

# Changing Hands

PROPOSED

**WRGB-TV Schenectady, N.Y.** □ Sold by WRGB Inc. to Freedom Newspapers Inc., Broadcast Division for \$57 million. **Seller** is owned by Universal Communications, joint venture of John D. Backe, former CBS president, and Forstmann, Little & Co. It purchased station two years ago (BROADCASTING, May 2, 1983) from General Electric Co. for \$35 million. Backe also owns Astoria, N.Y.-based station group of two TV's. **Buyer** is broadcast subsidiary of four TV's owned by Santa Ana, Calif.-based publisher of 31 daily newspapers. WRGB is CBS affiliate on channel 6 with 93.3 kw visual 11 kw aural and antenna 1,020 feet above average terrain.

**WLLZ(FM) Detroit, KDWB-AM-FM Minneapolis-St. Paul and KPKE(FM) Denver** □ Sold by Doubleday Broadcasting to Sillerman Communications Group for \$27 million, with \$9 million assigned to WLLZ, \$9 million to KDWB-AM-FM and \$9 million to KPKE ("Top of the Week," Nov. 4). **Seller** is subsidiary of publicly owned, New York-based book publisher and station group of two AM's and five FM's. Gary Stevens is president of subsidiary. **Buyer** is owned by Robert F.X. Sillerman. It also owns WHMP-AM-FM Northampton, Mass. Sillerman is former principal of Sillerman-Morrow Broadcasting Group, which sold its nine stations earlier this year. WLLZ is on 98.7 mhz with 50 kw and antenna 480 feet above average terrain. KDWB is on 630 khz with 5 kw day and 500 w night. KDWB-FM is on 101.3 mhz with 100 kw and antenna 820 feet above average terrain. KPKE is on 95.7 mhz with 100 kw and antenna 725 feet above average terrain.

**KHOW(AM) Denver** □ Sold by Metromedia Inc. to Sillerman Communications Group for \$11 million ("Top of the Week," Nov. 4). **Seller's** television stations have been sold to Rupert Murdoch, with spin-off of one to Hearst (see page 85). It owns cellular radio companies, entertainment companies and radio broadcasting group of five AM's and six FM's. It is principally owned by John Kluge. **Buyer** is also purchasing four Doubleday stations (see above). KHOW has been on the market some time ("Closed Circuit," March 12, 1984.) It was purchased from Doubleday Broadcasting four years ago for \$15 million (BROADCASTING, Dec. 7, 1981). KHOW is on 630 khz full time with 5 kw.

**WELE-FM De Land, Fla.** □ Sold by Elyria-Lorain Broadcasting Co. to American Media Inc. for \$7.5 million. **Seller** is owned by Otto Schoepfle, who also owns WEOL(AM)-WBEA(FM) Elyria-Lorain, Ohio. **Buyer** is Patchogue, N.Y.-based station group of one AM and three FM's, principally owned by Alan Beck. WELE-FM is on 105.9 mhz with 76 kw and antenna 590 feet above average terrain. It holds CP for antenna 1,700 feet above average terrain. *Broker: Americom Media Brokers.*

**WSEE(TV) Erie, Pa.** □ Sold by SCS Communications of Erie Inc. to Erie Broadcasting

Partners for \$7.5 million. **Seller** is subsidiary of MMT Sales Inc., New York-based station representative principally owned by Garrett Scollard. It also owns KLRT(TV) Little Rock, Ark. **Buyer** is principally owned by Scollard, limited partner, and is headed by Gerry Montgomery, president and general partner. Montgomery is station's general manager, and has no other broadcast interests. WSEE is CBS affiliate on channel 35 with 2,000 kw visual, 200 kw aural and antenna 960 feet above average terrain.

**KPOM-TV Fort Smith, Ark.** □ Sold by Ozark Television Co. to J.D.G. Television Inc. for \$6,240,000. **Seller** is principally owned by Raymond G. Schindler and family. It also owns KVLG(AM)-KMUZ(FM) La Grange, Tex. **Buyer** is subsidiary of Griffin Television Inc., which also owns KWT(TV) Oklahoma City. It is headed by Duane Harm, president. KPOM-TV is NBC affiliate on channel 24 with 2,510 kw visual, 251 kw aural and antenna 499 feet above average terrain.

**KLAZ-AM-FM Little Rock, Ark.** □ Sold by estate of Ron Curtis (see obituary, page 110) to Capitol Cities Broadcasting Inc. for \$3,375,000. **Seller** has no other broadcast interests. **Buyer** is owned by Richard E. Oppenheimer, Bob Clark and Kent Anderson. Oppenheimer Clark is partner with Houston-based law firm of Bracewell & Paterson. Anderson is president of Allied Bank Shares, Houston. They have no other broad-

cast interests. Oppenheimer owns Austin, Tex.-based station group of three AM's and four FM's. KLAZ is on 1250 khz with 1 kw day and 250 w night. KLAZ-FM is on 98.5 mhz with 100 kw and antenna 880 feet above average terrain. *Broker: Americom Media Brokers.*

**KLEO(AM)-KSKU(FM) Wichita, Kan.** □ Sold by Sampson Broadcasting Inc. to The Rock of Kansas Inc. for \$3.3 million cash. **Seller** is owned by Jack Simpson and his wife, Arvilla. It has no other broadcast interests. **Buyer** is owned by Jerome H. Atchley, who has no other broadcast interests, but is former KSSN-FM Little Rock, Ark., and WGKX-FM Memphis. KLEO is on 1480 khz with 5 kw day and 1 kw night. KSKU is on 102.1 mhz with 100 kw and antenna 1,031 feet above average terrain. *Broker: Americom Media Brokers.*

**KKFM(FM) Colorado Springs, Colo.** □ Sold by Sky Hi Inc. to Citadel Communications Inc. for \$3 million. **Seller** is principally owned by Leon Lowenthal, who also owns KVMT-FM Vail, Colo. **Buyer** is owned by Lawrence R. Wilson and Fritz Beesemeyer. It also owns KAIR(AM)-KJYK(FM) Tucson, Ariz. KKFM is on 96.5 mhz with 3 kw and antenna 2,300 feet above average terrain. *Broker: Kalil & Co.*

**WKHI(FM) Ocean City, Md.** □ Sold by Atlantic Broadcasting Co. of Ocean City Inc. to The Baltimore Radio Show Inc. for \$3 million. **Seller** is owned by Klein G. Leister, William E. Esham, James D. Layton and Wayne A. Powell. It also owns WKRE-AM-FM Exmore, Va. **Buyer** is owned by Harry R. Shriver,

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