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Card No. 1

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# No. 6

NON-COMMERCIAL EDUCATIONAL

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 8-25-43 (BLED-9 to cover BPED-22 & 25) Call letters W B E Z  
Second license 3-23-49 (BLED-35 to cover BPED-80 as modified) LOCATION: CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

Name of licensee BOARD OF EDUCATION, CITY OF CHICAGO

105 West Adams St., Chicago, Illinois  
\* 79 West Madison Street, Chicago, Ill. (Mod. C.P. 6-10-42)  
Transmitter location x 228 North La Salle St., Chicago, Illinois (CP 7-29-41)

60601  
Main studio location 228 North La Salle Street, Chicago, Illinois

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# CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	DATE ISSUED	FREQ.	POWER	TIME Div.	PERIOD	
					From	To
B4-PED-22	7-29-41	42,500	1000w	U	9-29	3-29-42
Special						
C.P. for new non-commercial educ. station at Chicago.						
B4-MPED-10	4-2-42	42,500	1kw	U	9-29	7-1-42
Special						
Mod. C.P. (B4-PED-22, which authorized new station) for ext. of completion date only.						
B4-MPED-11	6-10-42	42,500	1kw	U	6-10	12-7-42
Special						
Mod. C.P. (B4-PED-22, which authorized new station) for ext. of C. & C. dates & for change in transmitter location and to make changes in antenna system.						
B4-MPED-16	11-27-42	42,500	1 kw	U	6-10	3-7-43
Special						
Mod. C.P. (B4-PED-22, as mod. & which authorized new sta.) for ext. of completion date only						
B4-MPED-17	2-24-42	42,500	1 kw	U	6-10	4-7-43
Mod. of C.P. (B4-PED-22, as mod. & which authorized new station for exten. of completion date only.						
S.A.	4-17-43	To opr. WBEZ on 42500 kc, 1kw, spec. emis. for FM; trans. location: 72 West Madison St., Chicago, Ill., for period 4-18-43 to 5-17-43 pending receipt of action on application for reinstatement of C.P. (B4-PED-22, as mod.)				
S.A.	5-18-43	Exten. of above S.A. to operate WBEZ on 42500 kc, 1kw power, spec. emis. for FM, from 5-18-43 to 5-27-43.				
S.A.	6-3-43	To opr. WBEZ on 42500 kc, 1kw power & spec. emis. for FM, from 6-4-43 to 7-4-43.				
S.A.	7-26-43	To opr. WBEZ on 42500, kc, 1 kw power & Special emis. for FM from 7-26-43 to 8-24-43.				
B4-PED-25	8-3-43	42,500	1000w	U	By 10-3-43 to	4-3-44
Special Emiss.						
C.P. for new non-commercial educational station.						
B4-LED-9	8-25-43	License to cover C.P. (B4-PED-25) for new non-comm. ed. b/c station.				
		42,500	1000w	U	8-25-43 to	3-1-44
Special Emiss.						



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# BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed .....8-25-43.....

Call letters .....W.B.E.Z.....

Name of licensee .....BOARD OF EDUCATION, CITY OF CHICAGO.....

x 79 West Madison Street, Chicago, Ill. (Mod. C.P. 6-10-42)

Transmitter location .....x228 North LaSalle St., Chicago, Illinois (CP 7-29-41).....

Main studio location .....



# CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From - To
B4-RED-6	4-25-44	42,500	1000w	U	5-1-44 5-1-45
		Special emission			
B4-RED-6	4-24-45	Same	Same	Same	5-1 5-1-46
		Renewal of License			
Letter	4-4-46	Assigned frequency of 91.7 mcs (Ch. #219)			
B4-SED-6	4-20-46	Extension of license		5-1	7-1-46
B4-SED-6	6-20-46	Extension of license		7-1	9-1-46
B4-RED-6	8-7-46	same	same	same	8-7 5-1-47
		Renewal of license			
Telegram	12-20-46	Temp. assignment effective 1-1-47 or as soon thereafter as equip may be modified, in no event later than 2-1-47.			
Telegram	1-3-47	Operation of Sta. W3DZ on 42.5mc until 2-1-47 permitted by prev. Comm. action.			
Letter	2-5-47	Ceased broadcasting on 42.5mc as of 2-1-47.			
fr/licenses					
BPED-80	3-17-47	91.7	14.5 kw	U	By 5-17-47 to 11-17-47
		No. 219	Terr: 550'		
C. P. to specify frequency, install new equipment and to make changes in antenna system.					
BPED-80	3-17-47	91.7	14.5 kw	U	By 5-17-47 to 11-17-47
		No. 219	Terr: 570		
Superseded C. P. correcting type of transmitter, overall height of antenna above ground and antenna height above average terrain.					
BPED-80	4-23-47	Renewal of license			5-1-48
	3-18-47	91.5	(No. 218)		
		Freq. assignment accord. Do 5768			
BPED-87	10-23-47	91.5	14.5 kw	U	By 5-17-47 to 5-1-48
		Ext. of completion date			
BRED-6	4-28-48	Renewal of license			5-1-48 to 9-1-50
		(based on freq. 91.5 mcs.)			
BLPED-110	4-9-48	Ext. of completion date			to 8-1-48
BLPED-127	6-18-48	91.5	15 kw	U	By 5-17-47 to 8-1-48
		Mod. of CP to make changes in antenna system.			
BMPED-132	7/21/48	Ext. date completed			to 10/1/48



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Call letters .....W.B.E.Z.....

Name of licensee BOARD OF EDUCATION, CITY OF CHICAGO

Transmitter location x 79 West Madison Street, Chicago, Ill. (Mod. C.P. 6-10-42)  
x 228 North La Salle St., Chicago, Illinois (CP 7-29-41)

Main studio location .....



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Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To
		91.5	15 kw	U	
			Terr: 570 ft.		
<del>BMPED-141</del>	<del>9-7-48</del>	<del>Ext. of completion date to</del>			<del>1-1-49</del>
BMPED-157	1-4-49	Ext. of completion date only to			2-1-49
BLED-35	3-23-49	91.5	15 kw.	570 ft.	
License to cover BPED-30 as modified					To 9-1-50
<b>BRED-6</b>	<b>8-31-50</b>	<b>Renewal of license to</b>			<b>9-1-53.</b>
<del>BPED-221</del>	<del>1-29-53</del>	<del>C.P. to change antenna, transm. location,</del>			<del>from 3-29-53</del>
		<del>ERP 16kw Terr. 550</del>			<del>to 9-29-53</del>
Tel. 3-10-53 RELET 2. Auth. gr. conduct simultaneous equipment & program tests with new facilities BPED-221, pending action on license appl.					
BLED-133	4-6-53	License to cover BPED-221			to 9-1-53
BRED-6	8-19-53	Renewal of license to			9-1-56
BRED 6	8-29-56	Renewal of license to			12-1-58 (S)
		91.5mcs.	16 kw,	U	
BRED-6	11-25-58	Renewal of license			12-1 12-1-61
	11-29-61	Action on Renewal Deferred.			
BRED-6	3-27-62	Renewal of license			3-27 12-1-64
BRED-6	11-20-64	Renewal of License			12-1 12-1-67
BPED-816	6-7-67	91.5mc.	ERP: 18kw	Unl.	8-7-67
		ch# 218	TPO: 3kw		2-7-68
		CP to install antenna (RCA-BFA-6B, 6 sects); incr. ERP:			
BRED-6	11-24-67	Renewal of License			12-1 12-1-70
BLED-613	1-9-68	91.5mc	ERP: 18kw	Unl.	1-9 12-1-70
		ch# 218	TPO: 3kw		
		Lic. to cover CP (BPED-816)			
BRED-6(S)	11-25-70	RENEWAL			12-1-73
EBSA	5-15-72				



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NON COMMERCIAL EDUCATIONAL

# BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

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Station location Chicago, Illinois

