ADDITIONAL ETV CHANNELS FOR PENNSYLVANIA

On July 3, by Report and Order, the FCC finalized rule making in Docket 14981 and added 1 VHF and 4 UHF channels for educational use in Pennsylvania, as petitioned for by that state's Department of Public Instruction. The FCC reserved Ch. *39 (formerly commercial), Allentown, and assigned educational channels *36 to Altoona, *3 to Clearfield, *65 to Harrisburg, and *68 to Scranton. This necessitated substituting commercial Ch. 71 for Ch. 65 in Shamokin. The required concurrence of the assignments was obtained from Canadian authorities.

REGIONAL MEETINGS TO BE HELD RE ETV GRANT PROCEDURES

Nine regional meetings to provide information to those interested in applying for grants under the terms of the ETV Facilities Act have been scheduled by HEW. Presentations will be made explaining procedures for grant applications to HEW and for broadcast authorization applications to the FCC. Speakers will include Dr. John W. Bystrom, Assistant to the Under-Secretary of HEW; Charles Zellers, Executive Officer, Bureau of Ed. Assistance Progs., USOE; Dr. Hyman H. Goldin, Assistant Chief, Broadcast Bureau, FCC; and Dr. Lawrence T. Frymire, Chief, Educational Branch, FCC.

The meetings scheduled: July 16 - Boston; July 17 - New York; July 18 - Atlanta; July 19 - Charlottesville, Va.; July 26 - San Francisco; July 29 - Denver; July 31 - Dallas; August 1 - Kansas City; and August 2 - Chicago. Representatives of agencies planning to apply during fiscal 1964 may wish to arrange for individual conferences with the speakers to discuss particular problems. Conference appointments should be made in advance directly with HEW regional offices.

UHF CHANNEL RESERVED IN BELLINGHAM, WASH.

By Report and Order, the FCC finalized rule making (June 19) in Docket 14993 and reserved Ch. 18 (formerly commercial) for ETV use in Bellingham, Wash. Western Washington State College had sought the reservation.

TIME FOR FILING AGAIN EXTENDED IN KANSAS DOCKET

The FCC has granted a petition to extend from June 24 to Sept. 24, time for filing oppositions to petition by Tulsa Broadcasting Company, for reconsideration of Nov. 8, 1962 Report and Order in Docket 13860 which assigned Ch. *8 to Hutchinson, Kansas. The petition was based on the fact that a proposal to establish a permanent ETV authority for Kansas was recently rejected by the Legislature 59-58, and therefore the Com. on Ed. of the State Legislative Council no longer has authority to continue to function before the FCC in this proceeding. It is expected, however, that an authorized successor committee will be established within the additional 90 days to represent ETV interests in Kansas.
The North Carolina General Assembly has approved a bill to appropriate to the University of North Carolina $1,250,000 for the construction of additional ETV transmitters and connecting microwave equipment, and $250,000 for the operation of the system during the 1963-65 biennium. The Consolidated University now operates WUNC on Ch. #4, with studios at the Univ. of N.C., Chapel Hill, N.C. State College, Raleigh, and The Woman's College, Greensboro.

MISCELLANEOUS FCC ACTIONS

Granted (June 20) to San Fernando Valley State College, Northridge, Calif., CP for new Class D noncommercial educational FM station to operate on 88.5 mc, 10 w.

Granted (June 20) to WCBB, Colby-Bates-Bowdoin ETV Corp., Augusta, Me., license for noncommercial ETV station and redescribed transmitter and studio locations as near Lewiston, Me.: ERP: V - 310 kw, A - 155 kw.

Granted (June 20) to St. Bernardine of Siena College, Loudonville, N.Y., license for new noncommercial educational FM station, WVCR-FM.

On June 20, Chief Hearing Examiner Cunningham granted motion by Redding-Chico TV, Inc. for dismissal without prejudice of its application for a new TV station to operate on Ch. 9, Redding, Calif., and retained in hearing station application of Northern Calif. ETV Assn., Inc. to operate noncommercially on that channel in Redding.

Granted (June 26) to Central Michigan U., Mt. Pleasant, CP for new noncommercial educational FM station to operate on 90.1 mc, 10 w.

On June 26, Hearing Examiner Frederick, on petition by Wisconsin Citizens' Com. for ETV, Inc., extended time from July 1 to July 11 to file proposed findings and from July 15 to July 26 for replies in the Wausau, Wisconsin, TV Ch. 9 proceedings.

NEW EDUCATIONAL STATIONS PLANNED

St. Lawrence University, Canton, N.Y., applied July 1, for a CP for a new noncommercial educational FM station to operate on 89.5 mc, ERP - 8 kw, Trans. Output - 2.56 kw, Antenna - 76' above average terrain.

Also on July 1, C.W. Post College of Long Island University, Brookville, N.Y., applied for CP for new noncommercial educational FM station to operate on 88.1 mc, ERP - 125 w, Trans. Output - 46.82 w, Antenna - 187' above average terrain.

On July 3, Lafayette College, Easton, Pa., applied for CP for new noncommercial educational FM station to operate on 90.5 mc, 10 w.