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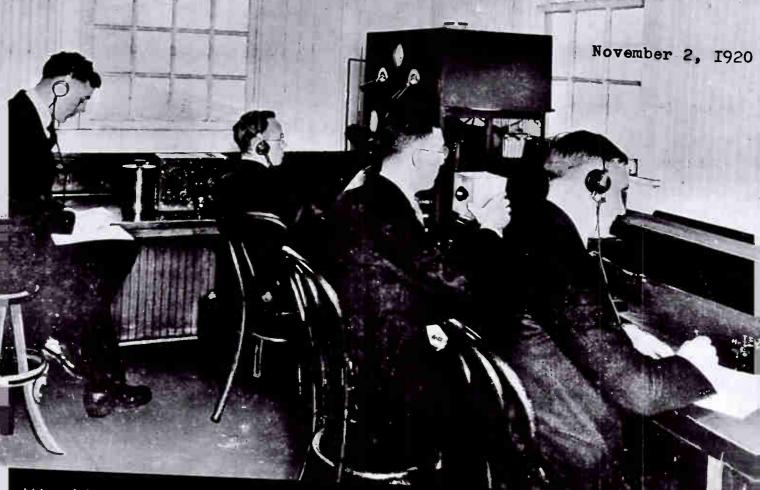
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The partnership OF RADIO & AMERICAN MARKETING THEN, NOW, AND BEYOND 2000

## These words changed our world forever...

## "This is KDKA

of the Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing Company in East Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.
We shall now broadcast the election returns....!!



We celebrate the pioneering spirit hat sparked the birth of broadcasting. That vision lives on today and will inspire our leadership for the NEXT 75 years.

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#### LOOKING BACK AT A RICH HISTORY & FORWARD AT NEW FRONTIERS.

#### -A LETTER FROM THE EDITOR-

o Americans, radio is as much a part of twentieth century innovation as the automobile, the airplane or the telephone. Its role in American life and history is legend. Radio is truly the cornerstone of mass communications and broadcast entertain-

In this radio's 75th year, we celebrate radio's role as the first mass medium. Radio is the great entertainer, informer and companion we have all grown up with. We rely on radio every day to make our lives happier, better and more complete.

For those marketers who have mastered the medium through its programming and creative, theirs is a rich history of innovation and growth.

In this, radio's 75th official year, we take an abbreviated look (it would take an encyclopedia to report the entire history and impact of radio on American life and advertising) at radio's past, present and future. The past is rich, vivid and alive in our memories. The present is one of a medium that is an integral and personal part of all of our lives, and our businesses. It is constantly alive and reflective of the American mosaic. Finally, we take a glimpse into the future, through the viewpoint of many of the professionals who make radio their life's work.

s we go forward into the 21st century, radio will continue to Agrow, constantly keeping step with technology and increasing its critical involvement in advancing American business and society.

Laurence W. Norjean President /CEO STRATICOMM AMERICA



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## IN THE BEGINNING...

odern radio began on November 2, 1920, in Pittsburgh when KDKA, the nation's first federally-licensed station, broadcast the Harding-Cox election returns. The first disk jockey was ham radio operator Frank Conrad of Westinghouse, who in 1919 played records supplied by a local store in exchange for free plugs on the air (even then they were making barter deals!). KQW in San Jose, CA (forerunner of today's KCBS, San Francisco), claims to be the first

radio station, dating from 1909, though they didn't accept advertising

until 1925.



Many of today's program types began in radio's first year (on KDKA): live sports play-by-play coverage (Pirates vs. Phillies baseball game August 5, 1921), continuously up-dated newscasts (September 1921), and religious broadcasts (November 1921). Who wanted to get into radio? Many early pioneers were major market newspaper publishers who wanted a broadcast voice for their news operations, radio manufacturers who wanted to broaden the market for their products, and a variety

of electronics "hobbyists" of that era.



#### ADVERTISING:

#### "WHAT HAVE YOU DONE WITH MY CHILD?"

ong before the FCC came into being in 1934, the U.S. Department of Commerce was the official licensing authority. In 1921, 28 licenses were granted; in 1922 some 662 more were issued. In 1927, the Federal Radio Commission was established. At first, advertising was considered in very poor taste. Dr. Lee De Forest, the inventor of the vacuum tube, stated:

"What have you done with my child? You have sent him out on the street in rag. ragtime to collect money from all and sundry. You have made of him a laughin stock of intelligence, surely a stench in the nostrils of the gods of the ionosphere." David Sarnoff,

THE FATHER

DR. FRANK CONRA

Even in the 20

RADIO WENT EVERYWIL

founder of NBC, said radio should be a public service medium "untainted" by money-making, and costs be borne by set manufacturers, distributors, and retailers. Herbert Hoover, then Secretary of Commerce, was shocked at the prospect of radio being "drowned in advertising chatter."

Some, however, kept an open mind. In 1923, Daniel Starch said, "The development of radio broad casting is presenting another possibility of mass communication which probably will be utilized advertising purposes. It is too early to predict what its possibilities may be or how successfully it m. utilized." William H. Rankin, in December 1922, was the first advertising agency executive to buy radio advertising for a national advertiser.

#### THE FIRST ADVERTISERS: USING RADIO TO BUILD AMERICA

In January 1925, the American Association of Advertising Agencies I created a radio committee, and by 1927 had established the standard clientagency-medium relationships so clients would not bypass their agencies to save on commissions (the first full-scale agency radio department was started at Ayer in 1928). Real estate advertisers should take pride in being the first radio client, as they used the medium to help America grow.

Not only did they give birth to an \$11 billion-plus industry, but they pioneered the infomerous well. The Queensborough Corp. bought ten minutes of air time for \$100 through the G Radio Service...the first radio rep!

Their spot ran on August 28, 1922, on WEAF (owned by AT&T) in New York City, to promote Hawthorne Court apartments in Jackson Heights. Despite the small audiences back then, all th apartments were rented and Queensborough continued to use radio to promote other properties.



LISTENING TO THEIR FAVORITE RADIO ADVENTURE - 1922

#### THE FIRST COMMERCIAL

et me enjoin upon you as you value your health and your hopes Lyour home happiness, to get away from the solid masses of brick, where the meager opening admitting a slant of sunlight is mockingly c a light shaft, and where children grow up starved for a run over a pat. grass and the sight of a tree.... Friends, you owe it to yourself and you. ily to leave the congested city and enjoy what nature intended you to e Visit our new apartment homes in Hawthorne Court, Jackson Heights, you may enjoy life in a friendly environment."

orld Radio History

## Back Then We Saw The Future In Radio ...





#### STATE OF THE INDUSTRY

By Charles Taylor

Time was, the music was enough. One spin up or down the radio dial, and it was pretty obvious if you were tuned to pop, rock, country or R&B. Listeners knew what to expect and advertisers, for the most part, understood where they were most likely to find the best cross section to push their products and services.

With the industry's boom in the early 1980s, radio suddenly became a high-stakes enterprise.

Stations that were barely worth the ground they sat On became gold mines. Chances are, if anyone besides the crickets in the hinterland tuned in, a station's value reached a minimum of \$10 million during the decade.

In the mean time, more and more stations were crammed along radio dials nationwide, listeners were inundated with MTV, Walkmans, compact discs and loads of other new competitors and, lo and behold, there came a recession.

As a result, programmers hustled to find out what listeners really wanted to hear and aimed to focus their formats more narrowly. Promotion directors investigated inventive new ways to find out more about listeners through interactive contesting, station listener clubs and powerful databases, all in an effort to build loyalty and ultimately, understand "everyman" and "everywoman" listening to their programming.

For the advertiser of the 1990s, this evolution has translated radio into a highly targetable medium and the fourth largest advertising vehicle in the nation. Why simply aim a product at R&B listeners, when you can now choose from rhythm CHR, hip hop, urban, AC, jazz or urban classics? Country, my lasso, would you be interested in young country, bluegrass, classic country or a hybrid that blends country with gospel, rock, talk or even polka?

Clearly, the livelihood of radio's future is intertwined with the industry's ability to understand and then attract a specific, targeted demographic. There simply is no such thing as a mainstream station today. To succeed: Niche, then target.

As radio closes in on the next century, station databases will become as important as the core artists that define their playlists. These modern-day gold mines will help advertisers define single-line factors like age, sex, race and birthdate, as well as more complex information like block group characteristics, addresses, marital status and children in a household. Many stations already are cross promoting with grocery stores and other businesses, gathering much of this information with a simple swipe of a station's UPC-equipped club card.

In 75 years, the radio industry has redefined itself many times over. In the last decade alone, broadcasters have initiated sophisticated computer-assisted tools to attract listeners. For advertisers looking to spend their money over the airwaves, these valueadded enticements should be music to their ears.

Charles Taylor is Editor of The Radio World Magazine, which reaches 14,000 radio station executives monthly. He cut his teeth in the industry on-air at WWOD-AM/WKZZ-FM in Lynchburg, Va., 15 years ago

## KDKA TODAY

K DKA is as integral a part of the fabric of Pittsburgh and the radio industry in 1995 as it was when it first captured the imagination of the public in the 1920's. KDKA is Pittsburgh's top-rated station today, as it has been for the better part of its ratings history. For advertisers, KDKA delivers not only ratings but an association with the tradition of radio and an exceptionally strong affinity between the station and its listeners.

Diane Cridland. KDKA's Director of Programming and News, attributes much of KDKA's modernday success to its relationship with the community, which encompasses local pride over the station's historic significance as well as its numerous efforts to assist and involve listeners. The station has strong ties to Pittsburgh's Children's Hospital, for example, and makes it a point to get its on-air talent out of the studio for such features as an annual free spaghetti breakfast and a search for the best hamburger in the city.

The Group W/Westinghouse news/talk station is the flagship for Pittsburgh Pirates baseball and Penn State football and basketball. Its programming is all locally-originated, with the exception of Rush Limbaugh from Noon-3PM weekdays.

The people of Pittsburgh are very prond and even protective of our station. "Cridland said. "We never have a problem filling jobs. Everyone seems to know the great tradition of KDKA and wants to be a part of broadcasting history. When I accepted the NAB's Marconi Award in 1994 for Legendary Station of the Year. I said I was accepting it on behalf of everyone who has ever worked at KDKA and contributed to our rich history. In may ways, we are Pittsburgh."



PITTSBURGII TODAY



TED JORDAN - $VP^*GM$  - KDK.1

#### ACCORDING TO MARKETERS..

The best thing about Radio is the fact that you can immediately measure results. It offers a flex bility we can't achieve in print or television."

Beverly Pronishar VP/Sales - Marketi Back Technologie

"We set out to generate bookings by using Radio as our primary medium, and we did just that."

Vicki Meyers Dir../Worldwide A Best Western

Radio is becoming more and more important to us as it becomes harder to reach the specific audience that buys our trucks."

R.M. "Mac" Wisne Chevrolet Truck Advertising Mana

"Radio is especially
deffective for the local
markets where we're able to tag individual stores."

Clint Clifford Sr. VP. Mgmnt..Sup Scali McCabe Slov (Agency For Perdu

Radio's success in launching the Lottery gave birth to the 'Winner's Radio Network.'"

George P. Anderser Director Minnesota Lottery

"Proving that it could fulfill our needs, Radio has become our primary advertising medium."

> Taylor N. Ingraha Marketing Directo Virgin Atlantic Airwa

ADVERUSER QUOTES COURTESY RADIO ADVERUSING BUREAU



### We Still Do

rom the original
16 stations of the
CBS Radio Network
to the CBS Radio Division
of today. We proudly
celebrate radio's 75th
anniversary. Here's to our
continued success.

#### THE SPONSOR IS BORN

7ithin the first six months, 25 companies, including Macy's, Metropolitan Life, and Colgate, began to advertise on WEAF. The first network radio sponsor was Cities Service (now Citgo), which started on NBC in February 1927. Over the years they sponsored the Goldman Band concerts and their own Band of America. During the worst of the Depression advertisers were spending \$600,000 a year in radio, and sales gradually improved as the economy rebounded. Strict standards were imposed on pioneer advertisers: no price-and-item hard sell, no mention of competitors, no sound

effects. A typical opening billboard would be: "These facilities are now engaged by (name of sponsor) for the broadcasting of (name of program)". As a result, creativity was virtually nonexistent.

PRESIDENT

HERBERT HOOVER

#### THE MEDIUM AND THE MESSAGE

In the late 1920's, most radio commercials used the same copy as in their print Lads. One of the pioneer users of humor was Emerson Drug Company for Ginger Mint Juleps (a soft drink) in 1927. Dramatized commercials began in 1929 with Fels-Naptha soap, and the first known national jingle is attributed to Wheaties, also in 1929. Many early radio programs were named after their

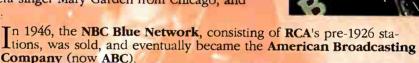
sponsors, including the A&P Gypsies, Eveready Hour, Cliquot Club Eskimos, and the Lucky Strike Radio Hour. Some of the most creative radio advertising copy was for radio sets.

#### NETWORK RADIO IS BORN THE MESSAGE GOES FROM COAST TO COAST

In 1923, WEAF, New York, hooked up with WNAC in Boston Land this was the start of "chain broadcasting," or networking.

A year later, by using its own telephone lines, AT&T, owner of WEAF, was operating a coast-to-coast network of twenty-three radio stations. A rival network of 4 stations was owned by the Radio Corporation of America, a consortium of radio set manufacturers. AT&T, fearing the loss of its telephone monopoly, got out of the radio business in 1926. It sold its radio stations to a new subsidiary of RCA, the National Broadcasting Company (now NBC Radio-now part of Westwood One Radio Networks), who thereafter operated two radio networks, the Red and the Blue.

Early networking simply involved sending sound on AT&T's high efficiency cable from the originating station to other stations with enough fidelity to allow a wireless rebroadcast. David Sarnoff, the head of NBC, created network broadcasting as it is known today on November 14, 1926. That night, those who listened to twenty-four NBC Red Network stations heard a program that included, among others, cowboy commentator Will Rogers broadcasting from Kansas City, opera singer Mary Garden from Chicago, and Eddie Cantor from New York.



The Columbia Broadcasting System was started in 1927 in Philadelphia, and control was purchased two years later by the advertising manager of his families cigar company, twenty-seven-yearold William S. Paley. He moved quickly to make the fledgling network competitive with the two established NBC networks.

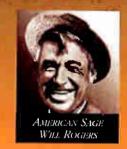
fourth network, Mutual, began in 1934 with WOR, then licensed Ain Newark, New Jersey, as its New York-area outlet. Mutual (now part of Westwood One) was the most freewheeling of the original radio networks. It made up in marketing what it lacked in resources. Regional coverage was offered to advertisers who did not want to broadcast throughout the entire country. Mutual also played recorded programs, a practice then prohibited by NBC and CBS

The New York-based flagship stations of the four networks have remained in constant operation. WEAF, from the NBC Red Network, is heard today in New York under the call letters WFAN. The Blue Network Station in New York, WJZ, broadcasts today as WABC. The original WABC is today's WCBS, WOR continues with its original call letters.

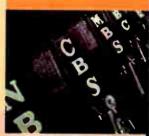


CHARLIE CHAPLIN ON-AIR -1928

As the 1920's ended, the stock market crashed but radio rose to new heights: 618 stations on the air. nine million bousebolds (30%) owning at least one set. Advertisers spent \$19 million on network radio and \$35-40 million locally in 1929.









1920 DARDANELLA
BEN SELVIN ORCHESTRA
1921 WANG WANG BLUES
PAUL WHITEMAN ORCH. 1922 APRIL SHOWERS AL JOLSON AL JOLSON
1923 PARADE OF THE
WOODEN SOLDIERS - PAUL
WHITEMAN & HIS ORCH.
1924 IT AIN'T GONNA RAIN
NO MO' - WENDER HALL
1925 YES SIR, THAT'S MY
BABY - GENE AUSTIN
1926 VALENCIA - PAUL
WHITEMAN & HIS ORCH.
1927 MY BIUF HEAVEN 1927 MY BLUE HEAVEN GENE AUSTIN
1928 SONNY BOY - AL JOLSON

1929 TIP-TOE THRU THE TULIPS - NICK LUCAS

TIME LIN

1895 Guglielmo Marcon Italy made the 1st radio communicating with shu at sea.

1901 Guglielmo Marcorn sent the first signal acros the Atlantic.

1906 The first known United States radio broad cast was made on December 24 by Regin A. Fessenden from Bra Rock, Mass.

1912 KQW in San Jose, Calif. began regular programming.

1920 KDKA-Pittsburgh w. the first licensed commen cial radio station. It we on air on November 2n with the presidential election returns between Warren G. Harding and James Cox.

1921 The first sportscas the first remote religiou service; the first broadc from a theater; the first prize fight was broadca by KDKA.

1921 Broadcasting's firs blooper occurs when Mayor Lew Shank of Indianapolis on a live microphone says, "People can bear me over this damned dingus?"

1921 The first comedy-va: ety show "The Happines Boys,"

aired on Oct. 18th on Will 1922 More than 500 licensed radio stations icthe US were on the air. 1922 WEAF in New York City was the first stational play a commercial on-a 1925 "The Golden Age of Broadcasting" begins. 1927 Built-in power supplies and A-C tubes wer introduced. These "plugradios made the new "nur acle" of radio a true hous:

hold convenience. 1927 Broadcast of Charles A. Lindbergh's triumphau. return from France. Late 1920's Console rad models become popular First "portable" radios introduced, weighed 40

1929 The radio becomes reliable and inexpensive form of entertainment d ing the Great Depression Smaller A-C cabinet "Cathedral" radios (also known as "midget" or "depression" models) become widely used.

