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## Wahlen To Head New Westinghouse FM Group

Bert Wahlen, VP/GM of KJQYFM/San Diego, has been named to the newly-created position of VP/FM Stations for Westinghouse. Wahlen will set up the new division's headquarters in San Diego.
"We're pleased to appoint someone of Bert Wahlen's depth in radio to head up the FM group," said Group W Radio Division President Dick Harris. "This appointment is in recognition of Bert's outstanding performance at KJQYY, San Diégo's top-rated station."
Wahlen's appointment, effective June 1, puts him in charge of a

## Hattrik Promoted

To Doubleday VP/Programming


Bob Hattrik has been promoted to VP/Programming for the Doubleday chain, moving up from the Group Program Director position he took on in June 1980. Doubleday Broadcasting President Gary Stevens told R\&R, "He's done a hell of a job building a very cohesive central programming operation for us. Obviously he's been successful with it, and HATTAICK See Page 14
KBRT FORCED TO AIR "CONSPIRACY TAPE"

## Four Men Invade <br> L.A. Radio Station

Shortly before 5pm Tuesday (5-19), four men walked into the offices of Religious-formatted KBRT/Los Angeles. Hands stuck in their pockets as if they were carrying pistols, the four men confronted Station Manager Steve Harris and told him to raise his hands. They then handed him a piece of paper which read, "Remain calm. We have come to occupy your radio station. Take us to your station manager. Be calm. Keep your hands visible at all times."
five-station group which Westinghouse intends to expand to seven. The group consists of WPNT/ Pittsburgh, KODA/Houston, KOAT/Dallas, KJQY/San Diego, and WB2-FM/Boston, which is being sold. Westinghouse will also acquire KOSI/Denver on June 1.

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## BOARDWALK INDEPENDENT IN U.S.

## CBS, Boardwalk Restructure Distribution Deal

CBS Records and Boardwalk Records have restructured their pressing and distribution agmon ment, with Boardwalk handling distribution of its own product in the U.S. and CBS continuing to press all Boardwalk product, distributing it in Canada, Latin America, England, Japan, and Australia. Boardwalk has made arrangements with its new distributors for them to accept any returns of previously-released Boardwalk recordings. The new arrangement was announced jointly by CBS Sr. VP/GM of Marketing Paul Smith and Boardwalk President Neil Bogart.
Smith commented, "The pressing and distribution concept that CBS has had with Boardwalk represents a new type of structure for us and for Boardwalk; like most ideas, it has to be adapted SHERWOOD AT K101,

## LARRABEE AT KSLQ

## Charter Names

## Two New PD's

Charter National Program Director Al Casey has announced the appointments of Rob Sherwood as PD of K101/San Francisco and John Lartabee as PD of KSLQ/St. Louis.

Sherwood joins K101 from KOSO/Modesto and replaces Rob Sisco, who left K101 last week (R\&R 5-15). Sherwood told R\&R, "Programming KOSO has been the happiest 18 months in my broadcasting career. If the K101 team can help make that station sound half as exciting as KOSO. we'll put together a great radio station." Commenting on Sherwood's move to Charter, Casey said, "When I went to Modesto to hear what KOSO sounded like, I knew Rob was the man for the jub." K101 VP/GM Fritz Beesemyer echoed Casey, saying. "Rob has the leadership qualifications, the depth and the maturity to lead the troops to win."
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Bogart said, "An individualistic approach by CBS to new companies like Boardwalk is healthy BOARDWALKSee Page 14

## Fowler Sworn

In As FCC
Chairman


Mark Fowler, former disc jockey and Washington communications attorney, was sworn in Monday (5-18) as Chairman of the FCC. The U.S. Senate had unanimously confirmed Fowler on a voice vote last Thursday (5-14). two months after he was nominated by President Reagan. The new Chairman wasted no time naming his personal staff. Administrative Assistant will be Randy Nichols, formerly Chief of the Cable Bureau. Legal Assistant is Lauren (Pete) Belwin, also from the Cable Bureau. Special Assistant is Jerald Fritz, a former FCC staffer most recently with Washington law firm Pierson, Ball \& Dowd. Special Assistant for Management is Edward Minkel, another former FCC staffer who comes directly from the National Weather Service Communications Division.

## "What Is Best

For The People"
In brief remarks after taking FOWLER'See Page 14
fair competition, apparently in the belief that station " Z " was meant to represent KZAP (with "X," by the same reasoning, representing soft-rock-formatted KXOA) KROY VP/GM Mark Jonsson defended the ad as "a lighthearted approach to define our music to an audience that probably thinks it all sounds alike."
KZAP attorney Hartiey Hansen told R\&R, "The lawsuit is based on part of the California Code which outlaws unfair competition, namely using means the merthrofs what's considered fair competition. Where they cross the line is in saying things that are inaccurate about KZAP and its listeners, making them the butt of a joke. Our position is that it's being done in fun at our expense, not theirs."
Hansen said that damages in cases of this type were "uncertain, and can include whatever profits the offending company makes subject to our losing profits. We still have to find out what profits if any are attributable to this competition." He added that the suit could take up to a year to resolve, commenting in addition that KXOA hadn't 'talked to us about joining in the suit, but they KROY/See Page 14

OVERSEES TWO ADDITIONAL VIACOM STATIONS

James Joins
KDIA As GM


Earnest James has taken the General Manager position at KDIA/Oakland, coming from his previous post as President/General Manager for WVON-WGCI/Chicago. James, who will be arriving at the Viacom who in the middle of June will oversee the operations of Viacom's WWRL/New York and WDIA/Memphis in addition to his responsibilities at KDIA
Commenting upon the change, JAMES/See Page 14


Featuring
"GEMINI DREAM"
(It's in your hands)


Charter Gets Jump On Station Promotions
Charter Broadcasting's new TV spots for its stations employ the talents of TV's most famous radlo General Manager Gordon Jump (Arthur Carlson on "WKRP in Cincinnall"). At lett, he sports traditional Western headgear to promote Country KCBQ/San Diego, while at right he helps demonstrate KSLQ/St. Louis's alrwatch capabillities with one of his characteristic toys, a station helicopter.

## Baker Becomes VP/ GM At WOMC

Elaine Baker has been appointed Vice President/General Manager of Metromedia's WOMC/Detrolt, moving crosstown from the General Sales Manager position at WDRQ. Baker earlier worked at WOMC for three years as an ac count executive. The appointment at the $A / C$ formatted station became effective Monday (5-18).

Metromedia Executive VP Bill Ward com mented in making the announcement. "I am pleased that Elaine is returning to our company as General Manager of WOMC and confident that the station will benefit greatly through her leadership."

## BISCEGLIA IN CHARGE

## Arista Forms

## A/C Department

Arista Records has announced the formation of an Adult/Contemporary Department to be headed by Rick Bisceglia, formerly National Promotion Director at Ariola Records. Prior to entering the record industry, Bisceglia served as Music Director for WXLO/New York

In making the announcement, Arista Vice President/Promotion Richard Palmese told R\&R, "Rick has been hired as Manager of Adult Contemporary for Arista. He is bright and extremely dedicated. I'm very confident that he will well represent our artists to the key Adult/Contemporary stations. We at Arista value very highly the contribution of $\mathrm{A} / \mathrm{C}$ stations to the record industry and have recognized this by this expansion."
"I feel very good and very excited," Bisceglia told R\&R. "This really came as a big surprise. I know this will be the start of great things for this new department."

## CBS Eliminates

## Suggested List Price

CBS Records became the first major American manufacturer to abandon the concept of suggested list prices, announcing their elimination on all releases effective June 1 . The move is intended to give retailers greater flexibility in setting prices.

CBS Sr. VP/GM of Marketing Paul Smith ex plained. "In view of the problems caused by spiralling inflation and narrow price margins, the suggested list price has grown to be unrealistic and unnecessary. We feel the elimination of list prices will prove to be a constructive and healthy move for the record industry.'

CBS also announced wholesale price hikes on albums and singles, in keeping with increases announced by most major labels over the past several

## Tinsley Named VP/Station

 Manager For WLOUSeretha Tinsley has been appointed VP/Station Manager of WLOU/Louisville. The move marks a return to the station for Tinsley, most recently Station Manager at WAOK/Atlanta; she had served as Operations Manager and PD at WLOU for several years before joining WAOK

WLOU President/GM William Summers III commented, "Seretha's return to Louisville is not only an outstanding opportunity for WLOU, but also for the city of Louisville as well. Her dedication to the community is evident by the numerous organizations she actively participates in."

Tinsley told R\&R, "I'm really excited about the job. It's an opportunity I couldn't pass up. It takes me one more step toward ownership." Commenting on the Black-formatted station, she said, "I think that WLOU is basically a solid sound. We are working toward becoming 24 -hour, making everything totally solid, taking it very slowly but surely. We hope the end result will be fantastic, and hope to go 24 hours by December."

## WSM's Len Hensel <br> To Become BMI VP

Len Hensel, VP/GM of WSM/Nashville since 1972, will take early retirement at the end of May and in late June will become VP/Broadcast Station Relations for BMI. Before becoming GM, Hensel had been WSM's National Sales Manager since 1962

Commenting on his new role at BMI. Hensel told R\&R, "I'll be a one man band at the outset, working with NAB and other groups and eventually establishing a division for that purpose." Hensel said he'll work out of BMI's Nashville office and he expects to spend a good deal of time travelling and making speeches.

Prior to joining WSM, Hensel spent eight years with ZIV Television Programming syndicators. He previously held a variety of jobs with several radio stations.

For the last six years Hensel has been a member of the NAB Board, serving as Chairman of the Radio Board in 1977. He calls those six years "a turnaround period for the association, as well as the industry." Hensel resigned from the NAB Board last week.

While no replacement for Hensel has been named. Hensel hinted that the choice may come from within the WSM organization, noting that "a lot of senior management people are already available" as a result of the NLT Corporation's sale of WSMTV

## R\&R Closed On Memorial Day

In observance of the Memorial Day holiday, the R\&R offices will be closed on Monday, May 25.

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## "CHILLING EFFECT" CITED

## Station Asks Reversal Of Contest Fine

A Wisconsin radio station has asked for reversal of a $\$ 500$ fine imposed by the FCC for airing a charity promotion involving a lottery. Smith Broadcasting, owner of WIXK-FM/New Richmond, WI, argues the fine was improper because no benefit flowed to either the station or the promoter.
WIXK was fined for airing the following ad for a Chamber of Commerce benefit on behalf of 20 local charities: "The celebration of fun River Falls Days is going full swing, so come down and join the fun. Also, get a button and you may win a free gift at River Falls Days.
The Commisslon said the ad violated rules against broadcasting information about lotteries, which are contests involv-
ing payment to participate and a prize awarded on the basis of chance.

In its application for review of the fine, Smith Broadcasting said the Commission erred "in equating this case with instances in which stations staged contests to increase listenership or stations carried spots for a contest (of a lottery nature) staged by a merchant." The filing went on to say

## Miami's Dark WMJX Attracts

## Flood Of Applicants

Six groups have already applied to the FCC to take over the frequency of Charter Communication's defunct WMJX/Miami, and the Commission staff expects at least a dozen applications before an anticipated July cutoff date.
"This is common in major markets because there are no allocations open in the top 50 markets in the United States," said an FCC staffer, who recalls 19 groups fighting over a vacated frequency in St . Louis in the late 1960's.
Charter shut down WMJX on February 15 rather than mount an expensive court challenge to the FCC's decision to revoke the license because of improper contests and promotions.
Interim Operator Sought
First, the Commission is seeking an interim operator to run the station until the license is permanently awarded. In its invitation to apply, the FCC specified that the interim operator would not also be considered for permanent status.
Four groups applied for the interim license, but Constance Wodlinger and South Florida Broadcasting also applied for permanent operations. The Commission has not yet decided whether
the fine "can only have a chilling effect on the willingness of stations to cooperate in city-wide or civic drives."
The FCC's Complaints \& Compllance Division will prepare a recommendation on the application for review for consideration by the full Commission.

## Wirth Unconvinced On <br> Longer License Terms

Broadcasters anxious to extend radio licenses to five years, or even make them indefinite, will evidently have to muster better arguments than the fact that longer licenses would make life easier for them.
At an informal luncheon in Washington last week (5-15), House Telecommunications Subcommittee Chalrman Tim Wirth (D-CO) suggested that longer

## FCC Sees Need For 3900 More Full-Time AM Stations

The FCC has identified what it calls a "perceived need" for 3900 new fulltime AM stations in 2900 communities between 1983 and 1987.

The U.S. was required to come up quency Registration Board with a five-year list of foreseeable needs to form the basis of this fall's Region 2 negotiations in Rio de Janiero, where 27 countries will hammer out a new AM mutual protection agreement.

## Computer Studies Will Yield

## More Realistic List

The Commission stressed that its list contains "many more station locations than the present or potential radio spectrum resources could accommodate." But it said computer studies aimed at coming up with a more realistic inventory of needs could not be completed before the May 31 deadline for submitting a five year plan to the International Fre-
license terms must be justified by their contributions to diversity and competition.
"What's three years vs. five years?" asked Wirth. "What we want to look at is how is information getting out to people - the diversity issue - and are markets relatively competitive." He repeated his now-familiar theme that he doesn't believe in "deregulation for deregulation's sake" but only as it fosters increased competition and service to the public.
During the wide-ranging question and answer session sponsored by the National Citizens' Commit tee for Broadcasting and the FCC Consumer Affairs Office, Wirth also

- Suggested 9 kHz is overrated as an issue because radio's future lies in FM.
- Said he doesn't "sense any great groundswell" among broadcasters for repeal of the Fairness Doctrine or the public interest standard.
- Declared spectrum fees "unrealistic" and said, "It 's not going to happen."
- Predicted H.R. 3239, setting fees for broadcasters, will go to the House for a vote within two weeks.


## FCC May Ask Court To Return RKO Case

Intense debate was underway at the FCC this week as the Commission prepared to go into closed session to decide whether to ask the U.S. Court of Appeals to remand (hand back) the RKO case to Commission jurisdiction for review.
At issue is the FCC vote last year to take away RKO's licenses for WOR-TV/New York, KHJTV/Los Angeles, and WNAC-TV/ Boston because parent corporation General Tire and Rubber made illegal overseas payoffs. RKO's radio licenses also hinge on the ultimate outcome.
In a May 12 letter, RKO put in a bid for the remand request on the grounds that "the Commission was wrong in denying RKO's applications without affording it statutorily mandated notice and hearing procedures on issues that were critical."

## Balance Shifts <br> In RKO's Favor

With the resignations of Commissioners Ferris and Brown, who voted to revoke the three licenses, it would appear RKO now enjoys a 3-2 Commission split in its favor if Mark Fowler, as many expect. abstains from this week's vote. However, FCC insiders were placing no bets on the outcome because of such unpredictable faclors as Fowler's participation and a possible desire, even on the part of RKO supporters, to a void any embarrassment a remand request

## could create. <br> Lack Of Hearing Is Central Issue

The most likely grounds for a remand request would be the FCC's failure to hold a hearing on the issues raised against RKO. Observers agree the court might
honor a request based on a procedural issue. But they warn that the Commission must be careful to avoid any hint of action based on the merits of the case or changes in the FCC membership. "Then it's just a political football and the court would say go fly a kite," one FCC insider told R\&R. If the Commission were to have the case remanded by the court, it would probably go back and hold a hearing on the charges against RKO and then make another decision in the case.

## Trade Association News

## WOR's Devlin On NAB Board

Replacing WSM/Nashville's Len Hensel on the NAB Radio Board is Rick Devlin, VP/GM of WOR/New York. Devlin takes over under a policy in which the runner-up candidate replaces a resigned member. Hensel is quitting WSM and NAB to join BMI (see Page 3).

## NRBA Wants Answers

In a letter to the FCC, NRBA has renewed a query first posed last fall on what the Commission does with station financial data and how quickly the figures are compiled after stations send them in. Code Board Stresses Self Regulation
Self-regulation becomes more crucial under deregulation, the NAB Code Board concluded at its semiannual meeting in Washington Morday (5-18). The board represents 4091 (or $51.6 \%$ of) commercial stations and says almost all meet the code's commercial timitation guidelines.

The panel also recommended that commercials made to sound like news (using "flash," "bulletin," "we interrupt this program," etc.) be banned under the code. The full NAB Radio Board will vote on the issue. OR. The next NAB Town Meeting was set for October 29 in Portland,

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## New Line Of

 Warning LightsAllled Broadcast Equipment (ABE) recently introduced a new serles of archltectural warning lights for use In radio statlons. Among the varlous lights avallable are flat wall, sidewall, ceilling, and extended pendant models (In both fluorescent and incandescent styles). Several lettering styles, colors, and symbols are IVkewise avallable.


Pictured is a typical sign cluster made up of incandescent flat wall models (priced from \$49 on up). For further information contact Dave Burns at ABE at 635 South E Street, Richmond. IN 4737.4, (317) 962-8596.

LIN Posts Slight Net, Revenue Gains In '81 The LIN Broadcasting Corporation reported that net income for the first quarter of 1981 increased 17 percent to $\$ 2.8$ million. up from $\$ 2.4$ million in the analogous period of 1980. The firm's first quarter revenues showed a 5 percent rise, climbing to $\$ 13.6$ million in 1981 versus $\$ 12.9$ million in the year-previous.

