

K B G G

Form BC 126

June 1954

4288

# BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

SEE CARD #2 FOR NAME

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K W F A (4-11-62)<sup>37</sup>

Date first licensed 9-27-63

Call letters XK T C T

x HAROLD D. NICHOLS (BAL-6358 8-1-68 EFF: 9-11-68)

Station location Merkel, Texas

x JOHN CURTIS, RECEIVER (AL 10-20-67)

x J. BARTELL LARUE, RECEIVER (AL-11-13-64)

x TAYLOR COUNTY BROADCASTING COMPANY (BAP 11-9-62 EFF: 1-21-63)

Name of licensee DAVID W. RATLIFF tr/as TAYLOR COUNTY BROADCASTING COMPANY

N. 2nd St. & Baker St., Merkel, Texas (red. BL-9-27-63)

Transmitter location Second Street and Dunning Street, Merkel, Texas (BP 2-26-62)

79534

Main studio location Same as transmitter

# CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To-
BP-14287	2-26-62	1500kc	250w	Day	4-26 10-26-62
	CP for a new standard broadcast station (Cond'1).				
BP-14287 (1)	3-8-62	Mod. of	CP(BP-14287) to assign Call Letters.		
BMP-10,518 (2)	9-27-62	Mod. of	CP(BP-14287, for ext. of completion date to 2-28-63		
BAP-609 EFF:	11-9-62 1-21-63	Voluntary assignment of construction permit to Taylor County Broadcasting Company.			
BMP-10752 (3)	1-30-63	Mod. of CP(BP-14,287 as mod.) for extension of completion date to 6-1-63.			
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BTC-4192 EFF	3-13-63 3-21-63	Voluntary transfer of control of permittee corporation from David W. Ratliff to Keith Hode . . . . .			
Ltr. dated 4-22-63 & rec'd 4-24-63 giving notification per Sect. 3.48(a)(4) Rules that a ITA AM-1000A trans. to be installed (BP-14,287).					
BL-10,120	9-27-63	1500kc	250w	Day	9-27 8-1-65
	Lic. to cover CP (BP-14,287 as mod) which auth. a new standard b/c station. Cond'1				
BAL-4966	11-13-64	Involuntary assignment of license to J. Bartell LaRue, Receiver.			
BAL-6177	10-20-67	Involuntary assignment of license.			
BR-4288(I)	8-1-68	Renewal	8-1-71		
BAL-6358	8-1-68	VOL.AL	EFF.	9-11-68	
BR-4288(L)	8-31-71	RENEWAL	8-1-74		
EBSA	6-12-72				
WIRE	12-6-73	PSA	250w (protected station KSTP)		
BR-4288					
BZ-8611(L)	12-24-74	Renewal and Modification			8-1-77
BAL-8921	4/14/77	Vol AL	EFF: 5-3-77		

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## BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed .....

Call letters K W F A

Station location .....

Name of licensee TED C. CONNELL AND GAYLON WAYNE CHRISTIE dba BIG COUNTRY BROADCASTING  
COMPANY (AL gr 4/14/77 EFF:5-3-77)

Transmitter location .....

Main studio location .....

# CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From.. To.
EBSA	6-1-77				
BR-4288(L)	7-14-77		RENEWAL		8-1-80
BZ-9613(1)	2-28-78	Direct	Measurement		
BR800401X2(L)	7-18-80	Renewal	of License		8-1-83

## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

AUG. 1955

DAVID W. RATLIFF tr/as  
 Name TAYLOR COUNTY BROADCASTING COMPANY Station location: Merkel, Texas  
 (P.O.-Box 1123, Stanford, Texas)