## Bert Berdis & Compoiny COMPANY NEWSLETTER

A Newsletter That Comes From Us To You Whenever We Have The Time And Inclination To Do One

Volume VVXCMIVXI.53/4

Number IIII

#### A Word About MIS-MANAGE-MENT

David Frast: Bert, where do you get your ideas? How do you get to work with all that Hollywood talent? How can you produce spots in 24 hours? How come your spots sound so good? Huh? How? What's the deal? Huh?

**Bert Berdis:** As far as I know, we're the world's most complete turncoat operation.

David frast: "Turncoat?"

Bert Berdis: It's an industry term, David. It means we have a staff of improv comedy writers that sit around our "Roundtable." We act out the spots 'til they're sharp and funny, then our casting director recommends the best Hollywood talent. Then we hustle into one of our five digital studios engineered by guys who do over 1000 humorous radio spots a year. We do it all - the paperwork, dubs, phone patches, digital links to other cities, margaritas, and party favors. That's what we call a "turncoat" operation.

**David Frast:** Don't you mean "turnkey?"

**Bert Berdis:** Oh, shit. No wonder we're not that busy...

## HOLY PANCAKES, BATMAN!

PERKINS FAMILY
RESTAURANTS has
hired BATMAN, BARNEY
FIFE, JUNE CLEAVER, GOMEZ
ADDAMS, LOUISE JEFFERSON,
HORSHACK and EPSTEIN, MR.
BELVEDERE, and LASSIE'S
MOM to promote their line of
menu items.

In this clever series of radio commercials ADAM WEST, DON KNOTTS, BARBARA BILLINGSLEY, JOHN ASTIN, ISABEL SANFORD, RON PALILLO and ROBERT HEGYES, CHRISTOPHER HEWETT, and JUNE LOCKHART were asked to reprise the roles that made them famous in their TV sitcoms.

"Perkins wanted to project an image of family whole-someness," says Perkins Marketing Director Mike Kelly, "while at the same time making advertising that had impact. Bert and I have worked together for over 10 years and, in my opinion, it's not only perfect heartland humor, they sell like, well, Perkins pancakes!"

"What better way to slice through radio's clutter than by using celebs that were once welcome in our homes on television?" says Berdis. "Besides, they have great behind-the-scenes



**Dynamic Duo? What Dynamic Duo?** 



After cruising the same stretch of Sunset Boulevard as Hugh Grant for nearly six hours, Bert couldn't even get arrested. He did, however, get a sunburn.

## Welcome to CY.BERT.SPACE

As of already, BERT BERDIS & COMPANY is on-line! Reach us at BERTBERDIS. AOL.COM. Now dealing with BB&Co. is easier and painlesser than ever. That is, unless certain clients of ours are hogging the modem to visit the Vampire Sex Dungeon chat room. You know who you are. Don't make us talk to you again in this all-too-public forum.

#### BERT'S BUN MUT

Why is it...there's never enough money to do it right, yet there's always enough to do it over?



Executive Producer Peter Isacksen ("The Tallest One Here") with BILLY BARTY before a game of HORSE.

Besides estimating all of our jobs and scheduling ungodly turnaround times, Peter's the one with a line on the coolest hotels and the killerest tables at Morton's, Spago, and Fatburger.



WRITTEN

BY Writer-Savant JEFF SPENCER of LEO BURNETT COMPANY for SONY ELECTRONICS, this series of spots was designed to create an audio world somewhere between light and shadow. Burnett's Radio-Bon-Vivant George Moore enlisted the aid of BB&Co.'s Monster-Child-Genius Michael "Feeve" LeFevre to create sound effects and original music to paint this sonic landscape while Jeff egged him on. You gotta hear 'em to know how not funny we can be.

#### I've Always Wanted to Directv

HEN LANCE MALD landed in L.A. as CD/EVP of CAMPBELL-EWALD, he was dished! His client, DIRECTV, wanted to sell satellite dishes, that is. So Lance called Bert and in no time (well, maybe two or three days) we wrote and recorded six different radio demo spots. The overwhelming choice was "Lloyd, the Cable Guy." It seems all of Lloyd's cus-

tomers are abandoning him in

UPON THE

OR MONTHS our Casting
Director-Guru Jeff Howell

turn that small old musty office

has been lobbying Bert to

downstairs into a small old

musty casting studio. So now,

a few lousy voices read your scripts, or hear some celeb-

superstar talent, you won't

time. For how it works, call

Jeff on the small old musty

when all you want to do is hear

have to pay full rates for studio

CASTING

BREAD

TALENT

favor of DirecTV. ("Well, whose clean white carpet am I gonna track dirt onto now?" whines

Lloyd.)

"Since everyone's got a story about horrible cable service... and Bert's a horrible comedy writer, it's a perfect match!" says the

quotable Mr. Mald. "We're getting great response." And to play the part of Lloyd? Only a horrible actor would do. Bert won hands-down.

#### (RELATED BLURB)

ONE OF OUR "Roundtable"
Extremely-Funny writers, Jayne
Hamil, has gone from :60 to
30 minutes as a writer on THE
NANNY. (Does this mean she's
gone from ninny to nanny!)
Also, another "Roundtable"
regular, Rich Procter, just had
a tooth pulled. Congrats to both
Jayne and Rich!!

#### Another Bert's bon mot

Comedy is like dynamite. It can move mountains and change the course of mighty rivers. Or it can blow your hands off. That's why we're here...

## phone.

How 'Bout Some Fries with That Spot?

BCAUSE OF OUR commitment to 24-hour turnaround,

we've taken a lesson from our col-

leagues in the supermarket industry and installed the first-ever "Express Line" at a recording studio. *Ten Spots or Less–Cash Only* (Wednesday is Double Coupon Day). This is a nice complement to our Drive-Thru window which we had installed late last year and is a huge success.

#### Most Agencies Think (?)...

...Either we write the spots for you and produce them...or... you write the spots and we produce them. Well, there's a third way, as our new pals at THE LEAP PARTNERSHIP found out. MARK Bruker and Dean Wei sat down with us at our "Roundtable of Comedy" (see Related Blurb) where we collectively massaged, tweaked, sliced, diced, hacked, and otherwise punched-up their ten scripts for Miller Lite Ice. Mark, Dean, and Leap **Creative Director** GEORGE GIER will tell you what a thoroughly satisfying sexual experience it was.



JAMES EARL JONES with a trainee.

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For Bids, Demos, or Graft:

1956 No. Cahuenga Boulevard Hollywood, California 90068 Phone (213) 462-7261 or Fax (213) 462-3432 or BERTBERDIS. AOL. COM.

#### ADIO HITS THE TARGE

#### OMETHING FOR EVERYONE ON THE DIAL

 $\Gamma$ rom country to classical, business to big band, talk to top 40, one would be hard-pressed not to find something of interest on radio's AM or FM dials. Radio's targetability is a key ingredient of its success in attracting listeners and meeting the marketing needs of advertisers.

The first major step toward high-1 ly-defined programming is generally attributed to the 1961 launch of an all-news format by Gordon McLendon on XETRA-AM in Tijuana, Mexico. Though based across the border, XETRA's signal was targeted to the Southern California region. Today, all-news is a mainstay of AM radio.

cLendon's format program-Ming concept quickly caught on throughout the industry, with two of the hottest radio formats being country and talk.

#### COUNTRY SWEEPS THE NATION

ountry was recognized as a red-hot format in the early 90's.

At the time, many pundits suggested that the phenomenon was going to be short-lived; that it was nothing more than a passing "phase." Well, if country was redhot around 1990, then it's whitehot in 1995.

ountry radio is everywhere. It is the most listened-to format in the United States. Contrary to popular belief, the format is popular outside the South. Another country radio listener stereotype, that of the blue collar, low household income consumer, is off target as well. According to Simmons data, the majority of country radio listeners are college-educated. They rank first among all radio listeners in employed adults and second in household income \$50,000+.

The staying power of the coun-1 try format can be seen in the recent specialization within the genre itself, which now features both "young country" and "traditional country."



#### A 75TH ANNIVERSARY IS USUAL-LYA BITTERSWEET OCCA-SION.

#### By Bill Glodie, Editorial Director-Mediaweek

Tou offer the celebrator warmest congratulations simply for having survived, then call the undertaker and hope for the best.

et at 75, radio is stronger than ever. The medium that took us to war, gave us the beloved commercial jingle, introduced us to rock 'n roll, gave us the world in 22 minutes and thus survived the onslaught of television is again rein-

venting itself.



Radio is now freed from most federal regulation, which will allow companies to own more radio stations than ever before in the history of the medium. The result will be bigger companies that offer listeners and advertisers more options.

ome worry over the coming consolida-Otion; it will diminish the diversity of

voices that is so cherished in egalitarian Americanism, they say. The FCC and the Congress have disagreed and have allowed consolidation to proceed. The fact is that radio remains closer to its audience than any other medium. Everything a radio station does is geared toward attracting and keeping its particular audience.

he audience gets what it wants. No pompous high art here. As the big companies continue to buy stations, and Mom-and-Pop radio continues its inexorable slide into history, the industry will grow stronger and better able to compete with an increasing array of media. And radio will still hold its trump card: It remains the only entertainment medium that reaches people who drive, which includes just about every adult in America.

s radio drifts into year 76, it will grow stronger, richer and  $\Lambda_{
m possibly}$  even younger (ask a six year old what's their favorite song on the radio. You'll get an answer.) So when you order the casket, make sure it has a car stereo. And a long antenna.

#### EVERYBODY'S ALKIN

the recent explosion of talk radio across the AM dial could lead one to believe that the format is in its infancy. In actuality, talk radio has been a viable

milestone accurred in 1978 Awhen Larry King, there a talk radio personality on WOD-AM in Man, was tapped by Mutual Broadcasting to host a syndicated all-night talk show with celebrity guests and auch ence call-in segments. King's immediate success made talk radio a hot format. By 1982, there was little doubt that talk was here to stay when New York's WABC, the bastion of AM rock in roll throughout the sixties (at one time it was America's most listened-to radio station), switched to an all-talk format.

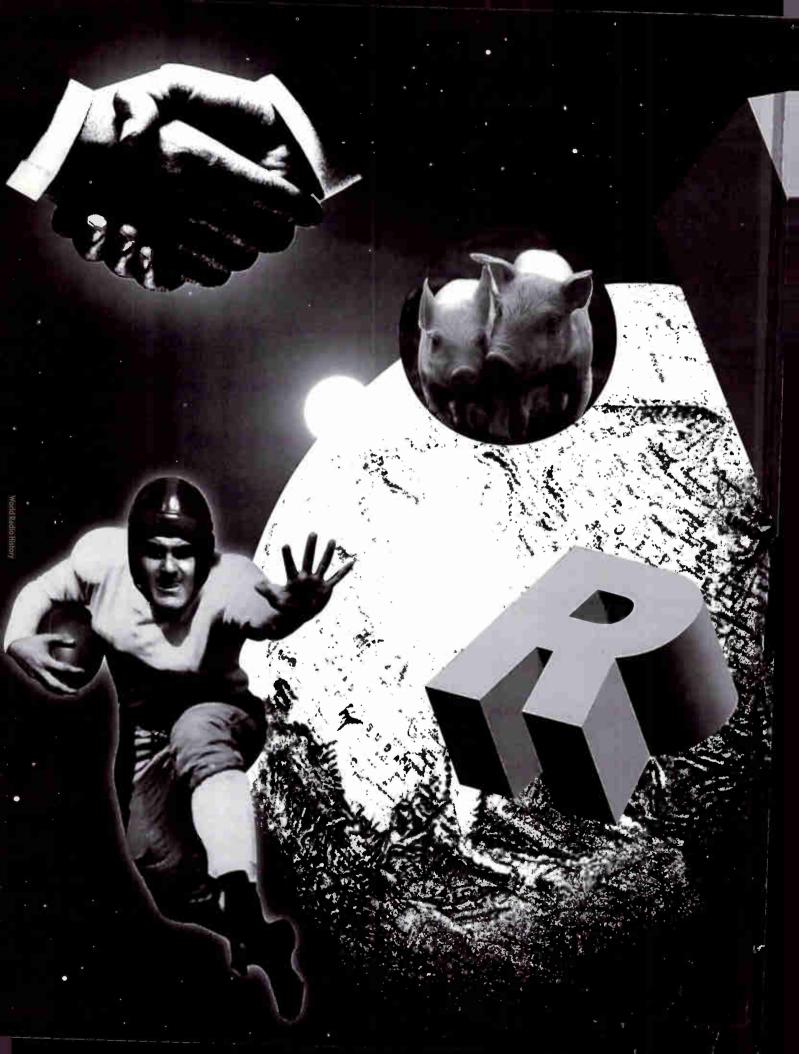
The popularity of interactive, two-way talk radio continues to soar in the 1990's, with the welldocumented national success of such diverse personalities as Rush Limbaugh and Howard Stern. And, like country, the talk format itself has been refined into smaller niches. The most popular of these format since the 1930's and in the is all sports pioneered by **Emmis** 1960's it gives in popularity until it's present day strength:

WFAN in Very York. Today, most major markets have a radio station devoted to the sports talk play-by-play format.

ne of talk radio synajor adver-User benefits is the availability of on air testimonials and product endorsements from show hosts. Because of the interactive call-in nature of these shows, listeners identify closely with the personalities, lending to the impact of their live commercial reads. Limbaugh, for example, almost single-handedly made an overnight success out of CNS Inc., the company that makes the Breathe Right Nasal Strips endorsed on-air by Rush.

#### FORMATS RADIO

	% OF	STATIONS	# OF STATIO?
1	Country	26.3%	2,588
2	News, Talk, .	11.7	1,151
	Sports, Business		1 086
3	Adult Contempora	11 y 11.1	715
4	Oldies	7.3	352
5	Religion - Music	5.6	
6	Rock (Alt., Modern.AC	24	199
7	Adult Standard	4.8	468
8	Religion crass Varie	rty) 4.3	12.3
9	Spanish	5 43	422
10	Soft Adult Contain	ip. 3.5	344
138	Top-i0 (CHR)	<b>3</b> 4	333
12	Classic Rock	3.8	02
13		35	213
14			159
15	Variety/Other	The .	155
10			150
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## KRG DIMENSIONS: THE FUTURE OF RADIO IS HERE

Welcome to KRG Dimensions, a full-service company committed to creating integrated media and marketing campaigns to satisfy your advertising and promotional needs. With five individual dimensions - Network, Marketing, Sports Marketing, Agri-Marketing and Syndication - and access to more than 1,800 radio stations, 350 television stations and 1,100 cable television systems, the scope of KRG Dimensions is limitless. As a result, KRG Dimensions has the ability to not only deal with the business of today but meet the challenges of tomorrow.



## HE '30'S



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at used radio in the '30's.

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ARMOUR BUDWEISER BUICK CAMELS CHEVROLET CITIES SERVICE COCA-COLA DLGATE-PALMOLIVE EVEREADY FORD MOTOR

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ENERAL ELECTRIC

METROPOLITAN LIFE PROCTER & GAMBLE RALSTON PURINA **OUAKER OATS** WHEATIES

## HE GOLDEN AGE OF RADIO

## What's Tomtoming? Or Tubthumping? Or Ether bally? Or Blurbing?

They were 1930's words that meant radio advertising!





BING CROSBY

The Depression, severe as it was, did not kill radio. While set sales dropped from 4.4 million in 1929 to 3.8 million in 1930 and 3.4 million in 1931, overall ownership increased steadily. At year-end 1930, 40% of American homes had a radio, rising to 66% in 1933 and 72% in 1935, which meant that radio's penetration 60 years ago exceeded that of cable TV in 1995. Auto radios made their first appearance in 1930 (34,000 sold), and by year-end 1935, two million were on America's roads. The pioneer brand was aptly named Motorola. From 1930-35, the number of stations on the air remained steady, about 600-610 annually. Americans made sure their radios kept working, for they spent \$14 million in 1935 at the nation's 8,256 radio repair shops.

#### RADIO ADVERTISING DOLLARS WERE FLOWING

R adio was now gaining major importance as *the* national advertising medium. Syndication started in 1929-30. Chevrolet, through the World Broadcasting System, aired electrical transcription recordings on some

138 stations nationwide, rather than through the networks. Overall, there were 75 transcriptions available in 1930. Tational spot began with the National Radio

Advertising Organization, which offered its services as a program distributor to more than one station per market. They let stations present their story to the NRA, who decided which one would get the program.





ACK BENNY

BEATRICE LILLY

 $R^{\rm eps}$ , as we know them today, started in 1932 with Edward Petry and Free & Sleininger. They handled only one station per market and earned a 15% commission for making spot sales to agencies. However, reps didn't have a monopoly on sales. They competed with program producers and time brokers as well. In the early Thirties, station reps had to trav-

el to distant cities to make in-person sales calls, and more often than not had advance preparation about the advertisers or agencies. Spot sales were \$15 million in 1935.

#### WHAT'S CLUTTER?

BABE RUTH lutter was not an issue in the early 1930's. Only 8% of network air time was commercials (about half of what it is today) and, since most programs had single sponsors, there was less competition for the listener's attention. The 60-second announcement was by now the standard length.

