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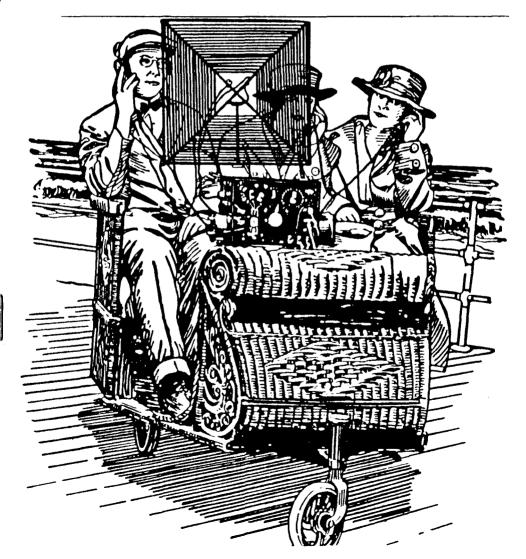


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The Northwest Vintage Radio Society is a nonprofit organization incorporated in the State of Oregon. Meetings are held on the second Saturday of each month at the Buena Vista Clubhouse in Oregon City (see page 3).

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March

DATE: March 9th, 1985

TIME : 10:00 AM

PLACE: Buena Vista Clubhouse ADDRESS: 16th & Jackson streets

Oregon City, Oregon

Come and hear the report on the Salem display. Jerry and Chuck did a fine job of getting things organized and everyone who went, found something to bring home.

Also, check out and discuss the plans for this year's Forest Grove show. Maybe a personal display area interests you. (for details see page 10)

The March meeting will be the last chance to get organized for the Seattle Invitaitional Swap Meet (information on page 8).

This meeting's agenda:

Welcomes and introductions Good and welfare: Old Business:

Business:

Committee reports:
Swap meet committee
Salem Display report
Membership reminder

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New Business:

Future Meeting Attendance



Old Number One

It was a Morton Salt Box, wound with number twenty, Tuned with a triple 0-3-5 with feedback, fedback plenty.

It had a 3 meg "leak" resistor, across a triple 0-2-5,
Into the grid of a one 99,
to get the headphone drive.

A couple of "hot shot cells", scrounged from an engine sour; A Sears Radio "B" Battery, supplied fire power,

Connections soldered to the tube,
No socket was at hand,
A hundred, ten foot ariel wire,
was strictly second hand.

90, YES, 90 stations, were logged on this home-brew junk reciever, Costing 6 dollars & forty cents, it made dad a believer.

I've had a hundred radios since, But none 'eer gave the pleasure, Of this "Blooper-Number One", My first born radio treasure.

(from the Tom James Collection, originally from July 1975)

RADIO QUIZ TIME

What year:

Did Vaughn de Leath become the

1st lady of Radio?

Did the A & P Gypsies first go
on the air?

Was the Republican National
Convention heard over radio?

Were Amos and Andy first heard?

Did Stoopnagle and Bud first
air their screwball comedy?

Did the War department order DJs
to stop playing listeners
requests?

In What Show:

Did Agnes Morehead overhear a telephone plot to kill someone and could not persuade others that it happened?

Was Steve Wilson the tough dedicated newspaper editor?

Was old Nancy (& her cat Satan) narator in the 1930s?

Did Clark Gabel & Marlene Dietrich star being the first hollywood based Production on June 1st, 1936 ?

(Answers next month. . .)

Meeting Minutes 10 11 2 9 0 3 The Februar 9th meeting wa

The February 9th meeting was called to order at 10:00 am by President Dick

Karman. Minutes of the January meeting were approved as published in the CALL LETTER. The Treasurer's report was given and accepted. The current balance is \$497.29. The monthly rent for use of the Club House has been increased from \$5.00 a month to \$10.00 affective January 1st.

GOOD & WELFARE

A donation of \$25.00 to the Salvation Army Food Bank in memory of Joe Tompkins was authorized.

OLD BUSINESS

A possible means of meeting rising costs by establishing additional membership categories, i.e.: sustaining, lifetime, patron, etc. was suggested. This would enable members to get recognition for making additional financial contributions.

Dick Karman and Ed Charman urged members who have not yet paid their 1985 dues to do so promptly. The March issue of the CALL LETTER will be the last one sent to those who have not renewed.

The SWAP MEET committee distributed flyers for the April Swap Meet.