Four-Day Work Week On The Warie

Prospects for adoption of a fourday work week are on the decline according to Georgetown professor Stan Nollen, who claims the idea's 1979 popularity increase was caused by fears of gasollne shortages. Nollen recently surveyed 800 firms which had instituted a four-day work week at one time and found that 28 percent of them had discarded the plan, citing inconvenience.

Funeral Chain Enters
National Ad Market
Notional Ad Market
A relative newcomer to the ranks of national advertisers, Houston-based Service Corporation International will plunge 35 percent of lis $\$ 1$ miltion annual advertising budget into radio this year. The firm, which operates a chain of funeral parlors nationwide, is targeting its "prearrangement" plan (pay before you go) at the unusual demographic of those persons aged 50-plus - chiefly via Talk. News Country, and Religious-formatted stations.

Although somewhat shackled by various restrictions on funeral advertising, the company is attempting to get its message across via 60 -second spots. designed to be heard three to flve times in an eight-week period with an eight-week break followed by another eight-week spot cycle. The cycled spots, tagged with local phone numbers, are thus meant to avoid what media planners might term "overkill.

TERMINALLY BORED?
Airport Business
Info Service
Frequent flyers who find themselves bored beyond belief while waiting at airports will soon be able to recelve free annual corporate reports, stock quotes, weather reports, and videotaped company messages at many airport kiosks. The BIS Corporation plans to set up these business information centers at 25 alrports across the U.S., having already established the first of these at New York City's LaGuardia Airport.

## Truckers Tapes Take Aim On In-Cab Listening

At a time when It faces increased competition from a myriad of developing media (videodiscs, all-music cable TV, etc.), radio's last stronghold - in-car listening - is being invaded. Truckers Entertainment Network (TEN) Radio, a Vallejo, CA-based firm, is currently offering one-hour tapes (both eight-track and cassette), consisting of country music, downhome comedy, and "truck talk," designed to be played while highballing down the highway.

The tapes, retalling at truckstops and trucker's clubs for less than $\$ 4$, also feature TEN Radio's own disc jockeys such as Anne LaVoy, who claims the only thing a trucker would rather do than drive his truck is to talk about it (hence the inclusion of "truck talk" in TEN Radio's programming). More importantly, TEN Radio's tapes include advertising aimed at its "cab-tive" audience.

## Xerox Drops Data-

## Exchange Radio Network Plan

Despite having invested nearly $\$ 30$ million In the idea, the Xerox Corporation recently announced it would shelve its planned Xten datacommunications radio network. The ambitious project would have involved Xten customers adding radio receivers to their facilities so that they could pick up signals from Xerox transmitters These radio signals would have been confined within cities and the cities linked via satellite connections

## Cox Chalks Up Ist Quarter Increases

The Cox Broadcasting Company announced that its net and revenues increased during the first quarter of 1981 as net income for the quarter climbed 13 percent to $\$ 10.4$ million, up from $\$ 9.2$ million in the first quarter of 1980 Meanwhile, Cox's 1981 first quarter revenues jumped 27 percent to $\$ 82.5$ million, up from $\$ 64.8$ million in the equivalent year-previous period.

Operating profits for Cox's broadcast division swelled 15 percent while the division's revenues rose 16 percent. According to Cox President Cilfford Kurtisnd, the division's increase was balanced between radio and television as well as between local and national sales.

## Bent Bat: Curve Increases Chance Of Contact



There's nothing wrong with your eyesight. "Blg Bend," the aluminum baseball bat recently introduced by Hlllerich \& Eradsby (makers of the famous "Loulsville Slugger"), features a 19-degree curve in its construc tion.

According to company officials, the reason for the radical design is simple. With a conventional bat, the swing and transfer of weight must be exact ly synchronized to bring the barrel of the bat out in front of the hands, so no catch-up is required, increasing the probability of solid contact

Also, "Big Bend" prevents early or late rollover of the wrists. Again. when using a conventional bat, the roll of the wrists must be perfectly timed to the moment of impact to maintain a level swing. However, when using "Blg Bend," the wrists don't roll over untll after the batter has swung through the hitting area, assuring you better control of the bat.

The manufacturer notes that you won't be able to hit the ball any further using "Big Bend." The bat is designed solely to improve timing and control. Priced at between $\$ 25$ to $\$ 50$, the "'Big Bend" conforms to all known specifications. Check with your league to see if it's legal.

Noise Destroyer


For some sound advice as to how to deal with noise that an noys, lllbruck/usa suggests linIng your offices, studios, etc. with the "Sonex Pyramids" pictured Fist-sized and made from sound absorbing acoustical foam, III bruck clalms the pyramids minimize noise by trapping sound The "Sonex Pyramids" come in colored $48 \times 48$-inch sheets (three to four inches thick) and are available from Illbruck/usa at 3800 Washington Ave., N. Minneapolis, MN 55412.

Driving Costs Up 13\%
To own and operate a 1981 intermediate-sized car now costs you an average of $\$ 3601$ per year, or 244 per mile, according to the latest figures from the American Automoblle Assoclation (AAA) These figures represent an increase of slightly more than 13 percent over the comparable 1980 costs ( $\$ 3176$ or $21.2 \mathbb{C}$ per mile)
The AAA's survey was based upon a 1981 Chevrolet "Mallbu Classic four-door sedan with a six-cyllinder 229 -cubic-Inch engine, driven 15,000 miles per year and kept for four years.

## Dato Prompter Provides Perfect Pacing

## Beston Electronics recently

 debuted an improved "Data Promp ter," a character generator system which automatically paces the air talent; l.e., It will adjust its speed to guarantee that a 30 -second spot is read in exactly 30 seconds.In addition, the "Data Prompter" can be used to write news stories in place of a conventional typewriter. The unit also offers editing and word processing functions as well as on-air prompting and story reshuffling. For further Information contact Beston at (913) 764-1900.

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AD CLUB ADDRESS - Chlat/Day Executlve Vice President Mark Mullin, recently spoke before the Ad Club of Washington, DC at the request of WMAL and the New Yorkbased McGavren Gulld rep flrm.


The Fargo, ND-based Ag-America Farm Network, consisting of 25 radio stations in North Dakota, South Dakota, and Minnesota, has announced its affiliation with the rep.
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WERE and WGCUClevelend have signed on as affiliates with the firm.


WTIKIRaleigh-Durham, NC; WSGL-FM/Neples, FL; and KIKF/Garden Grove, CA have announced their affiliation with the rep.

ELAIR RADIO
The firm recently announced it has moved its Southwest sales operations to One Lincoln Centre, 5400 LBJ Freeway, Sulte 975/LB \#7. Dallas. TX 75240. The new phone number for the rep's radio office is (214) 239-7000.


The firm recently announced the opening of its sixth office, located in Atlanta at 6 Pledmont Center NE, 30305, (404) 261-2227. Lestey Norman has been appointed Sales Manager for the Atlanta office, coming from her previous post as Nallonal Sales Manager for WSB-AM-FM/AtIanta.

## FCC Reports Network Revenues Up, Profits Down In 1980

America's elght broadcast networks (CBS, NGC. Iwo Mutual, and four ABC webs) along with their 35 O\&O stations, posted a 18.1 percent increase in broadcast revenues during 1980, according to statistics compiled by the FCC. However, these same networks and O\&O statlons saw 1980 profits dip 26 percent.

Revenues for the elght nets and 35 faclities (less payments to affillates, agency commissions, and cash discounts) rose from $\$ 252$ million in 1979 to $\$ 292.8$ million in 1980 , whlle proflts stood at $\$ 27.5$ million, down from $\$ 37.2$ million in 1979. The largest factor in this decline - network expenses - soared 28.3 percent to $\$ 103.4$ million in 1980 . up from $\$ 80.6$ million in the year-prevlous.

Meanwhile, profits at the O8O's cllmbed elght percent to \$23 mililon, up from 1979's $\$ 21.3$ milition, but network earnings slld 71.3 percent to $\$ 4.57$ million, down from $\$ 15.9$ million in 1979.


KOCH WHN'S "MAN OF THE YEAR" AWARD - Pictured flanking New York City Mayor Edward Koch at the festlvities celebrating hls being named WHN's "Man Of The Year" are (left) Mutual Sr. VP and WHN/New York GM Nicholas Verbitsky and Mutual President Martln Rubensteln.

## Program Suppliers

## Westwood One

"In Concert,' the firm's latest addition to its live-in-concert series will feature Epic recording group Molly Hatchet on the weekend of May 22. with performances from Columbia's Loverboy and Ariola's Krokus to follow in June.
Forthcoming acts taped for the Black-formatted "Concert Of The Month' program include Mer cury/Polypram's the Gap Band and Varbrough \& Peoples.

## Thirsty Ear

The firm announces it has acquired new offices at 26 Park Place, Morristown. NJ 07960. The new phone number is (201) 285-1540.

## People

## Chicago

Bob Burke has been named Controller for WLS-AM-FM and the ABC Radio Network. Most recently, Burke served as Controller for the Gannett Corporation's Detroitbased radio division, having previously been an auditor at Gannett's corporate offices in Phoenix.

## Los Angeles

Susan Wallace has been elevated to National Sales Manager for KIISFM. A 22-year veteran of the radio in-
dustry. Wallace most recently served as an account exec with the station, having previously held a similar post with KHJ/Los Angeles.

## Pittsburgh

Chuck Hobbs has been appointed General Sales Manager at WPNT, coming from his previous post as an account exec with Radio Advertising Representatives (RAR) Inc., based in Detrolt. Prior to joining RAR. Hobbs held an account exec post at WJR-FM in the Motor City.

## TM Special Projects

'The Beatles: The Days in Their Lives," a 30 -hour radio documentary co-produced by TM Special Projects and the Toronto-based Sonic Workshop, will air via KHTZ/Los Angeles over Memorial Day weekend. Additional stations having signed up for the special include KZEW/Dalles, WAlV/Jacksonville, KYUU/San Francisco, wDCG/RalelghDurham, WBBF/Rochester, KIOY/Fresno, WRNO/New Orleans, KXA/Seattle, WABB/Moblle, CILQ/Toronto, and WSNE/Providence.

## Strand

## Broadcast Services

"Something You Should Know." a dally 90 -second feature which presents various experts advising listeners on subjects as diverse as how to save time and money and how to improve your mental and physical health. Is now available from the recently-formed firm. Hosted by KHTZ/Los Angeles alr personality Mike Carruthers and produced by Donna Lum, "Something You Should Know" is currently heard at over 20 stallons natlonwide, Including KYA/San Francisco, WRTH/St. Louls, WSIX/Nashville, WAXY/Mi-ami-Ft. Lauderdale and KINKPortland, OR.

Strand Broadcast Services is located at 1636 Voorhees Ave.. Manhattan Beach. CA 90266, (213) 372-6282.

## NKR Productions

Allen Collier has been named General Sales Manager for the flrm. A 10-year veteran of radio syndication. Collier most recently served as a Reglonal Manager with DrakeChenault for the past three years. having previously worked with NKR President Ron Nickell at TM Programming. Prior to entering the radio syridication field, Collier held General Manager posts at several radio stations.

## Wold Communications

Gary Lippman has been appointed Vice President/Eastern Sales, coming from his previous post as Director/Sales Development 8 Implementation for the Hughes Television Network.

## Sales

KEYY/Provo, UT has been sold by the Mid-Utah Broadcasting Co. to the Utah Valley Technical Institute Ltd. for $\$ 1.59$ million.

WMTE-AM and WRRK-FM/Manistee, MI have been sold by the Manistee Radio Corporation to the Manlstea Broadcasting Company for $\$ 950,000$, subject to FCC approval. Cecll Richarde Inc. brokered the transaction.

## CBSRAD ${ }^{\text {mim}}$

The net is currently conducting a serles of seminars detalling the history, uses, strengths, and efficiency of network radlo. Developed by CBS Radio VPISales Richard Macaluso and network Direc. tor/MarketIng Gregory Líncoln these seminars are being given on re quest to agencles. cllents, and poten tlal advertisers. Each seminar is custom-tallored to a specific au. dience.

Topics discussed at the meetings include programming, afflliate rela tions, research, sales service, promo llons, news gathering, and marketing reasons to use network radlo. The seminars are being held in varlous places across the country.

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The net has announced it will pro vide the exclusive network radio broadcast of the World Boxing Council (WBC) heavywelght champlonship flght between current WBC champ Larry Holmes and former titleholder Leon Spinks, scheduled to take place June 12 at the Joe Louls Arena ih' Detrolt. Enterpilse's Don Chevrier will handle blow-by-blow with John Sterling providing color.


## NBC Radio

The following stations have announced their atfillation with the net: KXL/Portland, OR; WKCY/Har. risonburg, VA; WHHO-AM-FM/Hornell, NY; WYRU/Red Springs, NC; KBZY/Salem, OR; KCMX/Medford, OR; WCLD/Cleveland, MS; WYRQ/Little Falls, MN; KLUB/Salt Lake City, KHNY/Riverside-San Bernardino, CA; WMPS/Memphis, WDEH-AM-FM/Sweetwater, TN; WBCE/Wickliffe, KY; WQAM/Miaml, and WSULMonticello, NY.


Jazz Alivel", the weekly series of live jazz concerts carried vla NPR, has been honored with the 1980 George Foster Peabody Award for Entertainment. Designed to "recognize the most distinguished and meritorious public service" by radio and television, the award was presented to "Jazz Alivel" for its four-hour live special, "The Jazz mobile Sunday Festival," broadcast in October of 1980.

WCDL-AM-FM/Carboindale, PA have been sold by the Stainless Broadcasting Co. to Lifestyle Productions of Pennsyivania Inc. for $\$ 525,000$, subject to $F C C$ approval. according to broker Keith. Horton.

WJVASouth Bend. IN has been sold by the Mid-America Broadcasting Company Inc. to Miramar Broadcasting Inc. for $\$ 275.000$, subject to FCC approval. Broker was Richard Shaheen Inc.


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Half U.S. Homes To Be Solar-Powered By 1995
Over half of America's households will be using solar equipment by 1995 , up from approximately six percent at present, according to a recently-released Predicaste study. Skyrocketing fuel prices and added government incentives are viewed as being major contributors to the increase.

## Latest Twist In Flashlights

Ellminate that need for a third hand and llluminate those hard-tolight places with Vale Industries Inc. 's "The Light. " Not only is the item flexible (see adjacent photo). enabling you to bend the beam In any direction you desire, but "'The Light" is also magnetized so it can be attached to the appropriate surfaces for even greater ease of operation.

Just the thing for repairing wiring in cramped quarters (control rooms, for example), "The Light" is also available in a rechargeable version. For further information contact Vale Industries, at 15801 Rockfield Blva., Sulte C. Irvine. CA 92714, (714) 855-8193.

Boylan Elevated To VP/Exec. Producer At Epic
John Boylan has been promoted to Vice President/Execullve Producer at Epic Records. A five-year veteran of the label, Boylan most recently served as an Ex. ecutive Producer for Epic.
Boylan began his production career in 1967 as a staff producer and writer for Koppleman-Rubin Assoclates, going into independent production with his own Great Eastern Gramaphone Company in 1969. Among Boylan's production credits are albums by
 Boston, Linda Ronstadt, the Charlle Daniels Band, REO Speedwagon, and the Little River Band.

## Keith Named VP/Promo For Uno Melodic

Ray "Cookie" Kelth has been appolnted Vice President of Promotion at Uno Melodic Records. Kelth previousiy held promotion posts at Motown Records for several years.

In a related development. Vesta Maxey has been named National Promotion Coordinator for the New York-based label.

## Wenrick, Street Form Mult-Faceted Firm

Eddle Wenrick and Tom Street have announced the formation of Wenrick-Sireet, a music publishing, record production, and management company. Wenrick most recently served as Assistant to the President at Aucoin Management, having previously been assoclated with CBS Records, while Street headed 7 Street Entertainment Group Inc., a Hawali-based management and production company

Wenrick-Street is located at 9314 Sierra Mar Drive, Los Angeles, CA 90069, (213) 274-9485.

## Kostich, Shaw \& Patrie Upped At WB's Dance Music Dept.

Cralg Kostich has been named Director/Dance Music, Bob Shaw has been appointed National Promotion Manager/Dance Music, and Stephen Patrle has been upped to National Promotion Manager for Dance-Oriented Rock Music at Warner Bros. Records. Most recently, Kostlich headed Fuslon Productions, his own Los Angeles-based production and management firm, having previously held the National Promotion Director post at Warner Bros./RFC Records

Shaw and Patrie formerly held regional promotion posts with Warner Bros./RFC Records.

## Camilleri Forms JCO Label

so-Anne Camillerl has announced the formation of JCO Records. Camillerl will serve as President for the Cana-dian-based firm. JCO Records may be reached at (416) 245-8014.

