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## BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 11-21-47

WTNC (5-12-47)

Call letters x W T O A

LOCATION: THOMASVILLE, N. CAROLINA

Radio Thomasville, Inc. (AL 8-25-80 EFF: 9-1-80)

x THOMASVILLE BROADCASTING COMPANY (AL 3-10-48; EFF: 3-30-48)

Name of licensee x GEORGE W. LYLES, SR., RUSSELL F. VAN LANDINGHAM AND GEORGE W. LYLES, JR.,  
a partnership d/b as THOMASVILLE BROADCASTING COMPANY

Salem Street Extension, Thomasville, N. C. (Lic. 11-21-47)

x Northwest of City Limits of Thomasville, N. C. (MP 8-6-47)

Transmitter location Corner of National Highway and Fairway Street, Thomasville, N. C. (MP 6-16-47)

ZIP 27360

Salem Street Extension, Thomasville, North Carolina (Lic. 11-21-47)

x State Hwy. 109, 9/10 mi. from center of Thomasville, N.C. (MP 8-6-47)

Main studio location x Corner of National Highway and Fairway Street, Thomasville, N.C. (MP 6-16-47)

# CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To-
83-P-5206 Letter	2-11-47 3-7-47	790	1kw	Daytime	
CP for new station granted subject to filing MP for approval T site and antenna					
83-P-5206 MP_2727	6-16-47	790	1kw	Daytime	8-16 2-16-48
Mod of CP (5206) change type T, Approval of antenna, C & S site.					
BMP-2975	8-6-47	790	1kw	Daytime	8-16 2-16-48
Mod. CP (5206 as mod.) change studio location.					
BL-2714 BZ-2550	11-21-47	790	1kw	Daytime	11-21 5-1-49
Lic. to cover CP (5206 as mod.) for a new station change studio site and determine operating power by direct method.					
BAL-692	3-10-48	Vol. Assignment of license from George W. Lyles, Sr., Russell F. Van Landingham and George W. Lyles, Jr., A Partnership d/b as Thomastille B/Cing Co. to THOMASVILLE BROADCASTING COMPANY.			
EFF:	3-30-48				
BR-1653	4-6-49	790	1kw	Daytime	5-1 5-1-52
BR-1653	4-23-52	790	1kw	Daytime	5-1 12-1-54
BR-1653	11-24-54	Renewal of license			12-1 12-1-57
BTC-2558 EFF:	8-2-57 8-15-57	Involuntary transfer of control of licensee corp. from George W. Lyles, Sr. Deceased, TO R.F. Van Landingham and George W. Lyles, Jr., Co-Executors of the Estate of George W. Lyles, Sr., Deceased.			
BR-1653	11-27-57	Renewal of license			12-1 12-1-60
BP-13546	11-2-59	790kc	1kw	Day	1-2 7-2-60
CP to install a new transmitter (GATES BC-1T).					
BTC-3394 EFF:	4-20-60 6-3-60	Voluntary transfer of control of licensee corporation from R.F. Van Landingham and George W. Lyles, Jr. Co-Executors of the Estate of George W. Lyles, Deceased to Evelyn Lyles Van Landingham.			
BL-7858	5-12-60	790	1kw	Aux.	5-12 12-1-60
License to use old main transmitter (GATES BC-1E) as an aux. trans. at present loc. of main trans. to be operated on 790kc, 1kw for aux. purposes only.					

Form BC 126 #2  
June 1954

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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
BL-7763 (1)	5-12-60	Lic. to cover CP(BP-13546) which auth. install new transmitter.			
	11-30-60	Commission deferred action on renewal pending further consideration.			
BR-1653 AUX	11-16-61	790kc	1kw	Day	11-16 12-1-63 12-1-63
BR-1653	11-14-63	Renewal of License Main & Aux			12-1 12-1-66
BR-1653	11-18-66	Renewal of license. Main & Aux.			12-1 12-1-69
TELEGRAM	10-17-67	PSA	500w		
BR-1653(S)	11-26-69	RENEWAL & NDEA (Main & Aux)			12-1-72
EBSA	5-25-72				
BR-1653(L)	12-6-72	Renewal (Main & Aux)			12-1-75
BTC-7574	Vol. TC.	11-12-74	EFF:	12-13-74	
BS-1653	4-11-75	ML to correct Apr. Sunrise time			
BR-1653(S)	11-12-75	Renewal of License (Main & Aux.)			12-1-78
BR-780728	12-18-78	RENEWAL (MAIN & AUX.)			12-1-81
BAL800417GM	8-25-80	VOL AL EFF: 9-1-80			

