on destroying it. Each episode is designed to demonstrate a growth process for the girls, with their strength increasing as they triumph over each challenge and adventure they confront.

"The reason for *Rayearth* is that the toy industry believes that it's time to create products for girls that are not just fashion and hairplay but driven by showing girls as heroes," says Summit's Hirsch. "They use as an example Kimberly, the pink Power Ranger. They think if they'd exploited female characters more, girls would be more interested in participating in shows and buying the products."

As for other FCC-friendly weeklies, Buena Vista Television has bowed in in a major way with a series that will combine classic Disney animation and songs with a live-action version of Disney's "Beauty and the Beast" feature film character "Belle."

Sing Me a Story at Belle's Book and Music Shop will feature a live-action version of Belle in her music and bookshop talking to preschool kids and introducing two 6-to-10-minute theatrical shorts per episode that include updated music and a moral. Belle and the kids will interrupt the tales several times to comment on them, discuss what can be learned from them and test cognitive abilities (e.g., by asking kids how many ducks were in a given animated scene).

Use of the classic animation is a tactic that will allow the series a higher production value than could otherwise be achieved with an FCC-friendly show, says Ken Werner, senior vice president at BVT.

"One of the problems in producing education programing is that one could never afford to produce that kind of animation at this point," says Werner. "It's tough to be both entertaining and creative, but we think this will allow us to fulfill our commitment to providing high-quality educational television for kids and still break even."

Another FCC-friendly show is Genesis Entertainment's *Reality Check*, a half-hour that features kids working with computers and interactive technology. The live-action show already is airing on New World's O&O stations.

"Because we have a station group that needs FCCfriendly shows, we can spend more money than somebody on the outside," says Genesis Entertainment Chief Executive Wayne Lepolf, referring to Genesis parent New World Communications' station group.

Stations have to do a better job supporting the FCC-friendly shows, says BVT's Marcus. "The time periods for FCC-friendly shows are ridiculous—they're given really poor time periods where it's impossible to get a rating."

Big-ticket sitcoms top off-net-cable first-run fare

Seinfeld, Home Improvement are consensus hits

By Steve McClellan

he off-network syndication market used to be defined as packaged reruns of sitcoms and dramas that once played in network prime time on the Big Three. No longer. Increasingly, off-network includes rerun product from cable and first-run syndication as well, not to mention shows from other network dayparts. And this year's crop of off-network programs is doubled by the addition of these alternative entries.

All of the product from nontraditional off-network sources is bolstering a strong crop of traditional off-network sitcoms. The consensus among industry pundits is that *Home Improvement* and *Seinfeld* are the most important properties in terms of the dollars at stake and potential revenue.

But the new crop also includes strong transition, time-period sitcoms, including Step by Step, Blossom and Dinosaurs as well as America's Funniest Home Videos.

The only big-ticket off-net for '96 that is getting an initial push at this year's convention is the just-announced rollout of Warner Bros.' off-Fox Martin, which sold for more than



\$50,000 per episode in Chicago (BROADCASTING & CABLE, Jan. 16).

In the off-cable category this year, three key shows are being offered, including *Beyond Reality*, distributed by ACI; *The Hitchhiker*, distributed by Rysher, and *Tales* from the Crypt, from Genesis.

In the off-first-run arena, All American Television is distributing the first four seasons of *Baywatch* in an offsyndication package that has cleared 67% of the country. However, handshake deals to close at NATPE will bring that number to more than 70%.

The new off-network definition also includes off-Fox.

Fox's distribution arm, Twentieth Television. is bringing one of the Fox network's cornerstone programs into off-network syndication this year, with an added twist. *America's Most Wanted: Final Justice* will focus on previously aired cases of dangerous criminals still at large.

The twist is that the producers will add new material to update the stories. The program is cleared in just over



Home Improvement (I) and Seinfeld lead the off-net class of '95

50% of the country. The sales terms guarantee stations that there will be no more than 13 weeks of repeated updated material.

MTM will give reruns of America's Funniest Home Videos a new look by mixing and matching segments outside of their original episodes. The distributor also has left open the possibility of producing entirely new episodes.

One example of the continuing blurring of the traditional distribution windows is *Tales* from the Crypt, which Genesis has cleared in 74% of the country for a fall 1995 syndication start. The syndication package combines episodes from two different networks—HBO and Fox. As for off-cable product, Genesis Executive Vice President Phil Oldham says the market for such shows "is definitely going to continue to expand significantly." He cites several reasons, including the suggestion that "the quality of first-run shows on cable is significantly better than it was a couple of years ago."

Michael Weiser, executive vice president, domestic distribution, ACI, agrees. "As cable networks become more successful, they are putting more money in original production. Those shows are every bit as good as the shows on ABC, CBS or NBC. It's really just a first exposure without overexposure."

ACI has acquired the syndi-





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cation rights to USA's paranormal series *Beyond Reality*. Twenty-six all-barter episodes are being offered next season, with a plan to roll out 18 more in year two. If the off-cable episodes work, Weiser says, the plan is to go back into production with the show.

Rysher Entertainment has picked up the rights to another paranormal series, *The Hitchhiker*, which has had previous runs on HBO and the USA Network. The show, targeted to late fringe, is being offered as a barter strip (85 episodes; 4.5 minutes local/2.5 minutes national).

Asked if the two cable runs have given the show too much exposure, Rysher program sales vice president Rick Meril says no. "It's still a small universe compared with the exposure a network prime time comedy gets," he says. producing two versions of a program—one for cable and one for over-the-air.

On the big-ticket sitcom front, "the activity and interest in *Home Improvement* matched *Cosby*," says Janeen Bjork, vice president, programing, Seltel. "Almost every station thought they had to at least take a look."

Seinfeld also drew a lot of interest, "but in more cases than happened with Home Improvement, you saw some stations say Seinfeld just wasn't appropriate for their markets."

"The off-network market continues to be huge," says Dick Kurlander, vice president, programing, Petry Television. "Home Improvement has a lot of access clearances and it should be at least as big a hit as Roseanne."

The quirkier Seinfeld, says



The off-Fox 'America's Most Wanted: Final Justice' will feature case updates.

"We see the cable exposure as advance publicity for the show." Meril says Rysher is considering a theatrical film version of the show and a possible return to first-run TV production as well.

Meril says the company isn't releasing a clearance figure on *Hitchhiker* yet. "We're really just opening up the full marketing effort on the show as we head to NATPE," he says. "Late fringe breaks a little later for most stations, so we've been more focused on our new talk strip *George & Alana* up to this point."

Genesis's Oldham says that a lot of the earlier firstrun product on cable was unsuitable for broadcast television from a "standards" point of view. Those standards are somewhat more lax now than they were a few years ago, NYPD Blue being just one recent and frequently talked about example. At the same time, producers have learned to accommodate broadcast standards by Kurlander, "is not as obvious a hit. It will do fine and it will be a sure hit in late fringe, but there's a question mark about how big its access audience will be."

Barry Thurston, president, Columbia Pictures Television Distribution, which is syndicating Seinfeld, declined to give a clearance figure for the sitcom, but he expects the show to be cleared in 95%-98% of the country by its fall 1995 debut. One hitch to selling the show, says Thurston, has been the disruption caused by all the affiliation switches. But the show continues to be a ratings winner on Thursday nights on NBC, where current spot rates for the show are said to be in the \$500,000 range per 30-second unit.

Meanwhile, Buena Vista Television-distributed *Home Improvement* now is cleared in 93% of the country, and company executives predict it will be cleared in 97% of the country at launch next fall. The show, BTV claims, is the sec-

ond-highest-grossing syndicated strip, eclipsing *Who's the Boss?*, but still behind record-holder Cosby.

Disney executives declined to say how much *Home Improvement* has generated in sales, but for background one company source said it has generated more than \$3.5 million per episode in sales. *Coshy* generated more than \$4 million per episode. *Boss* reportedly generated \$2.5 million-\$3 million per episode.

Meanwhile, Buena Vista Television is distributing two additional sitcoms for fall 1995 debut—*Blossom* and *Dinosaurs*. Both shows, seen primarily as transition programs leading out of kids programing to more adult fare, are cleared in more than 80% of the country now and should hit 85% by debut time, says Janice Marinelli Mazza, senior vice president of sales at BVT.

"We broke with *Blossom* and *Dinosaurs* in October 1992, eight months before *Home Improvement*, and got them both cleared in 70% of the country before focusing on *Home Improvement*," says Marinelli Mazza.

Meanwhile Warner Bros. Domestic Television Distribution has cleared *Step by Step* in 64% of the country. And while the industry has pegged *Step by Step* as an early fringe transition vehicle, WBDTD station sales chief Scott Carlin argues the show is a good access property as well.

Carlin says the company faced the same industry line with three previous Warnerdistributed sitcoms—Full House, Family Matters and Fresh Prince. All did well in the 6-8 p.m. time periods, he says. "Here we go again with Step by Step," he says, adding that the show has the same feel and audience target as the earlier sitcoms.

No major off-network hour dramas are set for fall 1995 debut. In 1996, however, the CBS hit Dr. Quinn, Medicine Woman will have its syndication premiere. MTM is distributing the show, which will air on co-owned Family Channel subsequent to the syndication run. "I think it will do great in the ratings," says Petry's Kurlander. "The bottom-line question is whether there are enough early fringe time periods to support a cash-plus deal." No decision has been made on the terms for the show.

In the off-network reality arena, All American is offering NBC's *l Witness Video* for next season. Terms: Two runs of 26 hours at an even 7-minute local/national barter split.



New games hope to work their way to access

But for time being, syndicators will have to settle for other dayparts

By Steve McClellan

hree new game shows available for syndication will be offered at NATPE this week. Although the distributors involved say the new programs are access wor-

thy, the reality is that if they make it to air next fall it will be in daytime slots and other time periods out of harm's way from access champ *Wheel of Fortune* and runner-up *Jeopardy*!

The new games are an off-Lifetime program, Shop 'Til You Drop, distributed by ACI; Enquiring Minds, a gossip-oriented game from the National Enquirer and distributor Active Entertainment, and The Incredible Mall, a game show with a home shopping element, from GTV.

None of the distributors selling the shows would be specific about clearances. Michael Weiser, ACI's executive vice president, domestic distribution. says that although the launch of *Shop 'Til You Drop* is scheduled for fall, the company is making the show available immediately. It's being offered for cash.

"This has been the least successful first-run syndication season in many years," says Weiser. "Stations are looking for new and fresh product." He says that a handful of stations have opted to pick *Shop* up early.

Weiser says the pitch to stations is that *Shop* is fresh programing for broadcasters with a proven track record on cable, where it ran on Lifetime in daytime and early fringe for four years. "It had the highest audience composition of young women on the Lifetime schedule," he says. Specifically, 38% of the show's average audience over four years was composed of women 18-34, he says.

Active Entertainment's *Enquiring Minds* has been through a five-year development odyssey. The now-defunct Zodiac Entertainment acquired the rights from the *National Enquirer* in 1990 and first pitched the show to stations for a syndication run. Not enough stations signed in time for a fall 1991 start, and sometime thereafter CBS took an interest in the

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ACI's off-cable 'Shop 'Til You Drop'

project for a possible daytime network run.

The deal with CBS fell apart at one point and almost came together again. But by that time, the network had given back additional daytime time periods to its affiliates, killing the deal once and for all.

According to Active Entertainment domestic syndication chief Adrien Seixas, the company acquired the rights to the show from former Zodiac sales vice president Andy Spitzer, who remains a consultant to the program.

The show is being produced by Canada's Glen-Warren Entertainment. It will be hosted by the *Enquirer*'s senior editor and chief celebrity gossip columnist, Mike Walker.

Walker has had a fair amount of media exposure. In addition to his weekly *Enquirer* column, he does a segment for E! Entertainment and has made many appearances on various talk and magazine shows. He also co-authored with Faye Resnick the controversial new book detailing her friendship with Nicole Brown Simpson.

According to Seixas, the show won't shovel a lot of dirt. It's basically a program that challenges players' knowledge of celebrity gossip and offers a couple of new gossip tidbits in each show. "It will definitely be delivered in a fun kind of manner," without the mean-spirited or lurid nature of some gossip shows, she says.

