

NORTHWEST VINTAGE RADIO SOCIETY - MONTHLY NEWSLETTER # 8 - July, 31, 1975
 Printed each month to keep our members up to date on the happenings of old
 radio and its' history, and the progress of our club. Written and edited by
 Bob Bilbie. All material to be submitted should be sent in by the 25th of the
 month, which is deadline.

The Board of Directors recently held a meeting to discuss among other things
 the situation at the Tualatin location. Any of you who attended the swap meet &
 picnic were quick to realize that things did not go too smoothly. First of all the
 clubhouse was not opened, and rest room facilities, especially for the ladies in
 attendance, was very inconvenient, to say the least. Furthermore, the "clubhouse" lacks
 in size for the nearly 50 members we now have, so after taking everything into con-
 sideration, the Board has decided to go back to our old clubhouse in Oregon City. It
 seems fitting that this historic old city is indeed a fitting place in which our
 newly formed club can grow. We feel that moving around will only be detrimental to
 the progress of our society and the benefit of ALL THE MEMBERS! For those members
 who are not familiar with our old location, the address is Buena Vista Club, located
 at 16th & Jackson, in Oregon City, Oregon. This month's meeting will be held Saturday,
 August 9th, 1975 at 10 am as usual. Please attend if you can, for it should be a good
 get together. Thank you.

If anyone out there can help Maurice Leete please get in touch with him. He
 needs Circuit Diagrams or Instruction Sheets on the following old equipment:

SOLAR EXAM-ETER-no model number available and also
 McMURDO-SILVER VOMAX MODEL 900 TESTER

Maurice's phone number is 656-6487 and he would really
 appreciate hearing from anyone that can help him.

Jim Mason needs speakers and/or cabinets for PHILCO
 Models 70 and 89. Phone 644 2343.

These items are for sale by Woody Woodruff. Call Woody
 at 632 3181:

I936 Howard Table Radio Excellent condition \$30
 I935, 10 tube, RCA Tombstone, plays well, fine restored
 cabinet, \$40

I936 G.E. Tombstone TYPE, very nice, \$30

Airline Console, Good shape, \$20

All the above radios work very well!

Following is a copy of a letter we received from Mrs. Lansing, of Lansing Speak-
 er fame and we thought that you members would like to hear what she had to say:

San Diego, California

July 21st, 1975

Dear Mr. & Mrs. Bilbie and
 The Northwest Vintage Radio Society,

I am finally at home and have received the two newsletters and the very much
 appreciated Honorary Membership in your Society. My daughter is looking into getting
 a photograph of Jim (Jim Lansing, Senior) for you and I will do my best to write up a
 short history on our company. -Maybe my son in Portland could meet with you. He did
 indicate that he would be glad to give you any information he could.

I appreciate your efforts to get me a speaker, perhaps I should also try for a
 radio with one in it-

Do any of you know of the WESTERNER RADIO? Jim and Forrest Smith manufactured
 those for a time, probably around 1932 to 1935. I doubt that it was for long in those
 days. (The Great Depression)

Thank you so much for your efforts and thoughtfulness.

Sincerely,
 Glenna Lansing

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 Jerry Irwin has a RADIOLA Model 60 and matching speaker for sale at \$75. This has been carefully restored both cabinet and electronically. Call Jerry at 656-0430. He & Nina will be leaving on vacation next week, and we wish them a very pleasant trip. (Yellowstone is a good place to get some of those old chassis steam cleaned, Jerry!) Good luck, we'll see you when you get back, you lucky devil.

Plans are underway for our second BIG swap meet in October. This time other things will be allowed to be sold as well as radios in order to try to get some of these old goodies out of the attic and into our homes and collections. You will hear more of this at a later date.

Have any of you noticed how increasingly hard it is to find old radios in the past few months? Auctions now seem to be the best bet for collecting. O'Gallerie Auction in Oak Grove (Milw) is a good source, and here is an auctioneer you can understand, in pleasant, and entertaining surroundings. Try it for an enjoyable evening. Watch papers for time & type of auction. (You'll have to get there early to beat Andy Bell out of his weekly seat!)

Well as you all know, our newsletter would not be complete without our old friend club historian and poet sending in his latest literary offering. Once again we present Mr. Tom James' and.....

