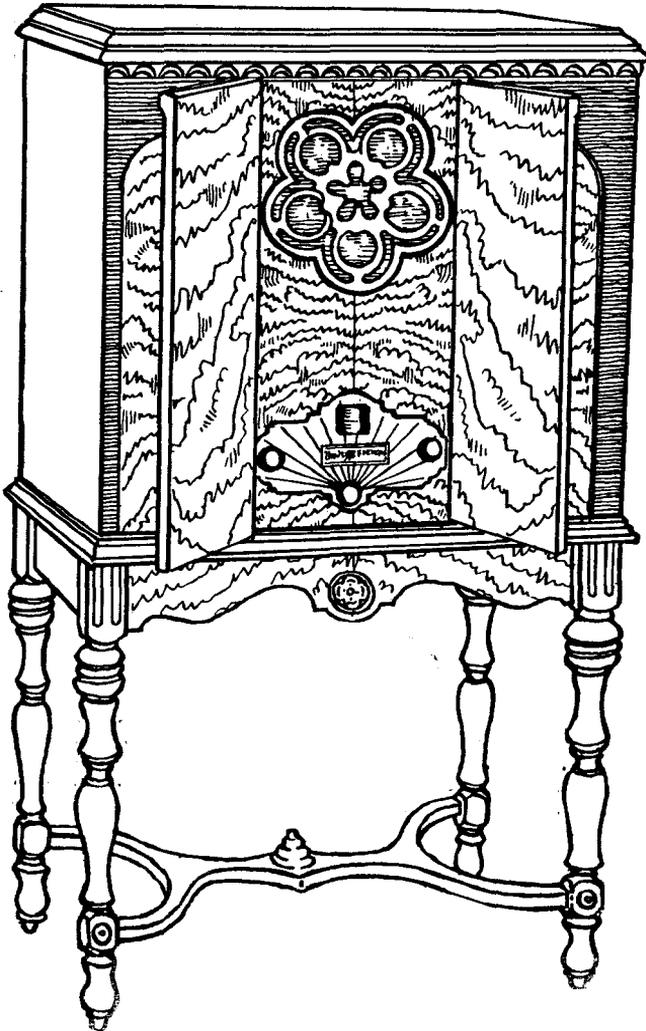




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April Meeting

DATE: April 9th

TIME: 10:00 AM

PLACE: BUENA VISTA CLUB HOUSE

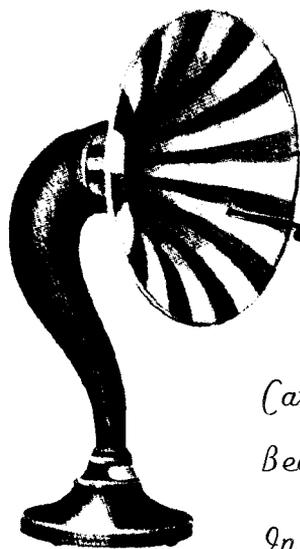
ADDRESS: 16th & Jackson Street
Oregon City, Oregon

The April Meeting will be attended by many members who will want to leave early so that they can get the illusive "good deal" at the Portland Autoswap. It plans to be an excellent day. Start it out right and come to the NVRs meeting first !

Our display will be radios with brand names starting with D,E, & F.

On the giveaway table will be popular ~~Electronics~~ from the 1950s and 1960s.
SCIENCE

You never know what will come to a meeting, if you don't !



ATMOSPHERICA

By J

Round-top Midget Blues

Cathedrals are a so-so set,
Taken as a group, 'twould seem.
Because for every one that's sound
Another's a Devil's dream!

In some the plywood glue's a mess,
Having given up the ghost.
Pieces of veneer are absent
In places where needed most.

The heat has made a glob of all
The "caps" the circuit needs,
Insulations cracked and bare on
The vital high-voltage leads!

The speaker cone may drag a bit,
Or have a vicious crack.
These things can all be remedied
If you have mastered the knack!

And then we have Jim Mason's kind,
A curious case at best,
Where the works became a home
For a high-class house mouse nest!

Old Tom's crying sour grapes---
I can hear some members snort,
But I know you've guessed by now
Cathedrals are not my forte!

