

WTOK-TV



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(Patent No. 2,898,199)

FIRST C. O. 9-18-53 (Started 9-26-53)

Date first licensed 9-26-53 (Original No. 341)Call letters WTKK-TV

(Sta. Loc. Meridian, Mississippi)

Name of licensee SOUTHERN TELEVISION CORPORATIONTransmitter location U. S. Highway 45, approximately 1.8 miles south of city,
Meridian, MississippiMain studio location Southern Building, Meridian, Mississippi (MPCT-3043(5-2-55))
WMBI Building located on the east 1/2 of NW 1/4 of Section 18 Township
6N, range 16 East, South of Meridian, Mississippi

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To-
BPCT-1183	6-3-53	Ch. 11 198-204 Mcs.	V-31KW A-15.5KW	U	8-3-53 2-3-54
Construction permit for a new commercial television broadcast station.					
WIRE	9-13-53	STA operate comm. basis accord. CP BPCT-1183 except using Dumont 8000Trans, power output 5 kw vis, 2.5 kw aur & RCA TF-6A -1,6-sec. ant, overall ht. above ground 319', same ant. obstruc. marking as prev. supplied. Period ending February 3, 1954. (Started 9-26-53)			
BPCT-1743	1-28-54	Same	same	same	8-3-53
Mod. CP (BPCT-1183) to extend completion date 8-2-54					
2-2-54	EXT STA Opr. Comm basis accordance CP BMPCT-1743 except using Dumont 8000 transmitter, power output 5 kw Vis, 2.5 kw Aur & RCA 6AL 6 section Ant. overall height above ground 319 feet, same Ant. obstruction marking as previously supplied. Gr. waiver same period section 3.687 rules respect to frequency & modulation monitoring equipment & section 3.613 rules to permit operation with studio located at transmitter outside city limits. Period Ending 3-2-54				
BPCT-1183	4-23-54	Same	Same	Same	8-3-53
BPCT-1743					8-3-54
Mod. to change Vis. & Aur. Carrier Frequencies.					
BPCT-2266	7-13-54	same	same	same	8-3-53
Mod CP (BPCT-1183, as mod) to extend completion date 2-3-55					
WIRE	7-23-54	Mod. & EXT STA, Opr. Comm basis accord CP BMPCT-2266 except using DU 8000 transmitter, power output 5 kw Vis, 2.5 kw aur & RCA 6A1 6 section Ant. overall height above ground 319 feet, Ant. obstruction markings as previous supplied & with SL at transmitter outside city limits. Auth. opr. with carrier frequencies zero offset on CH 11. Period ending 11-3-55.			
BPCT-2754	1-19-55	same	same	same	8-3-53
Mod. CP (BPCT-1183, as mod) to extend completion dt 8-3-55					
WIRE	1-21-55	EXT STA Opr. Comm. basis accord CP BMPCT-2754 except using Dumont 8000 transmitter, power output 5 kw Vis, 2.5 kw Aur. & RCA TF-6A1 6 section Antenna with SL at transmitter site outside city limits. P.E. 8-3-55.			

