

Television For Small Towns In NW Mountainous Areas Philadelphia Firm's Plan

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WASHINGTON — A new scheme for bringing television into the smaller cities of the mountainous Pacific Northwest was filed Monday with the Federal Communications Commission.

Its backers, a Philadelphia electronics firm, said that equipment it has developed will permit residents of outlying areas to receive network TV for an initial outlay of about \$75 plus about \$1.50 per month upkeep.

Jerrold Electronics Corp. filed an application with the FCC to experiment with its idea in Ellensburg, Wash. A company official explained that it is designed to work in any community outside the normal range of regular television broadcast stations.

The company would install on a suitable mountain ridge near the town a large antenna tower which would pick up television programs transmitted by the nearest TV stations in the area. These signals in the VHF range would be converted to different frequencies in the higher UHF range, then transmitted from the mountain top tower down to the town in "pea shooter" fashion to a centrally located receiver.

Each home that wished to obtain the services of the system would be hooked to the town's receiver by cables. And each TV set would have to have a UHF converter installed on it to receive the TV broadcasts.

The entire system, under the

plan advanced this week, would be run by local co-operatives organized by the townspeople on a non-profit basis. The co-op would be financed at the outset by a "large Northwest banking chain," which has expressed confidence in the financial feasibility of the scheme, according to Milton J. Shapp, president of the electronics company.

Cheaper System Claimed

In testimony before the Senate Interstate Commerce Committee, headed by Sen. Warren G. Magnuson (D-Wash.) last week, company officials said they were confident it would be cheaper than other systems already installed in some cities in which towers outside of town are linked with the town by coaxial cable.

Shapp said the "pea-shooter" transmitter on the mountain and the receiver located in the town can be installed for \$4500. This plan is different from the one banned last month by the FCC which was operating at Bridgeport, Wash., without federal sanction. The FCC ruled that any scheme to pick up regular TV broadcasts and re-transmit them into isolated areas would have to be licensed by the FCC just like any radio or television broadcasting station.

Backers of this proposal claim it would be applicable in any of the 600 towns in the country that do not have their own television stations, but they are concentrating immediately on the Pacific Northwest because of the special problem created by mountainous terrain. They say it would work equally well in the flat lands of the mid-west, for example, in towns far from the large city TV stations. In these areas, they would set up a series of "pea shooter" transmitters that would pick up and relay the broadcasts after converting them to a different frequency approved by the FCC.

Ban On Segregation Applies Also To Tax-Supported Colleges

WASHINGTON — The Supreme Court this week upheld a decision that the ban on racial segregation in public schools applies also to tax-supported colleges and universities.

The decision was given by a special three-judge U.S. District Court in Greensboro, N.C. It ordered the admission of three Negroes to the University of North Carolina.

University officials appealed to the highest tribunal to reverse the District Court and to reverse its own decision of May 17, 1954 striking down segregation of white and Negro pupils in public schools. The Supreme Court's action Monday in affirming the lower court was taken without the customary hearing of arguments. The high court simply issued an order which read:

"The motion to affirm is granted and the judgment is affirmed."

Gangsters Lose Out

Among its other actions the high court:

Upheld 7-0 the conviction of Frank Costello, New York gambler, on income tax evasion charges. The Italian-born Costello was sentenced to five years in prison and a \$20,000 fine.

Denied Roger (The Terrible) Touhy, one-time mobster of Chicago, a hearing in his efforts to win freedom from prison sentences totaling 298 years. Touhy, called one of the nation's top gang leaders during the prohibition era, was sentenced in 1934 to 99 years in prison for the kidnapping in 1933 of John (Jake the Barber) Factor. Touhy got an additional 199 years for his part in a 1942 escape from prison with five other convicts.

A Chicago federal judge in 1954 ordered Touhy freed on a finding that the kidnapping was a hoax but the U.S. Circuit Court in Chicago quickly ordered Touhy returned to his cell and later overturned the district judge.

Remark At Trial Counts

Ordered 7-0 a new trial for Elmer F. Remmer, Nevada-California gambler, on income tax evasion charges because of a remark made to the foreman of the trial jury by a friend of Remmer's. Remmer was convicted in federal court at Carson City, Nev., after a three-month trial in 1952. The conviction was for attempting to evade payment of \$38,469 in 1944-45 taxes. Remmer was sentenced to five years' imprisonment and \$20,000 fine.

Granted a hearing to Clinton E. Jencks, who claimed he should

have a new trial because of testimony given against him by turnabout witness Harvey Matusow. Jencks, an official of the International Union of Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers, was convicted in 1954 of lying in a non-Communist affidavit filed under the Taft-Hartley Labor Law. Matusow later said he lied at the Jencks trial in Federal District Court in El Paso, Tex.

Upheld 8-0 the power of federal officials to commit a prisoner declared to be mentally incompetent after being arrested on postoffice holdup charges.

East Germany Plans Check On Refugees

BONN, Germany (U) — East German authorities have slapped new controls on train travel to check the flight of refugees to the West. Federal Refugee Minister Theodore Oberlaender told a news conference this week that this was one reason for a 16 per cent drop in February in the number of refugees. Oberlaender said 22,326 refugees from Communism fled to West Germany and West Berlin in February compared to 26,811 in January. Half of all these were under 25 years of age.

Adventures of Snooky



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Mrs. Vincent Hallinan, wife of the 1952 Progressive party candidate for president, told here about how she did in announcing sale of her 20-story Clay-Jones Apartments on Nob Hill for \$1,200,000.

"It all began 21 years ago, when I put up \$2,500 for an apartment house at 970 Geary St.," she said.

"The income eventually paid off the \$72,000 mortgage. In 1943, I traded it for majority stock in the Clay-Jones Corp., whose income eventually bought out the rest of the stock. That's one million dollars for \$2,500 and, as it has been said, having a million is just as good as being rich."

Mrs. Hallinan said part of the proceeds will go to settle Hallinan's bill from the Internal Revenue Bureau—a figure Hallinan specified as being "agreed upon."

Hallinan, an attorney, served a 14-month federal prison term on conviction of income tax evasion.



MODEST MAIDENS



"I burned up our dinner so I thought you might like to see the menu at Joe's diner!"

Animal Fair

- | ACROSS | DOWN |
|-------------------------------|----------------------|
| 1 Feline animal | 1 Head apparel (pl.) |
| 2 Monkeys | 2 Region |
| 3 Small bird | 3 Last will and |
| 12 Exit | 4 Vigilant |
| 13 Vein of metal | 5 Rod |
| 14 Popular flower | 6 Ancient Urfa |
| 15 Footlike part | 7 Dry, as wine |
| 16 Voting times | 8 Inscriber |
| 18 Ironies | 9 Piles do it |
| 20 Feminine suffixes | 10 Hittling |
| 21 Wife | 11 Cape |
| 22 Painful | 12 Cylindrical |
| 24 Crippled | 13 Peace goddess |
| 26 Feet | 23 Declaim |
| 27 Wrong (prefix) | 24 Wash |
| 30 Take vengeance | 25 Prayers |
| 32 Dress | 26 Danger |
| 34 Superficial coat | |
| 35 Puzzling problem | |
| 36 Superlative suffix | |
| 37 Ascend | |
| 38 Plateau | |
| 40 Sect | |
| 41 French sea | |
| 42 Shaking | |
| 45 Work | |
| 49 Youth | |
| 51 Nocturnal mammal | |
| 52 Grain | |
| 53 Curved molding | |
| 54 Scottish waterfall | |
| 55 Female sheep (pl.) | |
| 56 Favorite animals | |
| 57 High note in Guido's scale | |

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