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BROADCASTING STATION LICENSE RECORD

Date first licensed 1-26-49 ~~EFF: 4-8-59~~ Call letters K T K R
 LOUISE E. AND GERALD K. MANN (AL-3-4-59; / LOCATION: TAFT, CALIFORNIA
~~xx~~ KENNETH AITKEN, GEORGE J. TSCHUMY, JR., AND JOHN A SMITH, d/b as TAFT
 BROADCASTING COMPANY (AL 8-5-53 EFF: 8-17-53
 x KENNETH AITKIN, GEORGE J. TSCHUMY, JR., AND RALPH B. SMITH, A Partnership
 d/b as TAFT BROADCASTING COMPANY (AL 8-19-49; EFF: 8-24-49
 Name of licensee x KENNETH AITKEN AND GEORGE J. TSCHUMY, A Partnership d/b as TAFT
 BROADCASTING COMPANY

Transmitter location Approx. 1 mi. from City center on Taft to McKittrick Highway, Taft,
 California. (CP & MP 2-16-48) (Lic. 1-26-49)

Main studio location Approx. 1 mile from City center on Taft to McKittrick Highway,
 Taft, California: (CP & MP 2-16-48) (Lic. 1-26-49)

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

Appl. No.	Date Issued	Freq.	Power	Time Div.	Period From- To-
BP-5766	10-16-47	1310	500w	Daytime	
Ltr. 11-20-47. CP for new station granted subject to filing MP for T site and antenna.					
BP-5766	2-16-48	1310	500w	Daytime	4-16 10-16-48
BMP-3339	Mod. of CP (5766) to change type of T, and for approval of antenna, T and studio sites. (CONDITIONAL CLAUSE)				
Telegram	3-26-48	to	oper. add'l time from 6:00 am PST to sign-on time 6:15 am PST, 3-28-48 to b/c Easter Sunrise services, only		
Telegram	6-1-48	STA to operate	additional time (with power reduced to 100 watts) from 7:15 pm to 12 midnight, PST, June 1, 1948 to broadcast election returns, only.		
BL-3044	1-26-49	1310	500w	Daytime	1-26 11-1-51
Lic. to cover CP (5766 as mod) for a new station					
BAL-907	8-19-49	Vol. assignment of license from Kenneth Aitken and George J. Tschumy, Sr., A Partnership d/b as Taft Broadcasting Company to Kenneth Aitken, George J. Tschumy, Jr., and Ralph B. Smith, A Partnership d/b as Taft Broadcasting Company			
EFF:	8-24-49				
BR-2186	10-10-51	1310	500w	Daytime	11-1 12-1-53
BAL-1578	8-5-53	Vol. assignment of license to Kenneth Aitken, George J. Tschumy, Jr. and John A. Smith, d/b as Taft Broadcasting Company			
EFF:	8-17-53				
BR-2186	11-4-53	1310	500w	Daytime	12-1-53 12-1-56
BR-2186	11-14-56	Renewal of license			12-1 12-1-59
LETTER	5-14-57	SIGN OFF 6 PM PST to 8-31-57			
WIRE	5-3-58	SIGN OFF 6 PM to 7-2-58			
BAL-3337	3-4-59	Voluntary assignment of license to Louise E. and Gerald K. Mann			
EFF:	4-8-59				
	11-27-59	Commission deferred action on renewal pending further consideration.			
BR-2186	6-8-60	1310kc	500w	Day	6-8 12-1-62

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June 1954

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Date first licensed

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Station location Taft, California.....

Name of licenseeSee Card #1.....

Transmitter location

Main Studio Location

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT AND LICENSE RECORD

APPL. NO.	DATE ISSUED	FREQ.	POWER	TIME DIV.	PERIOD FROM TO
BP-13757	10-11-61	1310kc	1kw	Day	12-11 6-11-62
	CP to increase power to 1kw and install a new transmitter (BAUER-FRITZ FB-1000J) (Cond'1).				
BMP-10,084 (1)	2-21-62	Mod. of CP(BP-13757) to chg. type trans to (Collins 20V-3).			
BL-9362 (1)	6-18-62	Lic. to cover CP (BP-13,757 as mod) which auth. incr. power and instl. new trans.			
	11-28-62	Commission deferred action on renewal pending further consideration.			
BR-2186	3-29-63	1310kc	1kw	Day	3-29- 12-1-65
BR-2186	11-15-65	Renewal of License			12-1 12-1-68
BR-2186(S)	11-26-68	Renewal of License & NDEA			12-1-71
BR-2186(s)	1-31-72	Renewal of License & NDEA			12-1-74
EBSA	5-25-72				
BR-2186(L)	11-18-74	Renewal of License			12-1-77
BR-2186(S)	1-27-78	Renewal of License			12-1-80