## Klaidman Named Nat'I Sales Mgr. At BES Inc.

Barry KIaldman has been appointed National Sales Manager for eES Inc., the Costa Mesa, CA-based loudspeaker manufacturer. Prior to joining BES, Klaldman served as VP/Seles \& Marketing at Phoenix-besed General Sound, having previously held national and regional sales

## Kaye Named Chairman At

 Warner Bros. MusicChuck Kaye has been appointed Chairman of Warner Bros. Music, coming from his previous post as President of Geffen/Kaye Music, the Geffen Records publishing divlsion that will be renamed Geffen Music and will be administered by Warner Bros. Music. Kaye began his music industry career in promotion, later serving as General Manager for Philles Records.

After a stint with Aldon Music, Kaye spent seven years with Almolliving Music and Roindor Music, A\&M Records' music publishing wings. In 1974, he returned to Almo/Irving/Rondor as Executive VP, becoming President a year later. Kaye joined Geffen/Kaye Music in 1980.

## Landers Forms Lighthouse Firm

Jay Landers has announced the formation of the Lighthouse Company, a Los Angeles-based record and film production firm. Landers is a former co-principal of Landers-Roberts Records. The Lighthouse Company can be reached at (213) 276-4540.

## Mack Named Nat'I VP/ Promo For Dimension

BIII Mack has been appointed National Vice President of Operations, Merchandising, Promotlon and Sales for Oimension Records. Most recently, Mack headed Mack Management, a marketing, sales, and promotion consulting firm located in Dallas. Mack previously held regional sales, marketing, and promotion positions with Arlola, ABC, and RCA Records

## Pro:Motions

## Green Upped To Dir. 1 Business Affairs At CBS

Theodore Green has been promoted to Director/Business Affairs at CBS Records. Having joined the label in 1979, Green most recently served as Senior Attorney for CBS.

## D'Ascenzo Named Mgr. Of Newly-Merged <br> 3M Audio/Video Division

Frank D'Ascenzo has been named Manager of the newly-merged Megnetic AudioNVideo Products Division for 3M. This new division will market products formerly avaliable from 3 M 's Minicom Division, which has been dissolved. Products available under the audio/video merger include video tape recorders, graphics generators, routing and machine control systems, digital audio recorders, electronic edtiors, and accessorios.

Additional appointments under the division's reorganizatlon include Bob Landingham, Sales Manager; Clark Duffey, Marketing Development Manager/Dlgital Audlo Products; James Mazzonl, Marketing Development Manager/TV Display Systems; Jerry Kerr, Marketing Development Supervisor/Switching Systems; and David Blxler. Marketing Development SupervisorNideotape Recorders.

## Harper, Stoios Form HSO Label

alll Harper, a 20 -year veteran of the music industry, and NicHullas Stolos, an overseas llcensing and marketing speclallst, have announced the formation of HSO Records Incorporated. The new label will be located at 920 Market St., Phlladelphla, PA 19107, (216) 923-9473.

## Loggins Named East Coast A\&R Director At RCA

Dan Loggins has been appointed Director/Contem. porary Music A8f-East Coast at RCA Records. Loggins most recently served as Ex. ecutive Director/internatlonal A\&R for WEA International for three years, having previously spent seven years as Executive Director of A\&R for CBSIU.K. A former musiclan, Loggins began his record industry career in the retall business, later working with the Fllimore Corporation. prior to joining CBSIU.K.


## Schuman, Yeranian, Guarino \& Caspi Elevated As CBS Merch. Planning/ Administration Dept. Restructures

Susan Schuman, Arthur Yeranlan, Joseph Guarino. and Ann Caspl have been promoted as CBS Records restructures its Merchandising Planning and Administration Department. Schuman, a six-year veteran of the label, has been named Director of Merchandising Administratlon, coming from her previous post as Administrative Coordinator of Merchandising Administration.

Yeranian, an 11-year veteran of CBS Records who most recently servied as Associate Director of National Advertising Production, has been elevated to Director of National Adver. tising Planning.

Guarino has been appointed Manager of National Adver tising Production. A seven-year veteran of the label, Guarino most recently served as Production Coordinator

Caspi, a two-year veteran of CBS, has been elevated to Advertising Coordinator/Merchandising Planning and Ad ministration, coming from her previous post as Administrallve Assistant in the label's Merchandising Planning Department.

## Gorlick Elevated To Mkt. Dir. For NARM

Patrick Gorllck has been appointed Director of Marketing for the Natlonal Assoclation of Recording Mer chandisers (NARM). Prior to joining NARM in 1979, Gorlick headed his own Seattle-besed advertising and marketing com pany.

## Hill Named Nat'I Field Promo Manager For MCA

Elmer HIII has been named to the newly-created post of National Field Promotion Manager for MCA Records Black Product division. A 20-year veteran of the music Industry Hili's prevlous experience includes a stint as Natlonal Promo tion Director/Black Product with 20th Century-Fox Records

## Simmons Named Dir./ Industry Relations At INCA

Ken Simmons has been appointed Director of industry Relations for the Instlfute of New Cinema Artists (INCA) Recording Industry Training Program. A former free-lance journalist and television news reporter, Simmons will serve as a $\mathrm{ll} / \mathrm{l}$ son between INCA and the recording industry, responslble for developing internship and employment positlons for the 30 students presently enrolled in the federally-funded pro gram.
"Leading stations have been able to attract sizable teen audiences.

## Winter Surveys X-Rayed

This week we'll continue examining the results of the 10 week long winter surveys recently released by Arbitron. In looking at the key markets below - and delving into some stations that are major factors in those markets - it is interesting to note that teens are a vital factor in the "up" books received by various stations. Although from a sales point of view teens are not usually very sought after, it appears that leading stations have been able to attract sizable teen audiences and use this group to boost $12+$ shares.

## San Francisco

Looks like a pretty solid survey in the Bay Area this sweep, but there are two items you should keep in mind when reviewing the results. The overall metro in-tab slipped $11 \%$, from 3826 to 3402 , which theoretically could mean slightly less stable estimates. However, the in-tab reduction was well spread among the demos, so extreme flukes appear unlikely. Men 18-24 slipped from 241 in-tab to 221 . Additionally, the impact of the Expanded Sample Frame was increased this book. ESF diaries were upped from $35 \%$ of the in-tab in the fall to just over $41 \%$ this time. Arbitron is aiming to achieve about $45 \%$ of their metro in-tab from homes not listed in the phone books so it's possible that the ESF penetration could increase again. Stations that usually benefit from ESF, such as ethnic stations and AOR's, could be the beneficiaries of such an increase.

Two stations that have shown good numbers in the winter data are Black KSOL and Country KNEW. KSOL is the top music station in the San Francisco metro, $12+$, and has shown a steady multi-book trend of audience increases. KNEW has had a steady profile up until this latest report, which saw the station move up in a healthy fashion. Let's examine what helped each of these successes.

In our overview of the KSOL and KNEW stories, we'll use Market-Buy-Market's© audience composition analysis (similar to what was used in the latest R\&R Ratings Report) and time spent listening analysis.

On an audience composition basis, analyzing the average quarter hour audience from winter book to winter book shows that KSOL, while still retaining a strong teen contingent, has attracted an improved showing ( $41 \%$ vs. $32 \%$ ) in the $18-24$ demo. This should give KSOL some sales punch in the $18-34$ and $18-49$ situations. With regard to KNEW, their jump in this latest book was due to a diverse demographic rise. Compared to last winter's survey, this most recent data shows boosts in the amount of 18-24 and 65+ audience, with slippage in the $25-34$ cell

## Time Spent Listening Report - <br> San Francisco Metro

| $\begin{aligned} & \text { Sex-Age Persons } 12+ \\ & \text { Pop }(00), 43353 \end{aligned}$ |  | Arbitron: Jan-Mar ${ }^{81}$ Dayparts, Mon-Suni, 6am-Mid. |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Mins/Day | Avg. Qtr. | Weekly |
| Stations | Listened | Hr. (00) | Cume (00) |
| SOL | 104 | 403 | 4169 |
| KNEW | 80 | 264 | 3556 |
| Sex-Aget | 12+ |  | on: Jan-Feb' 80 Sun, 6am-Mid |
|  | Mins/Day | Avg. Qtr. | Weekly |
| Stations | $1.1 .8 t e n e d$ | Hr. (00) | Cume (00) |
| KSOL | 76 | 261 | 3712 |
| KNEW | 66 | 208 | 3385 |

The time spent listening analysis shows notable increases for both stations, with KSOL having boosted its average TSL by $37 \%$ in the last year.

## Audience Composition Report:

Avg. Qtr. Hour - San Francisco Metro

| Sex-Age, Persons 12+ <br> Pop(00), 43353 |  |  | Arbitron Jan.-Mar. '8/ Dayparts, Mon-Sun, 6am-Midnigh |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Stetiondipop | $12+$ | 12.17 | 18.24 | 25.34 | 35-44 | 45.54 | 55.64 | O5 + |
| Meiro |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Pop Diur. | 100.0 | 11.2 | 16.4 | 22.3 | 14. | 13. | 10 | 11. |
| XSOL | 1000 | 29.3 | 1.2 | 18.6 | 5.5 | 3.2 | 1.7 | 0.5 |
| KNEW | 100.0 | 6.8 | 15.2 | 14.8 | 23.9 | 19. | 15. | 4.9 |
| Sex-Age: Persons $12+$ <br> Pop(00), 43104 |  |  | Dayparts; Mon-Sun. 6um-Midnight |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| StationdPup | $12+$ | 12.17 | 18.24 | 25.34 | 35-44 | 45.54 | 55.64 | 6s+ |
| Metro |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Pop Diatr. | 100.0 | 11.6 | 16.5 | 21.8 | 14.1 | 13.3 | 11.0 | 11.6 |
| KSOL | 100.0 | 40.2 | 32.6 | 17.2 | 6.5 | 2.3 | 1.1 | 0.0 |
| XNEW | 100.0 | 2.4 | +. 8 | 28.8 | 22.1 | 14.4 | 10.1 | 17.3 |

It will be interesting to see if KSOL continues to improve its standing and its adult profile, and to see if KNEW can retain the gains made in the Winter ' 81 survey.

## Philadelphia

Good news for the Philadelphia metro is that the Winter ' 81 results are likely to be more stable than the data from the fall ' 80 survey. Usable intab was up $24 \%$, from 1973 to 2452 , and the male $18-24$ count rose from, 112 to 162 , allowing for better estimates in that group. The ESF percentage was stable in both reports, resting at approximately $39-40 \%$ of the $12+$ sample.

One station that prospered in the latest book was WDAS-FM, the Black format leader in the market. WDAS-FM posted the biggest gain in the winter results. Teens were an important part of the $12+$ rise.

In the Market-Buy-Market analysis below you'll note that although the entire station's average TSL was up, the teen cell had an especially impressive increase

## Time Spent Listening Report Philadelphia Metro

Sex-Age: Persons $12+$ Arbitron: Jan-Feb 81 Pop(00): 39644

| Stations | Mins/Day <br> Listened | Avg. Qtr. <br> Hr. (00) | Weekly <br> Cume (00) |
| :--- | ---: | :---: | :---: |
| WDAS-FM | 112 | 419 | 4032 |

Time Spent Listening Report Philadelphia Metro

Sex-Aget Teens 12-17
Arbitron: Jan-Feb '81
Pop(00), 4819
Dayparts: Mon-Sun, 6am-Mid.
Stations
WDAS.FM
Mins/Day Listened
Sex-Aget Teens 12-17
Pop(00), 5039
Stations
WDAS.FM
Arbitron: Jan-Feb '80
Dayparts: Mon-Sun, 6am-Mid Mins/Day Listened

Although the adult numbers for WDAS-FM have remained stable over the past year, it's the teen contribution that helped the station score its big success in the latest sweep.

## Detroit

The first Quarterly Measurement sweep in Detroit was greeted with all the enthusiasm of a

## Week In Review

## Advisory Council Meeting Set

The first full meeting of the newly constituted Arbitron Radio Advisory Council and representatives from Arbitron is taking place this week. The Council, chaired by Tom Hoyt of Heftel Broadcasting, has for the first time put together an agenda for the meeting, rather than responding to an outline suggested by Arbitron.

Among the topics for the Atlanta meeting are alternative contract pricing possibilities; the possibility of reinstating five-year contracts; revising marketplace polling techniques regarding changes in relevant market survey periods and other items; and an RAB/GOALLS report on the ethnic measurement controversy over Differential Survey Treatment.
new Japanese import, but some stations seemed to profit by the 10 -week long effort. Part of the story may lie in the oversample used in the initial QM survey, which saw usable diaries rise $46 \%$ compared to the fall ' 80 sweep. One demo that really benefitted from the additional in-tab was women 18-24. The usable figure jumped from 125 in the fall to 229 this survey, an $83 \%$ boost. Given the additional sample in the market, and especially in the difficult 18-24 cell, the results of this survey can be viewed with confidence.

WLLZ probably is exuding much confidence these days. Not only did the station score an even stronger book this time, compared to its fall debut, but its leadership in the $12-24$ demos is remarkably stable. In both books you'll note that WLLZ has maintained approximately $77 \%$ of its average quarter hour audience in the $12-24$ cells, while WRIF edged more into the $25-34$ category this past sweep

Audience Composition Report: Avg. Qtr. Hour - Detroit Metro

| Sex-Age: Persons $12+$ Pop(00): 35759 |  |  |  | Dayparts, Mon-Sun. Gam-Midnight |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Stationd/Pop | $12+$ | 12.17 | 18.24 | 25.34 | 35.44 | 45.54 | 55.64 | $65+$ |
| Metro |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Pop Distr. | 100.0 | 13.3 | 15.4 | 20.8 | 15.2 | 913.3 | 10.8 | 11.1 |
| WLII | 100.0 | 33.3 | 43.7 | 19.6 | 2.6 | 0.5 | 0.0 | 0.2 |
| WRIF | 100.0 | 22.9 | $2+$. | 43.8 | 4.8 | 3.0 | 0.4 | 0.7 |
| Sex-Age: Persons $12+$ Pop(00): 35759 |  |  |  | Arbitron:Oct-Nov '80 |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Stationis Pop | 12+ | 12.17 | 18.24 | 25.34 | 35.44 | 45.54 | 55.64 | 65+ |
| Metro |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Pop Distr. | 100.0 | 13.3 | 15.4 | 20.8 | 15.2 | 13.3 | 10.8 | 11.1 |
| WLIL | 100.0 | 33.3 | 43.0 | 18.9 | 2.3 | 0.2 | 2.3 | 0.0 |
| Wrif | 100.0 | 21.9 | 46.7 | 21.9 | 1.2 | 2.0 | 3.3 | 0.0 |

Part of the increased standing for WLLZ this survey came from the increased female audience to the station, perhaps due partially to the extra sampling in that key demo, presenting more cume opportunities to ladies of the AOR persuasion.

Additional winter market overviews coming next week. See you then!

Jhan Hiber


KROY
Continued from Page 1 are quite willing to testify that they are in their minds station 'X.'"

## KROY: "No Merit"

 To SuitKROY's Jonsson said he would have run the ad even had he known of KZAP's reaction in advance, and added, "There's absolutely no merit to this lawsuit. I think KZAP hasn't a leg to stand on. I find the whole situation humorous. It's a waste of our time and theirs, but if they want to pursue it, we'll be delighted to take it all the way to the courts. Our lawyers feel it will be dismissed before it gets to trial. There's a tremendous body of law that protects this kind of brand comparison advertising."
Jonsson continued, "It never occurred to us that the ad could cause that kind of trouble. Originally the ad was done as a Brand X, Y, and Z comparison of music; only at the last minute did we substitute the word station. it was our attempt to define our format, Adult Rock, to our audience." Commenting on the call letter similarities, he said, "They are certainly letters that fit some of the call letters in town. On the other hand, you can pick up several Bay Area stations here, so you could discount that."
Follow-Up Ad Zaps KZAP A later ad placed in the Sacramento Union by KROY stressed the humorous nature of the campaign. It reprinted the original ad (which appeared in Sacramento magazine), then add-

## Charter

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KRBE add KIQQ add WJDX add WSGN add Y103 add BJ105 add 92Q add WGH add WDJX add KNBQ add

Produced by Peter Coleman

KYSN add KCPX add FM103 on WFBG add KENI add KOOK add KFXD add KRLC add KBOZ add

for the future of our industry all have a stake in the development of new artists and new Labels, each with a.very individual style. With imagination and a willingness to change, a variety of arrangements between companies will become possible, which will strengthen the record business. I'm very grateful to my friends at CBS who have helped Boardwalk make such an impressive debut, and I promise them that we'll continue to make them proud of us."

## WHICH RADIO STATION DOYOU LISTEN TO?

STATION X Sofi rock for the terminally mellow Ilstener who enjoys warm milk before bed and likes to hear pins dropping. These listeners regularly squeeze the Charmin.

## STATOM 2 Hard rock


for soft brains. These listeners love the sound of jackhammers in the night, fingernails on the chalkboard, and have been known to swoon with pleasure at the aroma of stale cigarettes. They regularly squee\%e empty beer cans.

STATMONY Adult Rock for sensuous, vibrant, attractive, well adjusted young Sacramentans who have come to appreciate the sophistication and dashing elegance of KROY AM \& FM. These listeners regularly squeete each other.

