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**RIGHTIST STATION
LOSES ITS LICENSE****WXUR, Near Philadelphia,
Failed on 'Fairness'****By CHRISTOPHER LYDON**

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WASHINGTON, July 2—Station WXUR in suburban Philadelphia, which has been in legal difficulty for four years because of its ardently right-wing political broadcasts, lost its license today by a unanimous order of the Federal Communications Commission.

The station, in the town of Media, Pa., is owned by the Faith Theological Seminary. Broadcasts by the Rev. Carl McIntire, the seminary's fundamentalist, politically conservative president, were a regular feature on WXUR's schedule.

Clergymen led the challenge to WXUR in 1966, charging that the station's programming was "highly racist, anti-Semitic, anti-Negro and anti-Roman Catholic."

The F.C.C. decision, overturning the recommendations of a hearing examiner, was based more narrowly on the finding that the station had failed to present contrasting views on controversial issues and had "ignored" the rule that people subjected to personal attack on the air must be notified and given a chance to reply.

WXUR was ordered to cease operation by midnight, Sept. 1. It has been operated for the seminary by Brandywine-Main Line Radio, Inc.

John H. Norris, president of the Brandywine Company, was also involved, as general manager of station WGCN in Red Lion, Pa., in a recent Supreme Court case that upheld the F.C.C.'s personal attack rules and underlined the responsibility of all stations to seek out and broadcast a wide spectrum of community opinions.

The F.C.C.'s ruling emphasized that broadcasters cannot delegate the responsibility for fairness to program producers or sponsors. Neither can stations rescue their licenses by upgrading their performance after challenges have been filed, the commission said.