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B-S- 2350

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 10-10-49

Call letters W X R S

Station located: Waukegan, Ills.

Name of licensee THE NEWS-SUN BROADCASTING CO.

Transmister location Belvidere Road and Walnut ~~Avenue~~ Street, Waukegan, Illinois (CP 3-10-49) ~~(Lic. 10-10-49)~~

Main studio location Belvidere Road and Walnut ~~Avenue~~ Street, Waukegan, Illinois (CP 3-10-49) (Lic. 10-10-49)

FCC-65

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To-
BP-6177	3-10-49	1220	1 kw-DA	Daytime	5-10 11-10-49
	CP for a new station (COND. CLAUSE)				
BMP-4609	6-30-49	1220	1kw-DA	Daytime	5-10 11-10-49
	Mod. CP (6177) to change type of T and make changes in DA system. (COND. CLAUSE)				
BL-3824	10-10-49	1220	1kw-DA	Daytime	10-10 5-1-51
	L.c. to cover CP (6177 as mod) for a new station.				
BR-2350	4-12-51	1220	1kw-DA	Daytime	5-1 5-1-54
BZ-3441	12-9-52	1220	1kw-DA	Day	12-9-52 5-1-54
	Auth. to determine operating power				
Telegram	4-30-54	Action on renewal deferred 4-28-54 and continued operation auth. until final determination on renewal			
BR-2350	5-19-54	RENEWAL OF LICENSE			5-19 12-1-55
Telegram	11-25-55	Action on renewal deferred 11-23-55 and continued operation authorization until final determination on renewal			
BR-2350 BP-11063	5-23-56 2-14-57	Renewal of license 1220kw	1kw-DA	Day	5-23-56 12-1-58 4-14 10-14-57
	Construction permit to install new transmitter				
BL-6522 (1)	3-857	Lic. to cover CP(BP-11,063) which authorized installation of a new transmitter.			
	11-25-58	Commission deferred action on renewal pending further consideration.			
BR-2350	3-11-59	1220	1kw-DA	Day	3-11 12-1-61
Wire	6-30-60	Sign-off at 7PM CDT period 7-1 thru 8-31-60.			
	11-29-61	Action on Renewal Deferred.			
BR-2350	9-19-62	Renewal of license			9-19 12-1-64
BTC-4299 EFF:	6-20-63 7-25-63	Voluntary transfer of control of licensee corporation from William L. Just, F. Ward Just, Mary Just Anderson and Alberta Lashbrook to Keystone Printing Service, Inc.			
BR-2350	1-12-65	Renewal of license			1-12 12-1-67

Form BC 126
June 1954 #2

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed .....

Call letters W K R S

Station location .....

Name of licensee .....

Transmitter location .....

Main studio location .....

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From-- To-
BR-2350 (L)	12-28-67	Renewal of license			12-1-70
BS-2350(1)	5-29-68	Memo. correct coord.			
BTC-5924 EFF:	5-28-69 6-5-69	Vol. TC			
BS-2350(L)	7-30-69	Mod. of lic. to chg. operating specifications (Memo).			12-1-70
TELEGRAM BR-2350	12-4-70 1-29-71	PSA RENEWAL	500w OF LICENSE	(S)	12-1-73
Ltr. rec'd 6-24-71 stating that a Collins, 820-D1 trans. is installed and operating.					
BTC-6745	12-20-71	VOL. TC			
EBSA	6-12-72				
BP-19,785	9-20-74	1220khz. 1kw DA-Day			9-20-75
CP to relax MEOV's.					
BP-19,785	1) 12-12-74	Mod. of (BP-19,785) to chg. inverse field intensity of 195° true 44mv/m to 194° true 36 mv/m.			
BTC-7801	11-26-75	EFF: 1/13/76			
BR-2350 BL-13,910	(L) 11-26-75	Renewal and Lic. to cover BP-19,785 for changes			12-1-76
Ltr.	11-15-76	Trans: COLLINS 820-D1 as indicated in ltr. recd. 6-24-71			
BP-20,659(L)	11-9-76	CP to add MEOV'S to the DA pattern			11-9-77
BR-2350(L)	11-25-76	Renewal of License			12-1-79
BL-14,355(L)	4-21-78	Lic. to cover BP-20,659 for changes 1220khz 1kw DA-Day			12-1-79
BR-790801ZR	11-30-79	RENEWAL OF LICENSE			12-1-82
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Form 94