## KROY ADULTROCK

ed: "When this advertisement appeared . . .three interesting things happened: First, a lot of sophisticated, dashingly elegant people with great senses of humor chuckled right out loud. They could see that we were poking a little gentle fun at our competition, our industry, and most of all at ourselves
"Second, a lot of people tuned into KROY . . . and . . . began feeling much more sensuous, vibrant, attractive, and infinitely more well adjusted. Gosh, we felt really good about that.
"The third thing? Well, KZAP sued us. Apparently, they thought

## Wahlen

Continued from Page 1 Before Group W bought KJQY in January, Wahlen was President, GM, and part owner of the station, known formerly as KOZN. FM. From 1970 to 1975 he was VP/GM of KOSN and KSEA. FM/San Diego.
Westinghouse expects to announce a replacement for Wahlen at KJQY in the near future.

## Fowler

Continued from Page the oath of office before $a$ standing-room-only crowd in the Commission meeting room, Fowler said the FCC should be guided by a single question
"What is best for the people?" And he told his colleagues, "I trust and pray that we will have a good and true friendship - at least four votes out of five."

## A Radio Story

Fowler related how, when he called home to announce his Senate confirmation, daughter Claire, age 11, complained that a local radio station had failed to play a record she had requested several times. "Now, Dad." said Claire, "I'm going to call them back and tell them my dad's the new Chairman of the FCC and if you don't play my record you won't be around any more."
we meant they were Station Z Now we can't help what they think, but we are sad to see they have los't their sense of humor. After all, entertainment is what radio is all about . . ."

## Hattrik

Continued from Page 1 this is in recognition of his accomplishments."
Hattrik commented, "It means a lot to me. I appreciate the confidence Gary and the rest of the company have placed in me. This is the best radio management team I know of; I'm glad to be part of it."
Hattrik will remain as PD of KWK \& WWWK/St. Louis, the AOR stations whose debuts he supervised. He also guided the programming of Doubleday's WLLZ/Detroit, which also achieved instant ratings success.

## James

Continued from Page James told R\&R, "The opportunity to work with Viacom and to work with Al Greenfield, whom I worked with before when I was working at Sonderling, is the main reason for my decision. I have a lot of respect and admiration for Al Greenfield and I believe I'll be able to work well with him.
"I plan to go out there (to California), work as hard as I can, find out what the community likes, and try to provide it," James continued. "I hope to have the kind of help that I've enjoyed in the past that will enable me to be successful."

Regarding his tenure at WVONWGCI, James said, "I think it's a fantastic position. It's been a great opportunity for me. I'm sure the stations will continue to do well and I wish them nothing but the best."

James joined the stations in 1978, beginning as General Manager and later moving to VP/ GM, then President/GM. He entered radio at the now-defunct KIOO/OLlahoma City.

"A child is pure, devoid of fault or blame.
He represents the celebration of new life, hope for a better world, hope for a better way.
A child marks the continuation of our lives, our future.
What should he know of death?"
Gladys Knight

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Ronda Curtis will be leaving KWEN/Tulsa within the next two weeks to become Program Director of KLAZ \& KOKY/Little Rock. Ronda, who has been handling both the music and programming chores at KWEN, will get her first official PD job when she joins the Little Rock properties. The rumor running around Tulsa is that KWEN will switch formats to Country in the very near future.

The Confidential Report tipsheet closed its doors Friday (5-15), citing "financial considerations" as the reason. The immediate future for several staffers was not made clear.

Walt Brown has been upped to PD at WSGN/Birmingham as former PD Jay Michaels and PM drive jock Reid Lundy both exited the station last Friday (5-15). Walt has already hired Doug Layton from WERC/Birmingham to replace Lundy. Layton is an 11-year veteran of WERC and does play-byplay for the University of Alabama football broadcasts. Walt will continue to handle WSGN's music until he can find a new MD for the station.

Ovation Records President Dick Schory has laid off several employees, including the Pop Promotion Department. National Pop Promotion Director Frank Giuliano and National AOR Promotion Director Lauren Korman are now on the loose due to the cutbacks.

KSET/El Paso Operations Director Chuck Kelly has resigned the station after three years to become PD at KYST/Texas City. KYST is currently a daytimer located between Galveston and Houston, but the station will be increasing power and going 24 hours around June 15. Jeff Blake will remain with KSET as PD.

The WEA Records label will be a reality by September according to WEA International Senior VP Fred Haayen, who will head the new label. WEA Records will serve as a domestic outlet for international acts not currently on any of the existing WCI labels. Promotion and marketing will most likely be handled through one of the current WEA labels: WB, E/A, or Atlantic.

Kim Cunard, PD of KVOL/Lafayette, will exit the radio business shortly to become his own boss. Kim and a friend have invested in their own venture and the pair will go into business for themselves. No replacement for Kim at KVOL has been named yet.

That Rolling Stones summer tour we told you about may turn out to be a fall tour instead. Apparently several solo projects and the recording of a new Stones album will delay the boys getting back on the road for a while longer.

Dean Landsman \& Steve Rivers have signed WSNI/Philadelphia as their latest consultation client. The station will be shifting to a more defined 25 + Adult Conteniporary presentation.


HEADS OR TAILS, YOU'RE IN WITH THIS COIN - Robox Records has minted an undisclosed number of special ":Rockolns" (pictured above), which will entide the bearer permanent free admittance to ony concert by the groups namod on tho "Rockoin" - Zigguret and Grinder Switch. With all due respect to these two groups, neither is in the concert cless whth, say. Fleetwood Mac or the Eegles, but It's a neat promotionel idea nonetheless. And who knows, maybe Mick Flootwood will see th/s and think It's e great idea.

Meanwhile at WIFI/Philadelphia, John St. John, last at WLAC/Nashville, is the new AM drive personality. John replaces Mark Shannon, who recently left for B94/Pittsburgh.

Did Ringo Starr mean it when he told a national TV audience that he was not on the new George Harrison single? His story was that he played on the original session, but was not satisfied with his performance and so he took himself out of the whole project.

Y100/Miami paid off big in its "Rainbow Connection" contest, awarding one winner $\$ 252,861.23$ on PD Bill Tanner's show. The giveaway was the largest cash prize ever given to one listener in Florida radio history, according to the station, and the amount will be paid out over 20 years. The legal action filed against Y100 by a disgruntled contest loser (R\&R 5-1) is still pending.

Jay Allan has been promoted to Operations Director at WTHI/Terre Haute, replacing Bobby Kraig, who recently joined KPLX/Dallas as PD (R\&R 5-8).

Ten years ago almost every major market had a key secondary nearby that served as a sort of "farm club" for future air talent. Now it looks like New Haven may be New York City's new talent pool. KC101/New Haven's Dan Lyons does weekends for WNBC/New York and KCl01 personality Peter Bush has just begun handling weekends for WABC/New York.

R\&R's own (and of course KMPC's) Gary Owens got his star Wednesday (5-20) on Hollywood's "Walk Of Fame." Look for full pictorial coverage of this gala event in next week's edition.

THE ELECTRIC WEENIE, RADIO'S NUMBER 1 GAG SHEET, GETS LETTERS . . .
DARYL DELANEY/KRDR . . . "Sign me up for" another year. Your stuff is absolutely overwhelmingly adequate."

# JUST RELEASED THE NEW SINGLE "ANOTHER TICKET" 

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## Gary Owens

Well, with most of the $\mathbf{R \& R}$ staff involved in the baseball season, I've just put in my recommendation for a new name. In Los Angeles's San Fernando Valley, I'm in favor of changing the moniker to San Fernando Valenzuela! The Dodger pitcher has taken the country by storm as a nifty 20 -year-old star. (As George Burns told me at the crowning of the Playmate of the Year Awards. . I have neck ties older than Valenzuela!

Congratulations to KLAC's the oldest continuously Sammy Jackson! The published comic book that is Academy of Country Music still in print is? (DC's "Advennamed Sammy "Deejay of the ture Comics"...) I know Jeff Year" for $1980 \ldots$ and it's a Gelb is reading and checking well-deserved plaudit for a great guy. Among his many accolades already garnered, Sammy will have to get a forklift just to pick up the trophies when he and his lovely bride Suzanne decide to move from their palatial ranch.
I first met Sammy when he arrived in Hollywood to star in TV's "No Time For Sargeants!"

A friend of mine, Roy Thomas, one of the world's great comic book writers and editors, just got married to lovely Danette Couto in a 6am ceremony at the Griffith Park Observatory. The atmosphere was straight out of a surrealistic adventure-romance novel, with the clouds parting, a harp playing, and a bluebird alighting amidst the nuptials (the Nuptials, Fred and Irene, had flown in from Fresno). Most of the country's leading writers and cartoonists were in attendance, and some interesting trivia questions were asked and answered at the reception. Do you know what
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ABC Wins Decisive Victory

During the interim between official TV seasons, anything can happen in the ratings, including front-running CBS falling to third, which did happen during the week ending May 17 as tabulated by Nielsen. ABC took four of the top five places on its way to a solid 17.0 average rating, with NBC coming up with an impressive 16.2 for second and CBS finishing at 15.4 , with several series stalwarts absent and its top-rated program being the TV movie biography of Tammy Wynette. ABC thus continues a surge begun the prevlous week when it tied CBS for first with a 16.5 average rating; NBC trailed with 15.2 at that time. Last week's Top 20:

| - | 1 | Best Little Girt In The World (ABC <br> Mon.Mov.) |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| 4 | 2 | Three's Company (ABC) | 15 | 11 | Love Boat (ABC) |
| - | 3 | Meatballs (NBC Sunday Movie) | 2 | 13 | CHiPs (NBC) $^{*}$ S $^{*}$ H (CBS) |
| 14 | 4 | Too Close For Comfort (ABC) | - | 14 | Greatest American Hero (ABC) |
| - | 5 | TV's Censored Bloopers (ABC) | 5 | 15 | Diff'rent Strokes (NBC) |
| - | 6 | Stand By Your Man (CBS Wed. Mov.) | 19 | 16 | Happy Days (ABC) |
| - | 7 | Hart To Hart (ABC) | 16 | 17 | Real People (NBC) |
| 8 | 8 | 60 Minutes (CBS) | 18 | 18 | Fantasy Island (ABC) |
| 11 | 9 | Laverne \& Shirley (ABC) | - | 19 | Trapper John, MD (CBS) |
| - | 10 | Little House On The Prairie (NBC) | - | 20 | Barney Miller (ABC) |

May 10 hits that were either one-time specials or didn't survive to the,current Top 20 were 1) "Murder In Texas" Part II (NBC movie) 6) "Broken Promises" (CBS movie) 7) "Nurse" (CBS) 9) "Facts Of Life" (NBC) 10) "Main Event" (ABC movie) 12) "20/20" (ABC) 13) "Battle Of The Network Stars" (ABC) 17) "House Calls" (CBS), and 20) "The Gentleman Bandit" (CBS movie)

## Network Revenues Up, Profits Down

The FCC's 1980 figures for the three TV networks and their owned-and-operated stations show the familiar story of increased revenues but decreased profits owing to higher expenses. The networks brought in $\$ 4.6$ billion in revenues (up $11.6 \%$ ) and earned $\$ 534$ million (down $7.2 \%$ ). The O\&O's generated $\$ 700$ million in revenues (up $9.7 \%$ over 1979) and increased their profits $1.6 \%$ to $\$ 208$ million.

## Warner Qube Moves To Cincinnati

Warner Amex Cable Communications started its second two-way Qube cable service in Cincinnati last week, joining the pioneer system in Columbus. The company plans to offer 60 channels to over 40 towns in the area, plus a home security system similar to one premiered in Columbus, which provides 24 -hour protection for fire, burglary, or medical emergency.

## Music On TV

Rick Nelson co-hosts "Solid Gold" the week of May 22, with Kim Carnes, Sheena Easton, Rupert Holmes, Ronnie Milsap, John O'Banion, and Styx guesting . . Gary U.S. Bonds is on "Merv Griffin" May 25 ... A Beach Boys 20th anniversary special has been produced by Zanya Productions for syndication, with radio simulcasts arranged in some cases . . Kenny Rogers has formed his own independent TV/film production company, Lion's Share Productions, with initial projects to be announced shortly.

## VID E O S C O P E : :

"ALL-GAME" CHANNEL SET FOR FALL DEBUT: "PlayCable - The All-Game Channel,' a joint venture of the General Instrument Corporation's Jerrold Division and Mattel Inc., will be avallable this fall. The oneway system does not require a video channel, instead relying upon an unused portion of the FM band. Subscribers pay an as yet unspecified fee for a 24 -hour, seven-day-a-week service, that provides 15 games from five major categories (sports, action strategy, gaming, and learning fun). These games, such as football or backgammon, would cost $\$ 30$ apiece if purchased from a retailer... RIAA/VIDEO SETS VOLUNTARY VIDEO BAR CODE GUIDEIINES: RIAA/Video has adopted voluntary guidelines for the use of video bar codes on prerecorded videocassettes and videodiscs. The Uniform Product Code (UPC) is made up of a combination of the manufacturer number and the production selection number... MGM/CBS VIDEO ADDS "SOUTH PACIFIC," TWO SHERLOCK HOLMES TITLES TO VIDEOCASSETTE LINE: MGM/CBS Home Video recently announced the addition of "South Paciflc," "The Adventures Of Sherlock Holmes," and "Sherlock Holmes And The Voice Of Terror" to its line of videocassettes. The two Holmes films are available as a double feature on a single cassette, reportedly the first such packaging.

# EASY LISTENING RADIO 

Fred Selden

## "KGIL...In The Valley"

## Ballads, Blues \& Big Bands, Too!

Enjoy the great performances of Sinatra, Sedaka, Straisand, Cole, Como, Rawls \& Ross. The Big Bands of Basie, Beneke, the Dorseys, Fountain, Mancini, Miller, Riddle, Severinsen. We play over $\mathbf{5 0 0}$ great artists playing the top 5000 songs!
Music hasn't disappeared from AM radio in Los Angeles. It's on KGIL.

Those alliterations and sounds come from the tranquil San Fernando Valley, home of KGIL 1260 AM and KGIL-FM 94.3, with their studios and transmitter (with three large towers) located on a quiet residential street far from the commercial centers of Los Angeles. Looking around the inside, KGIL appears to be very much like most of today's sophisticated operations where the computer is king. In this case, a Schaffer 903 makes the format come to life, using either computer-assist or total automation with excellent results.

To learn more about the station, part of a growing vanguard of non-rock formats, I talked with Stanley G. Warwick, Executive Vice President, Buckley Broadcasting of Califormia; and General Manager of KGIL-AM-FM.

R\&R: How long have you been with KGIL, Stan?
SW: I'm starting my 17 th year, and l've been Manager since 1968.

R\&R: From the promos I'm hearing on the air, you've been doing this current format since July 4. 1979 - approaching the
"If we depended on Arbitron we would have been a cornfield a long time ago.'
second year of Ballads, Blues \& Big Bands, Too! One thing that apparently hasn't changed over many years is KGIL's relationship to the Son Fernando Valley

SW: That's our identity, and that's where most of our dollars are going to come from in sales. 30 some years before the Buckley Group ever bought it, KGIL was a Valley station. Of course, we know people from all over the area are going to sample us more now because of our format being so unique, but it's still a Valley station

R\&R: Why don't you describe the San Fernando Valley for those who have never been here?

SW: Well, it's an area that in the last 25 years has grown tremendously. It was mostly what we would call the "bedroom community" of people who work in Los Angeles proper. But as the years have evolved with Lockheed and Rocketdyne and so many other big companles having their plants out here, it has become, if it were split off, probably the 7th or 8th largest city in the U.S. There are a million and a half peopte who reside here now

R\&R: I'd like you to talk about the format, itself. First of all, who came up with the name?

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SW: Actually, our VP/Sales Jim Mergen came up with "Ballads, Blues \& Big Bands, Too." lt's his favorte type of music and he suggested the name, which we've been using for two years.

R\&R: How did KGIL determine its music scope?
SW: Generally, we were thinking 1960 would be as far back as we'd really go, outside of the "Swingin" Years" shows. Most of our programming is 1960 forward, and the music we hope would all be famillar, a lot of standards. Regarding those contemporary artists that KGIL would use, if they have universal appeal to our audience, someone who might appear in Vegas or something like that, then those artists would fit the format. I should say we knew we were going to be skewing to an older audience.


Stanley G. Warwick
R\&R: In the Los Angeles market, KGIL is the only AM radio station playing what you'd call "middle of the road" music.

SW: We're really back to where we were untll around 1975

R\&R: With one difference - the execution of the format is a little more like "Beautiful Music" during some parts of the day.

SW: Especially at midday, from 10.3 , we do have a flow playing three selections in a row, and the music is backannounced at the end of each group of songs.
$\mathbf{R \& R}$ : Talk a bit about the music categories
SW: There's one called "standard vocal," "Big Band," "recurrent" (o former contemporary hit that fits our sound) and "current." For Instance, as a current song we played Willie Nelson's "On The Road Agaln." The whole thing is put together by our Program Director, Mike Lundy.

R\&R: Your drive tme hours and the air talent are much more typical of the full-service MOR station. Morning man Jerry Bishop and Tom Brown in the afternoon bring together commercials, "skywatch" traffic reports, news and weather - and still play quite a bit of music during those busy hours. And in the evenings, there's another programming shift with Chuck Cecil.

