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LOCATION: POYNETTE, WISC.

ROBERT P. HANSEN BROADCASTING, INC. (AL: 6-6-79 EFF:

x COMMUNITY SERVICE RADIO, INC. (/L 10-29-69 x Wm. C. Forrest (Lic, 11-11-28)

Name of X Wisconsin State Journal Company

R.F.D. #2, Poynette, Wisconsin (L-10-8-38 - route nos.redesignated)

Transmitter R. F. D. #3, Poynette, Wisconsin

Location:

53955 R.F.D. #2, Poynette, Wisconsin (L-10-8-38 - route nos.redesignated)

**R.F.D. #3,

Main Studio / On The Electric Farm, Poynette, Wisconsin.

Location: FRC-65

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

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-S-B	BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD	
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Name of Licensee: MM. C. FORREST		
Transmitter Location:		
Main Studio Location: FRC-65		

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

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B4-R-618	11-28-38	1210	100,250	-LS U	12-1 6-1-39
B4-R-618	5-31-39	1210	100,250	-LS U	6-1 12-1-39
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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed

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Name of licensee WM. C. FORREST

Transmitter location

Main studio location

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CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

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B4-R-618	3-23-43	1240	250w	U	14	-1	4-1-45
B4-Z-1091	5-3-44	1240	2007		8-	3	4-1-45
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BR-618	11-9-55	Renewal	of Lice	nse	12-1	12	-1-59
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Form BC 126
June 1954 # 4

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

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CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl.	Date			Time	Period
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BR-618(S)					12-1-76
BZ-8508(1)	5-6-74	Direct	Measurem	ent	
BR-681(L)	11-15-76		RENEWAL		12-1-79
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No. 1.

APPLICANT:	Wisconsin State Journal Co.	CALL LETTERS: WIBU
ADDRESS:	#3, R.F.D., Paynette, Wis.	FILE NO: 4-S-B-618 DATED: 4-4-27
Present Assignment:	1350 Kc. 20 watts	ACTION: Lic. 6-1-27, 1380 Kc.
Requested: _	1350 Ke. 100 watts	6-1-27 to 7-31-27.
APPLICANT:	Same	CALL LETTERS: WIBU
ADDRESS:	Same	FILE NO: 4-R-B-618 DATED: 8-6-27
Present Assignment:	1380 Kc. 20 watts, unlimited	ACTION: 8-8-27, letter of extension. Period 8-15 to 10-15-27.
Requested:	Renewal	
APPLICANT:	Same	CALL LETTERS: WIBU
ADDRESS:	Same	FILE NO: 4-R-B-618 DATED: 10-5-27
Present Assignment: Requested:	1380 Kc. 20 watts, unlimited Renewal	ACTION: 19-24-27. letter of extension. Period 11-1 to 1-1-28.

No. 3.

APPLICANT:

Requested:

ADDRESS:

Wm. C. Forrest

CALL LETTERS:

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3-13-29

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R. F. D. #3, Poynette, Wisconsin

FILE NO: 4-R-B-618 DATED: 12-1-28

Present 1310 Kc. 100 watts, unlimited Assignment:

Renewal License 1-11-29 Period 1-31-29 to 4-30-29.

Renewal

Same

WARRIED CALL LETTERS

APPLICANT:

Same

FILE NO: 4-R-B-618

ADDRESS

Present

Assignment:

1310 Kc. 100 watts, unlimited

Renewal License 4-1-29. ACTION: Period 4-30-29 to 7-31-29.

Renewal Requested:

Same

CALL LETTERS:

ADDRESS:

Requested:

APPLICANT:

Present 1310 Kc. 100 watts, unlimited Assignment:

Renewal

C. O. #69, Period 7-31-29 ACTION: to 10-31-29.

FILE NO: 4-R-B-618 DATED: 6-6-29

100 watts night & 250 watts Daytime

Requested:

No. 5. APPLICANT: Wm. C. Forrest WIELL CALL LETTERS: R.F.D. #3, Poynette, Wisconsin ADDRESS: Present Assignment: 1310 Kc. 100 watts, unlimited ACTION: Renewal License 4-5-30. Period 4-30-30 to 7-31-30. Requested: Renewal CALL LETTERS: WIBU APPLICANT: Same FILE NO: 4-R-B-618 DATED: 6-19-30 Same ADDRESS: Present ACTION: Renewal License 7-7-30. Assignment: 1310 Kc. 100 watts, unlimited Period 7-31-30 to 10-31-30. Requested: Renewal CALL LETTERS: APPLICANT: FILE NO: DATED: ADDRESS: Present ACTION: Assignment: Requested:

STATION APPLICATION RECORD

APPLICANT:	CALL LETTERS:
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Call Letters <u>WIBU</u>

Wm. C. Forrest Name Action Date d Nature Date Application for File No. Received 10-21-30 Granted 4-R-B-618 9-26-30 Renewal of lic. 4-R-B-618 12-27-30 Renewal of license G.0.103 1-20-31 Granted 4-24-31 4-R-B-618 9-19-31 Renewal of license 11-13-31 Granted Gran ted 5-6-32 Renewal of license 3-24-32 4-R-B-618 Renewal of license 10-8-32 4-R-B-618 Granted 11-9-32 Granted 5-5-33 Renewal of license 3-22-33 4-R-B-618 11-7-33 RB-618 Granted 9-27-35 Renewal of License Renewal of License 4-R-B-618 3-31-34 Granted 5-11-34 -H-618 Granted 11-13-34