#### CESEARCH BEGINS

The early 1930's saw the beginning of serious audience research. Before that, there were no ongoing scientific studies of listening patterns. Advertisers and stations relied on fan mail or response to offers to gauge audience size and attention. Atwater Kent, a leading set manufacturer, distributed Radio Log forms in the 1920's for listeners to record what stations they could pick up, the city, and dial position...perhaps the earliest form of diary research. Hygrade Radio Tubes gave out "My Favorite Broadcasts" weekly diaries in the early 1930's, and at the bottom of each page was the plug "Hygrade Broadcasts The Weather Every Day."

The first major national audience study was done by Crossley, Inc. for the Cooperative Analysis of Broadcasting in 1930. They interviewed 48,000 people by telephone in 33 markets, and found 75% of set owners listened on the average day...a figure virtually unchanged over 65 years!

(The Fall 1994 RADAR report showed daily reach of 76.7% for persons 12+.) Radio had established itself as an evening medium a generation before TV.

The 1930 U.S. Census reported 12.1 million homes with radios (April 1st), a 40.3% penetration. Average program had 3.1 listeners per household...remember ,this was long before the transistor era!

In 1934, C. E. Hooper came on the scenc with the national Hooperatings, which lasted until 1950 when Nielsen bought the company. The Hooper name remained, and this division then went into market-by-market personal audience surveys, using the telephone coincidental approach. However, the growth of out-of-home listening and multi-set ownership understated radio's true audience size. Along came Pulse which used aided recall through personal interviews. They asked for the past week's listening...the first weekly cumes.

emographics appeared for the first time in a 1934 Starch personal interview survey of 80,000 adults. In October 1936, A. C. Nielsen introduced the audimeter to measure radio audiences and program popularity (Nielsen measured radio until 1964).

#### RESEARCH: CURRENT THINKING

Radiois greatest strength is it's targetability. It's power to reach consumers where and when an advertiser's message will have the greatest chance of producing solid results.



Radio stations and networks work with quantitative demos to fine tune their formats and make it easier to target core customers. The next step is to fine-tune consumer psychographics, lifestyle, and motivational research. Two of the most useful pieces of research to come along in a long time are the new Imagery Transfer study produced for several of the major radio networks by

Statistical Research Inc., and the current work into Effective Frequency undertaken under the auspices of the Advertising Research Foundation.

This landmark study reveals that, on average, 75% of the adults who viewed a series of test TV commercials were able to "see" - or mentally transfer - the visual images of the commercial when later exposed to the audio portion on Radio. This landmark behavioral study documents the ability of radio to enhance and extend TV campaigns, by transferring visual images into the consumer's mind.

#### **E**FFECTIVE FREQUENCY

In the late 1960's, research conducted by Colin McDonald was instrumental in helping to convince a whole industry to turn to a measure by which advertising should be purchased and evaluated... namely an "Effective Frequency" threshold of 3+. Theoretically if a consumer (or potential consumer) was not exposed to a commercial three or more times,the motivation to purchase would not be achieved.

Using the 3+ theory resulted in media plans that many people now feel were less than efficient in reaching their motivational goals. This lack of efficiency is due to the need for major amounts of dollars to be expended in order to reach the desired 3+ frequency levels. However, there is never enough money allocated to truly meet the requirements of many media plans.

Now, in 1995, a new wave of thinking regarding the 3+ frequency standard is upon us. The overall premise central to the new thinking is the impact of one single exposure to a commercial, closest to the point of purchase.

For more detailed information on Imagery Transfer, contact your ABC Radio Networks, CBS Radio Networks, Westwood One Radio Networks or American Urban Radio Networks representative. For more information on Effective Frequency contact the Advertising Research Federation.

### RADIO IS BIG BUSINESS ...

#### RADIO'S TOP NATIONAL ADVERTISERS-

	TOTAL	NETWORK	SPOT
1. Sears Roebuck	\$100,026	\$74,644	\$25,381
2. AT&T Corp.	\$ 36,604	\$18.145	\$18.459
3. GM Corp./Dealers Assoc.,	\$ 31.569		\$31,569
4. News Corp. (Fox TV)	\$ 28,668	\$ 5,1\$0	\$23,518
5. Chrysler Corp. Dealer Assoc	\$ 26,551		\$26,551
6. Tandy Corp. (Radio Shack)	\$ 25,242	\$11,7775	\$13.467
7. Kmart Corp.	\$ 24,860	\$ 9.814	\$15.046
8. General Motors Corp.	\$ 24,499	\$22.781	\$ 1,717
9. U.S. Government	\$ 24,198	\$20.808.	\$ 3,389
10. Warner-Lambert	\$ 18,697	\$18,168	\$ 529
11. Sunsource Health Products	\$ 18,041	\$18,041	
12. American Home Products	\$ 17,069	\$10,189	\$ 6,880
13. Gateway Education Products	\$ 16.799	\$16,594	\$ 204
14. MCI Communications	\$ 16,430	\$ 1.951	\$14,478
15. Philip Morris Corp.	\$ 16,203	\$ 7,592	\$ 8,610
16. Montgomery Ward 8 Co.	\$ 16.157		\$16,157
17. Quaker Oats Co	\$ 15.634	\$ 5,749	\$ 9.884=
18. Ito-Yokado Co. Ltd. (7-Eleven)	\$ 15,330		\$15,330
19. Pepsico, Inc.	\$ 14,594	\$ 1,295	\$13,298
20. U.S. West, Inc.	\$ 14,381		\$14.381
21. Grand Metropolitan (Burger King)	\$ 13,626		\$13,626
22. American Stores Co. (Lucky)	\$ 13,565		\$13,565
23. Capital Cities/ABC	\$ 13.425	\$ 8,967	\$ 4.45
24. Schering-Plough Corp.	\$ 12,794	\$ 9,345	\$ 3,449
25. CompUSA	\$ 12,221	-1	\$12,221
26, Proctor & Gamble	\$ 11,719	\$10,291	\$ 1,427
27. Bayer Group (Alka Seltzer)	\$ 11,213	\$11,056	\$ 156
28. Pacific Telesis Group	\$ 10.835	+	\$10.835
29. Walt Disney Co.	\$ 10,700	+	\$10,70
30. Accor SA (Motel 6)	\$ 10.403	\$ 8,877	\$ 1,56∠
31. Turner Broadcasting System, Inc.	\$ 9,978	\$ 1,464	\$ 8,51
32. National Dynamics	\$ 9,896	\$ 9,581	\$ 31
33. Texaco	\$ 9,865	- 70	\$ 9.865
34. General Electric	\$ 9.816	\$ 3,719	\$ 6,09
35. Service Merchandise Co.	\$ 9.433		\$ 9,43
36. Bell Atlantic Corp.	\$ 9,261		\$ 9,26
37. William Wrigley, Jr.	\$ 9,167	\$ 7.260	\$ 1,90
38, Oreck Corp.	\$ 8,841	\$ 8,841	
39. J.C. Penney	\$ 8,689	\$ 1,752	\$ 2,93
40. Boston Beer Co.	\$ 8,637	\$ 7,628	\$ 1,00
41. Heineken	\$ 8,515 \$ 8,441		S 8,51°
42. Office Depot	- 0,	6 4 500	\$ 8,44
43. United Dairy Industry	\$ 8,169	\$ \$.502	\$ 4,66
44. Dupont	\$ 8,159	\$ 2.851	\$ 5,30
45. Melville Corp.	\$ 8,132	5 8 040	\$ 8,1
46. Himmel Group	\$ 8,095	S 8,044	S
47. U.S. Shoe Corp.	\$ 7,930	\$ 7,441	S 4
48. National Amusements Inc.	\$ 7,769	\$ 1,684	s 6,08—
49. Chrysler Corp.	\$ 7,762 \$ 7,78	\$ 7.762	\$ 7.72
50. Southwest Airlines	\$ 7,728		\$ 7.72

## Radio revenues

1994 was a banner year for radio with double digit increases & 1995 is looking just as good!

TOTAL REVENUE NATIONAL SPOT REVENUE (IN MILLIONS) **NETWORK REVENUE** LOCAL REVENUE (IN MILLIONS) \$ 8.839 1990 1000 1.626 8.591 1991 1991 1991 1991 \$ 8.755 1992 1992 1992 1992 \$ 9.568 1993 1993 1993 \$ 1629 1993 1994 \$10.652 1994 1.867

SOURCE: RADIO ADVERTISING BUREAU

## PRICE PROMOTIONS AN



MILTON BERLE

DAVID SARNOFF & MARCONI

THE BIG HITS OF

THE THIRTIES

1930 STEIN SONG

RUDY VALLEE

1931 THE PEANUT VENDER

1932 IN A SHANTY IN OLD

SHANTY TOWN - TED LEWIS

1933 THE LAST ROUND UP

1934 SMOKE GETS IN YOUR

EYES - PAUL WHITEMAN ORCH

1935 CHEEK TO CHEEK - FRED ASTAIRE/LEO REISMAN ORCH

GEORGE OLSEN

1936 PENNIES FROM

BING CROSBY

1937 SWEET LEILANI - BING

1938 A-TISKET A-TASKET

1939 DEEP PURPLE - LARRY

CLINTON

CROSBY /LANI MCINTIRE

ELLA FITZGERALD WITH

CHICK WEBB ORCHESTRA

AND HIS HAWAIIANS

HEAVEN

14. ORCHESTRA

DON AZPIAZU

In July 1932, NBC allowed advertisers to quote 1 prices in daytime commercials, and by September both NBC and CBS allowed this in evening commercials as well. A&P was the first to take advantage of this, and ever since supermarkets have advertised price promotions.

The personality "ad-lib" commercial began in 1934, with Fred Allen, Ed I Wynn, Jack Benny, and Burns & Allen among the most noteworthy. Another classic radio promotion technique, the premium offer, first hit the airwaves in 1933. Colgate-Palmolive offered garden seeds for a Super Suds boxtop on an NBC daytime serial, and filled some 600,000 requests in ten

days! Many 1930's radio premiums, from Tom Mix, Little Orphan Annie, Captain Midnight, and Buck Rogers, command high prices at antiques shows today. Contests are even older - in 1930, the George Ziegler Candy Company sold more than 27 tons of Betty Jane candy over WTMJ in Milwaukee, by sponsoring a "mystery song" program. Listeners had to identify what was played to win prizes. Radio could launch new or improved products too. Carson, Pirie, Scott in

Chicago redesigned their Bobolink stockings and sold 200,000 pair in

three weeks by advertising on WMAQ.

#### MULTI-MEDIA AND EFFICIENCIES

R adio and print learned to work together in the Thirties. True Detective Mysteries magazine

increased its circulation from 190,000 to 690,000 in six months by dramatizing some of its stories as "thriller" radio shows.

1931 NBC survey found 80% of advertisers using newspapers to call atten-Ation to their sponsored radio programs; 77% used magazines. Only 24% used radio to call attention to their print advertising. Long before the Trylon and Perisphere symbolized the 1938 World's Fair, the New York Sun held Radio World's Fairs at Madison Square Garden starting in 1924. These were consumer expositions, in which radio manufacturers, parts suppliers, publications, record companies and similar businesses (139 at the 1930 event) exhibited their wares to the public. Local stations aired remotes, and to top it off, they had a Radio Show Queen.

ne of the earliest discoveries of radio's cost efficiency came in 1930, when the Benrus Watch Company found its magazine advertising budget inadequate for continuous national

coverage. So they switched to radio and their sales went up modestly while the entire jewelry business plunged some 50% as the Depression



FRED ALLEN

took its toll. Benrus found radio to be affordable and to provide the necessary impact, and new dealers took on their lines. Another basic marketing truth became evident: the more frequently a product was bought (such as foods, cigarettes, toothpaste), the more frequently it should be advertised on radio. One of radio's all-time classics has to be the Johnson's Wax sponsorship of Fibber McGee and Molly, which first aired April 16, 1935 (time/talent cost was \$4,560)

and ran for 15 years. Johnson's Wax had first used radio in 1931, and by the late 1930's also sponsored Major League Baseball to promote its car wax.

The 15-minute daytime serial, later known as the soap opera, rose to I prominence in the mid-Thirties. These shows gave housewives relief from the drudgery of housework, and provid-

ed the perfect setting for companies like **Procter &** Gamble, Lever Brothers, Best Foods, Bristol-Myers, and General Foods to advertise household cleaners and food products.

#### FM IS BORN

FM radio, invented by Major E. H. Armstrong in 1933, was presented to the FCC as a higher quality standard. The first FM station (now WDRC) went on the air May 13, 1939 in Hartford, CT, playing classical music. The first FM advertiser was the

Longines Watch Company, starting January 1, 1941 on what is now WOXR in New York. At the end of the 1930's, there were 765 stations



ORSON WELLES



1930 Advertising "barter" system begins in earnest. George Washington Hill begins commercials that "irritate." Spot announcements account for 40% of radio advertising. Ad agencies produce most network programs.

1931 NBC has 132 stations

and CBS has 79. 2 out of 5 American households have a radio. 1st issue of Broadcasting magazine appears, 100,000 automobile radio sets are in use. 1932 Petry starts rep firm. Dramatized radio commercials begin. Syndication

increases with 75 weekly transcribed programs regularly distributed. Comedy, variety, serials & drama dominate radio formats. 1933 Armstrong demon-

strates FM. "Point of Purchase" radio experiment begin. Records are not licensed for radio broadcast **1934** The Communications Act of 1934 was passed by Congress. The **FCC** replaces the **FRC**. 3 independent radio news operations begin.

1936 The "Audimeter" becomes a radio audience research tool, "Wired radio" experiments begin. NBC launches the "Thesaurus" recording library. The **FCC** relaxes recording and transcribing announcing rules. Suits over unauthorized record broadcasts increases Mutual becomes a national network.

1937 WHO (AM) & WGH(AM) experiment with... "facsimile" radio. Broadcasters fight with AFM and ASCAP over live vs recorded music.

1938 The "War of the Worlds" broadcasts. Radio workers average the highest weekly pay check in the country - \$45.12. 62% of farm homes have a radio. **World Broadcasting** launches "wax" network. CBS buys Columbia Records. Radio daytime serials and comedy/variety show abound.

1939 TV demonstrated at the World's Fair. "Facsimile" FM radio "chains" begin. NAB establishes BMI to fight ASCAP. Transcontinental Radio Network begins.

THE GREAT

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and advertisers

bat used radio in the '40's.



**TEXACO** 

## ADIO GOES TO WAR

n "The Day that Will Live in Infamy," Americans from coast to coast were glued to their radios for the latest developments from around the globe. Sunday, December 7, 1941, New York, 2:29 PM Eastern Standard Time: "Here is a bulletin from NBC News. President Roosevelt said in a statement today that the Japanese have attacked Pearl Harbor in Hawaii, from the air." Also at that time, CBS had a regularly-scheduled Sunday news program at 2:30, where John Daly read the announcement, then went on with the regular news as though nothing significant had happened. The 3:00 PM New York Philharmonic concert went on as scheduled. But the network news bulletins were aired with greater frequency. By 3:49 PM: "The War Department orders 1.5 million soldiers into uniform by tomorrow." By 5:16 PM, from Japan: "Imperial headquarters announced a state of war." Americans got the story immediately from radio, just as they do today.

World War II changed radio dramatically. Censorship was strict - stations could not broadcast weather reports unless they came from the government. They could not use sound effects that might simulate real alarms. They could not broadcast any news or opinions about wartime activities unless first cleared by authorities. Radio played a vital role in the American war effort. The average station in 1942 aired 5,300 government announcements, 4,500 War Bond promotions, and 2,700 other war effort programs above and beyond regular news reporting. Station-donated time was estimated at \$64 million in 1942, equal to 34% of the actual revenues of \$190 million that year. A 1942 survey found 46% of Americans had more confidence in radio news reports about the war than newspapers (18%). Radio business boomed because, for millions of Americans, the medium was their primary and most immediate link with world events.



EDWARD R. MORROW

#### PRIORITIES? \*\*\*\*\*\*\*

Which was the priority: news reporting or commercials? In May 1940, Raymond G. Swing, a correspondent for Mutual, insisted that his 15-

minute news report not be interrupted by a commercial break in the middle. After all, which was more important, covering the German invasion of Belgium or touting the taste of White Owl Cigars? There were to be three commercials total, but Swing insisted on no middle break and, to the despair of the ad agency and network, got his way. His contemporaries, however, weren't so adamant and did all the commercials in their programs.



RED SKELTON



#### DIVERSIONS \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*

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m M}$ ore than ever, Americans needed to be entertained, to have an escape from the news of worldwide bloodshed. And radio had the right recipe. The airwaves were filled with cooking shows. Pet Milk, for example, sponsored Mary Lee Taylor's half-hour Saturday morning program on CBS in 1943. Local shows, often remotes

WALTER WINCHELL from supermarkets, go back to the early 1930's. Many food advertisers promoted their radio programs through magazine ads and recipe pamphlets (these were often given away as premiums). Perhaps the longest-running continuous national sponsorship in radio history began in 1940, when The Texas Company (Texaco) began sponsoring the Metropolitan Opera (it's still going strong in 1995). Some 15 years before TV, radio quiz shows became popular in 1940, including "Truth or Consequences", "The Quiz Kids", and "Take It Or Leave It", the latter making "The \$64 Question" part of the pop culture. And there were no quiz-show scandals attributed to radio. Speaking of pop culture, who could ever forget these audio classics: **Pepsi-Cola** Hits The Spot", "BEEB-OHIHI" for **Lifebuoy Soap**, "Call For **Philip Morrr**-esss!", "Halo, everybody. Halo", the sound of the fight bell and "Look Sharp, Feel Sharp" for **Gillette**, and Mel Allen's description of Yankee homers as "Ballantine Blasts" or "White Owl Wallops"! All served as entertaining diversions to a nation otherwise preoccupied with war.



