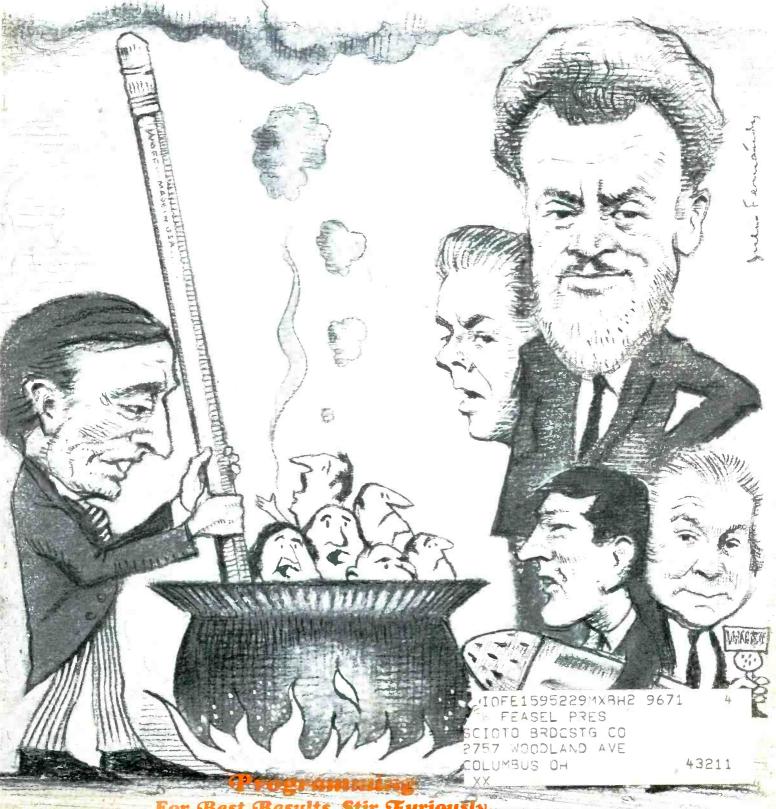


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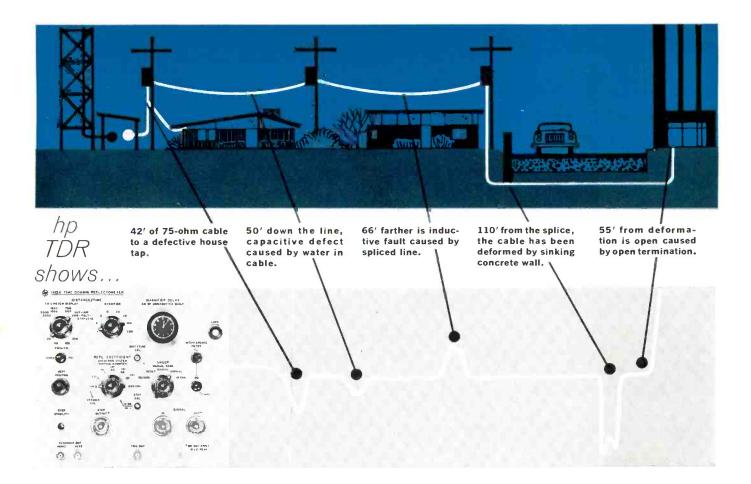


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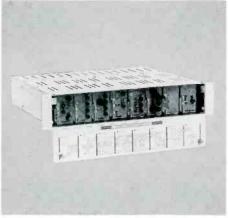


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Educator Hails TV, Computer

The President of Northern Illinois University, Dr. Rhoten A. Smith, calling for the use of technical tools in higher education, said "to the machines and to the books, as always, will be vouchsafed those things they can do better than humans can do-dissemination of facts, drill and recitation, and background information . . . We ironically shrink from bringing technology and science to bear on our own problems because we view the application of tools to teaching as the last step which will reduce the college experience to an automated and barren production process." The culmination of this process he said, "approaches us in the forms of the television camera, the teaching machine, and the computer." While cautioning about a surrender to hardware that would pervert the educational process to

an Orwellian nightmare of indoctrination, conscious or not, Smith said, "it is only through these tools, I believe, that we have any chance of putting the educational process once more on a human level."

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Early in December, the Department of Health, Education and Welfare announced that it had requested the Electronic Industries Association to cooperate in a nationwide program to evaluate the potential hazard to health posed

by excessive radiation from color television receivers. The potential hazard applies equally to monitors since its primary sources—the picture tube, the high voltage rectifier tube and the shunt regulator tube—are common to both receivers and monitors.

General Electric and Conrac have instituted modification procedures for their receivers and monitors. Essentially, the modification consists of replacing the 6BK4 shunt regulator tube with a 6LHA.

Commenting on a report of a survey of 131 color television receivers-38 of which emitted side radiation-, Surgeon General William H. Stewart emphasized that the potential biological damage is quite low and added that even this potential could be minimized by operating the set within power limits (rated chassis voltage) which would not increase X-ray emissions; having servicing done only by authorized repair personnel with adequate equipment to check power level; maintaining viewing distance of about 6-10 feet in front of a color television set; and avoiding any prolonged exposure in the rear and side areas of color set.

Measurement procedures established by Consumers Union include the use of a Victoreen Thyac AC-3 Model 490 geiger counter with a thin end window probe, Model 489-35. Twelve brands of color receivers caused excessive readings in the Consumers Union tests—each backed up with X-ray film confirmation.

Official Count

The radio (a-m and fm) and television broadcasting industry reported annual revenues of over \$3-billion for 1966, an increase of 11.5 percent over 1965. Industry profits (before federal income tax) increased by 12.3 percent to \$590.2-million. Radio accounted for 28.3 percent of total broadcast revenues but only 16.4 percent of profits. The four nationwide radio networks reported a loss of \$1.7-million in network

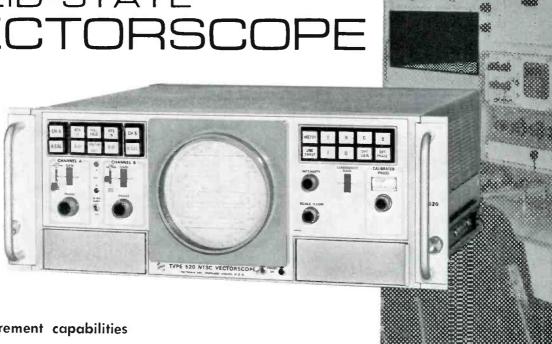
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New Emmy Rules

The National Academy of Television Arts and Sciences has announced that for the 1967-68 Television Academy Awards, each artist and craftsman will be invited to enter his own single outstanding achievement in the various categories or areas. Performing achievements will continue to be entered by the general membership of the academy as the craft achievements have been in the past.

AES Meet Set

The 34th National Convention of the Audio Engineering Society will be held April 29th through May 2, 1968 at the Hollywood Roosevelt Hotel, Hollywood, California.

New News Network

The first phase of a new nationwide news transmission network, designed, furnished and installed by Lenkurt Electric Co., was put into service recently by the Associated Press in Los Angeles, Calif.

H. K. Krengel, vice president of marketing at Lenkurt, said the first phase, which cost some \$850,000, connects 12 western and southwestern AP bureaus in the cities of Los Angeles, San Francisco, Portland, Seattle, Spokane, Salt Lake City, Phoenix, Albuquerque, Dallas, Oklahoma City, Denver and Kansas City.

At a later date the wire system will be expanded to interconnect AP bureaus, 12 midwestern, 10

southern and three northeastern cities. AP officials said the new network, when completed this year, will serve more than 4200 newspaper, TV and radio station members in the U.S.

CBS Marketing Loudness Meter

CBS Laboratories has announced the availability of its new Model 710 Loudness Controller as part of its standard product line.

"The new product has been in development for nearly three years," said Barton C. Conant, general manager of Professional Products." Initial, limited production was made early in January.

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New Financial News Service

Reuters, the worldwide news agency, and the Ultronic Systems subsidiary of Sylvania, announced plans late in September to establish on January 1, 1968, a financial news service in the United States using advanced electronic systems and high-speed teleprinters.

In a joint statement Gerald Long, general manager of Reuters, and Gene K. Beare, president of Sylvania, said:

"The Reuter-Ultronic Report will be compiled and edited by Reuters, and will specialize in domestic and international news and data affecting the business and financial community. Ultronic will distribute the service coast-to-coast at 100 words a minute by teleprinter and by television-video techniques. The service will be sold to brokerage houses, financial institutions and industry."

Ultronic was founded in 1960 to manufacture stock and securities market information retrieval systems. Its Stockmaster unit, a

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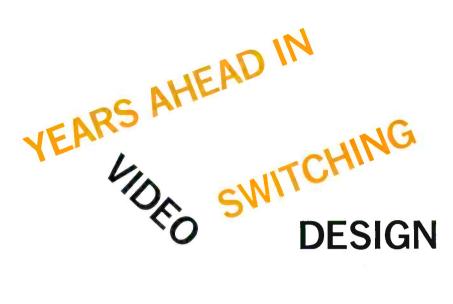
Philips to be Its Own Sales/Service Agent

Effective May 10, 1968, Philips Broadcast Equipment Corporation will assume direct service and sales support to the networks, and to group and independent stations nationwide with Norelco Plumbicon color television cameras and other Norelco broadcast equipment. The termination of the sales/ service arrangement with Visual Electronics Corporation ends a three-year agreement which has won Norelco a major share of the broadcast color camera market.

James B. Tharpe, president of Visual, in announcing the change, said "the principle reason for the termination was a foreseeable overlap of product lines manufactured by Visual with those manufactured by Philips Broadcast." Both companies plan early introduction of new TV transmitters, new audio product lines, new closed circuit television equipment and new color television equipment. Visual has undertaken a program for developing its own color camera line, expected to be ready for fall '68 programming.

Anthony R. Pignoni, director of marketing at Philips Broadcast Equipment Corp., in announcing the assumption by the company of sales and service throughout the United States, said, "With our own service capability more than double its capacity of a year ago and to be doubled again in 1968, and with sales offices being established in major broadcast centers across the United States, it will be to our customers' advantage to have this direct line to our company."

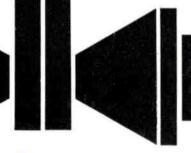
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Copyright Problem **Moves Toward Solution**

After five months of discussion, an ad hoc committee of broadcasters and cable TV operators has recommended ten basic points of agreement.* It left two other points for further discussion.

Co-chaired by broadcaster George C. Hatch and CATV operator Alfred R. Stern, the committee pointed out that the two industries have been asked by Congress to reach agreement on cable TV provisions to be written into pending copyright legislation.

In transmitting its report, the committee stressed the importance

of working toward satisfactory legislation now, since copyright laws are changed so infrequently. The bill currently under consideration is the first rewrite in 60 years.

If the ad hoc committee's recommendations are accepted by the NAB and the NCTA and written into the copyright bill, CATV operators won't have to pay copyright fees for the programs of local channels; they will receive a compulsory copyright license for distant stations brought into underserved areas, unless the area they serve is not in the grade B contour of any channel, in which case no fees will be required; and they will be protected by some sort of grandfather clause, with retroactive exclusion of statutory copyright fees for existing systems.

The ad hoc committee also urged the NAB and the NCTA to

continue the conferences on a formal basis.

If the NAB and the NCTA fail to come to an agreement, or Congress does not pass new copyright legislation early this year, the pending Supreme Court copyright case will be the law of the land.

The Supreme Court is scheduled to review a lower court decision holding Fortnightly Corp., a cable TV operator, liable to United Artists for copyright payments. The case will be heard in March, with the decision expected about June,

The CATV industry feels fortunate that the issue will be decided so quickly. U.S. Solicitor General Griswold had suggested that the Supreme Court delay their review until Congress amends the copyright laws. However, both Fortnightly Corp. and United Artists

*1. System carrying TV stations in markets located in the grade B coverage areas of such stations should not be required to pay copyright fees for such carriages (provided material is carried simultaneously as transmitted). 2. Systems bringing outside stations to underserved areas located within the grade B predicted contour of one or more TV stations should receive a compulsory copyright license for the minimum additional signals required for adequate service.
3. Cable systems and translators located outside the grade B contour of any television station should not be required to pay copyright fees for bringing station services to unserved areas.
4. Nonprofit secondary transmissions operating in areas receiving grade B service from

at least one television station should be subject to statutory copyright fees.

5. Common carriers providing direct television service to the public should be subject to statutory copyright fees.

6. Some form of grandfather clause and retroactive exclusion of statutory copyright fees for existing systems will be necessary to avoid major disruption of present services to the nublic.

7. Provisions covering copyright liability for carriage of radio stations on cable systems should be clarified.

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8. A simple and efficient system should be provided for notice of restrictive terms of broadcaster-copyright contracts affecting cable television, and for the determination of the application of exclusivity provisions.

9. Proposals to provide live broadcasts with copyright protection should be carefully re-

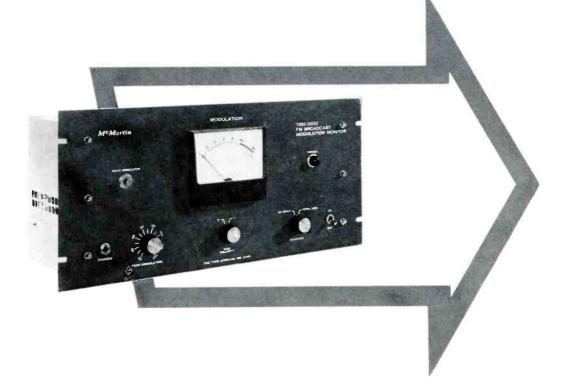
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10. Uhf stations have particular problems relative to exclusivity and carriage that require special consideration and further study.

Unresolved:

1. Should cable TV's origination of entertainment programs and/or commercials (directly or by private transmission) change the cable operator's copyright obligations, if any, in the carriage of station signals?

2. Should cable TV's carriage of outside signals in underserved areas, pursuant to compulsory copyright license, be subject to the restrictive covenants contained in broadcaster-copyright contracts?



argued that there should be no delay and the Supreme Court agreed.

Commenting on this, Frederick W. Ford, NCTA president, said, "By agreeing to decide the many-sided question of whether an industry should be held liable for copyright, the highest court in the land has recognized the seriousness of the issues as they affect some 10-million Americans who now receive their television signals via cable."

The Supreme Court had previously agreed to review a Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals decision which casts doubt on the FCC's au-

thority over CATV.

Supreme Court decisions in these two areas will go a long way toward clearing the air in the CATV industry.

FCC decisions puzzle industry

The FCC has not yet acted on the Bartley plan to break the logjam of some 220 waiver requests by allowing the CATV Task Force authority to waive hearings in certain cases. Despite this, the Commission has taken enough action recently to confuse a number of observers. Their most controversial decision was to deny Vision Cable Co. of Rhode Island, Inc., permission to carry Boston and Worcester channels. This is the first time a system has been prohibited from carrying channels that provide grade A signals in the area served by the cable.

The FCC's reason for the denial was to protect an inoperative uhf channel. The Commission said it was concerned "with the potential impact... upon the activation of channel 16." In fairness to the cable company, the FCC scheduled a review of Vision's proposal in six months if channel 16 was not putting out a signal by that time.

On the other hand, the FCC gladdened CATV hearts by denying a Lancaster, Pa. TV station's petition questioning the waiver of the top 100 markets rule for seven Pennsylvania CATV systems. The FCC said the waiver is "consistent with Commission policy granting waivers to carry distant uhf signals where vhf signals from the same market provided predicted grade B service."

The FCC also authorized Peninsula Broadcasting Corp. to operate a CATV system in Murfreesboro,

North Carolina, without even a hearing. Murfreesboro is 50 miles from the nearest TV channel and the FCC noted that "there is no uhf allocation close to Murfreesboro and there is no commercial uhf activity in the area."

Other recent Commission actions on signal importation include:

1) Rejection of a petition to prevent Kar-Mel CATV Systems Inc. from importing signals. The unusual aspect of this case is that it was initiated by Stephen Jepko, who operates a competitive system in Mt. Carmel, Pa. Jepco imports the same signals, but is protected by a "grandfather clause." The FCC agreed its laws were being violated, but said that denying distant signals to Kar-Mel would only "allow one CATV system rather than another to provide service in Mt. Carmel."

2) Allowed GE's Cable TV system in Watertown, N.Y. to import WOR-TV and WNEW-TV from New York City via microwave, despite the protests of WWNY-TV in Watertown. The Commission said that there is no evidence addition of the two channels will "cause economic injury to the detriment of the public interest."

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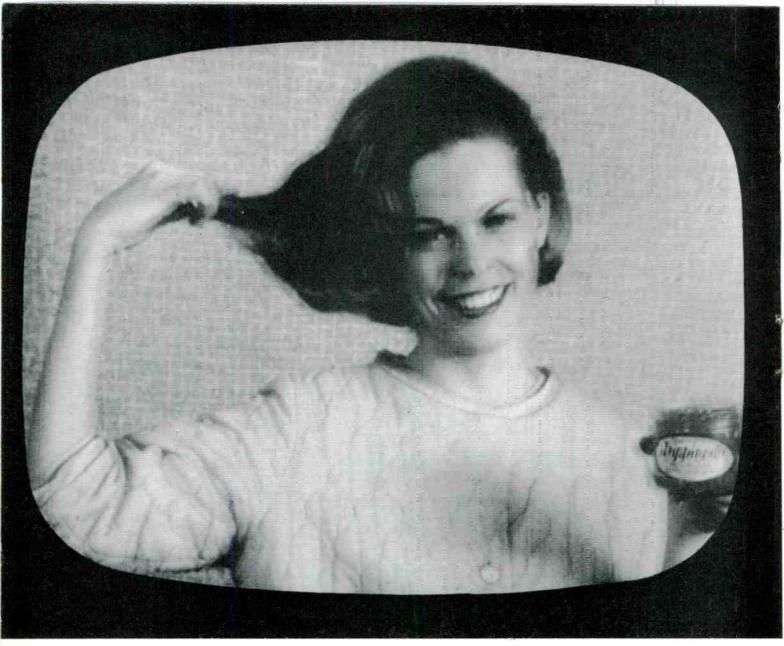
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desk-top price information unit, is used in more than 8000 installations across the country. Ultronic became a subsidiary of Sylvania in June.

NIAC Alerting System To Be Tested

A new standardized signalling system, designed to alert the general public to emergency broadcasts, is in the process of being field tested by the National Industry Advisory Committee (NIAC) Special Working Group. NIAC is a government-industry committee formed in 1963 to advise the government on the use of broadcast stations for alerting the public in time of emergency.

The new standardized signal is the first authorized system tested to alert the public directly. It is based on a two-tone signal broadcast by radio and television stations. The signal automatically turns on specially designed emergency receivers set at a specific

Public Broadcasting Act of 1967

Title I. This section extends the construction program for three years, increasing federal aid to the construction of noncommercial stations from 59 to 75 percent. It approves, for the first time, Federal support for noncommercial radio construction as well as educational television. The amounts authorized are \$10.5-million for fiscal 1968; \$12.5-million for the next fiscal year, and \$15-million for fiscal 1970.

Title II. This section creates the Corporation for Public Broadcasting. It will be headed by a 15-man Board of Directors appointed by the President and approved by the Senate. A total of \$9-million has been authorized for the Corporation for the first year to be used for grants to local noncommercial television and radio stations to improve the quality of programming. There is a limit of \$250,000 which may be made to any one station or project.

Title III. This section authorizes \$500,000 for a study of instructional television and radio to be conducted by the Department of Health, Education and Welfare. Findings are to be reported to the Congress by 1969.

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The FCC's Position on Television-CATV Cross-Ownership

PREVIOUS BM/E ARTICLES have dealt with the Commission's long-standing concern with any actions increasing monopoly of the communications industry. (See (1) BM/E, May 1966, "The Drive For Diversified Ownership," (2) BM/E, June 1966, "Concentration Of Control Of Mass Media," and (3) BM/E, July 1966, "The Multiple Ownership Philosophy.") These FCC interests have been aimed primarily at cross ownership between radio, TV and newspapers. Currently, the Commission is considering the application of similar "monopoly" restraints to CATV.