APPLICATION RECORD - BROADCASTING

Call K T K RLetters x NewName Kenneth Aitken and George J. Tschumy, a partnership d/b as
KENNETH-AITKEN TAFT BROADCASTING COMPANY(PO Box 125, Rt. 2, Visalia, California)

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BP-5766	2-3-47	Construction Permit for a new standard broadcast station to be operated on: Frequency: 1310kc Power: 250w 500w Hours of operation: Daytime only Trans. location: To be determined-Taft, California Studio location: Same	GRANTED	10-16-47
Rec'd	2-6-47		subject to filing MP for T site and antenna. Ltr. 11-20-47.	
Filed	2-6-47			
AMENDED	7-3-47	AMENDED to change power from 250w to 500w and change type transmitter (Collins Radio 20K)	Issued with MP 3339	
Recd.	7-9-47			
Filed	7-9-47	AMENDED to change name of applicant from Kenneth Aitken to Kenneth Aitken and George J. Tschumy, a partnership d/b as Taft Broadcasting Company.		
AMENDED	9-10-47			
Recd.	9-19-47			
Filed	9-19-47			

John P. Hearne, Atty.
Market & Third Street
San Francisco, Calif.

Collins 20K
Transmitter-Gates 250-G

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Letters KTKR

Name Kenneth Aitken and George J. Tschumy, a partnership d/b as
TAFT BROADCASTING COMPANY

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMP-3339	10-28-47	Mod. of C.P. (BP-5766, which authorized a new standard broadcast station) to change type of transmitter (Composite), ^{and} for approval of antenna, transmitter and studio locations at approx. 1 mi. from City center on Taft to McKittrick highway, Taft, Calif. (Filed by John P. Hearne, Atty.)	GRANTED	2-16-48
Rec'd	11-10-47		Prior to commencement of program tests permittee shall submit results of measurements showing that the T is capable of meeting the performance requirements set forth under Sec. 12 & 14 of the Standards of Good Engineering Practice Concerning Standard Broadcast Stations.	
Filed	11-10-47			

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Kenneth Aitkin, George J. Tschumy, Jr., and Ralph B. Smith, Call

A Partnership d/b as TAFT BROADCASTING COMPANY.

Letters **K T K R**Name ~~Kenneth Aitkin and George J. Tschumy, A Partnership d/b as~~
~~TAFT BROADCASTING COMPANY~~

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
EL-3044 Rec'd Filed	3-13-48 3-15-48 3-15-48	License to cover C.P. (BP-5766, as mod.,) which authorized a new standard broadcast station.	GRANTED	1-26-49
BP-6820 Rec'd Filed	6-8-48 6-14-48 6-14-48	Construction Permit to change frequency from 1310kc to 1490kc, and change power and hours of operation from 500w day to 250w day and night. Contingent upon KAFY being granted a change of facilities.	Docket 9607 DISMISSED WITHOUT PREJUDICE	9-22-50
Amended Rec'd Filed	9-21-49 11-14-49 11-14-49	AMENDED to change name of applicant from Kenneth Aitkin, ^{and} George J. Tschumy, A Partnership d/b as Taft Broadcasting Company <u>to</u> Kenneth Aitkin, George J. Tschumy, Jr., and Ralph B. Smith, A Partnership d/b as Taft Broadcasting Company.	ORDER ISSUED	

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and ~~RALPH B. SMITH~~ - JOHN A. SMITH

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KENNETH AIKEN and GEORGE J. TSCHUMY, A Partnership

Letters K T K RName D/B as TAFT BROADCASTING COMPANY

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BAL-907 Rec'd Filed	6-24-49 7-27-49 7-27-49	Voluntary assignment of license from Kenneth Aitken and George J. Tschumy, Sr., A Partnership d/b as Taft Broadcasting Company to Kenneth Aitken, George J. Tschumy, Jr., and Ralph B. Smith, A Partnership d/b as Taft Broadcasting Company.	GRANTED EFF:	8-19-49 8-24-49
BR-2186 Rec'd Filed	8-3-51 8-7-51 8-7-51	Renewal of license	Granted	10-10-51
BAL-1578 Rec'd Filed	6-29-53 7-3-53 7-3-53	Voluntary assignment of license to Kenneth Aitken, George J. Tschumy, Jr. and John A. Smith, d/b as Taft Broadcasting Company John P. Hearne, Atty, San Francisco	GRANTED EFF:	8-5-53 8-17-53

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Letters K.T.K.R.