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m radio\ set\ production}$ was suspended during the war, Americans had to keep their old ones operating. Advertisers supported the war effort, many reminding Americans to buy War Bonds, recycle metals and fats, make old things last longer, and carpool to save rationed gasoline. Others ran futuristic institutional copy ("There's a Ford In Your Future"), since their own factories had been converted from consumer to military goods. One classic campaign was Lucky Strike Green Has Gone To War. The familiar green-andgold packaging used copper and chromium, both critical war materials, and in 1942 American Tobacco was required to change its packaging. They used radio exclusively, and sales rose 38% in six weeks.



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#### LIVING LEGENDS OF RADIO: RUSH LIMBAUGH

It wasn too many years ago back in mid-eighties when AM radio was deemed dead by a lot of people. The value of AM radio stations, with the exception of a few major market all-news or news/talk stations, was at its lowest in history. Along comes one guy and starts beaming his message across the country. Here we are several years later and Rush Limbaugh is on 666 radio stations with an estimated

weekly cumulative audience of nearly 20 million people. These AM radio stations have become more than competitive, and become dominant in their markets. (Many have been able to build programming around Rush Limbaugh and AM radio is a very, very bealthy thing right now.) Indeed talk radio, the much talked about live talk radio is really a very vibrant and much demanded advertiser format.

Born Rush Hudson Limbaugh III in January 1951, in Cape Girardeau, Missouri to a family with generations of attorneys, Rush chose to explore his passion of broadcasting at age 16 by working on air each afternoon for a radio station in his hometown. Then it was off to Pittsburgh to KQV, then to Kansas City and the Kansas City Royals as director of Group Sales. But Rush was a broadcaster and came back to radio in 1983 as a political commentator for KMBZ, then to Sacramento as a daytime talk host (where he nearly tripled ratings). In 1988 he moved to WABC, New York and history was made.

We know about the controversy surrounding Rush, but what is the real story? According to **Stu Crane**, **VP** - **EFM** Media, "Rush recognizes that America is basically a conservative country

with conservative people. He has validated people—quote—thought, and dreams. It's not a matter of him preaching some kind of gospel and everybody getting in line and listening. He validates his listeners own ideas and feelings. He did it at a time when most medium was predominately liberal. There's nothing controversial about Rush Limbaugh. Rush's audience is a very conservative audience and he's a very conservative guy. His message is basically one which is filled with hope: Take control of your own life. Don't look to government or anybody else to do things for you. You can do it in America. That's his whole message."

There are a lot of conservatives out there, so what makes Rush so popular? Again Stu Crane, "Rush has a wonderful combination of intellect and humor. He's a very warm guy. He's a sensitive guy, he wears his feelings on his sleeve and he's the hardest working guy I've ever encountered. He's taken nothing for granted with all the talk about how much money he's made. He's the exact same guy I met 7 years ago, his popularity hasn't gone to his head."

With the size audience Rush commands it's almost an understatement that controversy is a great environment for advertisers. Stu Crane: "I could go through a litany of accounts that have just prospered hugely over the years. People say he built the Snapple brand. CompuServe, Hot Spring Portable Spas have been with us for 5 years. Original Australian Ugg sheepskin boots is a new story. Did they ever take off. We've built that business. Basically advertisers understand there is no controversy here. Our audience isn't a bunch of right wing guys with gun racks on their pick up trucks. Our audience is extremely educated, extremely well-off financially and they happen to be conservative."

There's no doubt that Rush Limbaugh is a powerhouse in AM radio and a powerhouse for advertisers. Rush Limbaugh is also a testament to talk radio - the fastest-growing segment in radio.

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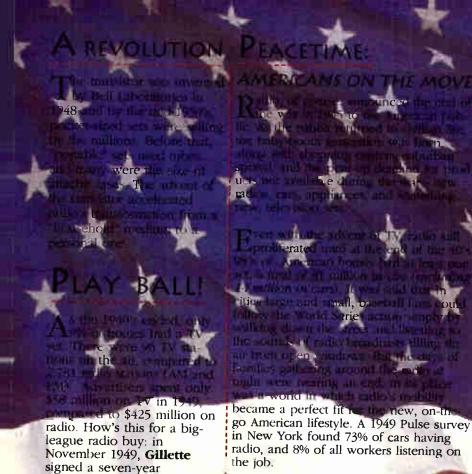
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"DO YOU REMEMBER by Bernie Salzberg

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We found the reception hall, went to our assigned table and began to meet the people with whom we'd spend the next five hours. About the only thing we had in common was our age. That's not really the basis for a long, exciting day,

the bride and groom made their entrance and we sat again for the formal meal. During the salad course, I said, "We're all about the same age, perhaps one of you can help me answer a trivia question. I've been trying to find out what radio program was sponsored by that great commercial, "Halo everybody, Halo"..." Do you remember it? We all began to sing

It wasn't the only commercial that we recalled. There were classics such as Pepsi-Cola hits the spot, Rinso White, Drink Brioschi, Drink Brioschi, and Alka-Seltzer. We never questioned how KATO, the GREEN HORNET's faithful assistant went from being Japanese on Friday December 5th 1941, to becoming Filipino on Monday December 8th.

Perhaps it was a simpler time. We talked about comedy shows, such as, "CAN YOU TOP THIS?", or "IT PAYS TO BE IGNORANT." Those two shows gave us new jokes to tell for a week. None of us forgot "ALLEN's ALLEY." FRED ALLEN's cast of characters included Mrs. Nussbaum, and Senator Klaghorn, "AMOS AND

ANDY" were so popular that on Tuesdays theaters owners' had the choice of suspending their picture shows and broadcasting that program in the theater or playing to an empty house.

new, on-th

Bob Hope sold Ipana Tooth Paste, Jack Benny sold JELLO and Arthur Godfrey sold some of everything. We heard stars like Bing Crosby, Al Jolson, Perry Como, and Jimmy Durante.

We could hear the tears in the announcers voice as he described the fiery Hindenberg Airship Disaster from Lakehurst, NJ. Some of us ran into the street when Orson Wells broadcast "THE WAR OF THE WORLDS" that Halloween night,

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We could almost see the fire's glow on the face of President Roosevelt as he gave his fireside chats. We listened, desperate for news of fathers, brothers and friends fighting World War II. We gladly recalled where we were when the news came of Victory In Europe and later when the war, was finally over.

he ten of us at the table united I through our memories of radio, strangers at the start, agreed that this was one of the best weddings we had attended.

h, by the way. I never did find out the name of the program sponsored by Halo Shampoo.







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1940 Commercial FM authorized with 50 experimental stations on-air. 956 AM stations on-the-air. BMD mails first transcriptions. Court says broadcasters car air records without permission.

19-11 "Marylower" decision bans radio editorials BMI has 190 affiliate music preducers serving 690 stations American (FM) network serving New England begins. Make Believe Ballroom on WNEW (AM is the top "DJ" show Roosevelt's "Pearl Harbor" speech heard by 79% of American homes, War bring a shortage of record blanks 13 million radio sets manuactured

Radio war news broadcasts become standard listening. Local DJ personal ty begins to emerge. AFM halts recording by musician of any records transcriptions for broadcast. Advertising costs ruled tax deductible for companies. No weather, jingles, and no "undue gaiety" for duration. Keystone network serves 50 radio stations.

Wire recorders in use in l'urope. FCC is probed by Congress

DI programming on the rise in afternoons Musak proposes "subscription" radio. "Blue" Network becomes American Broadcasting Network.

\$15 884 commercial AM and 46 FM stations on-air. German tape recorders cap-tured. FCC drops rule on transcription identifications. Radio programming criticized as "too much corn and boogie-woogie".

1996 FCC "Blue Book" published. New audio tape recorders change programming, production and syndication. **CBS** plans 200 station FM network.

Radios are in 93% of American homes. DJs appear on network radio.

Network radio billings reach all-time high. 33 1/3 and 45 RPM records in the market. **CBS** does first radio-TV simulcast. FCC authorizes FM "facsimile" transmission. Record companies and AFM reach agreement. Black music stations begin.

Presidential inaugura-tion telecast. **NBC** finally okays use of transcriptions on radio network. FM fights for recognition.



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FRANCIS CRAIG
TWELFTH STREET RAG
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"Paul Harvey is the



man on radio with a weekly audience of 22 million."



get their news from ABC."



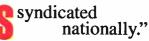












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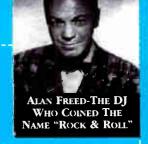
QUAKER OATS



#### HAPPY DAYS ARE HERE AGAIN & ROCK 'N' ROLL IS HERE TO STAY!

#### RADIO MEETS THE TV CHALLENGE AND REINVENTS ITSELF...

The trend toward radio as a local, personal medium accelerated in the ■ 1950's. In 1950, local advertisers produced 45% of all revenues. By 1955, local was rocking, with 60% of all ad revenue.



nd Americans were rocking, too. Rock & roll first hit the airwaves in 1954 (Alan Freed, a Acleveland DJ, is given credit as the first host), and Todd Storz' "Top 40" format (based on his observation of jukebox activity in Omaha) soon became the "teen scene" on radio. Music popularity "countdown" programming wasn't new: Lucky Strike had sponsored "Your Hit Parade" on radio from the late 1940's, but this was limited to the top 10 tunes...none rock & roll. In 1955, a Sponsor survey found only 12% of stations played popular music at least 75 hours (roughly half of air time) a week or more, while some 23% played classical music at least 10 hours weekly. 16% played country music (then called country & western, barn dance, or even hillbilly) 20 hours weekly. This was the start of distinctive musical formats, radio's mainstay today.

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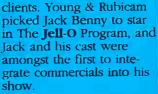
Back in 1951, Fuel Oil & Oil Heat Magazine found that 71% of dealers used newspapers, only 19% radio. But when return on advertising investment was measured, the cost per oil burner installed was \$7.36 for newspapers vs. \$1.74 for radio. In 1952, the S. W. Anderson Company, a local Owensboro, KY department store (on radio since 1939) said: "Radio is not on trial at our store. We buy radio because we know it is good and will produce the results we desire, to reach people in outside areas who receive newspapers too late for special bargains. People won't take the time to read fine print. On the radio, every line is a headline."

#### BRIEF HISTORY OF HUMOR RADIO

By Bert Berdis

ecently I was working with a young Ragency writer, and in our studio is a picture of Jack Benny. "Yo, who's the old dude?" he puzzled. I was so shocked I lost my spats. Anyone who creates and produces radio should know how our current commercials evolved, and who we have to thank - or blame. To wit:

In the '30's (before TV) agencies created Iradio programs and sold them to their

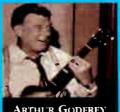




Douglas Edwards

uring one episode, Jack decides to get physically fit. His trainer asks, "Are those your muscles or are you still plug-ging Jell-O?" He plugged it so successfully, General Foods devoted 3, 4 of its ad budget to Jack's weekly radio show.





ARTHUR GODFREY



#### Radio survives the '50's AND PROSPERS

n 1959, 77% listened on the average day and 95% within a week (the same holds true Ltoday). However, back then, the average adult listened only 2 hours and 10 minutes a day. Today it's three hours. 96% of homes had radio. and 156 million sets - close to the U.S. population of 179 million - were in use. In the 1950's, radio found a new place. Major publications stated: "A Lot Of Life In Radio Yet." Business Week. Feb. 9, 1957. "Lively Invalid...Radio Shows Fresh Vitality, "N. Y. Times, June 23, 1957.

s radio became more and more localized. disk jockeys and other personalities Lecame the focus of zany promotion stunts, from hot dog eating contests to being "imprisoned" in a wall of food packages in a supermarket, mystery shoppers, and treasure hunts. Many used remote broadcasts, particularly rock & roll stations. Again, radio found a niche newspapers and TV couldn't really do effectively. and advertisers loved it.

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Noted columnist Heywood Broun opined in a McCall's Magazine article that in days to come, a grateful people would erect a statue to Jack Benny with the simple inscription "in memory of the first man to take the curse off radio commercials." He was some dude.

fter the war (II), Bob Elliot and Ray Goulding dominated the NYC airwaves with their Bob & Ray Show. They brought unique characters to the commercial world with a simple interview technique that captivated audiences. Perhaps most famous were Bert and Harry Piel: "If you taste it and smack you lips, it's a product of Piels Brothers Beer."

he next great radio humorist was legendary Stan Freberg who popularized the phrase, "Theatre Of The Mind" Stan was so good at painting indelible scenes in his commercials, the RAB asked him to help sell radio on the radio.

**Stan:** Okay people, I want the 700-foot mountain of whipped cream to roll into Lake Michigan which has been drained and filled with hot chocolate. Then the Royal Canadian Air Force will fly overhead and drop a 10-ton maraschino cherry to the cheering of 25,000 extras. Sfx: (Appropriate sound effects)

Stan: Wanna" try that on TV?

Anner.: Well... Stan: See, radiois a very special medium, 'cause it stretches the imagination. Anner.: Doesn't television do that? Stan: Up to 21 inches,

Following Freberg came Stiller & Meara. Jerry and Anne's zany dialogue catapulted Blue Nun Wine to #1 long before sipping chardonnay was de rigueur.

long about this time, I left Grey Advertising (Detroit) as Creative Director/Exec. VP to start Dick and Bert. This was the early '70's, and Mad-Ave. was casting commercials with people the audience would look up to, emulate and admire. Our spots were just the opposite. We played normal (even sub-normal) people whose foibles and mis-cues people could laugh at and say, "Hey, that guy's just as dumb as I am..

ur contribution was to open the door for a new niche of advertisers who thought humor would be inappropriate for their upscale target audience. IBM, Paine Webber, and countless financial institutions joined the fray, and now I can't think of any advertisers comedy couldn't help, no matter how funereal: (The XYZ cemetery is conveniently located just 6 feet under town).

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THE FIFTIES

- 1950 GOOD NIGHT IRENE GORDON JENKINS & THE WEAVERS

- APPLE BLOSSOM WHITE PEREZ PRADO
- 1956 HEARTBREAK HOTEL ELVIS PRESLEY 1957 ALL SHOOK UP
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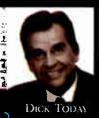
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#### LIVING LEGENDS OF RADIO: DICK CLARK

ove & Marriage, Horse & Carriage, Dick Clark & Radio. Okay, so it doesn't rhyme, but is there any doubt that Dick Clark and radio are as synonymous as either of the pairings immortalized by Frank Sinatra?

The venerable (but ever-youthful looking) Clark has just about seen it all. "The first radio station I went to didn't even bave a music library." Clark recalls. "There was a morning disc jockey on the air and he played bis own records. The only records the station owned was about a two foot high stack of Bing Crosby. Sponsors were primarily local. I can remember making sales calls with my father (the station manager), trying to concince local retailers that radio bad an edge on print.

ater. Clark says, he did the first syndicated radio show in drive time. "I did the roice tracks as if it were bappening live in your town. It was so customized that kids used to come by the local radio stations to see it done, not realizing it was on tape.



lark witnessed the rise of ⊿radio as an advertising medium. "Many built their reputations on radio. They found they could change copy and get to the marketplace quickly and bare the sale advertised the day before it bappened.

Mark, of course, is equally well-known for his television career, and is uniquely qualified to compare the two media. "Tre always said to my television friends that the most

imaginative, bard-working people, the most creative, are in radio. Radio people work barder because they are impeded in a way by not having pictures. They have to grab the advertiser and shake bim up. Radio people are bulldogs.

He applies his first-hand knowledge sion to make a prediction about the future of Te applies his first-hand knowledge of televithe industry. "For ten years I've been saying to television people. You don't know it but you are going to be in the radio business. There aren't just three or four choices anymore (on television), we're up to 13. 20. 40. 50. Now they're talking 500. Television will find out what we in radio have been going through.

o radio advertisers. Clark says not to forget the basics. "I should know what you were advertising when it goes off. Don't lose track of the fact that people must know what was advertised and what it is you want them to do. Go to the phone? To the store? Make sure you tell them. Words can do a lot. They've sold smell over the radio, they've sold color over the radio. The only danger is, you don't want to get too cute. If it's a great piece of work and it doesn't sell, you lost the game.



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#### LOCAL RADIO:

#### TRUSTED NEIGHBOR & "BULLSEYE" OF TARGET MARKETING

No medium is as much a part of the local community as is radio. Radio stations are like the trusted neighbor with whom you leave your front door key when you're away on vacation. Radio is always around as a dependable source of entertainment and important information. It travels with people in their cars, it's there on the beach, keeps them company when jogging and wakes them up in the morning. Local on-air personalities enjoy a unique bond with their listeners. New York radio personality **Jim Kerr** calls this bond "the closest thing you'll ever get in media to two neighbors talking over the backyard fence."

For advertisers, this listener loyalty translates into sales. When a popular on-air personality speaks of a product's virtues, listeners pay attention and take action. KFYI in Phoenix recently ran a campaign for Pollution Control Systems' Clean Air Valve, a pollution control device that attaches to the exhaust systems of automobiles. Not the sexiest product in the world, to be sure. But because the campaign included on-air testimonials by popular station personality Bob Monan, sales took off. "The consensus from callers was that, 'If 'Mo' says it works, I'll buy the darn thing, " said Paul McArdle, owner of Pollution Control Systems. Every day, consumers are buying products and services that were "recommended" to them by local radio personalities, trust-

ed members of the community. Radio is unique in its ability to convey a detailed message to consumers at that critical juncture just prior to the purchase decision.