Background

With the extraordinary growth of CATV, the Commission's concern was evidenced in the case Lompoc Valley Cable TV (2 RR 2d 22), adopted March 4, 1964, when it was faced with the following question:

... [A]s a matter of policy, whether a multiple owner should be permitted to acquire ... extensive holdings in the community antenna field or whether the policy underlying the Commission's multiple ownership rules requires that the Commission strive to prevent such entry.

The question was not then answered, since the Commission determined that a hearing was required on independent grounds and, in addition, that a pending application (2400-C1-TV-(9)-64) for transfer of Lompoc Valley's parent corporation would "provide a more convenient vehicle for Commission consideration." The following week, on March 11, 1964, the Commission adopted its Opinion in Rust Craft Broadcasting Company, FCC 64-208 (2 RR 2d 83), in which although it consented to the transfer of control of a television broadcast station in Clarksburg, West Virginia to a CATV system operator in that city, it stated, in relevant part, as follows:

[W]e regard situations of this kind with growing concern and therefore propose in the near future to institute an inquiry into the problem of joint ownership of CATV systems and television stations in the same communities. Pending that event, we serve notice that any applications involving such combined ownership—however accomplished—will be carefully scrutinized and may, in appropriate cases, be deferred until we finally develop a long range policy with respect to this problem.

In addition, other activities illustrated the increasing problems facing the Commission in this general area. For example, a television broadcast licensee in Dayton applied to the Dayton

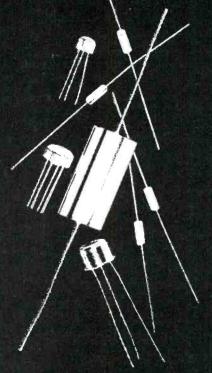
City Council for a franchise to operate a CATV system in Dayton. Similarly, the television station licensee in Utica, New York obtained a franchise for a community antenna system to serve Utica, and applications for microwave relay facilities to serve the system were before the Commission. Apart from these specific cases, there were many instances in which television broadcasters acquired ownership interests in the CATV field outside of their own service areas. These acquisitions, of course, did not require Commission approval unless authorizations issued by the Commission were involved. The Commission believed that it was the appropriate time to institute an inquiry looking toward establishing and clarifying its policy with respect to broadcast licensee ownership of CATV systems. If it was to carry out its statutory responsibilities in this field, policy determinations had to be made without further delay.

Early Proposal for Rule

For the purpose of obtaining pertinent information on the problems described above, on April 16, 1964, an inquiry was instituted (In the Matter of Acquisition of Community Antenna Television Systems By Television Broadcast Licensees, Docket No. 15415.) Views and data were invited from the broadcasting industry, the CATV industry, and any other interested groups or members of the public. The particular questions included the following: (1) to what extent do television broadcast licensees now own interest in CATV systems; (2) to what extent and in what manner do CATV systems originate any programming, including commercial announcements, which they furnish to their subscribers; (3) to what extent, if any, does ownership of CATV systems, or interests therein, by television broadcast licensees conflict with §73.636 (a) (2) of the Commission's rules relating to concentration of control, or the policies underlying such rule; (4) under what conditions, if any, should television broadcast licensees be permitted to own CATV systems, or interest therein, where the CATV systems serve portions of the area served by the licensee's television broadcast station; and (5) does ownership by a television broadcast licensee of CATV interests, in substantially the same area or in different areas, raise any question of conflict of

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interest detrimental to the public interest in television broadcasting?

The comments received in response to the *Notice of Inquiry* generally took the following positions:

(1) CATVs are not broadcast stations, particularly since they generally do not originate programs, and they therefore do not come under the Commission's multiple ownership rules. Nor should CATVs be deemed to come within the spirit of the multiple ownership rules, since they promote diversity by bringing in new signals, and do not really compete with television broadcast stations.

(2) There really is no problem on common ownership. CATVs serve very few people in comparison to television stations. Furthermore, they provide a complementary service, and broadcasters are in a good position to enter this new field with their existing knowledge. Additionally, the interests of subscribers and viewers will not be subordinated because the investments in both the cable system and the television station are large. Local bodies and the Commission are also present to make sure that the interests of CATV subscribers and television audiences are both protected.

(3) In many places, especially small communities,

(3) In many places, especially small communities, CATV will come in any event and it is necessary for the television station to own the CATV to protect it against ruinous competition.

(4) Program origination by CATVs is not a problem at this time since it is very expensive and cannot compete with the regular popular television programs. At the present time program origination is limited to weather scanning with few exceptions.

(5) Television broadcasters have an absolute right to enter any legitimate business, and it would be arbitrary to permit CATVs to develop in great numbers in other hands, including multiple ownerships, while preventing broadcasters from entering this business.

On July 27, 1965, the Commission adopted its First Report terminating this proceeding. While no anti-cross ownership rules were adopted, the Commission indicated that it was concerned with the possibility that cross-ownership between CATV systems and television broadcast licensees might give rise to abuses inconsistent with the public interest—at least in particular cases. However, two things persuaded the Commission that the danger of such abuses is not sufficiently great to warrant an overall or across-the-board prohibition against cross-ownership of CATV system and television stations. The inquiry that the Commission conducted in the docket did not disclose any substantial evidence of widespread abuses. Further, since the issuance of the Notice Of Inquiry and Opinion, referred to above, the Commission issued its First Report and Order in Dockets No. 14895 and 15233 (4 RR 2d 1725) and its Notice of Inquiry and Notice of Proposed Rule Making in Docket No. 15971 (4 RR 2d 1679). The rules that the Commission promulgated and proposed to promulgate appeared to be adequate to prevent discriminatory use of a CATV system to favor one local broadcaster against another. Additionally, the Commission's general rules should ordinarily suffice to insure a technically efficient operation by any broadcaster; and any broadcaster who fails to make a reasonable effort to put out an efficient signal runs the risk of losing his license. The Commission believed that these considerations were adequate

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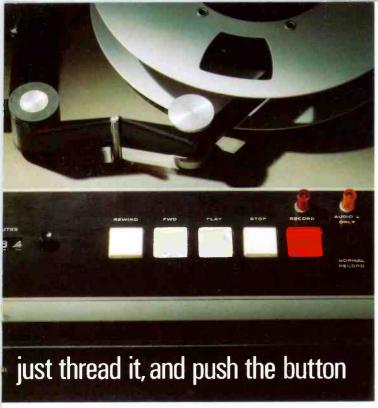
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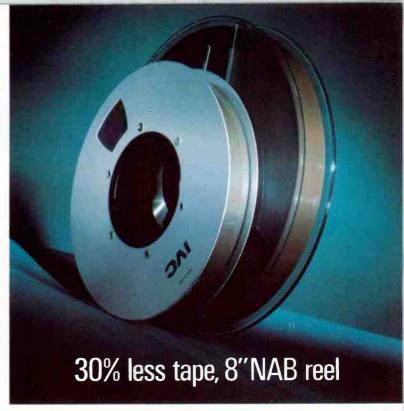
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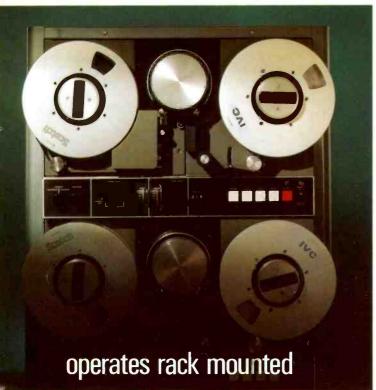
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to prevent the dangers of any general abuse of

cross-ownership.

The Commission realized that the problems involved in determining the proper role for CATV in the mass communications system are complex and far reaching and involve many interrelated policies. These considerations were mentioned by the Commission to emphasize the fact that this Report with the conclusions stated therein were (1) preliminary, (2) tentative, and (3) subject to further consideration and modification.

Current Inquiry and Proposal to Restrict CATV-Broadcast Monopoly

True to its promise, on April 12, 1967, the Commission instituted an Inquiry into Developing Patterns of Ownership in the CATV Industry (Docket No. 17371, 32 Fed. Reg. 6221). No

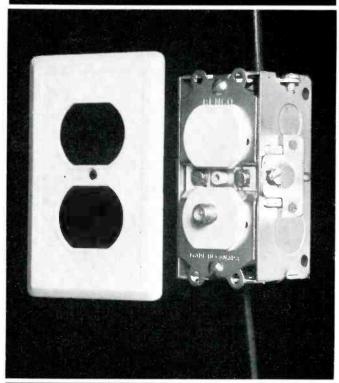
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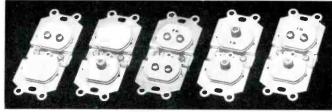
The Commission observed that the emerging pattern of growth indicates that CATV is ceasing to be simply a passive reception device of utility solely in outlying areas away from regular television service; rather, it is developing into a significant force in communications on its own merits. Coupled with this development, the Commission observed an increasing trend toward program origination on CATV systems. Taken together, the rapid spread and changing nature of CATV call for consideration by the Commission of the long range function and role of CATV in the totality of communication services. Consequently, the Commission believes that the promised emergence of CATV systems with programming capability in large metropolitan markets requires that it begin to consider the application of more traditional policies and rules on concentration of control, duopoly, and diversification of mass media. This proceeding again inaugurated general inquiry into the present ownership of the CATV industry and the probable future ownership of the industry. On the basis of the limited information available, the Commission does not believe it appropriate to do more at this time than seek views and suggested courses of action from interested parties; however, if the early responses to this inquiry appear to justify such action, this inquiry may be expanded to include proposed rule making designed appropriately to establish guidelines for the ownership and control of the CATV industry.

Without intending to restrict comment, the Commission believes it helpful to point out that its main areas of concern at this time are focused on the public interest questions arising from ownership and control of CATV systems by Commission licensees in other communication services, excluding the new Community Antenna Relay Service; and the public interest problems that may be inherent in such cross-ownership. As indicated, it also desires comments on the question of whether its present rules and policies relating to such matters as multiple ownership, duopoly, concentration of control and diversification of mass media should be adapted to ownership and control of CATV by licensees, or whether other more appropriate standards are indicated.

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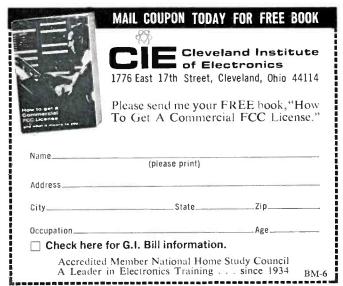
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a continuation of the previous investigation of the entire cross-ownership problem in Docket 15415, supra. In any event, this proceeding seems to lay a foundation for sweeping rules restricting such cross ownership in the following possible ways: (1) preclusion of cross ownership of broadcast and CATV facilities in the same or closely related markets, (2) limitation as to the number of CATVs that may be owned by the same individual, group of individuals, corporation, or individuals, groups, or corporations related thereto. (3) limitations upon ownership of newspaper and CATV in the same or related communities, (4) application to CATV of something akin to the diversification of control of mass media, multiple ownership and duopoly (overlap) rules and policies now applicable to broadcasters, and (5) furtherance or restriction of program origination by CATV.

Such restrictions serve as "two-edged swords," cutting both ways. That is, the adverse effects, potential herein, may injure broadcasters and CATV operators alike. Consider the following possible effects of such rules.

A restriction as to the number of CATVs that may be owned by one group will restrict somewhat the potential buyers of CATV properties and tend to depress CATV prices or, at the minimum, decrease future appreciation.
 A preclusion of broadcast-CATV ownership in the same or related areas (e.g., within the Grade B of a TV or the 1 mV/m contours in arm and fm) would:

a-m and fm) would:

(a) Prevent the broadcaster from acquiring ing a CATV in the area specified, and
(b) Prevent the CATV owner from acquiring

a broadcast facility in the said area.

3. Restriction of newspaper-CATV ownership will similarly reduce (a) investment opportunities for such newspapers and (b) eliminate many, affluent would-be buyers.

4. In general, such rules will militate against "bigness" in CATV.

In both 2(a) and 2(b) above, we have situations that tend to diminish the opportunities of the broadcaster and the cablecaster from logical expansion into a closely related business. Not only does this diminish investment opportunities but will constitute further reduction of potential buyers for radio, television, and CATV properties.

We have indicated, in previous articles, that the Commission is gradually directing its policies toward complete separation among, and diversification of, broadcast facilities and newspaper interests. Effectively, the Commission seeks the greatest possible diversity of public opinion sources. Ideally, it would like to separate the ownership of TV from a-m, a-m from fm, and newspaper from TV, a-m, and fm, in every community.

With the emergence of CATV as a program originator, the Commission may be expected to add CATV to the list. Moreover, unlike broadcasting, it has an opportunity to "nip CATV in the bud."

We recommend that all licensees keep a close watch on this proceeding, and, consult with their communications counsel whenever the Commission requests further comments that may affect their interests. While the time for filing comments has passed, it may well be advisable to file informal comments expressing your views be they pro or con.

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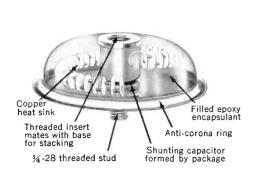
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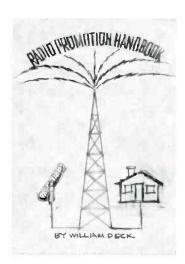
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For better or worse, we suspect the trend of outrageous opinions (lower case) and personalized radio, and soon personalized TV, will continue for some time before a turning point is reached. We're headed into a world of leisure and the era of the sensate. Electronics will play new roles in programming.

The equipment may be an electronic music generator—or a noise generator producing random and associative, but nevertheless pleasurable, sounds. To add variety and drama to all-news shows, more sound effects simulating on-thescene reporting will be needed. (On the scene, the distortion will be eliminated to assure intelligibility. Back in the studio, the effect of a poor quality tape recorder will be added to achieve realism.)

CBS-TV's plan next year to enliven baseball games includes more TV cameras, instant replay recorders, eavesdropper microphones to get the pitcher-catcher conference, and pre-programmed data display devices to haul out and tote up vital player statistics. Triangle Stations have already structured fictional all-time all-star games and played them by computer (World Dream Series). Why not an electronic coach in the announcer's booth with a computer to call the event ahead of time. Electronics will thus add a basic new dimension to the game to make it more lively.

So far, broadcasters' routes to the pleasure centers of our brain are restricted to aural and visual channels. But not forever. Certainly odor transmission and/or reproduction will come, as predicted, and we expect to hear soon of an fm subcarrier being used for such purposes. (The first scent will undoubtedly be popcorn, since it is doubtful whether the FCC would approve of fatal perfumes or riot gases as being in the public interest.)

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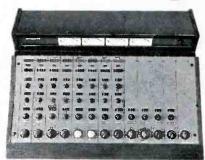
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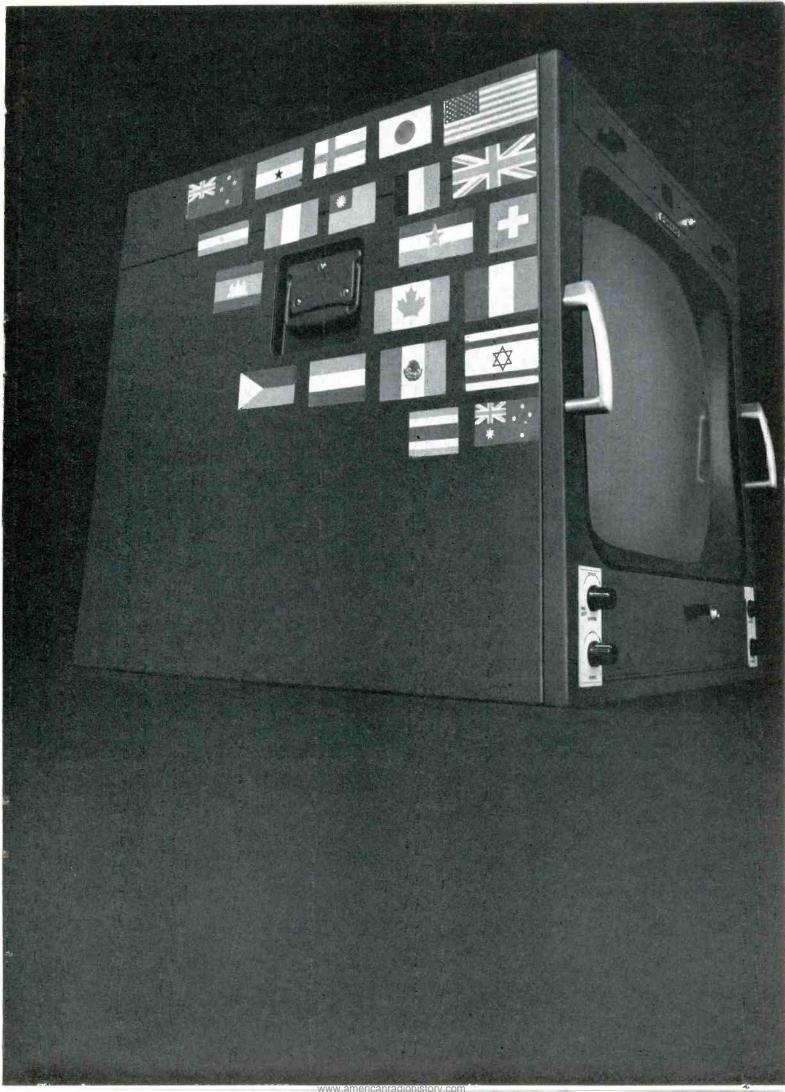
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HOW THE INDEPENDENTS PROGRAM

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Can a U Compete in Top Markets? Kaiser's Act like V's and Do

PHILADELPHIA'S WKBS, channel 48, is the most viewed uhf station in the country, its prime time audience having risen more than 100 percent in the last year. In Detroit, WKBD, channel 50, has overtaken its vhf independent competitor in several important areas. In Boston, WKBG, channel 56, was showing significant rating figures after only eight months on the air.

Is uhf actually competing successfully with independent commercial vhf channels? Richard C. Block, vice president and general manager of Kaiser Broadcasting Corporation, which owns and runs the above stations, says "people watch tele-

vision programs, not megacycles."

And Kaiser is certainly providing the programs. With the addition of channel 44, in San Francisco, KBHK, and Cleveland's channel 61, WKBF, and the activation of its Los Angeles, channel 52, KMTV, Kaiser will serve 7.1-million homes in six of the nation's top eight markets (the company is looking to buy its seventh uhf outlet in Chicago or New York) and will probably become the largest program buyer in the industry outside of Metromedia, in terms of price paid for syndicated product. In fact, Kaiser executives do not try to hide the fact that they have incorporated some of Metromedia's programming policies, and they feel they have learned to profit from the mistakes of independent vhf's.

Kaiser's programming hooks are major sports attractions and popular kid shows, believing their power to be strong enough to break old viewing habits, backed up with first rate local news coverage, talk shows, first run movies, and popular offnetwork shows such as *I Love Lucy, Hazel, Combat, Perry Mason*, and the *Honeymooners*, to hold the viewer.

Its Philadelphia station has the National Hockey Flyers, for Boston Kaiser got the Celtics, for Detroit the Pistons and the NHL Redwings, its new San Francisco station will carry NBA Warrior Basketball, as well as 25 of the games of the new Oakland Athletics, who have signed a 10-year deal with Atlantic Richfield and KBHK.

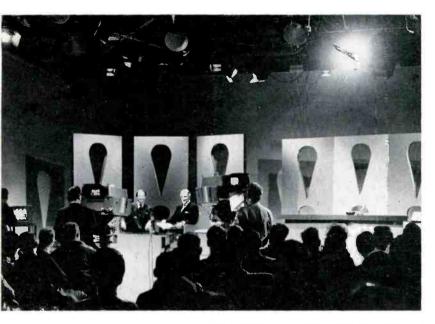
All Kaiser stations carry major children's shows . . . Yogi Bear, Huckleberry Hound, Three Stooges, Quick Draw McGraw, Astro Boy, Marine Boy, The Little Rascals, Superman, The Flintstones, Fantastic 8th Man, Bowery Boys etc.