Members planning to participate in the club display at the Salem Flea Market, February 17th, were asked to prepare a list of their display items for Jerry Talbott. It was noted: those planning to display in Salem should plan to remain throughout most of the day.

Jerry Talbott and Jim Mason volunteered to act as contacts and coordinators for the Seattle AWA/PSARA meet March 17th.

Concerning the proposed merger of the West Coast Radio Club Newsletters, it was felt that the Puget Sound Club editor is in favor, but no decision has been reached from either of the other clubs. Dick Karman estimates that costs for the combined newsletter would be \$8.50 per member per month.

Three responses have been received to requests for historical radio material. Philco, RCA, and Zenith sent booklets and reprints.

The Club auction will be held in June. Subsequent dates to be set later.

NEW BUSINESS

The next club contest will be scheduled for September. A committee will be designated to formulate procedures for conducting the contest.

The President recommended that the Board of Directors should present to the membership for consideration changes in the By-Laws to the constitution to authorize raising club dues, newsletters consolidation, and any other changes deemed appropriate.

Leads and Needs were given, and the meeting adjourned at 10:50 am.

FIFTY YEARS AGO (1935):

Monopoly was released by Parker Bros. U.S. Social Security System was founded Alcoholics Anonymous opened it's doors. Hitler Renounced the Versailles Treaty. Amelia Earhart made her Trans-Pacific solo flight.

THE ANTIQUE WIRELESS ASSOCIATION AND THE PUGET SOUND ANTIQUE RADIO ASSOCIATION'S NORTHWEST INVITAIONAL SWAP MEET AND AUCTION

The following has been provided for our information by the Puget Sound Antique Radio Association:

SCHEDULE FOR 3/17/85 MEETING:

11:00	AM	Doors	open;	set-	-up	begins.
		Auction	items	will	be	accepted.

12:30 PM Deadline for auction items to be delivered.

1:00 PM Swap meet begins in the parking lot. A display of old radio items manufactured in Seattle will be open. The silent auction will be held. Oral auction items will be available for previewing.

2:00 PM A slide presentation, courtesy of A.W.A., will be shown (subject to be announced). Silent Auction closes.

3:00 PM Oral Auction begins, and will run until all items have been auctioned.

The following rules have been set for the auction:

- 1. Both a silent auction and an oral auction will be held. (in a silent auction, people mark their bids on a bid sheet; one sheet is available for each item. The highest bid at the close of the auction is the winning bid.)
- 2. People bringing items to be auctioned may enter their items in either the silent or oral auctions. A minimum bid may be specified.
- 3. A 5 percent commission will be charged against the selling price of each item sold, and proceeds will go to the club treasury.
- 4. It is asked that parts and other small items be grouped into lots and be supplied in boxes; i.e., tubes should be auctioned in lots, not individually (except if valuable or rare).
- 5. Persons desiring to donate items to the club may do so, with full proceeds to go to the club treasury. Items that have been donated to the club in the past year, which will not go into the museum, will be auctioned.

Special Feature

As one who is interested in getting radios out into the public view, your editor is always looking for new ideas on how to do it. Forest Grove has been established as an excellent opportunity to show radios as well as our society.

As a method of displaying radios this year, it is been suggested that each one who wishes to display at Forest Grove set up his own display, using his own sets, "props", literature, etc.

Your Editor has seen this type of display at the Western Washington State Fair and found that it can be anything from one radio, and all of the necessary accesorries, to 10 sets all of the same brand. There is obviously lots of room in between. It would be your personal collection on display just as much as it is the Northwest Vintage Radio Society.

There are no limits or regulations. If your display lacks a given piece, ask to borrow one from a friend. That way you can borrow it and be responsible for it and it can enhance your display.

There can be so very much variety, yet the display can all be centered around the hobby we all enjoy.

The March meeting will be the first time to discuss the Forest Grove show this year. Let's have a good turn out and hear what you think.

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

John Tuerck-

Tom Thumb camera radio, 4 tube battery set from 1948, manufactured by Automatic Radio Mfg., Boston Massachusetts.

Jim Mason-

Pre-WWII illuminated advertising clock for PHILCO.

Sonny Clutter-RCA "Cruiser" ship radio.

Jerry Talbott-

l Kilowatt Spark Gap Unit manufactured by Signal Electric Co.

1930 test equipment: Weston VOM, tube tester, radio analyzer, and capacitor analyzer.

