

sumption of approximately \$3 million in liabilities. Principals: Ralph B. Edwards is president of American Public Life Insurance, Mr. Hopper, insurance company employe and Mr. Roberts, doctor, have interest in WLIN(FM) Jackson. Mr. Nichols is attorney, Mr. Neville owns retail clothing stores and restaurant, Mr. Farber has interest in clinic and Mr. Birmingham is doctor. Each will have 16% share in WAPT(TV). Commission also renewed license, rejecting informal objection by Community Coalition for Better Broadcasting. Action March 18.

■ KESM-AM-FM El Dorado Springs, Mo. (AM: 1580 khz, 500 w-D; FM: 107.1 mhz, 3 kw)—Broadcast Bureau granted assignment of license from Daryl L. Fredine to Cedar County Broadcasting for \$150,000. Seller is purchasing, subject to FCC approval, WVLR(FM) Sauk City, Wis. Buyer is chief engineer at KCMO(AM) Kansas City, Mo. (BAL-8590, BALH-2232). Action March 15.

■ WSUF(AM) Patchogue, N.Y.—Application for assignment of license dismissed by request of assignee (BAL-8501). Ann. March 17.

■ KOKN(AM) Pawhuska, Okla. (1500 khz, 5 kw, DA-D)—Broadcast Bureau granted assignment of license from Cherokee Broadcasting Co. to Coleman Broadcasting Co. for \$105,000. Seller: Jim A. Egan (45%) and Galen O. Gilbert (55%). Buyer: Lewis Coleman (44%) et al. Mr. Coleman is part owner and general manager of KTMCA(AM) McAlester, Okla. (BAL-8579). Action March 12.

■ KTLI(AM) Tillamook, Ore.—Broadcast Bureau granted involuntary transfer of negative control of Beaver Broadcasting System from Robert Douglas (50% before; none after) to United States National Bank of Oregon (none before; 50% after), as trustee under trust agreement. Bank is operating somewhat as executor for Mr. Douglas, now deceased, with ultimate plans to sell 50% ownership to other partner (BTC-7967). Action March 15.

Facilities changes

AM applications

■ KWIZ Santa Ana, Calif.—Seeks CP to increase nighttime power to 5 kw. Ann. March 18.

■ KBGN Caldwell, Idaho—Seeks CP to change frequency to 1060 khz; increase power to 10 kw; change ant.-trans. location; install new trans. Ann. March 18.

■ WILD Boston—Seeks CP to increase power to 5 kw; install 1 kw-CH; change type trans. Ann. March 18.

■ WARE Ware, Mass.—Seeks CP to increase night and day power to 2.5 kw and 5 kw respectively; install DA-2. Ann. March 18.

■ WBLA Elizabethtown, N.C.—Seeks CP to increase power to 5 kw. Ann. March 18.

■ WKGX Lenoir, N.C.—Seek CP to increase power to 5 kw. Ann. March 18.

■ KHYM Gilmer, Tex.—Seeks CP to increase power to 10 kw; change ant. system. Ann. March 18.

AM actions

■ WVM(AM) Biloxi, Miss.—Commission granted CP to change facilities from daytime to unlimited time operation. Commission denied petition by Gulf Coast Broadcasting Co. to deny application. Action March 18.

■ KFJZ Fort Worth—Broadcast Bureau granted CP to change ant.-trans. location to Arlington, Tex.; install directional ant. system (BP-20208). Action March 10.

AM starts

Following stations were authorized program operating authority for changed facilities on date shown:

■ KIPA Hilo, Hawaii (BP-19,843), March 8; WEET Richmond, Va. (BP-20,096), March 9; WKIK Leonardtown, Md. (BP-19,398), March 9; WYLS York, Ala. (BP-20,090), March 8.

FM applications

■ KPRA Paso Robles, Calif.—Seeks to change frequency to 92.5 mhz; change trans. location; change trans. and ant.; ERP 17 kw; HAAT 762 ft. Ann. March 18.

■ WHLY Leesburg, Fla.—Seeks CP to change trans. and station location to 435 W. Story Rd., Winter Garden, Fla.; install new trans.; install new ant.; change TPO; ERP 100 kw; HAAT 799 ft. Ann. March 15.

■ *WSAE Spring Arbor, Mich.—Seeks CP to install new ant., change ERP to 3.06 kw and HAAT to 238 ft. Ann. March 15.

FM actions

■ WENN-FM Birmingham, Ala.—Broadcast Bureau granted license covering changes; ERP 69 kw (H&V); ant height 660 ft. (BLH-6901). Action March 12.

■ KPWD Plentywood, Mont.—Broadcast Bureau granted CP to install new trantrans. and ant.; ERP 3 kw (H); ant. height 34 ft.; remote control permitted (BPH-9588). Action March 11.

