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REMOVABLE LABEL GUIDE

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Date First Licensed..... 9-23-25

12-1-39

Call WSOY (11-12-39)

Letters X WJBL

LOCATION: Decatur, Illinois

ILLINOIS BROADCASTING COMPANY (AL 8-30-49; EFP: 9-1-49)

Name of Licensee: x Commodore Broadcasting, Inc. (12-14-29)
X Wm. Gushard Dry Goods Co.

1100 East Pershing Road, Decatur, Ill. (Re-description)-(BRC-1070)
x Route 48 at North Jasper Street (extended), N. of Decatur, ILL (Lic. 8-30-48)
X Northside of State Highway No. 121, .7 miles East of U. S. Highway #51, Decatur, Illinois (CP 10-14-46)
x 1891 N. Oakland Avenue, Decatur, Illinois (no change)
x Route #48, Decatur, Illinois (C.P. 10-5-37) Lic. 1-5-38.
x 301 N. Water Street, Decatur, Ill.

Transmitter Location:

1100 East Pershing Road, Decatur, Ill. (Re-description) - (BRC-1070)
x Route 48 at North Jasper St. (extended), North of Decatur, Ill. (CP 11-13-46)
x 351-357 North Main Street, Decatur, Illinois (Ltr. 8-15-41)
x 353-357 North Main Street, Decatur, Illinois (Renewal 4-18-38)
x 301 N. Water St., Decatur, I. Ren. 10-2-44
x 134 South Water Street, Decatur, Ill. (2-19-30)
x 301 N. Water Street, Decatur, Ill.

Main Studio Location: X
FRC-65

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	PERIOD	
					From	To
4-S-B-579	T.P. 4-21-27	1110	500	-	not stated	
"	6-1-27	1410	250	unlimited	6-1	7-31-27
Effec. date of previous lic. deferred by G.O. 13					6-15	8-15-27
4-R-B-579	8-8-27	Letter of Extension			8-15	10-15-27
Extended by G.O. 18					10-15	11-1-27
4-R-B-579	10-24-27	Letter of Extension			11-1	1-1-28
Extended by G.O. 21					1-1	2-1-28
"	"	"	"	"	2-1	3-1-28
"	"	"	"	"	3-1	4-1-28
"	"	"	"	"	4-1	5-1-28
"	"	"	"	"	5-1	6-1-28
"	"	"	"	"	6-1	8-1-28
"	"	"	"	"	8-1	9-1-28
"	"	Order Docket No. 69			9-1	10-1-28
"	"	G.O. 44			10-1	11-11-28
4-R-B-579	10-31-28	1200	100	WJBC	11-11	1-31-29
Relocation					11-11-28	
4-R-B-579	1-25-29	1200	100	WJBC	1-31	4-30-29
4-R-B-579	4-1-29	1200	100	WJBC	4-30	7-31-29
4-R-B-579 License extended by G.O. #69					7-31	10-31-29
4-R-B-579	11-1-29	1200	100	WJBC	11-1	1-31-30
4-A-B-143	12-14-29	Consent to Vol. Assignment			12-14	1-31-30
4-R-B-579	1-14-30	1200	100	WJBC	1-31	4-30-30
4-M-B-507	2-19-30	To Chg. Loc. of Studio			2-19	4-30-30
4-R-B-579	4-5-30	1200	100	WJBC	4-30	7-31-30
4-R-B-579	7-7-30	1200	100	WJBC	7-31	10-31-30
4-P-B-1698	10-24-30	Installation of DCC			11-20	2-20-31
4-R-B-579	10-10-30	1200	100	WJBC	10-31	1-31-31
G.O. 103 Extension of License					1-31	4-30-31
4-L-B-529	4-17-31	1200	100	WJBC	4-17	4-30-31
4-R-B-579	4-22-31	1200	100	WJBC	4-30	12-1-31
4-R-B-579	11-13-31	1200	100	WJBC	12-1	6-1-32
Letter					11-27-31	Suspend Oper. (fr. destroy) 11-21 12-10-31
4-P-B-2402	12-4-31	Rebuild transmitter			12-21	3-21-32
4-L-B-755	1-5-32	1200	100 (equip)	WJBC	1-5	6-1-32
4-R-B-579	5-8-32	1200	100	WJBC	6-1	12-1-32
4-R-B-579	11-18-32	1200	100	WJBC	12-1	6-1-33
4-R-B-579	5-9-33	1200	100	WJBC	6-1	12-1-33
4-R-B-579	11-24-33	1200	100	WJBC	12-1	6-1-34
4-R-B-579	5-15-34	1200	100	WJBC	6-1	12-1-34

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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date First

Licensed...9-23-25.....

Card No. 2

Call WSOY(11-12-39)
Letters ~~W~~ JBL

Name of

Licensee: COMMODORE BROADCASTING, INC.