Seixas says several group deals were "pending," but she declined to elaborate.

No word on clearances for *Incredible Mall*. The show, hosted by Gary Kroger and produced in association with Scott Sternberg, has a mall setting where players try to guess the cost of merchandise. Viewers at home also have an opportunity to buy merchandise offered on the show. Stations get a percentage of those merchandise sales.

The three distributors want to place the show in access, but they know coming out of the gate that they'll start primarily in other dayparts. "Historically, that's been the pattern in syndication," says Weiser. "We expect to do well and if we do, stations will upgrade the show." Seixas agrees. "We expect *Enquiring Minds* will be pri-

Seixas agrees. "We expect *Enquiring Minds* will be primarily in daytime its first season. Then we hope to upgrade from there."



'A Few Good Men,' from Columbia TriStar's Showcase III package

Movies still rolling in syndication

New packages belie rumors of genre's failing health

By David Tobenkin

hile the rise of action hours and now the new networks have impacted the movie packages market, a flurry of new packages for fall suggests that rumors of the genre's death have been greatly exaggerated.

Four major studios and at least six independents will offer major packages in 1995.

That marks an uptick in the major's contribution from the past several years, says Barry Thurston, president of Columbia TriStar Television Distribution. "Most studios are not releasing their product into syndication," says Thurston. "You have Paramount and MCA delivering product to USA [Network], Fox to the network or fX and Warner Bros. to the WB Network."

Columbia TriStar Television Distribution is distributing two new movie packages, both of which have received launch deals with the eight Capital Cities/ABC O&O stations and are being offered to other stations nationally on a cash basis.

Showcase III is a 26-title package featuring recent theatrical hits from Columbia and Tri-Star Pictures, including A Few Good Men, City Slickers, Honeymoon in Vegas and The Prince of Tides. That package will also receive a cable window on TBS (the Capital Cities/ABC stations will enjoy a one-year window of exclusivity to the titles in their markets).

Gold II is a 34-title collection of classics and popular films from the '70s and '80s, including On the Waterfront, Mr. Smith Goes to Washington, Easy Rider and Funny Lady.

Thurston in late December said that both packages were cleared in about 30% of the country, but declined to discuss windows for airing the movies.

Paramount is offering two barter movie packages to be available in 1996: Paramount Plus II is an 18-title package of theatrical features including such hits as *Crocodile Dundee*, 48 Hours, Trading Places, Escape from Alcatraz and The Accused.

Paramount Family Theater features the

broadcast premieres of family films and theatricals, including *Grease* and Michael J. Foxstarrer *Teen Wolf*.

Syndicators say that the major studios' bigger-budget, more-recent titles will always find a home. What has diminished is the market for older titles without big name stars.

"What it all means is that with all the packages out there, the better packages continue to be bought, while the second tier will have a harder and harder time finding a home," says Michael Weiser, executive vice president at ACI.

"There's a more select demand for competitive titles, with fewer to play during the week but an upbeat market for weekends and late night," agrees Martin Weisman, vice president of domestic sales and marketing at Century Group Ltd.

Century is offering The Prime Time Bold Ones, 13 made-for-TV movies for airing in 1995-96, available on a cash basis. They have been sold in five of the top 10 markets, including WABC-TV New York, WBBM-TV Chicago, WPVI(TV) Philadelphia and KXTV(TV) Dallas.

ACI is clearing two new 12-title packages, Filmleader 3, a barter package cleared in eight of the top 10 markets, and Encore 2, a cash package.

"In our case, we have the luxury of having titles that were made in the last few years by very prolific producers who can get big stars," says Weiser, noting that ACI was formed by leading television and theatrical producers to syndicate their product.

Among the poorly selling product, Weiser includes older titles, titles without star power, softer genres like love stories and "disease of the week" movies and those played out on cable and pay television. Weiser says that the company is offering both barter and cash packages.

"Some stations who are becoming affiliates of a network only want to buy something over the next 12 months because they don't know the nature of their schedule, so they'll buy a barter package," he says. "Other stations are

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entrenched in the movie business, like the ABC O&Os. They know they'll be running movies for years, so they'll buy the cash package. We also try to offer a real mix in both packages so they can play in different places. It's in no one's interest to have only dramas and thrillers."

Movies now must again compete with action hours, which over the past several years have driven them from prime time to fringe and weekend time periods, because the same action hours are being forced into the same slots by the debuts of the new networks. In addition, fewer and fewer stations are willing to program different shows each night.

But several factors favor the movie market.

Because of the use of first-run product, many stations now don't have the shelf product that they had in the past, says Lou Dennig, director of programing at station rep Blair Television.

Affiliation switching is also making movies more attractive to some stations, say syndicators. "We took a look at this year and decided two months ago to go ahead with [a movie package] because there was an opportunity in the movie market with previous Big Three affiliates whose affiliation switched," says ITC Entertainment Executive Vice President of Domestic Television Michael Russo. "Some Fox affiliates got time back and some CBS affiliates found themselves without football."

ITC will offer its barter Movie of the Month Network 4, which begins in March 1995 and contains 12 titles, including a mixture of theatrical and telemovies of mostly male-oriented suspense stories. It includes six broadcast premieres.

In late December, after three weeks of selling, the package was sold in 35 markets covering 35% of the country.

Hearst Entertainment will bring a new movie package, Marquee V, including 14 titles that include six broadcast premieres. In late December, the package was cleared on WABC-TV New York with the sales effort just under way.

"Fortunately our titles are playing opposite sports frequently, which is good because they are made to skew to females," says Rob Corona, senior vice president of domestic sales for Hearst Entertainment. "From a programing standpoint, action hour's terrific, but putting action hour against football is not counterprograming."

Movies are also often seen by new syndicators as a low-risk entry into the syndication business.

A.H. Belo Corp. and former Columbia TriStar syndication executive Ed Wilson's new production and distribution entity, MaXaM Entertainment, for instance, will begin operations by offering 24 Hallmark Entertainment-produced, off-network MOWs.

Among the Hallmark titles MaXaM will sell are Incident in Baltimore (Walter Matthau, Harry Morgan, Susan Blakely); The Yearling (Peter Strauss, Jean Smart), Skylark (Glenn Close, Christopher Walken), Call of the Wild (Rick Schroder, Mia Sara) and Broken Vows (Tommy Lee Jones, Annette O'Toole).

"We're very excited to be associated with [Hallmark Entertainment Chief Executive] Robert Halmi, Jr. and Hallmark Entertainment because they represent a history of producing quality programing," says Wilson, senior vice president of syndication at Columbia TriStar Television Distribution until leaving in September. "It's the right way to start off a new company."

The MOWs will be offered on a cash basis, with half the titles also having a barter window. Stations can begin airing the telefilms in October.

Also active on the movie front is newly formed syndication operation Starcom Entertainment, which is offering its Best Picture Show. That satellite-delivered movie network includes six-day-aweek barter films Monday through Sunday. Most stations run the programing in late night or overnight. "We've made a concerted effort to get away from black-and-white and public domain films

and get into newer stuff," says Jesse Weatherby, Starcom vice president and national sales manager.

The company has rights to 450 to 600 titles at any given time.

Warner Bros. Domestic Television Distribution is offering Volume 32, a movie package the company says has been tailored to the reduced demand for movie titles in today's market.

The package offers stations 27 titles, including recent hits like *Unforgiven*, *The Fugitive* and *The Bodyguard*, over a 10-year period, with three movies a year to run twice each in three-week periods on a

50/50 barter split.

"Now the customer doesn't have to be a traditional or emerging independent [with the need for many movies]; it can be anyone with an occasional need for movies," says Dan Greenblatt, senior vice president, general sales manager, at WBDTD. "There's no cash back-end, no long-term obligation and stations don't have to figure out how to amortize [the titles]."

The broadcast runs of the package will precede a pay cable run on Encore and a basic cable run on TBS.

Independents emphasize creative approach

Make up in cleverness what they lack in size

By David Tobenkin

works and fin-syn's repeal increasing competition for clearances, the remaining independent syndicators say that now more than ever they must rely on quickness, cleverness and quality product to make up for what they lack in size.

"It's becoming a much more major-oriented industry where smaller players don't have enough leverage to get shows on the air," says Rick Levy, executive vice president/president of Worldwide Sales, at Bohbot Communications. "So what the smaller players have to do is look between the lines, find the projects that can make money but that are not attractive to the major studios. Good small syndicators are very versatile and find ways to survive."

An example, he says, is the company's new weekly half-hour *Talk Music*, a show featuring music critics discussing new albums and videos. It is unlike anything offered by larger syndicators yet is likely too small a project for them to devote the time to creating it and rolling it out, says Levy.

Most independents say the key to their success is to establish a strong niche—kids, movies or reality, to name a few—that allow them to brand their company's product with stations' buyers.

"The most important thing as a smaller syndicator is to have a steady stream of quality programing and provide good marketing support," says James Bennett, president of ACI, who like officials at many smaller syndicators stresses the danger of becoming spread too thin. "The larger syndicators can do three things at

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once; we have to carefully choose the targets we go after."

With the cost for clearing a strip—even aside from sales and promotion—frequently topping \$2 million, most smaller syndicators must find clever ways to cut costs. "If you're smaller you have to figure out how you can get on the air without spending that," says Lou Dennig, director of programing at station rep Blair Television.

One way is to bring a project that is naturally receptive to advertising.

"[ITC Entertainment's] Motorweek is a good example," says Dennig. "It goes on at 7-9 a.m. on a Sunday morning, displacing a pair of religious shows or paid advertising. So they tell [stations] it's just as easy as the paid advertising spigot. You have to line up some national advertisers and then convince the station that automotive is one of their biggest advertising players, which it usually is. That's a way to expand programing at a reasonable cost that has a positive cash flow."

Many say that with smaller syndicators lacking quantity, the issue of delivering quality, nonexploitative programing becomes more important.

"We have four weeklies on the air making money and they are good clean shows," says David Morgan, president of Litton Syndications Inc. "We want stations to feel our programing is there to help people. School kids write Jack Hanna [host of Litton's Wild Kingdom-like show Jack Hanna's Animal Adventures] asking for help with their junior high projects."

This year at NATPE, Select will give out 10,000 phone cards bearing the logo of the company's flagship *Blade Warriors* show that will give the recipient 10 minutes of free long-distance calling. Such support frequently does not end with the clearing of the show.

Claster Television, for instance, will support its new kids strip *The Littlest Pet Shop* with a collectors club that will be introduced with the show's launch. Every child who registers will be sent a free membership kit. Newsletters will continue to be mailed quarterly with puzzles, games and new product updates.

One necessity at the NATPE conference is to secure a booth near one of the majors, with smaller syndicators hoping that traffic will stop at their booth on the way to or from the larger syndicators' booths that are must-visits for station buyers.

Reliability and personalized service are another selling point for smaller syndicators.

Starcom Entertainment, formed last November to expand parent Starcom Television's activities beyond tape delivery services into syndication, is relying on positive associations that stations may have built up for the company as a reliable satellite deliverer and tape duplicator, says Jesse Weatherby, Starcom vice president and national sales manager.

"It's very important to service the stations properly and take care of them," says Weatherby.

Another way of gaining an edge is to use foreign or ancillary presales to fund actual production of episodes before selling them in the domestic marketplace. At last year's NATPE, ACI had an edge over many other producers of action hours by bringing to market eight completed episodes of *High Tide*. "Timeframe-wise, you need to

"Timeframe-wise, you need to be ahead of the pack," says Alan Winters, executive vice president at Kelly News and Entertainment. "We have to be early and produce

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Others are attempting to thrive by providing alternative syndication services.

Woodland Hills, Calif.based Network One has syndicated a 24-hour broadcast network globally since December 1993. It now is delivered to 30 U.S. broadcast affiliates reaching 25 million homes

"We've positioned ourselves as a whole alternative system," says Chandos Mahon, Network One executive vice president. "We operate like a cable system, but are syndicated."

Affiliates can pay for blocks of programing or for the entire 24-hour feed by handing over 20%-50% of their commercial advertising time covered by the program. Among the segments provided are late-night bikini-genre programing, Japanese animation and music video-ondemand services.

