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142527  
BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 10-26-50

Call letters WTAQ

Station Location: La Grange, Illinois

S &amp; S BROADCASTING CO. (AL 1-30-56 EFF: 2-8-56)

\*RUSSELL G. SALTER, CHARLES F. SEBASTIAN and WILLIAM A. MURPHY,

d/b as THE LA GRANGE BROADCASTING CO. (AL 2-12-52, Eff. 2-12-52)

\*RUSSELL G. SALTER, CHARLES F. SEBASTIAN, A Partnership

Name of licensee d/b as THE LA GRANGE BROADCASTING CO.

0.3 mi. S.E. intersection U.S. Hgways. 66 & 45, 2.5 mi. South of  
LaGrange, Illinois (BL-5686; Gr. 6-7-55)

Transmitter location Rt. 1 East Avenue at Hi-Way 66, LaGrange, Ill. (MP 7-3-50)

ZIP 60526

Same as Transmitter

Main studio location Rt. 1 East Avenue at Hi-way 66, LaGrange, Ill. (MP 7-3-50)

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# CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From - To
BP-6984	5-11-50 Order Issued. CP for a new station granted subj. to filing MP for approval of site & antenna. (COND'L. CLAUSE)	1300	500w	Daytime	
BP-6984 BP-3173	7-5-50 Mod. of CP(6984) for approval of antenna, T and studio locations & change time of T. (COND. CLAUSE)	1300	500w	Day	5-3 3-3-51
BL-4231	10-26-50 Lic. cover CP(BP-6984, as mod. which authorized new std. B/C station.	1300	500w	Daytime	10-26 11-1-51
BR-2527	10-17-51	1300	500w	Day	11-1 12-1-52
BAL-1322 Eff. 2-12-52	2-12-52 Vol. assignment of license to RUSSELL G. SALTER, CHARLES F. SEBASTIAN and WILLIAM A. MURPHY, d/b as THE LA GRANGE BROADCASTING CO.				
BR-2527	11-5-52	1300kc	500kw	Daytime	12-1 12-1-55
BP-9044	7-7-54 CP to change hours of operation, install DA-N & change trans. and Studio locations (COND'L CLAUSE)	1300kc	500w, DA-N	Un	9-7-54 3-7-55
BP-6713 (1)	12-7-54 Mod. of CP(9044) to change type trans. & ext. C&C dates (C. Clause)				2-7-55 8-8-55
Telegram	12-6-54 Oper. new site with Collins RA-1000 T and temp. ant. period ending 2-6-55				
BL-686	6-7-55 Lic. to cover CP (9044) change hrs. of op., install DA-N and change Trans. & Studio location & change type transmitter.	1300kc	500w, DA-N	U	6-7 12-1-55
BR-2527	11-23-55 RENEWAL OF LICENSE				12-1 12-1-58
BAL-2196 EFF: 2-3-56	1-30-56 Voluntary assignment of license to S & S Broadcasting Co.				
BTC-2615 Eff: 11-3-57	11-1-57 Voluntary transfer of control of licensee corporation from Russell G. Salter to Charles F. Sebastian, through sale of 400 shares of stock.				
	11-25-58 Action on renewal deferred by Commission pending further consideration.				
	11-27-57	1300	500w, DA-N	U	11-1 12-1-61

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Station location .....

Name of licensee .....

Transmitter location .....

Main studio location .....