SW: That's true. Chuck has been here eight years since leaving KFI, with the "Swingin' Years." He's on 9:30-11:30pm Monday through Friday; and on Sundays 9.11 am and again in the evening from 6.8

R\&R: And this is really blg bands!
SW: You're talking about Benny Goodman, Glenn Miller, Tommy Dorsey; and he's playing the old 78's and transcriptions in many cases

R\&R: What about some of your other spectalty shows?
SW: "Saturday With SInatra," hosted by Sid Mark, is out of Philadelphia. This month marks one year with this show, and ir's been very successful. There's "Your Hit Parade" with Andre Baruch and Bea Wain, from Radio Arts. This program features the original recordings by the artists who had the big hit songs of the 40's and 50's. In February we had a Tony Bennett 4 -hour special, and a live remote broadcast for the National

- KGIL, another phase of Easy Listening Radio, features nonrock music generally from 1960 onward.
- Historical specialty shows expand the musical range.
- As a suburban station, KGIL depends heavily on local advertisers.

Leukemla Radiothon. Coming up, we have a 3 hour special to salute Paul Anka for his 25 th annlversary in show business.

R\&R: All in all, you offer a great deal of variety. How do you promote KGIL?
"1960 would be as far back as we'd really go . . Regarding contemporary artists, if they have universal appeal to our audience, someone who might appear in Vegas, then those artists would fit the format."

SW: Thar's a problem. We use local newspapers and Los Angeles magazine, and the rest of it is going out in the com munity with our mobile studlo van to be on-the-scene for many affairs. The personalittes appear to MC various functions and I'm very active in the community on many levels. So a lot of it is just "word of mouth."


KGIL Mobile Studio Van
R\&R: Arbltron has never gluen you much help with rating numbers. I'm interested in your approach regarding sales.

SW: We work for our cllents, and I think sometimes we forget what advertising is all about. It's to move product, that's the only thing it's really for. We have to move product because without that, we can't exist. Our sales force must produce because they have to go back and face that client. As you would guess, a major part of our business is the local advertiser. Frankly, If we depended on Arbitron we would have been a cornfield a long time ago.

R\&R: Even though you simulcast all your programming, with the limitations of a directional 5kw transmitter along with the low-power FM station, coverage is not one of your strengths. In theory, If you had a 50,000 watt radio station ight now, how successful do you think this same format would be without any signal problems?

SW: I think it would be very successful. I don't believe it would have been six years ago because the public wasn't ready for it then. Today. It would be very successful, no question about for
it.


## The Ol' Faded Purple Ribbon Blues

So the future is finully here! Iast week the new KCBS "Newn Machine" war featured in Gail Mitchell's Newa/ Talk section IR\&R 5-15), with a mouthwatering description of the all-electronic capabilitien now being used by ND I-arry Cooper and his stalfera in San Francisco. Although it would be a heinous oversimplification, mome electronic journalista might believe the most significant accomplishment of a word-processing, data-filed, curt label-printing, split-ncreen readout, quartz cryatal-timed news operation will be more efficient handling of news. No, it goes much deeper than merely that. On the botton line it means the beginning of the end of a revered trademark by which real newspeople have been recognized ucrow perhaps a century of Anerican journalism. Purple fingers. An entry-level reporter working the all-night shift often receives his first real recognition when eyes dart to stained fingers, and the person attached to them can modestly but proudly say. "Yeah, I changed the ribbon."

Those days will soon be gone. CRT'n, processors, dishes, transponders, and other magic boxes are closer than the horizon now. Soon none of the first-year newspeople will know how to replace a ribbon. Old veterans will sit flat-butted in their over-the-typewriter bent-back slouched postures and gripe about how News has gone all to hell since the good ol' days when you could tell an honest, working radio newsman by the inkstains on his hands.

I for one won't miss those old days a bit. If you've read my little corner of R\&R over the past couple of years, you've waded through line after line of me whimpering and moaning about how old-lanhioned virtually all newaroomm are. You may have thought me impatient. No, I'm not. Do you have any idea how long ago the first electronic journalism was effected? More than a century! My personal Almanac of Little-Known and Little-Cared-About Facts and Near-Truths contains this entry under the day May 25, 1844 :

The Baltimore Patriot's Washington Cor-
respondent becomes the first journalist to dispatch a news story by telegraph, sending a wire reporting the House vote on "the Oregon question.
If you count that as electronic journalism you're going back 137 years. I've been patient, yes? What's being called the allelectronic newsroom is a working reality thirteen decades after the abovementioned. I offer my congratulations to the people responsible.

May the gods of such things look kindly down on the rest of us inky-fingered reporters and decide to loft us all into the higher levels soon! While we're on the general subject, how about electronic splicing so we can abandon the blades?

## CALENDAR

## Memorial Day 1981

MONDAY, MAY 25: Over 700,0010 Americans who died in combat are among those honored by our nation today as we fly flags at half-staff and pay tribute at their graves with flowers, on what used to be called Decoration Day

The DC-10 dropped-engine crash near Chicago's $\mathbf{O}^{\prime} \mathrm{Hare}$ airport was two years ago today. The toll of 275 fatalities re mains America's worst domestic aviation accident.
"Star Wars" came out four years ago, and set the world record for highest-grossing film by pulling in $\$ 267$ million in twenty-four months.

Karen Valentine is 34. Leslie Uggams is 38 . Tom T. Hall is 45.

## Old Ship Buried In Desert

TUESDAY, MAY 26: Twenty-seven years ago today a sailing ship was found buried in the desert sand near the Great Pyramid of Cheops in Egypt, hidden in a subterranean vault protected by a ceiling of stone slabs. The wooden ship is approximately 4550 years old. and is thought to have been made for King Cheops to use as transportation in the afterlife. The oldest known Egyptian ship (discovered in 1954) is now displayed in a museum near the pyramid, so the king's travels are somewhat limited

On this date in 1942 Japanese domestic radio announced conlidently that Tokyo was winning the war, and that there would soon be "a victory march into New York" to end World War II.

Peggy Lee is 61 . Peter Graves's brother James Arness is 58. Hank Williams Jr. is 32.

## Reagan Locks It Up

WEDNESDAY, MAY 27: It was a year ago today that Ronald Reagan locked up the Republican presidential nomination with primary victories in three states,

The Supreme Court of Alaska decriminalized possession of small amounts of marijuana six years ago today, and residents have since been permitted to legally grow their own in noncommercial amounts.

San Francisco opened the Golden Gate bridge to pedestrians 44 years ago today, and to vehicles the following day, May 28. 1937.

Nobel Peace Prize-winner Henry Kissinger is 58. Vincent Price is 70.

## Lemme See The Wine List

THURSDAY, MAY 28: The higheat price ever paid for a bottle of wine was $\$ 31.000$. plunked down a year ago by John Grisanti. The wine wasn't even Iresh . . . just some 158 -year-old Chateau LaFite sold at auction.

The world record for flying upside down was set seven years ago today over the Arizona desert, when John Leggatl kept his airplane inverted for 2 hours 15 -minutes.

Carroll Baker is $\mathbf{5 0}$. Gladys Knight is 37. John Fogarty is $\mathbf{3 6}$.

## Bob Hope Is 78, No Joke

FRIDAY, MAY 29: Leslie Townes "Bob" Hope. older than full-length movies and even older than the Wright Brothers' airplane, is 78 today. Aside from Muhammad Ali's claim. it's probable that Bob Hope has the most-recognized name on Earth.

The best-selling single song ever was recorded on this date in the spring of 1942 ... Bing Croaby's "White Christmas."
Racer Al Unser is 42. Assassinated President John Kennedy would have been 64 , but was gunned down at age 46 by
Lee Harvey Oswald.


THIS WEEK: DOC HOLLIDAY

NEXT WEEK TOM JOHNSTON

# Madiaeting 

## Researching Your Advertisers

Last time, I attempted to provide an overview of the factors which concern advertisers, both local and national, in their selection of media vehicles on which to spend their ad dollars. I emphasized the similarities and differences between the local and national groups, with the greater sophistication of national advertisers being the overriding consideration.

The factors I discussed last time should be viewed as general guidelines for thinking about how to more effectively market your station to the advertiser audience. In other words, just as the programming mix should be viewed in terms of the bundle of benefits (music, news, relaxation, etc.) it offers to listeners, your sales efforts should focus on the benefits of fered to advertisers (low-cost, low clutter, flexibility, high concentration of desired target audience)

However, just as any group of listeners exhibits its own particular characteristics and listening preferences, the potential advertisers for your station will have their own particular profiles of advertising needs. Therefore, it is important that you establish, on a more precise basis, exactly which factors are of most importance to the advertisers you are attempting to attract to your station. In other words, the general guidelines I discussed last time can form a useful starting point, but you should not be misled into thinking that all advertisers behave as I suggested. Research is necessary in order to determine, for your market, what factors are the dominant ones.

## Whom To Research

n some cases, finding out which person within the organization actually makes the media buying decisions is a challenge in and of itself. For most local advertisers, the problem is usually not too severe, for the ownermanagers of most small businesses make the decisions themselves. In other instances, however, the local advertiser may receive guidance on media decisions from an advertising agency. In such cases, the media analyst at the agency becomes an important person to research. For national advertisers, the most common arrangement is for a national advertising agency to be responsible for media placement; in other cases, the entire advertising process may be "in-house," or the media decisions may be farmed out to an independent media buyer. Almost without exception, national advertising media decisions will be made with the assistance of a mathematical or computer-based media allocation model. The key point to keep in mind is that the people you want to research, regardless of the type of advertiser, are those who are directly responsible for making and/or influencing the media decision. You want to understand their needs and motivations, how they do their job,

## How To Research Them

Because you deal with so many fewer advertisers than listeners and because you have direct personal contact with many of them, the research methods used to research advertisers are substantially different from those used to research your listening audience. For example, one of the best ongoing sources of research information from advertisers is that which can be obtained by your sales reps.

## Sales Force Research

Sales representatives of any station are a key "interface" between the station and its advertisers. But not only do the reps "represent" the station; they can also "represent" the advertiser market effectively by feeding back information to station management. Many modern marketing organizations have set up systems for their sales forces whereby the sales rep is required to fill out an information card on each sales call made. The card contains mostly basic information, such as the customer's name, the date, time and duration of the call, the outcome, etc. But the card also should contain some "why" information:

- "Why" does the prospective advertiser use the media he does presently?
- "Why" hasn't he used your station in the past?
- "Why" won't he use it now (or why is he willing to switch to it)?
- "Why" is he satisfied or dissatisfied with his current media mix?

Such questions are intended to be for the use of the sales reps only - they are not to be used to "interview" prospects. If the reps know that they have to fill out a card containing these or other similar questions, it is much more likely that they will elicit this information, or at least attempt to, during the course of their conversations with customers. Over time, a rapport builds up between customers and sales reps, such that you can expect to get some very honest and insightful responses via this virtually "no cost" research route.

A couple of notes of caution about this research avenue. First of all, you must remember that this is only an exploratory method - you certainly can't take everything you get back at face value. For one thing, price will almost always be overemphasized - customers always want lower prices, and so do sales reps in many cases. Secondly, you cannot accept, for obvious reasons, everything sales people say as "gospel"; they have their own motivations, which are not always as consistent with the goals of the station as one might like. So, be cautious of the feedback you receive from them - mistrust it, but use it as a source of porential research priorities. If there is something wrong with the package of benefits you are offering advertisers (other than its price), you should expect
problem popping up on the information cards. You can then follow up on this more systematically.

1$t$ is conceivable, in some cases, that you may wish to sponsor a focus group discussion with a number of advertisers in order to uncover problem areas. Advertiser focus groups are no different in concept from listener focus groups - they are simply instructed discussions designed to let your advertiser or potential advertisers tell you how they perceive their advertising decisions, their options, etc.

Focus groups can be run successfully with local business owners and media buyers, but it will be essential that you have the group conducted by a professional moderator and that you are prepared to pay the group participants as much as $\$ 20-\$ 30$ for their time. Again, it should be underscored that focus group results are only exploratory and should never be used as the basis for any sort of important decision. Personal Interviews

Personal interviews, wherein a trained research professional contacts advertisers, either face-to-face or over the phone, for the express purpose of studying their advertising decision-making, are a very flexible research tool. They can be used in lieu of focus groups as exploratory devices, or they can be used to structure a more statistically valid survey of the advertisers in your market. Many market research firms have a staff of interviewers which deals specifically with "professional" respondents - business executives, doctors, lawyers, etc. It is not impossible to research your advertisers, but it does require a careful, and sometimes costly, approach.

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ost of my discussion has centered on researching local advertisers, because for most stations, that is where the bulk of their sales lies. Secondly, the costs of doing research on national advertisers, relative to the payoffs, would be prohibitive for most stations. What I would like to suggest is that organizations which represent radio at a national level - trade associations like NAB and NRBA, networks, and especially rep firms - take the lead in national advertiser research.

For instance, all of the techniques I've talked about here could just as easily be used by a rep firm to research national advertisers and media buyers. Such research should lead to a better understanding of the rep firm's role in assisting stations in their quest for national ad dollars. Individual stations should be able to select a rep firm based on the entire range of services offered - perhaps a researchoriented rep firm, which shares its insights with member stations, will emerge as the dominant type of rep firm in the 1980's.

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STAFF IS KEY TO SUCCESS

## WLS Keeps Rocking And Winning

For years the call letters WLS/Chicago have meant great radio and great ratings. Since October 1980, WLS-FM95 has been carrying the tradition onward on the FM band. The most amazing aspect of this success is its ability to do so without causing a major drop in AM numbers.

Many observers felt the FM would do well, especially with the addition of former WLUP/Chicago personality Steve Dahl, but at the expense of AM numbers. To find out how the double success was accomplished and to take a look at the WLS philosophy, I spoke to PD John Gehron shortly after the ratings.

## WLS-FM95 Fills A Void

John has been PD at WLS for over seven years. "I even know all the streets in Chicago by now," he joked, "I do know this town and understand what it wants. By adapting the WLS format to the FM band, we succeeded in filling a void in the market."

The ratings picture in Chicago is pretty tight. Before going further, take a look at the most recent WLSAM-FM figures and those of the stations most likely to share audience.

Winter '81 ARB $12+$ Shares
WLSAM 5.7 to 5.3
WLS-FM 1.2 to 3.5
WEFM 2.7 to 1.1
WI.UP $\quad 3.8$ to 3.4
WMET 3.5 to 4.0
WXRT $\quad 1.7$ to 1.3
According to the numbers, WLS-AM dipped slightly, but WLS-F'M95 almost tripled. Where did all of the extra audience come from? John answered, "Historically, the AM is down a bit in the winter book, but I think a lot of our FM numbers came from WEFM changing formats from CHR to A/C, and from the AOR stations. They have listeners that don't like a steady diet of hard music and to a lesser degree some A/C listeners that find their stations too soft."

Promotion is a strong part of the WLS format. John explained, "We promote strongly on the AM and the FM, but did not overdo the promotion for the FM. We simulcast from 5:30 to 10am with Larry Lujack, and from 7 to 11 pm with Brant Miller, and that has helped a lot. Cross-promotion of the other station is only done when and where it makes sense, especially during simulcast times."
"WLS is now reaching a new audience that just won't listen to music on AM any more."
"There are times when both stations do the same promotion, like our recent movie premiere of "The Return' Of The Lone Ranger." When we gave away Van Halen albums, it was an FM-only promotion."

John likened the AM and FM "to a department store with only a downtown location. Some people won't shop there. You open up a store in the suburbs and you get a whole new group of customers. WLS is now reaching a new audience that just won't listen to music on AM any more."

## Same Format With Minor Differences

Just as John mentioned that certain promotions are run simultaneously on both stations, so are certain records. But there are those that will never be played on the AM and some never on the FM
"The AM is a traditional CHR station. It is a bit softer in the daytime, but rocks just as hard as the FM

does at night, even during non-simulcast hours. The FM stays much more consistent throughout the day and night, leaning a bit more AOR, but still very familiar and hit-oriented."

Explaining the reasons for musical differences, John pointed out, "Positioning is key. We are at 95 , WMET is 95.5 , the Loop is 98 and WXRT is 93 , so we rely a lot on shared cume of these stations in developing our own cume. The music has been the key selling point to our station's growth versus outside promotion."

If the stations sound similar and run basically the same format, I asked John about call letter and AM/FM confusion in rating diaries. "When I went to Laurel to look at them from the fall book. I was surprised to see no signs of confusion at all. This is a very call letter-oriented town. There seemed to be no AM/FM confusion either. There could have been major problems that book especially since we were running WLS programming and still had WRCK for call letters.

## Steve Dahl: Transition From AOR ToCHR

When WLS decided to drop the WRCK identity and change to WLS-FM, the ball was set in motion to make this station an alternative to the AOR competition, but still CHR in nature. When Steve Dahl and his partner Gary Meier left the Loop. WLS surprised everyone by negotiating a deal amid speculation that the wellknown pair would end up at WMET.

