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Upon my arrival in Wichita Municipal Airport on January 18th, at 4,30 P.M. I was nicely received by Serjeant R.C Jones of Patrol Section. The following Monday morning (January 19th) I reported to the Police Department Headquarters where I met Chief Eugene Pond who introduced me to Captain Dewey, chief of Service Division and Communications Section. Then, Captain Dewey drove me right to the Police Radio Tower far about five miles from the Headquarters. Right over there, I was introduced to Lieutenant Duckwork, Chief of Station who received from Captain Dewey the task to take of me for everything mostly dealing with the field of Radio-Communications. I has spent most my day-time in the radio Tower studying and observing carefully step by step the various works done by a team of 12 men on duty. I concentrate all my interest on the ultra-rapid transmitting and receiving messages from the radio tower to the police-cars on the beat, the Headquarters and some others agencies. I was impressed by the modern technical materials operated by one dispatcher, one complaint clerk and one transmitter on radio-telegraphy on each detail. The radio-tower itself is not a big one but it is provided with modern equipments such as: transmitter-receiver, teletype, telephone, radio-telegraphy, dictaphone, microphone and small handie-talkies. I was interested also in Radio-technician laboratory pretty well equipped.

During my wonderful two weeks on-the-job-training in Wichita Police Department and under the direction of Lieut. Duckwork, I had opportunity to visit some interesting radio-stations both Police and Civil and service such as:

1/ the new 236-mile Turnpike (Super-Highway) across Kansas where I met Major Vincent. Over there also, I was impressed by the microwave VHF system used by the Police for maintenance communication systems.

2/ the High way State Patrol supervised by Captain Skelton. Right there also, I was invited to appear before a trooper-meeting to answer some questions relatively the organisation of my Department in Saigon etc.. I was done quite well with the congratulations of some Police officers and Lieut. Duckwork himself.

3/ Wichita Fire-Department (radio-communications)

4/ K.W.B. Civil Radio-Station

5/ K.A.B. Television Station

6/ EL DORADO Police Department where I met Chief of Police AL Pasquan. Right over there, after visiting the small Station of Radio-Communications installed in the Headquarters, I had opportunity to visit the County Court where I met the Judge and the County-Attorney attending a Court-Session. Right in

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El DORADO Police Department, I was admitted to become an active membership of the Associated Police Communication officers where a certificate was issued in my favor.

7/modern Wichita Police Academy

8/Prison farm.

After two very nice weeks in Wichita Police Department where a certificate of merit was issued to me by Chief L. Pond himself, I left Wichita Saturday January 31st and I arrived in Sacramento the same day at 5,30 p.m. The following Monday morning 2-2-1969, I reported to Professor W. Polson, Associate Dean of Sacramento State College who introduced me to Professor Allen Gammage, my major advisor. According to the program arranged by Professor Gammage, I have to attend 7 matters for studies such as: Criminal Investigation, Criminal Identification, psychology in Law Enforcement, Techniques of Photography, Police Administration, Public Administration and Traffic regulation and control. After one orientation and advising week, I began to attend the first course on Monday February 9.

Remarks and comments : You were right to assure me that Wichita has a very nice Police Department. I express my appreciation of the nice friendliness of the Police personnel I have met in Wichita Police Department.

I was impressed by the fact: a city as Wichita having more than 350,000 people, only 350 policemen successfully keep it quite and clean. Every man likes his job and is proud of his city. The public-relations over there are nice. The best example is given by Wichita Police Department by giving opportunity for each man to attend two years in University.

Comparatively with my own Police Department, the Wichita Police Radio-Communications could be taken as a good model to set-up. Each police vehicles should be well equipped with 3 ways radio-systems. It should be wonderful if most men in my Department could attend 2 years in High-school or University. Many new things are planning on developing mostly in the field of radio-communications. Really, in two weeks in Wichita, I have learnt a lot of very interesting things for my career, my Department and my homeland.

I give much credit to Colonel Snook and his Staff.

I also send my appreciation and thanks to my Sponsor, M. Thurston.

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