"Old Number One"

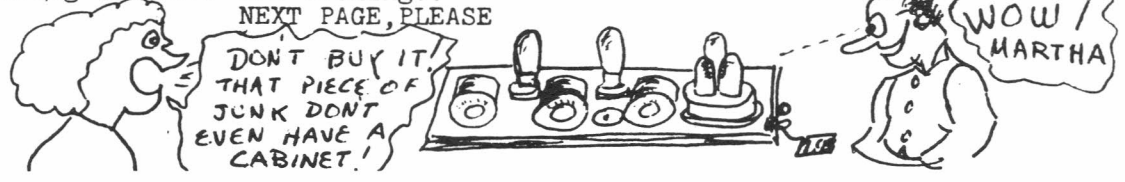
It was a Morton salt box, wound with number twenty,
 Tuned with a triple 0-3-5, with feedback fed back plenty
 It had a 3 meg "leak" resistor, across a triple 0-2-5,
 Into the grid of a one 9-9, to get the headphone drive,
 A couple of "hot-shot" cells, scrounged from an engine sour,
 A Sears Radio "B" supplied the fire power,
 Connections soldered to the tube, no socket was at hand,
 A hundred ten foot aerial wire was strictly second hand, Ninety, yes,
 Ninety stations then were logged on this home brew junk receiver
 Costing six 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!!
 Amen, Tom, our sentiments exactly!



 Remember all you folks out in "radio land" that if you have any equipment to sell or trade that your monthly newsletter is an excellent bit of free advertising. Lets all get it together and help make this little sheet so interesting that we all look forward to it each month! By the way your editor never did get the parts needed to complete the little Freshman Masterpiece, so in desperation he went out and got a whole damn radio, so there! Now parts are available for YOUR Freshman Masterpiece.....

When you hear of a majestic eagle, what comes to mind... a great and magnificent bird soaring over the lofty peaks of the west, right? WRONG! Bob Bilbie has a real Majestic Eagle, vintage late twenties, soaring over an old console radio. It is very rare and unusual because it was a dealers item used to advertise Majestic Radio Authorized Dealer. The eagle has a wing span of 3 feet and "majestically" sits atop a 1 foot Earth, resting nobly in a holder. Across the face of the globe are the letters spelling out M A J E S T I C in bright red. It is made of paper mache. No fellows, it is not for sale, but you all have visiting rights! You have to see it to believe it! Eat your hearts out!!

On the next page you will find a neat little puzzle submitted by Ron & Glenn Gonshorowski. (The Smith Bros.) Here is something to keep you busy after you have put away the soldering iron for the evening!!



(The answer to the following puzzle will be in next months newsletter)

WORD SEARCH PUZZLE

VINTAGE RADIOS

NAMES OF 30 DIFFERENT MAKES OF OLD RADIOS CAN BE FOUND IN THIS PUZZLE. NAMES CAN BE FOUND BY READING FORWARD, BACKWARD, UP, DOWN, & DIAGONALLY. THE ARE ALWAYS IN A STRAIGHT LINE & THEY NEVER SKIP LETTERS. WORDS OVERLAP & LETTERS MAY BE USED MORE THAN ONCE, BUT YOU WILL NEVER USE UP ALL THE LETTERS IN THE DIAGRAM.

V T N H W N J P F E B E E R G S A I
Z V I C T O R G K R A N M K I S F E
K E H E Y T S L E I O Y B A L E R E
R Y N N C Y X B D T C D I L L L E S
A D M I R A L E R F L G T O F R E U
L A H L T D I E N A I J C I I E D O
C E K R L H V D A L H M I D L E E H
E R N I N L O R M O P P T A L P I G
N E O A I E R A H I S R S R A T S N
R V T S U A N O S R E M E V N W M I
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O S A L L E B D R A K C A P S O N S
B D P A R U Y A F C I P M B J L N E
L C S D G T N E K R E T A W T A O W
I P V M O T O R O L A D L A W E D K
K A S T R O M B E R G C A R L S O N

- AERIOLA
- ADMIRAL
- AIRLINE
- A K
- ATWATER KENT
- BREADBOARD
- CROSLEY
- DAYTON (AC)
- DEWALD
- EMERSON
- EVEREADY
- FRED EISEMANN
- FRESHMAN
- GILLFILLAN
- GREBE
- KILBOURNE CLARK
- KOLSTER
- MAJESTIC
- MOTOROLA
- PACKARD BELL
- PEERLESS
- PHILCO
- RADIOLA
- SILVERTONE
- SPARTON
- SPLITDORF
- STROMBERG CARLSON
- VICTOR (RCA)
- WESTINGHOUSE
- ZENITH



Again we wish to express our gratitude for your patience, and we hope very sincerely that this newsletter brought you a chuckle or two. Enjoy your exclusive hobby of vintage radio, sure, there are all kinds of other collectors but they don't have the fun that we do. (or the heartaches, either) May all your Crosleys have pups. Write or call, we would love to hear from you. Join in and help make YOUR newsletter a bright spot in your hobby. Phone or write in any material you wish to have published. Ph. 266-5338

Well, fellow collectors, we'll sign off for this month. See you all at the next meeting - Remember Buena Vista Club, 16th & Jackson, Oregon City, Ore. at 10 AM August 9th. (Meetings are the 2nd Saturday of each month)

GOOD LUCK and HAPPY HUNTING!

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