** ** * ** * **

A Swifty or two---

"Turn out them Trirdynes!" said Powell crossly.

"I gave the old goat a five," said Joe, kiddingly

"I've a Blackstone, a Blue Seal, a Gra-
bar" said Alan, colorfully.



**You never know
what you'll find
at the
Spring Swap Meet**

**MAY 14
at 10:AM**

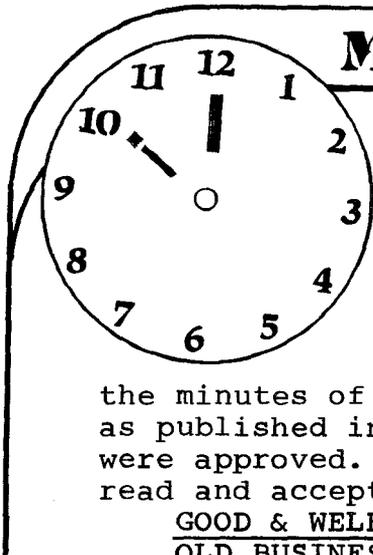
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L. JOHNSON J.C.C.

Meeting Minutes



The regular monthly Meeting of NWVRS was held at the Buena Vista Club House on Saturday, March 12, 1983, President Jerry Talbott presiding.

No corrections or additions were made to the minutes of the meeting of February 12 as published in the Call Letter, and they were approved. The Treasurer's report was read and accepted.

GOOD & WELFARE: Nothing to report.

OLD BUSINESS: Jerry Talbott requested all who wished Club jackets to sign up now. The cost is \$13.50, paid in advance, with a minimum order of 15 necessary.

Jerry Talbott reported that he has ordered a template for the Club name badges for \$25.00 and will have it at the April meeting. Don Copeland will take charge of having the badges made.

Larry Callahan reported that he had been in contact with the Oregon TV and Radio Licensing Board and has been informed that no license will be required to service electronic equipment made prior to 1957.

NEW BUSINESS: Jerry Talbott read a letter from the FCC offering the use of a film about tracing spies in WW II. The only cost would be nominal shipping charges. Jerry suggested using the film as entertainment, perhaps in conjunction with our annual picnic in August. Jerry Talbott moved and Jerry Kubik seconded that the club assume any shipping costs. The motion carried unanimously.

Jerry Talbott presented some

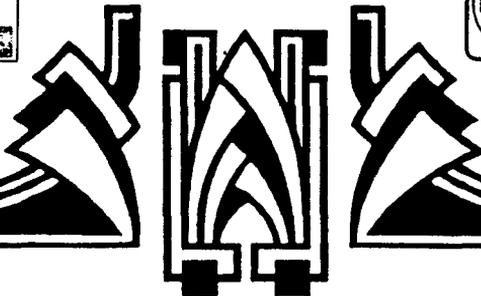
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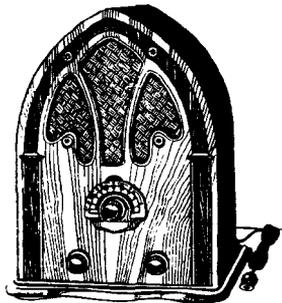
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Remembering . . .

- ... a baby born on August 31, 1903
- ... a young boy who ran away from home to work in a coal mine, bus tables in a restaurant, and drive truck.
- ... a young man who enlisted in the Navy in 1921
- ... a salesman who made his first "fortune" by selling cemetary lots.
- ... a man who was billed as the "warbling banjoist" on WFBR, Baltimore Maryland in 1929 and became a staff announcer on NBC in 1930.
- ... a man who "changed hats" and joined the Washington office of CBS in 1933.
- ... a man who, while covering the funeral of President Franklin D Roosevelt, wept during the broadcast.
- ... a man who boasted of making \$400,000 "before the average man started his office day".
- ... a man who built, lived on, and often broadcast remotely from his farm, an 800 acre estate in Virginia.
- ... a man who fought and won a battle with lung çancer in 1959, but lost his network T.V. show because of it.
- ... a man who broadcast his last farewell on April 30, 1972, and died in 1983.
- ... Arthur Godfrey

(Special thanks to John Dunning of Colorado for his Biographical information on Arthur Godfrey.)



