

## ANNUAL MEETING ABANDONED

### DISTRICT MEETING ATTENDANCE LIMITED

In response to the appeal made on January 5 by James F. Byrnes, Director of War Mobilization and Reconversion, for the curtailment of non-essential travel, plans for the annual convention have been abandoned and action to restrict attendance at the district meetings scheduled subsequent to February 1, has been taken. Directors in the districts involved have notified stations to limit their attendance to but one representative and have stated that in no case must the attendance at any meeting exceed 50, thus making them conform to regulations. A policy of advance registration will be followed in order to be certain that no more than 50 will attend any meeting. In this connection it is significant that a study of the attendance at the five meetings thus far held discloses that not as many as 50 from outside the community in which the meeting was held have been in attendance.

The limitation on attendance necessitated the cancellation of the 12th district meeting which was to have been held jointly with the 10th district at Kansas City on February 7 and 8. The combination of the two meetings made it impossible to keep the attendance below 50 if all stations in both districts were to be represented. Director William B. Way of the 12th District therefore, postponed his meeting and Director Gillin of the 10th District has taken steps to pre-register representatives from the stations in his district to assure himself that less than 50 from out of town will attend.

In addition, NAB associate members and government agencies and departments which had planned to send outside representatives to these meetings have been requested to abandon such plans.

President J. H. Ryan today issued the following statement with respect to this matter:

"In compliance with the expressed wishes of the Government to limit the amount of travel, and to avoid any conventions or meetings which would bring together from outside the city in which the meeting is scheduled more than 50 persons, the National Association of Broadcasters has cancelled its annual convention which would normally be held in the late spring. The NAB convention usually has an attendance of more than 1,000.

"In the matter of District meetings, on which the NAB is currently engaged, only those will be held which conform in all respects to the government's requirements. These, few in number, and bringing only a handful of broadcasters from out of town, will be scheduled only because in the opinion of the NAB they are absolutely essential in helping all broadcasting stations to consider and execute their 1945 plans for the furtherance of the war effort of the government and its various departments to the end that the war may be brought to a speedy and victorious conclusion. With this objective in mind, this 25th anniversary year of American radio broadcasting is dedicated to victory."

Announcement with respect to the meetings scheduled in the second series of district meetings to begin at Boston on March 6, will be made in the near future.

### NLRB HEARS NABET-NBC-BLUE CASE

On Tuesday (30) a hearing was held in New York before trial examiner of the National Labor Relations Board on the complaint filed by the National Association of Broadcast Engineers' and Technicians (NABET) charging the National Broadcasting Company and the Blue Network with an unfair labor practice. The charge grew out of the refusal of both NBC and the Blue to continue discussions with NABET with respect to a contract which covered platter turners. The issues are better understood in the light of letters which were sent on January 6 to Allan T. Powley, NABET president, by Niles Trammel and Mark Woods, presidents respectively of the two networks. The NBC letter follows:

"This letter is in response to the request you made on Wednesday of this week for a written statement of our position with respect to jurisdiction over 'platter turners.' You stated that your union did not deem it advisable to continue the negotiations for a new collective bargaining agreement unless your jurisdiction was recognized.

"The National Broadcasting Company has given this matter considerable thought and I must now advise you that we are not in a position to give you our commitment recognizing your union as the proper bargaining agent for 'platter turners.' We have come to this conclusion because, based on the facts which I shall summarize in this letter, it seems clear to us that this question can be resolved effectively only by judicial determination.

"In January 1944 in the course of negotiating with the American Federation of Musicians a new contract covering the instrumental musicians in our employ we agreed, effective in June, to employ musicians as 'platter turners.' We made this agreement in the belief that we and you could more exactly define 'on the air play-back' equipment (as those words are used in our NABET contract) so as to exclude therefrom the actual work of turning 'platters,' leaving the equipment itself solely under the jurisdiction of your engineers.

"In April your union instituted a proceeding before the National Labor Relations Board seeking a declaration that your union was the proper collective bargaining agent for the employees engaged in 'platter turning.' The American Federation of Musicians and the Company were parties to those proceedings. On November 24, 1944, the National Labor Relations Board handed down its order certifying your union as the proper collective bargaining agent for employees engaged (except in Chicago) in 'platter turning.' We expected that this order would finally settle this jurisdictional controversy between your union and the American Federation of Musicians and we were fully prepared to negotiate with you on that basis.

"However, on December 1, 1944, we were informed that the American Federation of Musicians did not regard the Board's decision as determinative of the issues involved and, accordingly, had ordered the musicians in Hollywood

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J. H. Ryan, President

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not to participate on the Jack Benny program scheduled for Sunday evening, December 3rd. We were able to have this strike call withdrawn by agreeing to confer with the President of the union, James C. Petrillo, on Tuesday, December 5th, in order that we might be fully apprised of his position with respect to this matter. Prior to attending that meeting, we received from Mr. Petrillo a letter dated December 1st, reading as follows:

"Now that the hearing before the National Labor Relations Board is terminated and certification has been granted NABET over work commonly termed 'pancake turning' except in Chicago, and which work you have yourself recognized belongs to our union, I deem it appropriate that I write to you my views in the matter.

"Regardless of the National Labor Relations Board certification, I firmly believe that the agreement we entered into awarding the work of pancake turning to the American Federation of Musicians is legal and proper and I take this means of notifying you that I shall continue to insist upon this jurisdiction so that the work of pancake turning is performed by members of the American Federation of Musicians throughout the country.

"I do not wish to enter into an argument on the merits of the jurisdiction, but I think I am within my rights in saying that NABET's claim that it is an independent non-dominated unit is not substantiated by the facts and the record. Had this been a 'complaint' case before the National Labor Relations Board I feel sure that we would have established that NABET is a dominated organization. Of course such facts and circumstances cannot be established in a representation case, which was the character of the case before the Board. If you were to consider the testimony of Mr. Fredendall at the last hearing you would, I think, be satisfied that it spells nothing more nor less than that NABET is controlled by the companies employing their members.

"I think the only fair thing to do in this matter is to cause NABET to release jurisdiction over this class of work. Unless that is done we shall be plunged into another controversy, which I am sure neither you nor I desire. Therefore, I hasten to bring to your attention my position in this matter irrespective of the certification by the Board, and I request you to take all necessary steps to put into force and effect the agreement we entered into for the members of the American Federation of Musicians in pancake turning."

"On December 5th, during my first meeting with you after receiving the foregoing letter, we informed you of its contents.

"You will note from Mr. Petrillo's letter that he disputes that you are an 'independent non-dominated unit' and suggests that had the proceeding before the National Labor Relations Board been a 'complaint case' the Board would have sustained his contention. He also states that since his union was not in a position to raise the question of domination in the 'representation case' that issue is still

present and is controlling in the ultimate determination of who is entitled to represent employees engaged in 'platter turning.'

"The Company is and always has been willing to abide by a decision conclusively determining the jurisdictional question. However, in view of the fact that the American Federation of Musicians insists that the certification by the National Labor Relations Board did not effectively determine this issue and refuses to abide by it, we decided that we had no alternative but to decline to negotiate with either union with respect to 'platter turners' until the issue was finally and effectively determined.

"The status quo, I trust, will be maintained by all concerned until the issue is finally determined—interruption of our essential services should not be permitted to take place particularly in time of war."

The Blue letter is as follows:

"The following is a statement of the position of the Blue Network in reference to the dispute between your Union and the American Federation of Musicians, headed by Mr. James C. Petrillo, as to which union shall have jurisdiction of our personnel working as platter turners.

"In negotiating a new contract with Mr. Petrillo, for the American Federation of Musicians, in January, 1944, the Blue Network agreed, effective in June, 1944, to employ platter turners who are members of the American Federation of Musicians. This agreement was part of a general contract with the American Federation of Musicians. In making this contract, we were acting in good faith and were advised that we were within our legal rights to award this jurisdiction to the American Federation of Musicians.