A wide variety of programming formats - estimated at 25 or more - enable marketers to target their messages to very specific consumer groups.

With the advent of syndicated radio personalities like Rush Limbaugh, Don Imus, Howard Stern and Tom Joyner, radio stations have added a dash of national presence to the lineup. Pittsburgh's KDKA, for example, presents Rush Limbaugh every weekday, followed by a local talk show that picks up on the issues discussed by Rush and, of course, includes calls from local listeners. For national advertisers, the popularity of nationally syndicated personalities has presented a plethora of new opportunities to reach consumers in a very direct and personal way. Limbaugh, Stern and company have been responsible for boosting the sales of several companies through national on-air endorsements that were once the domain of local personalities. So today, nationally known radio "stars" are joining the local personalities in talking to consumers

over that "backyard fence." And radio advertisers couldn't be more pleased.

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Drive. The success or failure of a morning drive-time show can frequently set the tone and direction for a station's entire programming schedule. Until recently, many 24-hour network affiliates preferred to keep their AM Drive locally produced, giving the station

greater control of content during this critical period. In recent years, however, the ratings successes of controversial. New York-based morning talk show hosts **Howard Stern** and **Don Imus** prompted **Infinity Broadcasting** to syndicate both shows (Stern's was first - to Philadelphia's WYSP in 1986) to other cities.

Initial skepticism over whether nationally-syndicated morning shows could attract loyal audiences outside their city of origin has virtually evaporated with the ratings success of **Stern** and **Imus**. The resultant "SyndiNet" trend - live programs airing within defined dayparts - has grown to include a host of morning drive shows, along with talk shows hosted by the likes of Rush Limbaugh and G. Gordon Liddy. The shows make great economic sense for station owners, who can generate strong ratings with nationally-syndicated programs for less money than the station would need to spend on a locally-produced show.

One side benefit to the revived national personality trend, according to radio network veteran Walter Sabo, is the likelihood that it will attract more young creative talent to the medium. That, in turn, will result in the development of new stars on local stations, stars who will be the syndicated national radio personalities of the future.

#### SYNDICATION: A RENAISSANCE IN NATIONAL PERSONALITY RADIO

The big story in syndication is that radio has rediscovered - some would say reinvented - one of the key building blocks of its early days: national personality radio.

Although radio was the original "block programming" medium, with stations across the country carrying programming supplied by a handful of national networks and featuring a gaggle of bigname stars, the growth of television in the 1950's turned radio into a local medium. In some ways, this shift created the seeds of opportunity for syndicators, companies that would offer stand-alone programs to stations eager to supplement their locally-produced shows with a sprinkling of national talent but not in need of a full-scale, network-supplied programming lineup.

The seeds of syndication began sprouting in earnest in the 1980's with the advent of satellite technology. Satellites enabled syndicators - and, of course, networks as well - to distribute programming to multiple stations simultaneously and with high quality. The application of satellite technology to radio programming resulted in the syndication of live, special event programming and nationally distributed music and talk shows.

Perhaps the most significant trend in radio syndication today is the propensity of stations to air nationally-distributed talk shows, particularly in AM

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Ron Hartenbaum, a Principal of Media America, looks at the radio landscape and like what he sees. He says the red-hot country and talk formats, for example, wiget botter still.

"Talk radio is a very vibrant category."



PARTNERS
RON HARTENBAUM
& GARY SCHONFELD

he says. "It's still growing It's maturing, but there's always going to be new talent and new people with new things to say or different ways of saying things. And I don't think country has gotten as bic as it can get. There'll be different flavorings of it. The great thing about radio is that you can be very finite in terms of tastes."

Hartenbaum says the while talk and country will continue to thrive one thing that he would like to see become a permanent part of the past is "just selling spots."

"Wye ahvays look for opportunities to work with an advertiser we enhance an overall marketing package." Hartenbaum says

Hartenbaum says. "Marketing is the operative work. People who ar just selling spots are mis ing the boat. It's how you become a marketing pari ner and bow you work with the brand manager with the ad agency, to understand their busine. their target audience. Al' in the goal of moving their business ahead. I'n not interested in making a sale for the sake of mak ing a sale. I'm interested in making a sale that makes sense so that we can layer on it and belp grow our clients business.

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#### THE '60'S'



## THE BIG RADIO BRANDS

These are some of the brands that were built with radio advertising in the '60's

AFL/CIO AMERICAN EXPRESS AMERICAN HOME AMERICAN MOTORS CORP. AMERICAN OIL CO. AT&T AMERICAN TOBACCO CO. ANHEUSER-BUSCH BRISTOL-MYERS CAMPBELL SOUP CARLING BREWING CO. CHRYSLER CORP. COCA-COLA COLGATE-PALMOLIVE EVERSHARP INC. EQUITABLE LIFE FALSTAFF BREWING FLORIDA CITRUS COMM. SCHAEFER BREWING FORD MOTOR GENERAL MILLS GENERAL MOTORS HUMBLE OIL KRAFT LIGGETT & MYERS MARS CANDIES MENNEN PEPSI-COLA PET MILK PFIZER (COTY) P. LORILLARD CO. P. BALLANTINE & SONS R. J. REYNOLDS ROYAL CROWN COLA SCHLITZ BREWING SEVEN-UP STANDARD BRANDS STATE FARM INSURANCE



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## THE BRITISH INVASION & THE FM EXPLOSION

#### RADIO IS EVERYWHERE!

mericans' reliance on radio as a news source, so prominent during World War II, took on a new dimension in 1965, as CBS and Westinghouse (Group W) pioneered the all-news format in major cities. Thanks to the great blackout in the Northeast on November 9, 1965, which virtually shut down all media except radio, people quickly recognized the medium as the up-to-the-minute source for news - 77% of adults listened during the blackout. News radio benefitted from the growth of car and portable set audiences, newspaper circulation declines (especially afternoon editions),



and TV's inability to reach outside the home. Many surveys showed radio as the first source of news (unless the event occurred in TV's prime time). An example: after an airline crash in New York in December 1960, 56% first learned of it on radio, vs. 34% for TV, 7% word-of-mouth, and 2% newspapers.

#### CLASSIC CAMPAIGNS

How did advertisers use radio in the Sixties? Long before KFC, Church's, and Boston Chicken ruled the roost, Chicken Delight delivered hot meals for \$1.39 in New York and Los Angeles through 52-week radio advertising in 1961-62. They concentrated in late afternoons from Thursdays to Sundays, using a now-classic copy line, "Don't Cook Tonight, Call Chicken Delight!" aimed at women who were "sick of cooking". Business doubled!

Hoffman Beverages, creating a mental image of a Norman Rockwell magazine cover, invested 75% of its advertising budget in radio with the catchy jingle, "The prettiest girl I ever saw, was sipping Hoffman through a straw." Unlike other soft drinks, they went after adult women, not teens, since they didn't sell cola. They became the leading fruit-flavor soft drink in New York.

#### "CREATIVE"

WAS THE WATCHWORD OF THE SIXTIES.

Martin Solow of Wexton Advertising, which Mcreated the classic Vita Herring "Maven" campaign in the mid-Sixties, told the RAB: "Do I like Radio? I love it! Radio is really a magical medium. You can create character, get people to laugh, cry, love you, hate you. Radio permits you to do a big job with a small budget. Radio offers a fantastic opportunity to develop character, mood, setting...and properly executed, can produce such a substantial increase in sales." For the all-time topper, consider Stan Freberg's "Cherry In Lake Michigan" pro-radio spot, which in 1964 dramatized how radio had no restrictive visual limits...compared to TV's 21-inch screen.

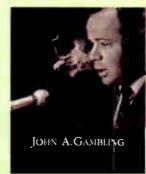
(Note: The Radio Advertising Bureau can provide a tape copy of this commercial on request.)





"More Parks Sausages, Mont" was another famous brand built with radio, representing 85% or more of their annual ad budget. Sales increased 10% annually for this regional Northeastern brand. While some considered the commercial naggingly abrasive, it was never changed because it worked! (In later years, they added the word "please" at the end.)

Bekins Moving & Storage got "moving" again with a 100% radio campaign during Fall 1964 in Los Angeles. They cut prices 15% to be competitive with some 350 other van lines in the area, and to reach the 50% who used no van line for moving. Their creative approach imitated the Guys & Dolls show style, with a complaint that the moving business was lousy this time of year, so they stressed they were better trained professionals. According to Doyle Dane Bernbach (Bekins' agency), business picked up 18%, and 40% of customers who called Bekins that October said they had heard about them on radio.





#### THE POWER BEHIND THE MESSAGE: THE RADIO CREATIVES

We all know the power radio can have on consumers, if you have created a great commercial you can expect great results. Unfortunately, when you turn on the radio it's not too easy to find a great commercial. There you have it, radios biggest problem: the lack of quality creative. The reason? There are a whole bunch of them. Most Agencies do not put a stress on creating great radio. What is great radio? Award winners? No, commercials that sell.

Sure, some agencies do it right, but unfortunately the power of Radio is greatly diminished by a lack of good, effective creative. Advertisers must demand great creative from their agencies if they expect to get a great return on their media investment. Demand that your agency puts their most experienced writers, producers and art directors (yes, art directors, radio IS a visual medium) to work. Not every agency can produce great radio, it's not a crime, but it is a shame if they are afraid to admit it. If your agency can't create radio commercials that really work, encourage, them go out of house.

There are a growing number of extremely creative radio production houses out there, staffed by radio creative experts, some are legend, some are new guys (and gals), but they are all super-pro's. We asked these specialists for some really "sound" advice for advertisers and agencies, this is what they had to say:

**PAUL FEY:** "Let the listener focus on one thing you're trying to say, if at all possible, in one spot. The audience isn't really paying attention. You've got to get their attention in the first place. The more clutter you throw at them inside your spot, the less likely they are to come away with anything. If you have 5 different ideas, do 5 different spots."

PAUL & WALT WORLDWIDE - 6565 SUNSET BLVD. SUITE 420, HOLLYWOOD, CA 90028 213-962-9996 - FAX 213-957-8454

**AUSTIN HOWE:** "Tell their agency right what you expect, and tell them that you expect to have a famous, historic radio campaign. You want the best radio campaign on the air. I think a lot of times nobody aims very high with radio. Insist that the agency put their very best writer and or art director on the radio campaign. People say it's the least visual medium. It's the most visual medium. Insist on the best people in the agency. Or insist on bringing in a specialist."

RADIOLAND - 618 NW GLISAN, NO. 203, PORTLAND, OREGON 97209 503-224-9288 - FAX 503-224-5320

**BERT BERDIS:** "Humor works for an advertiser. It's like going to a party. If there's somebody standing off in a corner pontificating and lecturing, he doesn't draw much of a crowd. If there's somebody in the other corner who's witty and bright and has a few jokes you have'it heard before, he's really got a crowd around him. Same thing works in advertising. If you're witty and bright and not burlesque or cartoony, you will get somebody's attention and hold them long enough to get the advertising message across."

BERT BERDIS & COMPANY - 1956 NORTH CAHUENGA, HOLLYWOOD, CA 90068 213-462-7261 - FAX 213-462-3432

**DAN PRICE:** "One of the biggest traps producers fall into, is jumping on current creative bandwagons. If creatives would try and come up with their own original, innovative execution, or unique characters, we'd hear better radio. The danger of jumping on current creative trends is, your commercial is lost in a sea of sound-alikes. Your ultimate goal should be to come up with something that other people will try to knock off — there's nothing like being the original."

OINK INK RADIO - 1821 RANSTEAD STREET, BAAKER SOUND BUILDING, PHILADELPHIA, PA 19103 215-567-7755 - 800-776-OINK FAX 800-758-OINK

**SANDY KAYE:** "Humor is always great, but it shouldn't always be slapstick, sometimes a sensitive warm approach to humor will work better, it's more memorable and works great with women. If you bring honest emotion and empathy to a spot you will really connect with a target consumer. Be genuine, share a personal laugh with your friend."

FUNNY FARM RADIO - 4470 SUNSET BLVD. SUITE 200, HOLLYWOOD, CA 90027 213-667-2054 - FAX 213-667-0831

**DICK ORKIN:** "Talent costs are often the largest part of a radio production budget. So ask yourself, is that script with 8 voices really the best way to communicate your message? A simpler spot is apt to make its point more clearly. Can some characters be combined? Is that character who only has two lines really necessary to the action? A simple rewrite can eliminate superfluous characters - and reduce the talent tab."

DICK ORKIN'S RADIO RANCH - 1140 N. LA BREA AVE.., LOS ANGELES, CA. 90038 213-462-4966 - FAX 213-856-4311

**CHUCK BLORE:** Commercials should respect the audience, respect the product, and respects the medium. First of all, you should know who the audience is, and what their wants and needs are."

THE CHUCK BLORE COMPANY - 1606 NORTH ARGYLE AVENUE, HOLLYWOOD, CA 90028 213-462-0944 - 800-443-2020











#### A BRIEF HISTORY OF HUMOR RADIO

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n the years since, a vast array of comedy companies have made their presence felt: Chuck Blore, who works with kids and creates a warm fuzzy feel; Mal Sharpe's offbeat manon-the-street interviews; Ann Wynn and Garrett Brown as "the Molson couple"; Mark Fenske's non stop edgy monologues; Dan Aaron. Alan Barzman, John Crawford, Tom Hripko, Dick Orkin. Paul & Walt, Craig Wiese, the list goes on, but nowadays you can't hear a spot and instantly identify it as the work of one company. The reason is a renaissance in writing radio within the agencies. No longer shunted to a junior writer, today the top agency writers all secretly aspire to do a stand-up, sitcom or movie. And where else but radio can a writer work-out a comedy dialogue or satirical monologue?

Ten years ago we wrote 70% and produced 30%. Now it's just the opposite as creative directors and head-writers fax very funny scripts for us to cast and produce.

Yes, I can see a time when my studio walls will picture not only past heroes, but writers from BBDO, Chiat, DMB&B, Goodby. Leap Partnership and Tracy-Locke. Egads. I just lost my spats again!

Bert Berdis presides over the Hollywood-based company bearing his name, and he is currently writing a book entitled 'Radio Right the First Time."

#### RADIO



Ron Gilmore, VP Marketing: Compl 8.4 chose Radio initially for a lot of different reasons When this campaign first started, 6 years ago,



RON GILMORE

Comp USA was a new company exploring different ways of going to market. Radio was a relatively inexpensive way of broadening reach and not just relying on print, it also gave them a lot of flexibility. Being able to change prices by market, and so on, much more cost effectively than they could on TV."

The program has grown over time. But the creative is still really the same. The strategy, I think, was sound from the beginning, and that's why the campaign has survived. The strategy was to try to make fun of the category, not take it too seriously. Take down some of the walls of intimidation. We run a pretty big store. You walk into our store, and if you don't know anything about computers, you've really got no place to bide."

We have 2 characters, PC and Bob. I think Tom and Jack do a terrific job, as does our agency Italia/Gal and our producer Chris Epting, and that certainly has helped the campaign in a huge way. We've been in this campaign, some markets, for as long as 6 years. We did some research just to find out if we should be

#### WE ASKED THE EXPERTS



Keith Reinhard, Chairman/CEO DDB NEEDHAM WORLDWIDE

Q: What is radio's role for advertisers in a growing media scene?

It's sort of an irrefutable fact that the more media there are competing for consumer attention, the

more critical it is that we be able to target and find those consumers we want. And radio does that better than anything else, because it is a very local and very intimate medium. One could say without too much exaggeration, that the more proliferation we see in the media marketplace, the better radio's going to be, because it is an excellent way to select and target very precisely.

#### Q: What are radio's strengths?

It seems to me that the great strengths of radicare its ability to be very very local and very very, therefore, relevant to individual listeners as they become friends with local on-air personalities who discuss things which are highly relevant to the local community, which can never be duplicated by any other media. It's going to benefit from further proliferation of media market because it's such a good way to target.

#### Q: Will radio continue to grow?

Of course. Where would we be without radio? What's going to replace radio as a way to bring music and companionship to people? What's going to replace radio as a way to have interactive dialogues between listeners and on-air personalities about things that are important or things that aren't important for that matter? What's going to replace radio for the thousands of advertisers who need to reach audiences but do not have either the budget nor the need to be on television. For advertisers who see the creative advantages, the visual accuracy of radio and the low production costs. It's unbeatable.

maintaining this campaign. We all liked it, but what's our customer saying. What we found out is, the longer that the campaign was in the market, the more the customer liked the campaign, and liked the characters, as a friend."

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m R}$  adio had a role in helping build our business, absolutely."

Chris Epting: "We also do a large number of promotions on radio. Usually they'll involve a major sporting even. Radio really drives people in.

CompUSA is on for 49-50 weeks a year. There's no

other retailer that approaches that level. We do 15 to 20 spots in a week. That's about 1200 spots per year. Most CompUSA spots are really co-op spots. We make it more appealing to the vender by tailoring a spot just for them. We build spots with PC Modem and Bob around the specific product. PC Modem and Bob really work for



CHRIS EPTING

Arthur Bijur, Sr.VP/Creative Director Cliff Freeman & Partners

1995 MERCURY AWARD GRAND PRIZE WINNER FOR STAPLES

henever we sit down to do radio we try to do something, that's unique and hasn't been done either in the toproduct) category. It's rery hard to find ways to do radio that haven't been done. So many different genres have been done. Firery form of music has been touched."

really felt that they radio had to stand out rery much, and of course any self respecting ad agency totally believes that, you want people to like the radio advertising as much.



as the television.
Certainly we accomplished this with the Staples account.

