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SOCIETY  
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Courtesy of Jerry Talbott

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From the Bill Hayes Collection

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The Northwest Vintage Radio Society is a non-profit organization incorporated in the State of Oregon. Meetings are held on the second Saturday of each month at the Buena Vista Clubhouse in Oregon City (see page 3).

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# OCTOBER

DATE : October 13th, 1984  
TIME : 10:00 AM  
PLACE : Buena Vista Clubhouse  
ADDRESS : 16th & Jackson streets  
Oregon City, Oregon

The business meeting will begin at 10:00 am. Special attention will be given to those guests visiting from other clubs. Invitations have been extended to the members of the Puget Sound Antique Radio Association and the California Historical Radio Society. We hope that they can join us.

At the business meeting guests and members will be invited to register for the tours of collections. (Members wishing to open their homes and/or collections are asked to contact Jerry Talbott or Dick Karman.)

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**RADIO**

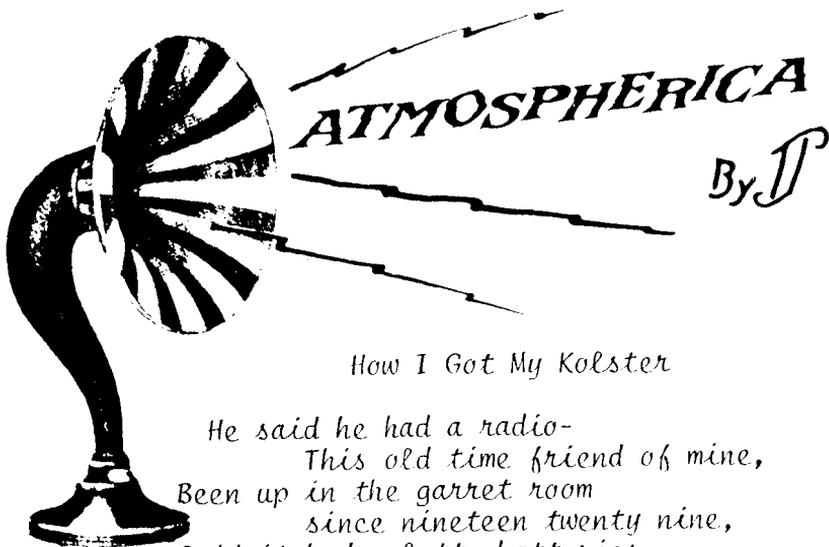
**SWAP**

**MEET**

**SATURDAY**

**OCTOBER 13**

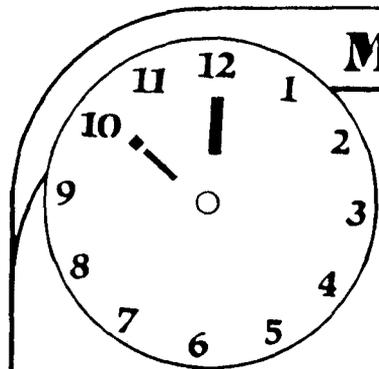
**10:30 to 1:30**



### How I Got My Kolster

He said he had a radio-  
This old time friend of mine,  
Been up in the garret room  
since nineteen twenty nine,  
Said it had a lotta batteries,  
Costs a pile to operate,  
'Got an "All-Electric" so's  
he could bear the freight.  
Well I played it cozy,  
didn't seem so eager, so-  
I could get a bargain buy  
on this old time radio.  
I said I had some tubes and parts,  
Twould be a bit of fun,  
To take this quaint old Kolster,  
and make the damned thing run!  
"Waal..." he hadn't talked about it much,  
(or so he told me then).  
Except to all the Baker boys,  
Bill, and Bern, and Ben,  
Whose interest lay in old antiques.  
They offered a hundred & ten,  
To buy that radio derelict (plus a bedstead),  
There and then !  
Well he turned them down,  
He said, because he thought,  
That that old junky cluttered room  
Might be worth a lot.  
Now I'm out three hundred clams  
to this shylock up the road.  
Say does anyone need a bedstead,  
or a shiny bright commode??

# Meeting Minutes



The September 8th meeting was called to order at 10:05 a.m. by President Jerry Talbott. The minutes of the August meeting were

approved as published in the CALL LETTER. As the treasurer was unable to attend, no treasurer's report was given.

Dorothy James thanked the Club for the Honorary Life Membership extended to her at the last meeting.

## GOOD AND WELFARE:

George Rudolph was reported to be home after another stay in the hospital.

## OLD BUSINESS:

After discussing the pros and cons of the Old Country Kitchen and Rose's East Side restaurants, the membership voted to hold the 10th anniversary dinner at the Old Country Kitchen. A minimum attendance of twenty is required to avoid a penalty.

## NEW BUSINESS:

At the board of Director's meeting, Frank Plaisted volunteered and was appointed to complete the term as Vice President left vacant by the death of Tom James.

