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Scott Carpenter is vacationing this week from his top-rated afternoon deejay slot at WPGC-AM/FM, but has been keeping very late hours: He's been substituting all week for the also-vacationing Larry King on King's national overnight Mutual talk show heard here on WTOP-AM.

Moreover, the top-40 deejay, who did some talk radio in Toronto several years ago, might even turn the sitting-in duties into an extra day in the work week. There's talk at Mutual of a late-night Saturday call-in show to replace the King reruns now airing on Saturdays. It would reportedly be aimed at a younger audience.

Carpenter's Wednesday night show with consumer adviser David Horowitz, National Organization for the Reform of Marijuana Laws counsel Peter Meyers and singer James Brown (the first guest, incidentally, that the show has ever paid to appear) was said to be a pilot for the possible Saturday show.

Mutual Executive Vice President/Administration Martin Rubenstein says the program is "a possibility" the network is "considering." And WPGC program director Scott Shannon (who'll be one of Carpenter's guests tonight, in fact, with WPGC morning personality Jim Elliot) says the station doesn't feel Carpenter's Mutual talk-show audience has much in common with his WPGC audience, and foresees no problems.