Transmitter

Location: _____

Main Studio

Location: _____

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CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	PERIOD		
					From	To	
B4-R-579	11-13-34	1200	100w	S-WJBC	12-1	6-1-35	
B4-R-579	5-21-35	1200	100w	S-WJBC	6-1	12-1-35	
B4-R-579	11-12-35	1200	100	S-WJBC	12-1	6-1-36	
B4-R-579	5-21-36	1200	100w	S-WJBC	6-1	12-1-36	
B4-R-579	11-17-36	1200	100w	S-WJBC	12-1	6-1-37	
B4-P-1507	12-15-36	Install new transmitter			2-15	8-15-37	
B4-L-578	4-16-37	1200	100w	S-WJBC	4-16	6-1-37	
	Lic. to cover C.P. for new transmitter.						
B4-R-579	5-11-37	1200	100w	S-WJBC	6-1	12-1-37	
B4-P-1859	10-5-37	Move trans.; new antenna			12-5	6-5-38	
B4-R-579	C.A. 11-23-37	1200	100w	S-WJBC	12-1	6-1-38	
B4-L-732	1-5-38	1200	100w	S-WJBC	1-5	6-1-38	
	License to cover C.P. to move trans.; new antenna						
B4-R-579	5-11-38	1200	100w	S-WJBC	6-1	12-1-38	
B4-R-579	11-21-38	1200	100w	S-WJBC	12-1	6-1-39	
B4-R-579	5-8-39	1200	100w	S-WJBC	6-1	12-1-39	
B4-P-2107	6-21-39	1310	100w, 250w-LS	U	8-28	2-28-40	
	C.P. to change frequency, inc. power and hours of operation; changes in equipment and antenna.						
B4-TC-124	7-27-39	Transfer of Control from Charles R. Cook To: DECATUR NEWSPAPERS, INCORPORATED					
B4-R-579	11-20-39	1200	100w	U	12-1	10-1-40	
B4-L-1037	12-1-39	1310	100, 250w-LS	S	12-1	10-1-40	
	License to cover CP (B4-P-2107) for increase in power, change freq., hours of operation, equip. and antenna						
B4-R-579	12/25/39	opr 250w 6:30 to conclusion basketball games Jan 2, 4, 10, 16, 23, 1940					
B4-S-579	1/17/40	opr 7:30pm to conclusion BB games Jan 25, 26, Feb 2, 3, 5, 6, 10, 12, 13, 16, 17, 19, 23, 24, 1940 and LS to conclusion Farmer's Institute Feb 21, 22, 1940 (using 250w only)					
B4-S-579	1/26/40	opr 7:30 to conclusion BB games Feb 26 Mar 2, 1940 and 7:15 " " Mar 4, 1940, using 250w power					

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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

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Date first licensed

Call letters W S O Y

Name of licensee SEE #1

Transmitter location SEE #1

Main studio location

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CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

APPL. No.	DATE ISSUED	FREQ.	POWER	TIME Div.	PERIOD		
					From	To	
B4-S-579	2/16/40	opr 6:30 to conclusion BB games Feb 21, 22, 23, 24, 28, 29, Mar 6, 7, 8, 9, 1940 (BB games only)	250 watts				
B4-S-579	2/27/40	opr 6:30 to concl. BB games Mar 1 & 2, 1940 (BB games only)	250w power				
B4-S-579	3/7/40	opr 7 to concl BB games Mar 14, 15, 16, 1940,	250w				
B4-S-579	2-20-40	1310	100w, 250w-LS	U	3-1	8-1-40	
B4-Z-356	3-13-40	1310	100w, 250w-LS	U	3-13	8-1-40	
			Mod. license for direct measurement				
B4-S-579	4-13-40	1310	100w 250w-LS	U	4-13	8-1-40	
			Mod. Lic. to add sunrise				
B4-ML-758	5-15-40	1310	250w	U	5-15	8-1-40	
			Mod. license to increase power				
Order	6/12/40	Extension of License			8/1	10/1/40	
Order	9-10-40	Extension of license			10-1	3-29-41	
NARBA REALLOCATION							
B4-R-579	3-24-41	1340	250w	U	3-29	10-1-41	
B4-Z-1120	7-3-41	1340	250w	U	7-3	10-1-41	
			Determine operating power by direct measurement				
B4-R-579	9-16-41	1340	250w	U	10-1	10-1-42	
B4-R-579	9-22-42	1340	250w	U	10-1	6-1-43	
B4-S-579	11-6-42	1340	250w	U	12-1	6-1-43	
			Mod. Lic. accordance Order 107				
B4-R-579	5-18-43	1340	250w	U	6-1	6-1-45	
B4-S-579	5-22-45	Extension of License			6-1	8-1-45	
B4-R-579	6-5-45	1340	250w	U	6-5	2-1-47	
B4-S-579	7-10-45	1340	250w	U	10-1	2-1-47	
			Mod. Lic. Order 107A				
B4-P-5123	10-14-46	CP for new T, changes in antenna, mount FM antenna on AM antenna and change T site				12-14	6-14-47
B4-MP-2238	11-13-46	Mod. CP (5123) for change S site				12-14	6-14-47
B-R-579	1-30-47	1340	250w	U	2-1	2-1-50	
B-MP-2722	5-12-47	Mod. (C.P. (5123 as mod.) for extension of completion date.				12-14	9-7-47

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Card #4

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed

Call letters W.S.O.Y.