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BP-12882 *	4-9-59	1300kc	500w, DA-N	U	6-9 12-9-59
CP to add a VHF antenna on top of tower #3 (North-Center) of WTAQ directional antenna system (Increase height) (Cond'1).					
BP-12781	3-21-61	1300kc	500w, 1kw-LS DA-2	U	5-21 11-21-61 directional
CP to increase daytime power to 1kw and employ / antenna daytime (DA-2) (Cond'1)					
BR-2527	11-1-61	RENEWAL OF LICENSE			12-1 12-1-64
BMP-9893 (1)	11-22-61	Mod. of CP (BP-12781) for extension of completion date to			2-15-62
BP-12781 (2)	1-5-62	Mod. of CP (BP-12781) to change obstruction markings for the North-Central and South Center Towers. (Memo)			
BS-2527 (1)	1-5-62	Mod. of license to change obstruction markings for the North-Central and South Center Towers. (Memo)			
BMP-10100 (3)	2-26-62	Mod. of CP (BP-12781 as mod) to ext. comp. date to			6-1-62
BP-15605	7-31-62	1300kc	500w-1kw-LS, Un	Un	9-30 3-31-63
CP to install an IEA, Type AM-5000A transmitter, to be operated on 500w, 1kw-LS, DA-2, Un, as ALTERNATE MAIN transmitter.					
BL-9339	8-15-62	1300kc	500w-1kw	Un1	8-15 12-1-64
Lic. to cover CP (BP-12,781 as mod) which auth incr. daytime power and install new trans, employ DA-2.					
BL-9574	11-21-62	1300kc	500w-1kw	Alt.Main	11-21 12-1-64
Lic. to cover CP (BP-15,605 which auth. instl. new trans. to be used as alt. main trans.					

\*CP CANCELLED - Request of applicant ltr. 10-11-59

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Station location \_\_\_\_\_

Name of licensee \_\_\_\_\_

Transmitter location \_\_\_\_\_

Main studio location \_\_\_\_\_

# CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period	
					From	To
BR-2527	11-16-64	Main and Alt Main Renewal of License			12-1	12-1-67
BMP-10158	12-7-64	1300kc	500w, 5kw DA-2	U	2-7	8-7-65
		CP to increase day power to 5kw, install new transmitter (RCA BTA-5T) and make change in DA daytime pattern (Cond'1).				
Ltr.	8-24-65	Auth. oper. with common point current of 4.65 amps for 1kw DA oper. Day pattern between 4am & local sunrise til final decision Docket 14419 or told to.				
BL-11,146	12-20-65	1300kc	500w-1kw DA-2	Alt M & Aux	12-20	12-1-67
		Lic to <del>cancel</del> redesignate Alt Main (TA AM-1000A) trans as Alt night and Aux day time trans on 1300kc 500w 1kw-LS-(DA-2)				
BL-11,042	12-20-65	1300kc	500w-5kw U(DA-2)		12-20	12-1-67
		Lic to cover CB(BMP-10,158) which auth incr daytime power, install new trans (GATES BC-5P-2) chg in DA daytime pattern				
BS-2527 (1)	11-10-66	Mod. of lic to make chg. in MP 270' (Memo)				
TELEGRAM	10-17-67	PSA	500w			
BR-2527	11-24-67	1300kc	500w, 5kw-DA-2	U	12-1	12-1-70
		Renewal of License (Aux. & Alt. M)				
BS-2527(L)	9-14-70	ML chg. oper. specs (Main)				12-1-70
BS-2527(I)	9-14-70	ML chg. oper. specs (Alt-Aux)				12-1-70
BR-2527(S)	12-30-70	RENEWAL OF LICENSES MAIN & ALT. MAIN & AUX. TRANS. 12-1-70				
EBSA	5-22-72					
BR-2527(S)	11-17-75	Renewal of License (Main & Alt. Main) & Aux.				12-1-76
BZ-8957(L)	1-26-76	Direct Measurement Alternate and Auxiliary				12-1-76
BR-2527(E)	4-18-77	Renewal of License (Alt. & Aux. Transmitters)				12-1-79
BZ-8957(L)	1-26-76	superseded to correct N074, phase indication				12-1-79

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Station location \_\_\_\_\_

Name of licensee \_\_\_\_\_

Transmitter location \_\_\_\_\_

Main studio location \_\_\_\_\_



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Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To
BTC780925EC	10-10-78	VOL. TC		EFF:	
COMTEL	12-9-80	AUTH. GR. PURSUANT SECTION 0.281 RULES CONDUCT OVER THE AIR EXPERIMENTAL OPERATION ACCORDANCE SECTION 73.1510 RULES UTILIZING MOTOROLA AM STEREOPHONIC TRANSMISSION SYSTEM PROVIDED: (1) REQUIREMENTS SECTION 73.40(a)(12)(13), (14) ARE MET; (2) NO PROMOTIONAL PUBLICITY OF TESTING PROGRAM, HOWEVER INFORMATIONAL ANNOUNCEMENTS DURING TEST OF TRANSMISSION PERMITTED; (3) FCC DISTRICT ENGINEER'S OFFICE NOTIFIED OF TESTING SCHEDULE PRIOR TO COMMENCEMENT OF TESTS; (4) APPROPRIATE ENGINEERING REPORT SUBMITTED TO COMMISSION AT CONCLUSION OF TESTING PROGRAM. THIS AUTH. EXPIRES 1-5-81.			

## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call W T A Q  
Letters x New

RUSSELL G. SALTER and CHARLES F. SEBASTIAN, a partnership  
d/b as THE LA GRANGE BROADCASTING CO.  
Name RUSSELL G. SALTER  
(PO 613 South 7th Ave., La Grange, Illinois)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BP-6984 Rec'd Filed	10-22-48	Construction Permit for a new standard broadcast station to be operated on: Frequency: 1300kc Power: 500w Hours of operation: Daytime only Trans. location: To be determined- Near La Grange, Illinois Studio location: To be determined- La Grange, Illinois	Docket 9523	after
	10-25-48		GRANTED	5-11-50 hearing
	10-25-48		subj. to filing MP for approval of site and antenna & a complete field intensity survey be submitted to the Comm after construction showing that eff. field radiated by antenna sys. fulfills minimum require	
AMENDED Recd. Filed	1-19-49	AMENDED to change type transmitter(Gates BC-500-D)	DECISION & ORDER ISSUED.	
	1-24-49		C.P. not issued	
	1-24-49		Issued with BIP-5173	
AMENDED Recd. Filed	3-7-49	AMENDED to change name of applicant from Russell G. Salter to Russell G. Salter and Charles F. Sebastian, a partnership d/b as The La Grange Broadcasting Co.		
	3-11-49			
	3-11-49			

Transmitter - Raytheon RA-1000

Gates 500-3

EC

Atty - applicant

Engr. - Applicant

## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Call  
Letters W T A QName Russell G. Salter and Charles F. Sebastian, A Partnership  
d/b as The La Grange Broadcasting Co.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMP-5173	5-25-50	Mod. of C.P. (BP-6984, which authorized a new standard broadcast station) for approval of antenna, transmitter and studio locations as Route 1 East Ave. at Hi-Way 66, La Grange, Illinois and change type of transmitter (COMPOSITE).	GRANTED	7-3-50
Rec'd	5-29-50		re field intensity survey	
Filed	5-29-50		be submitted to Comm. after construction showing that effective field radiated by the antenna sys. fulfills the minimum requirements; re before prog. tests be auth. per- mittee be required to submit data to show that T operates in accord. with Sect. 3.46 of Rules.	

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FCC Form 94

## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

RUSSELL G. SALTER, CHARLES F. SEBASTIAN and WILLIAM A. MURPHY,  
 d/b as THE LA GRANGE BROADCASTING CO., CAL. 2-12-52, Eff. <sup>Call</sup>

Name Partnership d/b as THE LA GRANGE BROADCASTING CO.

Letters W T A Q

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
EL-4231 Rec'd Filed	10-6-50 10-9-50 10-9-50	License to cover construction permit (BP-6984 as modified) which authorized a new standard broadcast station.	GRANTED	10-26-50
BR-2527 Rec'd	7-27-51 7-30-51	Renewal of license	Granted	10-17-51
BAL-1322 Rec'd Resub. Rec'd. Filed	12-28-51 1-3-52 1-22-52 1-24-52 1-24-52	Voluntary assignment of license to Russell G. Salter, Charles F. Sebastian and William A. Murphy, A Partnership d/b as The La Grange Broadcasting Co.	<del>RETURNED</del> <del>Assignee-Section</del> <del>filed-incorrectly.</del> GRANTED Eff.	<del>1-9-52</del>  2-12-52 2-12-52

