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Westport's Modern Minute Man

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Mr. Ernest R. Cooper, Editor  
National Radio Club  
438 East 21st Street  
Brooklyn 26, N. Y.

Dear Mr. Cooper:

Thanks for your report on our transmission, Thursday, 2-12-59. You are quite correct. The voice was that of the man on duty, Mr. de Laurentis, who is preparing to put up a station of his own in Hamden, Connecticut, soon. As reported, he made announcements at 1 and 2 PM, as well as others.

Your communications receiver is one I have long admired--the HQ-129X. The Grundig, I don't know about. Undoubtedly it also is a fine instrument. Since your antenna is NE-SW, I should imagine it would be partial to NW and SE signals, those being the broad, flat sides. No matter, I admire you for having such a long antenna. It seems everybody has forgotten that the first requirement for good reception is a top-notch antenna installation. And an antenna of over 100' will certainly cut down on night-time fading.

As you must know, we are now on with program and have been since April 7th. Our directional pattern is weakest on the West and has nulls at 245° and 284°. The last one is to protect the Beacon, N. Y. station when it gets on the air.

Our schedule is from 6 AM to local sunset throughout the week and throughout the year. This month, local sunset is 8PM EDT. Frequency checks are presently scheduled for the 3rd Monday of each month at 1:30 to 1:45 AM. We are not affiliated with any other station, although the manager, Mr. Norman Bernstein, has a brother Mr. Sydney Byrnes, who runs a station, WADS, in Ansonia, Conn.

Thanks again for your interest, and, Good DXing!

Yours very truly,

James M. Orre  
Chief Engineer