Form BC-126
June 1954

CARD # 2
COM. TV

COM. TV

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed _____

Call letters WTOK-TV

Name of licensee SOUTHERN TELEVISION CORPORATION

Transmitter location SEE CARD # 1

Main studio location SEE CARD # 1

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From.. To..
WIRE BMPCT-2754	4-28-55	Mod. STA	Opr. Comm. basis	accord. CP	
except using DU 8000 transmitter, power output 5 kw Visual, 2.5 kw Aur. & Temp. RCA single section super turnstile Ant. mounted atop 40 foot pole at permanent tower site & with SL at transmitter site outside city limits.					
Auth. expires 8-3-55					
BMPCT-3043	5-2-55	same	V-316Kw	same	8-3-53
AH 560 ft.			A-162 kw		11-1-55
Mod. CP (BMPCT-1183, as mod) to chg. ERP, install new transm. & ant. Sys. & mk. other equipment chg. Specify new description of S-L (not a move)					
WIRE specfd. CP BMPCT-2754	7-29-55	EXT. STA	Opr. Comm. basis facilities		
output 5 kw Vis, 2.5 kw Aur. & Temp. RCA single section super turnstile Ant. mounted atop 40 ft pole at permanent tower site & with SL at transmitter site. Auth. expires 11-1-55.					
BMPCT-3462	10-13-55	same	same	same	8-3-53
Mod. CP (BMPCT-1183, as mod) to extend completion dt. 5-1-56					
WIRE specfd. CP BMPCT-2754	10-14-55	EXT STA	Opr. Comm. basis with facilities		
power output 5 kw Vis, 2.5 kw Aural & temp. RCA single sec. superturnstile ant. mounted atop 40 ft pole at permanent tower site & with SL at transmitter site. Auth. expires 5-1-56					
BMPCT-3846	4-12-56	same	V-316 kw	U	8-3-53
AH 560 ft. (Issued with BMPCT-3846)			A-170 kw		11-1-56
Mod. CP (BMPCT-1183, as mod) to chg. ERP, install new transm.					
BMPCT-3860	4-12-56	same	same	same	8-3-53
Mod. CP (BMPCT-1183, as mod) to extend completion date 11-1-56					
WIRE to opr. TOK-TV	4-13-56	Pending filing of	Lic. Appl., auth. granted		
Temp. Per. End. 11-1-56, Comm. basis accord.					
CP BMPCT-3846.					
BMPCT-4296	10-4-56	same	same	same	8-3-53
Mod. of C.P. (BMPCT-1183, as mod.) to ext. comp. date 4-1-57					
WIRE auth. granted to operate temp.	10-5-56	Pending filing of lic. applic.	ext.		
Comm. Basis accord. CP (BMPCT-4296) for period ending 4-1-57					
BMPCT-4572	3-19-57	same	same	same	8-3-53
Mod. CP (BMPCT-1183 as mod.) to extend compl. date 7-1-57					

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CARD #3

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

COMM. TV

Date first licensed _____

Call letters WTKR-TVName of licensee SOUTHERN TELEVISION CORPORATIONTransmitter location SEE CARD # 1Main studio location SEE CARD # 1

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To-	
<u>Wire</u>	<u>6-17-57</u>	<u>PROGRAM TESTS AUTHORIZED</u>				
BLCT-664	6-25-57	CH# 11	V-316 kw	U	6-25-57	
AH 560'		198-204	A-158 kw		6-1-58	
<u>License to cover CP(BPCT-1183 as mod.)</u>						
BRCT-341	5-21-58	same	same	same	6-1-58 6-1-61	
<u>RENEWAL OF LICENSE</u>						
BTC-3665	1-30-61	VOLUNTARY TRANSFER OF CONTROL IN LICEN-				
<u>SEE CORPORATION THRU CHANGE IN CLASS OF STOCK. EFF: 1-31-61</u>						
BRCT-341	5-17-61	same	same	same	6-1-61	
<u>RENEWAL OF LICENSE</u>						
BRCT-341	7-27-64	same	same	same	7-27-64	
<u>RENEWAL OF LICENSE</u>						
BMLCT-201	11-17-64	CH.#11	V-316kw	U	11-17-64	
AH:560'		198-204	A-47.9kw		6-1-67	
<u>Mod. of License to reduce Aural Exp</u>						
BRCT-341	5-22-67	same	same	same	6-1-67	
<u>RENEWAL OF LICENSE</u>						
WIRE	4-20-70	PENDING REPAIRS AUTH. GR. OPER TEMP. PER				
<u>END. 5-20-70 WITHOUT VESTIGAL SIDEBAND FILTER SUBJECT TO</u>						
<u>CAUSING NO INTERFERENCE ANY OTHER AUTHORIZED SERVICE.</u>						
BRCT-341	5-2-7-70	<u>RENEWAL OF LICENSE (S)</u>			6-1-73	
<u>EBSA</u>	<u>5-15-72</u>					
BRCT-341	5-31-73	<u>RENEWAL OF LICENSE (S)</u>			6-1-76	
BPCT-4889	4-15-76	Ch. 11	V. 316 kW	U	6-15-76	
AH: 540' MSL: 983.9'		198-204	A. 46.8 kW		10-15-77	
<u>CP to chg trans.</u>						
BRCT-341	7-16-76				6-1-77	
<u>Renewal of license (S)</u>						
WIRE	7-8-76	reletatty 5-14 & re tend. lic. appl.				
<u>auth. grted oper. main trans & ant. on prog. test accord.</u>						
<u>sec. 73.629 rules & const. permit BPCT-4889.</u>						
BRCT-341	7-16-76	<u>Superseded to correct exp. date - 6-1-79</u>				
BLCT-2503	10-29-76	Lic(BPCT-4889) for chgs.				
AH: 540' MSL: 983.9'		Ch# 11	V. 316 kW	U	6-1-79	
		198-204	46.8 A kW			