We spent a lot of effort and time."

We discovered a formula that bading been done that really fost seemed to work. They deered essentially, you might soap operas, real personally stories really success story ries.

E very other word was a product, practically. We were delighted as creative people, working on this product. It was a new unique way to include all of the clients products, this is often a major difficulty in radion, spots.

he combined efform (of radio and TV) was phenomenally successful. We achieved to number one, highest retail sales increases in all of retail for **Staples**.

CompUSA, and so does Radio.

### LIVING LEGENDS OF RADIO: SCOTT MUNI

#### Where's radio going? What are the new trends?

"The name of the game in radio and music has been fragmentation for some time, so that each market has its prime star. In much of the country, mainly the Southwest and Midwest, the number 1 format is country music. That's where most of the country music fans have moved or migrated. Each market has its own thing. In a major market like New York, it's fragmentation is obvious and it's obviously weighted according to its population. Stations that are playing primarily black music, whether it's soft black, or hip-hop, are up in higher ranking as far as the music goes. Radio companies have consultants doing their music programming. If you categorize it as classic or progressive rock, the consultants sometimes narrow-cast the artists and the songs so that there's a danger of becoming too repetitive and people can get tired of it."

"Tthink the reason alternative, which is what we've been mixing with the older music (at WNEW-FM), is so strong is that obviously the public wants it. The public wants what they want. If you're into soft rock, you'll find a station for you that won't hit you in the head. That's fragmentation, that's radio's game. Whether it's talk radio or news or information, you'll find that it's split up. Especially in the major markets, talk and news and sports all have found their niche, because fragmentation is just responding to listeners demands.

#### Do you see any new trends with Country or Talk?

The problem with Country right now is something they created themselves, and that is, what is Country? There's new Country and there's old Country. They get in these wars where some of the older, well-established Country artists are not allowed on the air at the new Country stations, where they're playing stuff, like Clint Black or whoever is currently hot, but they won't allow any of the classic stars on. Of the all the stations in



America right now, more are doing Country than anything else and they're fragmenting that format even further."

#### Do you think talk has plateaued?

alk is definitely very much alive and growing. For every person who says they don't like a certain personality, there are an awful lot of them that do, and that's from Rush Limbaugh right on down. They're just gonna' keep happening. No way you're ever going to stop talk or sports. I think talk will definitely not decrease, it'll increase depending on how many good personalities can be found."

"Tthink radio is the one medium that makes I people use their imagination, and because they have to drive back and forth to work and play, they'll always have it on. Radio is the only medium that can be called a true companion. Our challenge is to make sure it stays an entertaining companion, then it will always work for advertisers "

#### TIME LINE

1960 Number of radio stations in the US: 4086. AM: 3398 FM: 688. 1960 Chubby Checker's Twist is the national dance craze. 1960 John F. Kennedy becomes

President. 1961 FCC approves FM stereo. 1961 Highly-specialized radio programming is introduced by Gordon McLendon with All-News format XETRA (AM) Tijuana.

1962 James Meredith, the first black student at the University of Mississippi. Troops are sent to quell riots.

1962 Newton Minow, Chairman of FCC calls TV a "vast wasteland,

1963 Kennedy assassinated. Johnson becomes President. 1964 The Beatles hit US shores. She Loves You Yeah, yeah, yeah. 1965 WABC-AM, New York becomes the most-listened-to station in the nation under Program Director, Rick Sklar,

1965 Martin Luther King leads civil rights march in Alabama. 1965 23,000 US "advisors" sent to Vietnam.

1966 FM radio stations experiment with "Progressive Rock." 1968 Martin Luther King and

Bobby Kennedy shot. 1969 Woodstock occurs. Peace, love and happiness abound. Neil Armstrong walks on the moon. One small step for man, one giant leap for mankind!



#### THE BIG HITS OF THE '60'S

1960 THEME FROM "A SUMMER PLACE" PERCY FAITH

1961 TOSSIN' & TURNIN'
BOBBY LEWIS
1962 STRANGER ON THE
SHORE - ACKER BILK
1963 SUGAR SHACK

JIMMY GILMER &
THE FIREBALLS

1964 I WANT TO HOLD YOUR HAND - BEATLES

1965 WOOLY BULLY SAM THE SHAM & THE PHARAOHS

1966 THE BALLAD OF THE GREEN BERETS S/SGT. BARRY SADLER

1967 TO SIR WITH LOVE LULU

1968 HEY JUDE- BEATLES 1969 SUGAR, SUGAR THE ARCHIES

### LIVING LEGENDS OF RADIO: COUSIN BRUCIE

Dadio personalities are often described by listeners as being "like part of the family."  $\mathbf{K}$ Perhaps no one typifies this intimate relationship better than Bruce Morrow. His very onair moniker, Cousin Brucie, has, for millions of listeners, conveyed a sense of familiarity and closeness that has spanned generations.

The Cousin Brucie legend was born late one night in 1959 at . WINS, then a rock 'n' roll station. An elderly lady found her way up to the studio where Bruce was broadcasting his show. "Hey cousin," she said, "can you give me fifty cents?" Bruce gave her the money, and she gave him the name by which New Yorkers, and later the nation, came to know and love him.

lousin Brucie carved his legend in stone during a ratings-topoping run at New York's WABC radio, where ruled the rock 'n' roll airwaves from 1961-74. To New Yorkers growing up during that era, Cousin Brucie was as famous as the artists whose records he spun.





Cousin Brucie with Ron Lundy

Since leaving WABC, Cousin Brucie's legend has grown. He was inducted into the Radio Hall of Fame, appeared in the hit movie "Dirty Dancing," published his autobiography, and was even featured as the hero of Riverdale High School's 50th anniversary dance in an issue of Archie Comics.

oday, millions still welcome Cousin Brucie into their homes f I via his Saturday night "Oldies Party" and Wednesday night "Cousin Brucie's Yearbook" on WCBS-FM in New York. He is after, after all, a member of the family.

#### RADIO WILL ALWAYS BE A PLAY-

Raif D'Amico, Vice President, General Manager of CBS Radio Representatives, sees a pattern throughout radio's history that reminds him of Mark Twain's classic line, "Rumors of my death are greatly exaggerated." D'Amico says that radio thrives, and will continue to do so, because it is an essential component of daily life in America.

Radio is a very personable, immediate, accessible thing." D'Amico says. "The best example, of course, is the car. You can't watch TV, or be paying attention to a newspaper or magazine, or even billboards. They say you have about three-and-a-half seconds to get your message across on a billboard. Radio, on the other hand, can spend the entire trip with you and be your source of information and anterior payer. There's payer going to observe

tion and entertainment. That's never going to change. Radio will always be a player."

D'Amico predicts that the rise of duopolies will make radio more of a reach medium than ever before. "We've always had frequency, and although we've always been a reach medium it's been more work for a buyer to accomplish that. But with duopolies, a buyer can deal with one or two companies and get very big reach in a market, along with target marketing and better efficiencies."

D'Amico is "very excited" over the fact that all major radio rep companies now have marketing departments. "It's starting to pay off big time," he says. "A lot of new advertiser categories have been broken. Telecommunication companies are using radio very effectively. Automotive, with restraints taken off "all the legal" previously required in lease programs, are using radio very effectively.

The future, really, belongs to the marketing departments. Clients love you when you are as concerned about what's important to them. We can show them how they can still get those aisle displays, those promotions, while reaching customers who are going to make cash registers ring."

#### RADIO IS A MARKETING PARTNER

Katz Radio Group President Stu Olds says these are fascinating times for the radio industry. "Interestingly, I think radio is the stable medium out there now. Radio has gone through the frag-

mentation, the segmentation. We continue to be the most localized, personalized communication medium that exists. No other medium has that right now and as you get into the 500 channel (TV) world, I think radio's tree in the media forest will stand taller. For advertisers, radio is becoming a primary marketing medium as opposed to a secondary one."

And, Olds says, the major rep firms will play a leading role in radio's enhanced place in the media mix. "The communication that's going to take place between the stations and the reps is going to become enhanced tremendously through technology. All the stuff that reps have talked about forever - becoming an extension of the stations and their local sales departments - will be more true than ever. That's going to be good for advertisers because you're going to have people who are more aware of what's happening in different markets and on those stations, and we can better fit what's taking place locally to what the advertiser is trying to accomplish."

Olds predicts that, "Clearly within the next 2 years you're going to see most of the transferring of contracts, affidavits, makegoods and so on being done electronically between the rep and the agencies." He adds, radio must never lose the human element. "We don't want to do all business electronically. There's a great value in having a face-to-face across the desk from somebody. Having people talk about what's taking place in marketplaces results in better media buys and better use of dollars. I don't think you can get that just be looking at a piece of paper."

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#### **THE '70'S**



## THE BIG RADIO BRANDS

These are some of the hrands and advertisers that used radio in the '70's.

AMERICAN DAIRY ASSN.. AMERICAN HOME AT&T

ANHEUSER-BUSCH BENEFICIAL FINANCE BORDER

BRISTOL-MYERS CO. CAMPBELL SOUP

CHESEBROUGH-PONDS CHRYSLER CORP. COCA-COLA CO.

COLGATE-PALMOLIVE
TRUE VALUE HARDWARE
DELTA AIRLINES

DIAL FINANCE
EXXON

FORD MOTOR CO. FOTOMAT

GENERAL MOTORS
GREYHOUND-ARMOUR

GREYHOUND-ARMO GOODYEAR TIRE

J. C. PENNY KRAFT MCDONALD'S

MILES LABS MONTGOMERY WARD PAN AM AIRLINES

PENNZOIL PEPSICO

PLOUGH
SCHLITZ BREWING
SEARS, ROEBUCK & CO.

SMITH KLINE
STANDARD BRANDS
STATE FARM INSURANCE

STERLING DRUG CO. TWA UNITED AIRLINES

UNITED AIRLINES WARNER-LAMBERT WM. WRIGLEY



### RADIO BECOMES MORE "ONE TO ONE".

#### THE FM EXPLOSION

RM radio, fueled by the growth of rock formats and increased penetration in cars, went from less than 15% of the total audience in 1970 to 53% by the end of 1979. However, an N. W. Ayer "white paper" on radio in 1976 clearly stated that AM is RADIO...FM is RADIO. The important distinctions were in programming, not dial position. A Fresno Bee story (April 10, 1970) pointed out that radio's format specialization, such as foreign languages, ethnic music, and all-news, enabled the medium to survive the emergence of television.

#### BLUE NUN & RED-HOT HITS

A hot creative trend of Seventies radio was two-voice humor: Dick & Bert, Bob & Ray, Stiller & Meara. The latter were responsible for one of radio's classic success stories, **Blue Nun** wine, whose sales rose from 68,000 cases in 1969 to 1.3 million in 1978, thanks to radio. This campaign won a CLIO award in 1975 and an Effie in 1978. The campaign took the stuffiness and mystique out of an imported product by clever word-plays on the brand name.

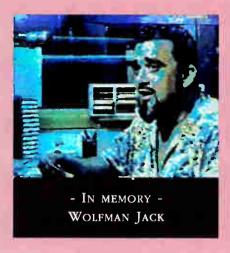
Image advertising, radio's original technique, was still viable for the Seventies. Chrysler, known for engineering leadership since 1924, was beginning to lose its perceived edge to GM, Ford, and the imports. They could have run multi-page magazine inserts to explain all the technical details, but instead, turned to radio and built a campaign around the slogan "Extra Care In Engineering." The campaign built awareness and image, and won an Effie award in 1971.

Keith Reinhard, Executive VP of Needham, Harper & Steers, said in 1978: "If radio had been invented after TV it would, no doubt, be considered the superior medium. Now you can actually reach a prospect in that rare moment when he's alone in his car...his own foam-padded sound studio, so conditioned to the routine of driving that his personal antenna reaches out for the right set of stimuli. And that's only drive-time radio."

Larry Light, Executive VP of BBDO, looked at Lradio in "The Age Of Me"...personal, convenient, instant, fun, varied, selective, and portable. In this age of increased competition, higher prices, clutter, more mobility, etc., "how do you spell relief? I spell it R-A-D-I-O!" Bernard Owett, Senior VP/Creative Director at J. Walter Thompson positioned radio's integrated role thus: "Radio takes over your mind but doesn't take over your life."

General Motors began and ended the decade as radio's largest national advertiser. Also, at both ends of the decade, the top five categories accounted for about half of national activity (spot and network combined):

	1970	1979
Food Products	11.3%	14.9%
Automotive	13.2	13.0
Travel	9.0	8.9
Beer & Wine	9.4	7.7
Consumer Services	5.2	7.4
(financial and comp	nunications)	



#### " LOVE TO LOOK AT

## RADIO... I SEE THE PICTURES BETTER!"

With TV firmly established as the "in" creative medium at agencies, radio was often relegated to the copy cubs or trade paper writers. Jerry Della Femina, speaking at the ANA/RAB Workshop in 1972, was unhappy with this practice, detesting agencies who would farm out radio assignments to so-called "specialists". However, he noted, the trend to shorter TV commercials was making creativity more difficult, forcing the audio part to be short and catchy...really radio. As an example, "Try It, You'll Like It" for Alka-Seltzer. Who needed a picture here? He even suggested the daring idea of assigning "art directors" to radio. If they can "visualize" a product, they could describe it to a copywriter who would create the word pictures that much better. The writing was on the wall: TV was taking away people's imaginations. Newsweek (December 3, 1979) described the resurgence of radio drama on CBS and National Public Radio. The ultimate quote came from an eight-year-old boy who

### WE ASKED THE EXPERTS

MIKE KELLY, VP MARKETING, PERKINS FAMILY RESTAURANTS

Perkins has been doing radio for 20 years, if not more. We are in a lot of small towns where we got one unit operators and in the Wyoming's and the Utah's of this world radio is listened to more than TV is watched."

What I like about radio the best is that it's cheaper to make than TV and it's flexibility, quite frankly. I think TV is somewhat of an inflexible medium. We're finding that in the dining business, decisions are made, more often than not, while someone's in the car. And TV is not going to help you a great deal when someone's in the car."

When have 476 restaurants in 40 states, so radio is the right medium for us, when we're off radio, we see a difference."

I like radio creatively, obviously, one of the reasons I like dealing with Bert Berdis in the development of radio is the humor and warmth aspects that we can build into radio. We can create a lot more illusion with radio than we can with TV. It's certainly cheaper as a medium and a much more cost-effective medium to produce."

ur radio use is going to increase in the future. It has been steadily increasing for us for over the last 3 or 4 years. Especially next year, when some of the anticipated costs that we're looking at with the Olympics and then, of course, with the primaries coming up. I'm seeing some unbelievable inflationary planning rates, right now, for TV."

PETER HARRINGTON, VP - NETWORK RADIO, BRDO

Q: Where is radio today?

Let use the start of a renaissance. I think there's going to be greater opportunities to produce and deliver mational programming in the future as ownership consolidates and technology allows more of it to be done more efficiently.

Q: Will radio get stronger as TV fragments?

I think fractionalization of the media pies, and the consumers attention, will help radio and hurt television to a degree.

O: What effect will current deregulation have?



Ithink it'll lead to more programming down the road, more national programming. What might happen is that we'll have the opportunity for better and stronger program environments to put our national commercials in down the road. If there's more programming then it creates a better national program environment. Rather than being dependent on the local, 500 to 1000 local program environments, you'll have more continuous.

sistent program environments, and well have more opportunities.

Q: Where will radio be in the future?

Radio's a medium that's maintaining its vibrancy. Radio is very active right now in tying into the Internet and web sit's and so on. Advertisers have lots of added-value and cross profitorional opportunities with radio. I think it's got an even brighter future with advertisers.

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low important is radio to you major media buying anization?

adio is very important because it is a mechanism ill out a broadcast oriented lia plan with lower cost ressions. Radio has tradially been an efficiency lium that we use strategiy as a supplement to televi-

How does radio figure into the ure of advertising?

adio figures big in the future. It has to. The cost of television continues scalate. Mixing radio and television way to offset this trend. I think that at we're probably going to see a nd (in radio) as a result of the con-

solidation taking place in the radio industry that will run almost the opposite of fragmentation. I think we can see situations where owned and operated radio

> networks will start to come about. Radio networks will program more consistently, and will probably be programmed in such a fashion that they will attract a larger share. It will allow us (agencies) the opportunity to get larger gross audiences.

nce you get past the ownership reconfigurations that are very likely to happen, radio is

probably going to be less impacted by change than any other media type...It's not going to go through the volatility and agony that television is going to go through as it re-invents itself. The result will be a stronger medium with better programming and bigger audiences that will be an exceptional tool for advertisers.