Call (4-11-62) K W F A

Letters new KTCT

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BP-14,287 Rec'd Filed	8-3-60 8-9-60 8-9-60	Construction permit for a new standard broadcast station to be operated on: Frequency - 1500kc Power - 250w Hours of operation - Daytime Trans. location - 2nd. & Durning Sts., Merkel, Texas Studio location - Same as transmitter  Engr. - Guy C. Hutcherson, Arlington, Texas	GRANTED	2-26-62
			Cond'l re: Pending a final decision in Docket No. 14419 with respect to presunrise operation with daytime facilities, the present provisions of Section 3.87 of the Commission Rules are not extended to this auth. and such operation is prohibited.	
BMP-10,518 R. & F.	9-7-62 9-10-62	Mod. of CP(BP-14,287 which auth. new standard broadcast station) for extension of completion date from 10-26-62 to 2-26-62. Atty: Ross K. Prescott	GRANTED	9-27-62 to 2-28-63

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## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Aug. 1955

Call  
Letters K W F A

TAYLOR COUNTY BROADCASTING COMPANY

Name X DAVID W. RATLIFF tr/as TAYLOR COUNTY BROADCASTING COMPANY  
MERKEL, TEXAS

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BAP-609 Rec'd Filed	9-19-62 9-21-62 9-21-62	Voluntary assignment of construction permit to Taylor County Broadcasting Company.  Ross K. Prescott, Atty.	GRANTED EFF:	11-9-62 1-21-63
HP-10,752 R. & F.	1-7-63 1-9-63	Mod. of CP (EP-14,287 as mod., which auth. a new standard broadcast station) for ext. of completion date from 2-2-63 to 6-1-63. Atty: Prescott	GRANTED to	1-30-63 6-1-63
BTC-4192 Rec'd Filed	1-7-63 1-14-63 1-14-63	Voluntary transfer of control of permittee corporation from David W. Ratliff to Keith Hodo  Atty. - Prescott & Prescott, Dallas, Texas	GRANTED: EFF:	3-13-63 3-21-63



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# APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call  
Letters K W F A

J. BARTELL LARUE, RECEIVER

Name x TAYLOR COUNTY BROADCASTING COMPANY  
Merkel, Texas

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
Received	5-20-63 5-21-63	Mod. of CP (BP-14,287 as mod., which auth. a new standard broadcast station) for extension of completion date from 6-1-63 to _____	RETURNED UNNECESSARY	6-3-63
BL-10,120 R. & F. PROG. TEST 5-29-63	5-20-63 5-21-63	Lic to cover CP(BP-14,287 as mod) which auth a new standard broadcast station. Atty- Prescott & Prescott Dallas, Texas	GRANTED	9-27-63 Cond'1
<del>BL-10,120</del> R. & F.	<del>11-18-63</del> <del>11-20-63</del>	<del>Involuntary assignment of license to Robert G. Chappell, Receiver</del>	<del>GRANTED</del>	<del>11-13-64</del>
AMENDMENT R. & F	7-16-64 7-20-64	Atty. - N.E. Jorgensen AMENDED to change assignee to J. BARTELL LARUE, RECEIVER		

## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

1500kc

Aug. 1955

HAROLD D. NICHOLS, (8-1-68)

Call  
Letters K W F A

X JOHN CURTIS, RECEIVER

Name X J. BARTELL LaRUE, RECEIVERMerkel, Texas

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-4288 R & F	4-30-65 7-16-65	Renewal of license	GRANTED Condl. re consummate AL in 45 days.	8-1-68
<del>EAL-6179</del> <del>R &amp; F</del> <del>(Form 316)</del>	<del>9-22-67</del> <del>9-27-67</del>	<del>Involuntary assignment of license to JOHN CURTIS, RECEIVER</del>	<del>GRANTED</del>	<del>10-20-67</del>
<del>EAL-6358</del> <del>R &amp; F</del> <del>F B FD:875 -#126762</del>	<del>4-29-68</del> <del>5-8-68</del>	<del>Voluntary assignment of license to HAROLD D. NICHOLS</del>  <del>Atty - Daryal A. Myse</del>	<del>GRANTED EFF:</del>	<del>8-1-68 9-11-68</del>
<del>Pub. Notice filed 7-2-68</del>				