For those that can somehow acquire it, a library of older programing or a steady supply of off-network product can greatly stabilize a company's bottom line by providing a steady income stream to meet the company's basic financial demands, even when new projects flop.

But perhaps as important as all those "do's" is the smaller syndicator's understanding of what his or her company or show can't do.

"You can't be all things to all people," says Richard Perin, executive vice presi-dent of MG/Perin Inc. "You have to understand the economics of the business. You need to be able to keep a show on until it finds an audiencenot have to hit a home run by the second week or you're dead. An independent also has to avoid projects where it cannot sustain the red ink. If I had had Jenny Jones [Warner Bros.' syndicated talk show that underperformed for more than a season before it was successfully revamped], I would have pulled it by the 13th week."

at's new at NATP

A break out of major new first run and off network syndicated shows for 1995 96

Program (Distributor)	Length	Terms	(Loc./Nat. barter split)	Launch
First-Run Strips				
Talk Shows				
Armstrong Williams (Cannell)	30	barter	4/3	Sept.
Richard Bey (All American)	60	cash plus	11/3	Jan.
Carnie (Warner Bros.)	60	cash plus	10.5/3.5	Sept.
Ray Combs (SeaGull)	60	barter	TBA	Sprg
Downey (Western Int'l)	60	barter	9/4	Sept.
George & Alana (Rysher)	60	cash plus	11/3	Sept.
Lauren Hutton and(Turner)	30	barter	3.5/3	Sept
Gabrielle Carteris (Twentieth)	60	barter	7/7	Sept.
Paget Show (Group W)	60	barter	TBA	TBA
Charles Perez (Tribune)	60	cash plus	11/3	Mar.
Stephanie Miller (Buena Vista)	60	barter	7/7	Sept.
Tempestt Bledsoe (Columbia)	60	cash plus	10.5/3.5	Sept.
Mark Walberg (Genesis)	60	barter	7/7	Sept.
Reality-Based				
Court TV: Inside America's Courts				
(New Line Television)	30	barter	3.5/3.5	Sept.
Day & Date (CBS/Group W)	60	cash plus	11/3	Sept.
Detour (Worldvision)	30	cash plus	5.5/1	Sept.
Juvenile Justice (Genesis) (Jan '95)	30	cash		Jan.
Juvenile Justice (Genesis) (Sept '95)	30	cash plus	5/1.5	Sept.
LAPD (MGM)	30	barter	4/2.5	Sept.
Living Better (GTV)	60	barter	7/7	Sept.
Thanks a Million (All American)	30	barter	3.5/3.5	Sept.
Game Shows	20	hautau	4/0	Sent
Enquiring Minds (Active)	30	barter	4/3	ochr.
Incredible Mall (GTV)	30	barter	4/3	Sept.
Children/Teens				
Bananas in Pajamas (Sachs Family)	30	barter	4/2	Sept.
Beverly Hills Beach Club (SeaGull)	30	barter	3.5/3.5	Sept.
Blinky Bill (Sachs Family)	30	barter	4/2	Sent
California Dreams (Rysher)	30	barter	3.5/3.5	Sept.
Gargoyles (Buena Vista)	30	barter	3/3	Sept.
Highlander (Bohbot)	30	barter	3.5/2.5	Sept.
Littlest Pet Shop (Claster)	30	barter	varied	Sept.
Mutant League (Active)	30	barter	3.5/2.5	Sept.
Sailor Moon (SeaGull)	30	barter	3.5/2.5	Sept.
First Day Wester				
First-Run Weeklies				
Reality-based				
Amazing Tails (Litton)	30	barter	3.5/3.5	Sept.
A Year to Remember (TeleMarc)	60	barter	7/7	Sept.
Business Matters (Hearst)	30	barter	4/3.5	Sept.
Coast Guard (MG/Perin)	30	barter	3.5/3.5	Sept.
Confrontation (Wolfson/Satin)	30	barter	3.5/3.5	Sont
Feelin' Great (TeleMarc)	30	barter	3.5/3.5	Sent
Hollywood People (DLT)	30	barter	3.5/3.5	Sont
On the Road Again (Litton)	30	barter	3.5/3.5	Cont
Out of Control (Fox Lorber)	30	cash	0.0/0.0	Sont
Prescription for Health (Intl. Tele-Film)		cash		Sept.
Peter Quarry Show (Intl. Tele-Film)	30	cash		Sept. I
Planet Fashion (Fox Lorber)	30	cash	_	Sept.
Safe Streets (Kelly)	60	barter	7/7	Sept.
Scams (MG/Perin)	30	barter	3.5/3.5	Sept.
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Tales from the Lottery (Wolfson/Satin)	30	barter	3.5/3.5	Sept. (

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	Program (Distributor)	Length	Terms	barter split)	Launch
	Tilt 23 1/2 (Fox Lorber)	30	cash	0.5/0.5	Sept.
	Your Mind and Body (Warner Bros.)	30	barter	3.5/3.5	Sept.
	U.S. Customs: Classified (Cannell)	60	barter	7/7	Sept.
	Action-Adventure/Drama/Li	ve Perf	ormance Serie		
	Baywatch Nights (All American)	60	barter	5/9	Sept.
	Beyond Reality (ACI)	30	barter	3.5/3.5	Sept.
	Branson U.S.A. (Starcom)	60	barter	7/7	April
	Flipper (Goldwyn)	60	barter	6/8	Sept.
	Land's End (Buena Vista)	60	barter	6/8	Sept.
	The Legendary Journeys of Hercules (M		barter	varied	Jan.
1	The Outer Limits (MGM)	60	barter	7/7	Sept.
	Pointman (Warner)	60	barter	5/9	Jan.
	University Hospital (Worldvision)	60	barter	5/9	Jan.
	Vanishing Son (MCA)	60	barter	varied	Jan.
	The Wanderer (DLT)	60	barter	7/7	Sept.
	Children/Teens				
	Action Man (Bohbot)	30	barter	3.5/3	Sept.
	Amazin! Adventures 1 (Bohbot)	120	barter	2.5/2.5	Sept.
	Ultraforce; Street Sharks; Sky Sur				
	Amazin! Adventures 2 (Bohbot) (new) 120	barter	2.5/2.5	Sept.
	Gadget Girl; Enchanted Camelot			0.510.5	
	Creatures of Delight (Active)	30	barter	2.5/2.5	Sept.
	Dragon Ball (SeaGull)	30	barter	3.5/2.5	Sept.
	The Dude Gang (Simitar)	30	cash or barter	2.5/2.5	Sept.
	G.I. Joe (Claster) Happy NESS (Active)	30 30	barter	2.5/2.5	Sept.
	Hardy Boys (New Line)	30	barter	2.5/2.5	Sept.
	Jelly Bean Jungle (Active)	30	barter barter	3.5/3.5	Sept.
	Life's Little Lessons (Intl. Tele Film)	30	cash	2.5/2.5	Sept. Sept.
	Magic Knight Rayearth (Summit)	30	barter	2.5/2.5	Sept.
	Nancy Drew (New Line)	30	barter	3.5/3.5	Sept.
	Out of the Blue (Tribune)	30	barter	3.5/3.5	Sept.
	Quest for the Dragon Star (Summit)	30	barter	3.5/3.5	Sept.
	Reality Check (Genesis)	30	barter	2.5/2.5	Sept.
	Shnookums & Meat (Buena Vista)	30	barter	3/3	Jan.
	Sing Me a Story at Belle's Book			0.0	our.
ļ	and Music Shop (Buena Vista)	30	barter	2.5/3.25	Sept.
	Timon & Pumbaa (Buena Vista)	30	barter	3/3	Sept.
	Success by 6 (Hearst)	30	cash		Sept.
	Tenko and the Guardians of				
	the Magic (Saban)	30	barter	3/2.5	Sept.
	ZooingEscape to the Wild (Koch)	30	barter	3.5/3	Sept.
	Off-Network Series				
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1	1995-96 Half-Hours				
	America's Most Wanted: Final Justice		anah miua	E E /4 E	Cant
	(Twentieth) America's Funniest Home Videos (MT	30	cash pius	5.5/1.5	Sept.
	Blossom (Buena Vista)	M) 30 30	cash	5.5/1.5	Sept.
	Dinosaurs (Buena Vista)	30	cash plus barter	4/2.5	Sept.
	The Hitchhiker (Rysher)	30	barter	4.5/2.5	Sept. Sept.
	Home Improvement (Buena Vista)	30	cash plus	6/1	Sept.
ł	Seinfeld (Columbia)	30	cash plus	5.5/1	Sept.
	Shop 'Til You Drop (ACI)	30	cash	0.0/1	Sept.
	Step by Step (Warner Bros.)	30	cash plus	6/1	Sept.
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	1995-96 Hours				
	Baywatch (strip) (All American)	60	cash plus	11/3	Sept.
1	I Witness Video (All American)	60	barter	7/7	Sept.
	MST 3000 (Tradewinds)	60	barter	7/7	Sept.
	Tales from the Crypt (Genesis)	60	barter	7/7	Sept.
	Future Off-Network				
	Dr. Quinn, Medicine Woman (MTM)	60	TBA	TBA	F '96
1	Martin (Warner Bros.)	30	cash plus	varied	F '96
1	Melrose Place (Worldvision)	60	TBA	TBA	F '9 6
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TV's multinational forces to be reckoned with

Companies set up shop worldwide to grow new markets

By Morrie Gelman, special correspondent

hat's in a name? If it was NATPE's change to NATPE International in the mid 1980s, it was the realization that the TV programing business was going to be global.

As a scan of NATPE '95 exhibitors attests, television companies are increasingly multinational, operating through well-placed branches or subsidiaries and even separate companies around the world to capitalize on opportunities—exisiting and potential—in a host of countries and regions.

Consider the acorn that Australian Reg Grundy planted more than 45 years ago. It is perhaps the quintessential television multinational of today, with more than 70% of its revenue coming from Europe, another 20% from Australia and New Zealand and the remainder from the U.S. and elsewhere.

Grundy's organization, Grundy Worldwide Ltd., is widespread, ranging from headquarters in Bermuda to encompass 17 separate production companies in the U.S., UK. France, Germany, Ireland, Italy, Spain, Portugal, Denmark, Belgium, Australia, New Zealand, Finland, Luxembourg, The Netherlands, Chile and Singapore.

Grundy, which produces an average 40 hours of programing per week worldwide, capitalizes on the talents, language and cultural character of each country in which it operates. Pegged to the company's strategy of establishing owned-and-operated production companies in locations perceived to be emerging broadcasting areas of the world, Grundy is coming to this year's NATPE conference looking to further expand in Eastern Europe, South America and South Africa. Going into the next century, Grundy is counting on these regions for considerable growth, according to CEO Richard L. Barovick.

South Africa, in particular, is considered "a principal" area for expansion. "It is the last English-speaking market to emerge," Barovick says. And in South America, Grundy has a two-person office in Santiago. Chile, and currently is producing a local version of Australian sitcom *Mother and Son* and a telefilm in Paraguay. "We believe South Ameri-

"We believe South America, though perhaps [developing] more slowly than Asia, will be a very important market for us," says Barovick. About Eastern Europe he



Fremantle claims more than 93 game shows (like 'Pyramid,' above) in 27 countries.

says: "We've not yet begun to scratch the surface." Again, Grundy is trying to sell and produce—not license formats—in these territories.

In Asia, Grundy, which opened an office in Singapore in 1993, for the first time is making samples of some of its most successful programs, including drama serials *Neighbours, Shortland Street* and *Sons and Daughters,* and drama series *Mission Top Secret* and *Bony* as well as *Stolen Lives,* available in Mandarin.

Barovick thinks local broadcasters in Asia will appreciate seeing samples of offered programs in their own languages. "A programer in an Asian market will have a much better sense when he sees *Neighbours* in Mandarin or Cantonese," he says.

Multinational television companies are not all nurtured from seed like Grundy. Worldvision Enterprises Inc., currently part of the rapidly expanding multinational Spelling Entertainment Inc. holding company, is the product of a complex series of acquisitions and mergers.

Worldvision's international division, headed by executive VP and chief operating officer Bert Cohen, maintains eight offices around the world, including New York, Los Angeles, Chicago, Atlanta, London, Munich, Paris, Rio de Janeiro, Rome, Sydney, Tokyo and Toronto.