"As you know, in April of last year, your Union instituted a proceeding before the National Labor Relations Board whereby you sought to have NABET named as the collective bargaining unit for platter turners. The Blue Network and the American Federation of Musicians were parties to this proceeding. On November 24, 1944, the National Labor Relations Board certified your Union as collective bargaining agent for platter turners, except in Chicago. The Blue Network was prepared to follow the decision of the National Labor Relations Board.

"However, on December 1, 1944, Mr. Petrillo informed us that he did not consider the findings of the National Labor Relations Board binding upon his organization, because he charged that NABET is a so-called company-dominated union. Mr. Petrillo further alleged that the question of whether or not your Union is an independent union had not been considered by the National Labor Relations Board in its proceedings covering the representation of platter turners. He served notice on the Blue Network that, as a result, he expected the network to comply with our agreement of January, 1944, and to employ musicians, rather than engineers, as platter turners.

"At this time, Mr. Petrillo told the Blue Network that unless we recognized the jurisdiction of the American Federation of Musicians over platter turners, in accordance with our contract, he would order a series of 'wild cat' strikes by withdrawing musicians from Blue Network programs at sporadic intervals. If Mr. Petrillo carries out this threat, it will be impossible for us to broadcast leading programs on the network because of the absence of musicians. We have no adequate legal relief in such situation and over a period of time it would be impossible for us to broadcast our leading programs. The result would be that the operation of the Blue Network would be seriously jeopardized.

"For the last month we have been negotiating with you the terms of a new collective bargaining agreement. You have now informed us that you will no longer negotiate unless we accept your Union as the collective bargaining unit for platter turners. In view of the circumstances described above, and particularly Mr. Petrillo's contention that the National Labor Relations Board has not determined the question as to whether your Union is an independent and non-dominated organization, we find ourselves unable to comply with your request unless and until such time as this issue has been finally and effectively determined in such a way as to be binding on all parties concerned.



"The first obligation of the Blue Network is to the public. Holding a public franchise, we will make every effort to continue the operation of the network, without interruption, and thus maintain our essential public service. I know you will agree that this is particularly important in time of war, when radio is serving as a vital source of public information, both on the progress of the war and on the efforts necessary to enable us to win the war. The public interest and that of the parties accordingly require that the pending dispute be finally determined as promptly as possible and we sincerely hope that your Union and the American Federation of Musicians will cooperate with us to that end."

Following receipt of these letters NABET charged the networks with an unfair labor practice. Meantime the American Federation of Musicians sought to enlarge the scope of the hearing by filing a complaint with NLRB charging that NABET is a "company-dominated" union. The hearing in New York confined itself to the NABET complaint of an unfair labor practice and did not hear any testimony on the AFM complaint.

The report and recommendations of the trial examiner will be filed with the NLRB at Washington for final disposition. (NOTE: For background information on this subject see NAB REPORTS, Vol. XII, pages 392, 441, 463, and 477.)

### **New York Times Comments**

The New York Times (February 1) carried the following interesting editorial:

#### **Petrillo Is Power**

James Caesar Petrillo not only dictates terms to the big broadcasting companies; he not only ignores the orders of the War Labor Board and the written pleas of the President; but he is able in effect to set aside also the decisions of the National Labor Relations Board. This is brought out in the testimony of the vice president of the National Broadcasting Company and of the president of the Blue Network Company, Inc., before a trial examiner of NLRB.

The case arose out of a complaint brought by the independent technicians' union, the National Association of Broadcast Engineers and Technicians. Members of this union, as part of the studio engineers' job, perform the chores of putting on and turning over records. This union was certified by NLRB last November as the bargaining agent for these jobs. But Mr. Petrillo, head of the American Federation of Musicians, refused to recognize the Board's decision. He told the broadcasting company officials, according to their testimony, that he would order musicians off the air unless the companies refused to renew their contract with the independent technicians' union and hired musicians as "platter turners" instead. And the broadcasting company officials felt that they had no choice except to do what Mr. Petrillo ordered.

If precedent is followed, this new revelation of Mr. Petrillo's private power to overrule not merely employers and rival unions but Federal agencies will lead to a great deal of indignation, in the halls of Congress and elsewhere, against Mr. Petrillo personally. Such personal indignation, as in the past, will be misplaced. The real question is not whether Mr. Petrillo abuses his power but whether the law should place so much irresponsible power in his hands. "Upon what meat doth this, our Caesar, feed that he is grown so great?" When Congress has answered that question, by examining the special privileges and sweeping legal immunities that it has itself granted to union officials in recent years, it will be ready to bring the Petrillos within bounds. And not until then.

### **ALLOCATION DEVELOPMENTS**

Following the recent announcement of proposed allocations by the Federal Communications Commission in the spectrum range above 25 megacycles, Dr. W. R. G. Baker, Chairman of the Radio Technical Planning Board, called

a meeting of the Board in New York City on January 24. The meeting of the Planning Board was well attended and there was considerable discussion on the position to be taken by RTPB in view of the proposed allocation.

The Board unanimously agreed to authorize the participation of all panel chairmen in the oral argument, and petitioned the FCC to postpone the date for the filing of briefs to February 21 and the oral argument to February 28. The FCC acted favorably on this request of RTPB on January 25 and the dates suggested by the Board were adopted. Dr. Baker has filed with the Commission notice of appearance for all panel chairmen. In connection with the announcement from RTPB, the following statement was made on behalf of the Board:

"The Panels of the Radio Technical Planning Board include engineering representation from all interests in the radio industry which can contribute to the discussions and solutions of the problems confronting each panel.

"These engineers are fully qualified and among the most experienced in their profession. It is natural, therefore, that they are among those who have been called upon to carry on the research and development necessary to the conduct of the war. Broadly, therefore, they had available to them the classified information necessary to the deliberations of the respective panels (even though they were not permitted to make direct reference to such information). It is the opinion of the Radio Technical Planning Board that due weight was given to all pertinent classified information in arriving at the conclusions and recommendations.

"Because the membership of the Panels was drawn from widely different interests, individual opinions in some instances, of necessity, differ from the broad conclusions reached. However, the weight of the panel's recommendations rests upon the fact that these conclusions are the result of broad experience and the wide representation of its panel membership, and have the support of large majority opinions."

The NAB committee of the Board of Directors on allocation problems is now considering participation in the oral argument by NAB. As of this date, February 1, no final conclusions have been reached. The committee consists of T. A. M. Craven, chairman; John E. Fetzner and Kolin Hager.

According to Howard S. Frazier, Chairman of Panel 4 on Standard Broadcasting, no decision has yet been made by that panel concerning participation in the oral argument. A subcommittee of the panel which studied broadcast relay pickup requirements is now reviewing the Commission's proposed allocations for this service. Comments on the allocation have been requested from all members of the panel.

### **15TH DISTRICT MEETS**

San Francisco, January 26. William B. Smullin of KIEM was elected District Director at the closing session of the two-day NAB 15th District meeting here today at the Hotel Fairmont. Mr. Smullin's two-year term will begin at the close of the NAB 1945 Convention or, under the revised by-laws, at such time as the NAB Board of Directors shall determine.

Since the inception of the NAB Small Market Stations Committee nearly two years ago, Mr. Smullin has been one of its most active members and spoke at the NAB Executives War Conference in Chicago last August on "Small Market Stations as Training Grounds for the Broadcasting Industry." In addition, he has been an outstanding West Coast leader in the Army and Navy training programs for radio technicians.

Following the review of NAB activities and industry problems by J. Harold Ryan, NAB President, Robert Wesson of KGO, District Chairman of the Programs Managers Committee, presented the report of that group. He dwelled at some length on the importance of program-



sales co-operation with the station manager sitting as arbiter where policies conflicted.

At luncheon on the opening day, Nat J. L. Pieper, special agent in charge of the San Francisco office of the Federal Bureau of Investigation, reported an alarming increase in juvenile delinquency and urged broadcasters to take a personal interest in a reduction of the juvenile crime record by aiding in the creation of greater respect for law and order.