It's the kids and sports fans that discover U channels. Frank Tuoti, director of sales is convinced that U tuning is no insurmountable handicap. "Kids find us all on their own; they teach the adults." Tuoti reports. When Boston went on the air, its first sports game drew an 8 rating. Detroit and Philadelphia have increased their audiences 100 percent in one year. In prime time alone Detroit went from 19,500 viewers to 33,500—a 72 percent increase.

Fall programming purchases have exceeded \$6-million for properties such as the 90-minute *Woody Woodbury Show*, and 200 movies including "The Pawnbroker," "Umbrellas of Cherbourg" and "La Dolce Vita."

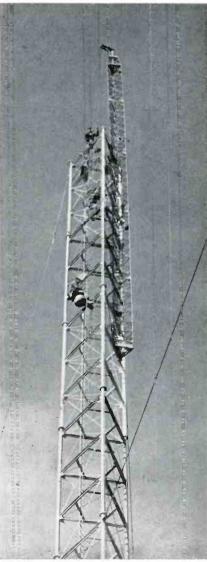
Joe Pyne, David Susskind and Alan Burke will all be on the Cleveland channel, as they are on the ones already on the air, as well as the Lou Gordon Show, the Detroit talk show that is in the same rating league there as the *Alan Burke Show* on WNEW-TV is in New York.

The new San Francisco station KBHK will be tailored specially for the local San Francisco audience and will feature a variety program live, in color 90 minutes of entertainment each weekday night, plus talk shows with local personalities Don Sherwood ("Mr. San Francisco") and Joe Dolan's controversial 45-minute talk show five times weekly. KBHK will have in depth news coverage with ½-hour news programs at 7:00 P.M. and 10:00 P.M. Monday through Friday, produced by a 15- to 20-man news team. Kaiser has begun to step up its news operations and by the end of next year expects to have expanded the use of news on all six stations.



Above: Talk shows are "in" in San Francisco. The Joe Dolan Show, above is in the controversial class. Note the RCA TK-42 color cameras. The Cleveland and San Francisco stations represent investments of \$5-6 million each.

Right: Tall tower extends a station's reach. Tower going up here extends 1079 feet above Cleveland terrain.



About \$2½-3 million will be spent on building news coverage this coming year. Kaiser hired Hardie Mintzer who captained Metromedia's success at WNEW-TV with 10 P.M. news to build Kaiser's news department. Mintzer starts in Philadelphia.

Kaiser spokesmen say that "Kaiser Broadcasting is succeeding because we are going first class." All Kaiser stations are fully equipped with color cameras, high-band color videotape, color mobile units and are transmitting from tall towers that provide proper coverage of the respective markets." Executives anticipate that Detroit and Philadelphia will begin operating at a consistent profit by the 1968-69 season. In fact, Kaiser's problem does not seem to be money, but having something to spend it on.

The operations of the Los Angeles channel have been held up, and the station will ease into operations over the next 18 months, because there are so many independent channels, four unaffiliated vhf's and three uhf's that Kaiser can't get into the buying picture until next year when new off-network programs become available. Kaiser does plan the eventual interconnection of its Los Angeles and San Francisco stations.

Kaiser's investment in uhf broadcasting is now over \$36,000,000 and by 1970 Kaiser's officials predict it will climb to \$89-90 million. Mr. Block of Kaiser said that Henry J. Kaiser's credo to

\$700,000 In Seven Weeks

WKBF-TV, Kaiser's Cleveland station, is finding ready sales in the eighth-ranked market. James D. Boaz, sales manager at channel 61, reports that in seven weeks' time his fiveman sales staff has already sold time schedules totaling in excess of \$700,000.

"We believe this is the highest advance sales record in the history of the uhf industry," Boaz commented, "and that it reflects the fine program schedule Kaiser Broadcasting has developed for the Cleveland market."

All of Cleveland's top ten advertising agencies, plus many others, have already purchased time schedules for their clients on channel 61, which began broadcasting January 1. The majority are 52-week advertisers and represent this area's top advertisers. National accounts such as Sears, Roebuck and Company, Carling Brewing Company and RCA Mainline Distributors are advertising along with local merchants such as Superior Meats, D.O. Summers and the Fisher-Fazio-Costa food chain.

Three of Cleveland's top four banks, four major automobile companies, and Northeastern Ohio's largest furniture chain have already signed contracts. Associated Theaters and the **Cleveland Plain Dealer** indicate acceptance by a wide cross section of advertisers.

"find a need and fill it" has led us to make this heavy commitment in major market television. "Now that the penetration of all-channel homes is so high, we plan to contribute fresh and imaginative programming in our markets, develop exciting in-depth news services which will add to rather than duplicate existing services and to become a close-knit part of our communities."

The \$36-million investment includes losses for the three years. The future investment may see Kaiser operating the fourth commercial network which is its immodest goal. Kaiser hopes to succeed where United Network (Overmeyer) failed by building, first, strong O & O stations in the top markets (their current six stations are in

the top eight markets). These stations will underwrite strong programs so they can be fed to affiliates at reasonable costs.

BM/E asked whether Kaiser could get into the black with \$60 and \$75 spots (currently being quoted in San Francisco and Cleveland). Can they sell enough? Part of the answer is in the Cleveland sales success story of \$700,000 sales in seven weeks (see box). Low rate spots are sold on a distribution plan and are pre-emptible. Tuoti claims salesmen are already having trouble clearing this plan because of higher sales. Kaiser counts on it taking a year to develop viewer habits and dependable ratings. By the third year they expect to be "in".

How to Cross Up the Networks

A strong new force in the television industry is making large waves in an area formerly dominated by the major networks. With the networks relying more and more on movies produced for theatrical release and on copies of copies of once popular formula shows, Metromedia television is stressing programming innovations and community involvement. Metromedia stations enthusiastically involved in the communities in which they are located are weaning away from the major networks their once dominant viewing audience.

In New York, Washington and Los Angeles, Metromedia television stations are making strong inroads in prime-time programming ratings; in all three markets they dominate children's programming by a large lead. Metromedia's KMBC-TV in Kansas City, an ABC-TV affiliate, with an emphasis on local news, children's daytime shows and city-wide involvement, now is an aggressive and vital member of that community. Metromedia special telecasts now often air to larger audiences than do some of the biggest and longest established network offerings. Trade publications such as "Variety" are hailing Metromedia television and Albert P. Krivin, its president, as among the few who are now setting the trends and who have become the new leaders of the industry, filling the spots formerly held by network presidents.

Countering Movies and Formula Shows

produced Metromedia television The "Truth or Consequences" now is seen in more than 60 different markets covering 80 percent of the nation's television homes. The 90-minute "Woody Woodbury Show" is aired daily in 17 major cities and the provocative and much discussed "Joe Pyne" program is broadcast on all Metromedia stations and is syndicated to 75 other stations throughout the country. The KTTV produced "Ray Conniff Christmas Show" special in December aired on more than 70 different stations. "Les Crane," a recent late-night entry, is seen on KTTV, WTTG and WNEW-TV and has just entered the syndication market.

Metromedia television is now producing more than 28 hours of color programming

each week for syndication. In developing its own programming, Metromedia is able to provide its stations with a first-run quality product that is competitive in each of Metromedia's areas and at the same time amortize production costs over many markets by syndication. "Opinion: Washington" and "Face To Face," which focus on major national and international issues, originate at WTTG in Washington but are seen on the Metromedia stations and a large number of other commercial and educational stations throughout the nation. Such specials as "O.R. 5." the dramatic heart operation videotaped by WNEW-TV in New York, "The Steve Paul Scene," a modern music extravaganza, "Expo '67," "Morality of Anti-Communism," "The Warren Commission Findings; A Majority Report," and "There Are No Instant Negroes," a documentary on the Los Angeles Watts situation two years later, have attracted national acclaim. KTTV's "Medal of Valor," honoring Los Angeles Police officers for heroic deeds, was nominated for the individual station "Emmy."

At all Metromedia television stations, members of a "community involvement" board comprised of the top executives monthly interview opinion makers and civic leaders representative of all facets of each city. Those interviewed are asked "What can our television station do to assist in making this a better community in which to live and to assure the city's children a brighter future?" From such monthly meetings come such public affairs programming as KTTV's 18-hour "Job-A-Thon" that produced more than 25,000 job opportunities for Los Angeles' unemployed and a KMBC·TV sponsored "New Citizens" fund in the memory of a young Kansas City resident who was killed by a gang of hoodlums when he came to the aid of his citizenship teacher. WNEW-TV's "Muscular Dysthrophy Telethon" starring Jerry Lewis raised \$1,126,846, breaking every previous telethon fund-raising record.

The creativeness and effectiveness of Metromedia television's sales efforts are indicated in growing revenue and profits during a period of sluggish nationwide TV spot advertising. While most of the industry was reporting sales equal to or below a year ago, Metromedia television in 1967 enjoyed a substantial increase in gross revenue over the previous year and profits reached record-breaking levels.

WOR-TV Matches

Technical Equipment to Programming Philosophy

As one of three independent stations in the New York City market bucking three network flagships and three ETV stations, WOR-TV can never count on having it made. The situation calls for aggressive but finely-tuned programming and sophisticated but cost-conscious equipment expenditures.

THE INDEPENDENT STATION can be vital and alive by being live and upbeat when others are going the canned comedy/drama route. Viewer involvement rather than viewer entertainment is a clue to the new programming being done by WOR-TV.

Wor-TV, as do other independents, has its situation comedy and drama, but it's in the form of reruns already market tested (Make Room for Daddy, Gilligan's Island, Time Tunnel, The Monroes, Wagon Train, Laredo).

Outrageous Opinions, a daily series with outspoken Helen Gurely Brown (of "Sex and the Single Girl" fame and now Editor of Cosmopolitan Magazine—for adventurous playgirls), is an example of WOR-TV's upbeat and lively scene. It is co-produced by WOR-TV and King Features. WOR-TV runs Outrageous Opinions one half-hour daily at 2:00 P.M. to capture women viewers and two ½ hr prime time (10:30 P.M.) on Tuesdays and Fridays to captivate men.

Liveliness and fun in the early evening is achieved with the proven *Mike Douglas Show* 6:00-7:30 P.M. Fun starts at 10:30 in the morning at WOR-TV with the *Joe Franklin Variety Show*. It's live for the kids in the morning with the *Romper Room*, a one-hour daily show.

When you're the only independent station in town you can calculate to win with Merv Griffin, Joe Pyne, or Alan Burke to name a few of the top nonnetwork syndicated shows. But in New York, Metromedia's wnew-tv has first crack at its own productions and early bought the Merv Griffin Show from Group W. Against such success you counter-counter-program and that's exactly what General Manager Jerome Bess and Director of Programming and Operations John Koushouris have done.

Wor-Tv will, for example, buck all entertainment with sports. Wednesdays at 8:30 it's the New York Knicks Game of the Week, live* in color. On Saturdays it's the New York Rangers Game of the Week. Wor-Tv is also the official station for the New York Mets and broadcasts home and road games. Jets Huddle is a popular Wor-Tv profootball strategy session which precedes hockey.

Basketball and hockey rate well with men and this year in the absence of male-oriented programs *I Spy* and *Chrysler Theater* competing in the

same time slot, WOR-TV has captured even more male viewers.

If WOR-TV can't go for the top male program it tries to avoid direct competition with other programs strongly identified with a specific audience group. For example, *Time Tunnel* is young adult and plays against CBS's *Gunsmoke* (older), NBC's *Monkees* (teenage), and ABC's *Cowboy in Africa* (young).

In an area surfeited with news (several all news radio stations) plus Metromedia's one-hour TV news show starting at 10:00 P.M. an hour ahead of the network offering, WOR-TV ignores it. Mike Douglas is scheduled opposite the 6:00-7:30 P.M. news. At 11:00 P.M., the late night flick starts

Million Dollar Movie has been a staple at WOR-TV during prime time for years. Movies start at 8:00 P.M. on Tuesdays, Thursdays, and weekends. On Monday nights it's 2½ hours of uncut first run feature films. "La Dolce Vita," "The Pawnbroker," "Through A Glass Darkly," and "Lord of the Flies" are a few of the first run movies to be shown this season. The network's movie nights, NBC (Tuesday), ABC (Wednesday), CBS (Thursday) have nothing on WOR-TV. Independent WNEW goes with the Merv Griffin Show during these hours and independent WPIX-TV starts its movie at 10:30 P.M.

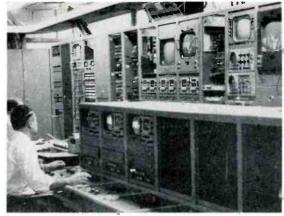
Wor-Tv's use of first run movies (*The Big Preview*) was successful this year but the competition for movies is getting keener. The cost of pictures locally in the New York market range from \$20,000 to \$35,000. However, since the entry of the three networks with a heavy fare of movies in prime time, six-nights this season and seven next fall, the availability of first runs for local stations is fast dwindling.

For The Best On-Air Look

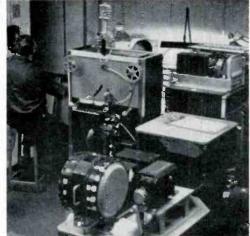
With the need for good live shows, on budgets that are but a fraction of that of slick comedies, the independent must pay particular attention to his equipment investment. Wor-Tv provides a good case history. To succeed, it had to move into new studios. This forced a decision on equipment. The object of equipping a station, Koushouris says "is to get the best-on-air look at least cost per hour." Since almost everything on the air comes from the studio or film-VTR areas as opposed to a feed from a network, the job of getting a good look is more difficult than that faced by network affiliated station. More elements are handled. Fluffs have to be kept to the minimum since rebates to clients cut into profit.

To achieve flexibility in handling commercials between program elements WOR-TV uses a semiautomatic switching system. Next events or sources

^{*}Some are on 1/2 hour tape delay.









Top left:
View of technical operations central.
Top right:
View of film equipment.
Bottom (2 views):
Master control room shows large digital display readout of next events. Video operator decides when to switch.

are programmed into the switch system and large readouts give the operator visually the ON-AIR event, the IN-PREVIEW event, and the "next event" preview. To switch a source ON AIR, it is first selected in preview where the operator may check it for technical quality and correctness of source. Operation of the TAKE button then transfers this source into the program row. In the case of film and tapes, these are controlled by the ROLL button and the two pre-roll timers, the switch being effected after the adjustable pre-roll timer has run down to the machine start position. The HOLD button will inhibit the timer when pressed and so stop machine operation.

A fade or a wipe transition can be made by presetting the instruction. The illuminated readout automatically advances the stored information.

It would be a small step to automate the switcher entirely so that the next source would be automatically switched at the close of the event on air. WOR-TV, however, insists that the transition be effected by an operator who punches the TAKE or ROLL button. The station wants everything to come up clean and an on-the-spot operator is the best judge. WOR-TV switches only when the last syllable is uttered. When the next event is switched on, video precedes audio by ½ second so the transition is smooth. Cartridge tape control is controlled by the program bar and starts when the TAKE button is pressed. (Other choices are: audio follow video, announce, or cartridge tape and an-

nouncer mix.)

The switcher used by WOR-TV was built by Central Dynamics, Ltd. and is basically CDL's type VSA102. This means the events programmed into the switch are stored by magnetic latching relays which store up to 12 audio/video programming events. They are loaded in proper sequence by means of the preview buss. Any one event can be bypassed and the next event brought up by a SKIP button.

Signals from the central memory automatically perform such functions as positioning the mirror of the film/slide projector properly, starting film or tape pre-roll timers, starting the audio cartridge and advancing the tally lights of the illuminated readouts. There are 18 interlocked audio/video inputs possible plus seven additional audio-only inputs to accommodate up to six cartridge tapes and one announce booth.

The central switch was the first part of the system to be specified by WOR-TV and pre-dated final installation in the new studio facility by two years. If the station had it to do all over again they would probably have picked a larger memory but would stay with operator control of the TAKE button between events. The object of the gear is to assist the switcher. He can actually rehearse switching at the optimum time.

The video preview bar provides two composite outputs and if sync pulses are similar wipes, fades and dissolves can be made (if not, a direct take must be made). The audio program level is automatically controlled to maintain standard levels.

Any new facility these days must be all-color and this is exactly what wor-TV is—all color. The new quarters-an old Paramount (?) film shooting studio completely redone—contain two studios equipped with six GE PE-250 color cameras. A mobile van, just completed to cover sports events, will contain an additional three new GE PE-250's. Although economy originally dictated keeping the six RCA TK-41 color cameras purchased several years ago, WOR-TV finally decided to trade them. The old b&w cameras, TK-10's and 11's, were donated to a school. Wor-TV likes the portability features of the PE-250's. They can, if needed, take three cameras from the studio and add them to the color van bringing its complement

Wor-TV has a heavy investment in VTRs; they own seven. Three are Ampex 2000 models; three are RCA TRT-1B (low band); one is a TRT-3 playback unit converted to a record-playback, high band. VTRs are an essential tool for a station that originates a lot of its own programming.

The film island equipment consists of two new RCA TK-27 units and two older TK-27 units.

The VTRs are all located in the studio facility. Because of excellent broad band telephone interconnections within the metropolitan New York area, it was not felt necessary to put VTRs in the mobile vans.

The studios are equipped with \$74,000 worth of Kleigl lights including an electronic board which can be preset for five different scenes or

Some six sync generators are used: two per studio, two in master control and two more located in the mobile van. Riker and Cohu units are used, depending on which unit makes most sense in a given application.

Plant modernization and a physical move are always costly affairs. Wor-Tv's move was relatively easy. The critical element was master control. Since new master control equipment was being installed, the old was left intact just in case problems developed. None did. Once master control proved out, VTRs and film chains were moved gradually. The two new studios were finished one at a time, and went on the air when finished.

All moving and installation was done with the existing engineering and maintenance crew. Wor-Tv has a parallel organizational structure. Dick Quodomine is the technical operations manager and supplies the staff. John Leay is chief engineer and is responsible for the equipment. Both were delighted with the way the move went. From a reporter's perspective the task looked immense but the accomplishment was understandable. The esprit de corp of both the technical and management staff of this swinging independent is fantastic. But if you know Bess and Koushouris you know whereof it springs.

Economics of Operation

The independent station faces the problem of operating with fewer viewers (since it is assumed the network high budget entertainment offerings will attract the greatest numbers) yet needing technical equipment equal to that of the large affiliates.

The revenue per television home for stations in the four or more station market average \$20 and ranges from \$12 to \$27. For most markets the revenue should be approximately 20 times the number of homes divided by the stations sharing the market. In Phoenix the number of ARB homes in 1965 was 446,700; in Chicago 2,493,100; in New York City 6,353,300. For the smaller markets, cost of equipment and cost of programming is very important. (The same is true of course for network affiliates in the smaller markets.)

The challenge in programming is to out rate the networks. This is now being done by the Metromedia station in Washington, WTTG. U's can hardly expect such achievement since all channel (uhf-vhf) set penetration is but 50 to 70 percent of the total. Of course to the extent that homes have more than one television set

it is not necessarily the three network stations against the independent, or one independent against another independent. As a whole, and despite the gains being made by imaginative counter programming by independents, nonnetwork station viewing is less and revenues (as a result of lower spot charges) garnered by these stations is not always enough to meet expenses.

As a rule in watching expenses, independent stations pay out less money for technical operations and more for programs than do their network-affiliated counterparts. The chart indicates the higher percentages paid by independents for film and talent although, again, wages paid to programming personnel were less.

Cost of equipment may not be the place to economize. You have to equal or better the competition. The average investment of a vhf station is \$1.5 million according to FCC figures and that of a uhf station is \$710,000 (about 70 percent of this is in electronics). But if you are competing in a top market these averages can be way off. Kaiser claims its equipment investment in both Cleveland and San Francisco is over \$5-million.