Steve's background is deep in AOR. I asked John about the difficulty of making the change. He explained, "Musically Steve has not had to compromise too much since the music is harder than the AM plays. Research shows his listeners from the Loop have accepted him and the music of WLS. He has in turn been exposed to a different kind of listener.
"This has actually helped his market profile since coming to afternoon drive. More people hear him now than ever. I have worked with him a great deal to get him to understand the philosophy of WLS and why certain format elements are done in a certain way. His humor is more broad-based than before. I would say he
has adapted very well and so have we."
In AOR, it is very rare to hear a personality talk over a record, "but he does it occasionally. He kind of likes it as a change of pace. I built a lot of segues into the FM format to keep the pacing of the station more in line with the music we play. In fact, the segues have worked out so well that I have put some of them each hour on the AM too," John confided.,
"WLS is an exciting CHR station on AM and FM. Too many CHR stations have now gone after the 25+ audience. They have strayed too far from their roots. There are only so many ways to slice that $25+$ pie, and it's getting pretty thin.'

Steve Dahl has a reputation for being outrageous. There were times on the Loop where he won acclaim for his wit, and at other times citywide disapproval on matters of taste. Addressing this potential problem, John said, "By reputation people point the finger of guilt at him when another station does something tacky. He is quickly losing that image, though."

John described a recent situation where another FM station "was on the air advertising a contest to guess when IRA protester Bobby Sands would die. The winner would get a sack of potatoes. This is sick. We caught heat for it, but being wrongly accused, we aired a statement saying so. The public reacted in a very positive manner."

WLS-FM95 Walking The Tightrope
While WLS-FM95 has been described by John as "a station sandwiched between AOR and CHR," he feels

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## WLS Keeps Rocking And Winning

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its "growth will continue because of the limited appeal that the AOR format offers today. Playing only one type of music has lessened the variety that used to set AOR apart from other formats.
"While a modal format is good for the hardcore AOR listener, it tends to become a bore for the occasional AOR listener and it limits expansion beyond the 18-24 cell. WLS is an exciting CHR station on AM and FM. Too many CHR stations have now gone after the $25+$ audience. They have strayed too far from the roots. There are only so many ways to slice that $25+$ pie and it's getting pretty thin. Those A/C stations are getting boring too. They use too much callout research and as a result play nothing but oldies and a few Kenny Rogers and Barry Manilow records for currents."

To back up the format and keep it on target, WLS has a large "research and marketing unit" working fulltime. According to John, "They do extensive retail sales surveys, which totally governs the printed playlist. This is combined with callouts and other weekly survey questions to form the rotated playlist.
"Should research show a record has limited appeal, but hit potential, it will only be played where needed. It is most important for the right mix to be on the air. I still let the personalities pick some oldies to help balance their shows.
"Oldies are tested continually for popularity. We have noticed a resurgence among records that were only midchart hits that are now some of the most popular oldies today. A good example are some songs from the Doors," he elaborated.

What's causing this newfound resurgence? "It's the fault of the record companies," he charged, "because most of the product released today is either too soft or too shrill. These records have a sound that is missing today, and all stations of every format are relying on oldies more and more for familiarity."

The Magic Of WLS
To continue year after year as a winning station, beating WCFL after years of battle, standing up to WEFM when it was CHR, and now spreading dominance onto FM is quite an accomplishment for WLS.

I asked John about what it takes to win continually. "The answer to the success of WLS is the staff. There is a sense of tradition and professionalism that permeates the building. ABC continues to train people here and then send them to other markets. This is a magic place."

Describing his feelings a bit further, John added, "WLS is like a person. We recently had a 21 st anniversary as a rock station, and no one on the staff wants to be responsible for letting this station ever fall apart. Everyone works hard."
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The competition is very keen in Chicago. AOR competitor WLUP has suffered a serious ratings decline over the last several books and recently announced (R\&R 5-15) that it has purchased all of the tickets for the upcoming Tom Petty concert to bolster its image. WMET, earlier this year (R\&R 1-16), foiled

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a huge Loop promotion by giving the answers to a contest on the air. WLS continues distributing its Fantastic Plastic Cards and giving away thousands of dollars, and on occasion an entire house.

Besides contests, WLS is very active in the community. It sponsors numerous walk-a-thons and charity events in an effort to keep its ties to the streets. John feels, "You can go home every night and read the paper and relax, but unless you get out there with the people, you will never find out what makes them motivated enough to attend an event."

As a testimony to this involvement, the city of Chicago has officially named WLS as the city's official station for summer information. In response, WLS installed a 24 -hour "information hotline" voiced by the air talent. To find out what's going on, just call WLS-3333.

## What's Next For WLS?

Any time ratings come in strong, there is cause for celebration and cause for more work to improve upon your gains. "I get a lot of input from my people about what they think the public needs. Whoever ends up replacing John Landecker (who recently moved to CFTR/Toronto) will be in a key position, and I will call upon that person for lots of input. This is not just John Gehron's station, it belongs to everyone who works here."

Right now, WLS-AM\&FM are simulcasting in cer tain dayparts. How long will this go on? "The two stations will continue to grow hand in hand as long as it benefits us to keep them this way. For the last five years I've been wondering how long the success can continue. I'm real glad it hasn't stopped. The unique thing about our present situation is that both stations are designed to help each other, yet are strong enough to stand alone if they have to," John summarized.

## KBRT

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The intruders claimed to represent the National International Citizens Enterprise (NICE) and demanded admittance to the station's air studio where afternoon air personality Rich Buhler was winding into the last hour of his daily talk program.
Buhler described the following chain of events. "At the time the men came into the studio, there was a record playing, which is an unusual situation for a talk program, but my guest was a musician. The men told us to lift our hands, emphasizing their demand with their hands in their pockets.
"They said they wanted us to broadcast a religious tape they had brought," Buhler continued. "After a five or ten-minute discrission, we reluctantly agreed to let them express their opinion."
According to Buhler, the in-
truder's tape accused the National Council of Churches of being involved with the Guyana Massacre and the 27 murdered children in Atlanta, among other things. "It was cornily produced." Buhler noted. "You almost expected to see Gary Owens with his finger over his ear . . It began with this hokey 'This is a special broadcast. A conspiracy has just been revealed. . ' I wouldn't say it was incoherent, but it was certainly disjointed." Buhler concluded.
Buhler characterized the four men as "nicely dressed," adding that no one at the station saw any weapons, nor were there any direct threats of violence. KBRT preceded the tape with the disclaimer that it was being aired under threat, and listeners called the police, who arrived minutes after the tape had ended and the intruders had departed.
"We're just thankful there was no one harmed," said Buhler.


TwO PIGS IN A BLANKET - KZZP.FMIPhoenix morning man Jonathan Brandmaier (laft) woro a Mlss Piggy mask on stage at a recent Martin Mull (right) appearance and helped the comedian sing his popular song "Pigs in A Blanket"


LOVELY RITA LIKES TO ROCK - Promoting her book about ABSCAM, Rita Jenrette stopped by to boogle with the boys at WBYC/Charlotte. Shown (1.r) are PD Bob Kaghan, morning man John Boy Isley, Rita Jenrette, a very pleased Jeff Wicker, and afternoon man Mike Edwards.

tigers at Chambersburg - Pictured with Detroit Tiger Tom Brookens (center) atter a recent fund-raising baseball game is WIKZ/Chambersburg, PA PD/MD Bill Marthews (top right), along with air personalities and staff members.



## To My Friends In Radio

Although we are not in the same business, radio stations and record companies are certainly in the same industry, and their relationship, at its best, is like a good is what keeps the music thriving experience daily, like a partnership between people. the honesty of our true feelings, which解
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I thank you. It makes all the hard work worthwhile
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We're in a creative industry, and we're in it together, stronger than before.


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# THE PICTURE PACE 

Photoglo Meots Counter Culture


20th Century Fox's JIm Photoglo used a lunch counter motf In a video for his current single "Fool In Love With You. "Pictured with various waltresses are (I.r) RCA's Steve Kahn, director of the session; Photoglo; 20th's Brende Geffner, and producer Brian Francls Neery.

## Cash For Columbia



Cash For Columbia


Columbia's Rosanne Cash playad New York's Bortom Line recently, and was visited backstage by label executives. Pictured (I.r) are manager Michael Gardner, CBS Records Group Deputy Pres. Dick Asher, CBS/Noshville VP/GM Rick Blackburn, Cash, CBS/Neshville VP Roy Wunsch, CBS Records Divislon Pres. Bruce Lundvell, and CBS Sr. VP Paul Smith.

## Balin Joins EMI Amorica



Marty Balln, former singer for Jefferson Airplane and Jefferson Starship, has signed a solo contract with EMI America, with a May album set. Pictured (l.r) are EMIA/Liberty VP Dlck Williams, label's Jack Satter end Bob Singer, Balln's menager (and father) Joe Buchwald, Balin, label Pros/dent J/m Mazza, Label's Gary Gersh, VP Don Grierson, and label's Clay Bexter.

## Capitol Takes Helm Through Muscle Shoals



Former Bend member Levon Holm hes been signed by Capitol/Muscho Shoeis Sound Rocords, alming for a lata summer retease. Plctured beckstage after Helm's recent Country Chb performence in Las Angeves are (I.r) MSS's Jimmy Johnson, Captool VP's Reppert Perry and Donnls Whies, WSS Prestdent Miched Bernoty Helm, and Capltol EMLAVLberty President Don ZImmermen.

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Johnny Gulter Watsion has beon signed by A\&M. He's pictured (center) at the company's offices with Chairman Jorry Moss (Ieft) and Vice Chelrmon Herb Alpert

## T.S. Monk Congregation



Following Mirage ortists T.S. Monk's recent Boftom Line performance, friends and executives met beckstage with the group. Pictured (1-r, rear) are MIrage President Jerty Greenberg, Norby Walters Agency's Jerry Ade, producer Sandy Unzer, Attantle artst Uhande McCumough, and T.S. Monic Itr, front group's Yvonne Flatcher and Boo Boo Monk.

## Pacific Arts Trumpets "Elophant Parts"



Paciff Arts Video Records hosted a screening party for lis first video rec ord, the hour-long "Michael Nosmith In Elephant Parts," which Incorporates music and comedy. Pictured in a relevant pose are (1.r) cast members Rtte Herbst, BIII Martin, and Lark A/cort:

## Smiling With Duke



Georga Duke did some promodonalrounds in Los Angeles recenty in support of his LP and single with Stanley Clarke. Plctured in a jubllant mood over the record are Duke (center) whth CIIff Gorov (latt) and Cralg Dudhy Iright of the Independant promotion Dudley-Gorov Organtzetion.



## Winners' Circle Profile: WMMS

WMMS/Cleveland's success story is not a new one; for years it has been market-dominant in its primary demographic. This past Winter's Arbitron (the first twelve-week sampling for Cleveland) brought WMMS to a new pinnacle of victory, hitting the very top of the market with a smashing 10.5 (competing M105 stayed at a 3.0).

WMMS is very much a familial environment. with most of the programming staff at least five-year station veterans. So, to cover its ongoing success story, I spoke with three creative forces: PD John Gorman, MD Kid Leo, and Director of Advertising and Marketing Dan Garfinkel

## Promoting A Legend

While WMMS has been playing AOR music in Cleveland for over twelve years now, PD Gorman does not feel longevity is a major factor in the station's continuing success. He pointed out, "You're only as good as you are today." What did he attribute the station's high numbers to? "The extended survey helped us," he offered, " in the sense that no station could do just concen-

"People live rock and roll in this city . . . it seems to be a political statement." - John Gorman
trated four-week promotional campaigns. The twelve-week book meant stations had to earn points by their sound rather than their promotional arsenal."

That's not to say that WMMS doesn't have an ongoing list of promotions. One would think programming WMMS would be easy. The station has had dozens of T-shirt designs worn by listeners all over the city. It was, for a second time, named radio station of the year in a Rolling Stone readers' poll (in commemoration, the Cleveland mayor proclaimed "Buzzard Day"). But Dan Garfinkel, who coordinates the promotional departments for both WMMS and sister AM station WHK, said there's always promotional work to be done at WMMS. "At this point in the station's development," he stated, "people know who we are. We have probably the most easily-recognized call letters in the city, regardless of age group or musical preference. They're aware of 'the buzzard.' We're involved in maintaining that image."

How does WMMS accomplish this? Promotlonally, it's done with billboards, TV spots (animated by staff artist David Helton), "Beetleboards" (VW's painted with the station's call letters), a wealth of merchandising (proceeds always benefitting scholarship funds or charities), and tie-ins with cultural events. The station has had great luck, for example, in

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reaching out to upper demo audiences with its discount nights at the Cleveland Ballet and Opera, plus print ads, club nights, etc. It's a massive ongoing campaign overseen by Garfinkel and Promotion Director Chris Hernandez.

There are on-air promotions as well, some done in conjunction with record companies and others created in-house. During the winter ratings period, the station's major promotion was a "voice of rock and roll" contest which asked listeners to guess the identities of various stars' voices by clues aired daily. Among the stars who lent the station their vocal chords on tape for the promotion were Eddie Money, Pat Benatar, J. Geils, Steve Winwood, and Ted Nugent.

Dan Garfinkel summarized the station's promotional posture: "Basically it's a commitment to doing everything well: putting out quality merchandise, maintaining a quality image and consistency to our advertising, and treating our audience like adult human beings. That's a very important factor in the station's longevity: we never got too big for our britches."

## The Cleveland Sound Of R\&R

Perhaps also contributing to WMMS's longevity is the nature of Cleveland itself. Gorman said, "People live rock and roll in this city. It's more than recreation; it seems to be a political statement. You have to remember that this is the city where the rock and roll term was coined, almost 30 years ago." MD Kid Leo talked about how this obsession with rock and roll has led to what outsiders call "the Cleveland sound" of rock music: "I couldn't tell you to put a hook here, a chorus there, use this tempo or that beat and you'd come up with the Cleveland sound. But I can tell you that it has something to do with rock and roll with soul. That's the best description I can come up with. Some examples: local artist Michael Stanley, as well as Bruce Springsteen, Southside Johnny, Bob Seger, Roxy Music. and David Bowie. That's a diverse group, but there's an underlying feel of experimentation. They're not following formulas; they're always taking chances.'

## Playlist-Less

WMMS programs "the Cleveland sound" of rock and roll without the aid of a playlist, which is almost unheard of in these days of tightlisted AOR's. Gorman commented, "Many stations that have imposed restrictions on their airstaffs have strangled themselves. Green to blue, B-1 to $\mathrm{X}-3$ - it has the tendency of making the station sound sterile." Kid Leo amplified, "We have no playlist; we have a gameplan. Every jock goes
into the studio knowing what WMMS should sound like. His or her job is to execute that gameplan, which they do damn well. They're all veterans. By working together at WMMS for six or seven years they have all become musicologists; it's all been absorbed into their memory banks. Most are also from Cleveland, and those who aren't have been 'adopted' and 'naturalized."

What does an MD do in a radio station where each jock can choose his own tunes? "I put in the albums and suggest cuts that are right for different dayparts for a variety of reasons. I try to direct the jocks' attention to those tracks, but we don't use cards or colored tape. The entire album is there and available. If the jocks find something they absolutely feel is right, they can come to me and point out the song, and I'll okay it. If they've worked here for that long and feel something is right, I have to agree. They're entrusted with the job. If they were to do something wrong they'd be told about it; call it negative direction if you will. So far no one's had to be told; they all seem to do it right. ""

## Importance Of Dayparting

As mentioned, WMMS's music is dayparted. As Leo said, "That doesn't mean you'll never hear Ted Nugent in the morning, but you can't try to make every album work for every time period. You end up hurting yourself and the act. The morning show is up, bouncy and familiar. They used to call middays the housewife shift, and I don't think that's disappeared yet. Afternoons are when listeners leave work and are free; their minds are more open to things. Nights, most are watching TV so you deal with what's left. You take their minds and start painting your canvases."

"We have no playlist; we have a gameplan. Every jock goes into the studio knowing what WMMS should sound like." - Kid Leo Sets, Segues, And Styles
"Painting canvases" at WMMS means sets and segues, two more direct links to our format's progressive origins that have fallen by the wayside at most AOR's today. "Maybe it's just professional masturbation when you get off on a segue," Leo joked, "but when it's especially good, people don't notice it and continue listening to you; they don't touch that button. Segues are important here, but never done at the expense of the music. If I think of a perfect segue but the song sucks, I won't do it. The best segue in the world is the one that takes you from one form of music to another; from say, a James raylor into a Judas Priest." WMMS plays a much wider range of musical styles than most AOR's (just

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clueck its weekly playlists), including black and jaze music. Leo quipped, "Rock und roll is our meat and potatoes. However, it's always nice to have a uttle side dish or dessert.

## New Music

WMMS has a longstanding reputation for breaking acts Leo commented, "We take pride in breaking new acts. When we believe in something. it gets a lot of talk and a lot of airplay of course, the final decision remuins with the audience. We can't force our opinions on people, but we can lead them to water and see if they drink." John Gormian added. "Our audience wants to hear new music and reacts to it quickly. If it fits we play it. There are no sound or color barriers here We'll try everything from Kim Carnes to Adam \& The Ants or the B-52's.