The Small Market Stations Panel on the second morning was presided over by Mr. Smullin who outlined the revenue, program and technical problems which such stations face. His report of the activities of the Small Market Stations Committee was roundly applauded by the radio station executives present.

After outlining the activities of the Sales Managers Committee, of which he is District Chairman, Ray Baker of NBC introduced Lewis H. Avery and Helen Cornelius, who reported at length on the current developments in national and retail radio advertising respectively.

The morning session on the second day closed with a report on legal and labor problems by John Morgan Davis, NAB General Counsel.

The speaker at luncheon on the second day was Henry F. Grady, President of the San Francisco Chamber of Commerce and President of American President Lines (Steamship). After reporting on his service with the American mission to aid in the rehabilitation of Italian agriculture and industry, Mr. Grady urged that Americans co-operate with equal unselfishness in meeting the tremendous post-war problems with which American agriculture and industry will be faced.

In addition to the election of Mr. Smullin as District Director, the concluding session passed the following resolutions:

WHEREAS Lou Keplinger, Regional Director of the Domestic Branch of OWI, has performed and is performing an outstanding service to his own organization in its relationship with the broadcast industry in this district, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that our thanks and congratulations be extended to him and that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Elmer Davis, the head of OWI.

WHEREAS J. Harold Ryan left the Office of Radio Censorship and his own private business to become the president of NAB and in this wartime has brought the industry into a closer knit unit for the prosecution of the war and the meeting of industry problems, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that it is with the greatest regret that we of this district learn that Mr. Ryan has requested that he not be considered again as candidate for office of NAB presidency, and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that we extend to him our heartfelt thanks and the best of wishes for his future.

WHEREAS Arthur Westlund, the director for the 15th District of NAB, at personal sacrifice has conducted said office with the utmost fairness and integrity, therefore

BE IT RESOLVED that this meeting go on record as extending a unanimous vote of thanks and appreciation for his untiring efforts and for the sincere work he has done.

## **INDUSTRY SUPPORT TO 6TH WAR LOAN—\$11,250,000**

The broadcast industry, including its advertisers, backed the Sixth War Loan to the tune of \$11,250,000. This sum represents the contributions of all segments of the industry.

It was determined by following methods specified by the War Advertising Council for calculating war effort support. The amount is a quarter million in excess of industry-wide support to the Fifth War Loan.

## **FCC ON TOUR**

Five of the six members of the Federal Communications Commission left Washington Friday (26) for an exten-

sive air tour of domestic military establishments. The object of the trip is to familiarize FCC with the developments which have resulted from the military use of radio and other electronic devices.

General Counsel Charles R. Denny and Chief Engineer George P. Adair and several members of the Inspection and Engineering Departments accompanied the Commissioners. Due to illness Commissioner Clifford J. Durr was unable to accompany the party.

## **NAVY AGAIN THANKS BROADCASTERS**

The following communication from Captain G. W. Campbell, USN, Acting Director of the Office of Public Relations of the Navy Department, to Harold Ryan is a further recognition of the splendid job which radio is doing in behalf of the war effort:

"Our Radio Section has advised me of the very extensive coverage given by the broadcasters of the nation to the two series of transcribed WAVES recruiting programs, 'Something for the Girls.'

"I want you to know how much this Office appreciates all that the Radio Industry did, and all of the effort expended by the personnel of each station to make this outstanding coverage possible.

"It is hoped you will find some suitable means of conveying our thanks to the industry."

## **"CRISIS IN WAR TOWN" IN PRODUCTION**

"Crisis in War Town" is name of new series of transcribed quarter-hour radio dramatizations to be completed about April 1, by Community Chests and Councils, Inc.

More than 250 stations aired "War Town," the organization's 1944 production, according to Bent Taylor, public relations director.

The 1945 programs will dramatize personal and family crises which have occurred during the war and involved one or more of the social services supported by local community war chests.

"Crisis in War Town" will be directed and produced by Robert Lewis Shayon, CBS. Nick Keesley, also of CBS, will supervise.

Recordings may be obtained from local community chests; where they do not exist from state offices.

## **PRELIMINARY FIGURES RELEASED**

The Federal Communications Commission on January 31 released preliminary figures of revenue from the sale of station time for the year 1944. These figures were compiled from the preliminary Annual Financial Questionnaires submitted by stations and networks. The figures reported by the FCC are for the four major networks and 569 standard broadcast stations. These indicate that network time sale revenue in 1944 was 21.2% above 1943. Assuming that the stations represented constitute a proper sample it appears that National Advertising increased 25.9% over 1943 and Local Advertising 28.3% above 1943.

It will be some time before the final tabulations of the FCC will be published. The actual release of the FCC as of January 31, 1945, is as follows:

Revenues from the sale of radio time (before deducting commissions to agencies) by the four major networks reached an alltime high of \$126,330,491 for 1944 according to preliminary network reports, the Federal Communications Commission announced today.

These figures indicate total major network time sales have more than doubled in the five-year period since 1939 when they topped \$62 million and are up 21.2% over the 1943 total of \$104,243,322—the previous all-time high.

Final figures on network time sales will be released some time after April 1, 1945.

At year-end 1944, the four major networks had a total



of 730 affiliated stations compared with only 661 as of December 31, 1943.

During the year, Mutual affiliated 33 additional stations, bringing its total to 244; Blue added 20 affiliates, making a total of 194; Columbia affiliated nine stations to total 143; and NBC picked up seven, making a total of 149. The number of stations shown as affiliated with each network includes stations that are on two or more networks.

Preliminary financial reports submitted by 569 standard broadcast stations show increased time sales for 1944 over 1943 of non-network time to national, regional and local users.

Total non-network time sales to national and regional users by these 569 standard broadcast stations amounted to \$58,665,371 in 1944, an increase of 25.9 per cent over 1943 sales by the same stations.

Non-network time sales to local and other users by these stations totaled \$61,990,623 or an increase of 28.3 per cent over 1943.

More comprehensive data on revenues and income of standard broadcast stations for 1944 will be released at a later time.

### SENATE INVESTIGATION ON INTERNATIONAL COMMUNICATIONS AUTHORIZED

The Senate has passed S. Res. 24 which provides that the Committee on Interstate Commerce continue its investigation of international communications by wire and radio. The Senate Committee on Interstate Commerce recommended that the resolution be passed and after a favorable report from the Committee on Audit and Control, the Senate passed the resolution.

The resolution provided that \$10,000 additional be expended by the committee on the investigation.

### COFFEE BILL REINTRODUCED

Representative Coffee has introduced H. J. Res. 89 which provides for the broadcasting of the proceedings of the House and Senate. A similar bill was introduced in the last session of Congress.

The bill has been referred to the House Committee on Rules.



### SPECIAL XXV BULLETIN NO. 3 WITH THIS ISSUE OF REPORTS

The third Special Twenty-fifth Anniversary Bulletin comes to you with this issue of NAB REPORTS.

Of particular interest is the thirty minute script produced by KGVO, Missoula, Montana, in which the station observed its own fourteenth and radio's Twenty-fifth Anniversary.

KVOO, Tulsa, has launched a year long series of quarter hour weekly shows called "Inside Radio."

"Music America Loves Best" (RCA Victor), NBC, 4:30 p. m., EWT, Sundays, broadcast the first of a number of scheduled commercials employing radio's Twenty-fifth Anniversary theme last Sunday, January 28. It was introduced by a special XXV musical arrangement.

### XXV Musical Signature

Varied use of the BMI-recorded XXV Musical Signature is reported by stations. WFMJ explains how it is incorporated in the station sign-on and sign-off.

### Send Material to NAB

We renew our request that you send evidence of everything you are doing in observance of either your own or radio's Anniversary to NAB. Send scripts, tear sheets of advertisements, direct mail pieces, clippings, photos, house organs and *letters describing local ideas and usage of NAB material*. Help us to help other stations and the industry as a whole. Thank you!

