K B G G

Form BC 126
June 1954

4288

BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

SEE CARD #2 FOR NAME

K B G G eff. 6-1-77
K W F A (4-11-62)

Date first licensed 9-27-63

Call letters XKTCT

xHAROLD D. NICHOLS (BAL-6358 8-1-68 EFF: 9-11-68)
X JOHN CURTIS, RECEIVER (AL 10-20-67
xJ.BARTELL LaRUE, RECEIVER(AL-11-13-64)
x TAYLOR COUNTY BROADCASTING COMPANY (BAP 11-9-62 EFF: 1-21-63)

Station location Merkel, Texas

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

Transmitter location N. 2nd St. & Baker St., Merkel, Texas (red. BL-9-27-63)
xSecond 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'l)				
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, of completion date to			for ext. 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.			
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'l				
BAL-4966	11-13-64	Involuntary assignment of license to J. Bartell LaRue, Receiver.			
BAL-6179	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

FORM BC-121
AUG. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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

Station location: Merkel, Texas

Call Letters (4-11-62) K W F A new KTCT

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action 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.& Dunning Sts., Merkel, Texas Studio location - Same as transmitter Engr. - Guy C. Hutcheson, Arlington, Texas	GRANTED Cond'l re: Pending a final decision in Docket No. 14419 with respect to presunrise operation with daytime facilities, the present provisions of Section 1.87 of the Commission Rules are not extended to this auth. and such operation is prohibited.	2-26-62
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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AUG. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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	Action 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
BP-10,792 R. & F.	1-7-63 1-9-63	Mod. of CP (BP-14,297 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

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

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APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters K W F A

J.BARTELL LARUE, RECEIVER

Name xTAYLOR COUNTY BROADCASTING COMPANY
Merkel, Texas

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action 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'l
~~BAL-1986~~ R. & F.	~~11-18-63~~ 11-20-63	~~Involuntary assignment of license to Robert G. Chappell, Receiver.~~ Atty. - N.E. Jorgensen	GRANTED	11-13-64
AMENDMENT R. & F	7-16-64 7-20-64	AMENDED to change assignee to J. BARTELL LaRUE, RECEIVER		

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AUG. 1955

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

1500kc

Call Letters KWFA

Name HAROLD D. NICHOLS, (8-1-68)
X JOHN CURTIS, RECEIVER
x J. BARTELL LaRUE, RECEIVER
Merkel, Texas

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action 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
BAL-6179 R & F (Form 316)	9-22-67 9-27-67	Involuntary assignment of license to JOHN CURTIS, RECEIVER	GRANTED	10-20-67
BAL-6358 R & F	4-29-68 5-8-68	Voluntary assignment of license to HAROLD D. NICHOLS Atty - Daryal A. Myse	GRANTED EFF:	8-1-68 9-11-68

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Pub. Notice filed 7-2-68

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

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Form BC-121
September 1969

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Name TED C. CONNELL AND GAYLON WAYNE CHRISTIE dba
BIG COUNTRY BROADCASTING COMPANY
xHAROLD D. NICHOLS
Merkel, Texas

Call Letters K W F A

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BR-4288 R & F PRESS JUN 18 1971	4-16-71 4-22-71	Renewal of License AMENDED 6-28-71 re: equal employment policy AMENDED 8-6-71 re: programming AMENDED 8-24-71 re: financial statement	GRANTED	8-31-71
BR-4288 R & F PN Recd. PRESS 10 APR 1974	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 issued with BZ-8611	12-24-74
BZ-8611 R & F DM PRESS 26 AUG 1974	6-20-74 6-20-74 7-3-74	Direct Measurement	GRANTED issued with Renewal	12-24-74
BAL-8921 R & F (Form 314) Pub notice	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 EFF: 5-3-77	7/14/77

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

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

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Form BC-121
May 1976

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

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

Call Letters K B G G ~~K-W-F-A~~

Name X HAROLD D. NICHOLS
MERKEL, TEXAS

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BR-4288 R & F P.N. PRESS	3-10-77 4-1-77 4-1-77 MAY 6 1977	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" JUN 9 1977	GRANTED	7-14-77
BZ-9613 R & F DM PRESS FEB 23 1978	10-31-77 11-7-77 12-28-77	Direct Measurement Atty: Richard A. Helmick(Cohn and Marks)	GRANTED	2-28-78

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

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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Form BC-121
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	Action Date
BP-21,271 PRESS	DEC 19 1978	CP to make changes in Antenna System; ~~incree. 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

Form BC-121
May 1976

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call Letters K B G G

Name .....

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action Nature	Action Date
BP-21,271 R&F	4-25-78	CP to make chg. in ant. syst., ~~incr. power to 1000 watts~~ & incr. height to 317'.	granted	1-31-79
AMEND. R&F	9-27-78	Delete request for inc. power.		

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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.