## THE BRITISH BROADCASTING CORPORATION

## Broadcasting House, London, W.1

TELEPHONE: LANGHAM 4468 TELEGRAMS AND CABLES : BROADCASTS, TELEX, LONDON

Reference: 02/OME/JS

10th January 1955

Mr. Kermit Geary, R.F.D. No.2, Walnutport, Pennsylvania, H.S.A.

Dear Sir,

Thank you for your letter of December 27th 1954 and for the enclosed International Reply Coupon.

The Third Programme of the BBC is radiated on 647 kc/s by a highpower transmitter (120 kw) at Daventry and by four low-power transmitters situated at Edinburgh, Glasgow, Newcastle and Redmoss. Between 2245-2330 GMT on December 25th this Service included a programme of Schubert's Music sung by Elisabeth Schwarzkopf and between 2220-2315 on December 26th the arrangement of the programmes was as follows:-

> 2220-2240 GMT St. Stephen's Sermon 2240-2315 GMT Schubert's Quartet in A minor

We think, therefore, that it was most likely our Third Programme that you heard on the evenings of 25th and 26th December.

As you know, during the periods of low solar activity in winter months, conditions are favourable for the long distance propagation of medium waves over darkness paths and we have had many letters reporting of such reception, mostly from places on the East coast of North America but also from countries as far away as India and New Zealand. Similarly, American medium wave transmissions are quite frequently audible here at catain times.

Yours faithfully,

Tl.

(J. Siller) for Senior Superintendent Engineer, External Broadcasting.