DISTRIBUTION OF EXPENSES

	Technical		Program				Wages
	Total	Wages	Total	Wages	Film	Talent	Total
Affiliates:b Total	 16.0	10.5	38.6	14.6	11.6	2.3	38.9
Independents: Total	 12.6	9.1	54.8	9.8	29.2	4.1	28.3

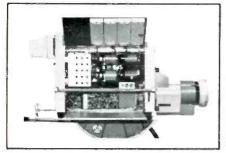
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A LOT OF PEOPLE—including FCC Commissioner Nicholas Johnson—feel that cable TV operators have not only the right, but the duty to provide locally originated telecasts. The problem is, how?

How does a CATV system with limited funds and facilities provide local programming to compete for viewer interest with network programming? What kind of programs can you afford to create for an audience of a few thousand? And how can expenditures for local program origination be justified economically?

One of the answers to these complex questions seems to be a sharing of talent and facilities between CATV operators and local radio stations. This solution is especially attractive when the owner of the local radio station also happens to own the cable system. In a number of areas in the country, this happy coincidence does exist and is beng utilized to advantage.

To get a closeup view of how a radio station and a cable system can work together, BM/E visited two such systems: Holly City Cable TV in Millville, New Jersey and Winchester Cable TV in Winchester, Virginia.

Fred M. Wood, who operates WMVB (1440 kHz) and WMVB-FM (97.3 MHz) in Millville, New Jersey also owns Holly City Cable TV, a CATV system serving the same area. A pioneer in radio, Fred was the first announcer on Philadelphia's famous *Dawn Patrol* in 1935.

He went into cablecasting almost in self defense. His system, which went into operation a little over a year ago, ran smack into the FCC's Second Report and Order. Since cable systems all around Fred's are giving their subscribers New York City channels, as well as those from Philadelphia, Fred assumed he could also. However, his application for a waiver has been pending for more than a year and a half and he has no idea when the FCC will ever get to it.

With a tower and a good antenna, the residents of Millville can get everything the cable system offers—even if the quality is not as good. Therefore, Fred decided to give them something extra.

"Local origination is our plus," he said. "A lot of people needed an extra incentive to get them to give up their towers and hook onto the cable. Local programming has really been an effective sales tool—there's no doubt about it."

How effective has it been? Holly City Cable

TV has a potential of 3500. After being in business only a year, they have already achieved more than 50 percent saturation—without the New York channels.

Fred achieves high standards by using talent freely between the radio stations and the cable system. Fred himself is one of the most respected radio personalities in South Jersey. He does 5 hours a day on WBMV, but still finds time to appear on many cable programs.

Ed Bold is chief engineer of all of Wood's communications facilities. He handles everything from supervising cable hookups and balancing the head end, to manning the camera and solving technical problems at the radio stations.

Jim Lewis, news editor of WMVB, serves as program director of channel 4, Millville's local channel. Jim evidently loves his dual role, demanding though it is.

He gets up early every morning to do a 6:30 A.M. radio newscast. Then, he takes out the mobile unit to gather local news from 7 to 10 A.M. At 10:15, he's on the cable with a complete news report, including national and international news from a wire service, plus the local news he has gathered. Often, he uses 8×10 photos for video, but most of the time the camera is on him.

Jim also plans and directs all other channel 4 programs. He is helped tremendously by suggestions from the community.

"People are always giving me ideas for programs," he said, "and many of them are darned good."

Even office personnel is shared. Attractive Jessica Ingetta serves as receptionist for both Holly City Cable TV and WBMV. Dorothy Carlson, who, according to Fred Wood, "actually runs the radio station," also helps to keep things at the cable system running smoothly.

Aside from technicians, Fred's sole CATV-only employee is Ann Taylor, who serves as office manager for Holly City Cable TV.

Virginia System Must Cablecast

John Lewis, who runs both WINC and Winchester Cable TV in Winchester, Virginia, went into local origination for quite another reason. His franchise requires him to provide at least 30 hours of programming per month.

When the Winchester City Council was considering the cable franchise, TAME* opposed it on the grounds that a cable system would discourage anyone who was thinking of putting up a local uhf channel. Pro-cable interests

*The now defunct Television Accessory Manufacturer's Institute—formed "To Safeguard the American System of Television."

WINCHESTER







1 Modern, attractive Winchester TV Cable office also serves as originating

2 John Lewis (left), an experienced broadcaster and part-owner of Winchester TV Cable, emcees programs on volunteer rescue squad activities. This is part of a weekly half-hour interview series.

3 Winchester TV Cable Company employs talented high school student to man camera.

4 Winchester TV Cable Manager Ed Cunningham 4 handles control panel during cablecasts.

5 Time-weather-music origination fills in at Winchester TV Cable between cable. casts.



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argued that a Winchester uhf channel was improbable in any case, since it was unlikely that the area could support it economically.

The City Council decided to have a cable system and local programming too. They granted the franchise only with the proviso that Winchester Cable telecast locally originated programs.

John has found it relatively easy to comply. Like Fred Wood, he uses radio talent to staff his cablecasting operation. John, himself, handles the bulk of the program planning and he is on camera often. Joe Pasquali serves as sports director for both WINC and Winchester TV Cable. Also, Anne Q. Hardy doubles in brass, doing interviews on both cable and radio, as well as selling cable TV subscriptions.

Barbara Sandal, an actress, handles a cable program called *Kaleidoscope*, featuring all of the arts.

John feels that aside from satisfying franchise requirements, local origination has been important to his system.

"Cablecasting is the bonus that people sign up for," he said.

Types Of Programs

Holly City and Winchester cablecast the same type of programs, but Holly City productions tend to be more elaborate and they are on the air a much greater percentage of the time.

Both feel that high school football and election returns are their most exciting programs.

Winchester often runs simultaneous radio and cable programs. For example, each Monday Joe Pasquali emcees *Coaches Corner*, where he interviews local coaches about the games played the past weekend and discusses upcoming games. This is broadcast for 15 minutes over both radio and cable TV. Then, for cable subscribers only, Joe runs a 45-minute videotape of the most recent game. He and the coach act as commentators, analyzing and discussing key plays.

Election returns are also handled by WINC and Winchester TV Cable simultaneously. It takes a lot of personnel to handle an election properly, but the experienced radio staff gives the cable system truly professional coverage.

Holly City Cable TV, on the other hand, has made a more sizable investment in cablecasting equipment. (See Fig. 1). They own two good cameras, a VTR, and a switcher, along with audio equipment.

In addition to channel 4, they have channel 2 as a 24-hour local time-weather channel. Incidentally, WBMV-FM serves as background music for channel 2. This is yet another way in which the radio operation helps the cable system.

Fred Wood has invested more than \$15,000 in cablecasting equipment. So far, John Lewis gets along with a single camera and a VTR.

Holly City Cable TV videotapes football games independently of the radio broadcasts.

Fred Wood hires a local football buff, Victor Zeigler, to do the cablecast commentary, while his regular announcers handle the radio play-by-play.

Ed Bold, manning the camera, listens to Vic Zeigler over a pair of earphones. When Vic talks about a certain defensive linebacker or the cheerleaders, Ed pans the camera to that linebacker or those cheerleaders. And, of course, Vic sees the game on a monitor as it's picked up by the camera. This coordination gives the finished cablecast a very professional look, and the citizens of Millville eat it up. The Thanksgiving day game, for example, was cablecast on Friday evening. Fred got so many phone calls from enthusiastic viewers, that he re-ran the game the following Monday.

Holly City Cable TV also provides excellent election night coverage. Like Winchester TV Cable, they have people at all polling places calling in election news as soon as it is available. However, in Millville, the information is relayed from the radio studio to the cable studio, where it is entered on a huge tote board. Fred Wood and Jim Lewis do analysis and interview local politicians to keep interest high. The mayor, members of the city council and candidates drop into the cable studio and discuss the election. The cable company has handled two elections thus far, and both have been extremely successful in generating viewer interest.

Holly City Cable TV provides a lot of local political coverage. For example, before the primaries last year, they scored a first with a faceto-face debate by the two Democratic candidates. This was a case of not only reporting news, but making it. The local press was invited to the studio and interest was so high that they ran out of chairs.

Once a month, Jim Lewis interviews a member of the City Council. These programs are completely unrehearsed. Jim asks penetrating questions and invites viewers to send in questions. He also videotapes City Council meetings two days a month.

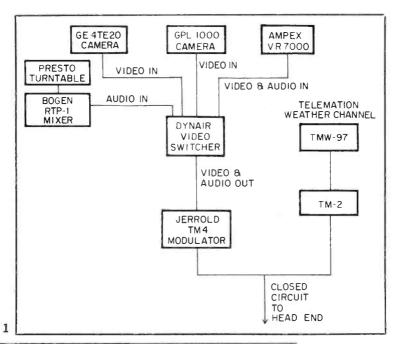
"We feel that we're providing a wonderful service to the community in presenting these programs," said Jim Lewis. "And so do the Mayor and the City Council."

Holly City Cable TV offers a wide range of programming in addition to sports and politics. Each morning at 10:00 A.M. they present a 15-minute inspirational program in conjunction with the Ministerial Association. A different priest, rabbi or minister handles the program each day, giving a talk rather than a sermon. Often the clergyman brings a choir and an organist.

Jim is most proud of his specials. For example, last Christmas he presented an hour concert with the Cumberland County College Choir singing Christmas music. Then, a local minister read an engaging Christmas story with the camera moving to Christmas pictures and a nativity scene.

He also likes to schedule cultural programs, such as the African Genesis Art Exhibit he re-

MILLVILLE





- 1 Millville cablecasting studio includes two cameras and a VTR. It cost more than \$15,000.
- **2** Ed Bold focuses camera on Jim Lewis as he delivers his morning news program to Millville cable subscribers.
- 3 Fred Wood and Jessica Ingetta split time between radio stations and Holly City Cable TV office.
- 4 Millville's Ed Bold handles videotape recorder. Many programs are taped and played back at a later time.





cently taped. This exhibit, held in neighboring Vineland, was given even more of a local flavor by having a Millville woman who runs an art studio interview the people who ran the show.

"This is the best way that the people of Millville can learn about these things," explained Fred Wood. "We can announce an art show on the air, but the video makes it much more meaningful and dramatic."

Some of the best rated programs on channel 4 are parades. Ed Bold has mounted a platform on the roof of their High Street office and they tape all parades as they pass by. "Millville is very big on parades," said Jim Lewis.

Despite their small operating budget, Winchester, too, has been able to provide an impressive variety of programming.

Using local talent, often on a voluntary basis, and ingenuity, they have also cablecast political debates, the Apple Blossom Parade, the dedication of historic shrines, square dancing, and a weekly half hour discussion between ministers and laymen.

"We don't try to compete with Washington stations," said John Lewis. "We provide what nobody else can—local TV expression."

While Holly City Cable TV is just moving into ETV, Winchester TV Cable is using their system regularly for education.

This service also came about by necessity. Afraid that TV coverage might hurt their gate at football games, the Board of Education was reluctant to allow cablecasting. However, they gave John ballgame rights in exchange for the cablecasting of a weekly music lesson, taught by the local music teacher. Like most CATV operators, John provides free cable service to all schools in the area, so the music program can be seen by all students in Winchester. Pleased with the results, the Board of Education would like to expand ETV telecasts.

Advertising On Cablecasts

The question of selling time on cablecasts is complicated by the FCC and pending copyright legislation, as well as economic factors.

Winchester TV Cable, however, has moved aggressively into cablecast advertising. John Lewis charges a flat \$50 per program sponsored on the cable. For \$50 his advertisers are exposed on cable TV once a day for an entire month. John also sells package deals including both cable TV and radio when programs are broadcast simultaneously.

Fred Wood reports a great deal of interest in advertising on his local channel 4, but he is reluctant to take advantage of it. With no franchised mandate to provide cablecasts. Fred is afraid he'll run afoul of the FCC, hurting his chances of getting waivers on the New York City channels. A local Chevrolet dealer sponsors his City Council meetings, but Fred doesn't really push for advertising. Further, he doesn't charge his fin advertisers extra for the homes they get by

being exposed to cable subscribers on channel 2.

Both men agree that advertising revenue doesn't begin to pay for the costs of cablecasting. But both are glad to be providing a public service.

In spite of this factor, Fred Wood, prodded by Program Director Jim Lewis, is constantly adding to his cablecasting facilities.

"The trouble is, you can't stop," he said. "We started with one camera, then bought another, then a VTR, and so on. Now, we want to change our lighting, expand our studio, get a switcher-fader—it never seems to end."

"The more you do, the more you want to do," agreed Jim Lewis.

The situation is analogous to the expansion of the cable system itself. "We started with a 45-mile system, but before Jerrold left, they had installed a 60-mile system. When we started to get customers, it was hard to stop. The extra 15 miles cost us an extra \$60,000. It's a good investment, but there's a limit to how much you can invest," said Fred Wood.

Holly City Cable TV had the tower and head end built locally, but Mr. Wood had high praise for Jerrold, who turnkeyed the rest of the system, using their new solid-state Starline equipment.

"Jerrold did a fabulous job," he said. "The system worked well from the first tap to the last and we've no trouble at all with keeping our subscribers supplied with top quality pictures."

Radio Sells Cable Service

Aside from providing cablecasting talent, radio has helped both operators to sell cable hookups. Both use newspaper advertising, but the bulk of their subscriptions come from radio spots.

In Millville, the local newspaper is hostile to the cable system, considering it a rival. They refuse to list cable programs or to publicize local cablecasts. But Fred uses his radio station to plug cablecast programs hard, as well as to sell subscriptions.

"Radio ads are not only cheaper," he says, "but they give us more coverage."

John Lewis of Winchester agrees, saying "Radio is much better than newspapers for selling cable TV subscriptions."

These two case histories make it apparent that radio and CATV are natural allies. While the relationship is not really symbiotic, cooperation between cablecasters and radio program originators can be mutually beneficial. CATV may not help the radio station much, but the radio station can definitely provide some of the answers to the problems of local organization.

The story of the railroads is a business cliche. As the legend goes, railroad men lost out to the airlines by insisting that they were in the railroad business rather than recognizing the fact that they were in the transportation business. Fred Wood and John Lewis have at least recognized that they are not in the radio business, but in the business of communication.

It Is Not Enough to Program:







1 WYND Radio disk jockeys (I to r) Butch Lake, Chuck Davis and Johnny Dark display a portion of the more than 65-million valentines and "mash notes" received by the station during a promotion contest.

2 CATV talent show, emceed by local entertainer Richards, gains local interest for Selden, Long Island.

3 Walk into Gusow's Broadway Maintenance Selden CATV office and there's always a prize.

Promotion is means to higher ratings for broadcasters; for cable operators it's more cash subscribers.

WCBS NEWSRADIO 88 in New York converted to an all-news format last September. Not the least of the changes effected then was the employment of a new director of public information and advertising.

Since then the Public Information Office's output of print media to potential listeners and advertisers almost equals the electronic message! David Martin, who heads the office, estimates almost 50 pages of news releases go out each week. Martin has six classes of releases: Features, Sports, Editorials, News/Information, Trade News, and Specials. Martin doesn't say how long he's going to keep this barrage up, but he's going for the overkill. Nobody is going to not know that WCBS/Newsradio 88 has a new all-news format.

But do the releases get used? According to Martin one class is working very well. It is a complete news release containing verbatim accounts of new Broadway shows and films as reported by wcbs Newsradio 88's theater and film critic, David Goldman. Goldman's incisive comments have made a name for him and his station. If his reviews are favorable his comments are used to promote the play, musical or whatever. And theatrical promoters are using wcbs/Newsradio 88 as an advertising medium since they assume there is a good theatre-movie going crowd tuning in to hear Goldman.

One of Martin's special releases was the full transcript of an exclusive interview with Mayor Hugh Addonizio of Newark who declared he will run again if necessary to get a job done in riot-torn Newark. Many newspapers ran a story on the interview. Complete transcripts go out on another program, WCBS Radio Looks at Television. David Susskind's views were picked up by Broadcasting and Variety as well as newpapers. It's pretty hard for advertisers and agencies not to know newspapers are making the scene on wcbs/Newsradio 88.

It's fairly standard practice for stations to issue releases of outstanding upcoming programs. Hopefully these will be picked up on the radio-TV pages of local newspapers and gain additional viewers. KPIX-TV of San Francisco, a Group W station, does a good job issuing advance releases and also frequently puts out releases after the show. KPIX is forever winning awards and they let everybody know. Very effective promotion.

Two educational networks that actively promote up-coming programs are the Alabama Educational Television Commission, Marianne B. Sharbel, director of information, and Georgia Educational Television Network, Lou Peneguy, TV information director.

Program and Promote

Grand Rapids, Michigan, station wood-TV-AM-FM is owned by Time-Life Broadcast Inc. Time-Life's expertise on effective promotion is not lost on wood. We haven't any idea of just how effective wood's promotion is but we're sure they'd be worse off without it.

WBT-AM-FM and WBTV, Charlotte, North Carolina, sends out a press release daily on its editorials. These are sometimes provocative and invitations to respond are sent to parties challenged or criticized. When there is a rejoinder extra promotion mileage is achieved, particularly when the individual has national prominence—such as when Barry Goldwater accepted an invitation to respond.

Miami is probably an ideal employment location for radio station promotion managers-or maybe it's the most nightmarish place. Being exposed to the news releases of WFUN, WQAM, and WRIZ, all of Miami, we'd say these stations know the value of promotion. (See Feb. 1967 BM/E's full story on WFUN's approach to promotion.) Contests and stunts seem the order of the day. Woam has such things going, for example, as a VW chicken coupe which is the marathon residence of a disk jockey until some listener guesses the contents of a 300-pound concrete egg at a nearby shopping center. Clues are broadcast and the winner gets the chicken coupe. WQAM recently cashed in on Governor Kirk's much publicized war on crime and won a special award. The station has won other public service awards all of which is good promotion. WFUN gets a lot of mileage out of sponsoring a Miss Teenage Miami contest, but also goes in for public service and promotes the fact that it has helped, for example, hemophilia victims. WFUN also consistently wins awards and promotes these heavily.

Wriz, Coral Gables, is the newest station to enter the highly competitive Miami market. To make a splash President Jack Roth lined up Vic Damone to do a series of jingle promos. Based on the recurrent theme of "wriz—Rise to the right side of your dial," the jingles were set in a number of different musical styles ranging from light beguine to heavy bossa nova and samba. Damone was identified with wriz for one month with the use of seventeen voice-only cuts. Following that, the station used Damone's singing signatures against an instrumental background.

Promotion might almost backfire, WHIH Norfolk, Va., ran a school spirit contest in April of 1967. Twenty schools caught the spirit and 179,-824,633 votes were sent in. A warehouse had to be rented to store the ballots. WNYD of Sarasota, Fla. had a similar experience. They offered to sponsor a Valentine dance for the school, turning in the most valentines and love letters. Seven million came in the first four days, and 65,000,000 altogether.

A fairly standard form of news release employed by many stations is to announce new business. If you land a big account publicize it, it may influence others. If your station plays an unusual role in production let others know about it. Channel 22 in Springfield, Mass. wwcp, called attention to itself when one of its personalities, Kitty Broman, was used by an agency to kick off a new national advertising campaign.

Too frequently, we suspect, a station's press list of possible recipients is quite small. When BM/E gets an onion skin carbon rather than an offset or mimeo copy, we wince. We obviously are one of the select few, and if we round file it, the chances of good mileage for the release are indeed reduced. One's mailing list should be reviewed frequently and kept pared down but don't trim it too thin

Unfortunately, publicity managers may never know how effective their mailings are. Some send along an envelope with a request that if the item is used please send a clip. This is a waste of an envelope.

Cable TV: Get a Paying Viewer

Promotions for radio and TV broadcasters are designed to attract more listeners and viewers. The score is kept by ratings. For the cable TV operator the stakes are higher: the viewer has to pay—initially for a hookup and then every month.