## IDENTITY DISCLOSED!



Under pressure of repeated inquiries we lift the veil of secrecy, discard policy and succumb to columnist temptation in revealing that the "Charming receptionist at one of America's most popular stations," whose picture graces the pre-view of the new book, "Management in the Public Interest," is Mary McCoy, of WSM, Nashville, Tennessee. Superb photography of this most becoming subject is credited to C. Lester Barnard, WSM Publicity Director, whose work will appear elsewhere in the book, unidentified, typical of the contribution of all who labored on this volume.

### Hurry Those Orders for Extra Copies!

Station managers last week received copies of the "pre-view" with order blanks entitling them to reserve unlimited copies at the first edition price of only \$1.25. Further opportunity to order will be provided at District Meetings *but the printer can't wait until District Meetings are over* to lay in paper supplies and go to press with the book. We are ready now—the forms are about to be locked up and put on the press. Let us have your order for extra copies now!

### An Unusual Opportunity!

One station manager, in placing his order for 700 copies of the book, said, "I look at it this way. For the price of



a single promotion, maybe a banquet or two or a free talent show, which would cost me at least \$1,000.00, I can place a permanent record of radio's good job in the public interest in the hands of every leading citizen and organization in my territory. We aren't doing much banqueting or celebrating during war time, so I can very well use that money for these books."

Estimate your needs and place your order today! Address Willard D. Egolf, Director of Public Relations, National Association of Broadcasters, 1760 N Street, N. W., Washington, D. C.

## 8 DISTRICTS PRODUCE 9 GLOBAL SHOWS

Receipt of nine more "Let's Go to Town" transcribed programs, produced by the industry for broadcast to armed forces overseas, is acknowledged by Armed Forces Radio Service; two other shows were en route to the coast, January 29. Here they are for the record:

### DISTRICT I

New Bedford.....Hugh Norman, WNBH TFC\*  
Worcester.....E. E. Hill, WTAG TFC\*

### DISTRICT II

Binghamton.....Cecil D. Masten, WBNF TFC\*

### DISTRICT IV

Wheeling.....George W. Smith, WRVA TFC\*  
(Shipped Jan. 29)

### DISTRICT VIII

Saginaw.....Milt Greenebaum, WSAM TFC\*  
(Shipped Jan. 29)

### DISTRICT X

Kansas City, Mo.....Roderick B. Cupp, KMBC TFC\*

### DISTRICT XIII

San Antonio.....Hugh A. L. Half, WOAI TFC\*

### DISTRICT XIV

Butte.....Ed. B. Craney, KGIR TFC\*

### DISTRICT XVI

San Diego.....Miss Leah McMahon, KFSD TFC\*

## ABELOFF GIVEN AWARD FOR DISTINGUISHED SERVICE TO RICHMOND

Richmond, Va.—Irvin G. Abeloff, Program Service Manager for WRVA, was the recipient of the Distinguished Service Award Key for outstanding contribution to the welfare of Richmond at an award dinner of the Richmond Junior Board of Trade, January 25. The key is presented annually to the Richmonder under 36 years of age who is judged to have contributed most to the city's welfare during the preceding year.

Mr. Abeloff was cited mainly for his work with War Bond Drives, Red Cross and similar campaigns. He wrote, directed and staged shows at the Mosque auditorium during the six War Loan Drives and was chosen by the United States Treasury Department as one of three radio men from the Eastern United States to confer with the department on future War Loan Drives.

The National Association of Broadcasters appointed Mr. Abeloff as Task Force Commander to supervise preparations of the Richmond "Let's Go to Town" program for broadcast to service men overseas.

In October of last year Mr. Abeloff was cited by Brigadier General George A. Horkan of Camp Lee, Virginia, for his work with the largest quartermaster installation in

the United States. He holds an Award of Merit from the Navy Department for his work in recruiting Seabees.

Mr. Abeloff was also made a lifetime member of the Richmond Junior Board of Trade.

## MRS. REES DAUGHERTY, WSRR, AWD NEW ENGLAND CHAIRMAN

(As released by NAB News Bureau)

Mrs. Rees Daugherty, Director of Women's Activities at WSRR, has been named Chairman of New England for the Association of Women Directors of the National Association of Broadcasters.

Mrs. Daugherty's appointment has come from Ruth Chilton of WCAU, Philadelphia, National President of the organization.

Mrs. Daugherty, a native of Savannah, Ga., attended Chatham Hall in Virginia and afterward traveled extensively in the United States and Europe. She lived for seven years in China, Japan, and the Philippines. In the latter country, she did outstanding work for the American Guardian Association and the Philippine Anti-Leprosy Society.

Her experiences abroad convinced her of the importance of having Americans understand the problems of other nationals, and when she returned to New York she organized and conducted panel discussions on international relations.

Mrs. Daugherty's home is in Darien, Connecticut, and she has been active in affairs of several women's organizations of the area. She was first introduced to WSRR listeners three years ago through the original program "Homespun Heroes," a broadcast that paid tribute to the achievements of residents of Southern Connecticut. She is popularly known as Ann Davenport, commentator for the C. O. Miller Company program.

## DE WOLF ADDRESSES IRE

The Thirty-third Annual Banquet of the Institute of Radio Engineers was held at the Commodore Hotel, New York City, on Thursday evening, January 25, in connection with the IRE Winter Meeting. The banquet was attended by 1180 persons, believed to be a record high for this event.

H. B. Richmond, Chairman of the Board of the General Radio Company, was Toastmaster. Dr. William L. Everitt, IRE President for 1945, presented the annual awards of the Institute. Dr. O. H. Caldwell, Editor of *Electronic Industries*, accepted the Fellowship Awards on behalf of a group of sixteen who received this honor from the Institute. Professor H. M. Turner, retiring President, delivered the President's annual message to the Institute membership.

The guest speaker was Francis Colt de Wolf, Chief, Telecommunications Division, Department of State. Mr. de Wolf outlined briefly the history of the development of international control of radio communications. Mr. de Wolf then presented the future program of the State Department in regard to the international aspects of telecommunications. This portion of Mr. de Wolf's address was as follows:

"The State Department has invited other interested federal agencies, as well as private industry, to join with it in studying what should be the position of the United States at forthcoming international conferences. The first one of these, the Third Inter-American Radio Conference, will take place in Rio de Janeiro in June 1945.

"Thereafter, we anticipate a world conference to continue the work of the Berlin, London, Washington, Madrid and Cairo conferences. As I view it, the main purpose of these international conferences is to make the very

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best use possible of available radio frequencies. There is a constant race between science which endeavors to extend the usable portion of the radio spectrum and to make more economic use of existing frequencies, and the ever-increasing demands for frequencies by the users. Until the close of World War I the use of radio was confined almost exclusively to communications with ships. Nowadays the number of radio services and the different kinds of radio stations have tremendously increased: In 1939 there were in the United States 3,061 broadcasting stations including standard broadcast stations, television broadcast, international broadcast and facsimile. There were at the same time 62,433 non-broadcast stations in the United States alone, divided between such services as amateurs (53,558 stations), aviation (subdivided into four categories), agriculture, police (municipal, state, et cetera), experimental, fixed public (point to point telegraph), public coastal, relay press, geophysical and ship stations (3,736).

"The recommendations of the Federal Communications Commission for post-war frequency allocation for radio services operating between 25 and 30,000 megacycles have opened up new vistas for radio, including frequency modulation, television, facsimile, 'Walkie-Talkie,' et cetera. The next international conferences will thus be confronted with the tremendous problem of devising an adequate control of radio so that it will be of maximum benefit to all the users.

"I think it is particularly true that in the field of radio communications, control is essential; without it we would have chaos. On the other hand, we must not lose sight of the fact that science and private initiative have been responsible for the tremendous development of the industry and that the controls have been created merely to bring the maximum utility out of the results of private research and endeavor.

"I participated in the 1938 Cairo conference and I can testify to the splendid spirit of cooperation between American industry and the United States Government. This close collaboration between the Government and industry in the telecommunication field has proved most beneficial to both and has established a pattern which might well be copied in other fields of endeavor.

