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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed .12-12-57....

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Station Location: Monmouth, Illinois

x STEPHEN P. BELLINGER, THEODORE M. NELSON, CHARLES VANDEVER, JOEL W. TOWNSEND, BEN H. TOWNSEND, MORRIS E. KEMPER, T. KEITH COLEMAN, VERNON J. WILSON and Name of licensee JAMES W. TRAVELSTEAD, d/b as PRAIRIELAND BROADCASTERS

Transmitter location On US Hwy. 34, 4 mi. NE of Mormouth, Illinois (CP 5-29-56)(BL-12-19-57)

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Main studio location		

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dba PRAIRIELAND BROADCASTERS (AL 4-29-66:EFF: 5-23-66)

XSTEPHEN P.BELLINGER, JOEL W.TOWNSEND, BEN H.TOWNSEND, MORRIS E.KEMPER, T.KEITH
Name of licensee COLEMAN and JAMES A.MUDD dba PRAIRIELAND BROADCASTERS (AL-12-6-65:EFF:1-8-66

Transmitter location

Main studio location

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To-
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FORM BC-121

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BP-11,079

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call FORMERLY FORM A-170 STEPHEN P. BELLINGER. THEODORE M. NELSON,

CHARLES VANDEVER, JOEL W. TOWNSEND, BEN H. TOWNSEND, MORRIS E. KEMPER tters

Name T. KEITH COLEMAN, VERNON J. WILSON AND JAMES W. TRAVELSTHAD d/b as PRAIRIELAND BROADCASTERS PO & Stephen P. Bellinger, R.R. #3, Mt. Cormel, Ill. Action Nature Date Application for Dated File No. Construction permit for a new standard 9-26-55 BP-10,116

GRANTED 5-29-56 broadcast station to be operated on: Cond'l re phase monitor; 9-28-55 DA-non-DA proof; and Frequency: 1330kc 9-28-55 acceptance interf. from Power: 1kw - Directional Antenna P-9983 if granted Mours of Operation: Daytime Trans. Location: On US Hwy. 34, 4 mi. NE of Monmouth, Illinois Studio Location: Same Ralph J. Bitzer, Engr., St. Louis, 21, No. GRANTED

Construction permit to replace expired 2-26-57 2-12-57 construction permit (BP-10,116 which auth,a Conditions as on 2-19-57 new standard broadcast station to be operated BP-10116 2-19-57 on 1330kc, with power of lkw, daytime hours of operation, employing DA. Arnold, Fortas & Porter, Attys. (Reed Miller,)

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STEPHEN P. BELLINGER, THEODORE M. NELSON, CHARLES

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WANTENDRO TOTAL M. TOLINGEND BEN H. TOLINGEND MORRIS E.

Name VANDEVER, JOEL W. TOWNSEND, BEN H. TOWNSEND, MORRIS E. KENPER, T. KEITH COLEMAN, VERNON J. WILSON AND JAMES W. TRAVELSTEAD,

d/t	as PRAIRIE	LAND BRUNDONO I BRO	_	tion
File No.	Dated	Application for	Nature	Date
BMP-7630 Rec'd Filed	4-17-57 4-19-57 4-19-57	Modification of construction permit (BP-11,079, which replaced expired construction permit BP-10,116, which authorized a new standard broadcast station) to change type transmitter (Collins 20V). Ralph J. Bitzer, Engr.	GRANTED	4-30-57
BL-6624 Rec'd Filed	4-24-57 4-26-57 4-26-57	License to cover Construction Permit (BP-11,079 as mod., which authorized a new standard broadcast station.	GRAN TED	12-19-57
BAL-2985 Rec'd Filed	3-17-58 3-20-58 3-20-58	Voluntary assignment of license to Stephen P. Rellinger, Joel W. Townsend, Ben H. Townsend, Morris E. Kemper, T. Keith Coleman, Vernon R. Nunn d/b as Prairieland Broadcasters.	RANTED EFF:	6-3-58

FORM BC-121 #3 APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Aug. 1955 Name Name PRAIRIELAND BROADCASTERS

