

# In Memoriam

**G**eorge W. Bartlett, a former president of the Audio Engineering Society, died March 27, 1991, at the age of 71 in Winchester, Virginia. He had served the AES as its president in 1971, was a governor until 1974, and a life fellow.

George attended Brown University and graduated from the Massachusetts Radio Institute. During his early working career, he worked for the Federal Communications Commission. During World War II he was a radio operator in the merchant marine on the Murmansk run. After the war he worked in radio and television broadcasting in various major East Coast markets, before joining the National Association of Broadcasters' engineering department in 1961. He was appointed to the post of NAB's engineering vice president in 1965, where he remained until his retirement in 1981.

During his service at NAB, he organized many broadcast engineering conferences, organized and established standards pertinent to the broadcast in-

dustry, and published the NAB *Engineering Handbook*. He was an official U.S. delegate to the World Frequency Allocation Conferences in Geneva. A director of the Veteran Wireless Operators

Association and its Marconi Gold Medal recipient, he was a senior member of the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers, a fellow of the Society of Motion Picture and Television Engineers and a life-long radio amateur, W1MMM.

George was born in New Bedford, Massachusetts, and spoke with a New England waterfront accent throughout his life. My earliest contact with him was during the years in which he directed the standards activities of NAB; he was affable, upbeat, and always able to find solutions to con-

flicting views. The last time I saw George was a chance meeting at an NAB convention. He had long before retired but still had an abiding interest in the broadcasting industry. His enthusiasm will be missed.

John J. Bubbers



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