

Changing hands

ANNOUNCED ■ *The following sales of station interests were announced last week, subject to FCC approval:*

■ **KFJZ-TV Fort Worth, Tex.:** Sold by Texas State Network to Nafi Telecasting Inc. for total consideration in the area of \$4 million. Nafi owns KCOP (TV) Los Angeles, and KPTV (TV) Portland, Ore. It also owns KXYZ Houston, Tex. Texas State Network owns KFJZ-AM-FM Fort Worth, KFDA Amarillo and KRIO McAllen, all Texas. KFJZ-TV, on ch. 11, began operating in 1955. Transaction was handled by R.C. Crisler & Co.

■ **KIUP Durango, Colo.:** Sold by R.E. (Pat) O'Brien and associates to Ralph L. Atlass, former general manager of WIND Chicago and now with Am Radio Sales, Chicago, for \$330,000. Mr. O'Brien will remain as general manager of KIUP. Station is on 930 kc with 5 kw daytime and 1 kw night. Transaction was handled by Edwin Tornberg & Co.

■ **KCVR Lodi, Calif.:** Sold by Lloyd Burlingham to Floyd Farr, George M. Mardikian and George B. Snell for \$157,500. Mr. Mardikian is owner of famous Omar Khayyam's restaurant in

San Francisco. The group owns KEEN San Jose, Calif. KCVR operates on 1570 kc with 1 kw daytime. Broker was Edwin Tornberg & Co.

■ **WADK Newport, R.I.:** Sold by Milton E. Mitler to Arnold Lerner and Myer Feldman for \$136,000 (\$100,000 plus \$36,000 not to compete). Mr. Feldman, a Washington attorney, owns KLAD Klamath Falls, Ore. Both Mr. Lerner and Mr. Feldman at one time were part owners of KOMA Oklahoma City and of KITO San Bernardino, Calif. Mr. Mitler retains ownership of WYNG Warwick, R.I. Daytimer WADK is on 1540 kc with 1 kw. Broker was Blackburn & Co.

■ **WBBN Perry, Ga.:** Sold by Al H. Evans and associates to Howard Gilreath for \$57,000. Mr. Gilreath has controlling interest in WCLA Claxton, Ga. WBBN operates on 980 kc with 500 w, daytime. Broker was Paul H. Chapman Co.

APPROVED ■ *The following transfers of station interests were among those approved by the FCC last week (for other commission activities see FOR THE RECORD, page 100).*

■ **KYNT Yankton, S.C.:** Sold by Yankton Broadcasting Co. (William M.

Smith, president) to equal partners Leon T. Scoblic and Lloyd G. Reedstrom for \$179,400. Messrs. Scoblic and Reedstrom are in the office equipment business.

■ **WSHE Raleigh, N.C.:** Sold by John C. Green Jr. and associates to Raleigh Broadcasting Corp. for \$166,500 plus employment of Mr. Green as consultant for two years at \$6,000 per year. Raleigh is headed by Louis P. Heyman, an employe of Schenley Industries.

■ **WFBS Fort Walton Beach, Fla.:** Sold by H. French Brown Sr. and associates to Smith Radio Inc. for \$100,000. Smith Radio is controlled by M.D. Smith III, 98% owner of WJIG Tullahoma, Tenn.

KPFK (FM) listeners told 'help — or else'

KPFK (FM) Los Angeles, listener-supported non-commercial station, must raise \$25,000 immediately or go off the air, Catherine Cory, manager, has notified present \$12-a-year subscribers.

"We have \$15,000 in unpaid, pressing bills," she wrote May 15. "And, a summer expectancy of going \$10,000 more into the red. (With continuous hard work we will average 500 new subscribers and \$5,000 each month—which will pay for half of the month's costs.)"

Stating that \$3,000 will come from a benefit concert and lecture in June, "if they are well attended," Miss Cory goes on: "We will have to depend on our listeners for the rest.

"\$25,000 is needed immediately if we are to start our second broadcast year on July 26th. Otherwise, we will have to leave the air in Southern California. [Pacifica foundation, licensee of KPFK, also operates KPFA (FM) Berkeley, Calif.] This is the month of decision."

Radio weather is tops

Virtually everybody turns to radio for talk about the weather. Radio Advertising Bureau commissioned a Fact Finders Assoc. survey and found that in all U.S. time zones more people rely on radio for weather news than all other daily news media combined. RAB cites these comparisons in response to a question about the source of weather news: radio's superiority over newspapers was nearly nine to one in the Central zone and virtually 11 to one in the Mountain zone. Radio beat tv more than three to one in the East and more than two to one in the Pacific zone.

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\$175,000

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