"I feel confident, therefore, that with a continuation of this active cooperation, we will reach solutions which will prove acceptable to all the users of the radio spectrum, although they may not obtain 100 per cent of all their demands.

"For the past two years we have been working on plans of the post-war telecommunication world. Many of these, of course, are still in the blueprint stage. It is not possible for me at this time to go into detail as to what these plans consist of. I may say, however, that we have in mind a modernization of our existing international telecommunication bodies, bringing them more in line with the necessities of present day radio, particularly in the field of radio interference and radio regulation. In this field, as in other fields, we must determine whether we are prepared to surrender a certain modicum of sovereignty to insure a more efficient control of radio, for radio knows no national boundaries. This is particularly evident at international radio conferences where the different categories of users of the radio spectrum have a tendency to gravitate towards each other. English and American broadcasters, for example, band together against the British and American aeronautical radio services and the latter seek allies among the maritime services against the amateurs. Eventually, solutions are reached and meanwhile national frontiers have been well nigh forgotten.

"We also envisage the possibility of the formation of an inter-American telecommunication union which would accomplish for this hemisphere what has been done on a world basis by the International Telecommunication Union at Bern.

"The Federal Communications Commission, the Inter-departmental Radio Advisory Committee—IRAC to initiate—together with the State Department's inter-departmental post-war committees, will consider the new allocation plans to be submitted at the next international conference on behalf of the United States. Some time in the not too distant future we anticipate holding a conference

with representatives of the British Commonwealth of Nations looking towards a more efficient and more economical means of communications between the English speaking people of the world.

"I do not believe that the American public has ever been so conscious in its history of the importance of communications and of the advisability of breaking down all barriers which prevent the easy, economical, and speedy flow of intelligence. Never before has there been a closer integration between Government and industry to bring this about.

"Thus radio points the way to a new world, in which Government and private enterprise, hand in hand, will work out solutions for the greater benefit of all mankind, where national boundaries will have as much or as little meaning as the boundaries between the several states of our Union and in which, by international cooperation, we will assure to the peoples of the world the free and untrammelled use of radio in all its varied applications.

"We have a fine record of endeavor behind us. I know we have a still finer record ahead of us."

## FCC ANNOUNCES ALLOCATION PROCEDURE

1. On January 16, 1945, the Commission issued a supplemental statement interpreting its policy of January 26, 1944.

2. In order to carry out the policy, applications for new standard broadcast stations or for changes in facilities will be handled in the following manner:

(a) *Applications filed prior to January 26, 1945, upon which the Commission has taken no action.*—All applications in this category will be held in status quo unless:

(1) The applicant files a petition requesting the Commission to proceed with the processing of his application for a decision under the Supplemental Statement of Policy of January 16, 1945. Upon receipt of such petition the application will be processed and if the requirements of the supplemental statement of policy are met and the Commission finds that the granting of the application is in the public interest, a conditional grant will be issued. If the Commission's examination indicates that the requirements of the supplemental statement of policy have not been met the application will be designated for hearing and promptly heard on that single issue. If the hearing establishes inability to comply with the supplemental statement of policy, the application will be denied. Under Section 1.369, F.C.C. Rules, the effect of this would be to prohibit consideration of a similar application of the same applicant for facilities to serve the same area in whole or in part for a period of one year.

(2) The Commission on its own motion removes an application from the pending file and designates it for hearing for the purpose of determining issues which in the Commission's opinion would require a hearing even if no question as to availability of materials and manpower were presented. If after a hearing it appears that such applications could, except for the supplemental statement of policy, possibly be granted, they will be returned to the pending file. On the other hand, if it appears that the record made on the other issues requires a denial, such action will be taken.

(b) *Applications filed prior to January 26, 1945, which have been designated for hearing but no hearing has been held.*—All applications in this category will be retained in status quo and the hearing continued until further notice unless:

(1) The applicant petitions the Commission to proceed with the hearing in the light of the Supplemental Statement of Policy adopted January 16, 1945.

(2) The Commission on its own motion determines that the hearing should go forward for the purpose of determining issues other than those pertaining to the availability of manpower and materials.



After hearing, all such cases will be disposed of in the manner set forth in paragraph (a).

(c) *Applications filed prior to January 26, 1945, in which a hearing has begun but the record has not yet been completed.*—In cases in this category, the Commission will proceed with hearings for the purpose of completing the record. Upon completion of the record the case will be held in the pending file unless it appears that it can be granted under the terms of the supplemental statement of policy, or unless the applicant petitions for a determination on the merits in the light of this policy. Consolidated proceedings involving applications as to which hearings have begun and in addition applications as to which hearings have not yet begun will be treated under this category.

(d) *Applications filed prior to January 26, 1945, as to which hearings have been concluded.*—The Commission will announce decisions in cases which have been heard where:

(1) A grant is possible under the terms of the Supplemental Statement of Policy of January 16, 1945.

(2) A denial is necessary regardless of the availability of materials or manpower.

No action will be taken in cases where a grant would be possible except for the supplemental statement of policy.

(e) *Applications filed subsequent to January 26, 1945.* All such applications will be processed and determined in accordance with the supplemental statement of policy. If the application meets the conditions of this policy and is otherwise in the public interest, a conditional grant will be made. If the application does not meet the requirements of the supplemental policy, it will be designated for hearing and promptly heard on that single issue. If, as a result of such hearing, it is established that the requirements of this policy are not met the application will be denied. (See Section 1.369 FCC Rules)

3. When manpower and materials again become available and conditions permit the resumption of normal licensing practices, the Commission will make an appropriate announcement and will provide a period of not less than 60 days for the filing and processing of new applications prior to taking any action on the cases retained in the pending files during the period that the statement of policy of January 26, 1944, as supplemented January 16, 1945, was in effect. Provision also will be made for the bringing up to date of all applications retained in the pending files. These procedures, it is believed, will prevent any inequity from resulting to persons who do not file applications during the period that the present policy remains in force.

### COLONEL COE RETURNS TO KSD

Lt. Col. Robert L. Coe, who served as deputy chief of staff of the Army's Troop Carrier Command, has retired from active duty to direct postwar engineering activities of KSD, the St. Louis Post-Dispatch station, where he was chief engineer before the war.

Colonel Coe began active duty with the Army Air Forces as a captain, several months before the United States entered the war. In 1942 he was ordered to Washington to help organize the Troop Carrier Command, and became its deputy chief of staff. This command, an essential part of the modern army, moves and supplies troops in the combat zone by air.

Following the organization of the Carrier Command, Colonel Coe was ordered on overseas duty. From January to October, 1944, he was in charge of point-to-point radio service for the Army Air Forces in the India-Burma Theatre, and then he was permitted to retire from active duty.

Colonel Coe joined the staff of KSD in 1924, two years after the station began broadcasting. He became chief engineer in 1933, and directed the technical aspects of the

first facsimile experiments with a regular daily paper—a radio tabloid of the Post-Dispatch.

In his new position with KSD, Coe will have charge of the Pulitzer Publishing Co.'s engineering of services in television, frequency modulation and facsimile.

### BRITISH TO DEVELOP COLOR TELEVISION

A large-scale television-in-color technical development planned for the film industry of the British Empire to be carried out over a period of ten years anticipates full development of the color film within the first four years, according to trade reports reaching the Department of Commerce.

The practical realization of commercial high-definition, large-screen television together with the means of providing and distributing television programs of special events will be reached in about six years, according to the plan.

Provision of large-screen television in color will be developed in the eighth year and a practical solution of stereoscopic projection is expected to be realized before the end of the ten-year program.

## Federal Communications Commission Docket

### HEARINGS

The following broadcast hearings are scheduled to be heard before the Commission during the week beginning Monday, February 5. They are subject to change.

#### Monday, February 5

##### Further Hearing

NEW—Calumet Broadcasting Corp., Hammond, Ind.—C. P., 1520 kc., 5 KW, daytime.

KROW—Educational Broadcasting Corp., Oakland, Calif.—Renewal of license, 960 kc., 1 KW, unlimited.