Name of licensee See card #1

Transmitter location

Main studio location

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From To
BMP-3024	8-19-47	1340	250w	U	12-14-47 to 12-7-47
Mod. CP (5123 as mod.) for ext. completion date					
BMP-3329	11-28-47	Mod. CP (5123 as mod.) for ext. of completion date.			12-14 3-1-48
BMP-3632	2-25-48	Mod. CP (5123 as mod) for ext. of completion date.			12-14 5-1-48
BMP-3802	4-26-48	Mod. CP (5123 as mod) for ext. of completion date.			12-14 7-1-48
BL-3208	8-30-48	1340	250w	U	8-30 2-1-50
Lic. to cover CP(5123 as mod) to install new T and make changes in vertical antenna and mount FM antenna on top of AM tower and change T and S site.					
BP-6613	8-2-48	1340	250w	U	10-2 4-2-49
CP to install alternate main T at present site of main transmitter. (COND. CLAUSE)					
BL-3630	4-20-49	1340	250w	U	4-20 2-1-50
Lic. to cover CP (6613) to install an alternate main T.					
BAL-912	8-30-49	Vol. assignment of license from Commodore B/Cing, Incorporated to Broadcasting Company			Illinois
EFF:	9-1-49				
BR-579	1-18-50	1340	250w	U	2-1 2-1-53
FOR ALTERNATE MAIN					2-1 2-1-53
BP-7807	9-14-50	CP install new transmitter			11-14-51-14-51
BL-4228	10-31-50	1340	250w	U	10-31 2-1-53
Lic. cover CP(BP-7807 which auth. installation new T					
BR-579	1-7-53	RENEWAL OF LICENSE			2-1 12-1-55
Alt. Main Main & Alt. Main					
BR-579	11-9-55	Renewal of license			12-1 12-1-58
Main & Alt. Main					
ERC-1070 (1)	1-18-57	Mod. of lic. to op. Alt. Main Trans. by remote control from 1100 E. Pershing Road, Decatur, Ill. (Trans. location in room adjacent to control point).			

Form BC 126

June 1954

Card #5

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed

Call letters W S O Y

Station location

Name of licensee See card #1

Transmitter location

Main studio location

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period	
					From	To
BR-579	11-5-58	1340	250W	U to	12-1 12-1-61	12-1 12-1-61
	11-29-61	Action on Renewal Deferred.				
BZ-4505 (1)	9-13-61	Authority to determine operating power by direct measurement of antenna power				
BP-12916	2-6-62	1340kc	250w, 1kw-LS	U	4-6	10-6-62
	CP to increase daytime power to 1kw and install a new transmitter (RCA BTA 1R) (Cond'l).					
BTC-3980 EFF:	3-2-62 5-11-62	Vol. transfer of control of licensee corporation from Lindsay-Schaub Newspapers, Inc. to F. M. Lindsay, Jr., et al All Stockholders.				
BR-579	2-28-62	1340	250w	U(Main)	2-28	12-1-64
			250w	U (Alt. Main)		
BZ-4619 (1)	5-7-62	Authority to determine operating power by direct measurement of antenna power.				
BP-15401	4-16-62	1340	250 watts	(Alt. Main) Aux.	5-16	12-16-62
	CP to install new transmitter as an aux. trans. daytime; alt. main trans. nighttime at main trans.					
BL-9165 (2)	5-16-62	Lic. to cov. CP (BP-12,916) which auth. inc. daytime power and install new trans. (specify type trans. as RCA, BTA-1R1).				
BL-9434	8-9-62	1340kc	250w	Alt.M-Aux.	8-9	12-1-64
	Lic. to cover CP (BP-15,401) which auth. instl. of old main trans., to be used as aux.-daytime and alt. main-night.					
BR-579	11-16-65	1340kc	250w, 1kw	Un	12-1	12-1-67
	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (ALT. M & AUX.)					
BS-579 (1)	5-4-65	Mod. of license to indicate the installation of the remote pickup base station antenna (Memo).				
BS-579 (1)	5-4-65	Mod. of license to indicate the installation of the remote pickup base station antenna (Memo). (Alt. M & Aux.)				
BR-579	11-24-67	1340kc	250w, 1kw	Unl. Alt. M-Aux	12-1	12-1-70
	Renewal of NDEA					

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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed

Call letters W S O Y

Station location

Name of licensee See Card #1

Transmitter location

Main studio location

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From - To
BR-579(S)	11-25-70	Renewal of License & NDEA (Main & Alt. M-Aux)			12-1-73
EBSA	5-25-72				
BR-579(S)	11-28-73	RENEWAL OF MAIN & AUX-ALT.			12-1-76
BZ-8840(L)	6-11-75	Direct Measurement (Main & Auxiliary)			12-1-76
Mailgram	7-17-75	Trans: GATES-MW-1 now installed.			
Letter dated	7-11-75	Trans. RCA BTA-1R1 now installed as alternate main day-night			
BR-579(L)	11-15-76	Renewal of License			12-1-79
BR790730UR	11-30-79	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (S)			12-1-82

STATION APPLICATION RECORD

No. 1.

APPLICANT: Wm. Gushard Dry Goods Co.

CALL LETTERS: WJBL

ADDRESS: 301 N. Water St., Decatur, Ill.

FILE NO. 4-S-B-579 DATED: 3-30-27
T.P. 4-21-27, 1110 Kc. 500 watts.

Present Assignment: 1110 Kc. 500 Watts

ACTION:
Lic. 6-1-27, 1410 Kc. 250 watts,
unlimited. Per. 6-1 to 7-31-27.

Requested: 1110 Kc. 1 KW

APPLICANT: Same

CALL LETTERS: WJBL

ADDRESS: Same

FILE NO. 4-F-B- DATED: 5-25-27

Present Assignment: 1410 Kc. 250 watts, unlimited

ACTION: Disapproved 6-15-27.

Requested: 1110 Kc. 1 KW.

APPLICANT: Same

CALL LETTERS: WJBL

ADDRESS: Same

FILE NO: 4-R-B-579 DATED: 8-1-27

Present Assignment: 1410 Kc. 250 watts, unlimited

ACTION: 8-8-27, letter of
extension. Period 8-15-27 to
10-15-27.