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WKRS New

Name THE NEWS-SUN BROADCASTING CO.
(PO 116-120 Madison Street, Waukegan, Illinois)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BP-6177 Rec'd Filed	6-26-47 6-26-47 6-26-47	Construction Permit for a new standard broadcast station to be operated on: Frequency: ~~1210kc~~ 1220kc Power: 1kw - DA Hours of operation: Daytime only Trans. location: ~~On Belvidere Street, 2 miles east of U.S. Route #41,~~ Waukegan, Illinois Studio location: ~~On North side of Belvidere Street, 2 miles east of U.S. Route #41~~, Waukegan, Ill. (Filed by Thomas W. Wilson, Atty.; Glenn D. Gillett, Engr.) ~~(SEE AMEND. PAGE 2)~~	GRANTED subj. to properly monitor.	3-10-49 installation of designed phase

(See amendment Card #2)

Transmitter-W.E.-443-A-1 Raytheon RA-1000

Form 94

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

#2

Call Letters WKRS NEW

Name THE NEWS-SUN BROADCASTING CO.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BP-6177 (cont. from Card #1)				
AMENDED Recd. Filed	11-4-48 11-18-48 11-18-48	Amended to change frequency from 1210kc to 1220kc; install directional antenna; change in ground system; type transmitter (Raytheon RA-1000); change transmitter location (description only) from On Belvidere Street, .2 miles east of U.S. Route #41, Waukegan, Illinois, to Belvidere Road and Walnut Avenue, Waukegan, Illinois, and change studio location from On North side of Belvidere Street, .2 miles east of U. S. Route #41, Waukegan, Illinois, to Belvidere Road and Walnut Avenue, Waukegan, Illinois.		

Recd. 3-30-49
Petition for reconsideration of this grant filed by E. D. Johnston, Attorney, for WGAR B/Cing Company, Cleveland, Ohio to set aside the grant, designate application for hearing and the petitioner be made a party thereto.
Ltr. 4-1-49

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WKRS

Name THE NEWS-SUN BROADCASTING CO.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BMP-4609 Rec'd Filed	5-6-49 5-16-49 5-16-49	Mod. of C.P. (BP-6177, which authorized a new standard broadcast station) to change type of transmitter (Gates BC-1F) and make changes in the directional antenna system. (Filed by John P. Carr, Atty.; Glenn D. Gillett, Engr.)	GRANTED re installation of properly designed phase monitor.	6-30-49
BL-3824 Rec'd Filed	9-13-49 9-22-49 9-22-49	License to cover C.P. (BP-6177, as mod.,) which authorized a new standard broadcast station. (John P. Carr, Atty.)	Granted	10-10-49
BR-2350 Rec'd Resubmitted	2-22-51 2-26-51 3-12-51	Renewal of license	~~Returned 3/5/51 (signed by Gen. Manager)~~ GRANTED	4-12-51

FORM A-170 #4
FORMERLY FCC FORM 94

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WKRS

Name THE NEWS-SUN BROADCASTING CO.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BZ-3441 Rec'd Filed	10-13-52 10-15-52 10-15-52	Authority to determine operating power by direct measurement of antenna power.	GRANTED informally by Engineer's	12-9-52
BR-2350 Rec'd Filed	1-29-54 2-1-54 2-1-54	Renewal of License	Granted	5-19-54
BR-2350 Recd Filed	9-7-55 9-12-55 9-12-55	Renewal of license	GRANTED	5-23-56
BP-11,063 Rec'd Filed	1-30-57 2-1-57 2-1-57	Construction permit to install a new transmitter (Collins 20-V).	GRANTED	2-14-57
BL-6522 Rec'd Filed	1-30-57 2-1-57 2-1-57	License to cover Construction Permit BP-11,063 which authorized installation of a new transmitter.	GRANTED	3-8-57

FORM BC-121
AUG. 1955

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WKRS

Name THE NEWS-SUN BROADCASTING CO.
WAUKEGAN, ILLINOIS

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BR-2350 Rec'd Filed	8-19-58 9-5-58 9-5-58	Renewal of License. Francis X. McDonough	GRANTED	3-11-59
BR-2350 Rec'd Filed	8-25-61 9-5-61 9-5-61	Renewal of license Atty.: Keith Putbrese	GRANTED	9-19-62
BTC-4299 R & F	5-14-63 5-20-63	Voluntary transfer of control of licensee corporation from William L. Just, Ward Just, Mary Just Anderson and Alberta Lashbrook to Keystone Printing Service, Inc. Atty. - C. McKerns (Dow, Lohnes etc)	GRANTED EFF:	6-20-63 7-25-63
BR-2350 R & F	9/6/64 10/15/64	Renewal of license	GRANTED	1-12-65

F.C.C. - WASHINGTON, D. C.