ACCESSION is for the membership to "exhibit" their newest finds. Get word of your most recent acquisitions to Robert Teague 653-0077, or to your Editor.





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Vintage Radio Swap

FOR SALE:

1948 CROSLEY 7" TV- \$75
OR trade for Crosley 51 Radio
OR trade for Farnsworth or Dumont TV
PEERLESS Cathedral Speaker \$55
LOOP antenna wire (new) 15 cent a ft.
Old Fashioned AC Plugs 50 cents each
***Jerry Talbott 503-627-1675 wk 6-2:30
503-649-6717 home

FRESHMAN Earl console fixer upper \$10 ***Dick Karman 503-288-1285 M,W &F

FOR TRADE:

ABBOTTWARE "Horse" radios, several models.

***C.E. Sonny Clutter 503-254-9296

WANTED:

Cabinet for MIDWEST Model s-16 with 14.5 inch speaker (PLEASE)....
***John Tuerck 503-292-3607

ON/OFF Tone knob for Halicrafter s-40 ***Dick Karman 503-288-1285

7" Sylvania Scope Model 132
National model 183 with speaker
***Jerry Talbott 503-627-1675 wk
503-649-6717 home

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The Northwest Vintage Radio Society/Call Letter is not responsible for the quality or availability of items advertised in the SWAP SHOP.

TRADIO

Crosley parts for sale. Joe Schwarz, 547-6323.

Wanted: Military radios and accessories, European table radios, simple kit radios (Knight etc.). Hugh Miller, 365-3684.

Wanted: Driver for RCA UZ-1325 horn speaker, or other RCA speaker of that era. For Sale or Trade: parts for RCA AR-812 Superhetrodyne. John Schneider, 525-6974.

For Sale: 2-meter Walkie Talkie, new unused. YAESU model FT209, \$250. Eric Lofquist, 546-2675.

Trade: Collins R-390A/URR receiver, Grebe Syncrophase MU-1, Seeburg "Symphonola" juke box 1939, mid 30s RCA transmitter (big), Heathkit SB101 amateur receiver. Want: Early - mid 20s fancy big name or unusual battery sets (unrestored), WWII and prior European radios, tubes, and literature. M. A. Kaplan, 1-851-4187 (Gig Harbor).

Wanted: Tube manual "Radio Vada Mecum" (or "Worlds Radio Tubes"), published by P.H. Brans and sold in the U.S.A. from 1945 to 1948. Max A. Kaplan, 1-851-4187.

Wanted: 7"x21" faceplate slant front cabinet (from Anderson house), tuning control knob for Colin B Kennedy model XXX type 435, large tuning control knob for Colin B Kennedy model XV type 430, filament control knob and volume control knob for Thompson V-58, wooden top piece for Philco model 51

clock radio, cabinet for Federal type D battery set, two audio transformers for Deforest MI-200, binocular coil cover for Grebe MU-1, one 1U6 envelope tube, and an escutcheon for a Philco 90 cathedral. Lee Williams, 22026 3rd Pl. West, Bothell, Wa. 98021.

Wanted: Pilot 3" magnifier, 2nd I.f. (175kc) for Majestic 461, Wireless equipment by DeForest, Marconi, Siemens, Telefunken, and United Wireless, colored plastic and mirrored glass radios, Sparton 1466 console radio, Radiola IV, prewar T.V. sets, Sparton 4900TV or power supply chassis for same (ca. 1949 mirror in the lid set), Radio Retailing, Radio and Television Retailing, and other trade publications 1930 to 1950, Variac. Ken Korhonen, (206) 932-9363.

Wanted: 45 RPM records. Clean out your closets, I'll take them all and happily pay next to nothing. Also, 33, 78, 16 RPM and others. Bring a box to the February meeting. Mike Baute, 524-5111.

Wanted: Crosley Musicone, 12" or smaller. Steve Carter, 833-3720.

For Sale or Trade: federal 61 (incomplete); Atwater Kent 60 with speaker; Arcturus 124A and 127, other brands 201A and 301A tubes \$5.00 each; new wood and plastic Emerson radio cabinets for the late 40s and early 50s models \$1.00 to \$6.00.

Wanted: Early transistor portable radios made in U.S.A., good condition only; Solar model CE capacitor checker; Remier "Scotty" radios.

Norman S. Braithwaite, 782-4864 (home), 453-9039 (work).

NORTHWEST VINTAGE RADIO SOCIETY

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