Requested: Renewal

STATION APPLICATION RECORD

No. 2.

Wm. Gushard Dry Goods Co.

APPLICANT:

CALL LETTERS: WJBL

ADDRESS: 301 N. Water St., Decatur, Ill.

FILE NO: 4-R-B-579 DATED: 9-30-27

Present Assignment: 1410 Kc. 250 watts, unlimited

ACTION: 10-24-27, letter of extension. Period 11-1-27 to 1-1-28.

Requested: Renewal

APPLICANT: Same

CALL LETTERS: WJBL

ADDRESS: 301 N. Water St., Decatur, Ill.

FILE NO: 4-R-B-579 DATED: 1-12-28

Present Assignment: 1410 Kc. 250 watts, unlimited

ACTION: Lic. 10-31-28, 1200 Kc. 160 watts, † WJBC. Period 11-11-28 to 1-31-29.

Requested: Renewal

APPLICANT: Mark C. Spies & Edward J. Donaldson

CALL LETTERS: WJBL

ADDRESS: 301 N. Water St., Decatur, Ill.

FILE NO: 4-A-B-139 DATED: 10-9-28

Present Assignment: (Under Allocation)
1200 Kc. 100 W. † WJBC

ACTION: Dismissed by letter of 11-29-29. Min. 11-25-29.

Requested: Involuntary assignment of license

No. 3.

STATION APPLICATION RECORD

APPLICANT: Wm. Gushard Dry Goods Co.

CALL LETTERS: WJBL

ADDRESS: 301 N. Water St., Decatur, Ill.

FILE NO: 4-R-B-579 DATED: 12-13-28

Present Assignment: 1200 Kc. 100 w. † WJBC

ACTION: Lic. 1-25-29, 1200 Kc.
100 w. † WJBC. Period 1-31-29
to 4-30-29.

Requested: Renewal

APPLICANT: Same

CALL LETTERS: WJBL

ADDRESS: Same

FILE NO: 4-R-B-579 DATED: 3-22-29

Present Assignment: 1200 Kc. 100 w. † WJBC

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

Requested: Renewal

APPLICANT: Same

CALL LETTERS: WJBL

ADDRESS: Same

FILE NO: 4-R-B-579 DATED: 6-27-29

Present Assignment: 1200 Kc. 100 w. † WJBC

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

Requested: Renewal

STATION APPLICATION RECORD

No. 4.

APPLICANT: Mark C. Spies & Edward J. Donaldson

CALL LETTERS: WJBL

ADDRESS: 301 N. Water St., Decatur, Ill.

FILE NO: 4-R-B-579 DATED: 9-25-29

Present

(Out of Order)

Assignment: 1200 Kc. 100 w. † WJBC

ACTION: Superseded by application
of 10-29-29.Requested: Renewal

APPLICANT: Wm. Gushard Dry Goods Co.

CALL LETTERS: WJBL

ADDRESS: 301 N. Water St., Decatur, Ill.

FILE NO: 4-A-B-143 DATED: 10-26-29

Present

Assignment: 1200 Kc. 100 w. † WJBC

ACTION: Granted Min. 12-5-29.
Issued 12-14-29. Chg. of Assign.
Voluntary. Eff. 12-14-29.Requested: Vol. Assign. to COMMODORE BROADCASTING, INC.

APPLICANT: Wm. Gushard Dry Goods, Co.

CALL LETTERS: WJBL

ADDRESS: 301 N. Water St., Decatur, Ill.

FILE NO: 4-R-B-579 DATED: 10-29-29

Present

Assignment: 1200 Kc. 100 w., † WJBC

ACTION: Renewal license 11-1-29.
Period 11-1-29 to 1-31-30.Requested: Renewal

STATION APPLICATION RECORD

No. 5.

APPLICANT: Commodore Broadcasting, Inc.

CALL LETTERS: WJBL

ADDRESS: 301 N. Water St., Decatur, Ill.

FILE NO: 4-R-B-579 DATED: 12-27-29

Present

Assignment: 1200 Kc. 100 watts, † WJBC

ACTION: Renewal License 1-14-30.
Period 1-31-30 to 4-30-30.

Requested: Renewal

APPLICANT: Commodore Broadcasting, Inc.

CALL LETTERS: WJBL

ADDRESS: 301 N. Water St., Decatur, Ill.
Move Studio to New Loc. - 134 South Water, Decatur, Ill.FILE NO: 4-M-B-507 DATED: 1-31-30
Mod. Lic: granted C.A. 2-19-30,
issued 2-19-30 to move studio.
Period 3-19-30 to 4-30-30.
ACTION:Present
Assignment: 1200 Kc. 100 w. † WJBC

Requested: Move Studio from 301 N. Water St, Decatur, Ill.

Same

APPLICANT:

CALL LETTERS: WJBL

ADDRESS: Same

FILE NO: 4-R-B-579 DATED: 3-28-30

Present

Assignment: 1200 Kc. 100 w. † WJBC

ACTION: Renewal License 4-5-30.
Period 4-30-30 to 7-31-30.

