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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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December

DATE : December 8th, 1984
TIME : 10:00 AM
PLACE : Buena Vista Clubhouse
ADDRESS : 16th & Jackson streets
Oregon City, Oregon

Business :

Renewal of memberships and election of Society Officers. See Sample ballot on page five and renewal information on page 15.

Show:

Bring your newest acquisition. Show off your most recent find.

Fun:

The Annual Christmas Party will follow the business meeting. All family members are welcome.

As has become tradition, The Power Supply will host the function and provide Christmas refreshments.

(All contributions of Festive goodies from the members et.al. are welcomed.)

Plan to participate in the gift exchange. For each member of your family who attends gift-wrap a small present and mark it with the sex of the giver. Numbers will be drawn and everyone bringing a gift will get to receive one. (limit gifts to \$3.00)





ATMOSPHERICA

By J

The Drip of The Year

My Wife said it would be well,
To fix our spare room roof:
The Weather's fair,
the spot is marked,
There'll be no chance of goof.

Well, I had September, a month
To see those pesky shingles laid,
But just a week, or less to go,
To get my Vintage set displayed!

As a beaver mends his broken dam,
I slaved all that final week
To rebuild, restore, and polish up
My CLARION, my classic antique.

Then I when fishing a week or so
To ease my nerves and tension:
I went far a-field in finny quest,
The Camper is a great invention.

When I returned, would you believe,
The sight that met my gaze?
My Beautiful CLARION wet as a sponge
'Neath that leaky roof for days!!

I haven't told the efficient wife
Of the Tragedy out our way.
After all ... how would you start?
And what the Hell would you say?

Tom James

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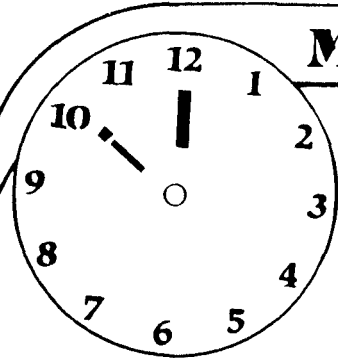
WALLY KELLY A _____
JIM MASON S _____

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY:

ROBERT TEAGUE _____
DAN WILLS _____

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Meeting Minutes



The November 10th meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m. by Pres. Jerry Talbott. Minutes of the October meeting were approved as published in the CALL LETTER.

The Treasurer's Report was given and accepted.

GOOD AND WELFARE

The membership was informed of the November 6th death of member Doug Warren. A contribution to the American Cancer Society in the Club's name was authorized.

OLD BUSINESS

Dick Karman reported that four drawer file cabinets ranged in cost from \$100.00 to \$125.00. There was little difference between new ones and used ones. No further action was taken.

Various possibilities were discussed as to where the Spring Swap Meet should be held, and whether paid advertising was worth the cost. An alternative would be to mail flyer to collectors and individuals known to be interested in attending. No decisions were made.

The matter of decreasing interest in the Club's Choice contest was discussed, and it was decided to discontinue it in favor of members bringing their latest acquisition to show.

Jerry Talbott suggested that we follow the example of the Puget Sound Antique Radio Association by having a mini-swap meet prior to each meeting. No objections were raised, as it was pointed out that this already was a fairly common practice.

NEW BUSINESS

Nominations of Officers for 1985 were called for from the membership, with the following being received:

President:	Dick Karman, Art Redman
Vice President:	Frank Paisted, Bill Devey, Allan Shadduck
Treasurer:	Ed Charman
Recording Secretary:	Wally Kelly, Jim Mason
Corresponding Secretary:	Robert Teague, Dan Wills

Art Redman reported that copies of photos of Oregon radio-related items may be purchased from the Oregon Historical Society.

Leads and Needs were given and the meeting was adjourned at 11:15 a.m.

Jim Mason,
Secretary



swap shop

FOR SALE:

A Philco model 610 Tombstone.
Complete restored. Works well.

\$60.00

A Sparton model 931 "spindle-leg console". Chassis complete (no tubes) but speaker missing.

\$10.00

Dick Karman 503-288-1285
(evenings)

Unused tubes in original boxes, including 56, 76, 12SK7, 7A5, 7H7, 7Y4, 6C4, and 14A7.

\$.50 each

Art Redman 503-774-9913

Forty nice battery and table sets. much radio-related gear and 10 variometers.

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Joe Tompkins 503-362-8071

WANTED:

The On/Off knob for a Halicrafter model S-40 and one for Sparton Mod 931 console.

Dick Karman 503-288-1285
(evenings)

Hammarlund HQ-200 general coverage receiver circa 1969.