Editorial



First let me say that I am in the process of reviewing about 100 previous editions of our Call Letter, and that there are many of you that have had this position before me who could be considered far better than I. Many of the editions which I have read have included some technical specifications which I can't even pronounce no less understand. And more than a few have been charter members who have made this society a memorable and happy place for all of us.

My question today is, does the Call Letter meet your needs?. If the current "editorial emphasis" is not up to your own standards, or if you don't get along with the way it's done, please let me know !

This question and your answers will be the subject in short articles under the heading of "grid leaks" in issues to come.

Address your input to

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Portland, Oregon
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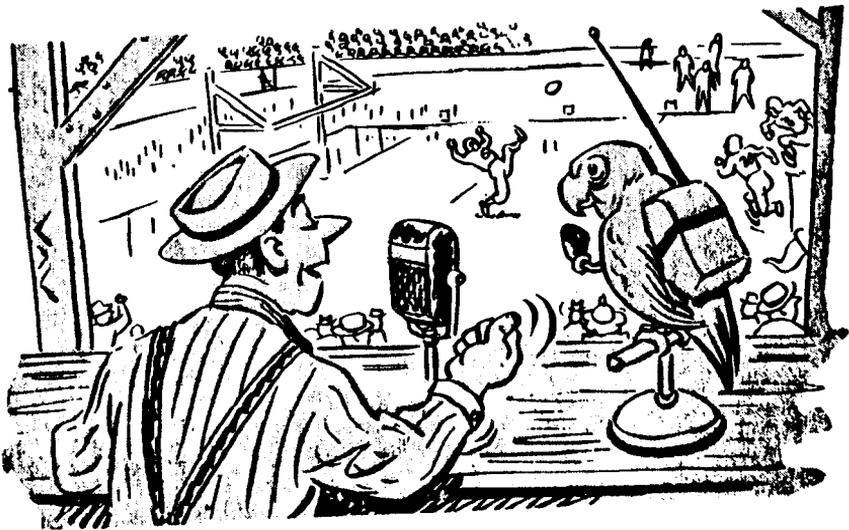


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"Stand by, folks, for a bird's-eye view"

Olé! by T.J.

Some Vintage, some Neo-vintage, and some Futurettes, but they still trickle in as witness below :

- Bob Campbell, Hillsboro, Or. : S-37 hallicrafter case; JM commercial receiver; Nice RME pre-selector, Mod. 70--1938. Great for early comm. type sets.
- Joe Tompkins, Salem, Or. : Paragon Kit Superhetrodyne w/6 tubes, Original cost-\$80. Joe says selectivity good and set in fine cond. Instructions said the wiring was complicated. Salem source.
- Jerry Talbott, Hillsboro, Or. : 1928 American Bosch, an early wood case AC job; 1946 Philco # 46-1201 radio/phono combo in a table model, the so called "Record Eater" model. (I have one of these and it performs remarkably well for such simple mechanics) Jewel # 502-A, 1946 table set with unusual color scheme.
- Joe Warburton, Brownsville, TX : Radiola III , Very good condition/ works ; WD-11 somewhat weak ; General Radio 247-E, very good condition, enclosed works and vernier dial.
- Dick Howard, Portland, OR. : Society of Wireless Pioneers Yearbook. Sounds like the best "book of the month" among our group .
- Tom James, Portland, OR. : Crosley Tombstone, 1935 model #555, required extensive cabinet and circuit repair--results generally good.; Crosley Tombstone 1935 model # 665, required as much internal rejuvenation as the above one, but is a tad better circuitwise; Silvertone large table set, too wide to be called a tombstone, 8 tubes , and appears that this one might be a worthy restorable.