Requested: Renewal

APPLICANT: Commodore Broadcasting, Inc.CALL LETTERS: WJBLADDRESS: 301 N. Water St., Decatur, Ill.FILE NO: 4-R-B-579 DATED: 6-27-30Present
Assignment: 1200 Kc. 100 w. † WJBCACTION: Renewal License 7-7-30.
Period 7-31-30 to 10-31-30.Requested: Renewal

APPLICANT: _____

CALL LETTERS: _____

ADDRESS: _____

FILE NO: _____ DATED: _____

Present
Assignment: _____

ACTION: _____

Requested: _____

APPLICANT: _____

CALL LETTERS: _____

ADDRESS: _____

FILE NO: _____ DATED: _____

Present
Assignment: _____

ACTION: _____

Requested: _____

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Call
Letters WJBLName COMMODORE BROADCASTING INCORPORATED

File No.	Date d XXXXXX	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
4-P-B-1698	9/15/30	Install Automatic Frequency Control.	Granted	10-24-30
4-R-B-579	9/23/30	Renewal of License	Granted	10-21-30
4-R-B-479	12-15-30	Renewal of license	G.O. 103 Granted	1-20-31 4-24-31
4-L-B-529	2-26-31	License to cover 4-P-B-1698.	Granted	4-17-31
4-R-B-619	5-28-31	Renewal of License		
4-R-B- 619 329	9-22-31	Renewal of license.	Granted	11-13-31
4-ML-B-916	11-28-31	Change from sharing with WJBC to simultaneous daytime operation, share with WJBC at night.	Returned g.o. 102.	12-19-31
4-P-B-2402	11-24-31	rebuild transmitter which was destroyed by fire.	Granted	12-4-31
4-L-B-755	12-8-31	License to cover 4-L-B-755	Granted	1-5-32

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call
Letters WJBLName Commodore Broadcasting Incorporated

File No.	Dated Received	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
4-R-B-579	3-29-32	Renewal of license.	Granted	5-6-32
4-R-B-579	11-2-32	Renewal of license	Granted	11-16-32
4-R-B-579	4-12-33	Renewal of license	Granted	5-9-33
4-R-B-579 Resubmitted	9-29-33 10-25-33	Renewal of License (10c-10c)	Returned	10-22-33
4-R-B-579 Resubmitted	3-31-34 4-23-34 5-2-34	Renewal of License (10c) " " (10c)	Returned Returned	4-13-34 4-27-34
		FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION RECORDS:		
B4-R-579	9-29-34	Renewal of license	Granted	11-13-34
B4-R-579	3-30-35	Renewal of license	Granted	5-21-35

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Letters WJBLName Commedore Broadcasting Incorporated

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
B4-ML-245	9-26-35	Modification of license to change hours of operation from Share-WJBC to Unlimited, and change frequency from 1200 kc to 1970-kc 1310 kc To change requested frequency from 1370 kc to 1310 kc, contingent upon the granting of WBOV's application for 1290 kc.	Returned	8-11-37
Amended	5-8-37		Superseded by B4-P-1859	
B4-R-579	9-25-35	Renewal of license (15c & jurat)	Returned	10-18-35
Resubmitted	10-25-35		Granted	11-12-35
B4-R-579	3-28-36	Renewal of license	Granted	5-21-36
B4-R-579	9-26-36	Renewal of license	Granted	11-17-36

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FILE No.	DATED	APPLICATION FOR—	ACTION	
			NATURE	DATE
B4-P-1507	9-22-36	C.P. to install new transmitter.	Granted	12-15-36
B4-L-578	3-27-37	License to cover construction permit (B4-P-1507) for new transmitter	Granted	4-16-37
B4-R-579	3-27-37	Renewal of license	Granted	5-11-37

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APPLICATION RECORD—BROADCASTING

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FILE No.	DATED	APPLICATION FOR—	ACTION	
			NATURE	DATE
B4-P-1859 (appli. superseded, B4-ML-245)	7-6-37	C.P. to install vertical antenna, change freq. from 1200 to 1310 kc, hours of oper. from 6-7:30 to unlimited, move trans. from 301 N. Water St., Decatur, Ill. to Route 48, Decatur, Ill. Requesting fac. of WBOW, when WBOW is assigned freq. of 1290 kc.	Returned 7-9-37 - incomplete.	
Resubmitted	8-2-37	To omit request for change in frequency and hours of operation and omit, request for WBOW's facilities and contingent upon the granting of WBOW's application for 1290 kc.	Granted	10-3-37
Amended	9-16-37			

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Letters W J B LName COMMODORE BROADCASTING INC.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
B4-ML-493	9-14-37	Modification of license to change frequency from 1200 kc to 1310 kc and hours of operation from Share-WJBC to Unlimited. Requests facilities of WBOW when WBOW assigned 1290 kc.	Returned application B4-P-1614 WBOW denied	3-24-38 1-26-38
B4-TC-124	9-4-37	Authority to transfer control of corporation from Charles R. Cook, to Decatur Newspapers, Inc. 127½ shares. common stock. <i>was granted on 7-27-39 change in call to WSOY</i>	Docket 5201 I-727 Granted Effective	Min. 7-27-39 7-27-39
B4-R-579	10-4-37	Renewal of license	Granted	CA 11-23-37

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Letters WJBLName COMMODORE BROADCASTING INC.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
B4-L-732	12-9-37	License to cover construction permit (B4-P-1859) for new vertical antenna and move of transmitter.	Granted	1-5-38
B4-P-2107	2-7-38	Construction permit to change frequency from 1200 kc to 1310 kc, make changes in equipment and vertical antenna, change power from 100w to 100w, 250w-LS and change hours of operation from Share-WJBC to Unlimited time.	Ex.Rept. I-746 Doc. 5207 GRANTED Min. 6-21-39 Effective 6-28-39	
AMENDED	7-28-38	RE: contingent on WBOW's application (B4-P-2143) for change in freq. from 1310 to 1200 kc, and to give trans. address as 1891 N.Oakland Ave. Decatur, Ill. (no change)		
B4-R-579	3-30-38	Renewal of license (3b, 15c, 18c & 22)	Returned	4-14-38
Resubmitted	4-18-38		Granted	5-11-38