Name

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Wm. C. Forrest

File No.	Dated	Application for	Nature	Action Date
84-P-162 Resubmitte	10-17-34	C. P. to increase day power from 100 watts to 250 watts and install new equipment.	Return -Wrong: Cranted	10-23-34- 10-11-34
B4-L-111	1-26-35	License to cover C.P.(B4-P-102) to increase day power from 100w to 250w, install new equi	Granted.	Min. 3-5-35
34-R-618	3-26-35	Renewal of license	Granted	5-21-35
B4-R-618	9-21-35	Renewal of license	Granted	11-19-35
B4-R-618	3-18-36	Renewal of License	Granted	5-28-36
B4-P-1321	8-17-36	C.P. to install new trans.	Græn ted	10-20-36
B4-R-618	10-9-36	Renewal of license	Granted	11-17-36

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

File No.	Dated	Application for	Natur	Action e Date
B4-L-443	11-9-36	License to cover C.P.(B4-P-1921) for new trans	Grant	ed 12-1-36
B4-R-618 Resubmitted	3-22-37 3-22-37	Renewal of license (19a & Jurat)	Granted	4-13-37 5-25-37
B4-F-97	5-17-37	Authority to install/automatic frequency con- trol equipment.	Granted	6-1-37
B4-R-618	9-27-37	Renewal of License	Granted	CA 11-22-37
B4-1-618	3-26-38	Renewal of license	Granted	5-18-38
B4-R-618	9-23-38	Remewal of license	Granted	11-28-38
B4-R-618	3-25-39	Renewal of license	Granted	5-31-39

APPLICATION RECORD—BROADCASTING

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FILE No.	DATED	APPLICATION FOR—	NATURE	DATE
B4-ML-770	8-1-39	Modification of license to increase power from 100w 250w-IS to 250w day and night.	Granted	9-6-39
B4-R-618	9-26-39	Renewal of license	Granted	11-20-39
Q 4-R-618	5/28/40	Renowal of license 1240kc,250w,U (1 (2) Cancelled Docket #6063		hearing ense granted 7-16-41
B4-Z-999 Rec'd	5-21-41 5-24-41	Authority to determine operating power by direct measurement.	Granted	6-19-41
4-F-233 received	7-15-41 7-17-41	Authority to make chances in automatic frequency control equipment. FCC form 305 filed.	Greated	8-7-41

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Nature	Action Date
B4-R-618	7-26-41	Renewal of license	Granted	9-23-41
B4-R-618	7-29-42	Renewal of license and Forms 335	Granted	9-15-42
B4-R-618	1-30-43	Renewal of license	Granted	3-23-43
B4-Z-1591 Rec'd Filed	4-14-44 4-17-44 4-17-44	authority to determine operating power by direct measurement of antenna power.	Granted	5-3-44
Bi-P-3762 Rec'd Filed	10-30-44 11-1-44 11-1-44	Construction Permit to install new antenna and make change in ground system (Petition for consideration & grant under Comm. Policy of 1-16-45 - filed 7-7-45)	GRANTED	9-12-45
B4-R-618 Rec'd	12-31-44 1-18-45	Renewal of license Filed by Edwin Conrad atty.	Granted	5-1-45

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Nature	Date
B4-L-1969 Rec'd Filed B4-Z-1793 Rec'd Filed	5-13-46 5-31-46	License to cover C.P. (B4-P-3762) which authorized installation of new antenna and changes in ground system; and Authority to determine operating power by direct measurement of antenna power. (Filed by Andrew G. Haley, Atty.)	GRANTED	7-15-46

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Dated	Application for	Nature	Date	
5-27-46 5-29-46	Renewal of license Filed by Andrew Haley atty.	Grante	8-1-46	
5-25-49 5-31-49	Renewal of license. (James A. McKenna, Jr., Atty.)	GRANTED	7-20-49	
4-23-52 4-28-52 4-28-52	Renewal of License Filed by James A. McKenna, Jr., Atty.	GRANTED	7-2-52	
0-18-52 0-21-52 0-21-53	Renewal of License, Informal request Filed by James A. McKenna, Jr., Atty.	GRANTED	11-26-52	
8-27-55 9-2-55 9-2-55	Renewal of license Leonidas P. B. Emerson, Atty.	GRANTED	11-9-55	
	5-27-46 5-29-46 5-29-46 5-25-49 5-31-49 4-23-52 4-28-52 4-28-52 4-28-52 6-1-83 6-21-53 8-27-55 9-2-55	S-27-46 5-29-46 Filed by Andrew Haley atty. S-25-49 S-31-49 Renewal of license. (James A. McKenna, Jr., Atty.) 4-23-52 Renewal of License Filed by James A. McKenna, Jr., Atty. 8-28-52 Renewal of License, Informal request Filed by James A. McKenna, Jr., Atty. 8-27-55 9-2-55 Renewal of license	Dated Application for S-27-46 S-29-46 Renewal of license Filed by Andrew Haley atty. S-35-49 S-31-49 Renewal of license. (James A. McKenna, Jr., Atty.) Renewal of License Filed by James A. McKenna, Jr., Atty. GRANTED Renewal of License Filed by James A. McKenna, Jr., Atty. GRANTED Renewal of License, Informal request Filed by James A. McKenna, Jr., Atty. GRANTED Renewal of License, Informal request Filed by James A. McKenna, Jr., Atty. GRANTED Renewal of License GRANTED Renewal of License GRANTED Renewal of License GRANTED	