BC-126
June 1973

COMM. TV

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 6-25-57

Call letters WTOK-TV

Station location Meridian, Mississippi

Name of licensee SOUTHERN TELEVISION CORPORATION

Transmitter location SEE CARD #1

Main studio location _____

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From-- To.
BRCT 790201	KJ 5-18-79		RENEWAL OF	LICENSE	6-1-82
BRCCT-800513	KB 7-31-80		Remote control	authority	

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

FORMERLY FCC FORM 94

Call W T O K - TV
Letters WTOKName SOUTHERN TELEVISION CORPORATION

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(P. O. Citizens National Bank Bldg., P. O. Box 1771, Meridian, Miss.)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPCT-1183 Rec'd. Filed	6-27-52 6-30-52 6-30-52	Construction permit for a new Comm. TV B/C Station FREQ: Ch. #11, 198-204 Mc. ERP: Vis. 29.5 kw., Aur. 15.9 kw. Hours of operation: Unlimited S-L: 1.8 mi. south of Meridian on U. S. Hwy. #45, Mississippi T-L: 1.8 mi. south of Meridian on U. S. Hwy. #45, Mississippi (Vis. & Aur. 622-65) (622') Filed by James A. McKenna, Jr., Atty.	GRANTED	6-3-53
AMENDED Rec'd Filed	9-26-52 10-3-52 10-3-52	To change ERP from Vis. 29.5 kw, Aur 15.9 kw to Vis. 31.2 kw, Aur. 16.8 kw; antenna height above terrain from 622' to 584'; and changes in antenna system.		
AMENDED Rec'd Filed	5-22-53 5-25-53 5-25-53	Amended to change type trans. (OE TT-6D) and studio location from On U.S. Hwy #45, 1.8 mi. South of Meridian, Miss. to WOX Building, Meridian, Miss.		

Engr. George E. Gaultney

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

COMM. TV B/C

FORMERLY FCC FORM 94

Call
Letters WFOK-TVName SOUTHERN TELEVISION CORPORATIONMeridian, Miss.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
MPCT-1743 Recd. Filed	1-13-54 1-15-54 1-15-54	Mod. of CP(MPCT-1183, which authorized a new Comm. TV B/C Station) to extend completion date from 2-3-54 to 8-3-54. Filed by James A. McKenna, Jr., Atty.	GRANTED	1-28-54
MPCT-2286 Recd. & Filed	6-29-54 7-1-54	Mod. of CP(MPCT-1183, as mod., which authorized a new Comm. TV B/C Sta.) to extend completion date from 8-3-54 to 2-3-55. Filed by L. E. D. Emerson, Atty.	GRANTED	7-23-54
MPCT-2754 Recd. & Filed	1-4-55 1-6-55	Mod. of CP(MPCT-1143, as mod., which authorized a new Comm. TV B/C Station) to extend completion date from 2-3-55 to 8-3-55. Filed by Jas. A. McKenna, Jr., Atty.	GRANTED	1-19-55
MPCT-3043 Recd & filed	4-12-55 4-14-55	Mod. of CP(MPCT-1183 as mod. which auth. a new Comm. TV b/c sta.) to chg. ERP from V. 31 kw A. 15.5 kw to V. 316 kw, Amr. 162.5 kw, install new transmitters and ant. system and make other equipment change. Specify studio loc. as Southern Bldg. in lieu of WFOK Bldg. (chg. in name of bldg. only) (V. & A. Dalton, 12000) Filed by P. B. Emerson, Atty.	GRANTED	5-2-55

* (Remainder of description to remain)