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FILE No.	DATED	APPLICATION FOR—	ACTION	
			NATURE	DATE
B4-R-579 Resubmitted	9-28-38 "	Renewal of license (-826-128)	Returned-- Granted	10-17-38 11-21-38
B4-R-579	3-23-39	Renewal of license	Granted	5-8-39
B4-ML-758	7-24-39	Modification of license to increase power from 100watts to ^{250w-LS} 250 watts. (C.P. gr. 6-21-39 for change in frequency to 1310kc, and change in hrs of oper. to U., power to 100w; 250w-LS).	Granted	5-15-40
B4-R-579 Resubmitted	9-20-39 10-9-39	Renewal of license (Sec. 3a, 3b & 22)	Returned Granted	10-5-39- 11-20-39

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FILE No.	DATED	APPLICATION FOR—	ACTION	
			NATURE	DATE
B4-F-138	10-20-39	Authority to install automatic frequency control apparatus.	Returned request applicant	11-6-39
B4-L-1037	11-8-39	License to cover C.P. (B4-P-2107) for changes in equipment, antenna, frequency, power and hours of operation.	Granted	12-1-39
B4-Z-356	2-27-40	Authority to determine operating power by direct measurement of antenna power.	Granted	3-13-40
B4-R-579	5-16-40	Renewal of license	Granted 1340kc, 250w, U	3-24-41

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Name CECOTODORE BROADCASTING, INC.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
B4-P-3028	11-15-40	Construction permit to change frequency from 1316 kc to 1290 kc (1320 kc under NABFA) increase power from 250w to 1kw , 5kw-LS using directional antenna night, make changes in equipment, install directional antenna for night use and move transmitter from 1891 N. Oakland Avenue, Decatur, Illinois to 1-6/10 miles SE of Decatur on north side of route US 36, S.E. of Decatur, Illinois . (Filed by Mr. Butman)	Docket No. 6004 DISMISSED without Prejudice Request of Applicant Min. #216	5-26-42
Rec'd.	11-18-40			
Filed	11-18-40			
Amended	5-12-41	RE: to change requested frequency from 1320		
Rec'd	5-15-41	to 1560 kc, power from 1kw, 5kw-LS to 10kw		
Filed	5-15-41	day and night, change type of transmitter, make changes in D.A. for night use, and change requested location of trans. from 1-6/10 mi. SE of Decatur on north side of route US 36, S.E. of Decatur, Ill. to approx. 7 miles S.E. of Decatur, Ill.		
Amended	12-11-41	Form 335 filed 6-6-41		
Rec'd. & Filed	12-13-41	RE: Make changes in D.A. for night use		

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
B4-Z-1120 Rec'd.	5-29-41 5-31-41	Authority to determine operating power by direct measurement of antenna power	Granted	7-3-41
B4-R-579	5-29-41	Renewal of license and Form 335	Granted	9-16-41
B4-R-579 Rec'd.	7-14-42 7-17-42	Renewal of license and Form 335 Filed by Butman	Granted	9-22-42
B4-R-579 Resub.	3-16-43 4-2-43	Renewal of license (Signed-by-Acting-mgr:-) Filed by Carl H. Butman	Ret'd Granted	3-29-43 5-18-43
B4-R-579 Rec'd	3-26-45 3-28-45	Renewal of license Filed by Frank Stollenwerck atty.	Granted	6-5-45

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Nature	Action	
					Date
B4-P-5123	7-17-46	Construction Permit to install a new transmitter (COMPOSITE), make changes in antenna and mount F. M. Antenna on top of A. M. Antenna and change transmitter location from: 1891 N. Oakland Avenue, Decatur, Ill. To: Northside of State Highway No. 121, .7 miles East of U. S. Highway No. 51, Decatur, Illinois. (Frank Stollenwerck, Atty.; Frank G. Kear, Engr.)	GRANTED		
Rec'd	7-25-46				
Filed	7-25-46				10-14-46

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Letters W S O YName Comedore Broadcasting, Incorporated

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
B4-MP-2238 Rec'd Filed	9-20-46 10-9-46 10-9-46	Mod. of C.P. (B4-P-5123, which authorized installation of a new transmitter, to make changes in antenna and mount FM antenna on top of AM tower and change transmitter and studio locations) to change studio location from 351-357 N. Main Street, Decatur, Illinois to <u>Route 48</u> at N. Jasper Street, (extended) North of Decatur, Illinois. Frank Stellenwerck, Atty.	GRANTED	11-13-46

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Letters W S O YName COMMODORE BROADCASTING, INCORPORATED

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
B4-R-579 Rec'd	11-19-46 11-27-46	Renewal of license Filed by Carl Butman	granted	1-30-47
BMP-2722 Rec'd Filed	5-3-47 5-5-47 5-5-47	Mod. of C.P. (B4-P-5123, as modified, which authorized installation of a new transmitter, to make changes in antenna and mount FM antenna on top of AM tower and change transmitter and studio locations) for extension of completion date from 6-14-47 to 9-7-47.	GRANTED	5-12-47
BMP-3024 Rec'd Filed	8-8-47 8-12-47 8-12-47	Mod. of C.P. (B4-P-5123, as mod., which authorized installation of new transmitter make change in antenna and mount FM antenna on top of AM Tower and change transmitter and studio locations.) for extension of completion date from: 9-7-47 to: 12-7-47	GRANTED	8-19-47