A unique charity drive added considerable lustre to the image of WHVW Radio. On Sunday, January 22, 1967, WHVW conducted the "Mile of Dimes" for the March of Dimes. The idea was to place dimes end-to-end to see if they'd stretch a mile. Dimes were purchased by the station and Scotch-taped (3M furnished the tape) ten to the foot for 2000 feet. An all-day broadcast by 26-MHz fm short-wave from the F.D. Roosevelt National Historic site at Hyde Park invited listeners to buy pre-taped dimes and put them in the ribbon. Over 3000 listeners turned out, and over half a mile of dimes was collected for the March of Dimes.



National Cable Push

Feb. 4-10. 1968 is the second annual National Cable TV Week. Sponsored by the National Cable Television Association, the week offers its members (and nonmember CATV systems) an opportunity to participate in a highly professional and expensive advertising and public relations campaign to add new subscribers and spread good will among current ones. Last year, the NCTA got off to a little bit of a late start and was not surprised that the number of participating systems was not too large. But those who did participate were very pleased with the results. One system operator, as a result of the promotion from the Cable TV Week, increased his subscribers by 1090, better than a 10 percent gain.

This year NCTA has started work much earlier and the Association figures maximum impact will be reached in the third year when system operators too have learned to start early in the game. NCTA advises operators to begin working on the promotion the week of December 11th by familiarizing themselves with contents of the National Cable TV Week kit and planning all the things the system might do to observe the week in its community.

This year's kit put out by the Association included an instruction manual, giving all information needed on the best possible use of the promotion material, publicity kit, with news releases, proclamation to be issued by the town's mayor, feature stories, programs and photographs, and 60- and 30-second radio commercials. In addition, a new color film telling the CATV story, TV slides and scripts to make a complete TV commercial, full color information booklet that tells the benefits CATV can bring to the community and the customer, certificates of appreciation to be awarded to important people in the community who help make National TV Cable Week successful, display material, newspaper mats, and giveaway balloon and buttons can be ordered from NCTA.

A sample survey of operators by NCTA indicates that newspaper ads, dealer tie-ins, and radio ads are the most popular devices with cable systems this year.

THE TRANSIT STRIKE: WE HOPE FOR THE BEST, BUT WE'RE READY FOR THE WORST.

As all New Yorkers do, we hope the contract talks are successful before the strike deadline.

If they aren't, WCBS/NEWSRADIO 88 has made preparations to provide you with everything you'll need to know.

NEGOTIATIONS

We are already covering the transit talks round-the-clock, with reporters standing by at the Americana Hotel, City Hall, Gracie Mansion, and TWU head quarters. When news breaks, we'll be there.

TRAFFIC

Our two WCBS/NEWSRADIO 88 helicopters will be ranging over the entire metropolitan area. They will take off early and stay up as long as necessary to keep you posted on bottlenecks and tieups. We'll also cover all boroughs to provide you with constant updating as traffic conditions change.

OFFICIAL WORD

We'll have a direct line to Henry Barnes, New York's Traffic Commissioner. When he makes a statement you'll hear it immediately.

AUTERNATE ROUTES

As we see it, our job is to tell you how to get to work. So we'll give you alternate routes into the city—from New Jersey, Queens, Brooklyn, the Bronx, Staten Island, and Upper Manhattan.

COMMUTER SERVICES

Our traffic desk will be checking all railroads, bus lines and transit services to advise you on extra trains, schedules, station crowding, and everything else commuters should know. You'll also hear direct reports from our newsmen at Grand Central, Penn Station, the Port Authority, and major suburban railroad stations.

THE COVERAGE
All the people and facilities of
WCBS/NEWSRADIO 88 will

center on the strike. This means the largest radio news staff in the tri-state area equipped with 3 mobile units, two helicopters, the latest, most sophisticated electronic equipment—and, we think, some of the fastest feet in the news business.

That's our plan: to give you the best coverage, should



WCBS NEWSRADIO 88

CHANNEL 13 BRINGS YOU AN IMPORTANT MESSAGE. TODAY IT WILL LAST 8 HOURS.

Channel 13's live coverage of the 134th annual meeting of the American Association for the Advancement of Science continues today with these topics:

9:00 A.M.

"Research in Birth Control and Changing Sex Behavior"

12:00 NOON

Interviews with leading participants.

2:00 P.M.

"Speculations on the Next Thirty-Three Years"

Newspaper advertisements on these pages all appeared with "New York Times" on December 29, 1967. Which is more effective, the WCBS or WINS ad? Channel 13, as you may have guessed, is one of New York's noncommercial stations.

The score is kept directly on the P&L statement.

In an unserved or underserved (less than three stations) area, promotion for a cable operator is no problem. Customers beat a path to his doorstep. His main promotion may simply be to keep irate customers calmed when system trouble develops. But in adequately served TV areas, promotion is the number one task of a cable operator. He has to get customers and keep them. As a case in point, take Broadway Maintenance CATV Corp., Selden, Long Island. The general manager is Art Gusow. His title is director of marketing. His principle job before he got into CATV was promotion and that is what he was hired for now

Gusow's problems are unique: 1. Selden is 45 miles from New York City and seven New York City stations come in adequately. Additionally Bridgeport and Hartford, from across Long Island Sound, can be received on a roto antenna. With a disc antenna, uhf stations channels 31 and 47 from New York can be received. 2. Selden is a modest income area. Residents are mostly home owners but they settled in this area because real estate was cheap. They are hard working families and not at all affluent with loads of leisure time for cultural pursuits or heavy community involvement. The \$5 monthly fee is dear money.

Because of these factors Gusow uses local closed circuit programs 4-1/2 hours a week, not for lofty community local expression, but hard promotion. He learned early cultural and education programs didn't score. So Gusow doesn't try to identify strongly with the community; rather he identifies with his customers and considers them members of his cable TV club. It is a club that customers join for fun, prizes, and even cash discounts—as well as better TV signals.

Because the community isn't high income, merchants, too, have to promote. Gusow signed up a select number who offer 5 percent discounts to cable subscribers. His directory of participating stores included about 25.

Gusow's monthly newspaper to his customers refers to the cable system as "your (the subscriber's) system." Viewers can participate in every one of the four shows shown on the closed circuit. The Tuesday night show (6:30 to 7:30) is a public interest show moderated by Gusow. The topic may be auto insurance. Subscribers can call in specific questions. On Wednesday night it's games and prizes. This time the cable system calls about a dozen subscribers (names drawn from a hat) and asks them questions. Prizes for right answers are donations from local merchants. On Thursday night, it's a home grown variety show emceed by a local entertainer, Sal Richard. Again viewers can call in personal requests. On Saturday morning it's entertain the kids with the Beep the Clown Show. Again more prizes and gifts. The studio for all shows is the office.

Every month sees a heavy promotion for new customers. Next month it's a free trip to Puerto Rico for one of the month's new subscribers. Last month it was a color TV set for one lucky



winner. The month before it was a free wristwatch to every new subscriber. And it's a free hookup every month!

Gusow budgets \$5 to get a new customer. If he can get 50 new customers in a month by simply offering a trip to Puerto Rico, that more than pays for the air tickets for the winner.

Walk into Broadway Maintenance's office and there is a promotion of some sort waiting for you. One is a free stay at a Florida motel if you pay a year's service charge (\$60) ahead of time. Or it may simply be jackets for school books. Gusow expects next to offer renting a color TV for a total monthly charge of cable and set for no more than buying a color set on the installment plan.

Does Broadway Maintenance keep its customers? Stu Helmig, system engineer, says his disconnects since regular cablecasting began last September are as fantastically few as one or two a month in the year and a half since the system started. 3000 subscribers have been signed up. The potential for the present 83-mile system is 7000. Next spring an additional 40 miles will be added in a nearby community. It will be interesting to see what new promotion stunts Gusow will come up with next year. In 1967, incidentally, his outstanding effort won him not only customers but an award at the 1967 NCTA convention.



Dr. Robert W. MacVittie, president of the State University College at Genesco (I) with News Director Andersen Rapp during the Premier of "Appointment '67."

WGSU-FM College Station Extends Beyond The Campus

By Dr. Myron B. Shaw

WGSU-FM is the voice of the State University College at Genesco (N.Y.), but it is more than that, it's a community station. In 1966 it was designated Station of the Year by "College Radio" magazine because of its community affairs programming

A NEWS DOCUMENTARY concerning a spectacular hotel-fire in Genesco, a conversation with College President Dr. Robert W. MacVittie, a piano concert by Jeffrey Segal, play-by-play coverage of high school and college football, basketball and soccer games, an all-college discussion on drugs, a public hearing on urban renewal, the Paul Winter Jazz Ensemble, an address by Governor Nelson Rockefeller, thorough election coverage, College Band and Choral Concerts . . . these are the sounds which highlight the programming of wgsu, the voice of the State University College at Geneseo, New York. Since its opening broadcast on March 15, 1963, the station, which is under the administration of the Division of Speech, has endeavored to serve its campus and community audience with informational, instructional, cultural, and entertaining programming.

WGSU has a sizable and loyal audience as revealed by a personal interview survey, which included virtually every home in Geneseo, taken during the summer of 1967. Most popular programs are local issues, sports events (especially), church services, and guest artists and speakers on campus. Community affairs programs on urban renewal, public meetings of the school board, and annual election results are well received. WGSU will always focus on local issues and events but

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provides its listeners with programs as diverse as Bach and the Beach Boys.

The campus and community station, which broadcasts at 89.3 MHz with a power of 2 kW, was developed from a carrier current operation largely through the efforts of Dr. John E. Paul, director of the Division of Speech, Professor William R. Berry, director of broadcasting, and Fred Ambrose, chief engineer.

From its studios in Blake Hall and direct lines to six remote locations on campus and in the Geneseo Central School, wgsu originates more than eighty hours of programming per week, including sixteen hours on Saturday and twelve hours on Sunday.

This extensive service is provided by a very enthusiastic and capable staff which includes approximately thirty-five students and five faculty members: Professor Berry and Mr. Ambrose, station manager-program director, John Davlin, Dr. Myron Shaw and Professor Robert Greene, consultants for programming and management, respectively. The student staff includes those enrolled in the broadcasting curricula on both the undergraduate levels as well as numerous students who are majoring in speech, history, political science, education, English and library science.

Typical Schedule

WGSU begins its weekly schedule with the Good Morning Show, a program of popular music, news, weather reports, features and frequent time checks. This is followed at mid-morning with the Empire State Fm School of the Air. Broadcast for 30 minutes at 10:00 A.M. and 1:30 P.M., these daily programs provide direct in-school instruction for elementary school students throughout New York State.

Highlighting the late afternoon programming is *Accent on Music*, ninety minutes of popular music and features. *Perspective*, a full hour of news, commentary, weather and sports, follows at 5:30. This program features background on the

news. Station Manager Davlin and News Director Andersen Rapp, a graduate student, stress the importance of providing the listener with a thorough treatment and accurate perspective on local, state, national and international issues and events of consequence.

The station also produces documentaries which usually focus on local issues and have concerned Geneseo's need for an additional doctor, the fire which destroyed the Geneseo Hotel and threatened an entire block of the business district, the 175th Anniversary of Geneseo, Homecoming, election campaigns, and the life and works of Carl Sandburg.

Among the most popular of wgsu's wide variety of music programs is Candlelight Concert, an hour of instrumental dinner music which is presented each weekday evening at 6:30. Other music series which attract considerable interest include Classics in Hi-Fi, a late evening program of classical music, Sunday Concert, a program of classical music which covers the development of music chronologically from 1700 to the present, After Hours, a fully scripted two-hour potpourri of music presented each Friday night at 11:00, Hymns of Faith, Broadway By Night, Broadway Showcase, Just Jazz, and New Folks in Town, which features folk and jazz. Music is also an integral part of CBC Presents, produced by the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation, and is also featured occasionally on WGSU Presents, which focuses on local issues and events such as the appearance of concert artists on campus. A broad diversity of music programs are also presented on Saturday and Sunday including rock 'n' roll, popular, Broadway, light classics, classics, and on Sunday evenings, full-length operas.

Another feature of Sunday's programming is *Appointment '68*, a three-hour program devoted to live interviews with campus guests, faculty members, students, and community residents, on *Counterpoint* at 1:15, 2:15, and 3:15; news commentary on *Viewpoint*, man-on-the-street interviews on *Pinpoint*, satirical sketches concerning today's soap operas on *Weakpoint*, news and music.

A highlight of Saturday's schedule is *Countdown*, a showcase of the top 40 hits of the week as determined by a survey of interest in the various dormitories on the Geneseo campus. The songs are presented from number 40 through the most popular song of the week from noon until 2:00 each Saturday afternoon. Rock 'n' roll music is also prominent in Saturday's programming as are news, weather and sports reporting, including live remotes.

Sports Via Delayed Tape

WGSU maintains its emphasis on sports programming, which has evoked considerable audience response. Since its inception, the station has broadcast the home basketball games of the Geneseo State Blue Knights. In September 1966, WGSU began play-by-play coverage of the Geneseo

High School home football games and two road games at Dansville and York. Last fall, the radio station broadcast the Geneseo home football games, as well as those at Caledonia-Mumford, Mt. Morris and Cowanesque, Pennsylvania, live, and aired the game at Livonia on a tape delay basis by "bicycling" the tapes back to Geneseo immediately following the first half and the conclusion of the game. WGSU also carries the home basketball games of the Geneseo Central Blue Devils. These broadcasts serve a particular community need due to the very limited seating capacity in the Central School gym. Last fall, the station initiated play-by-play coverage of the two college soccer games which were played in Geneseo on Saturday. Since there are no telephone lines available at the field, it was necessary to utilize battery-operated tape recorders and bicycle the tapes to the control room at the half following the game. Thus, listeners could "join the game" an hour after the kickoff. It is hoped that this service to the campus and community will stimulate additional interest in collegiate soccer.

Sports reports with particular emphasis on local and area events including interviews with area coaches, are featured daily on *Perspective*, while *Meet the Knights*, presented each Friday evening at 7:30, focuses on athletes and coaches at the College.

Another program series of local interest is *The Church Hour*, a worship service recorded each Sunday morning in a Geneseo church and broadcast Monday evenings at 9:00 following an hour of uninterrupted sacred music on *Hymns of Faith*. The broadcasts are rotated each week among the four participating churches. During the months with five Sundays, an area church service is broadcast or a distinguished guest clergyman on campus, or in the community, or a special program of sacred music is presented.

With this programming, WGSU strives to provide its listeners with information, instruction, cultural stimulation and enrichment, and entertainment of value.

Station Manager-Program Director John Davlin, (I) discusses WGSU program guide with Dale Hartnett and Chuck Agonito.



COMBATION

NAEB Exhibition Scores Several Firsts

Traffic was heavy in the NAEB exhibit area last November for good reason. Technology's latest wonders were there. Several new products were premiered.

Counterclockwise: Ampex used an attractive artist with palette to demonstrate color. Visual (Norelco) and GE successfully blended models and education to draw attention to their studio equipment. RCA played it straight with an honest to goodness teacher. Sarkes Tarzian focused only on its abstract model, The Fugue.

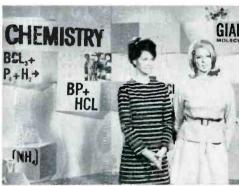
















From the exhibitor's point of view NAEB was a not-so-mini mini NAB or, as George Tillman of GE put it, "welcome to NAB-II."

NAB-II had a number of first time showings—normally all important products are unwrapped at NAB-I. Among those that caught attention were these.

• A man-pack broadcast-quality color camera from Norelco.

• A new helical-scan color VTR and color camera system from International Video Corp.

• Three new helical-scan VTRs with color adapters from Diamond Power.

• A new low-cost quad head color VTR from RCA and two new high-band units from Ampex.

• A new video switcher including a 108-point crossbar assembly and video processor from Vital Industries.

• A new color film chain, PE-240, from GE (not brand new, but a first showing).

• A new solid-state monitor from Conrac.

• A new 11.1 TV zoom lens from 3M (Wollensak).

• A new video display to film transfer machine from Milliken Camera.

• A new 2500-MHz transmitter with color capability from Jerrold and modular head ends.

There were also a host of new vidicon cameras and video processing units which we didn't count. Raytheon and GPL had cameras, Cohu, Grass Valley, and Riker had new pieces of video processing equipment.

The major camera equipment manufacturers, as at NAB, vied with each other for most favorable attention. RCA had the biggest exhibit space and the widest product line since it showed both broadcast and CCTV equipment. Norelco (Philips Broadcast) assured itself of maximum attention by introducing its hand held color camera (See BM/E Dec. p. 6). Visual and Philips were quick to point out that the color videotapes being shown at competitors booths were made on PC-70 cameras. General Electric claimed its color reproduction was the best at the show. Ampex had the prettiest girl. (BM/E opinion. The monitor pictures were beautiful and could have been off several hues without our noticing.)

Sarkes Tarzian gave up girls for the modern piece of sculpture, The Fugue. It made an impact but not the same kind.

Probably the exhibit that made the greatest impact was Interna-









Clockwise: Audio Video Industries, RCA, Continuous Progress for Education, and Video Systems, Inc. were among those showing compact camera control and switching unit.







Clockwise: RCA TR-50 is high band unit for \$54,500. Diamond Power DP-3 (\$8500) handles NTSC color with adapter. International Video Corp. stopped traffic with color fidelity of its \$15,000 camera and VTR combo.

tional Video Corp.'s. For under \$15,000 one could get a color camera (\$9850) and a color videotape recorder (\$4200) both meeting NTSC standards. Chroma and hue stability appeared good and the booth had sex appeal. (It's on this score only that IVC faulted—other exhibitors made sure their comely girls were groomed to look like they could have been school teachers. IVC models could only have taught fire making.)

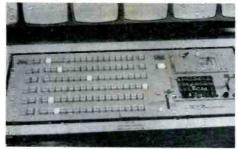
New VTRs, color and black, and, white, helical scan and quad head, were featured in many exhibits. Ampex introduced two new highband VTRs: the VR 2000B, \$66,500 base price, and the VR 1200B, starting at \$46,500. (The VR 1200B specs approach those of the VR 2000B.) RCA announced a high band TR-50 model priced at \$54,500 (one third less that the TR-70.) The fully transistorized RCA VTR measured only 33 inches wide and 24 inches deep.

Diamond Power showed helical scan units priced at \$1000, \$4000 and \$8500. These new units of Nippon Victor manufacture were demonstrated with color adapters. The DP 1 uses ½-in. tape. The DP 2 and the DP 3 use 1-in. tapes. The DP 3 unit has an internal editing unit. Both 1-in. models have 350-line resolution and the DP 3 meets FCC broadcast standards for stability. Sony demonstrated its hand held portable VTR (½-in., 20-min.) and hand held vidicon camera.

Vital Industries displayed, with great pride evidenced, its first television production switches for professional broadcast quality work. The switch contains some outstanding features designed, President Nubar Donoyan said, to uphold the high image Vital Industries achieved in the video processing amplifier field. In only a 51/4 - inch rack space Vital has packaged a complete 18-input-by-6-output matrix. The 108-crosspoint unit, complete with 108 logic control points (using integrated circuits, input amplifier for video amplitude and de level control, pulse release amplifiers for each matrix, output amplifiers, vertical pulse former (for switching in vertical blanking interval) and power supply regulator takes up only one rack, 51/4 - inches in height.

Film equipment was in evidence at many exhibits. For GE's PE-240 film chain system (broadcast quality), this was a first public showing. Many showed inexpensive 16mm film chains—Cohu, Pack-

Vital Industries unveiled its new flexible vertical interval production switcher and compact solid-state $18\ x\ 6$ matrix.





Ball Brothers' magician drew crowds and attention to its video products.



Products primarily for education on display included an electronic x-y cursor to pinpoint an area of interest by Raytheon. A camera peering into a microscope (GPL) CRT projection system by Kalart.