Changing the face of TV distribution

How is multinationalism changing the nature of the television distribution business? The "real business" for U.S. television syndicators going into the next century, says 26-year international TV sales vet Cohen, is going to be in satellite and cable distribution and partnering in such distribution channels around the world.

"You'll not only become a seller of programs," he says, but the owner of an asset. "Those of us that have the product have the ability to do this," says Cohen, who has been with Worldvision and its predecessor ABC Films since 1968.

He has spearheaded the company's global expansion and was instrumental in the creation of Spelling Satellite Networks to develop and introduce basic cable networks around the world, with Tele-Uno in Latin America (operated in conjunction with Mexico's Multivision) as the first such cable service. Cohen went to the recent MIP'Asia market in Hong Kong for meetings with potential partners to try to get into Asia with similar new distribution channels.

With Worldvision's having more than 15,000 hours of


company behind the new syndicated series Sirens. The U.S. syndicator, All American Television, has sold the series in more than 135 markets. Toronto's Skyvision Entertainment is targeting the U.S. syndication market with its projects. Robocop, distributed by Rysher Entertainment, is a \$38 million sci-fi police series that sold for syndication in the U.S. and 110 other countries. Skyvision is now heading into production with L.A.'s Fred Dryer Productions on Land's End, a 22-episode Hawaii-Five-0-type series set in Baja, Mexico.

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Until the next company cracks the coveted prime time network schedule, Canadian production companies will continue to ply the cable networks, pay TV and syndication markets with their programs-and they have a successful track record. Picking up where CBC left off with its successful miniseries Love and Hate on NBC, Cinar's Million Dollar Babies miniseries scored a 26% share of the U.S. viewing audience when it aired last November. Cinar is now in production on 13 episodes of The Little Lulu Show, scheduled to debut on HBO in fall 1995. Sullivan

Films' Road to Avonlea has been airing on the Disney Channel since 1990 and is a family series with perennial appeal.

Los Angeles has become the second home of several Canadian production companies, including Paragon, Alliance and Atlantis. Even smaller companies have opened California offices to be closer to their potential partners. Catalyst Entertainment, producers of Shining Time Station for PBS and coventure partner with NBC Productions in The Martin Short Show, just opened an office in Santa Monica.

France takes reins of EU as European **co-production slides**

With culture politics on legislative burner, stricter content quotas sought

By François Godard, special correspondent

arlier this month, France took the helm of the European Union Council of Ministers for its six-month stint. But for TV free-trade advocates and U.S. distributors, that country's turn could not have come at a worse time.

Most countries favor an open market, but the French want stricter enforcement of content quotas. Their proposal would mean not more than 49% of broadcast programing could be non-European and would require all Europeanbased channels to invest in European production. These issues are being considered by the European Commission, which is reviewing the fiveyear-old "Television Without Frontiers" mandate that directs TV policy in Europe.



Frugal broadcasters are increasingly spending only on big budget co-productions like 'Scarlett.'

The emergence of Atlantis Los Angeles probably

Providing insight into how a Canadian boutique expanded into a leading international independent-entertainment supplier, Peter Sussman of Atlantis Communications starts with Toronto.

The first Atlantis presence in Toronto was meant to be a distribution office. Most of the company's projects have a North American focus, with the primary markets being Canada and the U.S. When it became clear that

Europe would be the second most important market, the question soon arose: Where should this office be? Sussman remembers that the initial thinking at Atlantis was Paris or London. "But when we started to investigate further, we realized several things," he says: The cost of an office in Amsterdam was much cheaper than Paris or London. The best English on the Continent is spoken in Amsterdam. Many Dutch people speak English perfectly. The Dutch are among the best traders in the world. The Dutch withholding-tax rules are among the "softest" in the world. Being on the Continent, Atlantis sellers can jump on a train or drive to many of the markets they want to sell, like Paris or Munich. Everywhere else in Europe is only an hour or so by plane. Getting out of the airport in Amsterdam is a much easier exercise than getting out of Heathrow or DeGaulle. From the Atlantis office to the Amsterdam airport is 17 minutes

Sydney was the next international office and it opened in 1989, one year after Amsterdam but three years before L.A. "We felt at the time that we were still able to accommodate our efforts in Los Angeles from Toronto," says Sussman. "One of us was running down to

Peter Sussman of Atlantis Com-

munications

every month, yet we realized that out of Amsterdam it was very difficult to service the Australo-Asian market. Sydney was estab-

lished as a branch office of the Amsterdam office. Out of Sydney, Atlantis does a big sales sweep three times per year covering 15 Asian countries in 17 days. The L.A. office opened in 1992. Before that, "we had been able to access the Hollywood community to sell

as best we could from a distance," recalls Sussman. He says that although Toronto is only a four-and-a-half-hour flight away and only three hours time difference on the clock, "We realized that to really take advantage of what was available in Hollywood, someone had to be there all the time.'

Sussman was the one of the four principals in Atlantis who choose to advance the Hollywood connection to the next level of growth. Initially, the L.A. office was Sussman and an assistant. Today it has a staff of 15.

Barbados was opened as an Atlantis office in 1993. "More and more we were producing shows and, more specifically, financing shows, on a global basis," Sussman says. "Obviously, we were always trying to maximize our financial opportunities, and Barbados has an arrangement whereby companies operating out of there can do so on a very tax-favorable basis, provided they do so within the rules available to foreign companies dealing in that country."

Atlantis has four staffers in Barbados, two (and a part timer) in Sydney, and 10 in Amsterdam. In Toronto, not including the two cable channels Atlantis owns and operates in Canada, there are about 125 people.

The review, however, seems to have no end, and in January the French succeeded in again postponing a decision on regulatory revision. But a delay may not be enough to turn the table in France's favor: EU free-trade advocates (particularly from Germany and the UK) will likely prevail. Hollywood, which wants an open market, will not give up easily either, having lost the cultural exemption in the GATT debate last year.

The French are pushing increased protectionism of European airwaves based on their own domestic regulations. The goal of France's policy is to support European culture, but there is evidence that in many cases, the rules it applies in its domestic market do the opposite. A good example is the rules on the use of French language in production, which has accelerated a decline in European co-productions.

Despite successes such as the Kirch Group-backed Bible series, European co-production is in a state of crisis, say insiders. For one thing, the traditional big co-producers, the stateowned networks, are in dire financial straits. They tend to cut the most expensive program costs-not surprisingly, big-budget miniseries, often on historical topics-which only co-production can finance.

German public networks ARD and ZDF, with ad revenue declining and growing pressure for more commercial programing, are finding it difficult to participate in co-production. In Italy, public network RAI has suffered from managerial instability, thanks to political maneuvering, and its three channels would be bankrupt without heavy state subsidy. The situation is similar in Spain, where RTVE has had almost no international involvement since 1991. France, however, is different: Public broadcasters France 2 and France 3 are both willing to co-produce and are healthy financially.

But France's co-production freedom is severely curtailed by the 1991 so-called Decret Tasca from then-communications minister Catherine Tasca. It requires that films and programs qualifying as "French" be shot in the French language. The "French" label is crucial because it qualifies a program for the infamous 40% French-content quota.

As a consequence, frugal broadcasters have little left for international co-production in English and spend only on big projects such as Scarlett. The Bible or Fall from Grace. The decline of co-production was illustrated by data released in late December by Banque de France, which showed that foreign

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investment by French broadcasters dropped from \$103 million in 1991 to \$58 million in 1992 and to \$24 million in 1993.

Meanwhile, investments in France by foreign broadcasters had dropped from \$19 million to \$11 million from 1991 to 1993. According to data from INA, a TV consultancy, the total value of fiction co-production (dramas and sitcoms) involving a French partner had dropped to 479 million, down 21% since 1991. Particularly affected by the new rules are projects with North American partners, which, according to INA's researcher Jean-Pierre Jezequel, "have declined dramatically in total number of programs, duration and financial commitment, largely because traditional partners of French producers cannot shoot in any language but English."

Canada remains the leading French co-production partner, but the value of the programs shot in 1993, at \$27 million, represented only 34% of those produced in 1991. Steven DeNure, president of Toronto-based Alliance Productions, says his co-production work with France has practically vanished because of French regulation. "France was a valuable partner in the past. French broadcasters were very outward-looking," he says. For him, the biggest losers are French producers because foreigners, such as Alliance, can "find other ways." For instance, the four TV movies based on Harlequin novels produced for CBS by Alliance were shot in Hungary in partnership with Germany's Ufa Film and Television, a subsidiary of Bertelsmann, "a project we could have carried out with the French before."

Further challenging the protectionist agenda is the growth of foreign sales of French programs. Still, according to the Banque de France data, the country's foreign sales of programs and films have grown since 1991, reaching \$346 million in 1993. Of course, the country still buys more than it sells, but its deficit seems to have peaked, at \$365 million in 1992. In 1993 the figure almost halved, to \$203 million, its lowest level since television deregulation started in 1987. Left to themselves, it seems French producers and broadcasters can do well on the international market. And it is questionable whether

more restrictions on program trade at the European level would be of any help to producers.

Europe to deregulate cable TV nets

Late last month, the European Commission moved one step further in its plans to liberalize the European Union's telecommunications industry, vowing to enact a law that will permit cable TV networks to be used for certain telecom services starting in 1996. The law aims to give service providers free access to cable infrastructure—thereby breaking down the powers of monopoly-prone PTTs (the public telephone monopoly)—and is intended to clear the way for new online services, such as home shopping and banking, and interactive games, databases and education services.

In the UK's still-infant cable sector, MSOs already are permitted to offer telephone services, while British Telecom, the dominant phone operator, will not be able to offer entertainment services until 2002. Many of Europe's other cable networks, however, remain governmentowned and -operated and their infrastructures restricted to TV broadcasting. Service providers have few options and are obliged to rent access from the national telecom operators such as Germany's Deutsche Telekom (currently slated for privatization).

The commission's proposals will not apply to full voice telephony until January 1998, unless individual member states choose to liberalize earlier. The European Cable Communications Association heralded the move as a major breakthrough for multimedia in Europe. —MA

Argentine cable: hub of Latin investment activity

U.S. companies getting into the market, which has reached 45% cable penetration

By Andrew Paxman, special correspondent

fter years of anticipation, U.S. cable companies are finally getting a piece of the action in Argentina, Latin America's most lucrative cable market. Thanks to a bilateral accord signed last September, TCI, Continental and several other U.S. players have been buying into a market whose 45% penetration generates some \$1.5 billion in annual subscriber fees.

The accord came at a crucial time for Argentine MSOs, since rapid consolidation among the country's 1,200 systems had driven prices up to a heady \$1,100 per subscriber. At the same time, much of the industry's hardware needed upgrading or replacing, prompting the major Buenos Aires MSOs to start the expensive process of installing fiber optic cable.

First in was Continental, which anticipated the bilateral accord by signing a technology-sharing agreement with Video Cable Comunicacion (VCC) during the summer. VCC is Argentina's largest MSO, with some 600,000 subs. A few weeks after the U.S.-Argentine pact, Continental played its expected hand by announcing a 50% purchase of VCC's holding company, Fitelco, for around \$150 million. The deal also netted Continental a successful children's cable network, Cablin.

But a much bigger swoop came in early December. when Argentina's largest single system, 450,000-subscriber CableVision, opted to cast its lot with TCI. Owner Eduardo Eurnekian had been courting foreign players for some time, pressed by mounting debts (including \$52 million owed to the government) from his other media interests. These include broadcaster America 2, bottom-ranked among the five Buenos Airesbased networks.

TCI pledged a whopping \$700 million for an 80% stake, although 12.5% of that (i.e., 10% of the total company) was set aside for Carlos Avila, a cable programer who conducted the negotiations. Further, both Time Warner and US West are set to buy undisclosed parts of TCI's stake. However, the deal will close only when Eurnekian has upped his subscriber count to 650,000; he has until June 30 to do so.

The past eight months have seen several other deals emerge, with investors less keen to draw the spotlight. In July, media group Clarin, publisher of the largest-circulation daily paper and owner of number-two broadcast network Artear (Canal 13) as well as several cable/satellite channels, sold a 30% share in its cable operation Multicanal.