Jim Mason, Secretary

If your wife is  
having trouble  
with the "hobby  
room" ---



It's Time for a trip  
to the Fall Swap Meet !

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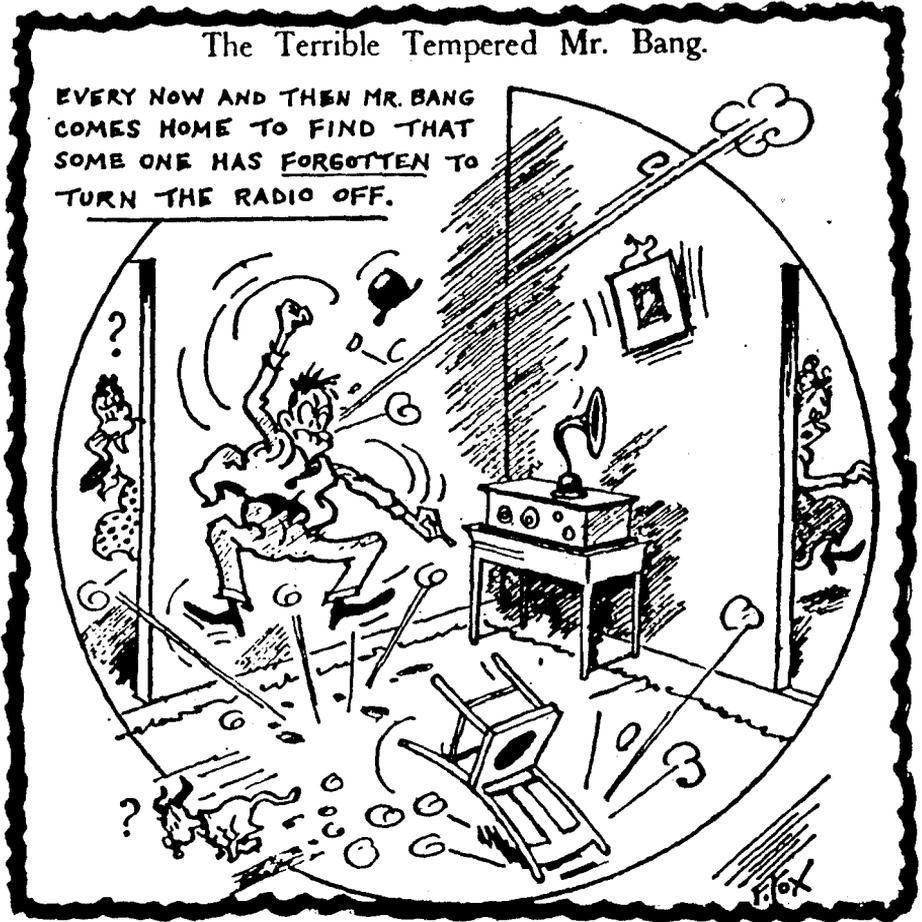
1. acquisition of additional property
2. to record in order of acquisition

Dick Karman	Philco Cathedral Jackson Bell Midget 2 empty cabinets
Dan Wills	1948 RCA Projection T.V. 1948 Sparton Mirror-in-the-lid television 1949 Crosley 7" T.V.
Andy Bell	Arborphone A.C. Set
Dick Howard	Wireless Specialties Crystal Detector Rola "donut" Speaker Russian crystals and misc. hardware.
Dan Howard	Beaver Mod. 501 Airline Mod 25GSL Zenith Portable Detrola Philco Mod. 54-9294 Firestone Airchief Diplomat
Jerry Talbott	Canadian Independent Tel.Co. Honey-comb coil 3 tuber 1935 Westone Table set 1942 Packard Bell 8 tube set

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Every month, use this page to show off your most recent acquisitions. Place them in the pass-around notebook at each meeting, call Bob Teague (653-0077) or get word to your Editor.

## The Terrible Tempered Mr. Bang.

EVERY NOW AND THEN MR. BANG  
COMES HOME TO FIND THAT  
SOME ONE HAS FORGOTTEN TO  
TURN THE RADIO OFF.



This cartoon drawn by the late Fontaine Fox of Toonerville trolley fame appeared in the June 1975 Northwest Vintage Radio Society Newsletter.

As misunderstood in 1975 as it is today, many wonder why Mr. Bang gets so upset about leaving a radio turned on .... some people !

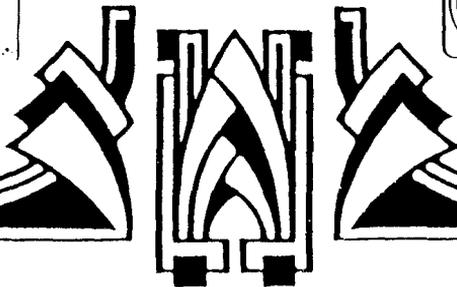
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FOR SALE:

Radiola 66, Works and looks good. \$125.00 Steve Carter, address above.