New music is researched through extensive calls to area record stores. While the station is affillated with the Burkhart-Abrams organization, its nusic research is not applied to WMMS's extensive playlist. John Gorman explained the station's connection with the Superstars organization: "It was set up through management, which felt that both WMMS and Lee Abrams had something to share with each other. Our raps are basically sociological; we talk overall radio philosophy

## Exclusives And Album Playbacks

Two aspects of WMMS's music philosophy are controversial: airing exclusives and playing albums in their entirety. On the former Gorman admitted, "We love 'em. We're always looking for them, and about once a week we manage to come up with one. Sure it gets us in trouble; for awhile I had all my cease-and-desist telegrams up on my bulletin board. I had to take them down because they took up the entire board, and it's a large one! But they create an undeniable sense of excitement. When we were young, listening to Top 40 , there were constant battles over who got the new Beatles or Stones single first. I remember how exciting that was, and that same feeling exists here.

On the other hand, Gorman takes a prorecord company stance on the matter of playing albums in their entirety: "I don't think it helps. If you're going to do special programming it should be more special than tracking five albums back-to-back on a Saturday night. That's just an easy way out. We do not do it as a rule. though there are exceptions. When we play an album in its entirety, as an advance or an exclusive, we will. just as they did in the old days of Top 40, have a voice in the middle saying. 'Exclusive!' We'll also throw ID's over the intros, so if anyone is trying to tape the album they won't have the complete product.

## Between The Sets

Music is just a part of the WMMS universe. The station is proud of its air personalities and gives them plenty of room to stretch and grow. Gorman stated, "There's a difference between anarchy and freedom. Everyone on the air here enjoys a great deal of freedom, but anarchists we're not. How long they talk depends on the subject. Today our morning man, Jeff Kinzbach took calls for five minutes about a negative newspaper article on Cleveland." One popular talk topic at WMMS is sports. "I don't think sports should be ignored." Gorman said "It's part of the lifestyle of the demo this type of radio is trying to reach. It's ludicrous for a station to imply sports is not important in any town with a home team. If it's there, it should be covered. WMMS covers sports with home team players providing commentary on their games.

Sandwiched between the music and the jocks are up to nine minutes of commercials an hour "The economy's pinch has really been fell in this part of the country." Gorman commented
"Even for us, advertising in down, so our power of refusal is less than it used to be. We attll reject the loud screamers or very bubblegummy spots. and we recut spots when necessary. We tator them as much as possible to make them sound as close to the sound of the station as we can.

We run a lot of promotional announcements, which can create problems because the average listener doesn't always perceive them differently from advertising. To him, everything that isn't music or a jock talking is a commercial, and we have to be very careful about that."

## Competition

WMMS's care with its overall air sound has paid off in a loyal and everogrowing audience. in spite of all competition. Gorman defined the station's winning spirit: "We're streetfighters. We've worked very hard to establish an image for the station. We did take some hard knocks over the years. We know how it feels to lose and we know how it feels to win. We always kept our goal in mind and have achieved it in a very competitive market." Kid Leo had a different viewpoint about the competition: "As far as I'm concerned there ain't none.'

## Franchising WMMS

Could WMMS's intriguing permutation of AOR radio work in other cities? John Gorman says yes. "It's just that most stations are afraid to take the chance." he said. "It is a very big risk, because it throws out the 'logic' and does it in a very different way. I think the reason other stations fail that try diverse programming of a wide variety of music js that they lose sight of their original goals. They try to prove something instead of trying to accomplish something. I've heard some of these stations, and they deliberately avoid playing the hits. They end up becoming AOR of a different sort: All Over the Road. You can play a wide variety of music but you have to keep your sights fixed on something People tune you in to hear the hits. It's what you play in between the hits that counts; that's how you break records.

An interesting experiment in broadening the geographic influence of WMMS is going on in Columbus, where Warner's QUBE cable system is offering WMMS to radio subscribers for an extra $\$ 2$ a month. Gorman sald the station has received a lot of mail from Columbus listeners, and that sales are brisk of WMMS T-shirts in Col umbus.

First Cleveland, then Columbus. Tomorrow - who knows? Gorman guessed, "I think we have no place to go but up. The thing about being number one is that everybody's out to get us. Our numbers put us in a position where we have to fight harder than ever." Kid Leo had the last word: "This is the only job I've had for more than six months, therefore it must be enjoyable! It's a treat to be at a number one radio station. which was always our goal. Now we're there. and it's a challenge everyday, because we don't want to lose that."

Continued success to the Buzzards at WMMS.

Does Chicago have three AOR stations (WLUP, WMET, and WXRT) or four? Since Steve Dahl switched from The Loop to WLS-FM the industry has wondered where to place WLS FM formatically. For the answer to that and other questions about this strong Chicago competitor, check out Joel Denver's interview with WLSAmaFM PD John Gehron in this week's CHR section.

COMING NEXT WEEK: We conclude our "Winners' Circle" series with a focus on WMET/Chicago, which bested longtime area AOR leader WLUP this past ratings period 4.0 to 3.4. Next week WMET PD Tom Teuber speaks out on the Loop-WMET battles, offering tips and philosophies that should prove quite revealing.
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UPDATE

The nation's first on-air vibrator giveaway wok place this week on WAAF/Wurcester. which gave away two pairs of "Musical Vibrating Rock-and-Roll Pants." They're tie-on briels with front speakers that vibrate to the music when plugged into a stereo (maybe this is what JIm Sicinman was thinking of when he wrote "Dance in My Pants"). Listeners became eligible to win the grand prize by writing creative answers to the question of what they'd do with the vibrating pants ...KGB.FM/San Dlego's sixth annual sky show of coordinated music and fireworks was a complete success, according to MD Judy McNutt, who said 43,000 attended and another 200,000 watched from outside the stadium where the show took place. WNEW-FM/New York and Scott Muni hosted the eighth annual New York Bike-a-thon for Cerebral Pal. sy...WZXR/Memphis, in conjunction with Arista. awarded "Krokus Kombat Zone Survival Kits" to listeners in a recent promotion. Winners received two tickets to the group's area concert date, plus a ROCK 103 -emblazoned combat helmet, two cigarette filters for earplugs. a cigarette lighter to encourage encores, and a copy of the band's newest LP... Rock drummer Carmine Appice and KWST/Los Angeles have pacted for their second annual drum-off. in which drummers compete against one another for $\$ 2400$ worth of Ludwig drums... What were Steve Dahl and Garry Meier doing on the air at WTAO/Murphysboro, IL? The duo did a guest DJ show in town prior to a local appearance of Steve's rock band...KQRS/Minneapolis's most recent listener party drew 2000 locals at reduced admission to hear three of the area's top Lands...TK $101 /$ Pensacuia cosponsored what it claimed was the world's longest tube-float down an area river. Station reps said thousands turned out in an attempt to break the world's record for the longest chain of inter-connected inner tubes.

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Blizzard Of Oz（Jet）
Extended Play（Sire）
Still Feols Good（WB）
．Hi Infidelity（Epic）
Working Class Dog（RCA）
．Mistaken Identity（EMI America）
．Fair Warning（WB）
Another Ticket（RSO）
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．Twangin．．．（Swan Song）．
．Nature Of The Beast（Capitol）
．Point Of Entry（Columbia）
American Excess（MCA）
．Bad For Good（Epic）
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．Franke \＆．．．（Millennium）
．Various Artists（Island）
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．Dedicated（WB）．
Golden Down（Arista）．
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．Mardware（Ariola）
．Reach Up \＆Touch．．．（Mercury／PG）．
．East（Elektra）

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＂Train＂＂Know＂＂Growlay
＂Message＂＂Cuban＂＂Talk＂
＂Madman＂＂Tima＂＂Baby＂＂Staga＂
＂Take＂＂Heart＂＂Guys＂
＂Jossia＇s＂＂Everything＂
＂Betto＂＂Cards＂＂Rules＂
＂Streat＂＂Unchained＂＂Love＂
＂Stand＂＂Catch＂Title＂Rita＂
＂Sister＂＂See＂＂Live＂＂Lucille＂
＂Night＂＂Loser＂＂So＂
＂Gypsy＂＂Betweon＂＂Town＂
＂Hiway＂＂Rockin＇＂＂Circles＂
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＂Boy＂＂Light＂Tite＂Hide＂
＂Stap＂＂History＂＂Act＂＂Iris＂
＂Money＂＂Is＂＂Life＂Now
＂Fever＂＂Party＂＂Lee＂$\longrightarrow$

PETTY overtook WHO In hot reports for a close race to win the top airplay spot this week．SAN－ TANA inched up as the record showed gains In hots．WALSH climbed， growing in hots．8OUIER made hot gains and Inch od up．ACIDC and BOND8 jumped in hots．HAR－ RISON＇s single debuted with strong total reports （seo AOR Breskers）． KIHN，OBBOURNE and PRETENDERS climbed． JOHNSTON gained in all upper rotations．SPRING－ FIELD and CARNES inch od up．VAN HALEN debuted with an excep－ tional showing of adds plus early rotational con versions（expect a big jump next week as the heavy adds convert．ED－ MUNDS and STEINMAN were on the upswing． SECRET，TUBES and TUCKER all debutad．ENZ climbed while CHISEL bounced back on the chart The Significant Ac tion albums carne closest to charting in the order listed．

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| Breakers are those newer records that have the greatest level of station activity on any given week. $\square$ | DREGS ............................ Unsung Heroes (Arista) | 1 DRECS . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Unsuise" "Divided" "Pick" "Park" |
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|  | PURE PRAIRIE LEAGUE . . . Something... (Casablanca/PG) <br> "Hoarts" T/tle . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Total: 13. A-6, M-29, M-8 | 3 LEE RITENOUR . . . . . . . . . . ............"RIt" (Elaktra) |
|  | HUMBLE PIE . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Go For The Throat (Atco) <br> Tifla "Tabnaga". .................. Total: 42. A-0, M39, H.3 | 4 S. CLARKE/G. DUKE . . . . Clarke/Duke Project (Epic) "Baby" "Winners |
|  | LES DUDEK . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Gypsy Ride (Columbia) <br> 'Doja"."Fool" <br> Total 41. A-12, M.26, M-4 | 5 JEFF LORBER FUSION $\qquad$ Galaxian(Arista) "Lady" "Manstar" |
| VEORGE HARRISON FAN HALEN | "Marcury" "Lady" . . . . . . . . . . . Tocal: 40. A-10, M.25, H- | 6 CHUCK MANGIONE $\qquad$ Tarantella (AEM) "Bellavia" |
|  | GRATEFUL DEAD . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . . Reckoning (Arista) "Ripple" "Hollow" . . . . . . . . . . . Total: 39. A-0, M. 19, H-20 | 7 GROVER WASHINGTON JR. . . . . . Winelight (Eloktra) "Two" "Momory" |
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## Country Consultants Come Out Of The Closet - Pt. II

As mentioned in last week's column, Country consultants are becoming more visible as competition among Country stations increases to the point where there's more than one act in town. Some markets now have three, four, or even more stations playing some form of Country music, each reaching for their own specific audience. Many stations are realizing that a consultant may be able to give them that extra edge they need to survive and prosper

This week we'll speak to three additional consultants who are involved to varying degrees in the Country format: Mike Scott, head of Carmel, $\mathbf{I N}$-based Scott Consultants: KNEW/Oakland PD Jim Wood; and E. Alvin Davis, who runs E. Alvin Davis \& Associates in Landen Farms, OH

Mike, who is also PD of WNDE/Indianapolis, formed Scott Consultants two years ago, after getting a taste of consulting during a two-year stint with Burkhart Abrams \& Associates. "I've had an interest in consulting for quite a while, and during my period with Burkhart, Abrams \& Assoc. I did Top 40, Adult/Contemporary and also expanded their Country division by setting up KEND/Lubbock, KLV1/Beaumont-Port Arthur, and KCJB/Minot, ND, among others. The most spectacular was probably KEND, which went from a 3.5 to 13.6 in one book. That success is one of the main reasons that I'm involved in that market now with KLLLAMFM."

While Scott Consultants specializes in Adult/Contemporary, CHR, and Country formats, "We're primarily involved in country at this point, and we're limiting our client list somewhat because of my com-
"Most consultant operations try to serve too many stations and the service suffers. We don't have a most important client all of our clients are most important to us." - mike Seot
mitments at WNDE. I want to make sure that the clients recieve absolutely superior service so there's no pro blem on either side. This is where most consultant operations go wrong. They try to serve too many stations and the service suffers. We don't have a most important client . . . all of our clients are most important to us."

## Service Caters To Smaller Markets

Mike's service has one unique feature in that it's designed primarily for the small to medium market stations. As he explains. "The larger consultants gear their services more towards the larger stations, and the smaller guys seem to take the back seat." This attitude is reflected in the way Mike handles his clients' resources. The first thing we do is prepare a marke analysis, which can be done one of two ways. We can fly in for a trip, which, of course, can be rather expensive for the client, or we can do it from cassette tapes supplied by the station. I've found that it really makes very little difference. A lot of consulting firms get carried away with the flying in routine, but I don't think that's necessary if there's going to be a tremendous drain on the
 station's finances.'

When programming a station, Mike takes into account certain idiosyncrasies unique to the Country for mat. "I'd say that the Country listener especially is at tuned to a very warm, personable personality on the air

Our announcer presentation is very warm and informal. Our stations are also very highly promotion-oriented, but not the big money kind. The cartridge games and the audience involvement type play best on a Country station."

Music, too, is an important ingredient, as Mike explains, "In view of the audience you're dealing with (the 25-54 demo), you're involved in news and information, which makes the music you do play critically important.

## "You'd walk in and say, 'Here's

 something called music research,' and these programmers would say, 'Hey, I've been in this business for 25 years, and I can tell you what's a hit and what's not a hit.'- Jim Wood

We program: the music very much like a Top 40 station in that we play the big hit country music. We play oldies or classics as far back as the 1950's, but the spotlight is on the current top 30 tunes. What we've done basically is fuse the contemporary radio basics into a very tight, hitoriented formula
"Country music has never been more widely accepted," Mike continues, "and this is because the music itself is far more mass appeal than in the past. That means that Country radio has an opportunity to capture a greater percentage of the mass audience than ever before. I think it's something that has been long overdue."

Jim Wood agrees that the distinction between a Country-formatted and an Adult/Contemporary-type station is slowly dissolving, in that "all the A/C stations in America are 35\% Country now. About five years ago there was a major change in the outlook for country music. There are some very nice people, who've been in this business a long time, who look at this format like an ethnic format. Some of these people were trying to hang on to the pickup truck with the gun rack and cowboy image. Now, with 80 million different kinds of country music, some programmers are starting to use research... something that the country world didn't know anything about or wouldn't accept for years. You'd walk in and say, 'Here's something called music research.' and these programmers would say, 'Hey, I've been in this business 25 years, and I can tell you what's a hit and what's not a hit." "

## Country Stigma Dissolving

'I've worked on some Black stations where they would only play black artists. Then I saw Jim Maddoz go into Houston and put together a radio station that was flavored towards the black market but also played the Eagles and Chicago and just handed everybody in Houston their lunch. I said to myself, 'That's a very smart man because the black audience doesn't just like black records.' The same thing happened in Country. People who a year or two ago would never admit that they listened to a Country station because of the stigma attached, now feel it's okay because of the mass media, television and, of course, the music industry. After all. Barbara Mandrell is a very nice-looking lady, and I'm sure she doesn't drive a pickup truck with a gun rack."

Owing to his heavy commitment to KNEW, Jim consults only two or three stations at present, "more for fun than I do for the money. I've consulted stations for quite a while and was once a kind of freelance consultant for RAM Research when they were in the ratings business. Jack McCoy, who was President of the company, would ask me to $\mathrm{g} \sigma$ in and work with a particular radio station so that there would be no ties with RAM Research." Jim also helped with the KZLA/Los Angeles Country conversion while employed there.
"In the past," Jim found. "nobody took the format
seriously. It wasn't until two years ago that anybody said, 'Oh. oh. We're getting killed by a Country station. They're finding they'd better catch up quick." Part of that catching up has Jim familiarizing newcomers with the current country artists. "I can't tell you the number of calls I've had from very well-known people asking who Razzy Balley is. They ask me to send them a list of the big artists because they're starting to branch their consulting business out into Country." Along the same lines, Jim notes one problem peculiar to country music. "It has too few artists making too many of the big hits, and that's a problem because you run into the very mechanical parts of artist separation."

Jim feels that the faddish part of Country is now over. "The 'Urban Cowboy' syndrome has been over for about six months or a year now. Poor John Travolta . . . he's changed more formats than any programmer ever will! Country is different than Disco in that it has a gold base to it where disco didn't. The stations who are consistent with their format, whether they dropped ratings or not for a while, will, I think, win in the long run. It's the performance of the jocks, the news department, the positioning statement that you make with your advertising. All things being equal, it's now down to who does the best job."