FORMERLY FCC FORM 94

Call
Letters STOK-TVName SOUTHERN TELEVISION CORPORATIONMeridian, Miss.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMPCT-3462 Recd. & filed Ext. 5	10-5-55 10-7-55	Mod. of CP (BPCT-1183, as mod., which authorized a new Comm. TV B/C Station) to extend completion date from 11-1-55 to 5-1-56. Filed by <u>L P B Emerson, Atty.</u>	GRANTED	10-12-55
BMPCT-3846 RECD & FILED	3-23-56 3-26-56	Mod. of CP (BPCT-1183 as mod. which auth. a new Comm. TV B/C Station) to change AUR. ERP from 162 KW to 169.5 KW and to install new transmitters. (Vis. & Aur. RCA TT-25BH.) Filed by <u>Leonidas P. B. Emerson, Atty.</u>	GRANTED	4-12-56
BMPCT-3880 Recd & Filed Ext. #6	3-31-56 4-4-56	Mod. of CP (BPCT-1183, as mod., which authorized a new Comm. TV B/C Station) to extend completion date from 5-1-56 to 11-1-56. Filed by <u>Edward R. McKenna, Atty.</u>	GRANTED	4-12-56
BMPCT-4296 Recd. & filed. Ext. # 7	9-27-56 10-1-56	Mod. of CP (BPCT-1183, as mod., which authorized a new Comm. TV B/C Station) to extend completion date from 11-1-56 to 4-1-57. Filed by <u>E R McKenna, Atty.</u>	GRANTED	10-4-56

CARD #4
FORM BC-121
Aug. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

COMM. TV B/C

Call
Letters WTOK-TV

Name SOUTHERN TELEVISION CORPORATION

Meridian, Miss.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMPCT-4572 Recd. & filed Ext. #8	2-28-57 3-4-57	Mod. of CP (BPCT-1183, as mod., which authorized a new Comm. TV B/C Sta) to extend completion date from 4-1-57 to 7-1-57. Filed by Joseph M. Kittner, Atty.	GRANTED	3-18-57
BRCT-644 Recd & filed	5-30-57 6-4-57	License to cover CP (BPCT-1183 as mod.,) which authorized a new commercial TV b/c station Filed by Edward R. McKenna, Atty	GRANTED	6-25-57
BRCT-341 Recd. & filed	2-22-58 3-3-58	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Filed by E. R. McKenna, Atty.	GRANTED	5-21-58
BTC-3685 R & F	1-14-61 1-17-61	Voluntary transfer of control in licensee corporation thru change in class of stock Filed by William N. Early, Atty	Granted Eff; 1-31-61	1-30-61
BRCT-341 Recd. & Filed	2-8-61 2-27-61	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Wm. N. Early, Atty.	GRANTED	5-17-61
BRCT-341 Recd. & Filed	2-14-64 3-2-64	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Joseph M. Kittner, Atty.	GRANTED	7-27-64

Form BC-121
Aug. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call
Letters WTOK-TVName SOUTHERN TELEVISION CORPORATIONCH. 11 MERIDIAN, MISS.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
ENLCT-201 Recd. & Filed	10-21-64 10-28-64	Mod. of License to reduce Aural ERP from 158 kw to 47.5 kw; add change type of aural transmitter to RCA TT-10-AH. Robert W. Coll, Atty.	GRANTED	11-17-64
ENLCT-341 R & F	1-26-67 2-27-67	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Robert W. Coll, Atty.	GRANTED	5-22-67
ENLCT-341 R & F \$150 #581354 PH Recd. PRESS	2-10-70 3-3-70 3-3-70 MAR 12 1970	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Atty.: James R. Cooke (McKenna & Wilkinson) AMENDED 4-15-70 re commercials.	GRANTED	5-27-70
ENGR. DATA FILED	6-29-70			
ENLCT-341 R & F PH REC'D PRESS:	2-14-73 3-13-73 3-13-73 MAR 28 1973	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Atty: Vernon L. Wilkinson (McKenna, Wilkinson, & Kittner)	GRANTED	5-31-73

Form BC-1
September 1969

CARD #6

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

COMMERCIAL TV

Call Letters WTOK-TV

Radio
Channel

SOUTHERN TELEVISION CORPORATION
MERIDIAN, MISSISSIPPI

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BPCT-4889 R & F #484221 \$100 AC: OGB PRESS:	9-29-75 10-6-75 10-6-75 21 OCT 1975	CP to chg. type trans. to RCA TT-25FH. Atty.: McKenna, <u>Wilkinson</u> & Kittner	GRANTED	4-15-76
BRCT-341 R & F PN Rec'd: PRESS:	1-26-76 2-2-76 2-2-76 29 Feb 1976	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Annual Reports Filed No Contours filed Atty: Vernon L. Wilkinson (McKenna, Wilkinson & Kittner) <i>Atty called 2-20-76 re contours, on file with BPCT-4889</i> Amended 5-18-76 re Equal Employment <i>Legal</i> Amended 4-29-76 re programming Amended 6-9-76 re programming	GRANTED	7-16-76