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Letters New

Name GEORGE W. LYLES, SR., RUSSELL F. VAN LANDINGHAM and GEORGE W. LYLES, JR., a partnership  
d/b as THOMASVILLE BROADCASTING COMPANY (PO Thomasville, North Carolina)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
B3-P-5206 Rec'd Filed	8-28-46 9-3-46 9-3-46	Construction Permit for a new standard broadcast station to be operated on: Frequency: <u>770kc</u> 790kc Power: <u>250w</u> 1kw Hours of operation: <u>Daytime only</u> Trans. location: <u>To be determined-Thomasville,</u> <u>North Carolina</u> Studio location: <u>same</u>  <u>John Barron, Engr.</u>	GRANTED subject to filing MP for approval of T site and antenna Letter <u>3-7-47</u>	2-14-47
AMENDED Recd. Filed	9-9-46 9-10-46 9-10-46	AMENDED to change frequency <u>from</u> 770kc <u>to</u> 790kc		
AMENDED Recd. Filed	11-23-46 11-26-46 11-26-46	AMENDED to change power <u>from</u> 250w <u>to</u> 1kw and change type transmitter ( <u>WE 443 A 1</u> )	Issued with MP 2727	

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Transmitter-W.E. 451-A-1

Russell F. Van Landingham, Atty.

Thomasville, N.C.

## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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 Name George W. Lyles, Sr., Russell F. Van Landingham and George L. Lyles, Jr., d/b as  
Thomasville Broadcasting Company

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMP-2727	5-3-47	Mod. of C.P. (B3-F-5206, which authorized a new standard broadcast station) to change type of transmitter (Gates BC-1E), for approval of antenna and transmitter site at Northwest of city limits of Thomasville, North Carolina, and specify studio location as Corner of National Highway and Fairway Street, Thomasville, North Carolina.	GRANTED	6-16-47
Rec'd	5-6-47			
Filed	5-6-47			



## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Call  
Letters WTNCName George W. Lyles, Sr., Russell F. Van Landingham and George W. Lyles, Jr., d/b as  
THOMASVILLE BROADCASTING COMPANY

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMP-2975 Rec'd Filed	7-8-47 7-9-47 7-9-47	Mod. of C.P. (B3-P-5206, as mod., which authorized a new standard broadcast station) to change studio location from Corner of National Highway and Fairway Street, Thomasville, North Carolina <u>TO</u> State Hwy. 109, 9/10 mi. from center of Thomasville, N.C.	GRANTED	8-6-47
BL-2714 Rec'd Filed	9-21-47 9-22-47 9-22-47	License to cover C.P. (B3-F-5206, as mod.,) which authorized a new standard broadcast station and change studio location from: State Hwy. 109 9/10 mi. from center of Thomasville, N.C. to: Salem Street Extension, Thomasville, N.C.	GRANTED	11-21-47
BZ-2550 Rec'd Filed	9-21-47 9-22-47 9-22-47	and Authority to determine operating power by direct measurement of antenna power.		

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THOMASVILLE BROADCASTING COMPANY (AL 3-10-48; EFF: 3-30-48)

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Name GEORGE W. LYLES, SR., RUSSELL F. VAN LANDINGHAM and GEORGE W. LYLES, JR., A Partnership d/b as THOMASVILLE BROADCASTING COMPANY

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BAL-692 Rec'd Filed	12-23-47 1-13-48 1-13-48	Voluntary Assignment of License from George W. Lyles, Sr., Russell F. Van Landingham and George W. Lyles, Jr., A Partnership d/b as Thomasville Broadcasting Company to Thomasville Broadcasting Company.	GRANTED EFF:	3-10-48 3-30-48
BR-1653 Rec'd	2-22-49 3-2-49	Renew 1 of license	GRANTED	4-6-49
BR-1653 Rec'd Filed	1-28-52 1-31-52 1-31-52	Renewal of license	GRANTED	4-23-52
BR-1653 Rec'd Filed	8-10-54 8-13-54 8-13-54	Renewal of License	GRANTED	11-24-54