#### Wednesday, February 7

WSOO—Hiawathaland Broadcasting Co., Sault Ste. Marie, Mich.—Renewal of license, 1230 kc., 100 watt, night; 250 watts, day; unlimited.

## Federal Communications Commission Action

### APPLICATIONS GRANTED

KTRI—The Tribune Co. (Transferor), Eugene H. Kelly, Eugene F. Kelly, John C. Kelly (Transferees); Sioux City Broadcasting Co., Sioux City, Iowa.—Granted consent to voluntary transfer of control of Sioux City Broadcasting Co., licensee of station KTRI, from The Tribune Company to Eugene H. Kelly, Eugene F. Kelly and John C. Kelly, for a consideration of \$17,375 for 50 per cent of the outstanding capital stock of licensee. (B4-TC-421)

WMPS—Memphis Broadcasting Co., Memphis, Tenn.—Granted 30 days' time from January 26, within which to complete transfer of control of station WMPS, heretofore approved by the Commission.

Columbia Broadcasting System, Inc., and Mutual Broadcasting System—Granted permission to omit station identification



during the one-hour broadcast of the President's Birthday Ball program on the night of January 30.

**KSFO**—The Associated Broadcasters, Inc., San Francisco, Calif.—Granted petition requesting cancellation of hearing on application for renewal of license, now scheduled for February 5, and granted license on a regular basis.

**Georgia School of Technology, Atlanta, Ga.**—Granted construction permit for new developmental broadcast station on an experimental basis only; to operate on frequencies that may be assigned by the Commission's chief engineer from time to time; power 1 KW.

## TELEVISION RENEWALS

The following applications for renewal of television broadcast station licenses were granted for the period ending February 1, 1946, subject to the condition that license is granted subject to changes in frequency assignment which may result from proceedings in Docket No. 6651:

**WBKB, Balaban & Katz Corp., Chicago; WCBW, Columbia Broadcasting System, Inc., New York; WRGB, General Electric Co., Schenectady; WNBTV, National Broadcasting Co., Inc., New York; W9XBB, Balaban & Katz Corp., Chicago; W9XBT, W9XPR, W9XBB, Balaban & Katz Corp., Chicago; W2XCB, Columbia Broadcasting System, Inc., New York; W2XGE, General Electric Co., Schenectady; W2XBT, W2XBU, National Broadcasting Co., Inc., New York; W9XZV, Zenith Radio Corp., Chicago; WABD, W10XKT, Allen B. DuMont Labs., Inc., New York; W2XVT, Allen B. DuMont Labs., Inc., Passaic, N. J.; W2XI, General Electric Co., Schenectady; W6XAO, W6XDU, Don Lee Broadcasting System, Los Angeles; WPTZ, W3XE, W3XP, W3XPA, Philco Radio & Television Corp., Philadelphia; W3XPC, W3XPR, Philco Radio & Television Corp., Philadelphia; W6XYZ, W6XLA, Television Productions, Inc., Los Angeles; W2XWV, Allen B. DuMont Labs., Inc., New York.**

Licenses for the following television broadcast stations were extended upon a temporary basis only, pending determination upon application for renewal, for the period ending April 1, 1945, subject to changes in frequency assignment which may result from proceedings in Docket No. 6651:

**W3XAD, Radio Corp. of America, Camden, N. J.; W3XEP, Radio Corp. of America, Camden; W9XUI, State Univ. of Iowa, Iowa City, Iowa.**

## LICENSE RENEWALS

The following stations were granted renewal of licenses for the period ending February 1, 1946:

**KBTM, Jonesboro, Ark.; KFDA, Amarillo, Texas; KFIO, Spokane, Wash.; KMLB, Monroe, La.; WCAT, Rapid City, So. Dak.; WCOL, Columbus, Ohio; WCPO, Cincinnati, Ohio; WDLF, Panama City, Fla.; WENY, Elmira, N. Y.; WITH, Baltimore, Md.; WJRD, Tuscaloosa, Ala.; KAST, Astoria, Ore.; KFSD, Nampa, Idaho; KHAS, Hastings, Neb.; KSUN, Lowell, Ariz.; WBBZ, Ponca City, Okla.; WTHF, Hartford, Conn.; WMOB, Mobile, Ala.; KGEK, Sterling, Colo.; KOOS, Coos Bay, Ore.; KWG, Stockton, Calif.; KPHO, Phoenix, Ariz.; WBOC, Salisbury, Md.; WESX, Salem, Mass.; WHOP, Hopkinsville, Ky.; WLOG, Logan, W. Va.**

The following stations were granted renewal of licenses for the period ending November 1, 1947:

**KWK, St. Louis, Mo.; WFBL, Syracuse, N. Y.; WFCI, Pawtucket, R. I.; WHBC, Canton, Ohio; WHP and auxiliary, Harrisburg, Pa.; WSAR, Fall River, Mass.; WFEA and auxiliary, Manchester, N. H.; WHOM and auxiliary, Jersey City, N. J.; KPRO, Riverside, Calif.; KTYW, Yakima, Wash.**

The following were granted renewal of licenses for the period ending February 1, 1948:

**WKLA, Ludington, Mich.; WTBO, Cumberland, Md.; WMOH, Hamilton, Ohio.**

Licenses for the following stations were extended upon a temporary basis only, pending determination upon application for renewal, for the period ending April 1, 1945:

**KADA, Ada, Okla.; KELO, Sioux Falls, So. Dak.; KFJB, Marshalltown, Iowa; KFMB, San Diego; KFUN, Las Vegas, N. Mex.; KGDE, Fergus Falls, Minn.; KHBC, Hilo, T. H.; KNOE, Monroe, La.; KPOW, Powell, Wyo.; KRLH, Midland, Texas; KVEC, San Luis Obispo, Calif.; KVN, Logan, Utah; KWN, Winona, Minn.; KYSM, Mankato, Minn.; WABI, Bangor, Maine; WAIM, Anderson, S. C.; WAJR, Morgantown, W. Va.; WAYX, Waycross, Ga.; WBLJ, Dalton, Ga.; WCL, Janesville, Wisc.; WCBT, Roanoke Rapids, N. C.; WDSM, Superior, Wis.; WFTC,**

**Kinston, N. C.; WHBY, Appleton, Wis.; WIBX, Utica, N. Y.; WISE, Asheville, N. C.; WJBC, Bloomington, Ill.; WKBO, Harrisburg, Pa.; WLOF, Orlando, Fla.; WOLS, Florence, S. C.; WRBL, Columbus, Ga.; WROX, Clarksdale, Miss.; WSKB, McComb, Miss.; WTOL, Toledo, Ohio.**

Licenses for the following stations were further extended upon a temporary basis only, pending determination upon application for renewal, for the period ending April 1, 1945:

**KABR, Aberdeen, S. Dak.; KDAL, Duluth, Minn.; KELA, Centralia, Wash.; KGCU, Mandan, N. Dak.; KGNC, Amarillo, Texas; KLO, Ogden, Utah; KLP, Minot, N. Dak.; KQV, Pittsburgh, Pa.; KSWO, Lawton, Okla.; KTUL, Tulsa, Okla.; WCAX, Burlington, Vt.; WCLE, Cleveland; WDEL, Wilmington, Del.; WFIN, Findlay, Ohio; WIBG, Philadelphia; WJAS, Pittsburgh; WJDX, Jackson, Miss.; WILM, Wilmington, Del.; WIRE and auxiliary, Indianapolis; WMBD, Peoria, Ill.; WMPS, Memphis, Tenn.; WMRO, Aurora, Ill.; WNEW and auxiliary, New York; WOV and auxiliary, New York; WOWO, Fort Wayne; WPAT, Paterson, N. J.; WPEN and auxiliary, Philadelphia; WPRA, Mayaguez, P. R.; WTAQ, Green Bay, Wis.**

The following stations were granted renewal of licenses for the regular period:

**WGES, Chicago; WBHP, Huntsville, Ala.; WBOW, Terre Haute, Ind.; WJNO, West Palm Beach, Fla.; WLVA, Lynchburg, Va.; KRGV, Weslaco, Texas.**

**WAAF**—Drovers Journal Pub. Co., Chicago, Ill.—Granted renewal of license for the period ending May 1, 1947.

**KTSA**—Sunshine Broadcasting Co., San Antonio, Tex.—Granted renewal of license for the period ending May 1, 1946.

**WMT**—American Broadcasting Stations, Inc., Cedar Rapids, Iowa.—Granted renewal of license for the period ending May 1, 1946.