The price was \$96 million-plus another \$54 million should Multicanal subscribers reach a certain number in three years-and the buyers were Coinca, a group of Argentine investors linked to Citibank P, which generated speculation that the investors were fronting for a U.S. cabler. Multicanal executive director Omar Dirrocco has said the firm will use the cash to expand into the rest of South America; it might also seek a foreign technologysharing accord.

(Among the country's Big Four operators, therefore, only magazine publisher Editorial Atlantida, which runs top-rated broadcaster Telefe [Canal 11] as well as cable systems amounting to 330,000 subscribers, lacks an international partner.) Another less publicized entrant is Arlington, Va.based Pierce Investment Banking, which has a share in a majority-Argentine-owned holding company that buys stakes of up to 25% in regional systems—reportedly 12 to date, totaling 200,000 or so subscribers.

In return, the operators get management advice plus discounted programing, equipment and financing. Should any member decide to bail out, however, the holding company has the right of first refusal to buy out the operator. Falcon Cable, the first U.S. player into Mexico, recently teamed with Pierce, and is interested in more.

Smaller operators are generally wary of the big MSOs, which could eventually overwhelm them by offering rival services more cheaply in the same communities (no system holds exclusivity rights to its native town), thus forcing them to sell out for next to nothing. They face the choice of selling out now, while prices are high, or risking staying independentpreferably within a purchasing union-and undertaking extra investment as the public demands more services.

On the programing front, the influx of foreign services continues to be rivaled by new domestic ones, often cloning U.S. formats. Approximately 85 services are now available on satellite, with new (usually Argentine) channels appearing monthly. There also exist a dozen or so in-house channels (produced by the MSOs) that are not available on satellite.

Competition is especially fierce in news and movies. In news, four local services vie with CNN, NBC and, strongest of all the imports, Televisa's ECO. In movies, U.S.originated HBO Olé, Cinemax, Cinecanal and TNT have to compete against three local satellite services and several in-house movie channels. Other hot genres are kids, music, sport and women's/ telenovelas (four or five services each). With more services planned, it will not be long before weaker ones start to die out, analysts concur.

The heat is forcing some pan-regionals to start finetuning toward local tastes. In the fall, ESPN began downlinking its signal in Buenos Aires, substituting a few hours of U.S. fare with local sports, and then up-linking on an Argentine satellite. SUR does similar fine-tuning, but with the recent launch failure of PanAmSat's Pas-3 bird, other programers that want to do likewise may have to wait awhile for the necessary transponder space.

Competition is also encouraging operators and programers to look more seriously at attracting advertisers. Cable ad spending reached \$110 million in 1994 and is projected at \$150 million for 1995. Industry insiders say this potential new revenue source is encouraging the MSOs to be more honest about their subscriber numbers. (Operators have tradi-

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tionally understated their subscription count, to pay less per-subscriber charges to license holders.)

Just how many more channels the Argentine subscriber is willing to pay for is much debated. With so many already offered, Buenos Aires subscribers now pay up to \$35 P, twice what Mexico City subscribers pay. On the other hand, both VCC and Multicanal, once their fiber optic nets are in place, intend to increase their offerings from 40 to 80 channels, and at least five pan-regional services are expected to enter Argentina in the next 12 months.

Four music companies join Star TV

BMG, EMI, SONY and Warner sign on Asian music video channel

By Meredith Amdur

upert Murdoch's Star TV earlier this month (Jan. 5) mounted a major challenge to MTV, signing on a slew of major recording labels as joint-venture partners to its Asian music video channel, Channel [V].

After six months of talks, BMG, EMI Music, Sony Pictures Entertainment and Warner Music Group have joined the pan-regional satellite channel as equity partners. Channel [V] became Star TV's own music vehicle after MTV Asia left the package last spring. Serving greater China, India and Southeast Asia, Channel [V] mixes popular Western offerings with local Asian pop and rock. The channel offers two separate feeds, one targeting Chinese-speaking areas in northeast Asia and a second, more international, beam for the rest of its 53-country footprint. Star TV claims a reach of some 220 million people across Asia, India and the Middle East. Although the new consortium partners will continue to supply video programing to other services, the Asian deal is the latest move to challenge MTV's global dominance of the satellite music channel market. The same four companies (along with PolyGram) are partners in VIVA, a local German music channel that competes with MTV Europe. For its part, MTV Asia launched a dedicated Indian channel last October and has plans for two other 24-hour Asian services later this year.

Passage to India: full steam ahead for TV

By Meredith Amdur

ineteen ninety-five is expected to be a busy year for production and infrastructure investments in Asia's most promising entertainment market.

India's Foreign Investment Promotion Board (FIPB) recently approved a joint venture between The Hindustan Times group, UK publishing and media conglomerate Pearson and broadcaster TVB of Hong Kong, which intends to set up studio facilities in India to produce TV films and video programs in various Indian languages. With 45 million TV homes, India is undergoing something of a TV revolution inspired by the launch of Star TV and Zee TV three years ago.

The telcos are also looking to join the entertainment bandwagon. AT&T

is expected to finalize a joint venture with an as yet unnamed Indian entertainment industry partner to exploit broadband CATV network technology. The \$67 billion U.S. telco giant will supply the know-how with the local partner sourcing the necessary software. Video on demand, home shopping, interactive advertising, games and educational services are all on the strategic agenda.

India's still largely unregulated cowboy cable market serves some 12 million homes, generating upward of \$450 million in annual subscription fees.

Given that India's film industry is already the most prolific in the world (800-900 films per year, triple Hollywood's output), much of the investment is going to local TV production initiatives to fill the expanding number of satellite outlets. "When [a country's] got nearly 1 billion people, you've got to take notice...and recognize that if you put a Western film next to an Indian one, there is just no comparison when it comes to consumer acceptability," says Michael Jay Solomon, whose Solomon International Enterprises recently teamed up with L.A.-based Amritraj Entertainment to spend \$50 million producing miniseries and feature films, investing in satellite channels and building entertainment complexes throughout India.

India's TV sector had long been a government-controlled affair until Hong Kong-based Star TV lifted the snore factor three years ago. Now a wide assortment of local enterprisers and Western investors, such as News Corp., Sony Pictures, Time Warner, Falcon Cable, Disney, Canal+ and Solomon International Enterprises and others, are ready to put their cash and expertise behind a range of new satellite channels and production entities.

Still, Western programers are confident that increased TV exposure to international fare will whet viewers' appetites for more. "People have been tuned in to watching Hindi [and other Indian language] films that are all of essentially the same style [musical dramas] and story," says Sarabjit Singh, general manager of Paramount Films of India (and the UIP representative). Audiences, he says, have not really been exposed to much foreign product and it's still too soon to know how such films will be accepted by the vast majority of the population.

Ricki Lake takes talk on road

Teen talker finds niche in international market

By Meredith Amdur

n only its fourth month in the UK, the U.S.'s hit teen-targeted talker is already making ratings waves and proving that the fast-talking interactive American style of talk show can find—and hold—international audience.

Even in a country like the UK, where tabloid newspapers dole out large helpings of shock journalism and personal exposés, tabloid talk was a new twist for daytime TV.

Having replaced the successful *Oprah* (which has since moved to satellite service BSkyB), *Ricki* is fast finding its own distinctive niche among younger female audiences and making the "confessional courtroom" a more acceptable form of entertainment.

Indeed, *Ricki*—and *Oprah* before it—is slowly shaking Brits out of their traditional reserve. "Topics can be provocative and shocking for some British viewers," says Rachel Wells, VP, marketing and sales support, for Columbia TriStar International Television. "We did a focus group before the launch of the show and one British subject commented that the topics discussed 'are what we think about but would never say.""

Although the British press had a field day mocking the American penchant for airing its personal dirty laundry in front of national (and now international) audiences before *Ricki* took to the air on Channel 4, the public has since warmed to this distinctly American style of TV psychosocial analysis. Channel 4 has renewed *Ricki* in its 5 p.m. weekday slot. Claiming an average of 2.1 million viewers, the show has moved into the top 20 of all Channel 4 programs and will expand to two airings per week.



Ricki has been renewed on Cannel 4 in the UK.

The show is also reportedly performing well in Sweden (TV6), New Zealand, the Philippines and Australia. Columbia recently concluded deals in Malaysia, Finland and Holland, and the Italians reportedly have expressed interest.

But U.S. talk shows like *Ricki* are finding a new breed of homegrown competition in the UK and other countries. Homegrown talker Vanessa Feltz's show has captured a strong audience in a 2 p.m. weekday slot since it launched last August. The show is the product of a venture between ITV Network Television and Multimedia Entertainment in the U.S. The company is helping launch similar local talk shows as far away as Thailand.

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Leading buyers:

Asian buyers guide

Last December, some 3,500 TV programers convened in Hong Kong on a mission to mine what many hope will be the most lucrative TV market in the world. Although the cash results were less than spectacular, few came away doubting the long-term potential for growth. Within 10 years the Asia-Facific region should comprise as many as 400 million TV households, which will be served by some 2,000 terrestrial and satellite-delivered channels. India alone will claim 150 million TV households by the end of the decade. But for the time being, the task of providing programing to the diverse region's 2 billion people falls to an array of long-standing national terrestrial broadcasters, infant private commercial networks eager to compete, and satellite channels serving both local and panregional needs. Below, BROADCASTING & CABLE offers programming profiles of some of Asia's up-and-coming markets, broadcasters and buyers.

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Lobo (all genres). Tel: +91 22 610 4617/8 ext 38 Head of co-production: Narendra Upadhyaya Audience share: 15% Advertising share: 5% Programing budget: \$2 million **Program sources** Produced in-house: 13% Commissioned from external producer: 28% Head of acquisitions: Wilfred | Acquired: 59%

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Geographical territory covered: India, Asia

Personnel

Chief executive: Charlie Horrell (manager of Indian operations)

Zee TV

135 Continental Building Dr. Annie Besant Road Worli Bombay India Telephone +91 22 492 0931/+91 22 493 1930/1935 Fax +91 22 493 1938/5188 Zee 2 to launch in late 1994 **Corporate profile** Publicly supported: no Ownership details: Star TV Hong Kong 49.9%; non-resident Indians 50.1% Year established: 1992 Delivery system: satellite Number of households reached: 4-7 million Broadcast language: Hindi, English Geographical territory covered: India Personnel Chief executive: Digvijay Singh (president) Program director: Kamlesh Pandey Head of acquisitions: Rohit Misra Audience share: 20% Advertising share: 25% Programing budget: \$4 million **Programing breakdown** Children's/youth: 5% Sports: 1% Film: 13% Games: 10% News: 2.5% Talk: 45% Religious: 4.5% Regional language programming: 19% **Program sources** Produced in-house: 40% Commissioned from external producer: 45% Acquired: 15% Acquired from the U.S.: 15% **Top-rated programs** Antakshart, game, Tuesday, Friday, 18:00, 23:10 ZEE Horror Show, drama series, Friday, Saturday, 21:30, midnight Parompara, drama series, Wednesday, Friday, 21:30, 00:10 Tara, drama series, Tuesday, Saturday, 21:00

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INDONESIA

Basic Data Population (000): 184,274 GNP per capita (US\$, 1992): 670 TV households: 8,600,000 Average daily viewing (min): 180 Total advertising expenditure (\$ million, 1993): 581 TV advertising expenditure: 43.4% Satellite penetration: 1.3% Broadcast standard: PAL, System B Regulatory body: Department of Information Address: Department of Information, JI. Medan Merdeka Barat 9, Jakarta Pusat 10110 Tel 021 377 408 Exchange rate: \$1=Rupiah2150.8 Time difference (+/- GMT): +7/+9 Leading buyers: RCTI Jalan Raya Dejuangan Kebon Jeruk, Jakarta Indonesia