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September 1969

## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

TED C. CONNELL AND GAYLON WAYNE CHRISTIE dba  
BIG COUNTRY BROADCASTING COMPANYCall  
Letters K W F AName XHAROLD D. NICHOLS  
Merkel, Texas

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-4288 R & F PRESS <b>JUN 18 1971</b>	4-16-71 4-22-71	Renewal of License AMENDED 6-28-71 re: equal employment policy AMENDED 8-6-71 re: programming <b>AMENDED 8-24-71 re: financial statement</b>	GRANTED	8-31-71
BR-4288 R & F PN Recd. PRESS <b>10 APR 1974</b>	4-1-74 4-4-74	RENEWAL OF LICENSE AMENDED 4-18-74 re: EEO AMENDED 5-17-74 re: engineering statement AMENDED 7-15-74 re: programming	GRANTED	12-24-74 issued with BZ-8611
BZ-8611 R & F DM PRESS <b>26 AUG 1974</b>	6-20-74 6-20-74 7-3-74	Direct Measurement	GRANTED	12-24-74 issued with Renewal
<del>BR-8921</del> R & F (Form 311) Pub notice Y82 7 77	1-10-77 2-9-77 filed 2-9-77	Voluntary assignment of license to TED C. CONNELL and GAYLON WAYNE CHRISTIE dba BIG COUNTRY BROADCASTING COMPANY  Atty - Cohn & Marks	GRANTED	7/14/77 EFF: 5-3-77

(BR-4288) Sect. VI mailed 6-16-71

## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

TED C. CONNELL AND GAYLON WAYNE CHRISTIE d/b as BIG  
COUNTRY BROADCASTING COMPANY

Call Letters K B G G  
K-H-F-A

Name X HAROLD D. NICHOLS  
MERKEL, TEXAS

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-4288 R & F P.N. PRESS	3-10-77 4-1-77 4-1-77 <b>MAY 6 1977</b>	RENEWAL OF LICENSE  Atty. Richard A. Helmick (Cohn & Marks) AMENDED 5-16-77 to change name of applicant to "Ted C. Connell and Gaylon Wayne Christie, d/b as Big Country Broadcasting" <b>JUN 9 1977</b>	GRANTED	7-14-77
BZ-9613 R & F DM PRESS	10-31-77 11-7-77 12-28-77 <b>FEB 23 1978</b>	Direct Measurement  Atty: Richard A. Helmick (Cohn and Marks)	GRANTED	2-28-78

re BP- appli.

AMENDED 7-27-78 PETITION TO DISMISS FILED BY RADIO ABILENE, INC. (KRBC) THRU ITS ATTY.  
WILLIAM M. BARNARD

9-27-78 RESPONSE TO PETITION TO DISMISS APPLI. FILED BY KBGG THRU ITS ATTY.  
RICHARD A. HELMICK

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May 1976

## APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

1500KHz.

Call  
Letters .....K.B.G.G.....Name TED C. CONNELL AND GAYLON WAYNE CHRISTIE D/B AS  
BIG COUNTRY BROADCASTING COMPANY  
MERKEL, TEXAS

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BP-21,271 PRESS	DEC 19 1978	CP to make changes in Antenna System; <del>increase</del> Power to 1,000-watts & incre. Height to: 317'.		
AMENDED	9-27-78	Increase in Antenna Height to accommodate a new FM antenna.		
BR800401X2 PRESS	MAY 05 1980	Renewal of License Atty.: Richard A. Helmick	GRANTED	7-18-80

# APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters ..... K B G G

Name .....

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BP-21,271 R&F AMEND. R&F	4-25-78 9-27-78	CP to make chg. in ant. syst., <del>incr. power to 1000 watts</del> & incr. height to 317'. Delete request for inc. power.	granted	1-31-79
<i>Duplicate — Post History Card when found.</i>				



## 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.