That's all folks ----

Swap Shop

- WANTED: Cabinet for Majestic Charlie McCarthy
Radio (I've got the castiron Charlie)
John Keene, Bellingham, WA 734-2888
- WANTED: Zenith Wood Knobs
Art Corbus, Seattle, WA 783-6151
- WANTED: 117 VAC Isolation Transformer
Power Supply for Sparton 4900 T.V.
Atwater Kent Tombstone radio
Magnifier for Pilot 3" Television
FADA 1000 series radios
Emerson AU-190 or BT-45
Radios with colored celluloid cabinets
Ken Korhonen, Seattle, WA 932-9363
- WANTED: Black Dial Zenith Radios
Lee Williams, Seattle, WA 481-9415
- WANTED: Pre-1930s Radio Magazines especially
QSTs
Joe Sabo, Bothell, Washington 481-5404
- WANTED: Loop antenna for Radiola 24
Two Kellog Tubes
Jim Barrows, Seattle, WA 337-4880
- WANTED: Small Cathedral Cabinet, any make
'01 brass based tube (1 amp)
Steve VonTalge, Seattle, Wa 633-0070
- WANTED: Sundry Parts for a WASP (not super wasp)
Dave Brodie, 315 Cotton St.
Menlo Park, CA 94026

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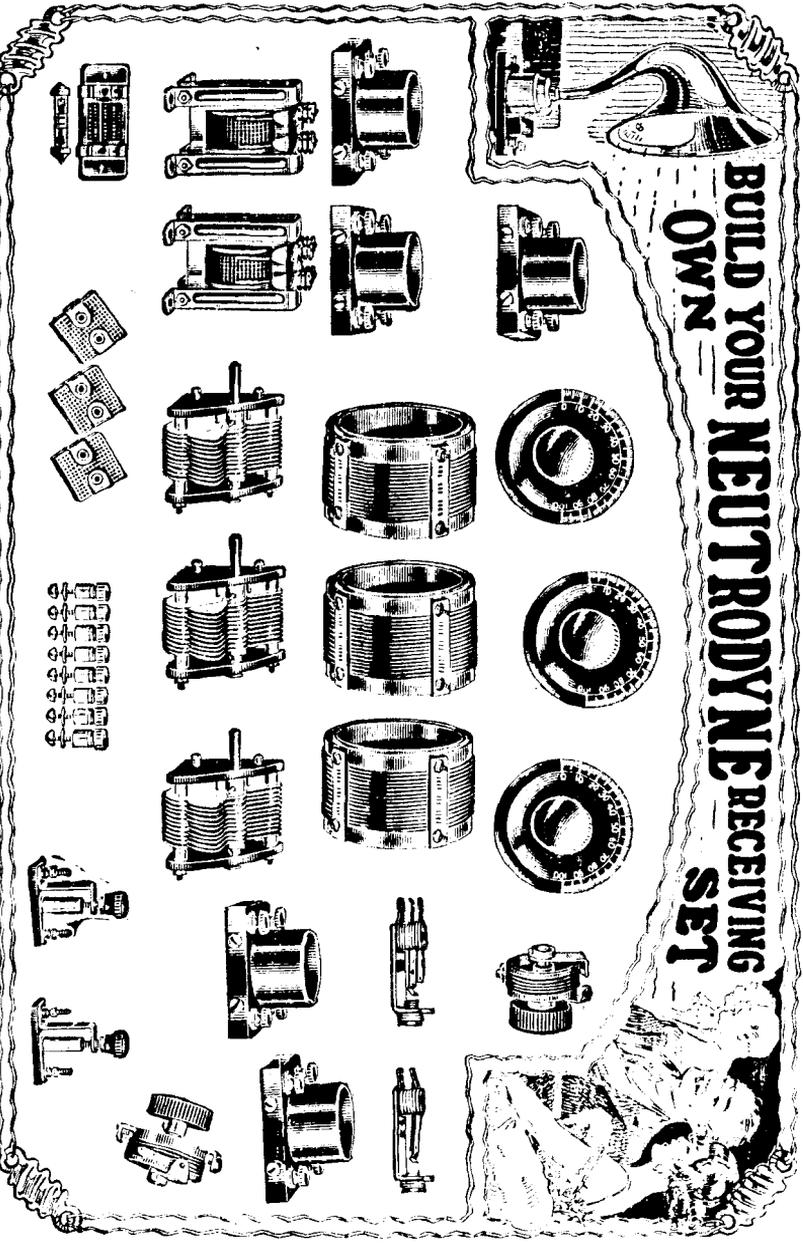
WANTED: Rider's Volumes 1 through 5 or
 Volume one through five condensed.

Wally Kelly 928-9744 (Albany OR)

WANTED: Band switch Knob and Band Spread Knob
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