

Salem TV Stalled As 2 Firms Seek Channel 3 Permit

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WASHINGTON—Two newly organized television companies have asked the Federal Communications Commission for permits to bring local TV to Salem.

But the FCC last week postponed review of either firm's application because both want to operate on the same channel. This has resulted in a momentary standoff which can be resolved only through public hearings to determine which company is better qualified for a license.

Local television for Salem would probably be just around the corner if the two competitors had picked separate channels. FCC has reserved two commercial channels for Salem, 3 and 24, as well as a non-commercial channel for educational use only.

But both Oregon Radio, Inc., and Willamette-Land Television, Inc., have applied for channel 3. There are no requests for use of channel 24 or the educational channel.

Salem's prospective TV companies would be owned and operated by Oregon personnel, but otherwise they would differ in numerous respects.

One would be a bit more powerful than the other, thereby offering reception over a greater area of the Willamette Valley. The other would be on the air more hours per week. Other details of their proposed operations as presented in applications on file with the Federal Communications Commission are as follows:

Oregon Radio, Inc. Files Application

Oregon Radio, Inc. (KSLM) Power—6.6 KW
Coverage area—engineers calculate it would provide grade A reception as far from its transmitter as the following places: south as far as Jefferson and Marion; southeast to Stayton and Sublimity; east to a point beyond Silverton almost to Scott's Mills; northeast to Woodburn and Hubbard; north almost to McMinnville and Dayton; northwest to Willamina. Grade B reception would extend to Portland on the north, Cascadia on the east, the coast on the west, and Junction City on the south, and it would include such outlying points as Toledo, Tidewater, Sweet Home and Detroit.

Grade A Reception
(The designation "grade A" reception means that in that area about 70 per cent of all TV receivers should get adequate reception 80 per cent of the time; grade B means 50 per cent of all sets should get adequate reception 90 per cent of the time. Points beyond the grade B area may get reception of varying quality depending upon terrain and weather conditions.)
Time on the air—12:30 to 11 p.m. every day.

Time Divided
Proposed programming—(no network was mentioned) time would be divided as follows: 63.6 per cent entertainment; 13.6 per cent news; 12.9 per cent educational; 4.7 per cent test pattern; 2.4 per cent talk, including sports; 1.4 per cent discussion of the forum or round table type; 0.7 per cent news; 12.9 per cent educational, including farm market reports.

Feature programs would include a twice-monthly "Meet the Mayor" and a report to the public by state government officials. Willamette University would have a weekly half hour program for presentations by the various departments. Wrestling from Salem armory would be a regular Saturday night event.

Location—studio in Senator Hotel, transmitter 4.8 miles northwest of Salem. The station would employ 20 persons. Cost of installation and equipment is estimated at \$203,907.

Officers—Glenn E. McCormick of Salem, president.

3 Men Hurt as Car Capsizes

STAYTON—Three men were injured Sunday evening when the auto in which they were riding struck a slick spot on the Stayton-Marion highway about eight miles west of here and turned over.

Taken to a doctor in Stayton for treatment were Salem passengers, Frank Camenzind, 1705 S. 55th St., and Robert R. Willard, 540 Roberts Ave. Both received lacerations in the crash. Driver of the car, Leonard Kramer, Marion, was taken to Salem Memorial Hospital in Salem where his condition was said to be "fair" Sunday night. Extent of his injuries was not available.

Animal Crackers

By WARREN GOODRICH



"Ah, smell that brisk, Fall air—let's go over to the stadium and lounge up the football game!"

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Klamath Power Fails as Snow Isolates City

Triplets Start Social Security



FULLERTON, Calif.—Colleen, Carla and Condie, 9-month-old triplet daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Gerald L. Hills, Fullerton, Calif., are all set to become career girls. They have been issued Social Security account numbers in preparation for becoming wage earners. The girls expect to begin work soon at modeling and motion picture jobs. (AP Wirephoto to The Statesman.)

Morse to Reject Help in Paying for Reprintings

EUGENE (AP)—Sen. Wayne Morse, criticized in some quarters recently for accepting money to defray costs of reprinting his speeches, said Sunday night he would accept no more such contributions.

The costs "will be paid out of my own pocket from my salary and income from my lectures and articles," Morse said in a radio talk, "Report on the Cost of Reprinting My Speeches," over Station KORE here.

Missing Boys Arrive in Time To Halt Search

SWEET HOME — Four 13-year-old local boys gave parents and citizens a scare Sunday when they failed to return on time from an afternoon hike into the woods 10 miles east of town.

The boys were reportedly on a Sunday School outing on the Floyd Emmert ranch land when they became lost and failed to return when planned. As darkness neared a search party was organized from state forestry personnel and volunteer citizens. Before the actual search had even begun, the boys—scared and tired—walked out of the area.

Two of the boys, Eddie Smith and Wayne Kotelch, reported to searchers they had simply taken the wrong road. Names of the other two were not available.

Dallas Sports Lighted Tree

DALLAS—The traditional public Christmas tree, lights and all, decorated Courthouse Square Sunday.