Indonesia Telephone +62 21 530 3540 Fax +62 21 530 3535 RCTI and partner commercial channel SCTV have been Indonesia primary national private broadcasters since August 1993. **Corporate profile** Publicly supported: no Ownership details: PT Bimintara 65%, PT Raiawali 35% Year established: 1988 Delivery system: terrestrial Number of households reached: 14 million Broadcast language: English, Indone-

sian Geographical territory covered: Indonesia

Personnel

Chief executive: Andy Ralie Program director: Farida Tajib Head of acquisitions: Peter Langlois (All genres) Head of co-production: Alex Kumara Audience share: (RCTI) 40% (SCTV)12% Advertising share: both channels combined 50% Programing budget: both channels \$12 million **Programing breakdown** Children's/youth: 5% Sports: 5% Drama/fiction: 40% Film: 20% Games: 7% News: 20% Talk: 1% Religious: 2% **Program sources** Produced in-house: 10% Commissioned from external producer: 10% Acquired: 70% Acquired from the U.S.: 60% **Top-rated programs** MacGyver, action series, Friday, 20:00 Tak Tik Boom, game, Friday, 19:00 Prime Time Movie, film, Wednesday, 20:00 Kuis Lifebuoy, game, Wednesday, 19:30 BS Sho, sitcom, Monday, 19:30 SCTV Jalan Raya Dejuangan

Kebon Jeruk, Jakarta Indonesia Telephone +62 21 530 3540 Fax +62 21 530 3535 **Corporate profile** Publicly supported: no Year established: 1990 Delivery system: terrestrial Geographical territory covered: Indonesia

PHILIPPINES Basic Data

Population (000): 64,187

GNP per capita (US\$, 1992): 770 TV households: 2,800,000 Average daily viewing (min): 180 Total advertising expenditure (\$ million, 1993): 328 TV advertising expenditure: 65.5% Cable penetration: 9% Satellite penetration: .04% Broadcast standard: NTSC, System M Regulatory body: Department of Transportation & Communications, Philcomcen Building, Ortigas Avenue, Pasig, Metro Manila Tel: +632 2 721 3781 Exchange rate: \$1=Peso27.57 Time difference (+/- GMT): +8

Leading buyers: ABS-CBN Broadcasting Corp. (Channel 2)

Mo. Ignacia St. Corner Bohol Ave. Quezon City 1103 Philippines Telephone +63 2 924 4101 Fax +63 2 924 1568 **Corporate profile** Publicly supported: no Ownership details: Eugenio Lopez and the Lopez family 75%, publicly held Year established: 1953 Delivery system: terrestrial, satellite Number of households reached: 5.8 million Broadcast language: Tagalog, English Personnel Chief executive: Eugenio Lopez III Program director: Rosario Santos-Concio (vice president, programing) Head of acquisitions: Gina Leviste Audience share: 69% Advertising share: 40% **Programing breakdown** Children's/youth: 11.4% Sports: 4.0% Drama/fiction: 25.1% Film: 12.2% News: 16.4% Variety: 20.8%

Program sources

Produced in-house: 60% Commissioned from external producer: 26% Acquired: 14% **Top-rated programs** Regal Presents Tagalog Favorites TV Patriol, news Maala-Ala Mo Kaya, drama

GMA Radio Television Arts

RBS Building EDSA Quezon City Philippines Telephone +63 2 997 021 Fax +63 2 924 3066 **Corporate profile** Publicly supported: no Delivery system: terrestrial and satellite **Personnel** Chief executive: Menardo Jimenez Program director: Lenny Parto

IBC Channel 13 (Inter continental Broadcasting Corp.)

Broadcast City, Capital Hills, Diliman Quezon City Philippines Telephone + 63 2 9315080 Fax + 63 2 9318028 **Corporate profile** Publicly supported: yes Ownership details: 50% private, 50% government Delivery system: terrestrial Broadcast language: English **Personnel** Chief executive: Rino Basilio Program director: Reynaldo Benedicto

SINGAPORE

Basic Data Population (000): 2,814 GNP per capita (US\$, 1992): 15,750 TV households: 720,000 Average daily viewing (min): 111 Total advertising expenditure (\$ million, 1993): 521 TV advertising expenditure: 32.8% Cable penetration: 3.0% Broadcast standard: PAL, System B Regulatory body: Ministry of Information & the Arts, 460 Alexandra Road 36-00, PSA Building, Singapore 0511 Tel: 270 7988 Exchange rate: \$1=S\$1.58 Time difference (+/- GMT): +8

Leading buyers: Singapore Broadcasting Corp. (Channels 5,8,12) Channel 5

Caldecott Hill, Andrew Road Singapore 1129 Singapore Telephone +65 256 0401 Fax +65 3551195 **Corporate** profile Publicly supported: yes Ownership details: government channel undergoing private flotation Year established: 1980 Delivery system: terrestrial Number of households reached: 720.000 Broadcast language: English, Chinese, Malay, Tamil Geographical territory covered: Singapore Personnel

Chief executive: Moses Lee (general manager)

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Tham Loke Kheng (manager Channel 5) Audience share: (daily cume) 50% Advertising share: (all SBC channels) 31.6%

Programing breakdown Children's/youth: 9% Sports: 8% Drama/fiction: 42% Talk: 16% Information, education, culture: 25% **Program sources**

Produced in-house: 34% Acquired: 66% Acquired from the U.S.: 48% Top-rated program A Nation on Parade

Channel 8

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Corporate profile

Publicly supported: yes Year established: 1980 Number of households reached: 720,000 Broadcast language: English, Chinese, Malay, Tamil Geographical territory covered: Singapore

Personnel

Chief executive: Moses Lee (general manager)

Program director: Sandra Buenaventura Caldecott Hill, Andrew Road Singapore 1129 Singapore Telephone +65 256 0401 Fax +65 3551195

Corporate profile

Year established: 1980 Number of households reached: 720,000

Broadcast language: English, Mandarin Geographical territory covered: Singapore

Personnel

Chief executive: Moses Lee (general manager) Program director: Sandra Buenaventura (acquisitions and programing), Amy

Chua (manager, Channel 12) Audience share: (daily cume) 17% Advertising share: (all SBC channels) 31.6%

Programing breakdown Children's/youth: 9% Sports: 8% Drama/fiction: 42% Talk: 16% Information, education, culture: 25% **Program sources** Produced in-house: 34% Acquired: 66% Acquired from the U.S.: 48% **Top-rated programs**

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Singapore CableVision Pte. Ltd.

150 Beach Road 30-00 Gateway West Singapore 0719 Singapore Telephone +65 299 5088 Fax +65 299 6313 **Corporate profile**

Publicly supported: yes

Ownership details: Singapore International Media (wholly owned subsidiary of Temesak Holdings) 65%, Singapore Broadcasting Corp. 35% Delivery system: terrestrial

Personnel

Chief executive: Chang Long Kiat (general manager) Program director: Sandie Lee

SOUTH KOREA

Basic data:

Population (000): 43,663 GNP per capita (US\$, 1992): 6,790 TV households: 10,800,000 Average daily viewing (min): 132 Total advertising expenditure (\$ million, 1993): 4,404 TV advertising expenditure: 28.3% Satellite penetration: 3.1% Broadcast standard: NTSC, System M Regulatory body: Ministry of Communications, 100 Sejongno, Chongno-ku, Seoul 110-777 Tel: 2 750 2800 Exchange rate: \$1=W809.22 Time difference (+/- GMT): +9

Korean Broadcasting Sys-tem, KBS 1 & 2

18 Yoido-dong Youngdungpo-gu Seoul 150-790 South Korea Telephone +82 2 781 1000 Fax +82 2 781 3089 **Corporate profile** Publicly supported: yes Delivery system: terrestrial Broadcast language: Korean Personnel Chief executive: Too-Pyo Hong Program director: Hyung-Woo Kang Audience share: KBS 1 17%, KBS 2 25%

TAIWAN

Basic Data Population (000): 19,000 GNP per capita (US\$, 1992): 8,330 TV households: 7,000,000 Average daily viewing (min): 157 Total advertising expenditure (\$ million, 1993): 3,099 TV advertising expenditure: 33.5% Cable penetration: 37% Satellite penetration: 3% Broadcast standard: NTSC, System M Regulatory body: Government Information Office, 2 Tientsin Street, Taipei Tel 02 322 8888 Exchange rate: \$1=Taiwan\$26.41 Time difference (+/- GMT): +8

China Television Co.

120 Chung-Yang Road, Nankang Taipei Taiwan Telephone +886 2 789 6321/+886 2 783 8308 Fax +886 2 783 3069 **Corporate profile** Publicly supported: no Year established: 1969 Delivery system: terrestrial Number of households reached: 5.5 million Broadcast language: Mandarin, Chinese, English Personnel Chief executive: Yung Kwei Shih

Program director: Yueming Sung Head of acquisitions: William Hu

Advertising share: 30% Programing budget: \$4 million Programing breakdown Children's/youth: 8% Sports: 4% Film: 8% Games: 10% News: 14% **Program sources** Produced in-house: 72% Acquired: 28% Acquired from the U.S.: 28%

THAILAND

Basic Data Population (000): 57,992 GNP per capita (US\$, 1992): 1,840 TV households: 10,049,000 Average daily viewing (min): 107 Total advertising expenditure (\$ million, 1993): 989 TV advertising expenditure: 50.2% Cable penetration: 1.5% Satellite penetration: .4% Broadcast standard: PAL, Systems B & M Regulatory body: Ministry of Communications, Tahnon Ratchadamnoen Nok, Bangkok 10100 Tel: 2 282 3857 Exchange rate: \$1=Bt25.25 Time difference (+/- GMT): +7

IBC Cable TV (International Broadcasting Corp.)

1376/1 Nakorn Chaisri Road, Dusit 10300 Bangkok Thailand Telephone +66 2 281 8181 Fax +66 2 243 5987 **Corporate profile** Publicly supported: no Ownership details: Shinawatra Group of Cos. Year established: 1989 Delivery system: cable Number of households reached: 100.000 Broadcast language: Thai, English Number of subscribers: 90,000 Personnel Chief executive: Phensom Damapong Program director: Attaphon Na Bangxang Head of acquisitions: Chanchai Tien-Ngam Top-rated programs America's Funniest Home Videos, Monday-Thursday, 20:00

Cinema Cinema Cinema, film, Sunday, 18:30 Demi Gods and Semi Devils, drama, Monday-Wednesday, 19:00

Royal Thai Army Television-Channel 5

Phaholyothin Street, Sanampao Bangkok 10400 Thailand Telephone +66 2 271 0060-9 Fax +66 2 270 1510

Central authority for

regional broadcasters: Eastern Region: Channel 4 Rayong, Channel 8 Prachinburi Northern Region: Channel 4 Phrae, Channel 4 Lampang, Channel 5 Chiang Mai, Channel 12 Chiang Rai, Channel 3 Phetchabun, Channel 11 Phitsanulok, Channel 8 Nakhon Sawan North Eastern Region: Channel 5 Buri Ram, Channel 5 Sukon Nakhon, Channel 11 Khon Kaen, Channel 10 Ubon

Ratchthani, Channel 8 Nakhon Ratchasime, Channel 6 Nong Khai Southern Region: Channel 4 Prachuap Khiri Khan, Channel 8 Songkhla, Channel 4 Surat Thani, Channel 3 Phuket, Channel 3 Yala, Channel 5 Nakhon Si Thammarat, Channel 4 Narathiwat, Channel 7 Satun **Corporate** profile

Publicly supported: yes Personnel Chief executive: Jarupun Buranasongkarm (managing director)

Thai Sky TV

Audience share: 20%

21 TST Tower, 9th floor, Viphavadirangsit Road, Jatujak Bangkok 10900 Thailand Telephone +66 2 237 8977 **Corporate profile** Publicly supported: no Thai TV Channel 3 (Bangkok Entertainment Co.) Vanit Bldg. 11261 New Petchburi Rd. Bangkok 10400 Thailand Telephone +66 2 253 9970 Fax +66 2 253 9928 **Central authority for** regional broadcasters: Central Region: Channel 6 Nakhon

Sawan Eastern Region: Channel 6 Rayong, Channel 7 Trat, Channel 6 Prachinburi Northern Region: Channel 3 Chiang Mai, Channel 3 Sukhothai, Channel 8 Chiang Rai, Channel 11 Phetchabun, Channel 6 Lampang, Channel 6 Phrae, Channel 7 Nan, Channel 6 Mae Hong Son, Channel 6 Tak North Eastern Region: Channel 2 Nakhon Ratchasima, Channel 6 Ubon Ratchthani, Channel 7 Sakon Nakhon, Channel 12 Udon Thani, Channel 7 Surin, Channel 7 Kohn Kaen, Channel 12 Loei Southern Region: Channel 6 Prachuap Khiri Khan, Channel 11 Chumphon, Channel 11 Nakhon Si Thammarat, Channel 6 Surat Thani, Channel 11

Phuket, Channel 9 Yala, Channel 2 Songkhla, Channel 11 Ranong, Channel 6 Trang, Channel 11 Satun, Channel 6 Phangnga **Corporate** profile

Publicly supported: no Year established: 1970 Delivery system: satellite Broadcast language: Thai

Personnel

Chief executive: Praparn Maleenont Program director: Pracha Maleenont Head of acquisitions: Amphon Maleenont

Audience share: 25% Program sources: Acquired: 18.1% Top-rated programs:

Tukka Reung Rabum, drama, Monday and Tuesday, 20:30 Kluen Chee Wit, drama, Wednesday,

20:30 Sisan Banterng, magazine, daily, 20:25

Katoon Mansa, cartoon, daily, 20:20 News, news, daily, 20:00

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NIGHT EYES 3 ANDREW STEVENS, SHANNON TWEED He's hired to protect the superstar lead of a top TV cop show from a stalker. Soon he finds the more he watches...the more he wants her. Avail: 5/96 Run Time: 95:32 Relcased: 9/93



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Cable ups programing ante

New pavilion will showcase off-cable net fare

By Rich Brown

able is becoming a bigger force at NATPE in more ways than one. As buyers, cable networks are becoming bidders in a growing number of deals. As sellers, they are offering more off-net product than ever.