**WORK**—York Broadcasting Co., York, Pa.—Granted renewal of license for the period ending November 1, 1945.

## MISCELLANEOUS

**WLIB**—WLIB, Inc., Brooklyn, N. Y.—Granted petition to intervene in the hearing not yet scheduled on application of New Haven Broadcasters, New Haven, Conn., for a new station.

**Midstate Radio Corp., Utica, N. Y.**—Granted petition to intervene in the consolidated hearing now scheduled for Jan. 29 on application of Utica Broadcasting Co., Inc., and Ronald B. Woodyard for a new station in Utica.

**KRBC**—Reporter Broadcasting Co., Abilene, Texas—Granted in part motion for continuance of consolidated hearing now scheduled for February 1, and continued same to March 21, in re application of KRBC and San Jacinto Broadcasting Co., Houston, Texas, and Calcasieu Broadcasting Co., Lake Charles, La.

**WTAW**—Agr. & Mech. College of Texas, College Station, Texas—Denied petition for consolidation with petitioner's application, or in the alternative to intervene and enlarge issues in re applications of KRBC, KPLC and San Jacinto Broadcasting Co.

**WGBF**—Evansville On the Air, Inc., Evansville, Ind.—Granted petition for continuance to March 19 of hearing now scheduled for Feb. 5, in re application for renewal of license.

**Mississippi Broadcasting Co., Macon, Miss.**—Granted amended motion for leave to amend application for new station and removed said application from hearing docket.

**WNLC**—Thames Broadcasting Corp., New London, Conn.—Granted motion to dismiss without prejudice application for construction permit (Docket 6627).

**Wilkes-Barre Broadcasting Corp., Wilkes-Barre, Pa.**—Passed over petition to dismiss application (Docket 6135) without prejudice.

**WBAX**—John H. Stenger, Jr., Wilkes-Barre, Pa.—Passed over petition to amend hearing issues in re application of WBAX for license and applications of others for new station at Wilkes-Barre.

**W2XWE**—WOKO, Inc., Albany, N. Y.—Pending determination upon application for renewal, the Commission further extended upon a temporary basis only the license for facsimile broadcast station, for the period ending April 1, 1945.

**Wilkes-Barre Broadcasting Corp., Wilkes-Barre, Pa.**—Granted petition to dismiss without prejudice application for construction permit for a new station. (Docket 6135)

**WBAX**—John H. Stenger, Jr., Wilkes-Barre, Pa.—Granted petition to amend the hearing issues in re applications of Central Broadcasting Co., Northeastern Penna. Broadcasters, Inc.,



and Key Broadcasters, Inc., all applicants for a new station in Wilkes-Barre, in the light of the Commission's Supplemental Statement of Policy of January 16, and the following was added to the hearing issues heretofore published in each of the above-entitled matters: "To determine whether the above-entitled applications for construction permits comply with the Commission's Supplemental Statement of Policy dated January 16, 1945, concerning applications for permits to construct new radio stations."

KMO—Carl E. Haymond, Yakima, Wash.—Granted construction permit to make changes in transmitting equipment.

KMO—Carl E. Haymond, Yakima, Wash.—Granted construction permit to make changes in auxiliary transmitting equipment.

WABI—Community Broadcasting Service, Bangor, Maine—Granted license to cover construction permit, which authorized change in frequency to **910 kc.**, increase in power to 1 kilowatt, installation of new transmitter and directional antenna for night use, subject to condition that licensee make application for a construction permit for an increase in power to 5 kilowatts when materials and personnel become available or when required by the Commission to do so. Also granted authority to determine operating power by direct measurement of antenna power.

KRNR—News-Review Company, Roseburg, Ore.—Granted license to cover construction permit which authorized move of transmitter and main studio. Also granted authority to determine operating power by direct measurement of antenna power.

WNYD—City of New York, Municipal Broadcasting System, Area of New York City.—Granted license to cover construction permit to reinstate construction permit (B1-PRY-270) for new relay broadcast station; frequencies **1622, 2058, 2150, 2790 kc.**; 40 watts. Portable and mobile, area of New York City.

The following applications for new commercial television broadcast stations were placed in the pending files in accordance with Commission's Policy of February 23, 1943:

World Publishing Co., Omaha, Neb.; Capitol Broadcasting Corp., Indianapolis, Ind.; WLIB, Inc., New York City; WDEL, Inc., Wilmington, Del.

The following applications for new high frequency (FM) broadcast stations were placed in the pending files in accordance with the Commission's policy of February 23, 1943:

Asbury Park Press, Inc., Asbury Park, N. J.; Allen T. Simmons, Akron, Ohio; Buffalo Broadcasting Corp., Buffalo, N. Y.; Pacific Agricultural Foundation, Ltd., San Francisco; WHP, Inc., Harrisburg, Penna.; News-Journal Corp., Daytona Beach, Fla.; Truth Publishing Co., Inc., Elkhart, Ind.; Herbert Herff, Memphis, Tenn.; Wisc. Radio, Inc., Milwaukee, Wisc.; News-Examiner Co., Connersville, Ind.; Central States Broadcasting Co., Omaha, Neb.

The following amended applications for new high frequency (FM) broadcast stations were retained in the pending files in accordance with Commission policy of February 23, 1943:

The Greenville News-Piedmont Co., Greenville, S. C.; Contra Costa Broadcasting Co., Richmond, Calif.; Nashville Radio Corp., Nashville, Tenn.; Summit Radio Corp., Akron, Ohio.

## APPLICATIONS FILED AT FCC

### 590 Kilocycles

WGTM—Penn Thomas Watson, Wilson, N. C.—Construction permit to change frequency from **1340 kc.** to **590 kc.**, increase power from 250 watts to 5 KW, install new transmitter, directional antenna for day and night use and change transmitter location.

### 730 Kilocycles

WPIK—Potomac Broadcasting Corp., Alexandria, Va.—Modification of construction permit (B2-P-3615 for a new standard broadcast station) for approval of antenna and transmitter site.

### 890 Kilocycles

WHNC—Henderson Radio Corp., Henderson, N. C.—Modification of construction permit (B3-P-3641 which authorized a new standard broadcast station) for change in transmitter and studio locations.

### 960 Kilocycles

WELI—City Broadcasting Corp., New Haven, Conn.—Voluntary assignment of license to Connecticut Radio Foundation, Incorporated.

### 1230 Kilocycles

NEW—Birney Imes, Jr., Corinth, Miss.—Construction permit for a new standard broadcast station to be operated on **1230 kc.**, power of 250 watts and unlimited hours of operation.

### 1240 Kilocycles

NEW—George E. Miller, J. Myron Honigman and Lou Poller, d/b as Baron Broadcasting Co., Wilkes-Barre, Pa.—Construction permit for a new standard broadcast station to be operated on **1240 kc.**, 250 watts power and unlimited hours of operation.

WBAX—John H. Stenger, Jr., Wilkes-Barre, Pa.—Construction permit to increase power from 100 watts to 250 watts and change type of transmitter.

### 1280 Kilocycles

WGBF—Evansville on the Air, Inc., Evansville, Ind.—Voluntary assignment of license to Curtis Radiocasting Corporation.

### 1340 Kilocycles

WMLT—George T. Morris, Wilmer D. Lanier and J. Newton Thompson, d/b as Dublin Broadcasting Co., Dublin, Ga.—License to cover construction permit (B3-P-3586) for a new standard broadcast station.

WMLT—George T. Morris, Wilmer D. Lanier and J. Newton Thompson, d/b as Dublin Broadcasting Co., Dublin, Ga.—Authority to determine operating power by direct measurement of antenna power.