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Name WM_ C_ FORREST POYNETTE, WISC. Action Nature Date File No. Application for Dated CERANITED 11-5-58 Renewal of License. 8-22-58 BR-618 9-2-58 Rec'd Edward R. McKenna, Atty. 9-2-58 Buled 7-12-61 BP-14.987 GRANTED 5-27-62 Construction permit to increase daytime power lec'd 7-14-61 from 250w to 1kw and install new transmitter Piled (RCA BTA-1R). 7-14-61 Engr: E. W. Jacker, Lombard, Illinois GRANTED 11-13-61 BR-618 8-21-61 Renewal of License 8-31-61 R&F Lic to cover CP(BP-14,987) which auth incr 6-12-62 GRANTED 10-26-62 BL-9495 daytime power and install new transmitter. 6-14-62 R. & F. Cond'l re: accest interf. Atty- McKENNA & WILKINSON 250w, Class IV, stations: accept interf. re: BP BP-14,238 & 3.30(a) Waived P.C.C. - WASHINGTON, D. C.

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

FORM BC-121

Aug. 1955 CARD #14

COMMUNITY SERVICE RADIO, INC.

x WM. C. FORREST

File No.	Dated	Application for	Nature	Date Date
BR-618 R&F	8-14-64 9-1-64	RENEWAL OF LICENSE ROBERT W. COLL, ATTY.	GRANTED	11-20-64
BR-618 R & F	7-27-67 8-14-67	Renewal of license Atty- Aaron I. Fleischman	GRANTED	3-18-68
G 21 1967 BAT-6722 R & F FEE PD: \$75 (ALSO SEE: By-Laws fil	WWCF(fm) ed 7-25-69	Vol. assignment of lic. to COMMUNITY SERVICE RADIC, INC. REQUEST WAIVER RE DOCKET 18110 Atty for assignee - Arent, Fox etc AMENDED 10-1-69. Additional financing data.	GRANTED :	 10-29 - 69
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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Name .COM	UNITY SERVI	CE RADIO, INC.			
File No.	Dated	Application for	Natur	Action Nature Date	
BR-618 R & F P.N. PRESS	8-25-70 9-2-70 9-2-70	Renewal of License Atty: Peter Tannenwald	GRANTE (ISSUEI		
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R & F DM PRESS NOV 27 11	10-20-70	Atty: Peter Tenmenwald (Arent, Fox, Kintner etc.)		11-30-70 17H BR-618)	
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PRESS	SEP 26 197				
Pa- 2-5	74	F.C.C WASHINGTON, D. C.			

BAL790403EU Amended 4-17-79 re: EEOP statement

AMENDED 4-18-79 re: EEOP data

AMENDED 4-26-79 re: Programming, ascertainment data &

financial data

AMENDED 5-14-79 re: Financial and ascertainment data

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About the History Cards ...

History Cards were first used by the Department of Commerce to keep track of applications filed by, and changes to, the earliest AM broadcast stations in the early 1920s. The records were subsequently transferred to the Federal Radio Commission in 1927, and after that to the Federal Communications Commission when that agency was created in 1934. These cards gradually grew into a large card file. History Cards remained in use until the creation of the first computerized database in 1980 to track broadcast applications, the Broadcast Application Processing System (BAPS). However, the Commission did not transfer the data from the History Cards to the new system. Instead, it retained the History Cards in their original form – 3" by 5" filing cards – for reference.

In 1999, the Commission moved to a new location (445 12th Street SW), and also at that time created the successor database to BAPS, the Consolidated DataBase System (CDBS). The History Cards were transferred to microfiche by a contractor (only a few sets of microfiche exist), and the original paper cards were destroyed. The History Cards were stored on the microfiche as negative images, like those you see above. Generally, they have been left as negatives as those are often easier to read.

History Cards contain very brief entries and notes about station facilities, applications, and ownership. They are not, and never were intended to be, a comprehensive record of a station's operations. Nevertheless, they can be useful to help determine, for example, when a station first went on the air and its call letters at that time. History Card comments were generally typed onto the cards, and thus some records will show more faintly or with more smudging than others, depending on the quality of typewriter and ribbon then used. Occasional handwritten comments, corrections, and strikeouts may also be found. Cards may be incomplete, missing, or occasionally out of sequence.

The History Cards are presented here as they were copied to microfiche, to preserve this record for public use, and with the hope that they will be of value to future researchers of radio station history.