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WTAQ

Name RUSSELL G. SALMER, CHARLES D. STRASSMAN and WILLIAM A. GIBBY,  
d/b as THE LA GRANGE BROADCASTING CO.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-2527 Rec'd Filed	8-26-52 8-28-52 8-28-52	Renewal of License	GRANTED	11-5-52
<del>BP-9044</del> Rec'd Resub. Rec'd Filed	9-14-53 9-16-53 10-5-53 10-7-53 10-7-53	Construction permit to change hours of operation from daytime to unlimited, using power of 500w and installation of directional antenna for night use only (DA-N) and change transmitter and studio location from Rt. 1 East Avenue at Hi-way 66, LaGrange, Illinois to 0.3 miles S.E. of the intersection of U.S. Hwys. 66 and 45, 2.5 mi. S. of the city of LaGrange, Illinois.  Walter F. Kean, Engr.  McKenna & Wilkinson now represent per letter 2-25-54.  AMENDED to make changes in the directional antenna system.	<del>RETURNED</del> <del>Exhibits 2 &amp; 3</del> <del>dated after Sect. 1.</del>  GRANTED	<del>5-29-58</del>  7-7-54
AMENDED Rec'd Filed	5-3-54 5-6-54 5-6-54		re phase monitor; field measuring equipment; and non-DA and DA proof.	

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FORMERLY FCC FORM 94

S &amp; S BROADCASTING CO. (AL 1-30-56)

X RUSSELL G. SALTER, CHARLES F. SEBASTIAN AND WILLIAM A

Call

Letters

W T A Q

Name

MURPHY, d/b as The LaGrange Broadcasting Co.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BFP-6713 Rec'd Filed	11-29-54 11-30-54 11-30-54	Modification of construction permit (BP-9044 which auth. change hours of operation, install DA-N and change transmitter and studio locations) to change type transmitter (Raytheon RA-1000)	GRANTED Re measurements in accordance 3.47 and and 12	12-7-54
BL-5686 Rec'd Filed	4-4-55 4-6-55 4-6-55	License to cover construction permit (BP-9044, as modified) which authorized change hours of operation install directional antenna (DA-N), change transmitter and studio location and change type transmitter (Raytheon RA-1000)	GRANTED	6-7-55
BR-2527 Rec'd Filed	8-25-55 8-29-55 8-29-55	Renewal of license	GRANTED	11-23-55
BAL-2196 rec'd Filed	12-15-55 12-19-55 12-19-55	Voluntary assignment of license to S & S Broadcasting Co.	GRANTED EFF:	1-30-56 2-8-56

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Letters W T A Q

Name S & S BROADCASTING CO.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BTC-2615 Rec'd Resub. Rec'd Filed	7-19-57	Voluntary transfer of control of licensee corporation from Russell G. Salter to Charles F. Sebastian, through the sale of 400 shares of stock of licensee corporation	<del>RETURNED</del>	<del>8-9-57</del>
	7-24-57		<del>Unnecessary</del>	
	7-19-57		GRANTED	11-1-57
	10-7-57		Eff:	11-30-57
10-7-57				
BR-2527 Rec'd Filed	9-24-58	Renewal of license	GRANTED	3-11-59
	9-29-58			
	9-29-58			
BP-12,781 Rec'd Filed	1-12-59	Construction permit to increase daytime power from 500w to 1kw and employ directional antenna daytime (DA-N to DA-2)  Engr.-Walter F.Kean, Riverside, Ill.	GRANTED	3-21-61 Cond'l re: Phase Mon., Field meas. equip. & complete non-DA proof., Permittee shall submit sufficient field intensi- ty measurements. after adj. of daytime array to show that nighttime remains as auth.
	1-19-59			
	1-19-59			



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Letters W T A QName S. & S. BROADCASTING CO.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
EP-12,882 Rec'd Filed	3-9-59 3-11-59 3-11-59	Construction permit to add a VHF antenna on top of tower #3 (North-Center) of WTAQ directional antenna system. (increase height)	GRANTED Cond'l re: before construction is commenced WTAQ shall request and receive permission to determine power by indirect measurement. CP CANCELLED 12-11-59 Request of Applicant	4-9-59
BR-2527 R & F	8-24-61 8-31-61	Renewal of License	GRANTED	11-1-61
BMP-9893 R&F	10-19-61 10-23-61	Mod of CP (BP-12781 which auth incr day power and employ DA-2) for extension of completion date from 11-21-61 to 2-15-62. Atty: Mallyck & Bernton	GRANTED	11-22-61



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Name S & S Broadcasting Co.  
La Grange, Illinois