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96.1% OF ALL HISPANICS 12+ EVERY WEEK

DURCE: Fall 1994 Arbitron National Data Base (Hispanic AQII and cume estimates)

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NE OUT OF THREE AMERICANS IN THE WORKPLACE

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SEVEN OUT OF TEN DRUG PURCHASERS EVERY DAY\*

THREE OUT OF FOUR FINANCIAL CUSTOMERS EVERY DAY\*

EVEN OUT OF TEN COMPUTER PURCHASERS EVERY DAY\*

SEVEN OUT OF TEN RESTAURANT CUSTOMERS EVERY DAY\*

EVEN OUT OF TEN BEER AND WINE DRINKERS EVERY DAY\*

EVEN OUT OF TEN ENTERTAINMENT CONSUMERS EVERY DAY\*

SOURCE: Simmons 1994

MORE CONSUMERS THAN ANY CABLE NETWORKS

OURCE: The Media Audit, 199 i

OUR CUSTOMERS RIGHT UP TO TIME OF PURCHASE

OURCE: Media Targeting 2000: The Arbitron RAB Consumer Study, 1995

#### SOME OF RADIOS TOP TALENTS

These are just a few of the major personalities that provide entertainment information and companionship to us all from coast to coast.

#### CHARLES DSGOOD THE OSGOOD FILE CBS RADIO NETWORKS

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#### RICK DEES WEEKLY OP 40 ABC RAD O NETWORKS

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#### DON IMUS IMUS IN THE MORNING WESTWOOD ONE RADIO NETWORKS

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#### TOM JOYNER MOVIN' ON WEEKEND ABC RADIO NETWORKS

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## RADIO, UPWARD MOBILITY & THE MEDIA EXPLOSION

#### RADIO MEETS CABLE & VCR'S HEAD-ON

Radio had survived the arrival of TV by becoming personal, portable, and selective. Now TV began to learn from radio. Cable TV, featuring various niche networks, saw its coverage rise from 22% of TV homes in 1980 to 55% by 1990. In addition, VCR ownership mushroomed from just 4% in 1980 to 68% in 1990. This made TV "time-shifting" possible.

No longer could the TV networks decide when we could watch a particular program, and VCR's made it possible to zap the commercials. But radio easily won the "convenience" battle. Only 4% of TV usage in 1980 was out-of-home (Nielsen), compared to 39% of radio's. By 1989, radio's out-of-home usage had risen to 53% (RADAR). This further strengthened radio as the point-of-purchase medium, getting in the last word before a buying decision in an era when convenience and immediacy had taken on new meaning to Americans. ATM's, faxes, convenience stores, direct marketing, overnight delivery, and cellular phones rapidly were becoming necessities for got-to-have-it-now Americans.

#### ADVERTISING WINNERS

Ome success stories from the 1984 ANA/RAB
Workshop: Using a takeoff on the vaudeville "Mr.
Gallagher and Mr. Sheen" act, **Pitney-Bowes** increased sales
15% and ad recall 133% from 1982 to 1983 for copiers, mailing machines, and related office equipment. They spent
some \$3.8 million in radio, more than in all other media
combined. "We'll Leave The Light On For You" is probably
one of the best-known ad slogans today. **Motel** 6 burst
upon the scene in 1986 with a \$1 million radio budget, then
from 1987 to the present spent well over \$10 million annual-

ly- a total of some \$109 million through 1994. No fancy production here...just a guitar, fiddle, and Tom Bodett spinning his ever-changing cracker-barrel country yarns. The economy of the production helps build the "no-frills" image of the lodging chain as well. The slogan's consistency reminds us of bygone eras when ad campaigns didn't change every other Tuesday! Motel 6 is consistently among the leaders in its category (economy chains). Many other lodging chains have become substantial radio users such as Best Western, Marriott, and

Radisson.

## THE BIG HITS

1980 CALL ME - BLONDIE

1981 BETTE DAVIS EYES

KIM CARNES 1982 PHYSICAL

OLIVIA NEWTON-JOHN

1983 EVERY BREATH YOU TAKE THE POLICE

1984 WHEN DOVES CRY PRINCE

1985 CARELESS WHISPER
WHAM!

1986 THAT'S WHAT FRIENDS ARE FOR - DIONNE & FRIENDS

1987 WALK LIKE AN EGYPTIAN
BANGLES

1988 FAITH - GEORGE MICHAEL

1989 LOOK AWAY - CHICAGO

#### MEETING THE CHALLENGE

In the early 1980's, Radio began to toot its own horn more, spearheaded by the RAB/Trout & Ries campaign "Radio. It's Red Hot". Local stations took off their promotional gloves and reached out for new listeners through ads in other media such as newspapers, TV, and billboards. Network radio got a new life with NBC's The Source, RKO, black-formatted NBN and Sheridan networks, and special long-form concert offerings. Ira Berger at Needham, Harper & Steers said that network TV costs were getting out of sight, and that radio offered some real alternatives. He thought network radio would be a lot like magazines... specialized, attracting an audience to whatever they're interested in.

Madison Avenue Magazine (October 1980) said radio was the "rediscovered" medium. So did U. S. News & World Report (July 7, 1980): "Fresh shows are injecting new life and money into a medium that used to be regarded as the dowdy grandmother of TV". Next Magazine (January 1981) called it "Radio's Born-Again Serenity". Esquire Magazine (March 1984) ran a feature headlined "Radio is transforming itself. Right before our ears...RADIO LIVES!" Finally, ADWEEK, in 1980, headlined: "Radio Enters Its

#### TIME LINE

**1980** Number of radio stations in the US: 8748. AM: 4558

FM: 1190,

1980 Mt. St. Helens erupted.

1980 Ronald Wilson Reagan elected President.

**1981** Federal deregulation of radio programming and ownership restraints.

1981 Space Shuttle Columbia was sent into space.

**1981** Sandra Day OfConnor appointed to the Supreme Court.

1982 The Equal Rights Amendment was defeated.

1984 Consolidation sweeps through both the national rep and network radio sectors of the industry, eventually leading to two imegai rep forces (The Interep Radio Store and Katz Radio) and four major network radio organizations (ABC, CBS, Westwood One and Unistar).

**1985** "LiveAid" a 17-hour concert broadcast to 152 countries.

1987 All-Sports radio born on WFAN-AM New York.

1988 George Bush elected president.

1989 US invades Panama.

## RADIO DELIVERS!

## Radio promotion a roaring success for 'the lion king'

An exclusive radio sweepstakes for the **Phar-Mor** chain of drug stores increased store traffic, boosted video sales and increased family rentals at the stores' video and music departments. Developed by **Katz Radio Group** and **Yaffe & Company** advertising agency as a tie-in to the video release of **Disney's "The Lion King,"** the promotion ran for three weeks in February and March at 26 Phar-Mor locations.

The promotion invited consumers to enter a drawing for a family vacation for 4 to San Diego with a visit to the world-renowned **San Diego Zoo.** The promotion included live **Phar-Mor** remotes conducted by **WJET**, Erie, PA; **WTCR**, Huntington, WV; **WDSY**, Pittsburgh; and **WHOT**, Youngstown, OH. The stations tagged **Phar-Mor** spots across various dayparts and produced unique on-air promotional features (including "**Phar-Mor**'s Top 10 Video Rentals"). Participating stores set up POP displays, sweepstakes forms, window posters and countercards.

Phar-Mor branches reported record video sales on the days of the radio remotes, and the stores sold out "The Lion King" video at remote locations. The sweepstakes' success can be attributed to radio's unique ability to deliver the ideal target audience through niche marketing," said Karen Myford, KRG's Detroit Marketing Manager..

#### RADIO BUILDS A FIRE UNDER VEAL SALES

A true marketing partnership between CBS Radio Marketing and Straight Arrow Media of San Francisco paid off with a robust 80% sales gain for the Veil Committee of the National Beef Council.

It was the summer of 1994, and the Council sought to build awareness for yeal as a barbect in three markets: Philadelphia, New York and Chicago. The Council's agency, **Straight Arro w Media**, brainstormed with **CBS** Marketing to develop a program client's objectives while tying in local retailers. The radio program consisted of 3 weeks on-air, with spots running Wed.-Sat., primarily in AM and PM drive, on an avg. of 6 stations per market. Each of the 3 weeks offered excusivity to a particular local supermarket chain. The first 45 seconds of the 60-second spots featured slice-of-life vignettes in talked about the virtues of yeal, which had exclusivity that particular week. The remaining time on the spot was devoted to the retailer's tag, highlighting yeal specials. A creative value-added element to the program invited radio listeners to call a special yeal recipe line for award-winning recipes and a chance to win dinner for two at a participating restaurant.

The return on investment was incredible," reports Rod Mill, VP-Media at **Straight Arrow**. "We really impacted the market, with sales up 80% during the promotion period versus the same period in 1993. The client was extremely satisfied and expanded it to a fourth market in "95."

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## REP FIRMS BUILD GROWTH ON INTEGRATED MARKETING

The concept of the media rep firm was pioneered in 1888 by Emanuel Katz, whose E. Katz Special Advertising Agency opened in New York to represent William Randolph



EMANUEL KATZ

Hearst's San Francisco newspapers (ironic in that a century later national advertisers are still trying to find an easy way to buy newspaper space). Today, the vast majority of national spot radio sales are billed by two firms, Katz Radio Group and The Interep Radio Store, who together rep more than 3,000 radio stations nationwide.

From its newspaper origins, **Katz** expanded its client list in the 1930's to include the revolutionary new medium, radio, in part because several of the com-

pany's newspaper clients had purchased radio stations. In the mid 1930's, **Katz** represented ten stations, steadily growing through the 40's and 50's. In March 1984, **Katz** Communications - as the company was now called - pur-

chased two additional rep companies, Christal Radio and RKO Radio Sales, and formed the Katz Radio Group.

Today, the Katz Radio Group, headed by President Stu Olds, encompasses five separate radio representation companies - Banner Radio, Christal Radio, Eastman Radio, Katz Radio and Katz Hispanic Media. "The product we're selling today has become much more complex." Olds said. "In a duopoly world, you can have a series of radio stations lin one market that all deserve to be positioned correctly to meet an advertiser's needs. So the rep's job has 36, actually become more complex than ever before."

'he Interep Radio Store traces its roots to 1954, when Daren McGavren purchased Western Radio, a regional rep firm

with stations throughout California and the Pacific Northwest. McGavren hired native Californian Ralph Guild to open a new office in New York in 1962, the start of McGavren-Guild. Guild was one of the first to recognize the need for radio rep firms to be marketing problem-solvers for advertisers, a philosophy that permeates the **Interep** corporate culture to



& DAREN McGAVREN

this day. Les Goldberg, President of Interep, said recently: "We were a marketing company before it was fashionable. We fill needs, that's what we do.

Interep itself was formed in 1981 as the holding company for what McGavren-Guild foresaw as being a string of independently-operated radio rep firms. Today, **The Interep Radio Store** (the name of the company since 1988) owns and operates eight such firms— Concert Music Broadcast Sales (since 1995), Group W Radio Sales (1986- the first independent rep firm dedicated exclusively to one broadcast group), Major Market Radio Sales (1982), The Torbet Radio Group (1987), D&R Radio (1993), Infinity Radio Sales (1995), Shamrock Radio Sales (1995) and the original McGavren Guild Radio.

the rep business has come a long way since the days of Emanuel Katz... national spot radio sales totaled \$1.27 billion for 1994 as Katz and Interep successfully address the marketing needs of national advertisers.

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#### MAJOR ADVERTISERS USE HISPANIC RADIO AS A PRIMARY MEDIUM

Increasing numbers of major national advertisers, including Burger King, J.C. Penney, Kmart, Sears, 7-Eleven and Walgreen are turning to Spanish radio as a primary medium to reach the Hispanic community.

The reasons for this wend are simple; there is tremendous potential in the growing Hispanic market and no medium reaches it more effectively than Spanish-language radio. There are approximately 25 million Hispanics living in the United States, a figure that is expected to swell to 40 million by 2010. The aggregate household income of Hispanic households is \$185 billion. Ninety-six percent of all Hispanics 12 and older listen to radio at least once per week. And, by far, the format of choice for this segment of the population is Spanish-language programming, which averages nearly a 44 share among Hispanics.

Spanish-language radio stations have experience major gains in listenership during the past year or two, with some stations even beating general market stations in the Arbitron ratings. In markets like El Peso, San Antonio and Miami, Spanish music stations have consistently ranked number one in key demos for the last few years. Spanish music formats include International Hits, Tejano (a mix between traditional Mexican and polka music), Traditional Regional Mexican, Banda (fast, up-beat Mexican dance music) and Salsa Merengue (fast-paced Caribbean dance music). Spanish-language stations generally have minimal duplication with general market stations, giving advertisers a powerful, exclusive audience. As Bob Watson, former Director of Advertising Services for AT&T, said: "We (AT&T) use Spanish radio to increase reach and generate significant levels of frequency in order to break through the malaise of other advertising."

## MARRIOTT COURTS BUSINESS TRAVELERS VIA RADIO

Courtyard By Marriott, one of several divisions of the Marriott Corporation, markets itself as the hotel chain "designed by business travelers," with 240 locations across the country. Its primary objectives are to increase awareness and occupancy rates among men 25-54 and other business travelers.

To achieve its objective, **Marriott** uses a year-round combination of radio and print. Prominent on the radio buy are "The Business of Sports," "Sunday Conversation" and "Sportsbreaks" on **ABC**'s **ESPN Radio Network**. The long-running campaign features Dick Cavett as spokesperson and includes a direct response 800 number, which is popular with listeners and enables **Marriott** to track results.

In addition to generating strong occupancy results from its radio effort, **Marriott** has conducted tracking studies that show the Courtyard chain to have the highest brand recognition within the company.



#### TIME LINE

## URBAN RADIO DELIVERS \$ 3 2 5 BILLION MARKET TO A D V E R T I S E R S

Radio is the electronic medium of choice Ramong America's 31 million African-Americans, with Simmons research showing that 45% of blacks' media time is spent with radio versus 34% with television. And, among the various radio formats, urban radio is by far the programming of choice among this \$325 billion consumer group. Urban radio reaches 76% of all blacks, more than the next four most listened-to formats combined. Very few general market radio stations, in fact, deliver a black profile proportionate to their market.

"The urban format serves a span of ages, both sexes and a range of income levels," said Janet Hill, Vice President of the Washington, DC-based consulting firm Alexander & Associates, to a group of advertisers this past spring. "Because urban radio stations have created a firm bonding with the audience, you can get increased mileage from your advertising messages."

Reebok, Bristol-Myers, Kmart, Avon and

**Frito Lay** are just some of the advertisers who have run urban radio promotions.

A mos Brown III, strategic planner for WTLC in Indianapolis, pointed out that "the suburbanization of black America and the growing migration of blacks from the inner city poses problems for advertisers, as some traditional methods used to reach black consumers are becoming obsolete. Only urban radio reaches across city and suburban lines." He added that more blacks listen to urban radio than read Ebony or Jet, or watch Black Entertainment Television.

Studies show that black consumers are extremely brand conscious and loyal, with a high propensity to purchase products from marketers who extend a "personal invitation" (a specially-created, black-oriented commercial) to buy. For many marketers, urban radio has proven to be the most





effective medium to deliver this personal invitation.

1990 Number of radio station in the US: 10,631. AM: 4966 FM: 5665.

1990 Operation Desert Storm Forces prepare to invade Iraq, which held Kuwait. 1990 The reunification of Germany.

1990 Local Marketing Agreements (LMA's) permitted by the FCC. 1991 Digital Audio

Broadcasting (DAB) tests begin.

1991 The fall of Communism - The Soviet Union beaks up. 1992 The FCC relaxes its duopoly ownership rules, permitting broadcasters to own 2 AM and 2 FM stations in large markets (15 or more stations) and 3 stations, only 2 of which in the same service band, in smaller markets. Broadcasters can acquire a non-controlling interest in 3 additional station in each band, if they are controlled by minority broadcasters or small businesses.

1992 National ownership limitations for radio goes from 12 AM and 12 FM to 18 AM and 18 FM. This increases to 20 in each band in 2 years.

#### PRIMESTAR SHINES BRIGHT WITH RADIO

**Primestar** is the relatively new direct-to-home satellite television delivery system. Its programming emphasizes sports and movies, and its target markets are men 25-54 and adults 25-54.

Primestar added radio to its media mix because of radio's targetability and proven direct response track record. The schedule includes several of ABC's radio networks as well as a mix of syndicated programming. Commercials include an 800 number: 1-800-PRIMESTAR.

The first radio flight ran in conjunction with television and generated the highest response and conversion/installation rates in the company's history. A follow-up, stand-alone radio flight also was quite successful, according to Mark Dunn, Director of National Advertising and Promotion for **Primestar**.

We're not only trying to build a brand, we're trying to explain an industry." Dunn said, "Radio has proven to be a very effective way of getting a response from consumers. It's 60-second format allows us a greater opportunity to explain what we are. Radio has generated a very significant number of calls for us. It's very efficient in terms of calls generated versus dollars spent."

#### RADIO WON'T TOLERATE MEDIOCRITY

A BC Radio Networks' President/CEO Bob Callahan sees a "public mandate" of sorts for all media. "With more options



on the radio dial, the television, the computer and so on, the consumer won't tolerate mediocrity. They just won't put up with it. You're going to have to put on quality programming. I think you're going to see most media have 'testing

periods the way television does now. Something goes on the air and it has to perform. If it doesn't, then it doesn't last."

Callahan takes a cautious view on radio and the Internet. "We've been kicking the tires for about three years," he says. "We have about 15 different little business plans and we're pulling them all together. If anyone says they have a plan for the future of radio and the Internet, well, it's just not there yet. They'll be a lot of surfing, a lot of little hits at different sites. But before it's practical, it has to get easier for the consumer and it has to get much,

much faster. I think that it will come - I'm not a naysayer."