In fact, NATPE for the first time ever will feature a cable pavilion when it opens its annual convention this week in Las Vegas. E! Entertainment Television, Playboy, Spice, The Discovery Channel and The Outdoor Channel will be among the exhibitors. And 328 preregistered cable executives will be among the buyers and sellers walking the floor of the show.

Although cable networks have had limited experience launching off-cable series, the tide appears to be turning. Fox earlier this month debuted an edited weekly-broadcast version of *Dream On*, the adult sitcom that has aired on HBO since 1990. The deal follows an earlier agreement with Fox to air edited versions of HBO's *Tales From the Crypt*, which currently enjoys strong ratings as part of the broadcaster's Saturday morning lineup.

And there's still more to come. HBO recently cut a deal with Rysher that enables the syndicator to shop 70 episodes of its highest-ever rated original series *The Hitchhiker*. The network also is busy shopping its big-budget original movies and is preparing a roll-out of the critically acclaimed comedy series *The Larry Sanders Show*.

Lifetime also is becoming a launching ground for original off-net programing with *Shop 'Til You Drop*, a game show that is now being shopped in syndication after four years on the cable network. Producer Stone Stanley Productions has struck a deal with syndicator ACI to shop reruns of the show with first-run episodes targeted for the 1996-97 season. Judy Girard, senior vice president of programing and production at Lifetime, hopes to be able to convince syndicators at NATPE that the women's network is a good place to incubate new shows. She says networks like Lifetime provide a better environment for new shows than does the TV station syndication marketplace because it is a less intense arena with greater opportunity to develop product on-air. Debuting a show on Lifetime also enables a syndicator to try out new ideas that might be considered too experimental for syndication, she says.

Court TV and New Line Television have high hopes for the network's syndicated weekly spinoff series *Court TV: Inside America's Courts*, which debuted on TV stations in fall 1993. The



Genesis's 'Tales From the Crypt'

partners will be looking to push a daily syndicated version of the show to stations at NATPE this week.

Meanwhile. cable networks continue to look to buy off-net programing to supplement the original shows on their sched-

ules. Despite an increase in original production at the nation's cable networks, off-net programing like USA's *Murder, She Wrote* consistently ranks among the highest-rated series on basic cable.

Although Lifetime has made a major push into original programing in the past year, Girard says the network still is looking to strengthen its off-network acquisitions with series that can duplicate the success of its *Designing Women* reruns.

TNT is becoming a bigger shopper in the syndication marketplace as many of the movies in the Turner Broadcasting library shift to sister network Turner Classic Movies. Since TCM's debut, new additions to the TNT lineup have included *In the Heat of the Night, Starsky and Hutch* and *Kung Fu: The Legend Continues.* TNT was among the basic cable networks said to recently be eyeing off-network rights to *Melrose Place*, the hit Fox drama currently being shopped by Worldvision.

The Family Channel is expected to continue to be a buyer of off-net hours with the possible addition of *Dr. Quinn, Medicine Woman*, the off-net CBS drama that is being shopped to TV stations by MTM TV Distribution. (MTM and Family Channel are owned by International Family Entertainment.)

E! Entertainment Television also is surfacing as a buyer for off-net dramas. The network recently began airing *Hotel* on weeknights at 8 and is said to be in the market for additional hours to add to its lineup. The network has been among those reportedly eyeing off-net hours *Picket Fences* and *Melrose Place*.

A major effort for E! at NATPE will be shopping several of its original series to international customers, says Christopher Fager, senior vice president, business and legal affairs. E! this week will open its first-ever booth at NATPE, which he says has become the most important international



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market for E! behind the MIDEM gatherings. Fager says the network already has 50 customers in more than 100 countries for its original programing, with international sales representing as much as 15% of the network's annual revenue. He says E! has seen a boost in its sales with the proliferation of new movie channels overseas seeking interstitial material in Hollywood.

New product being offered for sale by E! at NATPE will include 26 half-hour episodes of the Brandon Tartikoff-produced Q&E! and hour-long live specials covering major Hollywood movie premieres. Some of the other shows being licensed by E! include The Gossip Show, FYE! For Your Entertainment, E! News Week in Review and Behind the Scenes.

Among other cable networks looking to sell offnet product to international buyers at NATPE will be MTV, which is pitching its new *Sandblast* gameshow. Country Music Television will be working from the booth of one of its parent companies, Gaylord Entertainment, to sell the music video network in Asia, Latin America and elsewhere around the world.

Comedy Central this year will be going to NATPE for the first time as both buyer and seller. The network has just hired former Broadway Video executive Adrian Blake to handle international distribution, and he will be at NATPE looking to license such original Comedy Central series as *Politically Incorrect*, *The A List* and *Comic Justice*. The network also will be seeking international partners for such programing as its new *Exit 57* comedy series.

Comedy Central, like virtually all of the basic cable networks, is always on the lookout for acquisitions to supplement its original programing and existing library. Happy with the performance of movies on the network, it is trying to build its movie library, says Ben Zurier, vice president of development and acquisitions. Some cable network programing executives say they could face less competition for movie packages as more independent TV stations fill their schedules with first-run programing from the UPN and Warner Bros. networks.

Based on Comedy Central's recent success with British import *Absolutely Fabulous*, Zurier says he will be on the lookout for more international programing. He says the network also will be keeping an eye out for some of the smaller series, like shortlived cult hit *Police Squad*.

Zurier says some syndicators are better than others at recognizing the importance of cable networks as buyers at NATPE. He says Columbia Pictures Television, for example, is among those companies that aggressively court cable companies with such gestures as an annual dinner at NATPE.

"Some syndicators get it, and others are learning," says Zurier.

Infomercial marketers make their pitch

Companies tout increasing numbers of blue-chip infomercial advertisers

By Rich Brown

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espite its somewhat checkered past, the infomercial business is luring a number of top manufacturers and cable industry players who see promise in the long-form commercial format.

Infomercial marketers will have the chance to make their pitches to TV stations at next week's NATPE meeting in Las Vegas. They also will be keeping a sharp eye out for international broadcasters, who are becoming bigger players in the infomercial business. Twenty-six countries now are represented among the National Infomercial Marketing Association's membership of 500 companies, including virtually all of Europe, many Pacific Rim countries, South Africa and Egypt.

The infomercial industry will be out in force at this year's convention with its second annual infomercial pavilion, a large booth featuring up to 20 of the top infomercial marketers in the country. The industry also will be represented with two NIMA-sponsored sessions at the convention: "Infomercials: Boon or Boondoggle," with Bob Steres of Petry, Robert Finke of WPRI-TV Providence, R.I.; Katie Williams of Williams Television Time, and Jan Wade of WHAE-TV Knoxville, Tenn.; and "Electronic Retailing and Can It Work for Broadcasting," moderated by Earl Greenberg of Transactional Media.

The infomercial business continues to be dogged by persistent perception problems; an article in *Forbes* earlier this month referred to the industry as "infested with



scam artists" and described at least three companies (Twin Star, Regal Communications and National Media) as having filed or being close to filing for bankruptcy protection. Nevertheless, the magazine said infomercials may yet have a bright future.

Indeed, some top manufacturers already have started to get their feet wet in the infomercial business. Infomercial executives are eager to tout the well-established and reputable companies that



Dianne Warwick's Psychic Friends Network has generated over 4 million calls since its inception in 1991. Tony Little,(I) sold more than 200,000 "AB Isolators" in two months.

are making their entry into the business: Magnavox, Sega, Toyota, Apple Computers and Phillips Electronics, among others. The companies describe their big-ticket merchandise during the 30minute infomercials and then provide an 800 telephone number that supplies the names of local dealers. The ads mark a departure from the more traditional infomercial promoting lower-priced merchandise that is immediately sold through an 800 number.

"There's a lot of experimentation going on with different formats," says NIMA's Helene Blake.

The infomercial business took in about \$1 billion in sales in 1994, up from \$900 million in 1993, says Blake. She says the industry has shown progressive growth every year except 1991, when

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the Gulf War and the recession took their toll on sales. Infomercial revenue currently is split 60%-40% between broadcast and cable, according to Blake.

The cable industry clearly is looking to get a bigger piece of the pie. QVC last year launched a direct marketing division. QDirect, which in its first project sold \$200,000 in soccer merchandise to World Cup fans watching ESPN. Home Shopping Network followed its lead a few months later, teaming with infomercial producer Kevin Harrington to create HSN Direct, producing long-form commercials for worldwide distribution.

Twelve of the nation's top cable networks now offer more than 20 hours per week of infomercial programing, according to the Cabletelevision Advertising Bureau. The CAB says those with the most paid programing hours per week are Lifetime (52), Black Entertainment Television (48), and The Nashville Network and The Discovery Channel (42 each). Infomercials also are finding more time on cable as many of the new networks, such as America's Talking and fX, fill out their schedules with several hours of infomercials each week.

The proliferation of new cable networks also is leading to all-infomercial formats. New York-based Consumer Resource Network, launched by marketing company Visual Services Inc. and advertising veteran Joseph O'Donnell, is a 24-hour channel designed to let corporations produce and air long-form programing promoting their wares. The network, which is testing in three markets and will be available nationally via satellite in late 1995, plans to pay cable system operators a persubscriber fee for carriage. Charter companies already producing informational programing for CRN include Ford Motor Co., Schering-Plough Pharmaceuticals, The State Farm Insurance Companies and Fidelity Investments.

"We welcome the proliferation of new networks," says Katie Williams of Williams Television Time, an ad agency with about \$67 million in billings in 1994, primarily tied to infomercials. "Infomercials are often a main part of their advertising revenue."

However, there could be a limit to how many infomercials on cable networks will be tolerated by cable system operators, many of whom are tired of giving the long-form commercials a platform without seeing any of the revenue.

MSOs instead are coming up with ways to make the money themselves. Top multiple system cable operators Cox Cable Communications and Jones Intercable recently formed a joint venture to combine their fledgling infomercial networks, Consumer Information Network and Product Information Network, which allow MSOs to share in the merchandise revenue. The combined Cox-Jones networks reach 2.4 million households nationally.