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File No.	Dated	Application for.	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMP-3529 Rec'd Filed	11-14-47 11-17-47 11-17-47	Mod. of C.P. (B4-P-5123, as mod., which authorized installation of new transmitter make changes in antenna and mount FM antenna on top of AM tower and change transmitter and studio locations) for extension of completion date from: 12-7-47 to: <u>3-1-48.</u>	GRANTED	11-28-47
BMP-3632 Rec'd Filed	1-23-48 2-16-48 2-16-48	Mod. of C.P. (B4-P-5123, as mod., which authorized installation of new transmitter and make changes in antenna and mount FM antenna on top of AM tower and change transmitter and studio locations) for extension of completion date from: 3-1-48 to: <u>5-1-48.</u>	GRANTED	2-25-48

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BP-6613 Rec'd Filed	2-23-48 2-25-48 2-25-48	Construction Permit to install alternate main transmitter (Composite) at Route 48 at North Jasper Street (extended), North of Decatur, Illinois (present location of main transmitter) to be operated on 1340 kc with power of 250w unlimited time.	GRANTED subj. submitting results of measurements showing that T. meets standards of Good Engr. Practice before Prog. Tests Start.	8-2-48
BMP-3802 Rec'd Filed	4-15-48 4-16-48 4-16-48	Mod. of C.P. (B4-P-5123, as mod., which authorized installation of new transmitter and make changes in antenna and mount FM antenna on top of AM tower and change transmitter and studio location) for extension of completion date from 5-1-48 to 7-1-48.	GRANTED	4-26-48

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ILLINOIS BROADCASTING COMPANY (AL 8-30-49)

Call
Letters W S O YName x COMMODORE BROADCASTING, INC.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BL-3208 Rec'd Filed	6-5-48 6-9-48 6-9-48	License to cover C.P. (B4-P-5123, as mod.,) which authorized installation of new transmitter and make changes in antenna and mount FM antenna on top of AM tower and change transmitter and studio locations.	GRANTED	8-30-48
BL-3630 Rec'd Filed	3-30-49 4-1-49 4-1-49	License to cover C. P. (EP-6613) which authorized installation of an alternate main transmitter.	GRANTED	4-20-49
BAL-912 Rec'd Filed	8-5-49 8-10-49 8-10-49	Voluntary assignment of license from Commodore Broadcasting, Incorporated to Illinois Broadcasting Company.	GRANTED EFF:	8-30-49 9-1-49
		Sutton & Thomson attys.		
BL-3208	6-5-48	License to cover C.P. (B4-P-5123, as mod.,) which authorized installation of new transmitter and make changes in antenna and mount FM antenna on top of AM tower and change transmitter and studio locations.	GRANTED	8-30-48
BL-3630	3-30-49	License to cover C. P. (EP-6613) which authorized installation of an alternate main transmitter.	GRANTED	4-20-49
BAL-912	8-5-49	Voluntary assignment of license from Commodore Broadcasting, Incorporated to Illinois Broadcasting Company.	GRANTED	8-30-49
BL-3208	6-5-48	License to cover C.P. (B4-P-5123, as mod.,) which authorized installation of new transmitter and make changes in antenna and mount FM antenna on top of AM tower and change transmitter and studio locations.	GRANTED	8-30-48
BL-3630	3-30-49	License to cover C. P. (EP-6613) which authorized installation of an alternate main transmitter.	GRANTED	4-20-49
BAL-912	8-5-49	Voluntary assignment of license from Commodore Broadcasting, Incorporated to Illinois Broadcasting Company.	GRANTED	8-30-49
BL-3208	6-5-48	License to cover C.P. (B4-P-5123, as mod.,) which authorized installation of new transmitter and make changes in antenna and mount FM antenna on top of AM tower and change transmitter and studio locations.	GRANTED	8-30-48
BL-3630	3-30-49	License to cover C. P. (EP-6613) which authorized installation of an alternate main transmitter.	GRANTED	4-20-49
BAL-912	8-5-49	Voluntary assignment of license from Commodore Broadcasting, Incorporated to Illinois Broadcasting Company.	GRANTED	8-30-49

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Call
Letters W S O YName ILLINOIS BROADCASTING COMPANY

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-579 Rec'd Filed	11-14-49 11-16-49 11-30-49	Renewal of license (Main) Renewal of license (alternate main)	GRANTED GRANTED	1-18-50 1-18-50
HP-7807 Rec'd Filed	8-24-50 8-28-50 8-28-50	Construction permit to install a new transmitter (Gates BC-250-GY). Carl H. Butman, B/c Consultant	GRANTED	9-14-50
HL-4228 Rec'd Filed	10-3-50 10-5-50 10-5-50	License to cover construction permit (HP-7807) which authorized installation of a new transmitter.	GRANTED	10-31-50
BR-579 Rec'd Filed	10-23-52 10-27-52 10-27-52	Renewal of License (Main & Alt.)	GRANTED	1-7-53

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Letters W S O YName ILLINOIS BROADCASTING COMPANY