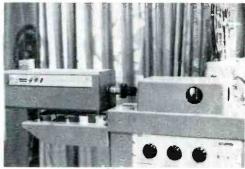


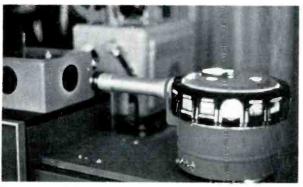




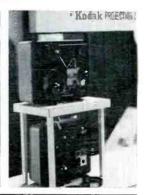
Left to right: Slide and film projection equipment was prominent. GE displayed its new PE-240 color film chain system. Cohu and Packard Bell showed 16mm film chain gear. Spindler and Sauppe Inc. had a dual slide system on display. In the strictly film area, Kodak showed 8mm projectors with magnetic sound capability.

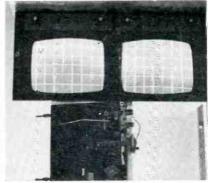


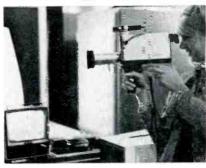
















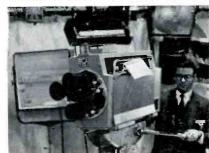












Left (Top to Bottom):

Conrac premiered the Conrac II solid state monitor. A pair fits in a 19-inch width. Sony was promising delivery of a new handheld vidicon camera and ½-inch VTR toted by a shoulder strap.

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Video to 16mm film camera without a shutter bar was the feature of a new kinescope recording camera by D.B. Milliken Co.

Mini-skirted Dynair booth attendant accented this company's miniature solid-state CCTV components.

Emcor modulator enclosure systems can be color coordinated as color swatches show.

Right (Top to Bottom)

and showed a new \$875 11:1 f2.2 TV zoom lens by Wollensak.
TeleMation demonstrated features of its

stable sync generator. A solid-state modular 2500-MHz transmitter capable of color transmission was shown

by Jerrold.

Simplicity of CCTV operation was underscored by Sylvania's all girl studio crew. Lighting of all types was exhibited by Colortran.

ard Bell and RCA. RCA's PFS-16 is a \$5490 system designed for broadcast or CCTV uses. A new color slide system was introduced by Spindler and Sauppe Inc. Color slides could be multiplexed or uniplexed with the dual system. D.B. Milliken showed a new 16mm video film recording system that included a camera without a shutter bar. Milliken claimed its compressed air transport could pull down and stabilize film in less time than a TV vertical blanking period. Conrac chose the NAEB con-

Conrac chose the NAEB convention to show the Conrac II, a solid-state \$225 unit claiming 600-line-center and 400-line-corner resolution. A pair could fit a standard 19-in.-wide rack. Bandwidth is 7 MHz and high voltage power supply is completely encapsulated.

3M's Wollensak 11:1 f 2.2 TV zoom lens was a hit since the price was right for budget minded educators: \$875 manual, \$1775 motorized.

Jerrold showed solid-state modular vhf head ends for multichannel MATV use. Modules for each channel can be plugged in as needed. The channel amplifiers are completely interchangeable providing a system that is highly reliable.

Simple camera control units for desk top or mobile dolly use were shown by Audio Video Industries, Continuous Progress for Education, RCA and Video Systems Inc.

Sylvania demonstrated the ease with which teachers could use its CCTV system by recruiting an all girl crew that immediately turned out quality pictures. Among the specialized products for educational use was an electronic pointer by Raytheon. It consisted of a joy-stick that could put cross hairs over the area of interest on a tube display.

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By William H. Honan

RADIO STATION WEVD in New York City is looking for a Chinese disk jockey. Applicants should be acquainted with such personalities as Poon Sow Keng (the hottest rock 'n' roll singer today in Hong Kong), be able to report the time, news and temperature in easy-going Cantonese, and quote Confucius in the original. The resulting program may be of limited appeal—beneath the notice, one might guess, of a mass-media adman worth his double martini—and yet, it is chiefly this sort of specialization, or "fractionalization of the market," as they say in the trade, that accounts for the remarkable sonic boom reverberating from radio these days.

Right now, for example, there are more radios in the United States than people—262,700,000 at the last count. Forty-seven million sets were sold last year alone. Such profusion cannot be attributed merely to teenagers buying transistor radios with which they annoy their parents—although that is a not inconsiderable factor. But parents are buying radios like hot cakes, too. They get them nowadays built into their tractors, hairdryers, Scotch bottles and even sunglasses. And

All-News All-Music All-Ghetto Radio is a

the knobs on all these instruments are being clicked and twirled with astonishing frequency.

In fact—and this may be enough to make even Marshall McLuhan gulp with wonder—a recent Trendex survey conducted for the National Broadcasting Company found that more Americans now listen to radio in the course of an average week than watch TV. The audience for individual radio programs, of course, cannot compare with that of the most popular TV shows, but on a cumulative basis the figures indicate that 90.5 percent of the adult population tunes in a radio sometime during the week as compared with 87 percent who flick on television.

The robustness of radio is also illustrated by the fact that the giant advertisers, most notably such bellwethers as the soap and automotive companies which shifted from radio to TV in the early nineteen-fifties, have once again become substantial radio time buyers. Colgate-Palmolive, for example, which was not even listed among the top 100 radio spot advertisers as recently as 1964 was 23d on the list last year. Ford, General Motors and Chrysler were first, second and third, respectively, with a total expenditure last year of \$56-million—up 17 percent over the previous year and up 56 percent over that of the year before.

The explanation for this renaissance of a medium which many condemned to a lingering death as recently as 10 years ago lies, to a great degree, with that sought-after Chinese disk jockey. For, once radio broadcasters began to face up to the fact that television had permanently taken their place as dispenser of general entertainment

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Ethnic Broadcasting—Otherwise, and commonly, known as "ghetto radio," it is an increasingly important specialization. Here, Manhattan Borough President Percy Sutton (left) officiates at the honorary re-naming of Lenox Ave. as WLIB Street, in honor of that station becoming the first Negro operation ever to win the prestigious Peabody Award. WLIB General Manager Harry Novik points with pride.

for the masses, they began experimenting with new formats and discovered that, collectively, they could recapture their old audience piecemeal by directing strong appeals to specific fractions of the population.

This discovery led to the development of all manner of limited-appeal programs, and the advancing trend is now doing away with even these one-hour or half-hour shows, since the stations themselves are beginning to take on the characteristics of a single, 24-hour program, narrowly addressed to a distinct slice of the population. Such broadcast parochialism is now revolutionizing the industry, with several stations almost every month dropping their old-style eclectic programming in preference for the new "continuous format."

Competition in a city like New York, where no fewer than 63 different a-m and fm stations vie for attention, has naturally pushed specialization to an extreme, and some of the more popular formats appear to have been divided, subdivided and virtually pulled apart with tweezers in order that each station may find a niche (and presumably a distinct audience) it can call its own.

For example, WMCA, WABC, WJRZ and WOR-FM are all what the casual listener might consider standard rock 'n' roll stations, but connoisseurs are aware that WMCA tries to add a local home-town flavor by using such disk jockeys as Joe O'Brien, who has a Yonkers accent; WABC seeks to impart an all-American tone to the proceedings with disk jockeys like Herb Oscar Anderson, who is from Minnesota and full of corn and good cheer; WJRZ restricts itself exclusively to that close relative of rock 'n' roll known as country-Western music, and wor-FM lays stress on the subdivision known as folk rock, which may include such controversial ballads (which the other stations would never touch) as Phil Ochs's I Ain't Marchin' Anymore and Country Joe and the Fish's prickly L.B.J. put-on, Super Bird.

Even in lesser cities than New York, however, format specialization has proceeded to a surprising degree. There are as many as 1500 radio stations across the nation substantially if not exclusively devoted to country-Western music, according to the Country Music Association. And the all-talk or telephone-participation format is not only popular in New York City where NBC's Brad Crandall and the insomniac Long John Nebel have large followings, but Philadelphians like to hear themselves gabbing over the telephone with Jack McKinney over wcau, and nearly everybody in Salina, Kan. (pop. 43,202), listens at one time or another to Mike Cooper on KLSI to catch the latest chatter about the local school merger and to hear Cooper adding his laconic "uh-huh" to a phoned-in beef about how all the rain in June loused up the local wheat crop.

Typical of the trend is a middle-sized city like Peoria, Ill., which now has as many as six radio stations, each with its own distinctive format. WIRL, Peoria's leading outlet, is a "top-40" or predominantly rock 'n' roll station. WXCL, the lo-

cal NBC affiliate, is devoted to country-Western music. WMBD, the CBS affiliate, is strong on conversation and plays "middle-of-the-road" music (Frank Sinatra, Peggy Lee, Vic Damone). WMBD-FM specializes in "potted-palm" fare (schmaltzy renditions of the Warsaw Concerto, and the themes from "Intermezzo" and "Gone With the Wind").

WIVC-FM has female disk jockeys—or "program hostesses," as they are known in Peoria—and plays "adult" pop, jazz and classical music. Finally, wpeo, the Mutual affiliate, having recently tried and then dropped "top-40" and "middle-of-the-road" formats, became a virtually "all-talk" station in January of this year and then in September raided wxcl's country-Western disk jockey— Cal Shrum, an old Gene Autry sidekick—and is now trying to blend the recorded yodelings of assorted farmhands-turned-vocalists with its decidedly right-leaning cast of talkers, whose ranks include Fulton Lewis 3d, the Rev. Carl McIntire and the suave pitchmen of H.L. Hunt's Life Lines.

So far has format specialization progressed among radio stations throughout the United States today that local affiliates of the national networks have been ignoring network programming in preference for their own locally originated material. In response to this trend, the ABC radio network has recently announced that it plans to split up its piped fare into four separate subnetworks, each of which will cater to stations with distinctly different formats. There will be one subnetwork for stations with an all-talk or music-and-news format, another for "top-40" stations, one for those with more sophisticated fm formats and another for stations still using the old-style eclectic format. ABC's hope is that its subnetworks will be more congenial to highly specialized stations and will, in addition, make possible more than one ABC affiliate in a given community.

The basic reason for the comeback of radio is that people are listening to the radio again because it is offering them something they want to hear and cannot find elsewhere.

Of New York City's bewildering array of radio stations, three picked more or less at random—wins, whom and wbai-fm—illustrate the latest types of specialization and to whom these new formats appeal.

In April 1965 wins, a Westinghouse station, dramatically gave away its rock 'n' roll record library to Fordham University, kissed its disk jockeys good-by, hired 27 radio newsmen and began broadcasting news for 24 hours a day. Skeptics had said that the wins anchor men would grow hoarse by early afternoon of the first day, and that if no worse disaster overtook the station, the babbling brook of news would simply run dry, and, on the first really slow day, wins would be begging to get its records back from Fordham.

Neither of these eventually came to pass. Wins provided enough anchor men so they could spell one another in half-hour shifts. And far from

running out of news, a veritable geyser of gab was churned up by the station's 21 "airmen" covering New York City, by the squad of rewrite men who had access to all the major wire services and by correspondents of the Westinghouse communications network who were sending in "voice cuts" from such far-flung places as Madrid and Saigon.

As time went by, the WINS team of broadcasters developed an original and often rather exciting manner of news presentation, in which the process of news gathering is exposed to the listener in an unfolding drama. In a major news break, for example, the presentation begins with a high-pitched BEEP-BEEP-BEEP which, according to high Westinghouse policy, may even interrupt a commercial (but never has). The beeping fades and the voice of the anchor man rises over it with: "Late word has just been received at the WINS newsroom that President Johnson and Premier Kosygin will meet tomorrow in the college town of Glassboro, N.J. Stay tuned for further details as they are received in the WINS newsroom."

Whatever was cut into is then resumed, but pretty soon "Jim McGiffert at the editor's desk," who has been madly pawing through a stack of reference books dumped in front of him, whisks the anchor man a "sidebar" about Glassboro—where it is, its population, principal industry, etc. The next morning, Sid Davis tells about the President's helicopter chugging up off the White House lawn; there is a quick switch to Doug Edelson at the Soviet Mission in New York describing the departure of Kosygin's limousine; then reports from Rod MacLeish, Paul Parker and Jim Gordon in Glassboro shouldering their way through the crowds and finally telling of the arrival of the dignitaries the moment they appear.

The all-news format for radio was originated not by WINS but by Gordon B. McLendon, the flamboyant Texas promoter who was also one of the first to use the "top-40" or "rock-around-the-clock" format. McLendon's station XTRA in Tijuana, Mexico, which broadcasts to Southern California, in 1961 became the first to go on an all-news bender, and was followed three years later by another McLendon property, WNUs in Chicago. (Philadelphia, Washington, Denver and St. Louis now have all-news stations, too).

The WINS format, says General Manager Charles F. Payne, is to "cycle the headlines every 15 minutes, do a time check every 5, weather every 7 and so forth, so when you tune in you're never far away from the bulletins. But in between we have special in-depth reports, a shopping feature, theater reviews, even editorials and sometimes a feature that continues in sections all day long—we call it a 'blitz'—on topics like the poor of New York, the overcrowded air corridors or the coming Broadway season. Furthermore, even the news bulletins are not 'monotonous.' They're changing all the time. Someone once said we're like a newspaper with 48 separate editions every day."

"The key to our format," Payne goes on, "is

being informally informative. What we try to avoid is the old H. V. Kaltenborn pompousness. We want to create the image of the working newsman, the guy who's on the scene."

Although the sound of news would seem to have a universal appeal, wins's most faithful listeners, according to a recent Politz survey, tend to be those New Yorkers with high incomes, college educations and relatively high-status jobs. Most listeners are between the ages of 25 and 64, teenagers and senior citizens being conspicuously absent. When wins first shifted to the all-news format, its audience, which had been accustomed to rock 'n' roll, fell off sharply. According to the latest surveys, however, the station has now more than doubled the size of its former audience—a success story which must have been read with interest across town at wcbs, which switched in August to an all-news format, too.

Another increasingly important specialization in contemporary radio is known as ethic broadcasting, or, less euphemistically, as ghetto radio. There are now, for example, no fewer than three Negro stations broadcasting in New York City. WWRL, by far the most popular of these, anticipates that its annual revenue from advertising will rise above the \$2-million mark this year, having practically quadrupled over the last four years.

WEVD, the formerly all-Yiddish station which now broadcasts in 13 different tongues, including Japanese and Norwegian, say thou 1966 was "the best year ever" in its 40-year history. And *The Wall Street Journal* recently reported that because Pepsi-Cola was the first soft drink to advertise intensively on the local Spanish stations, Pepsi now outsells Coca-Cola two-to-one among New York's 1.5-million Spanish-speaking residents—a state of affairs that Coca-Cola is now trying to rectify by plugging away over "the Spanish Main," as the three stations between 1280 and 1480 kHz are known, with the jingle "Todo va mejor con Coke" ("Things go better with Coke").

Typical of the sound and format of ethnic broadcasting is that of WHOM, New York's foremost Spanish station, which is hot-bloodedly Latin. "Language is our most important product," explains Ralph Costantino, WHOM's affable program director, who is himself of Italian extraction but survived the station's changeover in 1957 from Italian to Spanish by virtue of his fluent Spanish. The dialect spoken over WHOM, he says, is Caribbean Spanish, interspersed with plenty of ay benditos and Ave Marias!, which are characteristic of the Puerto Rican and Cuban idiom one hears on East 125th Street.

So important is the sound of the Spanish language to the station's identity, in Costantino's opinion, that he has a rule of long standing that popular music, which constitutes from 65 percent to 75 percent of the station's programming, must be vocal rather than instrumental. Moreover, with the current unusual exception of The Monkees and The Turtles, vocalists who sing in English are strictly *prohibido*. WHOM even snubbed Frank Sinatra's last big hit, "Strangers in the Night," and

played instead Andy Russell's Spanish rendition "Estraños en la Noche," which had more tropical zing.

Baseball games and soap operas—the latter still a great favorite with Spanish-speaking audiences—round out whom's regular fare, and they, too, are as popular as they are tempestuous. One of the most avidly followed "soaps" carried on WHOM is called Collar de Lagrimas ("Necklace of Tears"), and seems to consist chiefly of organ music and the sound of a woman sobbing, punctuated now and then by gunfire and commercials. (It also has an enormous audience in Cuba, and Fidel Castro will not permit Havana stations to broadcast it while he is making a speech.). The soaps are gradually giving way on WHOM, however, to the jiving sound of the boogaloo and la nueva ola (rock 'n' roll with a Latin beat), since the younger generation, according to the surveys, is now the dominant group in Spanish Harlem and it would rather twist and wriggle than sniffle and sigh.

So firm is the grip of the ethnic stations on their audiences that a recent Pulse survey shows the Spanish-speaking population, for example, listening to radio for an average of four hours a day, which is almost twice as much time as other Americans devote to the medium. This audience, according to surveys, is profoundly influenced by what it hears, whether commercials, news or comment.

It is particularly regrettable, then, that WHOM has an intellectual content of zero, and offers little that might be considered of genuine public service. (A notable exception among ethnic broadcasters is WLIB, the Harlem Negro station that last year won a Peabody Award—the highest honor in broadcasting-for a telephone-participation program that was believed to have served as a sort of social safety valve by permitting the frank airing of Negro grievances.) The rationale for the low level of programming by WHOM, according to Costantino, is that "most Puerto Ricans who have intellectual capacity are bilingual and thus get their stimulation from English-language sources" (which is a dodge), and that the station did in fact "give free air time to Spanish-speaking deputies of Mayor Lindsay and Cardinal Spellman to appeal for restraint during the summer rioting" (which is true enough, but surely the minimum in terms of social responsibility). A strong case can be made that ethnic radio stations like whom, which exploit commercially the linguistic handicap of their listeners, actually serve to perpetuate that handicap, and therefore ought to be charged with providing special counterbalancing educational services.

Noncommercial Change Too

Another highly specialized area of radio broadcasting is occupied by the 350-odd licensed noncommercial stations in the United States which are affiliated with schools, churches, municipalities and foundations. A good many of these have undergone as much format refinement as any allnews or rock-around-the-clock station on the dial.

Among them is Pacifica Foundation's listener-sponsored wbal-fm, which is the left-leaning "free-speech" station that was put off the air for 52 hours in September when its transmitter was wrecked by vandalism. An articulate spokesman for wbal is Larry Josephson, the hip disk jockey. Josephson, a rather corpulent, bearded, 28-year-old computer-programmer by day, has for the last year and a half been conducting a far-out breakfast club for the station, irreverently called *In the Beginning*, which is—in marked contrast to the usual fare at that hour—refreshingly grumpy, lusty and alienated.

Noncommercial stations have specialized just as have the commercial broadcasters, Josephson believes, not only because of the pressures of competition, which naturally affect them less, but in response to "the great diversity of life styles today." Back in the thirties, he says, cultural unity gave rise to relatively undiversified styles in the communication media. But today, in an era of cultural splintering, a great many people find themselves "disfranchised by the mass media" and they begin to seek new styles of experience elsewhere.

WBAI is attractive to at least some of these seekers—no one knows how many since its call letters have never appeared in a general audience survey—because it offers, according to Josephson, programs attuned to the new life styles, programs which are, in his words, "no longer sequential, but random, associative and parallel." Josephson cites as an example of such programming the breakfast club he convenes every weekday morning at 7 A.M. or whenever he gets around to arriving at the station (he is frequently late and sometimes never shows at all), and on which he is likely to say anything that pops into his head—it may be fairly salacious or he may just indulge in a long spate of moaning and groaning.

Josephson points with admiration to his wbal colleague, Bob Fass, the station's after-midnight disk jockey, who has lately been achieving remarkable effects by playing two records simultaneously—for example, pairing speeches by Timothy Leary and Lyndon B. Johnson about their respective visions; playing the voices of soldiers in a United States Army basic-training course along with a dog-training record, and so forth. Similar effects, Josephson says, were to be found in the dramatization of Christopher Morley's "The Trojan Horse," which juxtaposed cynicism and romanticism, and which the station broadcast, under the direction of Baird Searles, in a four-and-a-half-hour spree on Oct. 8 and 9.