FM starts

■ Following stations were authorized program operating authority for changed facilities on date shown: KGOU Norman, Okla. (BPH-9480), March 8; WMUS-FM Muskegon, Mich. (BPH-8880), March 9; *KSJS-FM San Jose, Calif. (BPED-1842), March 5.

In contest

Designated for hearing

■ KPOI(AM) and KHVH(AM) Honolulu, **facilities changes proceeding:** Comunico Oceanic Corp. and KHVH Inc. (Docs. 20740-1)—Commission designated for hearing. Both stations, which now operate with power of 5 kw, unlimited time, proposed to increase power to 10 kw, unlimited time. In addition, KPOI proposed operating on 990 khz, in lieu of 1380 khz, while KHVH, which now operates on 1040 khz, requested frequency 1010 khz. Hearing issues include amount of increased field strength which each of proposed power increases would place over FCC's monitoring station at Waipahu, Hawaii, extent to which such increase in field strength would adversely affect operations of monitoring station, whether grant of either proposal would serve public interest, which proposal would better serve interest and which, if either, should be granted. Action March 19.

■ Mt. Holly, N.J., **AM proceeding:** WJJZ(AM), seeking renewal, and John J. Farina and John H. Vivian, competing for 1460 khz (Docs. 20738-9)—Commission designated for hearings. Action March 18.

Procedural rulings

■ Garden City, N.Y., **renewal proceeding:** WLIR (FM) (Doc. 20590)—ALJ James F. Tierney set hearing for June 2 at Garden City. Action March 11.

■ Dickinson, N.D., **AM proceeding:** Badlands Broadcasting Co. and Roughrider Broadcasting Co., competing for 1460 khz (Doc. 20691-2)—ALJ James F. Tierney scheduled hearing for June 22 (in lieu of April 28). Action March 16.

Initial decision

■ KXXL(AM) Bozeman, Mont.—ALJ Frederick W. Denniston ordered licensee, Empire Broadcasting Corp., to forfeit \$5,000 for fraudulent billing practices, but renewed license and granted license covering changes in that station. Judge also granted application for transfer of control of Empire, also licensee of KFLN(AM) Baker and KWYS(AM) West Yellowstone, Mont., from Cleo Barkley and others to Gary Petersen, and others, and granted assignment of licenses of KAFF-AM-FM Flagstaff, Ariz., from KAFF Broadcasting Co. to Empire (Docs. 20424-7). Ann. March 19.

Other actions

■ KXEL(AM) Waterloo, Iowa—Broadcast Bureau denied waiver of rules to identify as Waterloo-Clear Rapids, Iowa. Action March 5.

■ WKDX(AM) Hamlet, N.C.—Broadcast Bureau denied waiver of rules to identify as Hamlet-Rockingham, N.C. Action March 5.

■ KRXX(AM) Fort Worth—Broadcast Bureau granted modification of license covering change of corporate name to Radio Fifteen Inc. (BML-2576). Action March 10.

■ WBLB(AM) Pulaski, Va.—Broadcast Bureau denied request to identify as Pulaski-Dublin, Va. Action March 5.

Allocations

Petitions

■ Alaska Educational Broadcasting Commission, Anchorage—Seeks assignment of ch. 265A to Petersburg, Alaska (RM-2663). Ann. March 16.

■ Israel Sinoofsky, Simi Valley, Calif.—Requests assignment of ch. 269A to Carpinteria, Calif. (RM-2660). Ann. March 16.

■ KWIC Communications, Ogden, Utah—Requests amendment to change ch. *9+ in Ogden to ch. 9+ (RM-2661). Ann. March 16.

Action

■ Princeton, W.Va.—Broadcast Bureau reassigned 100.9 mhz (ch. 265A) from Montgomery, W. Va. to Princeton. Assignment was in response to petition by Hillbilly Broadcasters (Doc. 20479). Action March 15.

Rulemaking

Petition

■ Associated Public Safety Communications Officers, Chicago—Request amendment to specify minimum periods of time which will be permitted for filing of comments and reply comments in rulemaking proceedings (RM-2662). Ann. March 16.

Actions

■ Commission adopted program to streamline hearing process. Commission said new rules will eliminate duplicative review, reduce extraneous submissions by parties to cases and impose goals and deadlines on parties and commission alike. Reforms are scheduled to take effect July 1. Action March 17.

■ Commission adopted guidelines for ascertainment of community problems, needs and interests by non-commercial educational broadcasters (new Section 1.527 of commission rules). Requirements will apply to all educational broadcasters, with exception of wholly instructional (e.g. in-school) and 10-watt stations. Under new guidelines noncommercial educational renewal applicants, both radio and television, will be required to complete, annually during license term, list of up to 10 problems found in community during preceding 12 months, together with examples of programming broadcast during period to meet those

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