FORM BC-121 #6
AUG. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

1220kc

Call Letters WKRS

Name THE NEWS-SUN BROADCASTING CO.
Waukegan, Illinois

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BZ- Rec'd	2/28/67	Auth. to determine operating power by direct meas. of antenna power.	RETURNED: 3/6/67 no Sect. I	
BP- Rec'd	7-24-67 7-27-67	CP to make changes in the antennae sys.	Returned: unnecessary 8-11-67	
BR-2350 R& F OCT 3 1967	8-29-67 9-1-67	Renewal of license	GRANTED	12-28-67
BTC-5924 R & F FEE PD: $30 -#506190 (Form 316)	4-11-69 4-15-69 APR 25 1969	Vol. transfer of control of Keystone Printing Service, Inc.(parent corp) from F. Ward Just & Mrs. Elizabeth Swift Just,(Jointly), to F. Ward Just Atty - Putbrese & Fletcher	GRANTED EFF:	5-28-69 6-5-69

F.C.C. - WASHINGTON, D. C.

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1220 kc

Form BC-121
September 1969

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters WKRS

Name THE NEWS-SUN BROADCASTING CO.
WAUKEGAN, ILLINOIS

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BR-2350 R & F PN Recd. PRESS SEP 17 1970	8-28-70 9-2-70 "	RENEWAL OF LICENSE AMENDED 1-15-71 re: commercial matter; business interest	GRANTED	1-29-71
Annual filing fee $150.64 paid 11-25-70 #645373.				
BTC-6745 Rec'd FEE PD: $250 #025143 (CODE 053 Form 316) FILED DEC 15 1971	10-22-71 10-26-71 12-13-71	Involuntary transfer of control of Keystone Printing Service, Inc. (parent corp) from F. Ward Just to Elizabeth Swift Just and First National Bank of Lake Forest, Co-Executors of the Estate of J. Ward Just (deceased)	GRANTED	12-20-71

The Commission by letter of 8-29-72 notified station WKRS of apparent liability for $500 forfeiture for violation of the rules.

F.C.C. - WASHINGTON, D. C.

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1220 kc

Form BC-121
September 1969

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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Name THE NEWS-SUN BROADCASTING CO.
WAUKEGAN, ILLINOIS

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BR-2350 R & F PN Rcd. PRESS	8-31-73 9-4-73 " 19 SEP 1973	RENEWAL OF LICENSE AMENDED 11-21-73 re: commercial policy AMENDED 1-3-74 re: EEO	GRANTED issued with BL-13,910	11-26-75
BP- 19,785 Rec'd Filed $50-293351 AC-056 Amended 9-3-74 SEP 13 1974	3-15-74 3-18-74 3-18-74 3-18-74 Horizontal	Construction permit to relax MEOV's. radiation pattern.	GRANTED	9-20-74
BL-13,910 R & F $50#390905 Amend Amend PRESS MAY 19 1975 PTA	1-23-75 1-27-75 2-11-75 3-14-75 - engr. data 4-8-75 - additonal engr. data 4-11-75	Lic. to cover BP-19,785 for changes	GRANTED issued with RENEWAL	11-26-75

F.C.C. - WASHINGTON, D. C.

Form BC-121 # 9
September 1969

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

1220khz

Call Letters W.K.R.S.

Name THE NEWS-SUN BROADCASTING CO.
Waukegan, Illinois

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BTC-7801 R & F FEE PD: $200 # 442324 CODE-047 22 JUL 1975 PN filed	6-20-75 6-23-75 7/28/75	Voluntary transfer of control of Keystone Printing Service, Inc.(parent corp) from Elizabeth Swift Just and The First National Bank of Lake Forest, Co-Executors of the Estate of J. Ward Just(Deceased) to Elizabeth Swift Just and Ward Swift Just Atty - Covington and Burling	GRANTED EFF: No gr fee req.	11-26-75 1/13/76
BP- 20,659 Rec'd Filed $100-512849 AC:001 Press:	12-17-75 12-22-75 12-22-75 SEP 30 1976	Construction permit to add MEOV'S to the Directional pattern	GRANTED	11-9-76

F.C.C. - WASHINGTON, D. C.

BTC-7801 - AMENDED 10-10-75 Addl. data re stockholdings
and Tables I & II

AMENDED 12-2-80 re: Attachment E

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Form BC-121
May 1976
12-49

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

1220 khz

Call Letters WKRS

Name THE NEWS-SUN BROADCASTING CO.
WAUKEGAN, ILLINOIS

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BR-2350 R & F PN Recd. PRESS	7-30-76 8-2-76 " AUG 27 1976	RENEWAL OF LICENSE Paul J. Berman, Atty. AMENDED 11-15-76 re: engineering	GRANTED	11-25-76
BL-14,355 R & F PTA PRESS JUL 18 1977	6-27-77 7-1-77 7-11-77	Lic. to cover BP-20,659 for changes	GRANTED	4-21-78
BR790801ZP PRESS OCT 5 1979		Renewal of License Atty.: Jonathan D. Blake	GRANTED	11-30-79

F.C.C. - WASHINGTON, D. C.

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 12th 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.