
Sherrill Explains Station X Control

Says Single Boss Picked for Efficiency

City Manager Sherrill admitted Saturday that Station X, police radio center, is under control of Charles S. Jones who has the title of communications superintendent, but he said this was done in the interest of efficiency and economy and did not mean the police and fire chiefs had no official association with the system.

"Formerly the Fire Department had its own communications system operated at an annual cost of \$45,000 under Mr. Jones," Col. Sherrill said. "The Police Department had its own communications system operated at a cost of about \$80,000, and there was no integration between the two."

"Now Mr. Jones supervises both systems which are integrated and which are being operated efficiently and satisfactorily."

Col. Sherrill likened the changed system to the U. S. Army's operations methods with which he is familiar from West Point and World War I days.

"The Army signal corps, for instance, serves all branches of the Army and no one would think of having it responsible to more than one man," Col. Sherrill explained. "The city's communications system is built now on this plan."
