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Radio Station WAMD
Aberdeen, Maryland

Attention of the Chief Engineer

Good Morning!

This morning, I at last was able to log your station, WAMD, here in Brooklyn. I realized I would have this chance whenever the Orioles had a night game scheduled in Los Angeles, and this morning, I was fortunate enough to be able to catch your station. I do hope you will be so kind as to verify my reception of your station and here is what I heard:

Date: July 24, 1962

Frequency - 970 kc/s.

- 2:33 a.m., E.D.S.T. (as I tuned in) - Baseball game in progress, Baltimore at Los Angeles.
- 2:36:30 - Station break soon to come.
- 2:37:10 - Said, "This is the Baltimore Orioles' Baseball Network."
- 2:37:15 - Announcement, heard in part, "This is WAMD Radio ----- County, located in Aberdeen, Maryland."
- 2:49 - Singing commercial for National Bohemian Beer.
- 2:55:15 - Said, "This is WAMD Radio in Aberdeen, Maryland, where each weekday morning from 9:00 to 10:00 a.m. you can hear Don McNeill's Breakfast Club." The time, five minutes before three a.m."
- 2:59 - The game ended with Los Angeles winning in 14 innings, 6-5.
- 2:59:30 - Commercial message.
- 3:02:40 - Mentioned there would be a twilight-night double-header tomorrow night. The announcer's name was Jack Dunn.
- 3:03:15 - Singing commercial for National Beer.
- 3:04:30 - A.B.C. News fanfare heard.
- 3:05 - Advertisement for "Care."
- 3:05:45 - Mentioned Eastern Air Lines' strike.
- 3:09 - Said, "This is A.B.C. in ----, WAMD, in Aberdeen, Maryland."
- 3:10 - News about local storms in the East; said at least one death reported. Mentioned various counties, including Alleghany County, and the Eastern Shore.
- 3:11 - Mentioned someone found guilty of murder in the first degree.
- 3:11:15 - Mentioned an accident, and Memorial Hospital.
- 3:12:30 - Mentioned an all-star game in Chicago.
- 3:13 - "WAMD Radio in Aberdeen."
- 3:13:15 - Plug for the U.S. Army.
- 3:13:40 - Said local news headlines would follow in a moment.
- 3:14 - Advertisement for the Blind.

WAMD was coming in here on top of WWSW, Pittsburgh, much of the time, but every once in a while they would get the upper hand. The receiver is a Hammarlund HQ-129-X and the antenna is an indoor tuned loop, 144' long in all.

Please tell me what WAMD's regular on-the-air hours are, and if you have an early-morning frequency check or any regular test periods. Also, when did WAMD first go on the air, and when did you get full time? Might I please have a copy of your coverage map?

Thank you very much, sir, for your time and trouble, and return postage is enclosed for your convenience in replying. The very best of continued success to you and all the boys at WAMD!

-Yours DXingly -

VERIFIED
J. L. Allen, Mgr.
WAMD - Aberdeen, Md.

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