"As you study the infomercial industry, it is the fastestgrowing advertising segment in America," says Greg Liptak, president of Jones Satellite Networks and program director, Product Information Network. In the past 10 years, he says, the industry's annual

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APA International Film Dist. 6480 7400 SW 50th Terrace, Suite 202 Miami, FL 33155

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125 DuPont St. Toronto, Ontario, Canada M5R 1V4 Staff: Les Harris, Jane Harris, Dierdre Hogan, Arlene Singh. Programs: Curse of the Lost Gold Mine, Galley Chefs, Everest-Climb for Hope, Flight of the Sky Hawks, Snowbirds, By the Seat of Their Pants, Threads of Hope, Vincent Price's Dracula, Marquette Challenge, Frontier Footlights, The History of Aviation: Chabot Solo. The Family Violence Series, Theatre Behind Bars, Kid\$ 4 Sale, Padre Pablo: Fighter for Justice, 444 Days to Freedom, Snowmotion I & II. Northern Rage, Sud-

den Exposure, Fishing the North, Gary Cooper's Fishing Diary, The King of Friday Night, Till Death Do Us Part, Escape from Iran, Kootenai Brown, Take Off, Free to Fly, Vid Kids, Changing Focus.

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Staff: Pay Kenney, Herb Lazarus, Jerrry Leifer, Richard Zimmer, Bob Lloyd, Christie Hawks, Scott Weber. Programs: Off-network series-21 Jump Street, Wiseauv, Greatest American Hero, Tenspeed and Brownshoe, Booker. First-run series—Hawkeye, Renegade, Street Justice, Cobra. Game shows—Caesars Challenge, Personals. Network-Marker, The Return of Hunter, Lassiter, Profit.

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Studio City, CA 91604 Staff: Stuart Glickman. Programs: Grace Under Fire, Roseanne, The Cosby Show, A Different World.

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Castle Hill Productions 8400 1414 Avenue of the Americas New York, NY 10019

Staff: Julian Schlossberg, Mel Maron, Milly Sherman, Barbara Karmel, David Wright. Programs: Volume III (package of 15 feature films)--- "An American Summer," "Control," "Defense," "Double Edge," "A Fine Romance," "The Image Maker," "Innocent Victim," "In the Spirit," "Iron Maze," "Julia and Julia," "Paper Mask," "Prayer of the Rollerboys," "Primary Motive," "Voyager," "White Light"; Volume IV (package of 15 feature films)-"Across the Tracks," "Alan & Naomi," "A Climate fracks," "Alan & Naomi," "A Climate for Killing," "Desire & Hell at Sunset Motel," "The Hawk," "Honor Among Thieves," "Matewan," "Rider on the Rain," "The Secret Rapture," "The Seventh Coin," "Shaking the Tree," "Shoot," "Sweet Justice," "Tim," "Who Shot Pat?"; Hercules Collection (seven feature films)—"Hercules vs. the Molloch," "Lion of Thebes," "The Trojan Horse," "Son of Hercules vs. Medusa," "Hercules vs. the Hydra," "Hercules vs. the Sons of the Sun," "Triumph of Hercules"; Made in Hollywood (27 classic feature films from

the 1930s and 1940s)-"The American Empire," "I Married a Witch," "I can Empire, "I Marneo a Witch, "I Met My Love Again," "Blockade," "Buckskin in Frontier," "The Kansan," "History Is Made at Midnight," "Heart-beat," "Young & Willing," "Silver Queen," "The House Across the Bay," "Stagecoach," "To Be or Not to Be," "A Night in Casablanca," "The Warmen of the Town" "The Crustal Woman of the Town," "The Crystal Ball," "Eternally Yours," "52nd Street," "Stand-in," "The Long Voyage Home," "Slightly Honorable, "Foreign Correspondent," "You Only Live Once," "Winter Carnival, "Tradewinds," "Vogues of 1938," "Sundown."

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Toronto, Ontario, Canada M5W IE6 Staff: Dina Vangelisti, Criss Hajek, Lucie Poudrier, Thomas Howe. Pro-grams: Movie package (29 films)*— Street Legal, The Nature of Things, The Beachcombers.

CBS Broadcast International 8201 51 W. 52nd St.

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6900 02 Commission 51 S. University Ave., Suite 110 Provo, UT 84601

Staff: Marilyn Toone. Services: Assistance in finding and securing locations: assistance in obtaining proper permits; liaison services for production company and community.

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Los Angeles, CA 90048

Staff: Irving Brand, Jules Fiske, Ralph V. Caputo, Jonathan Gunn, Jacob Zilberg, Michael C. Fahn, Daniel L. Diamond, Martin Weisman. Programs: Features/packages-Primetime Bold Ones (13 titles), Cherry a la Mode (32 titles), Dinner at Eight (14 titles), Mobster Theater (5 titles). Series—Hot Shots. Animated-First Aid for Children, Dynamagic. Specials—Hostile Witness, Circuit, Legends of the West. Miniseries-Lincoln, Young Catherine, The Nightmare Years, Anastasia, Hostile Witness, Deceptions, Murder Ordained, Adventures of Huck-leberry Finn. New features—Out

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New York, NY 10017

Staff: Bruce L. Paisner, William E. Miller, Gerald Abrams, Steve Weiser, Robert L. Corona, Bob Mahlman, Tom Devlin, Michael Doury, Jerry Diaz, Stacey Valenza, Laurie Tritini, Gerald Bixenspan. Programs: The New Adventures of Flash Gordon*, Phantom 2040*. Series/first-run— Success by 6 (public service cam-paign), The Red Green Show. Features/packages-Marquee V: 14 feature-length films featuring stars, including Dennis Hopper, Anne Archer, Michael Caine, Justine Bateman, Mia Sara, Anthony LaPaglia, Louis Gossett Jr., Richard Dean Anderson, Keith Carradine; The World of Nature. International: Features-See Jane Run*, Choices of the Heart*, Betrayed: The Story of Three Women*, Dancing in the Dark*, Higher Laws*. Series/firstrun-In the Name of Love*, Short Story Cinema*, Modern Marvels*. Specials—Smithsonian Expedition*, Harley-Davidson: The American Motorcycle*, Made in the USA*, Fantasies of the Stars*. Animation— Phantom 2040*, The Magical Adventures of Quasimodo*, The New Adventures of Flash Gordon* Returning product: Animated—Orig-inal Popeye, Cool McCool, Beetle Bailey, Barney Google & Snuffy Smith, Krazy Kat. Series/off-network-Original Blondie, Eerie, Indiana, Original Flash Gordon, Brewster Place. Features-Marquee IV, The Performers II, The Performers I. Other-Hearst Reports, TV Time Capsules. Features-Over 200 feature-length films and miniseries, The Veronica Clare Collection, Original Blondie, Original Flash Gordon, Creature Features. Animated—The Legend of Prince Valiant, All New Popeye, Original Popeye, Popeye & Son, Animated Flash Gordon, Cool McCool, Beetle Bailey, Barney Google & Snuffy Smith, Krazy Kat, Defenders of the Earth, G-Force, Adventures of the Galaxy Rangers, Animated Specials (Betty Boop, Beetle Bailey, Hagar, Blondie), King Video Comics (Home Video Only). Series-Eerie, Indiana, Perspective on Greatness, Brewster Place, What Happened? Other-Hearst Reports. Cosmo Videos, Esquire, Chronicle, Time Capsule.

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Passion, Symphony on Ice. Miniseries-Second Chances, When Love Kills, Touch & Die, Night of the Fox, People Like Us, Poor Little Rich Girl, At Mother's Request, Robbery Under Arms, Billionaire Boys Club, Sidney Sheldon's Windmills of the Gods, Jesus of Nazareth, Onassis, A Dangerous Life, Moses the Lawgiver.

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The Diamonds, Fats Domino. Documentaries-Big Lies: Parent's Guide to Drugs, Violence & More, Women & Heart Disease, Making Two Healthy Bodies, Life Inside, Childproof, Stress Reduction, Parenting. Children-Philip & Henry Safety Magic, selected cartoons. Travel-Florida State Campgrounds (The Panhandle), Florida Campgrounds (Central), Florida Campgrounds (South Florida). In development-The Jake Logan Series (26 romantic westerns).

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New York, NY 10022

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Meeting progress halfway

The National Association of Broadcasters television board has opted for the prudent position toward FCC Chairman Reed Hundt's initiative proposing a liberalization of the multiple ownership limits. Hundt's scheme would open up the possibilities, in stages, to a maximum 50% coverage of total television homes. The NAB plan endorsed the first stage—up to 30% of homes (the current limit is 25%). Beyond that, it is electing to wait and see.

Freedom is hard to get used to. Broadcasters have been cooped up for so long in a regulated world that there's a tendency to head for FCC cover whenever there's a glimpse of open skies. This page, on the other hand, has been hankering for release for so long that the Hundt proposal seems timid. We think there should be no multiple ownership limits at all, and that redress of bigness issues should be left to the courts and the antitrust division. As far as we're concerned, the only government regulation that's worth its salt is the First Amendment.

So we're glad the NAB has left the door open. What this industry needs is a resurgence of free enterprise and possibility. The future is going to be hard enough to handle without being tied down by the past.

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There seems to be some light at the end of the tunnel on the Reed Hundt watch. The chairman's approach to multiple ownership is one we'd grade as (relatively) liberal, and his marketplace approach to digital television promises to be at once open-minded and forward-thinking. If only he could shake free of the social compact that dogs his administration—the same old social compact that's been hanging over broadcasters' heads since the beginning of airtime. As a condition of existence, broadcasters have been denied the right to editorialize, required to suffer the fairness doctrine, been cut to the nub on the number of facilities they could own, and one thing after another to secure their second-class citizenship. Now, with facilities so abundant and media so many that scarcity is no longer an excuse for government intervention, the FCC is threatening to come up with new ways to breach the First Amendment as a condition of progress.

There seem to be at least three arrows in the Hundt bow: children's television, reduction in TV violence and (if one can be singled out as worst of all) free time for politicians. This page summarily rejects all three on grounds of First Amendment infringement. We are so committed to a free-press approach to radio and television that the idea of governmentally imposed program dictates is anathema. But the sad thing is, those in positions of power and many in the audience are loath to release the electronic media from their influence.

Until there is a national consensus that the First Amendment is the way to go, each of these infringements must be opposed on its own. There must not be a trade-off between all the things that broadcasters require (a rise in multiple ownership or a second channel) and what the politicians seek to acquire or impose.

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Thus far, Reed Hundt has succeeded in keeping the quid away from the quo, although gravity may be against him with the second channel. There's so much at stake in that regard that broadcasters will face enormous pressure to justify their occupancy of precious spectrum. For our part, the record of the medium to date is compelling, but we're an easier sell than most. Somebody out there ought to be putting the defense team in place.

This is the moment to set broadcasting free. It's time to accord the over-air medium first-class citizenship for the 21st century. That's an ambition any FCC can pursue righteously.

The show in show business

It's NATPE time, just in time to remind broadcasters that all the other issues of their days and nights—politics and pressures and all manner of media madness—are just there to make possible what goes on the air.

It's a staggering amount of product, of course, but still just enough to satisfy one person at a time. From early morning to late night, whether news or entertainment or sports, the variety of television defies keeping up with.

So too with NATPE itself. In addition to the main tent, with hundreds of exhibitors from here and abroad presenting thousands of shows, this year there are additional pavilions for infomercial providers, cable programers and hightech companies. Considering Aaron Spelling's prolificacy (production deals with ABC, CBS, NBC, Fox, UPN, WB and for first-run, cable, international, theatricals and even CD-ROM) there might well be a pavilion for our cover subject and NATPE's Lifetime Achievement Award winner. He's everywhere.

By now, the number of television possibilities out there must be in the billions—and here comes the superhighway with its infinite possibilities. TV programers no longer can operate under the "Field of Dreams" motto: "If you build it, they will come." There will be a hundred people building it. Perhaps the new maxim should be: "If you promote it well enough, and its appeal is either broad enough or correctly targeted, they may stop by."

Those with brand identity will have a big head start. Building or heightening brand identity will be an imperative in that imposing new media future. Just look at the new network players hoping to establish just such a brand. Familiar names and faces—be they mice or peacocks or even frogs—will always be welcome in TV homes. Even more so, perhaps, as the cacophony of competing voices increases.

Distinctive, quality local programing is another way of establishing brand identity. And given the seismic shifts in the network/station relationship, local TV stations increasingly will look to their own devices—and programing—to set themselves apart from the other 499 channels.

We'd be dismayed if we didn't know that when it comes to television hits, there's always room for one more.

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