Name KENNETH AITKEN, GEORGE J. TSCHUMY, JR., AND JOHN A. SMITH
d/b as TAFT BROADCASTING COMPANY

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-2186 Rec'd Filed	9-1-53 9-3-53 9-3-53	Renewal of License	GRANTED	11-4-53
BR-2186 Rec'd Filed	8-31-56 9-4-56 9-4-56	Renewal of license	GRANTED	11-14-56
BAL-3337 Rec'd. Filed	2-4-59 2-6-59 2-6-59	Voluntary assignment of license to Louise E. and Gerald K. Mann.	GRANTED EFF:	3-4-59 4-8-59
BR-2186 Rec'd&Filed	9-1-59 9-9-59	Renewal of license.	GRANTED	6-8-60
BP-13,757 Rec'd Filed	12-14-59 12-18-59 12-18-59	Construction Permit to increase power from 500w to 1kw and install a new transmitter (BaueF-Fritz FB-1000-J) Engr.- Jules Cohen	GRANTED Cond'l re Permittee shall submit with applic. for license antenna resistance measurements. (Without Hearing D-14151)	10-11-61

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LettersK.T.K.R.....Name Louise E. and Gerald K. Mann.....
Taft, Calif.

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BMP-10,084 R&F	1-15-62 1-18-62	Mod of CP (BP-13757 which auth incr power and install new trans) to chg type trans(Collins 20V-3).	GRANTED	2-21-62
BL-9362 R. & F.	4-28-62 4-30-62	Lic to cover CP(BP-13,757 as mod) which auth incr power and install new transmitter.	GRANTED	7-18-62
BR-2186 Rec'd & Filed	8-31-62 9-4-62 9-4-62	Renewal of license	GRANTED	3-29-63
BR-2186 R & F	8-26-65 9-7-65	Renewal of license	GRANTED	11-15-65
BR-2186 R. & F. #455142 \$75 SEP 25 1968	8-26-68 8-28-68 8-28-68	Renewal of license. AMENDED 10-30-68 re: Programming	GRANTED <i>10/26</i>	11-26-68

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Form BC-121
September 1969

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Call
Letters K T K RName LOUISE E and GERALD K. MANN
TAFT, CALIFORNIA

File No.	Dated	Application for	Action	
			Nature	Date
BR-2186 R & F PN Recd. PRESS SEP 3 1971	8-26-71 8-30-71 "	RENEWAL OF LICENSE AMENDED 12-20-71 re: programming AMENDED 1-21-72 re: programming	GRANTED	1-31-72
BR-2186 R & F PN PRESS AUG 8 1974	7-26-74 7-29-74 7-29-74 AUG 8 1974	Renewal of License AMENDED 1-2-75 re: ascertainment of comm. needs	GRANTED	11-18-74
BR-2186 R & F PN Recd. PRESS AUG 9 1977	7-26-77 7-28-77 " AUG 9 1977	RENEWAL OF LICENSE	GRANTED	1-27-78
BR 800730 WA PRESS SEP 22 1980	SEP 22 1980	RENEWAL OF LICENSE	grtd.	10-8-81 ISSUED

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Call Letters: KTKR

Name: LOUISE E. AND GERALD K. MANN

Station Location: Taft, California

File No.	Date	Description	Action and Date
BAL810608FO Form 316 JUN 17 1981 PRESS		Vol AL to Louise E. Mann tr/as Mann Broadcasting Co Atty Morton L. Berfield	EFF: 7-8-81

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Telegram 9-19-51 - To operate from 11 pm PDT until sign-on
9-22-51 or conclusion of Crusade for
Freedom program

WIRE 7-19-60 - Opr. July 21 and 23 for baseball

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 one set is known to 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.