WBAI, like its commercial counterparts, Josephson says, has its very own sound. "Some people say it is the sound of boredom," he begins, adding: "To some extent that's true. Some say it's aggression—a kind of postured hipness. That's true, too. Some say it's amateurishness. Some call it humaneness, or love, or naturalness. It's all of that. Naturalness, especially. For example, when

we're running behind time, we say so. When we make a mistake, we admit it. We don't try to come up with our radio-broadcast persona grata intact. When we read news, we try to read it like human beings. I hate WINS. They read everything in the same excited monotone. It isn't human.'

A few weeks ago, Josephson took over WBAI's regular book-review program for half an hour, and what he said as well as the manner in which his material was presented pretty well illustrates the WBAI "sound" he was trying to describe.

The announcer, who introduced the program as Books to Buy, Borrow or Burn, tripped over a word, and neglected to say who the reviewer was going to be or to give the titles of the books to be discussed. The next voice was that of a newscaster announcing the beginning of World War II on a scratchy old record.

When it was finished, an obviously "live" voice came on the air and explained that the recording was from a broadcast by Edward R. Murrow from London. The live voice went on to say in a very intimate and unradiolike tone that Murrow was "the best broadcaster ever produced by this country." Murrow had also been an intelligent and effective foe of McCarthy, the voice said, but he should not be mistaken for a true liberal because he had condoned execution of the Rosenbergs.

In any case, the voice continued, Murrow was great because he came through on the human level and he made you stop and think. A collection of Murrow's broadcasts, the voice added, had been published by Alfred A. Knopf Inc., in a book called "In Search of Light," which might well be read along with "Due to Circumstances Beyond Our Control" by Fred Friendly, who, as everybody knows, resigned from CBS after the network refused to permit him to drop a rerun of I Love Lucy in order to carry the testimony of George F. Kennan before the Senate Foreign Relations Committee. Taken together, the voice commented, the two books reveal what is good and what is bad about broadcasting in America. "This is Larry Josephson," said the voice and stopped.

There was a long pause—a very long pause and then an old recording of Murrow's voice came on again, this time saying that he had just been with the first wave of U.S. troops to arrive at a concentration camp in central Germany called Buchenwald. His voice trembled perceptibly as he said: "Now let me tell this in the first person." Murrow then described the terrible scene in short, clipped language, remarking at one point: "Men tried to lift me to their shoulders. They could not. They were too weak." And later: "When I came in, they applauded. It sounded like the handclapping of babies."

After describing several other such scenes, Murrow said fervently: "I pray you to believe what I have reported about Buchenwald!" He closed by adding: "If I have offended you by this rather mild account of Buchenwald, I am not sorry."

Then the first voice, that of the WBAI anannouncer, came on once more to say that Books to Buy, Borrow or Burn was over, and tripping over a word again, he introduced the next program, which was in French.

Just as radio is now going through a fractionalization previously experienced by the printed media, so television will follow, industry spokesmen agree, especially once the uhf stations begin to catch on. The interesting upshot of all this specialization may then be that the mass media, only recently condemned as purveyors of a bland, regularized sameness, may be counted in the near future as a vigorous force working for cultural diversity.

The level or quality of that diversity, of course, is another question, and that remains to be seenperhaps to be overseen.

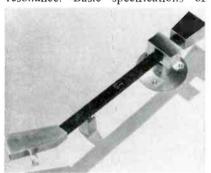




BROADCAST BQUIPMENT

Light Tracking Stereo Tone Arm

Model 303 Micro-Trak tone arm has been designed by Gray Research and Development Co. Div. Hartford, Conn., to satisfy professional requirements of present and future light tracking stereo cartridges. Use of new materials permits compromise between the conflicting prerequisites of durability, light weight and low resonance. Basic specifications of



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Lightweight Color Camera

Availability of the Series 1000 color camera has been announced by Cohu Electronics, Inc., San Diego, Calif. Camera has 1) internally generated reference pattern for differential signal registration, 2) sensitivity modulated shading circuits, 3) continuously variable gamma from 0.7 to 1.0 standard C mount to accept 16mm vidicon lens. Solid-state circuits and precision optical system are contained in a compact housing mea-

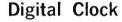


suring 734 × 8 × 2134 in., weighing 35 lb. Solid-state plug-in circuits and operating controls are readily accessible behind flip-down panel for ease of operation and maintenance. Camera control is capable of operating camera through 1000 ft of interconnecting cable. Base price: \$26,500, without viewfinder; \$27,500, viewfinder equipped.

Bulk Tape Eraser

An economical hand-held bulk tape eraser has been introduced by the Robins Industries Corp., Flushing, N.Y. Model TM-88 handles any size reel of magnetic recording tape or magnetic stripped movie film. Eraser has momentary switch built into handle for erasing complete reels. Weighing 2 lb, TM-88 operates on 4 A, 110-120 V ac, 50-60 Hz. Eraser is priced at \$17.50.

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Numex CL 624 and CL 612 (24-hr and 12-hr) electro-magnetic digital clocks, made by Numex Corp. of Waltham, Mass., feature differential time correction input control, no mechanical linkages, and magnetic



stepping motor. Clocks project 300 ft Lambert, 1½-in. numerical display. Reference frequency is 60-Hz power, which provides 1-s timing pulses for synchronous motor and photoelectric pickup. Models CL 624 and CL 612 are priced at \$740 each. Circle 103 on Reader Service Card

TV Control Panel For VTRs/CCTV

The TCP-1 television control panel, designed by Concord Electronics Corp. of Los Angeles, Calif., is designed to meet needs of VTR users for economical special effects capability. Control panel contains built-in switching and controls to title, fade,

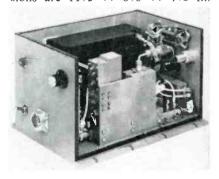


flare fade and superimpose images from a two- or three-camera system. TCP-1 may also be used with any multiple camera system employing an external sync generator. Provision is made for tally light, mic, or other desired connections between operator and cameras. Panel includes video inputs for up to three cameras and a video output for connection to video-tape recorder. Panel measures $7\frac{1}{2} \times 5\frac{1}{2} \times 3\frac{1}{2}$, weighs 3 lb, and is priced at \$150.

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Wideband TV Relay Link

Microwave Associates, of Burlington, Mass., has announced development of Model MA-2M solid-state color or black and white wideband TV relay system. System is suitcase size, lightweight and rugged. High resolution images can be relayed from airborne or ground-based transmitters 30 mi or more to corresponding receivers in vehicles or field stations. Solid-state transmitter delivers a minimum power output of 2 W on any of three channel select frequencies. Frequency is stable within 0.05 percent; afc crystal lock option reduces tolerance to 0.02 percent. Power consumption is 60 W maximum with input of 20 to 32 V dc, 115 V ac, 60 or 400 Hz. Total weight is less than 20 lb, and dimensions are $11\frac{1}{2} \times 6\frac{5}{8} \times 7\frac{1}{2}$ in.





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Noise Suppressor

A dynamic noise suppressor has been announced by the Winston Research Corp of Los Angeles, Calif. Device contains a dynamic filter and provides for reduction of transmission noise in communication and tape recorder systems. Unit depends upon special characteristics of most signals carrying intelligence and dynamically changes gain for high frequency signals, thereby reducing wideband noise during transmission of recording data. Useful in videotape recorders, telemetry and other communication systems, noise suppressor provides 10- to 12-dB noise reduction. Unit requires no modification of existing equipment and is packaged for standard EIA rack mounting or as a compact airborne



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Four-Tube Camera With Integral Zoom Lens

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E.M.I. Electronics, Ltd., of London, processes signals from four lead oxide tubes, producing R, G and B for direct application to standard NTSC encoders and to standard RGB color monitors. Measuring 29 × 15 × 15 in. square, including zoom lens, camera uses direct imaging optical system with lightweight prealigned prism assembly. At 3000° K, with an incident illumination of 100 ft candles and the lens set at f4, signal-to-noise ratio is not less than 40 dB, excluding gamma and aperture corrections. Alternative 10:1 zoom lens packages can be supplied. An 18:1 zoom lens package is also available. Camera weighs 160 lb.

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Viewfinder Camera

A high performance viewfinder camera chain, designed for open or closed circuit use in broadcast and educational studios, has been introduced by General Precision Systems, Inc., Pleasantville, N.Y. Called the Precision 1500, camera measures 183/4 \times 11½ \times 30½, excluding lens. Camera is priced under \$5000, and weighs about 65 lb. Precision 1500



can be operated as self-contained unit with 2:1 interlace or from internal or external EIA sync generator modules. Specifications include: 30-MHz video bandwidth, 100-line resolution, automatic compensation for 10,000:1 light level variation.

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Twin Tape Recorder

Collins Radio of Dallas, Texas, has developed a twin tape system for broadcasters that provides simultaneous record and playback operations. System comprises two solid-state units—the 642E Twintape playback unit and the 216D record amplifier, which when combined permit: playback on both cartridges simultaneously, recording on one cartridge while playing the other and dubbing from one cartridge to the other. All Twintape system

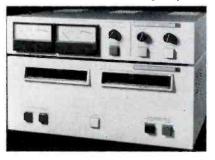






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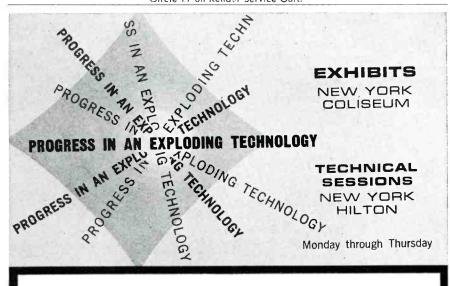
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Series of CCTV Cameras

A new series of CCTV cameras has been introduced by the Fairchild Space and Defense Systems Division of Fairchild Camera and Instrument Corp., Paramus, N.J. The four-camera TV-177 line is designed on the building block principle. While each of the camera systems is available separately, the basic TV camera can be converted to more advanced con-

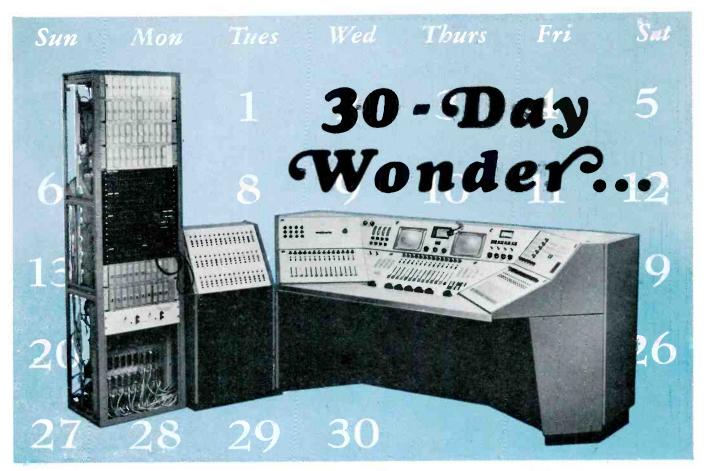


figurations as required to meet specific applications requirements. Model TV-177 is a self-contained, crystal-controled, random interlace unit with 12-MHz bandwidth and 800-line resolution. It has 4000:1 automatic light compensation and adjustable aperture correction. Optional features include rf output, a high-resolution kit to produce 900line resolution, and 2:1 industrial interlace board. The other cameras, the TVF-177 and TVF-177 RL, incorporate the features of either the basic TC-177 or the TC-177RL models plus a small television viewfinder with optional rear controlled zoom lens

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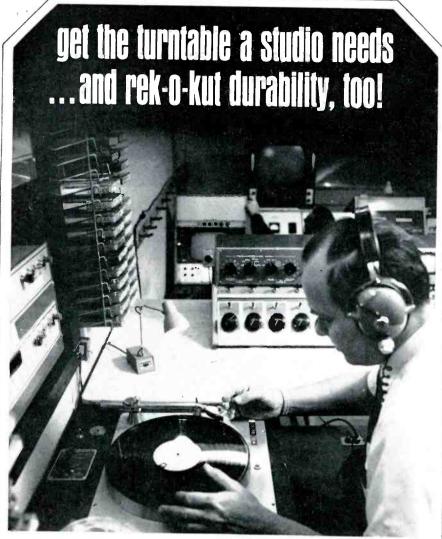
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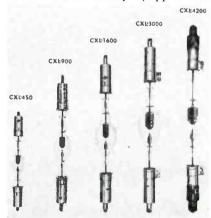


has 2:1 interlace and provides its own sync, or sync for other MTC-18 cameras. Camera also accepts external sync. Light control selector on camera permits either totally automatic or manual adjustment for light conditions. Videotapes with fades, titles, and superimposed images may be created with the addition of TCP-1 television control panel (priced under \$150). MTC-18 measures $5\frac{1}{2} \times 3 \times 11$ in., and weighs $7\frac{1}{2}$ lb. MTC-18 has video resolution of 550 lines, and is priced at \$450.

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Ozone-Free Xenon Lamps

The ozone-free Xenolite, Model CXL451-0 xenon lamp is part of a new line of lamps, made by Christie Electric Corp., of Los Angeles, Calif. In addition to ozone-free lamps (450-1600 W), the line includes standard xenon compact-arc lamps (75-6500 W), horizontally operated lamps (300-2000 W), and mercury shortarc lamps (100-500 W). They are available singly or as part of a Xenolite system, including lamphouse with optics, rectifier power supply and igniter. The ozone-free xenon lamps are particularly suited for slide and motion picture projection, TV projection, display systems, trainers, studio and stage lighting. Christie xenon lamps have an average life of 1500 to 2000 hr, are mostly equipped with



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All Twintape System electronic circuits are mounted on plug-in, etched epoxy boards.

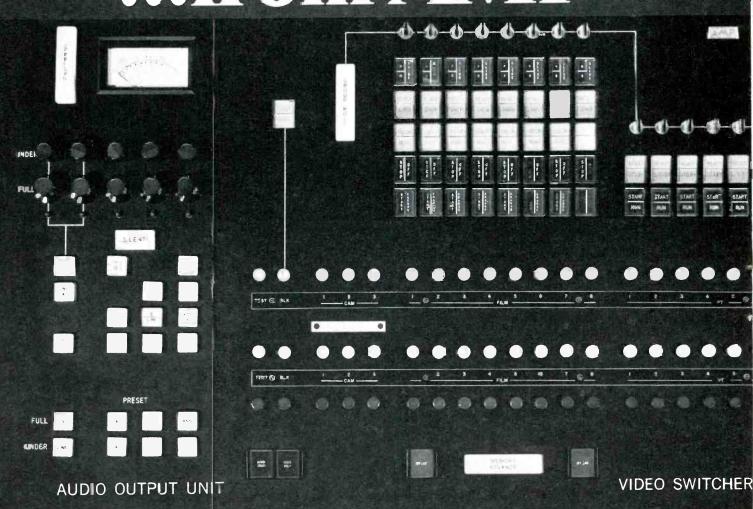
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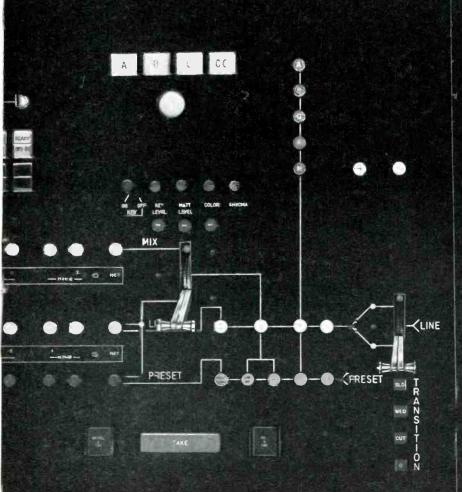


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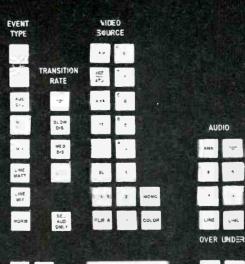
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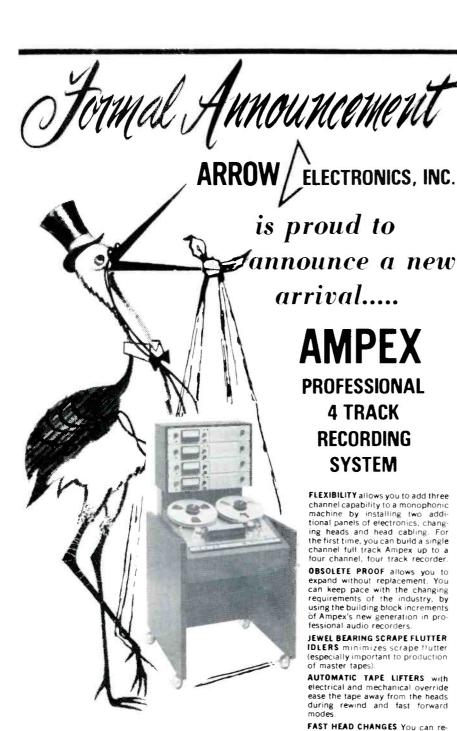
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Eight-Track Stereo Cartridge Player

Craig 3112 eight-track mobile stereo tape player recently was introduced by Craig Panorama, Inc., of Los Angeles, Calif. Economy-priced unit plays any eight-track cartridge (up to 80 min with twin-pack). Player

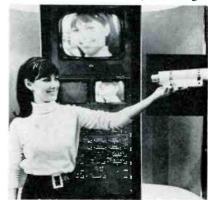


has lighted program indicator, volume, balance and tone controls, positive-select lever and built-in noise filters. Wow and flutter are less than 0.3 percent rms. Output power is 8 W (4 W per channel). Signal-to-noise ratio is better than 35 dB. Frequency response at 3¾ in./s is 100 Hz to 10 kHz. Channel separation, better than 40 dB. Unit operates on 12V, measures $734 \times 278 \times 878$ in. and weighs 8 lb. Model 3112 is priced at \$59.95.

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'Smallest Diameter' CCTV Camera

A significant size reduction in the design of CCTV cameras has been announced by Canoga's RAM Television Products Division, Torrance, Calif. The new camera, Model CH-1270, is the "smallest ever developed using a 1-in. vidicon tube." It measures $2\frac{1}{2}$ in. dia \times 9 in., and weighs



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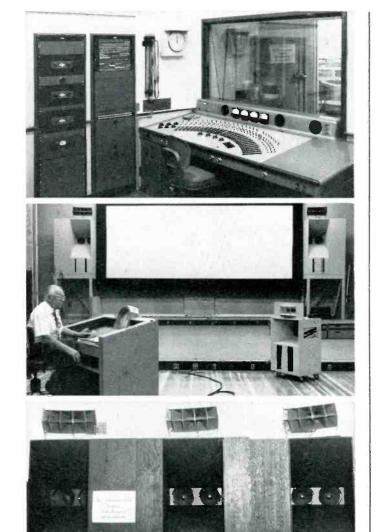
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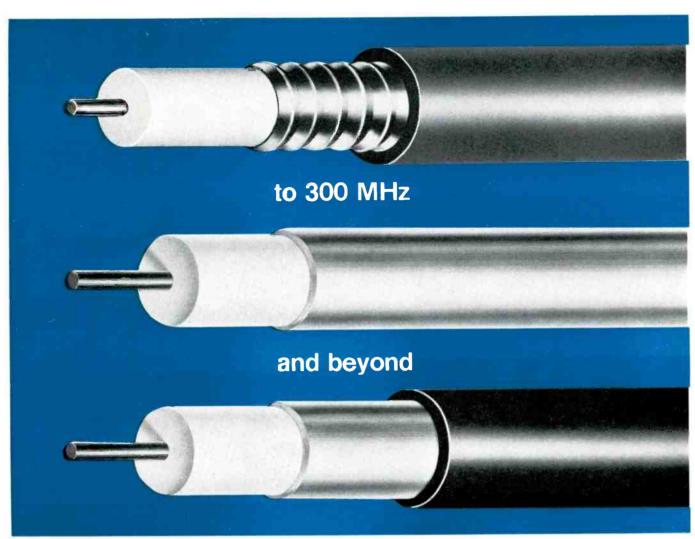
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IN THE NEWS

Jerrold Electronics announces the appointments of Stanley Ogen, promotion manager for the Community Operations Division; Frank N. Cooper, manager of CATV system development; and David Brody, manager of the Community Operations Division.





