



Greenville Broadcasting Corporation

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FULL TIME

1400 KILOCYCLES

August 21, 1948

Mr. Kermit Geary
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Walnutport, Penna.

Dear Sir:

Very pleased to receive your letter of August 16, 1948. In fact, if you will look at your log of previous stations I think that you will find one from me listed under Wirb, in Enterprise, Ala. Mr. Williams, Mr. Bruner and yours truly were employed with WIRB in construction and during the first three months of operation. Unfortunately, things didn't work out so well there because Mr. Williams left about one month after going on the air due to unfavorable working conditions. I should have left but as the saying goes women can do funny things. In other words, I had something to stay for. But this is probably boring you so I'll get down to things that should interest you more. I may be mistaken about you DXing WIRB but I am pretty sure that you wrote in for a confirmation and I may have overlooked answering it.

You are correct in your DXing Radio Station WGYV on the morning of August 16, 1948. Your log agrees with the station program log kept during our equipment test period. The station went on the air for equipment test August 10, 1948. At this time I would like to tell you some of the difficulties encountered. We had Mr. Claude Gray, Consulting Engineer to check our frequency the first night as we went on. We were only 143 cycles off frequency on Crystal #1 and 94 low on #2. Well, we didn't have a phone installed at that time and we had to go to town and call him from there. We tried to lower #1 and bring up #2 but no success. The next night we were 1300 cycles low on #1 and 905 low on #2. We gave the owners notice that we would not put the transmitter on the air again unless the telephone company supplied us with at least a temporary phone so that we could call Gray and work with more efficiency. Well, we got 6 citations from the FCC monitoring station in Powder Springs, Ga. They were waiting for us at 1:00 the first morning when we cut the carrier on. Those boys were on the ball. The trouble we found out later in the second night of equipment tests was in the crystals themselves. Number 1 was out of the slot in the chamber and was turned sideways and oscillating improperly and number #2 must have been damaged in shipment to the station because the top screw for varying the crystals