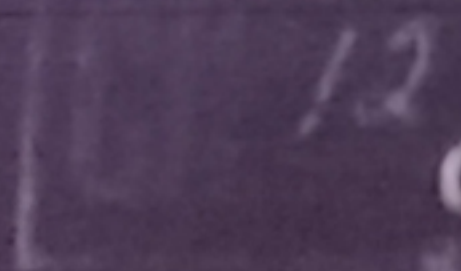


WEB-TV



# BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 9-23-64 (OFFICIAL # 72)



Call letters WMOB-TV

STATION LOCATION: ORONO, MAINE

NDEA

Name of licensee UNIVERSITY OF MAINE

Transmitter location Blackcap Mountain, 2 miles south of East Eddington, near East Eddington, Maine

Main studio location Alumni Hall, University Campus, Orono, Maine



# CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	ERP Power	Time Div.	Period From-To
BPET-120	2-8-63	CH.#12	V-299 kw	U	4-8-63
AH: 990'		204-210	A-150 kw	MSL:1349'	10-8-63
Construction Permit for a New Non-Commercial ED TV Station					
WIRE	10-4-63	PENDING FILING LIC. APPL. AUTH. GR. OPERATE			
WMEB-TV TEMP. PER. END. 10-21-63 ACCORD. OF BPET-120. ADVISE					
BMPET-273	10-1-63	Same	Same	Same	4-8-63
Mod. CP (BPET-120) to extend completion date. 11-7-63					
WIRE	10-24-63	RE TENDERED LIC. APPL. AUTH. GR. OPERATE			
WMEB-TV ON PROGRAM TEST ACCORD. SECTION 73.629 RULES & CP					
BPET-120.					
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WIRE	8-17-64	RE LIC. APPL. BMLET-14 AUTH. GR. OPERATE			
WMEB-TV ON MODIFIED PROGRAM TEST ACCORD. SECTION 73.629 &					
APPLICATION BMLET-14.					
BMLET-14	9-25-64	CH.#12	V-299kw	U	9-25-64
BLET-87	AH:990'	204-210	A-30kw	MSL:1349'	4-1-66
License to cover CP (BPET-120, as mod., issued with BMLET-14					
Mod. of License to reduce Aural EPP					
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RENEWAL OF LICENSE					
4-1-66					
4-1-69					
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DRET-72	3-26-69	(S) RENEWAL OF LICENSE & NDEA			
4-1-72					
BRET-72	3-30-72	RENEWAL OF LICENSE & NDEA (S)			
4-1-75					
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LTR.	4-5--72	GRANTED WAIVER OF SEC. 73.1201(c)			
OF RULES RE STATION IDENTIFICATION PENDING 75--72					
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EBSA	5-15-72				
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BRET-72	3-11-75	CH. 12	V. 299 kW	U	4-1-75
AH: 990'		MSL: 1349'	204-210	A. 30 kW	4-1-78
Renewal of license					
BRET 72	7-7-78	RENEWAL OF LICENSE			
4-1-81					



FORM BC-121  
Aug. 1955

# APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Name UNIVERSITY OF MAINE  
c/o Frank Borda, Esq., Alumni Hall, Orono, Maine

STATION LOCATION: ORONO, MAINE

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPST-120 Recd. & Filed	7-17-62 7-19-62	Construction permit for a New Non-Commercial Educational TV B/C Station: Channel #12, 204-210 mcs. ERP: Via. 299 kw (Hors.), Avg. 149.5kw (Hors) Hours of Operation: Unlimited Station Location: ORONO, MAINE S-L: Alumni Hall on University Campus Orono, Maine T-L: 6.8 miles Southeast of Bangor on Hog Hill, Maine (RCA TT-25DM) AM: 753.5 feet Dow, Lobner & Albertson-attys. Jansky & Bailey, Engrs.	GRANTED BUREAU STAFF ACTION	2-8-63
Amended R & F	12-28-62 1-8-63	Amended to change transmitter location from 6.8 miles S E of Bangor, Maine on Hog Hill TO 10.0 miles Southeast of Orono, Maine on Blackcap Mountain, East Eddington, Maine; make changes in antenna system (RCA TW-15A12); and change antenna height above average terrain to 993 feet.		



## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

NON-COMM. ED TV

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Letters WVFB-TVName UNIVERSITY OF MAINE  
ORONO, MAINE

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMP&T-273 Recd. & Filed	8-30-63 9-4-63	Mod. of CP (BP&T-120, which authorized a new Non-Commercial Educational TV B/C Station) to extend completion date from 10-8-63 to 11-7-63 Harry G. Sells, Atty.	GRANTED	10-1-63
BLET-87 Recd. & Filed	10-17-63 10-21-63	License to cover CP (BP&T-120, as mod.) which authorized a new Non-Commercial ED TV B/C Station. Charles J. McKerns, Atty.	GRANTED Issued with BMLET-14	9-25-64
BMLET-14 Recd. FILED	7-10-64 7-14-64 8-3-64	Mod. of License to reduce Aural ERP from 150 KW to 30 KW. (Contingent on the Grant of BLET-87) Dow, Lohnes & Albertson-atty	GRANTED Issued with BLET-87	9-25-64



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## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Letters WICH-TV

Name UNIVERSITY OF MAINE

CH. 12 Orono, Maine

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRET-72 Recd. & Filed	12-13-65 12-23-65	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Dow, Lohnes and Albertson, Atty.	GRANTED	3-24-66
BRET-72 R & F PRESS PN RECD.	12-11-68 12-19-68 DEC 27 1968	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Daniel W. Toohey, Atty. (Dow, Lohnes, Albertson)	GRANTED	3-26-69
BRET-72 R & F PN REC PRESS	12-20-71 12-29-71 12-29-71 JAN 10 1972	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Daniel W. Toohey, (Dow, Lohnes, Albertson)	GRANTED	3-30-72



APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

NON-COMMERCIAL TELEVISION

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WMEB-TV

Name UNIVERSITY OF MAINE

CH-12 Orono, Maine

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRET-72 R & F PN Rec'd: PRESS:	11-15-74 11-29-74 11-29-74 JAN 7 1975	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Atty: Daniel W. Toohy Ltr. 3-10-75 re Public Notice	GRANTED	3-31-75
BRET-72 R&F PN RECD PRESS PN RECD	11-15-77 11-30-77 11-30-77 DEC 1 1977 4-17-78	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Atty.: Frederick D. Cooke, Jr. (Dow, Lohnes Amended 2-28-78 re problems & needs	GRANTED	7-7-78
BRET- 801201KV R & F PN REC'D	11-17-80 12-1-80 12-1-80	RENEWAL OF LICENSE ATTY: FREDERICK D. COOKE, JR. {DOW, LOHNES AND ALBERTSON}	GRANTED	5-19-81



## 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 radio 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.

TV History Cards were initiated in the early 1940s, with the authorization of the earliest TV stations. 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 television station history.