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
BPED-1334 HAAT: 550	5-18-72 (H&V)	91.5mc #218 Chg. TPO, ERP, HAAT	ERP: 39kw(H&V) Unl. CP install trans., ant.,		5-18-73
BMPED-928 (1)	10-17-72	MP(BPED-1334) TPO.	install new ant.	chg.	
BSCA-1207	11-14-72	SCA	67 kilohertz.		12-1-73
BLED-1066(L)	3-19-73	Lic(BPED-1334)	for changes		12-1-73
BRED-6(S) BRSCA-1,207	11-30-73		RENEWAL "		12-1-76 "
COMTEL	1-29-76	Obstruction painting and lighting DELETED.			
BRED-6(L) BRSCA-1207	11-17-76 "	Renewal of Renewal of	license SCA		12-1-79 "
BMSCA-543	7-5-78	Mod. of SCA to mke chg in equipment			
BRED790801A211	11-30-79	RENEWAL & SCA			12-1-82



## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call W B E Z  
 Letters X New

Name BOARD OF EDUCATION, CITY OF CHICAGO

(P.O. 228 N. LaSalle St., Chicago, Illinois)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
B4-PED-22 Rec'd Filed	4-25-41 4-30-41 4-30-41	Construction permit for a new non-commercial educational broadcast station. Frequency: 42,500 kcs. Emission: Special for frequency modulation. Power: 1000 watts. Unlimited time. Location: 228 N. LaSalle St., Chicago, Ill. (G.E., Type GF-101-B, Max. 1kw)	GRANTED	7-29-41
B4-MPED-10 Rec'd.	3-11-42 3-13-42	Mod. of C.P. (B4-PED-22, which authorized a new non-commercial educational broadcast station) for extension of completion date only, from March 29, 1942 to July 1, 1942.	GRANTED	4-2-42



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Letters W B E ZName BOARD OF EDUCATION, CITY OF CHICAGO

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
B4-MPED-11 Rec'd	4-29-42 5-5-42	Mod. of C.P. (B4-PED-22, as modified & which authorized new non-commercial educational B/C station) for change in transmitter location from 228 North LaSalle St., Chicago, Illinois to 79 W. Madison St., Chicago, Illinois, and for changes in antenna system, and extension of completion date from 7-1-42 to <del>9-1-42</del> . Re: to extend commencement date from 9-29-41 to date of grant hereof & extend completion date from 7-1-42 to 180 days thereafter, respectively.	Returned	<del>5-6-42</del>
Resubmitted & amended Rec'd	5-14-42 5-16-42		(Filed on wrong form) 462	GRANTED
B4-MPED-16 Rec'd	11-4-42 11-5-42	Mod. of C.P. (B4-PED-22, as mod. & which authorized new non-commercial educational station) for ext. of completion date from 12-7-42 to 3-7-43.	GRANTED	11-27-42



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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
B4-MPED-17 Recd	2-5-43 2-6-43	Mod. of C.P. (B4-PED-22, as mod. & which authorized new non-commercial educational station) for exten. of completion date from 3-7-43 to 4-7-43.	GRANTED	2-24-43
B4-MPED-18 Recd	4-16-43 4-17-43	Mod. of C.P. (B4-PED-22, as mod. & which authorized new non-commercial educational station) for exten. of completion date from 4-7-43 to 5-7-43	Ret. 4-21-43 (not subj. to exten. Sec. 1.356	
B4-PED-25 Recd Resubmitted <del>Recd</del>	4-27-43 5-10-43 5-26-43 <del>Recd</del>	Reinstatement of construction permit (B4-PED-22, as mod.) for new non-commercial educational broadcast station.	Ret. 5-11-43, Sec. 1.356 <del>signature and jurat.</del> GRANTED	8-3-43



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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
B4-LED-9 Recd Resubmitted Recd	4-27-43 5-26-43 6-7-43 6-10-43	License to cover construction permit (B4-PED-25) for new non-comm.ed.b/c station.	<del>Retr-5-27-43</del> GRANTED	<del>See 9(b)</del> 8-25-43
B4-RED-6 Recd Resubmitted Recd Resubmitted Recd	2-15-44 3-3-44 2-15-44 3-20-44 2-15-44 4-3-44	Renewal of license.	<del>Retr-3-4-44</del> <del>requested</del> <del>Retr-3-24-44</del> GRANTED	<del>Form 313</del> <del>See 4-313</del> 4-25-44
B4-RED-6 Recd.	2-23-45 2-26-45	Renewal of license	GRANTED	4-24-45
B4-RED-6 Rec'd Filed	2-1-46 2-4-46 2-4-46	Renewal of License	GRANTED	8-7-46