WEMP—Glenn D. Roberts, Melva F. Roberts, Wellwood Nesbit, Robert M. LaFollette, Jr., Evalyn H. Dolph, Hope D. Pettey and Rachel Young LaFollette, copartners, d/b as Milwaukee Broadcasting Co., Milwaukee, Wis.—Voluntary assignment of license to Glenn D. Roberts, Melva F. Roberts, Wellwood Nesbit, Robert M. LaFollette, Jr., Evalyn H. Dolph, Hope D. Pettey, Rachel Young LaFollette, Genevieve S. Nesbit, John Ernest Roe and W. Wade Boardman, co-partners, d/b as Milwaukee Broadcasting Co.

### 1370 Kilocycles

WSAY—Brown Radio Service and Laboratory (Gordon P. Brown, owner), Rochester, N. Y.—Modification of Construction permit (B1-P-2924 as modified which authorized change in frequency, increase in power, installation of directional antenna for day and night use, new transmitter and move) for extension of completion date from 1-30-45 to 2-28-45.

### 1400 Kilocycles

NEW—Mississippi Broadcasting Co., Inc., Macon, Miss.—Construction permit for a new standard broadcast station to be operated on **1240 kc.**, power of 250 watts and unlimited hours of operation. Amended: to change requested frequency to **1400 kc.**

KENO—Nevada Broadcasting Co., Las Vegas, Nevada—Voluntary assignment of licenses to Maxwell Kelch and Laura Belle Kelch, d/b as Nevada Broadcasting Company.

WMSL—Tennessee Valley Broadcasting Co., Inc., Decatur, Ala.—Authority to determine operating power by direct measurement of antenna power.

### 1600 Kilocycles

NEW—Charlotte Broadcasting Co., Charlotte, N. C.—Construction permit for a new standard broadcast station to be operated on **1600 kc.**, power of 1 KW, unlimited hours of operation, using directional antenna day and night.

## FM APPLICATIONS

NEW—Miami Valley Broadcasting Corp., Dayton, Ohio—Construction permit for a new developmental broadcast station to be operated on **46900 kc.**, power of 1 KW and special emission for FM.

NEW—The Wm. H. Block Company, Indianapolis, Ind.—Construction permit for a new high frequency (FM) broadcast station to be operated on **43700 kc.** with coverage of 9,316 square miles.



NEW—Commodore Broadcasting, Inc., Peoria, Ill.—Construction permit for a new high frequency (FM) broadcast station to be operated on 48100 kc. with coverage of 14,130 square miles.

NEW—Board of Education, Sewanhaka High School, Floral Park, N. Y.—Construction permit for a new non-commercial educational broadcast station to be operated with power of 250 watts and special emission for FM.

### MISCELLANEOUS APPLICATIONS

W9XEY—Evansville on the Air, Inc., Glenwood, Ind.—Voluntary assignment of construction permit to Curtis Radiocasting Corporation.

WEQG-WAUY—Evansville on the Air, Inc., area of Evansville, Ind.—Voluntary assignment of licenses to Curtis Radiocasting Corporation.

W3XO—C. M. Jansky, Jr., and Stuart L. Bailey, d/b as Jansky and Bailey, Washington, D. C.—Construction permit to move transmitter.

## Federal Trade Commission Docket

### COMPLAINTS

The Federal Trade Commission has alleged unfair competition against the following firms. The respondents will be given an opportunity to show cause why cease and desist orders should not be issued against them.

**Charles P. Halfhill, et al.**—A complaint alleging violation of the brokerage section of the Robinson-Patman Act in connection with the interstate sale of canned food products has been issued against Charles P. Halfhill, Theodore A. Halfhill, Harry J. Halfhill and Harry J. Halfhill, Jr., trading as The Halfhill Co. and as Ocean Food Products Co., 714 West Olympic Blvd., Los Angeles. (5267)

**Panther Oil & Grease Manufacturing Company** and Southwestern Petroleum Company, Inc., both of Fort Worth, Texas, engaged in the sale of lubricants for tractors, trucks, automobiles and other machinery, are charged in a complaint with misrepresenting the character of their business operations and the grade and quality of their products. (5266)

**Walsh Refractories Corp.**—Misrepresentation of the quality and composition of fire brick products is alleged in a complaint issued against Walsh Refractories Corp., 4070 North First St., St. Louis. (5269)

**Warwick Manufacturing Corp.**, 1700 West Washington St., Chicago, engaged in manufacturing and assembling radio receiving sets, is charged in a complaint issued with having made misrepresentations concerning the tube capacity, the television equipment and the prices of certain sets which it sold in interstate commerce. (5268)

### STIPULATIONS

During the past week the Commission has announced the following stipulations:

**Gibson-Thomsen Co., Inc.**, 10 East 39th Street, New York, engaged in the sale of tooth brushes and hair brushes, has entered into a stipulation to cease and desist from representing that brushes containing used and secondhand bristles are composed

of new materials, by failure to stamp on the exposed surface of the handles, in conspicuous and legible terms which cannot be removed without mutilating the handles, a statement that the bristles are "secondhand" or "used." (3965)

**Peabody Co. and Mendenhall Manufacturing Co.**, West Beach, Biloxi, Miss., entered into a stipulation to discontinue certain representations in connection with the mail-order sale of women's rejected hosiery, some of which he advertised as "America's finest." According to the stipulation, the hosiery consisted largely of odds and ends of miscellaneous stock, often was not matched as to pairs, and in many cases was so defective as not to be capable of mending. (3966)

**Stone-Tarlow Co., Inc.**, Brockton, Mass., entered into a stipulation to cease and desist from representing that shoes it sells under the trade name "Elevators," or any other shoes of substantially the same construction, will improve posture, cause the wearer to feel better physically, or otherwise promote or benefit the physical well-being or health of the wearers. (3966)

**St. Paul Medicine Co.**—A stipulation to discontinue misrepresenting the therapeutic properties of a medicinal preparation designated "St. Paul's V.V.V." has been entered into by Paul C. Deutch, Joseph H. Deutch and S. L. Deutch, co-partners, trading as St. Paul Medicine Co., Detroit. (03426)

**M. E. Tracy Co.**, 304 Mulberry St., Memphis, Tenn., trading as The Everett Co., stipulated that it will cease representing that the medicinal preparation which it sells under the name "Tra-Ton Tablets" is effective in the treatment of extreme tiredness, lack of normal energy, nervousness, headache, dizziness, digestive disturbances, or any nutritional deficiency. (03247)

### CEASE AND DESIST ORDERS

The Commission issued the following cease and desist orders last week:

**B-1 Beverage Co.**, 4000 Lindell Blvd., St. Louis, engaged in the manufacture and sale to bottling plants of materials used in making B-1 beverages, stipulated that it will discontinue certain representations concerning the beverages and the therapeutic properties of their Vitamin B-1 content. The beverages are sold to the public in the form of a lemon-lime soft drink and lemon-lime soda water. (5230)

**En-Ex Co. and The En-Ex Distributing Co.**, Society for Savings Bldg., Cleveland, Ohio, have been ordered to cease and desist from disseminating false advertisements concerning En-Ex, a preparation advertised by the respondent as a cure or remedy for psoriasis and certain other conditions of the skin and scalp. (4766)

**Ox'O-Gas Co.**, Palisades Park, N. J., has been ordered to cease and desist from misrepresenting the properties and efficiency of a gasoline additive he sells under the name "Ox'O." He also sells gasoline treated with the additive. (5040)

### FTC CASE DISMISSED

The Federal Trade Commission has dismissed without prejudice its complaint charging Oskamp Nolting Company, Cincinnati, with certain misrepresentations in connection with the sale of jewelry, silverware, luggage and giftware.

The complaint was dismissed because the respondent company has expressed its intention, in writing, to be bound by the Trade Practice Conference Rules promulgated by the Commission for the catalog jewelry and giftware industry and has furnished satisfactory evidence of such intention in the form of its latest catalog.



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