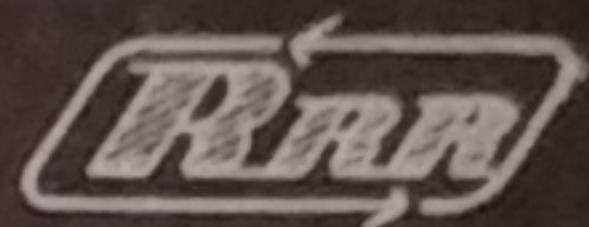


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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Official No. 203

Date first licensed 5-26-61

Call letters W.P.M.

Station location Ripon, Wisconsin

Name of licensee BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF RYAN COLLEGE

Transmitter location Smith Hall, Ripon College, Ripon, Wisconsin

Harwood Memorial Union (BRCE-25-10-12-62)

Main studio location * Smith Hall / Ripon College, Ripon, Wisconsin

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	TPO Power	Time Div.	Period From-- To
BPED-440	11-3-60	90.1mcs. Ch. 211	10w	nl.	1-8-61 7-8-61
BLED-313	5-26-61	Construction permit for a new non-commercial license to cover authorized new non-comm ed. broadcast station.			2 ed of PB GP(BPED-440) which 90.1mc TPO:10w Ch. 211
BLED-364	9-28-62	90.1mcs	10w	U	5-26-61 12-1-61 9-28 12-1-64
BRCED-25 (1)	10-12-62	Lic. to operate Non-Com. Edu. B/C Station on 90.1mcs with TPO of 10w.			
BRCED-25 (1)	10-12-62	Mod. of license to change studio location to Harwood Memorial Union, Ripon College, Ripon, Wisconsin and operate transmitter by remote control from studio location.			
BRED-203	12-14-64	90.1 mcs. -		U	12-14 12-1-67
BRED-203	12-24-67	Renewal of License			12-1 12-1-70
BRED-203(S) EBSA	11-25-70 5-15-72	Renewal			12-1-73
BRED-203(L)	3-18-74	RENEWAL			12-1-76
BRED-203(L)	11-17-76	Renewal			12-1-79
BRED 790802	12-31-79	RENEWAL			12-1-82

AUG. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Name BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF RIPON COLLEGE

Station location - Ripon, Wisconsin

(P.O. - Ripon College, Ripon, Wisc.)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPED-448 Rec'd Filed	9-8-60 9-9-60 9-9-60	Construction permit for a new noncomm Ed FM broadcast station to be operated on: Frequency - 89.7mc CH 209 90.1mc CH 211 TPO - 10 watts Type transmitter - I.T.A. FM 10A Type antenna - I.T.A. one bay ring Trans. location - Smith Hall, Ripon College Ripon, Wisconsin Studio location - Same as transmitter	GRANTED	11-8-60
AMENDMENT R & F	10-17-60 10-19-60	AMENDED to change frequency to 90.1mc CH 211		
BLED-313 R & F	1-30-61 2-2-61	License to cover construction permit (BPED-448) which authorized construction of a new Non-Commercial Educational Broadcast Station	GRANTED	5-26-61
BLED-364 R & F	9-20-62 9-24-62	License to operate Non-Commercial Educational Broadcast Station on 90.1mc with TPO of 10w	GRANTED	9-28-62

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call
Letters WRPN-FMName BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF RIPON COLLEGE
RIPON, WISCONSIN

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRCD-25 Rec'd Filed	9-4-62 9-6-62 9-6-62	Modification of license to change studio location to Harwood Memorial Union, Ripon College, Ripon, Wisconsin and operate transmitter by remote control from studio location.	GRANTED	10-12-62
BRED-203 R & F	10/27/64 10/29/64	Renewal of license	GRANTED	12-14-64
BRED-203 R & F SEP 12 1967	8-29-67 9-1-67	Renewal of license	GRANTED	11-24-67
BRED-203 R & F P.N. SEP 30 1970	8-31-70 9-2-70 9-2-70	Renewal of License	GRANTED	11-25-70

Form BC-121
September 1969

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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RIPON, WISCONSIN

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRED=203 R & F PN Recd. PRESS	8-27-73 8-29-73 " 14 SEP 1973	RENEWAL OF LICENSE	GRANTED	3-18-74
BRED=203 R & F PN Recd. PRESS	7-28-76 8-2-76 " SEP 9 1976	RENEWAL OF LICENSE	GRANTED	11-17-76
BRED 790802 PRESS	UQ SEP 27 1979	RENEWAL OF LICENSE	GRANTED	12-31-79

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 12th 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.