Form 94

## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Letters W B E ZName BOARD OF EDUCATION, CITY/CHICAGO  
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File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPED-80 Rec'd Filed	12-20-46 1-31-47 1-31-47	Construction Permit to specify frequency as 91.7 mcs, install new equipment and make changes in antenna system.  (REL Type 519(A)-DL Max. 3Kw)	GRANTED	3-17-47
BRED-6 Rec'd Filed	3-4-47 3-5-47 3-5-47	Renewal of license	GRANTED	4-23-47
BMPED-87 Rec'd Filed	10-9-47 10-16-47 10-16-47	Mod. of C.P. (BPED-80) which authorized a new non-commercial educational FM broadcast station for extension of completion date to 5-1-48.	GRANTED	10-23-47
BMPED-100 Rec'd Filed	12-30-47 1-6-48 1-6-48	Mod. of C. P. (BPED-80 which authorized changes in noncommercial educational broadcast station) to change transmitter site to 3250 W. Adams St., Chicago, Illinois; effective radiated	Appl. deleted upon filing of BLEP-35.	



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CARD #6

## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call  
Letters W B E ZName BOARD OF EDUCATION, CITY OF CHICAGO

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMPED-100 (Continued)		power to 14 kw; antenna height above average terrain to 320 feet; make changes in antenna system and change commencement and completion dates from 5-17-47 and 5-1-48 to 60 days from date of grant and 180 days thereafter, respectively.	1-15-	
BRED-6 Rec'd Filed	2-20-48 2-24-48 2-24-48	Renewal of license	GRANTED	4-28-48
BMPED-110 Recd. Filed	3-8-48 3-9-48 3-9-48	Mod. of C.P. (BPED-80 which authorized a new non-commercial educational FM broadcast station for extension of completion date from 5-1-48 to 8-1-48.	GRANTED	4-9-48
BMPED-127 Recd Filed	5-20-48 5-24-48 5-24-48	Mod. of C.P. (BPED-80 as modified) which authorized changes in non-commercial educational broadcast to change ERP from 14.5 kw. to 15 kw.; and make changes in antenna system.	GRANTED	6-15-48



CARD #7  
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 Letters W B E Z

Name BOARD OF EDUCATION, CITY OF CHICAGO

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMPED-132 Rec'd Filed	6-29-48 7-2-48 7-2-48	Mod. of C.P. (BPED-80 as modified) which authorized changes in non-commercial educational broadcast) for extension of completion date from 8-1-48 to 10-1-48.	Granted	7/21/48
BMPED-141 Recd. Filed	8-26-48 8-27-48 8-27-48	Mod. of C.P. (BPED-80 as modified) which authorized changes in non-commercial educational broadcast) for extension of completion date from 10-1-48 to 1-1-49.	Granted	9-7-48
BMPED-157 Recd. Filed	12-27-48 12-29-48 12-29-48	Mod. of C.P. (BPED-80 as modified) which authorized changes in non-commercial educational broadcast) for extension of completion date from 1-1-49 to 1-10-49.	GRANTED	1-4-49 ext. to 2-1-49
BLED-35 Rec'd Filed	2-7-49 2-9-49 2-9-49	License to cover C.P. (BPED-80 as modified) which authorized changes in Non-Commercial Education B/c station	GRANTED	3-23-49
BRED-6 Recd & Filed	6-28-50 6-30-50	Renewal of license.	GRANTED	8-31-50