The 35-foot fir was erected by Dallas firemen, complete with lights which are illuminated despite the power shortage by a fire department portable generator.

The tree was hauled from the woods by a Willamette Valley Lumber Co. truck driven by John Nachtigal. Other volunteer help came from Mountain States Power Co. which provided a hoist operated by Ted Foster and R. G. Sanderlin.

Also already installed are silver-foliage strings across downtown streets. The Christian Business Men's group with the aid of volunteer church workers is making life-size Nativity Scene figures to be placed on the square by Dec. 16. John Radke and Mrs. Erwin Neufeld are heading the work. Christmas music soon will be played from the Courthouse tower.

License Plate at Scene of Wreck Leads to Arrests

A license plate found at the scene of a hit-and-run auto accident late Saturday night led Salem police to arrest two Astoria teenagers on a charge of auto theft.

The plate was located near the auto of George Skaggs, 420 East Bust St., after it was hit by a passing car in the 1000 block on South Liberty Street. Police traced the plate number and discovered the car had been stolen from the Stan Baker used car lot earlier in the day. A description of the car was sent to all policemen and the boys were arrested as they were driving out of town.

Santiam Route Beset by Snow, Road Cave-In

A storm-bathed Salem and Willamette Valley was deluged with more than an inch of rain Sunday accompanied by severe lightning and thunder. And enough snow fell in the Santiam Pass to all but block the highway.

The Santiam Highway suffered a cave-in near Detroit Dam, five miles west of Detroit, and caused one-way travel at the point where a short section of roadway dropped into the North Santiam River.

Outlook for the valley today was brighter with decreasing showers predicted by the U. S. Weather Bureau at McNary Field. Weathermen also pointed out that more rain has fallen in Salem in the past five days (3.19 inches) than for the entire five-month period preceding (2.79 inches).

On minor electrical and telephone inconvenience due to the storm was reported by Salem residents Sunday. Transportation suffered some when two United Air Lines flights scheduled to stop in Salem Saturday night were grounded, one at Eugene and one at Medford. Both were held until the storm let up later Sunday.

Portland's two streamliner contacts with California, the Shasta Daylight and the Cascade, had to cancel their runs starting Saturday when severe snow and ice blocked the tracks. Officials reported that this service would be resumed today.

At Marion Forks 20 miles east of Detroit the Santiam slide and on toward the summit, 10 inches of snow and a blinding fog Sunday made traffic hazardous. Motorists were advised to use chains and travel on only essential business. State Highway Department snow plows worked all day Sunday.

Driving was otherwise hazardous because many rocks, some of boulder size, had been washed down on the highway along the North Santiam.

Although snow continued on the upper elevation of the town of Detroit had only about one inch of snow Sunday, and that mostly slush.

Telephone service from Salem through Detroit was reported delayed for a time during the slide and on toward the summit. The service was again cut due to the wind later Sunday morning and was again restored by Pacific Telephone and Telegraph linemen.

Lightning, Thunder
The picture was better in the mid- and lower valley where the storm left few damages but many exclamations from citizens awakened by the shattering thunder and lightning during the night.

At Dallas two walnut trees were uprooted on Ellis Street and water put a real chance temporarily for the City Hall office furnace.

At Albany where 1.12 inches of rain fell in the 24-hour period up to 7:30 a.m. Sunday, Christmas street decorations were blown down and Mountain States Power Co. had to reinforce two power poles left leaning after the storm. Lebanon had a brief power outage Saturday night.

Water stood so deep in one block of Lincoln Street at Woodburn Sunday that traffic had to go around it by other residential streets of the area.

Falls City which reported light snow Friday night had only rain since then, with considerable wind.

McKay With Ike On USS Helena

ABOARD USS HELENA EN ROUTE TO HAWAII (AP)—President-elect Eisenhower arrived off Wake Island aboard the cruiser Helena Monday and was joined by John Foster Dulles and two other Cabinet designates to begin a momentous series of talks on U. S. foreign policy in the Orient.

Dulles, who will be secretary of state, was brought aboard the Helena by helicopter. With him were George M. Humphrey, secretary of treasury designate, and Gov. Douglas McKay of Oregon, who will head the Interior Department.

Two other Cabinet designates and top ranking military leaders were to split into two groups during the day for vital conferences which will deal primarily with military and political aspects of the Korean War.

Some of the party will fly to Pearl Harbor for simultaneous, coordinated conferences. Eisenhower and the rest of the group will confer aboard the Helena during the rest of its 3,300-mile voyage from Guam to Pearl Harbor.

Charles E. Wilson, next defense secretary who accompanied Eisenhower on his historic three-day tour of Korea, planned to leave the Helena at Wake and fly to Pearl Harbor for conferences.

James Hagerty, Eisenhower's press secretary, said that both Eisenhower's sessions aboard the Helena and those between Wilson and high military leaders at Pearl Harbor will be coordinated and deal primarily with the Korean War.

Among those boarding at Wake were Gen. Lucius Clay, former occupation commander in Germany and one of Eisenhower's close advisers; Joseph W. Dodge, C. D. Jackson and Emmet J. Hughes, likewise advisers.