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BML-1536 Rec'd Filed	1-30-53 2-2-53 2-2-53	Modification of license to change name from Illinois Broadcasting Company to Lindsay- Schaub Newspapers, Inc. Carl H. Butman	DISMISSED As unnecessary	3-8-53
BR-579 Rec'd Filed	8-22-55 8-29-55 8-29-55	Renewal of license Main & Alt. Main	GRANTED	11-9-55
BRC- 1070 Rec'd Filed	1-2-57 1-7-57 1-7-57	Modification of license to operate Alternate Main transmitter by remote control from - 1100 East Pershing Road, Decatur, Illinois (Transmitter located in room adjacent to control point).	Letter 1-11-57 re- correct address. GRANTED	1-18-57 1-18-57
BR-579 Rec'd Filed	8-22-58 8-29-58 8-29-58	Renewal of License. (MAIN & ALTERNATE MAIN)	GRANTED	11-5-58

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Letters W.S.O.Y.Name ILLINOIS BROADCASTING COMPANY

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BP-12,916 Rec'd Filed	3-10-59 3-16-59 3-16-59	Construction Permit to increase daytime power from 250w to 1kw and install a new transmitter (RCA-BTA-1R) Atty.- Carl H. Butman Engr.- Walter F. Kean, Riverside, Ill. Request waiver of Sec.3.28(c)(3) of Rules (filed 1-27-60)	GRANTED Cond'l re: Permittee shall accept such interference as may be imposed by other existing 250 watt Class IV stations.	2-6-62
BZ-4505 R. & F.	8-11-61 8-14-61	Authority to determine operating power by direct measurement of antenna power.	granted	9-13-61
BR-579 R & F	8-16-61 8-25-61	Renewal of License (alt. & main)	GRANTED	2-28-62

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Name ILLINOIS BROADCASTING COMPANY
DECATUR, ILLINOIS

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BTC-3980 Rec'd Filed	2-12-62 2-14-62 2-14-62	Voluntary transfer of control of licensee corporation from Lindsay-Schaub Newspapers, Inc. to F. M. Lindsay, Jr., et al All Stockholders. Arthur H. Schroeder, Atty.	GRANTED EFF:	3-2-62 5-11-62
BP-15401 R.&F.	3-14-62 3-20-62	CP to install old main trans. (GATES BC-250 GY) as an aux. trans. - daytime; Alt. main trans. - nighttime, at main trans. location to be operated on 1340kc 250w. B/C Consultant - Carl H. Butman	GRANTED	4-16-62
BZ-4619 R.&F.	1-31-62 2-5-62	Auth. to determine operating power by direct meas. of antenna power.	GRANTED	5-7-62

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Letters W S O YName ILLINOIS BROADCASTING COMPANY
DECATOR, ILLINOIS

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BL-9165 R.&F.	3-12-62 3-14-62	Lic. to cover CP(BP-12,916 which auth. inc. daytime power & install new trans.(specify trans. as RCA BTA 1R1) Carl Butman	GRANTED	5-16-62
BL-9434 R. & F.	5-29-62 5-31-62	Lic to cover CP(BP-15,401) which auth installation of old main trans, to be used as an Auxiliary trans-Daytime and as an Alternate Main-Nighttime.	GRANTED	8-9-62
BR-579 R. & F.	8-21-64 9-1-64	Renewal of license.	GRANTED	11-16-64
BR-579 R. & F.	8-22-64 9-1-64	Renewal of Alternate Main.& AUX		
BR-579 R & F	8-31-67 9-5-67	Renewal of license (main & Alt-main - aux) Atty: Miller & Schroeder	GRANTED	11-24-67

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Name ILLINOIS BROADCASTING COMPANY
Decatur, Illinois

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-579 R & F P.N. PRESS OCT 6 1970	8-31-70 9-2-70 9-2-70	Renewal of License (Main & Alt. Main-Aux.) Atty: Arthur H. Schroeder	GRANTED	11-25-70
Annual filing fee \$102.00 paid 11-20-70 #644473.				
BR-579 R & F P.N. PRESS SEP 5 1973	8-16-73 8-24-73 8-24-73	Renewal of License (Main & Alt. Main-Aux.) Atty.: Arthur H. Schroeder	GRANTED	11-28-73
BZ-8840 R & F DM aux rec'd PRESS MAY 21 1975	3-5-75 3-7-75 5-1-75 4-15-75	Direct Measurement (Main & Auxiliary) Atty: Arthur H. Schroeder (Miller and Schroeder)	GRANTED	6-11-75
Fee returned \$150.00 5-16-75-not necessary				

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Letters W S O YName ILLINOIS BROADCASTING COMPANY
DECATUR, ILLINOIS

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-579 R & F PN Recd. PRESS	7-6-76 7-20-76 SEP 29 1976	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (MAIN & ALTER.MAIN TRANS.) A.H.Schroeder, Atty.	Granted	11-15-76
BR79073OUR PRESS SEP 21 1979		Renewal of License Atty. William M. Barnard	GRANTED	11-30-79

Licensee ~~X~~ Commodore Broadcasting, Inc.

File No.	Date	Call Letters	Name and Location of Applicant	Remarks	Disposition
← ML-B-899	10-19-31	WJBC	Wayne Hummer & H. J. Dee d/b as Kaskaskia Brcdstg. Co., La Salle, Ill.	shares with WJBL Req.: Unlimited.	Returned 11-11-31. G.O.102
B4-ML-457	4-26-37	WJBC	Arthur Malcolm McGregor, & Dorothy Charlette, Bloomington, Ill	Unlimited time, contingent upon WJBL's grant for 1370 kc.	Returned 3-24-38, appli- cation B4-ML-49 WJBL returned

Renewal
Requested

Date
Received

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for Hearing

Reason

Remarks

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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.