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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BTC-2558 Rec. filed	7-22-57 7-24-57 7-24-57	Involuntary transfer of control of licensee corporation from George W. Lyles, Sr. to R. F. Van Landingham and Georgw W. Lyles, Jr. Co-Executors of the Estate of George W. Lyles Deceased	GRANTED EFF:	8-2-57 8-15-57
BR-1653 R & F	8-28-57 9-5-57	Renewal of License	Granted	11-27-57
BP- 13546 Rec. Resb. R & F	10-7-59 10-8-59 10-16-59 10-19-59	Construction Permit to install a new transmitter (Gates BC-IT)	<del>Returned</del> Section 1-p.-2 not signed & notarized.	<del>10-16-59</del>
BL-7763 R&F	12-1-59 12-2-59	Lic. to cover cp(BP-13546) which authorized install new transmitter.	GRANTED GRANTED	11-2-59 5-12-60

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Letters W T N CName THOMASVILLE BROADCASTING COMPANYTHOMASVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BTC-3394 Rec'd Filed	3-10-60 3-14-60 3-14-60	Voluntary transfer of control of licensee corporation from R. F. Van Landingham and George W. Lyles, Jr. Co-Executors of the Estate of George W. Lyles, Deceased to Evelyn Lyles Van Landingham.	GRANTED EFF:	4-20-60 6-3-60
BL-7858 Rec'd Filed	2-18-60 2-19-60 2-19-60	License to use old main transmitter (GATES BC-1-E) as an auxiliary transmitter at present location of main transmitter to be operated on 790kc, 1kw for auxiliary purposes only.	GRANTED	5-12-60
BR-1653 Rec'd Filed	8-23-60 8-26-60 8-26-60	Renewal of license (Main & Auxiliary)	GRANTED	11-16-61
BR-1653 R & F	8-28-63 9-3-63	Renewal of License (Main & Auxiliary)	GRANTED	11-14-63
BR-1653 R & F	8-29-66 8-31-66	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (MAIN & AUXILIARY)	GRANTED	11-18-66

FORM BC-121  
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Name THOMASVILLE BROADCASTING COMPANY  
Thomasville, North Carolina

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-1653 R & F #537387 \$105 P.N. filed PRESS	8-29-69 9-2-69 9-2-69 9-2-69 <b>OCT 8 1969</b>	Renewal of license (Main and Aux.)	GRANTED	11-26-69
BR-1653 R & F PN Recd. PRESS	8-28-72 9-5-72 " <b>SEP 22 1972</b>	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (MAIN & AUXILIARY) AMENDED 11-9-72 re: programming; commercial policy	Granted	12-6-72
BTC-7574 Rec'd FILED FEE PD. \$250 # 352838 CODE 047 (F) 3161 ALSO SEE FM	10-4-74 10-7-74 10-29-74 <b>NOV 1974</b>	Voluntary relinquishment of positive control of lic corp by Evelyn L. Van Landingham thru transfer of stock to Carol V. Anthony and T.R. Van Landingham	GRANTED EFF:	11-12-74 12-13-74

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Form BC-121  
September 1969  
12-47Call  
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RADIO THOMASVILLE, INC.

Name  Thomasville Broadcasting Company  
Thomasville, North Carolina

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
THE COMMISSION on 1-21-75 notified licensee to pay forfeiture of \$1000 for violation of Sec. 1304, Title 18 of THE U.S. Code and Sec. 73.122, 73.292 and 73.656 of the Rules.				
BR-1653 R & F PN Recd. PRESS	7-30-75 8-1-75 " <b>SEP 9 1975</b>	RENEWAL OF LICENSE (MAIN & AUXILIARY)	GRANTED	11-12-75
BR-780828UC R & F PRESS	7-25-78 7-28-78 <b>AUG 7 1978</b>	RENEWAL OF LICENSE <i>2-1-81</i>	GRANTED	12-18-78
BAL800417GM FORM 314 (ALSO SEE WTNC -FM) PRESS MAY 1980 PN FILED	MAY 1980 5-5-80	Vol. AL to RADIO THOMASVILLE, INC. Atty -----	GRANTED EFF:	8-25-80 9-1-80

BAL800417GM AMENDED 6-30-80 re: Programming data.

AMENDED 8-19-80 re: Engineering information

## 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.