Chase Morsey, Jr.

Frank L. Flemming

The appointment of Chase Morsey, Jr., to the newly-created position of vice president, marketing, RCA, has been announced by President Robert W. Sarnoff.

Visual Electronics Corporation has announced the appointment of Frank L. Flemming to the position of chief engineer.

Robert K. King, vice president of Capital Cities Broadcasting Co. and general manager of wkbw-tv, Buffalo, recently announced the appointment of **Don Holland** as wkbw-tv assistant chief engineer.

Kaiser Broadcasting announces that C. M. "Mike" Cassidy and L. McGee, account executives and William R. Furnell, producer-director, have joined KBHK-TV, San Francisco.





William Robinson

Harold "Bud" Mosier

Anaconda Astrodata has announced the appointment of William Robinson as southeast regional sales manager.

Harold "Bud" Mosier has been promoted to position chief engineer at Electro-Voice, according to a recent announcement by Robert Ramsey, director of engineering.

Atlanta Constitution Publisher Ralph McGill and Moultrie businessman, Robert B. Wright, Jr., have been invited to join the National Citizens Committee for Public Tele-



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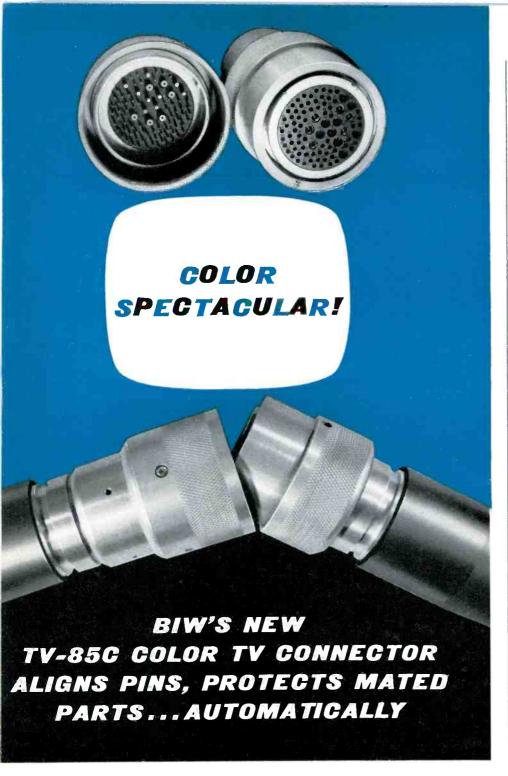
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vision by its chairman, Thomas P. Hoving.





Richard J. Lutz

Gene Francis

Richard J. Lutz recently became general manager of WHA-TV and the Television Center of University Extension, University of Wisconsin.

Gene Francis, national distributor sales manager for Rohn Manufacturing Co., Peoria, Ill. has been appointed western division sales manager, it was announced recently by R. A. Kleine, vice president.

William A. Schwartz has been appointed station manager of WUAB-TV, Lorain, Ohio, it was announced by John A. Serrao, vice president and general manager if United Artists' office in Cleveland.

Bill J. Ball, editor of the Neosho Daily News, has become news director of KBTN Radio and Cable Television, Inc.

Donald B. Davis, manager, Acousta-Voicing for Altec Lansing, Calif., has been elected western vice president of the Audio Engineering Society.

Gates Radio announces the promotion of Lawrence J. Cervone to the position of vice president and general manager, the recent appointment of Larry T. Pfister as district manager, the appointment of Bob J. Vaughn as staff mechanical engineer and the promotion of Eugene O. Edwards to the new position of general sales manager.

Charles Ferguson, operations manager, wfcr, Amherst, Mass., has been appointed to newly-created position of director of engineering.





Robert A. Munroe

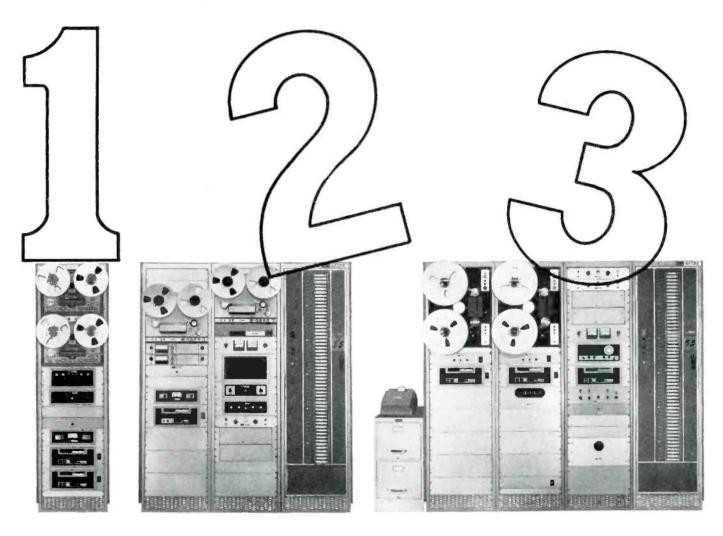
Stanley L. Pearl

Robert A. Munroe of Craftsman Electronic Products, Inc., has been promoted to western regional sales manager.

The election of **Stanley L. Pearl** as president has been announced by Kappa Networks, Inc.

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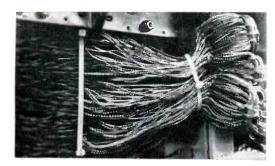
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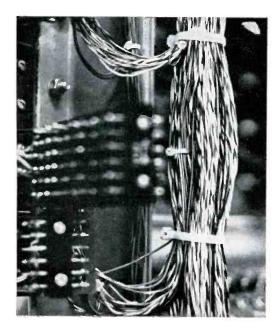
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As chief engineer of our complex, I make it a point to keep every copy of BM/E in our library; however, one of the most important issues has been misplaced.

Would you please send me a back issue? The copy I need is . . . May

1967.

In addition to the above, would you kindly add my name to your mailing list for the following Mactier publications: *EEE* and *Electronic Procurement*?

Thank you very much for your consideration and keep the *BM/Es* coming!

Richard Deese Chief Engineer wgro Radio Lake City, Florida

Sirs

Reference: ... "Three Plans for Receiving Weather Satellite Pictures," which appeared in the November, 1967 issue of BM/E. This was an excellent and informative article, but apparently gives the reader the impression that our firm is selling the type of surplus equipment referred to in part 3. I would like to mention that our facsimile recorders are NOT military surplus, but are late model commercial recorders that use 100-ft rolls of the ... electrolytic type recording paper ... used in all other late model facsimile recorders. Also, many thanks for the publicity that you gave us in this article, as we have sold a number of APT satellite receiving systems as a result.

L. Ray Newsome Trenton, Mich.

Sirs

Re: "Cigarette Ad Ruling et alia."

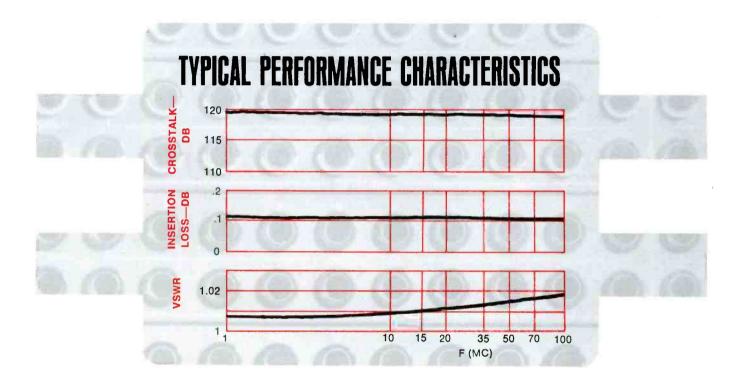
Of the four thousand odd radio

Of the four thousand odd radio stations across the country how many smaller market stations never run cigarette advertising of any kind? Maybe 1000 stations carry cigarette advertising.

If no cigarette advertising is broadcast, need we broadcast public service spots for or against lung cancer?

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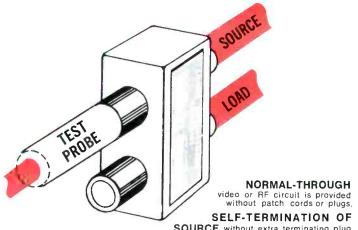
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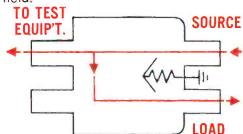
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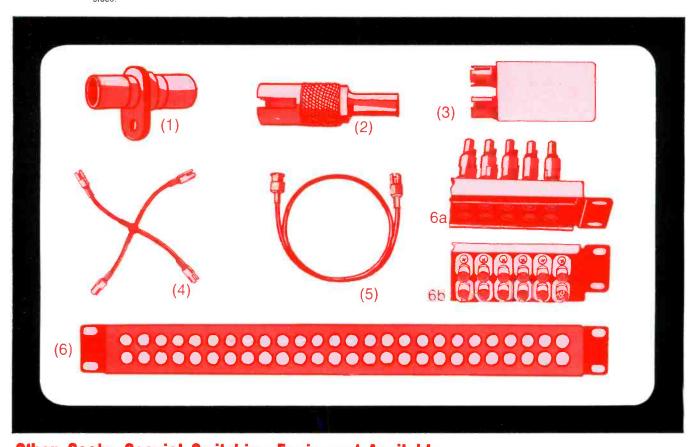


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cancer spots? Is THIS in the public interest (sic)?

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Personally, I don't feel that 3000 radio stations across America refusing to run the lung cancer spots are acting "in the public interest"...but who can blame them?

Al Kinsall KEPS Radio Eagle Pass, Texas

Sirs:

After reading the article "Production Practices—Good & Bad," I feel that a copy for each member of the staff would be nice. We are a strong number two in our market, and with the new look we have taken we are going to be number one soon. Ideas of the type in the article are very helpful to those of us stations that are in the large markets. Please print more of this type of article in your magazine. I usually read any article that pertains to radio as it seems to be a forgotten field. Radio is very important as it can reach more people with more information than any other media.

An article you published earlier this year on news operations prompted our news staff to purchase the book.

Would you please send us 18 copies of the article "Production Practices—Good & Bad," which appeared in the December 1967 issue?

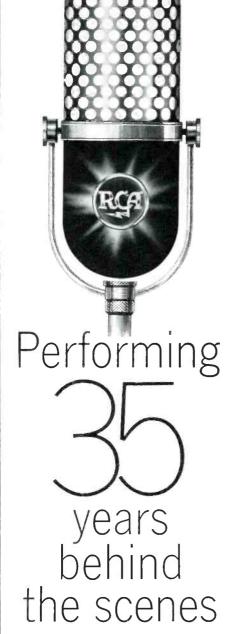
Robert B. Ladd Chief Engineer Radio KLWW

Glad you find us helpful, R.L. As the commercial says, "Try harder," and maybe you will be number one! Copies on the way.

Sirs

Mr. Akerman's article was certainly stimulating; certain points he brought out could evoke emotional discussions and perhaps a fist fight or two at any engineer's meeting.

Without dwelling on the relative advantages and disadvantages of triodes vs tetrodes, let me tell you the story of three transmitters. I believe in the long run that total performance is a determining factor. Transmitter 1 used 4-125A's. It was located in a rural area in the California desert. At the site, line regulation was exceptionally poor (the power company worked closely with us on this) and we would run an air conditioner constantly in the little building. The 4-125A's would fail every six months. Consulting the maintenance logs, one would see these tubes were replaced six months to the week on a long-time basis.



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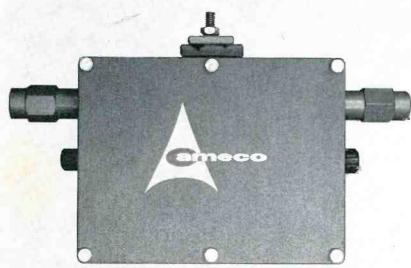
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Transmitter 2 used 4-400A's. Its location was in a rural area with slightly better line regulation than at site I, although during certain periods voltage was quite low. The flashers on the three towers, flashing in phase, would cause interesting movements on the power line meter. These tubes were replaced once a year-and generally did not fail in

Transmitter 3 used 833A's. I replace these about once a year. This transmitter has a control and a meter for filament voltage, although on one setting the voltage will only vary from 9.7 to 10 volts. This transmitter will modulate consistently at 100 percent, where the other two would ride at 80 percent and peak around 95 percent. We sound louder, with the same power than another station in town; even on 250 watts at night, we are as loud as they are running 1 kW DA. I am sure it is because we can hang the modulation monitor at 95 percent.

I have had three filament failures

on tetrodes and one on triodes.

Of course, in high-frequency work or simplified neutralization, there is nothing like a tetrode. Low driving power has advantages. But 1 like the 833A from a performance standpoint-I even liked the 829R! How about a word from some beampower fans—anyone use the 813?

Paul Schuett Chief Engineer KWG, Stockton. California

Sirs:

KLTZ Radio was very pleased to have you feature our Electronic Control Center in your November edition of BM/E. We have received many favorable comments since [it was published]. I'm pleased to announce also that my boss-owner-manager of KLTZ, Bill Holter, was delighted. Therefore would it be possible to forward to him about a dozen copies of this edition. Bill KLTZ accordingly if there is any charge. Thank you.

> Robert E. Gilbert, C.E. KLTZ Radio Glasgow, Mont.

November BM/Es on the way, R.G. Glad you liked the treatment.

I understand that your publication, BM/E, is circulated without cost to people engaged in broadcasting. If this is correct, please put my name on your circulation list.

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Thomas W. Levermann Teacher, Educational TV Job Corps Center for Women Omaha, Nebr.

Our Circulation Director says you're on our list, T.L. In addition, we're sending back August issues which contain most of the articles of interest to you.

Sirs

Again I feel compelled to write you to thank you for the real meaty articles on what other broadcasters are doing in the trade. I might make specific comments on the October issue. Although I'm not particularly concerned with farm broadcasting I was impressed with Ernie Tannen's article on his WDMV. I've heard the station frequently and they are a fine specialized service for an area in need of such a facility. If I may add to his observations that I'm certain many rural stations will watch his formula and no doubt copy it. (By the way Tannen's WEEZ is in Chester Pennsylvania, not Md. This station has specialized in C&W serving a neglected area in Philadelphia radio, and so successfully that a 50 kW has recently changed to Country music.) The article on WTHO and WCLV were also interesting.

I'm looking for more in future is-

sues.

R. Alan Campbell WDEL-AM-FM Wilmington, Del.

Sirs:

I have recently started working for radio station WFRB. In looking through the back issues of BM/E I find that the May 1967 issue is missing. I would especially like to have this issue because of the article on proof of performance. If you could supply me with this issue it would be greatly appreciated.

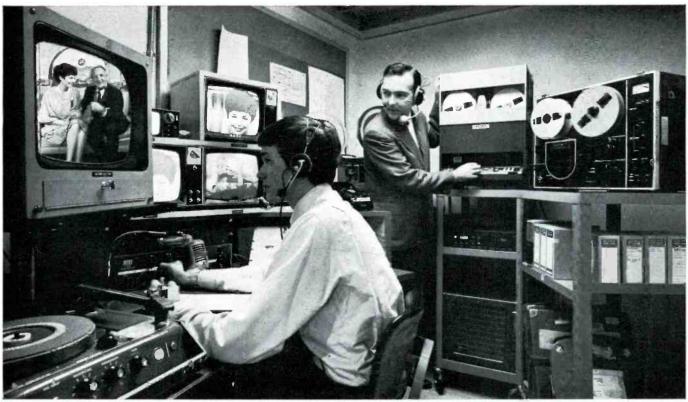
Osborne C. Tasker WFRB-FM

Frostburg, Md.
Somebody must've fallen in love with
the May/67 cover, O.T. A replacement issue's on the way.

Sirs

I have followed BM/E since its preview issue several years ago and I have a most complete library of this outstanding publication. From time to time I go back through the issues in search of articles on some subject.

Recently I came across an article called "Conducting A Frequency









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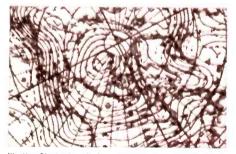
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> Raymond Meyers Miami, Fla.

You're right, R.M.! Sorry for the feeling of anxiety, but after Part I was published we decided Part II wasn't necessary.

Thank you for the fine coverage of Grand Valley State College in BM/E of August, 1967.

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FCC Order Is Remanded

Pointing up the fact that FCC decisions are not always final, a Boston Court of Appeals recently overturned an FCC order requiring Presque Isle TV company to provide pre-release duplication protection to WAGM-TV in Preque Isle. The problem was that cable subscribers get network programs from CHSJ-TV in Canada as much as a week before they are shown on WGAM-TV. However, the cable system operators pointed out that the Canadian station signals are as

strong as WAGM-TV's in the areas involved, therefore people can also see CHSJ-TV with home antennas.

The Court rapped the FCC sharply for rejecting the cable company's statements about relative signal strengths and economic injury, saying "There was no justifiable basis for the Commission's sweeping them aside with a part of one sentence."

New System for Trenton, Maybe St. Louis & Brooklyn

The Teleprompter Corporation has been awarded the cable TV

franchise for Trenton, N.J. Trenton is located within the grade B contour of New York City channels and the grade A contour of Philadelphia channels. A Teleprompter spokesman said that the system will have a potential of 30,000 and they hope to serve 7000 subscribers by the end of their first year.

Teleprompter got a 20 year exclusive franchise in return for promise of payment of 5 percent of the system's gross revenue to the city of Trenton. The franchise also calls for a \$9.95 installation charge and a \$5.00 monthly serv-

ice charge.

St. Louis took its first step recently toward a CATV system in that city. The Board of Aldermen is presently considering a bill to grant a nonexclusive franchise to St. Louis Cablevision Co., owned by Time-Life Broadcast, Inc. and local investors. According to Sean F. Murphy, manager of the newly formed firm, the system would provide 12 channels including a news-weather-time channel and a channel devoted to community education. Murphy said he expects the system to serve about 90,000 of the 263,000 dwellings in St. Louis within five years after a franchise is granted. This would make it the nation's largest system.

However, even if they get the franchise, St. Louis Cablevision will have to overcome the hurdle of the FCC's top 100 rule.

A novel noncable system has been proposed for Brooklyn, New York, by Bartell Media. Because underground cable conduits are not available in Brooklyn, Bartell wants to send signals in the 42-GHz range direct from his head end to apartment house receiving and distribution systems. Bartell has also applied to the FCC for a permit to test this system.





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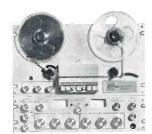




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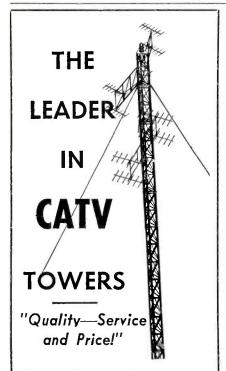
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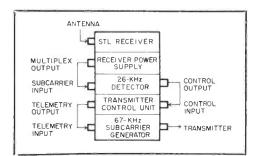


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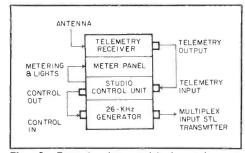


Fig. 2. Remote (transmitter) equipment rack layout.

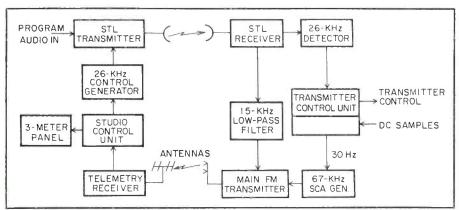
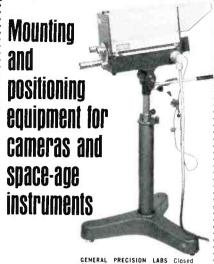


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