Formerly Corporate PD with Affiliated Broading, E. Alvin Davis brings to his two-year-old consulting firm a broad background in various formats including Country through Affiliated-owned KMPS-AM-FM/Seattle and KRAK/Sacramento. This background has served him well in his current consulting association with wCCI/Loulsville, which E. Alvin helped to convert to Country last fall

## Every Format Unique

E. Alvin believes that every format has something unique to offer in terms of accumulated programming knowledge. "Top 40, for example, probably has been the area that has always spawned technology. I think showmanship may be an area that was quite good for Adult Contemporaries. That human, one-to-one com munication was always a great quality strength of Country stations. So almost all formats tend to have certain characteristics or areas where they excel, and the benefits you gain from being involved in all of them can only broaden your horizons. Just as a great air talent can do all different formats, I think the great programmers can study and learn and do a multiplicity of formats successfully."


The maturing of Country radio makes it ripe for consulting services. As E. Alvin notes, "Guys who were Country programmers were more country music fans, musicologists, than they were programmers, much like AOR radio for a long time was programmed by people
"I think a good consultant can certainly help a radio station achieve success beyond its wildest imagination.

- E. Alvin Davis
who were album music freaks and later programmers came into it. If we look at almost any kind of profession, most of the great technological strides and innovations have been made by people outside that profession because they were able to look at it objectively. I think it can be a tremendous advantage and I certainly feel it has been in my best interest to be involved in a lot of different formats. For a long time prior to Country 11


## BMI

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ALBUM OF THE YEAR
"Urban Cowboy"

TOP MALE VOCALIST


TOP FEMALE VOCALIST
Dolly Parton


SINGLE RECORD OF THE YEAR
"He Stopped Loving Her Today"


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## SONG OF THE YEAR

"He Stopped Loving Her Today"


COUNTRY MUSIC MOVIE OF THE YEAR "Coal Miners Daughter"


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## SONNY CURTIS

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## B.J. THOMAS

Some Love Songs Never Die (MCA)
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Dixie On My Mind (Eloktra/Curb) CONWAY TWITTY \& LORETTA LYNN I Still Believe in Waltes (MCA) CRYSTAL GAYLE oo Many Lovers (Columbia)

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RICKY SKAGGS "Don't Get Above Your Relsing" (Epic) $58 / 13$
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TOM T. HALL "The All Now M8" (RCA) 56/8
Natinal Summary. Up 20, Some 19. Down 0. Dobuts \&, Adds 8, KIXZ, WOKK, KWKH, WNRS, WGEE, KONE, KRSY, WAJR WSIX.FM 148, KICD FM 3930 KFTN 40.30 . WIXL.FM 92 WWVA 39
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WAYNE KEMP "Your Whe is Chootn' On Us Agaln" (Mercury/PotyGram) $48 / 3$

COONWAY TWITTY \& LORETTA LYNN "I S8ill Belleve In Woltzes" (MCA) 44141
Notional summary Up 0 . Some 2 Down 0 , Dobutes 1. Adds 41 including KNIX.FM, KMPS.AM.FM, KGA. WMZO.FM, KVET
JOHNNY LEE "Rode Herd And Put Up Wer" (Full Moon/Epic) $49 / 2$


QJOE STAMPLEY "Whiskey Chasin" " (Epic) 43/28
National Summary: Up 0, Same 11, Down 0. Dobuts 4, Adde 29 including WYDE. WGTD, WSIX.FM, WIRK.FM, WNRS, WS

## Others Getting Significant Action

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EDDY RAVEN "I Should've Cellod" (Elektra) $35 / 17$
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FM, KONE KGA WKXA © 28, W8IX.FM 37.23.
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DON McLEAN "SSince I Don'r Have You" (Millennium) $27 / 2$
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7 JOHN CONLEE "Could You Love Me (One More Time)" (MCA) 28/24
. 24 including KDKEFM, KIKK.FM,
SUSIE ALLANSON "'Run To Her" (Liberty) $23 / 12$
Notional Summary; Up 0, Some 8 . Down 0, Debuts 3. Adde 12 including KUUY, KNIX.FM, KSOP, WNYR, WGTD, WBAM.
WIRK.FM. WXCL KICD.FM, KVDO

BILLIE JO SPEARS "What The Word Noeds Now Is Love" (Liberty) 23/2
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ROY CLARK "Love Tekes Two (MCA) 21/6
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DEAN DILLON "Ther'II Never Teke Me Allve" (RCA) 18/8
National Summary: Up 1, Somo 8, Down O. Dobuts 1, Adda 8, WBGW.FM, WKXA KRRV, KYXX, WCXI, KVUD, KRSY, KGA WIXL.FM 4829.
DONNA HAZARD "Go Home And Go To Pleces" (Excelslor) 18/1
National Summary: UD 3. Some 12 Down 0. De KVET, WSLR. WXCL KVOO
ERNIE ROWELL "Music In The Mountalns"' (Grase Records) $17 / 6$
National Summary: UD 2 Some 8, Down O. Dobuts 1, Adde E, WESC.AM.FM, KNOE, KRMO-AM-FM, KBMR KICD.FM, KGA
KAY T. OLSIN "Clean Your Own Tebles" (Elektra) $17 / 2$
Notional Summary: Up A, Some 9, Down 1. Dobuts 1, Adde 2 KICD-FM, KNOE, WSEN d9-4, WWCSFM 2016, WGTO 46-3A. On: WSAl, KSO, WCXI.
BILLY LARKIN "Longing For The High" (Sunbird) 18/13
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WNYR, WIXL.FM 46.22.
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## Country Consultants

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(WCI) I've wanted to do a Country station. I thought a great deal could be done in that direction.
"Basically what I am is a marketeer. There are certain marketing strategies and research techniques that we have developed that we find transcend formats. I think the perception of a consultant in many instances is not correct. The idea is that this guy is going to come in and tell you a great many things you don't want to hear that are going to cost you a great deal of money to implement. For an awful lot of folks a consulting relationship is not necessarily something they look forward to or welcome. Typically, although it certainly is changing, a consulting relationship is viewed as sort of a last resort.
"We're seeing the growth of the consulting profession very rapidly. I'm delighted by that. I think a good consultant can certainly help a radio station achieve success beyond its wildest imagination. It's not a painful process. The increased competition is causing Country to seek outside counsel and a fresh perspective."
E. Alvin believes a market overview and resulting analysis should be the first step in a consulting relationship "to see if we can do them some good. There are two ways a consultant can be used. One is the programming advisor, a resource much like $\mathbf{R} \& \mathbf{R}$ is used, just that consultants may cost a little more. The second way could be as a programming supervisor, acting much like a national program director and being intimately involved in the station. Either way we don't have any ego difficulties if someone wants to come in and use $50 \%$ or $60 \%$ of what we advise. We're certainly not infallible. There may be areas where we might be wrong or situations that may be applicable specifically to their market that aren't true elsewhere. All the decisions we make are based on what we would do if we owned the stations."

## Dealing With Ego Clashes

Ego problems run on both sides of the fence. How does a good consultant deal with ego clashes resulting from the relationship? "A good deal of tact and adroit behavior has got to be applied to the situation and the ability to work with people and not offend them. If you're the greatest consultant in the world, but you can't work with people, you're not going to have a very good career. So what you've got to do is move people from their position and yet have them help you move them. From a personal level we believe that we have an obligation to give people at the consulted station an opportunity to work out. It costs a lot of money to fire and hire people . . . that's a very big expense that most don't appreciate. Locally, the PD has got to be the executioner . . . he's got to be the guy who makes all your ideas happen. If he doesn't do that, if he doesn't believe in them or want to do it, the greatest ideas in the world are worth very little because they're not being implemented.
"No one of us has all the ideas or solutions. Whatever it is that a client wants to do, I'm behind them because I want their radio station to succeed." Country radio has succeeded beyond the wildest expectations of many, and E. Alvin attributes that success to the music. "It's music that talks to the roots, the soul, the emotions of people. The greatest thing that has happened to country music is that the appeal has broadened to beyond merely just a rustic person. As this evolution continues, it will continue to reflect the on-air presentation of Country radio stations."

As Country radio continues to change and grow, Country consultants will most certainly have a great impact on the future of the format. We've profiled a few; space does not permit the mentioning of the many others in this rapidly-growing profession. As these two articles suggest, each consultant has his own unique methods and ideas. Finding the right one for you often boils down to simple chemistry. As always, we invite your comments.

- Carolyn Parks


WKYG PAYS ONION DUES - WKYGIParkersburg, WV recently participated in the annuel Washing fon Bortom, WV "Ramp Skinoff,"pealing ramps ldascribed as "basically a smally wlld onion") in appropriete precautionary clothing. Alr personalitles Kathy Jackson (left) and Sean Marshall are picturad in a pealling pose.


A MARYLAND PIE FOR WPOC - As part of a WPOC/Baltimore cosponsored bowling tournament, station staffers ware prlvileged to recaive cream pies in their faces. Plctured in the midst of this sansuous experlonce are (l-r) WPOC PD Larry Clark, air personality Trish Hennessey, ant
the menager of the bowling center, gloating at fighe.


## Inside Nashville

POCKET SECRETARY: Jerry Reed buys a $\$ 1,582,500$ farm in nearby Franklin, TN...Mel Tillis, performing at the White House News Photographers Dinner Wednesday, won raves.... Pat Boone hosting the ninth annual Pat Boone/Bethel Celebrity Spectacular in Chattanooga for Bethel Bible School, a nondenominational school set up expressly to house children whose parents are in prison. B.J. Thomas and Debby Boone will join him in the concert... The International Star Registry has recorded a star (the outer space type) named after Eddie Rabbitt for posterity in the Library of Congress...The Larry Gatlin and the Gatlin Brothers Band special airs on ABC-TV Monday (5-25) with Johnny Cash special guest...Donna Fargo singing the national anthem at the 22nd annual world 600 NASCAR Winston Cup Grand National race at Charlotte Motor Speedway Sunday (5-24)...Tanya \& Glen are back together again (or are they still?)...Marianne Gordon expects a Christmas present from the stork in 1981 for her husband Kenny Rogers. Incidentally, Kenny and Dolly Parton are not set to play the Rose Bowl in June, as mentioned here last week. Signals got crossed ...Linda (Mrs. Bruce Jenner) Thompson's baby is expected any edition...Jeannie C. Riley's antebellum home (built in the 1850's) in Franklin is for sale ( $\$ 700,000^{\prime}$ ish) ...T.G. Sheppard will cohost a syndicated TV special with Regis Philbin called "Battle Of The Las Vegas Showgirls". . . Freddy Fender re-signed with longtime manager Huey P. Meaux after a time on the outs. They're working on a new album with a label to be announced later. . Also recording: a new duo, Roger Miller and Willie Nelson, cutting in Austin. Roger has several TV dates lined up, including that Gatlin Bros. special... When the Statler Bros. cohost the "Music City News Awards Show'' June 8, they'll be joined by some close personal friends, Lester "Roadhog" Moran and his Cadillac Cowboys, show business legends in their own hats. . New York's "ritzy" new club, the Ritz, will open its doors to country music for the first time August 13 with Razzy Bailey doing the honors onstage...Ernest Tubb sang with Sammi Smith on her new recording of his "Waltz Across Texas"'...WSM/Nashville radio Vice President/General Manager Len Hensel took early retirement and joins BMI as VP in charge of Broadcasting Station Relations, a newly-created post. living and
working out of Nashville...Johnny Cash's dad Ray celebrated his 84th birthday...Loretta Lynn out of Park View Hospital in Nashville, feeling better but still nursing the ulcers. She won't be back on the road again till late June, manager Dave Skepner says
TCB: At Fan Fair this year, I'm touting 1950's Country DJ personalities to join us for a special Second Generation Reunion show on Saturday, June 13. Names we'd love to see there include Bill Lowery (now an industry giant), Dal Stallard, Smokey Smith, Tex Justus, Tom Perryman, Bil Stanley, Earl Davis, Charlie Stokeley, Johnny Hicks, Harry O'Connor, Charlie Walker, Jim Wilson, Shel Horton, Johnny Rion, Marvin Montgomery, Billy Parker Cliffie Stone, Frank Simon, Charlie Williams, and Chris Lane; and those are just a few of the original members of the Country Music Disc Jockey Association organized in the 50 's. If you are, or you know someone who is a veteran of the 1950's Country DJ business, please have them contact Biff Collie at 615-373-3448.
THINGS, PLACES, NAMES, FACES Ray Price heading for France, England and Germany this month. . . Merle Kilgore recently taped "That Nashville Music"...Jan Howard, from West Plains, MO, has a freeway named after her there...Vern Gosdin's Wembley appearance this year was so good, he's going back this fall on his own tour ...Tony Joe White's appearance in Greenville, MS was spiced by an unexpected appearance of a friend, Waylon Jennings. The club owner promptly signed Tony Joe up for a return engagement (without Waylon)...Ferlin Husky, one of the greatest performing acts we've ever had in country, is back. His career has been curtailed in recent months after open heart surgery last year, but Ferlin's ready to roll again. Remember his "Gone" was one of the first Country crossover records of the late 50's rock era? Finally, congratulations to Terri Hollowell and Jeff Walker, proud parents of newborn (5-15) Jonathan William Walker, all 6lbs $90 z$ of him.


OKLAHOMA PACT - Just off the racent success of "You're The Reason God Made Oklahoma," It only seoms notural that Tulsa-based JIm Halsey would sign performers David frizzall $\&$ Shelly West to a worldwide booking agreament. The slgning took place during a break in the teping of the now syndicated television speciel "Country top 20 "recantly in Las Vegas. From laft: Jim Halsey; Jack Brumley, manager of the duo; Shelly and David; and Dick Howard, Executive VP of the Halsey Company, Los Angeles.

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## Progress

Gary Parks has been named Program Manager at WBNS-AM-FM/Columbus, OH. Most recently Gary served as Operations Manager at WJAI-FM/Eaton, OH and Assistant Program Director at WJAI's sister station, WING-AM/Dayton . . . Mary June Rose has been promoted to Assistant Program Director/Music Director at WBT/Charlotte, NC. She previously held the post of administrative assistant.

Sal Giangrasso has been appointed Operations Director of WHLIWKJY/Hempstead, NY, while continuing as News and Public Affairs Director. Morning personality Jeff Long is the new WKJY Program Director and midday air talent Chuck Camlio has been promoted to Program Director of WHLI. Mary Ann Roque is the new afternoon drive personality, following stints at other New York City area stations.. Russ Garrett has been promoted to Music Director at WNAB/Bridgeport, CT. He steps up from his post as copywriter and part-time air talent... Michael Kelly takes afternoon
drive at KXIC/Iowa City, IA, from a morning drive shift at KIXS/Killeen, TX . . . Lee Somerstein has been promoted to the newlycreated position of Managing Editor for K0mo/Seattle Radio News. Previously, Somerstein was General Assignment Reporter and News Anchor

Bob Clarke has been appointed Program Director for K P N W - AM-F M / Eugene, OR. Clarke will also handle the 9 noon airshift on the AM station. His background includes KEX/Portland, KSFO/San Francisco, KGRL/Bend, OR, and most recently, KWKN/Wichita, KS.


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The real and potential force of Adult/Contemporary radio is very exciting. A/C radio serves an ever-growing audience base and offers as wide a range of music and service features as any format. Its marketability is unquestioned, its future is secure.

It is at this time I join Radio \& Records in its commitment to the evolution and growth of Adult/Contemporary radio programming and operations. I truly look forward to serving you.

## Progress

Gary Parks has been named Program Manager at WBNS-AM-FM/Columbus, OH. Most recently Gary served as Operations Manager at WJAI-FM/Eaton, OH and Assistant Program Director at WJAI's sister station, WING-AM/Dayton . . . Mary June Rose has been promoted to Assistant Program Director/Music Director at WBT/Charlotte, NC. She previously held the post of administrative assistant.

Sal Giangrasso has been appointed Operations Director of WHLIWKJY/Hempstead, NY, while continuing as News and Public Affairs Director. Morning personality Jeff Long is the new WKJY Program Director and midday air talent Chuck Camlio has been promoted to Program Director of WHLI. Mary Ann Roque is the new afternoon drive personality, following stints at other New York City area stations...Russ Garrett has been promoted to Music Director at WNAB/Bridgeport, CT. He steps up from his post as copywriter and part-time air talent... Michael Kelly takes afternoon
drive at KXIC/lowa City, IA, from a morning drive shift at KIXS/Killeen, TX . . . Lee Somerstein has been promoted to the newlycreated position of Managing Editor for ком0/Seattle Radio News. Previously, Somerstein was General Assignment Reporter and News Anchor . Bob Clarke has been appointed Program Director for KPNW-AM-FM/ Eugene, OR. Clarke will also handle the 9 -noon airshift on the AM station. His background includes KEX/Portland, KSFO/San Francisco, KGRL/Bend, OR, and most recently, KWKN/Wichita, KS.
 Bob Clarke Clarke replaces Lee Gordon, who will concentrate on his morning drive shift and corporate music policies.


[^0]:    Other CFI Creations : The Elton John Special (ABC) : The Rod Stewart Special (RKO) : The Beach Boys Special (ABC): The John Lennon Special (Ind) : Olivia Newton John Special (RK()) : The Frankie Valli Special (ABC) : The Anne Murray Special (Ind) : The Bob Seger Special (ABC): The Love Makers (Ind) : The Fleetwood Mac Special (ABC) : The ELO Special (ABC) : Hot Rocks (Ind) : The. Eagles Special (ABC)...to name a few!