Callahan seems much more enthused about the immediate impact and prospects for digital technology, however. "Everything is going digital. You're going to have better accuracy in terms of verifying ratings and commercials. You'll be able to segment where you're airing commercials based on geography, classification or format. We're working feverishly hard in all these areas."

Callahan adds that radio in the year 2005, "Will be a much stronger industry." He sees less frequent station turnover and more long-term commitments. "I think [station owners] are going to give themselves a lot more time to make a return on their investment."

Looking at the present-day, Callahan reports that ABC has made significant strides breaking new advertising categories. "We've broken more auto brands, including imports. We've gone beyond traditional package goods and are getting vegetables and others. We've broken pharmaceuticals. Satellite services - DBS -has become a category. Because we're not local, we have to prove our

## AMERICAN RADIO PAVES THE WAY FOR AMERICAN MARKETERS INTERNATIONALLY

In the radio and entertainment industries, the phrase "curtain going up" traditionally means the start of a show. For **Metromedia International**, the phrase has taken on new meaning with the lifting of the "Iron

Curtain and creation of enormous opportunities for marketers and **Metromedia**.

BILL HOGAN

With the relaxation of political restrictions. American marketers are expanding distribution of their products into Central and Eastern Europe as well as Vietnam and China. This unique opportunity for expand-

ed marketing opportunities has prompted American radio networks and broadcasting groups to follow suit.

Metromedia International and its marketing arm. Metromedia International Marketing, for example, are

operating stations in countries which were once behind the Iron Curtain, including Moscow, St. Petersburg and Budepest (with additional stations coming on line within the near future-but that's another story). The reason for this expansion is multifold: opportunity abounds for American marketers. American products are in great demand and where American marketers go so does American radio. Western radio, and, specifically American radio, is a major new trend setter in Russia, where it is one of the most demanded new forms of entertain-

"We're here to take advantage of the opportunity." remarks Bill Hogan, President. Metromedia International Marketing. "In my first visit to Moscow, I spent some time touring through supermarkets and retail stores. There are many, many American and Western brands on the shelves and advertised on billboards around town. You see ads in papers like the

Moscow Times and other papers that are Western and mainly American. I think that a lot of the American brands are recognizing a whole new opportuni-

ty here. In Russia, there are over 180 million consumers. For the most part, none of them has ever had freedom of choice, and that's exactly what American marketers and Metromedia International radio are poised to give them. It's a great opportunity for a lot of American brands to get in on the ground floor and Metromedia International will be there as a mar-

International will be there as a marketing partner,"

That's only the beginning Hogan adds: It think there are vast international opportunities besides Russia and Eastern Europe. There's tremendous potential in China, and in other countries and international arenas such as Turkey and Latin America. Our goal is to help international stations and networks market in the US. If the high level of inquiries we're currently receiving is any indication, the future holds great promise for our operations. Certainly, we look to anyone, anywhere in the world who wants to market radio to American marketers and agencies. That's our business."

#### HE INFORMATION AGE OF RADIO

By Dick Harris Čhairman, DG Systems

igital technology has touched years, bringing new opportun and improved productivity, and i changing radio, as well. Technological improve the creative side of advertial lies ahead as advertisers, statio agers learn to utilize technology to With new media and communication v day, radio has more potential than strategic marketing tool. Some exar

maes emerging each be a valuable and

#### ADVERTISERS WILL GAIN IMMEDIATE ACCESS TO MARK

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m R}$ adio has always been viewed as immediate access, but digital tec further. Information, including commercials and programming content, can be digitally transmitted and programmed 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. Deadlines for both programming and ads can be made as flexible as radio stations choose. In the future these same networks will act as a content of programming and ads tenses the same networks will act as a content of programming and ads the same networks will act as a content of programming and ads tenses, connect vast resources within the radio bioxadcast community and automatically gather valuable class about posts radio stations and their audiences. stations and their audiences.

#### NARROWCASTING WILL REPLACE BROADCASTING

through addressability, national advertisers will gain greater demographic and psychographic segments. Advertisers will be

arget specific listeners, offer subscription radio and gathabout individuals' interests and buying preferences, technology could enable radio to become more of a ay communication between the listener and the station.

#### L MEDIA WILL EXPLODE PHYSICAL BOUNDARIES

rural stations which are programmed or managed tely today will have access to an even greater set of s in the future, enabling them to smoothly mix local and sources and create a unique and higher quality offering icular audience.

### INFORMATIONAL RADIO TO A NEW LEVEL

The FM illeband offers new opportunities for delivering digitized infermation. Today, several pager companies use the FM sideband for heir services, including stock quotes, weather or data services. In the future, stations will expand their revselling data services utilizing the FM sideband.

#### SUPERIOR SOUND QUALITY WILL BECOME THE NORM

igital technology has enabled the delivery of advertisements development and utilization of hard drive playback systems, and eventually industry standard. for DAB, will bring this same level of quality to the entire radio broadcasting system.

## RELIABILITY & ACCOUNTABILITY WILL REACH PREVIOUSLY UNATTAINABLE LEVELS

gital technology available today enables delivery and quality control never before available in radio. Expanding delivery of commercials to include verification of when each spot is played will yield immediate information. Advertisers will be able power to target and deliver information by format to specific to make increasingly intelligent, swift decisions about the impact of each ad.

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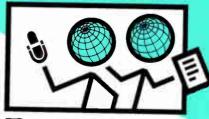
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#### ADVERTISERS, AGENCIES AND STATIONS WILL WORK MORE CLOSELY AND EFFECTIVELY

By using networks to exchange more information, agencies can simplify and speed the buying process. With efficient communication networks in place, agencies can gain access to available inventories, and electronic invoicing systems can accelerate the billing and payment process. Eventually, digital communications will allow agencies, reps and stations to create and execute entire campaigns from the desktop.

#### ADVERTISERS WILL DEPEND ON TOPICAL CAMPAIGNS AS STRATEGIC MARKETING TOOLS

Topical advertising is a growing trend capable only with the use of digital technology. Quick-turn ad campaigns allow advertisers to respond more quickly to market changes, current events or competitive issues, making radio a more vital, more immediate and more accessible medium than ever.

#### DIGITAL RADIO WILL BE A MORE COMPETITIVE A D V-E R T I 3 L N G W E A P O N

The availability of technology alone isn't enough. It is the responsibility of the broadcasters to embrace technology, manage the changes and take advantage of the potential that lies within reach. Clearly, the first radio stations and advertisers that adopt digital processes will experience a competitive advantage. Once again, radio is on the verge of reinventing itself and will continue to be a strategic marketing tool for advertisers, becoming more flexible, targeted and manageable than ever.



Phil Shyposh, Senior Vice President of Member Services for the Association of National Advertisers (ANA), says there's a good feeling about radio among the advertiser community.

The people who use radio like it because it reflects or echoes what's happening in the marketplace, with greater emphasis on targeting, segmenting and integrated marketing communications. It's a selective vehicle to reach a targeted audience."

Shyposh says the ANA's radio committee keeps tabs on what's happening in the industry and serves as a resource for advertisers wanting to learn more about using radio. "The radio committee serves as a consultant for our members. We can go to folks who are using radio and have them update the entire membership with things that are happening."

Shyposh sees radio as a mainstay in the media mix. "From my perspective as an advertising person, it seems that every time



what I'll call the 'succeeding media' come along, there is forecast of doom and destruction for radio. But radio reinvents itself. With the myriad of networks now, the programming formats, there are so many options. Targeting and segmentation... that's what I think the appeal is now."

#### Radio: The Lean Mean Marketing Machine

Dob Kipperman, Vice President/General Manager of the CBS Radio Networks, attributes radio's staying power to a very simple fact: it works. "Radio sells product Radio can really reach the customer, basically, at or near the point of purchase. Advertisers see results fairly quickly with radio, and it has a proven

track\_record."

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Te adds that radio's increase temphasis on being a marken problem-solver for advertisers has enhanced the medium's value. "One of our strengths is how we develop a total media marketing package for an advertiser.

The approach of radio networks to doing business has also

helped the industry, according to Kipperman. "All the radio networks have, over the past few years, gone out and made a concerted effort to go after new business. Ethink we've become a lot smarter with down-sizing. It's become a lot more competitive, and because it's become more competitive, we've all really had to go out and scramble for the dollars. The effort has really been payin off. Radio has continued to grow. 1994 was healthy, and '95 seems to be equally as strong."

K ipperman sees the popularity of talk radio continuing to increase, albeit with some new faces. "I think you have a ferreting out of some of the current talk programs over the next year or two, but you'll find other talk programs replacing them."

#### Putting New Orleans on the "radio" web

To CBS Radio Network, involving advertisers in the World Wide Web isn't some pie-in-the-sky notion, it reality.

The network's new web site will feature a "House of Blues Hour" home page, an extension of the Dan Aykroyd-hosted CBS radio show of the same name. An within the "House of Blues" page will be a "mini home page" called "The Louisiana Music Trail," sponsored by Louisiana Office of Tourism.

\*\*Collection of the House of Blues Hour," and offered to creat the home page site as part of the package. They listens our marketing needs and delivered a unique program.

Culver says that CBS and client to help develop the web site, which will promoted on-air on "The House of Blues Hour." Set to debut in October, the site will include music videos and bios of blues legends, and a contest offering entrants opportunity to win a trip for two to Louisiana. Visitorsethe site will be made aware of the Louisiana Office of Tourism's own home page site on the web, a bit of Internet cross-promotion that is expected to increase "Infor the state's home page. Culver says that other key claments of the package will be the ability to capture name for follow-up marketing efforts, as well as the extended worldwide reach of the Internet. "It will give us expossible on the state," he notes.

#### RADIO: NO ROUGHNESS IN THIS DIAMOND

By Gary Fries, RAB President & CEO

It seems appropriate that, as radio celebrates lits diamond anniversary this year, the luster of this medium has never been more brilliant. The grandfather of all electronic media, radio has defied periodic predictions of certain

demise and will continue to grow and prosper because the bond between radio and its audience is uniquely personal and intimate.

Radio's loyal listener base has drawn the attention of advertisers who wish to build similar relationships with their core customers. In 1994, U.S. radio revenues topped \$10.6 billion (and 1995 is right on track to add another \$1 billion on top of that). Much of this increase comes from radio's own loyal base of advertisers who, for years, have recognized and appreciated radio's cost-effectiveness and marketing efficiencies. According to Competitive Media Reporting, retail - one of radio's biggest ad categories - is up 20%. Food retail is up 54%. Hardware and lumber retail is up 139%. Drugs and toiletry advertising is up 92%. Oil and gasoline have increased spending 95%. The telephone industry increased spending by 97% in the first quarter of 1995. And auto lease billings, as anticipated, have increased

significantly...up 1700% for domestic manufacturers alone.

An equally large segment of radio's growth this year also will result from new dollars coming into radio from other media. Among the new entrants into radio are general food advertisers who, historically TV-oriented, are showing great interest in viable marketing alternatives. Several major manufacturers of cereals, pasta, dairy products, and coffee/tea have become intrigued by radio's precision targeting. A pair of recent studies clearly indicate that radio listeners' commercial recall is close to that of television viewers (The Pretesting Co., 1995), and that radio listeners are able to "see" (or mentally transfer) visual images of a television commercial when they later hear only the audio portion ("Imagery Transfer," Statistical Research, Inc.). Radio, indeed, is the theater of the mind...and, after all, it's in the mind where all decision-making occurs.

For the last 34 months, radio has experienced an incredible growth rate...perhaps the largest sustained growth period in its 75-year history. The medium's strength is well-founded in a market-driven economy in which advertisers are investing in their futures by investing in marketing. And they're investing in radio more than ever before. Those who already understand the benefits of radio advertising are returning in record numbers, and many who are trying radio for the first time like what they see...and hear.

They're getting results, and the future of radio looks very bright because of it.

## TECHNOLOGY SHINES LIGHT ON RADIO INDUSTRY'S



By Charles Taylor

FUTURE

New technology not new techniques will keep the airwaves riding high in the sky as radio operators set their sights on the future of the medium.

Although the industry is enjoying an unprecedented period of prosperity, long-term growth will take more than drawing new advertisers into the fold or increasing the inventory of those already sold on radio.

To spring into the next revenue realm and compete with both current and future technologies that threaten radio's listener base, broadcasters are looking to non-traditional revenue streams.

While these innovations aim to better attract listeners, they also will equip the industry with new vehicles for advertisers to expose their products and services to radio's highly targeted audience segment. That allows radio to sell itself on a new level beyond the airwaves fostering a win-win situation for stations and advertisers alike.

Following are the brightest innovations peaking over the industry horizon:

INTERNET - So far, a few hundred U.S. stations, networks and broadcast organizations (and untold numbers abroad) have signed on with sites on the World Wide Web, accessible to some 50 million "cyberhounds."

Listeners can access DJ bios, station activities and playlists, but the real payoff will come when radio stations convince advertisers to sponsor pages or portions of their sites, complete with bold color logos. These sponsorships often also offer direct access to an advertiser's own site.

DATABASE MARKETING - At a recent gathering of the Radio Advertising Bureau, President Gary Fries said database marketing is no longer a plus for radio stations it's a must. Thanks to station listener clubs and the magic of the Universal Product Code (UPC), modern-day broadcaster databases provide advertisers with a lot more than a listener's age and sex. Partnerships with everyone from retail to restaurants to grocery stores allow radio stations to determine buying habits, block code information and demographic minutia.

MUSICAM EXPRESS - Infinity Broadcasting teamed with digital equipment manufacturer VirteX to finance MUSICAM Express, a new programming and information distribution service set to launch in the fall.

Ultimately, the alliance will provide a digital architecture through which radio networks, programmers, record companies and ad agencies can instantly deliver CD-quality audio and information to 3,500 stations. So if Campbell's wants the world to know about its just-formulated tomato and turnip soup, in nearly an instant, the spot can be on the air nationwide.

RBDS - What you hear over the air is only a fraction of what radio stations can transmit over broadcast spectrum. With the Radio Broadcast Data System, radio stations can broadcast text and data over LED screen-equipped radios.

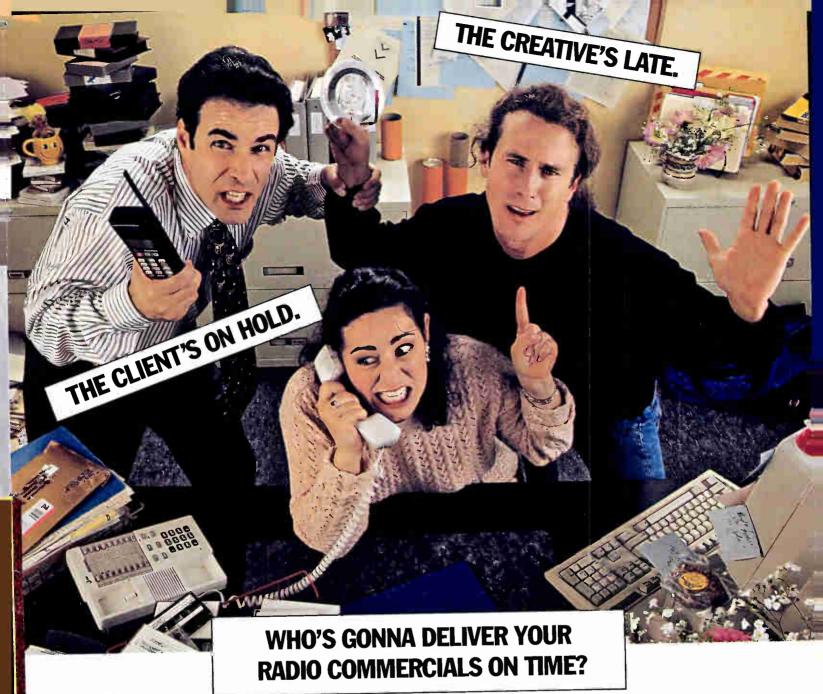
RBDS offers the potential to transmit call letters, scrolling messages, traffic reports, emergency warnings and yes, advertising. A company known as CouponRadio (see related story) even came up with a way for you to push a button on your RBDS radio and print out discounts from an advertiser who's promoting his product or service over the air.

DATACASTING - This developing technology allows FM stations to broadcast as much as 400 pages of information a minute over their subcarriers to a computer's hard drive. Alan Box, CEO/president of EZ Communications, which owns 15 radio stations in the U.S., claims that datacasting could become a \$300 million business, eventually making traditional on-air advertising a secondary industry for radio.

nce the nation's PCs are equipped with the necessary receiver, "radio may be the least expensive and most expedient way for information to be distributed to multiple locations at the same time," Box says.

REAL-TIME PC AUDIO - RealAudio, an audio on demand system, allows PC owners with PC audio capability to browse, select and play back audio content from participating radio stations and networks at will. Advocates of the 24-hour-a-day, international real-time audio service include ABC News, National Public Radio, C-Span, KPIG-FM (Freedom, Calif.), WKSU-FM (Kent, Ohio) and network entities in Canada, Germany, Italy and South Korea. RealAudio could someday be for radio what VCRs are for TV, allowing listeners to download radio over their PCs at will via the Internet.

For advertisers, it's one more way to reach a targeted audience, with the added capability of RBDS messages along the bottom of the user's PC screen. With the promise of digital-quality audio, multipath and interference could be terms of a bygone era by the time the class of 95 starts graying. DAB will keep radio from becoming an antiquated curiosity in an otherwise digitally transmitted world.



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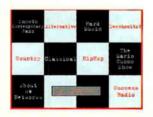
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