Adm. Arthur Radford, commander in chief of the Pacific Fleet, was to accompany Wilson to Pearl Harbor for conferences with Gen. Omar Bradley, chairman of the U. S. Joint Chiefs of Staff. Bradley flew directly from Guam to Pearl Harbor Sunday.

The nature of the parliaments conferences indicated that both political and military approach to the Korean situation would be synchronized.

The Helena is expected to reach Pearl Harbor Thursday, Hawaiian time.

Eisenhower appeared to be enjoying his voyage—and getting some long-delayed rest.

With a tropical storm abated, smooth sea gave the Helena an even keel Sunday. The president's elect was up early for breakfast—and then went back to bed for most of the day.

"He's just unwinding from all the months of work and travel," this is the first time he has had a real chance to sleep and rest since he returned home from Europe June 1.

TO PASS UP CORONATION
LONDON (AP)—Queen Mary, 86, has decided not to attend the coronation next June of her granddaughter, Queen Elizabeth II, because of the state of her health, informed sources said Sunday.

COAL MINERS REVOLT
HONG KONG (AP)—The independent newspaper Wah Kiu Yip Po reported Sunday that more than 1,000 coal miners in Central Kwang Province of Red China revolted recently because of Communist wage policies.

Electricity Off 3 1/2 Hours; Rail Crisis Eases

KLAMATH FALLS (AP)—Snow laden 50-mile-an-hour winds knocked out an electrical power line to this Southern Oregon town of 15,000 Sunday.

Suffering from the sub-freezing temperatures was widespread during the 3 1/2 hours that the city was without electricity.

The population of the town was swollen by hundreds of travelers held here by blocked highways and rail lines. Scores of farmers from outlying communities, where power has been out since Saturday, were arriving in town.

Telephone lines were down and communication with outlying areas was difficult.

Road Routes Closed
North and southbound traffic was at a standstill as highway crews battled to keep a single lane open to the north for emergency use.

Three Southern Pacific trains southbound from Portland to California were halted here because of heavy snows on tracks to the south.

The tracks were cleared Sunday and both north and southbound trains continued their trips. Several northbound trains had been held at Redding, Calif.

Southern Pacific officials in Portland said normal service would resume Monday.

The power went off at 1:30 p.m. when a California-Oregon Power Co. line between Klamath Falls and Northern California snapped. Service was resumed at about 5 p.m.

The town's four major lumber plants reported they would remain open Monday. Schools will not be open.

The weather forecast for the area called for snow and rain to continue but with some improvement Monday.

Heavy winds in Oregon, the storm had resulted in five deaths—four on rain slicked streets and highways and one by drowning.

Storm Deaths
Lead in the wake of the storm were Leroy Johnson, 45, killed Saturday when struck by a car as he walked along a highway at North Bend in a blinding rain storm.

Ralph Willis Peterson, 38, Hauser, Ore., killed when struck by a skidder near Hauser.

Louis W. Stange, killed when an automobile in which he was riding collided with a logging truck near Otis.

Agnes Sigrist, 78, who died in a Portland hospital several hours after she was struck by a car as she crossed an intersection.

Nelson Durbin, 23, drowned when a high wave washed him into the surf as he was fishing near Florence.

SAN FRANCISCO (AP)—Northern California's worst storm of the season moved on Sunday night after taking five lives. Heavy snows temporarily halted seven trains, blocked highways and disrupted communication. Pounding rains flooded river valleys.

Passenger trains held up on both sides of the California-Oregon border began moving again in late afternoon. Highways to the Northwest were being opened, but those to Nevada remained impassable.

Swollen Rivers
The Russian river, swollen by steady downpours, lapped over its banks at several places. The Sacramento created at 17 feet this morning at Red Bluff—a safe 6 feet below the danger mark.

Southern Pacific snowplow crews late Sunday cleared eight miles of snow-blocked north-south track near Dunsmuir and four northbound trains which had been held up 24 hours at Redding and Gerber started north for Oregon.

Altogether, some 1,370 passengers—including 108 Iowa delegates to a Seattle Farm Bureau Federation convention—were held up overnight.

U. S. Highway 99 to Oregon remained closed by huge drifts and dotted with stalled automobiles.

U. S. Routes 40 and 50 to Nevada—the main trans-Sierra routes—were likewise blocked by wet snow drifted by winds which reached 100 miles an hour early Sunday.

THE WEATHER

	Max.	Min.	Precip.
Salem	49	40	1.07
Portland	49	41	1.12
San Francisco	49	41	1.12
Chicago	33	25	.09
New York	33	25	.09

Willamette River—1.1 feet.
FORECAST (from U. S. Weather Bureau, McNary Field, Salem) Variable cloudiness with scattered showers today, tonight and Tuesday. Little change in temperature with highest today near 45, lowest tonight near 34. Temperature at 12:01 a.m. was 38 degrees.

SALEM PRECIPITATION
Since Start of Weather Year Sept. 1

This Year	Last Year	Normal
6.48	22.28	32.00