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BP-15,605 R. & F.	5-28-62 6-1-62	CP to install an ITA, Type no. AM-1000A, Broadcasting Transmitter, to be operated on 500w, 1kw-LS, DA-2, Unlimited Time as an Alternate Main Transmitter. Atty: Mallyck & Bernton	GRANTED	7-31-62
BL-9574 R&F	8-9-62 8-10-62	License to cover CP(BP-15,605, which auth. install new transmitter to be used as alternate main trans.)  Mallyck & Bernton, Atty.	GRANTED	11-21-62
BR-2527 R&F	9-9-64 9-15-64	Renewal of license. (Main & Alternate main). Atty: Mallyck & Bernton	GRANTED	11-16-64

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Name S & S BROADCASTING CO.  
La Grange, Illinois

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BL-11,042 Rec'd Filed	6/12/65 6/14/65 7/22/65	Lic. to cover CP (BMP-10,158) which auth. incr. daytime power, install new trans. (RCA BTA-5T) & make chng. DA daytime pattern, (Specify type trans. GATES BC-5P-2) Attys: Mallyck & Bernton	GRANTED	12-20-65
BL-11,146 R & F	9/24/65 10/1/65	Lic. to redesignate alt-main (ITA-AM-1000) trans. as an alternate night & aux. daytime trans. on 1300kc 500w 1kw-LS-DA-2 Attys: Mallyck & Bernton	GRANTED	12-20-65
BR-2527 R&F SEP 29 1967	8-9-67 8-17-67	Renewal of License (Main & Alt. Main) Attys - Mallyck & Bernton	GRANTED	11-24-67
BR-2527 R & F PN Recd. PRESS OCT 19 1970	8-28-70 9-2-70	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (MAIN & ALT. MAIN) Mallyck & Bernton, Atty	GRANTED	12-30-70
		MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME to file petition to deny filed 11-17-70 by The Taskforce for Community Broadcasting, the Illinois Citizen's Committee for Broadcasting and the Better Broadcasting Council, Inc. P. O. Box 11-22-70. Further Motion for extension of time filed by Taskforce		

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LA GRANGE, ILLINOIS

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
		Annual filing fee \$60.00 paid 9-14-70 #630041.		
BR-2527 R & F PN Recd. PRESS	8-29-73 8-31-73 " 26 SEP 1973	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (MAIN & ALT.MAIN) Mallyck & Bernton, Atty. AMENDED 7-10-74 re: engineering data	GRANTED	11-17-75
BZ-8957 R & F Amend DM PRESS NOV 20 1975	8-12-75 8-18-75 9-24-75 - engr. data 11-5-75	Direct Measurement Atty: Theodore Mallyck	GRANTED	1-26-76
BR-2527 R & F PN Recd. PRESS	7-23-76 7-27-76 " OCT 1 1976	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (MAIN & ALT.MAIN & AUX. TRANS.) AMENDED 12-6-76 re: EEO	GRANTED	4-18-77

Form BC-121  
May 1976

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La Grange, Illinois

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BTC780925EC Form 316 PRESS	9-21-78 SEP 21 1978	Vol. TC from Charles F. Sebastian, Individually to The Charles F. Sebastian Charitable Remainder Unitrust Agreement, dated September 20, 1978, (Charles F. Sebastian as Grantor and Trustee )  Atty - <u>E. Theodore Mallyck (Smith &amp; Pepper)</u>	GRANTED EFF:	10-10-78
BR 790723 UC PRESS	SEP 7 1979	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (MAIN & ALT.MAIN & AUX.TRANS.)  E.T.Mallyck,Atty.  PETITION TO DENY filed 11-1-79 by Arnold S. Rosenberg, Counsel on behalf of Latino Committee on the Media. OPPOSITION TO PETITION TO DENY filed 12-3-79 by E. Theodore Mallyck, Counsel on behalf of S & S Broadcasting Co.  (OVER)	GRANTED	4-14-82

(BR790723U0) OPPOSITION TO PETITION TO DENY filed  
12-3-79 by E. Theodore Mallyck, Counsel on behalf of  
S & S Broadcasting Co.

## 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 12<sup>th</sup> 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.