File No.	Dated	Application for	Nature Nature	Date
BR- 3548 Recd Filed	8-21-58 8-27-58 8-27-58	Renewal of license Joel W. Townsend, attorney	GRANTE	
BRC-1712 Rec'd Filed	7-28-60 8-4-60 8-4-60	Modifications of license to overate transmit by remote control from 200 South Main St., Monmouth, Ill.		11-18-60
BR-3548 Rec'd Filed	9-2-61 9-7-61 9-7-61	Renewal of license	GRANTED	11-9-61
BAL-4394 Rec'd Filed	11-14-61 11-20-61 11-20-61	Voluntary assignment of license to Stephen P. Bellinger, Joel W. Townsend, Ben H. Townsend, Morris E. Kemper and T. Keith Coleman d/b as Prairieland Broadcasters.	GRANTED EFF:	12-13-61 5-28-62
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Stephen P. Bellinger, et al d/b as

Name PRAIRIELAND BROADCASTERS

,	Monmouth,	Illinois		
File No.	Dated	Application for	Ac Nature	tion Date
BR-3548 Rec'd Filed	8-31-64 9-1-64 9-1-64	Renewal of license	GRANTED	11-30-64
BAL-5640 R & F	11-9-65 11-12-65	Voluntary assignment of license to Stephen P. Bellinger, Joel W. Townsend, Ben H.Townsend, Morris E. Kemper, T. Keith Coleman and James A. Mudd dba PRAIRIELAND BROADCASTERS	GRANTED EFF:	12-6-65 1-8-66
BA L-5741 R & F (Form 316)	3-10-66 4-7-66	Voluntary assignment of license to Stephen P. Bellinger, Joel W. Townsend, Ben H. Townsend, Morris E. Kemper and James A. Mudd dba PRAIRIEIAND BROADCASTERS	RANTED EFF:	4-29-66 5-23-66
BA L-5 985 R & F (Form 316)	1-11-67 1-19-67	Bellinger, Joel W. Townsend, Ben H. Townsend and James Mudd, dba PRAIRIEIAND BROADCASTERS	CRANTED EFF:	2-17-67 3-1-67
		Atty - Putbrese & Fisher		

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John R. Hallstrom & Joan A. Hallstrom dba Monmouth Broadcasting Co.

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Name JAMES MUDD d/b as PRAIRIELAND BROADCASTERS

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BAI-5892 R & F FEE PD: \$105	2-20-70 3-25-70 - #588048	Voluntary assignment of license to John R. Hallstrom & Joan A. Hallstrom dba MONMOUTH BROADCA TING CO.	GRANTED EFF:	12-29-70 2-4-71
(Remotes included Pub.notice fi	ded 4-15-70 PR 21 1970	(SEE OVER) Atty - Putbrese & Fletcher		
BR-3548 R & F PN Recd.	8-10-70 9-2-70 "	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Robert W. Healy, Atty. (Putbrese, Fletcher)	GRANTED 12	2-29-70
OCT 1 1970		F.C.C WASHINGTON, D. C.		

PE: PAL-6892 - Addendum to Agreement; fin & prog data AMENDED 11-2-70 - addendum to agreement

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

COLEMAN BROADCASTING COMPANY

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WRAM

x JOHN R. HALLSTROM & JOAN A. HALLSTROM

Name X DBA MONMOUTH BROADCASTING CO.
MONMOUTH, ILLINOIS

File No. Annaul fili	Dated ng fee \$120	Application for .00 paid 11-16-70 & 1-25-71. Credit \$74.60 to	Nature	<u>Date</u>
BR-3548 R & F P.N. PRESS	8-24-73 8-24-73 8-24-73 SEP 4 1973	Renewal of License Atty.: Keith E. Putbrese AMENDED 9-13-73 re: engineering data	GRANTED	11-28-73
BR-3548 R & F PN PRESS	7-26-76 7-26-76 7-26-76 ICT 6 1976		GRANTED	3-11-77 alled 2 34-78
BAL -8985 R & F (Form 314) PN filed	L-8-77 L-13-77 MAY 1 2 1977 5/23/77	The state of the s	RANTED FF:	6/24/77 6/30/77
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RE: BAL-8985 - Lease Agreement not attached (Exh.B)
ref. to BPH-10315(new station(pending) for Galesburg, I,
for Articles etc.

AMENDED 7-15-77 - lease agreement & re contract(modificati & re assignee - Sec. II(Tables I & II) filed; statement re Security agreement Form BC-121 May 1976

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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COLEMAN BROADCASTING COMPANY

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Nature	Date
BR790731UL PRESS AUG		Renewal of License Atty.: Robert L. Olender	GRANTED	11-30-79
		P.C.C WASHINGTON, D. C.		

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.