Magazines, 1920's Popular Science (large format), Science and Invention, Everyday Engineering, Radio Craft and associated magazines (1940's and 50's). Books on electricity, wireless telegraphy, radio. Send a twenty cent stamp for complete list. Harry Goldman RD3 Box 181, Glenn Falls, NY 12801.

Plastic Radios: four for \$20.00. Norman S. Braithwaite, 206-782-4864 or 206-453-9039 (work).

Several Radios including a 1936 Magestic console and a Sparton portable. Louela Andrews, 206-323-8106.

# Swap Shop

## FOR SALE:

Twenty old radios, wood, plastic,  
battery sets.

Bob Hay 503-659-8566

Philco 84B  
General Electric Slantfront table set  
Jackson-Bell Cathedral

Dick Karman  
2515 NE 37th 503-288-1285  
Portland, Or  
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## WANTED:

Nameplate and socket for IP 501 A  
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Dick Howard, K7DVK  
9999 SE Frenchacre Dr.  
Portland, Or 97266 503-775-6697

Early small screen television sets  
Early t.v. parts, and literature  
Dan Wills  
2074 SW 16th Ct.  
Gresham, Or 97030 503-667-9454

Hammarlund HQ-200 general coverage  
reciever circa 1969.  
Frank Plaisted  
Rt.3 Bx 478,  
Hillsboro, Or 503-647-2891  
97123

All this and much more will be on  
display at the OCTOBER SWAP MEET.

## BANQUET PLANS

There's a great guest list to look forward to at the anniversary banquet. There will be at least 25 of our members and their wives, and several invited guests from Marconi's Cronies, the Puget Sound Antique Radio Association and elsewhere.

Your Editor has been volunteered to act as master of ceremonies. Also he's researching several interesting pieces of the club's past. The ceremonies will be anything but dull.

"On the side" there will be a table of CALL LETTERS, ala carte, free to be browsed (or used to verify some of the speakers statements); an appetizer of radio advertising (as seen at the club house in 1983) and atmosphere provided by tapes of radio shows of the "Golden Age".

Lastly but not leastly (?) there is scheduled a slide presentation showing the radios on display in the Whatcom Museum of History and Art, the Foothills Radio Museum and the Georgia Pacific Historical Museum (and perhaps the AWA museum - anyone have some slides?? ).

With the addition of some good company good food and door prizes, the night will be an evening of fun.

Remember, friends, family, and rival collectors are all welcome- the more the merrier. If you haven't made your reservations, call Dick Karman at 288-1285.

The Museum of Broadcasting was founded in 1975 by William S. Paley, Chairman of CBS Inc., to collect, preserve, interpret and exhibit radio and television programs. Professional broadcasters, students, scholars and the general public take advantage of the museum's collections which are in cassette form and number approximately 10,000 radio and 7,000 television programs. The subjects of recent exhibits held in the museum theater have included retrospectives of the television shows of "Sid Caesar: Master of Comedy", "Toscanini : The Television Concerts", and the broadcasts of the BBC external Services. The Museum also presents seminars and lectures which have included two seminars on comedy given by Steve Allen. The Museum of Broadcasting is located at 1 East 53rd Street New York, New York 10022, and is open Tuesday through Saturday, 12 noon to 5 p.m..

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# NORTHWEST VINTAGE RADIO SOCIETY

The Northwest Vintage Radio Society extends this application for membership to all persons interested in the hobby of collecting, and/or restoring radio sets and equipment for the "vintage years". Dues are paid once a year (January). A membership is \$12.50 per year. Associate memberships are available for persons outside the Portland Metropolitan area. For more information inquire in writing.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

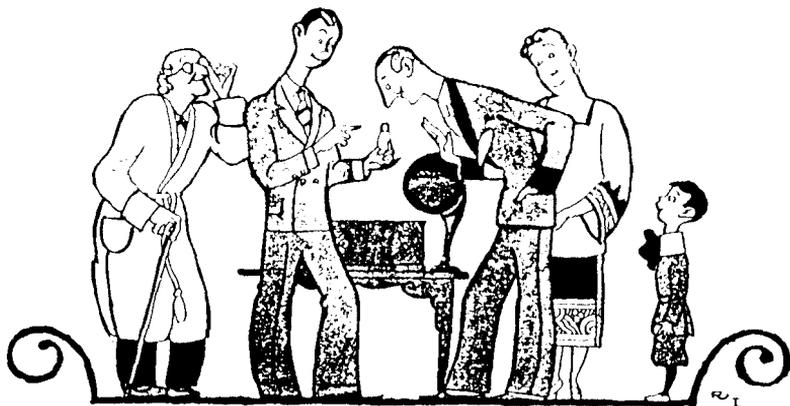
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