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December 5th 1943

Mr Kermit Geary.
Walnutport
Pennsylvania.

Dear Sir;

In reply to yours, of November 29th 1943. reference KTWP signals.

Was somewhat surprised to know our signals is carrying so far and so good.

Our transmitter is composite, Type X, Rated power 50 Watts
Emission A 3, frequency rating 1500 to 6000, tolerance .04

Antenna on top of two story building and is 72 feet from the
roof, perpendicular steel pipe.

We monitor five frequencies at all times.
1714 our frequency and too many others to mention.
1658 Texas State Police. stationed at Austin, Ft-Worth and Dallas
2450 Oklahoma State and part of Texas.
37100 Highland Park Dallas County
31500 University Park Dallas County.
The two high frequencies are crystal controlled receivers.
Have one Howard model 438 to monitor 1658
And two Sky Buddy, Hallicrafters for 1714 and 2450.

We communicate easily in a radius of 400 miles.
McKinney has a population near 10000. 10 Policemen, Chief and
three Radio Operators.

There has not been a burglary in McKinney over three years
except some Juvenile burglaries which is easily cleared up with
no damage at all. so you see Juvenile trouble and of course some
drunks to look after.

We think our squad cars and the radio is responsible for this
good record

We operate the Radio 24 hours in three shifts.

I am on duty this month from 11 P.M. to 7 A.M.

Mr John Sears, from 7 A.M. to 3 P.M.

Mr John Anderson, from 3 P.M. to 11 P.M.

Changing shifts each month.

Mr Sears was on duty reference the transmission you mention in
your letter.


This negro name is Allen Murray, Denton Texas. was apprehended
and charged with Robbery, Attempted Murder and Rape. Some charge.
and I think there is no doubt but he will get the chair in quick
order.

I cannot tell you how glad we were to receive your letter
and that KTWP can be read at such a distance.

Hoping to hear from you again in the future

I am

Yours very Truly,


D.M. Padgitt Chief Operator Police Radio KTWP
McKinney Texas.