

RADIO STATION

K G I W

1450 KC --- 250 WATTS

ALAMOSA, COLORADO

INTERMOUNTAIN NETWORK

TELEPHONE 26

MUTUAL BROADCASTING SYSTEM

Jan 22, 1959

Murray C. Mann
3702 South 17th
Omaha 8, Nebraska

Dear Mr. Mann:

Thank you for your reception report of K G I W on the morning of December 29th, 1958. We are pleased to confirm your report that it was correct.

K G I W will celebrate it's 30th anniversary on February 27th, 1959. The station is located at the East edge of Alamosa on the highway. Alamosa is located in the San Luis Valley, which is a high mountain valley, that is 75 miles wide and 125 miles long and completely surrounded by mountains. There are 7 peaks over 14,000 ft high in the surrounding range. We are using a 150 Ft. double tapered guyed tower, and a 250 A Gates transmitter. Our tower base is 7553 ft above sea level.

The San Luis Valley is primarily agriculture and livestock. Crops grown are all fast maturing items such as potatoes, lettuce, peas, cabbage etc. because we only have a 90 day growing season. The highest temperature ever recorded is 91° which makes for cool summers. The winters are even cooler, but really aren't to bad. Last night it went down to 31° below zero, but it of course was in the early morning and now it is 20 above. ^{at 10 AM} There is no wind and very little moisture in the air. Our total precipitation for last year was just under 5 inches but was a very dry year as we usually average about 7 inches.

Thank you again for your letter,

Sincerely,


Lloyd Allen, Mgr. & C.E.

"In the Heart of the San Luis Valley"