

WPXY

Jefferson Broadcasting Company

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PHONE 947

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

Dear Mr. Cooper:

This will acknowledge your reception report of WPXY on a DX program on Friday morning, November 20, 1953 from 3:30 to 4:30 AM EST.

We use a Collins 20-V 1000 watt transmitter, a 205' overall vertical antenna and General Radio monitoring equipment. Our studio console is a Gates.

The name Punxsutawney is derived, of course, from an Indian name. At one time there was a type of sand fly in these parts and the Indians called it a "punk fly." Believe it or not, that's the derivation. The population of Punxs'y is about 10,000 and we are located about 88 miles Northwest of Pittsburgh. WPXY went on the air on May 4, 1953 and we just switched from 1290 with 500 watts to 1300 with 1000 watts on Saturday, November 7, 1953. We are non-directional, daytime. Hours of course, are 7:00 AM to local Sunset, this month 4:45 PM. I'm sorry, but at the present time I have no coverage maps available as the new ones are being made up at the printers.

I hope the above answers your questions. And thanks for your fine reception report and for your interest in our station. By the way, before I forget it, one more thing about Punxs'y. This is the home of the World's Greatest Weather Prophet, The Groundhog. You'll notice on February 2, 1954 that we get coverage nationally because of Mr. Groundhog.

Cardially,

Richard W. Bower
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(General Manager)