MEMORANDUM OPINION AND ORDER adopted 6-9-76, released 7-8-76 FCC 76-534 40858: Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED, That the "Petition to Deny and to Intervent, or, in the Alternative, Revocation of Broadcast Licenses for Racially Discriminatory Practices and Petition to Prevent Continuing Violations of the Communications Act and Other Commission Policies and Rules," filed May 3 and 5, 1976, by the Mississippi State Branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People and other groups, IS DISMISSED as a petition to deny. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, That the pleading SHALL BE CONSIDERED as an informal objection pursuant to Section 1.587 of the Commission's Rules with respect to those stations listed in paragraph 7, supra, and as a complaint with respect to Stations WBIP-FM and WONA-FM, as stated in note 1, supra. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, That the pleading IS DISMISSED with respect to those 20 stations listed in paragraph 8, supra, to the extent indicated there. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, That petitioners' request for leave to supplement their May 3 pleading IS DENIED; That their request for limited discovery rights IS DENIED; and That their request for costs and attorneys' fees IS DENIED. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, That the "Motion to Waive Service Requirement," filed May 5, 1976, by the same petitioners, IS DISMISSED as moot.

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

COMMERCIAL TV

Call
Letters WTOK-TVName SOUTHERN TELEVISION CORPORATION
CH-11 MERIDIAN, MISSISSIPPI

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BRCT-341 PETITIONS: PETITION TO DENY AND TO INTERVENT, OR, IN THE ALTERNATIVE, REVOCATION OF BROADCAST LICENSES FOR RACIALLY DISCRIMINATORY EMPLOYMENT PRACTICES AND PETITION TO PREVENT & CONTINUING VIOLATIONS OF THE COMMUNICATIONS ACT AND OTHER COMMISSION POLICIES AND RULES filed May 5, 1976 by Alvin O. Chambliss on behalf of the Mississippi State Branch of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People, and other groups. MOTION TO WAIVE SERVICE REQUIREMENT filed May 5, 1976 by Alvin O. Chambliss on behalf of Petitioners.				
BLCT-2503 R&F #567362\$100 AC: 001 PRESS	5-11-76 5-14-76 5-14-76 REC'D 1976	Lic. to cover (BPCT-4889) for changes. Atty.: (Gautnery & Jones) Mitch Montgomery Amended 7-9-76 re proof of performance	GRANTED	10-29-76
BRCT 790201KJ R & F RM REC'D PRESS	1-25-79 2-1-79 2-1-79 79 04 11	RENEWAL OF LICENSE ATTY: R. MICHAEL SENKOWSKI	GRANTED	5-18-79 5-18-79

APPLICATION RECORD-BROADCASTING

Call Letters: **NEW**Name: **CHANNEL 64, Inc.**

CH-64

Station Location: **KALAMAZOO, MICHIGAN (451 Cambridge Rapids, Michigan 49506)**

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
BPCT-810320KG	3-20-81	CP for new comm. TV Station on:	
R&F	3-20-81	Freq: 770-776MHz, CH-64	
PN	4-22-81	ERP: Vis. 1000kw (M), Aur: 100kw(M) HAAT: 1063Ft. TL:0.3 mi. N. fo Mullen Rd.,0.5 mi. E of McKibben, Rd. east of Orangeville, Michigan (42-34-41-85-26-13) SL:To be determined, Kalamazoo, Michigan Trans. RCA TTU-55C Ant. RCA TFU-30J(BT) MAJOR ENVIROMENTAL ACTION MUTUALLY EXCLUSIVE WITH BPCT-801211KF atty: Harry C. Martin engrn.E. Harold Munn, Jr.	

APPLICATION RECORD-BROADCASTING

COMM. TV

Call Letters: WTOK-TV

Name: SOUTHERN TELEVISION CORPORATION

Station Location: MERIDIAN, MISSISSIPPI

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
BRCCT-800513KE PRESS		Request for auth. to operate by RC from Southern Building, 9th. St. and 23rd Ave., Meridian, Mississippi. (Main & Alt. Main)	Granted 7-31-80
BALCT-810513KG R&F FORM 314 PN REC'D	5-13-81 6-15-81	Voluntary assignment of license to CHANNEL ELEVEN TELEVISION COMPANY John A. Rafter, atty <i>put on entry 5/29/81 5:30 PM</i>	JULY 28, 1981

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 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 television station history.