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Call Letters W B E Z

Name BOARD OF EDUCATION, CITY OF CHICAGO  
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPED-221 Rec'd Resub. Rec'd & Filed 11-5-52	10-21-52 10-23-52 10-21-52	C.P. to make changes in licensed station to change type of antenna from Winchargen LP-6, 6 section to GE, BT-6-B, 6-section, Circular; overall height above gr. from 594' to 609'.	<del>Returned</del> GRANTED	<del>10-20-52-re</del> 1-29-53
BPED-133 Rec'd & Filed 3-4-53	3-2-53	License to cover C.P. (BPED-221)	GRANTED	4-6-53
BRED-6 Rec'd. & Filed 6-18-53	6-16-53	Renewal of license.	GRANTED	8-19-53
BRED-6 Rec'd & filed 4-27-56	4-25-56	Renewal of license	GRANTED	8-29-56
BRED-6 Rec'd & FILED 7-21-58	7-18-58	Renewal of license	GRANTED	11-25-58
BRED-6 R. & F. 11-1-61	10-31-61	Renewal of License	GRANTED	3-27-62
BRED-6 R. & F. 9-8-64	9-2-64	RENEWAL OF LICENSE	GRANTED	11-20-64



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AUG. 1955

## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call  
Letters W.B.E.Z.Name BOARD OF EDUCATION, CITY OF CHICAGO  
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPED-816 R & F	5-18-67 5-22-67	Construction Permit to install new antenna (RCA-BFA-6B, 6 sections); incr. ERP to 17.96 kilowatts;	GRANTED	6-7-67
BRED-6 R & F SEP 13 1967	8-18-67 8-25-67	Renewal of license	GRANTED	11-24-67
BLED-613 R & F PTA-10/9/67	9/28/67 9/29/67	Lic. to cover CP (BPED-816) which auth. install new ant., incr. ERP.	GRANTED	1-9-68
BRED-6 R & F P.N. SEP 2 1970	8-14-70 8-19-70 8-19-70	Renewal of License	GRANTED	11-25-70



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Form BC-121  
September 1969

## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Call  
Letters ..... W B E Z .....Name Board of Education, City of Chicago  
Chicago, Illinois

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPED-1,334 R & F NO FEE REQUIRED: -PRESS JAN 11 1972	12-2-71 12-6-71	CP install new trans(RCA-BTF-20E1); new Ant. (RCA-BFC-6B, 6 sects); chg. TPO; ERP: 39kw;  Atty----	GRANTED	5 18 72
BSCA-1,207 R & F No Fee Required Press	9-11-72 9-14-72	Request for Subsidiary Communications Authorization on a sub-carrier frequency of 67 kilocycles.	GRANTED	11-14-72
BMPED-928 R & F No Fee Required Press OCT 4 1972	9-11-72 9-14-72	MP (BPED-1,334) install new ant. (RCA BFC- 4B, 4 sects. ); chg. TPO.	Granted	10-17-72
BLED-1066 R & F PTA PRESS FEB 28 1973	1-3-73 1-4-73 1-10-73	License to cover CP(BPED-1334, as mod.) for changes.	GRANTED	3-19-73



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91.5 mbz.

Form BC-121  
September 1969

## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call  
Letters W B E ZName BOARD OF EDUCATION, CITY OF CHICAGO  
CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRED-6 BRSCA-1,207 R & F PN Recd. PRESS	8-28-73 " 8-30-73 " 14 SEP 1973	RENEWAL OF LICENSE	GRANTED	11-30-73
k BRED-6 BRSCA-1207 R & F PN Recd. PRESS	7-29-76 " 8-2-76 " SEP 8 1976	RENEWAL OF LICENSE RENEWAL OF SCA	GRANTED	11-17-76
BMSCA-543 R & F PRESS: JUN	5-25-78 5-30-78 14 1978	Modification of Subsidiary Communications Authorization to make changes in equipment. Atty:-----	GRANTED	7-5-78



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## APPLICATION RECORD BROADCASTING

91.5mhz  
Call Letters: W B E Z

Name: BOARD OF EDUCATION, CITY OF CHICAGO

Station Location: CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
BRED790801A2 BRSCA " PRESS OCT 11 1979		Renewal of License & SCA	GRANTED 11-30-79



## 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.

FM History Cards were initiated in the early 1940s, with the authorization of the earliest FM stations in the FM band, then at 42 to 50 MHz. (The band was shifted to its present location, 88 to 108 MHz, in 1946.) 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 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). Prior to that move, 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.

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.