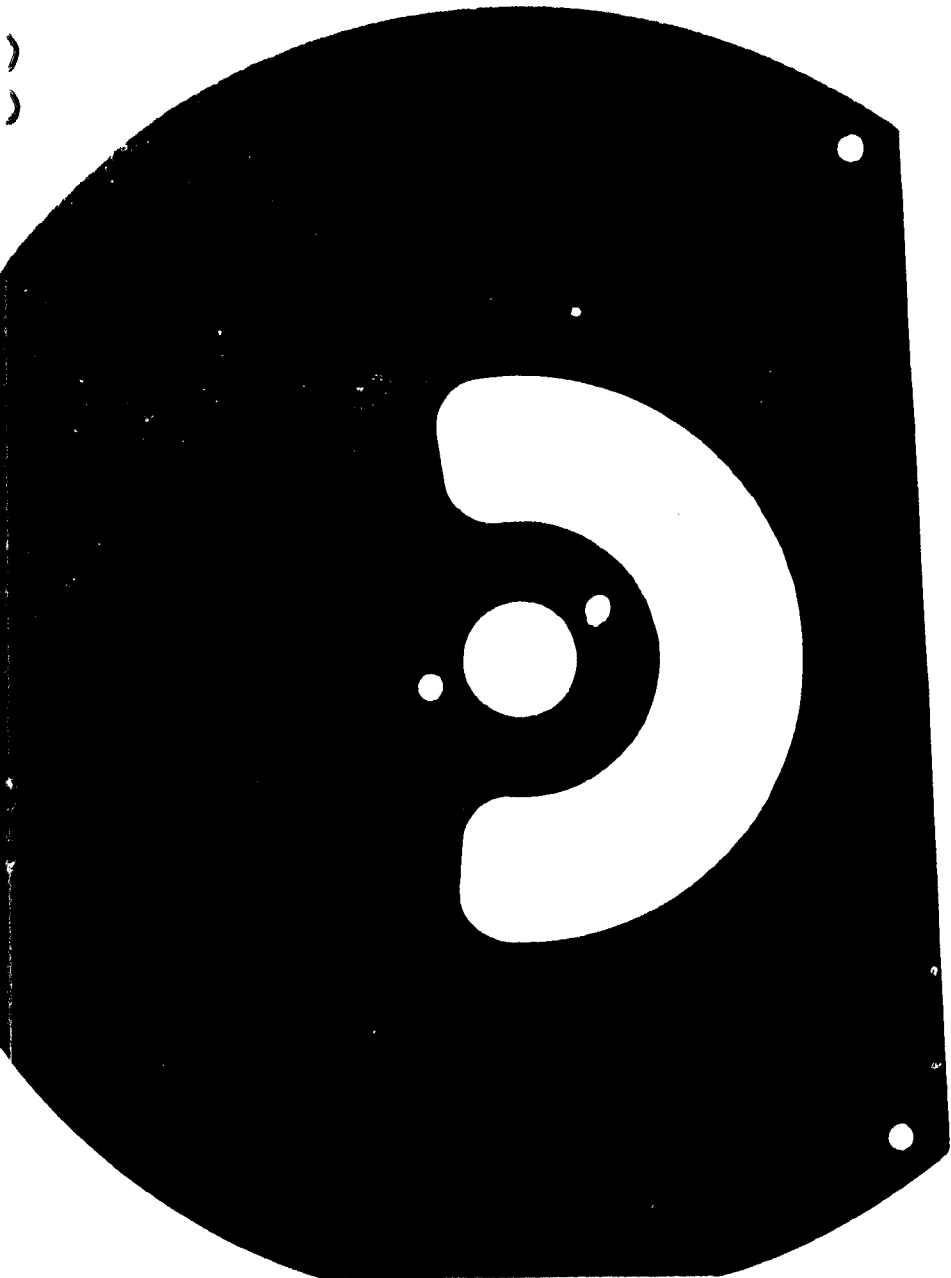
Frank Plaisted 503-647-2891

Complete Set or just cabinet for Grunow Model 750, "All-Wave" receiver (4 bands) circa 1935.

Ed Charman 503-645-7387
or 503-243-4409

WANTED:

A dial from a Philco Model 650, 4
band receiver. The actual size and
likeness appear below. I will buy
the whole chassis for a good scale.
Also have several AC and battery
sets for sale or to trade.
C.E. "Sonny" Clutter 503-254-9296



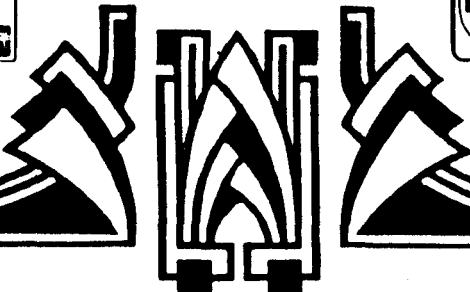
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Remembering

Let's look at some of the years in the last decade.

To some it seems like only yesterday when Joe Tompkins told Bob Bilbie to get the "H" out. He was referring to the way that Bob continued to misspell Joe's name. This was 1976.

But some memories were not so noteworthy. Just after Christmas in 1977 the "Golden Hours" people sponsored a Radiothon. Regretfully the portion that our Society played took a lot of work, and in the eyes of all who were around, the entire episode was a bomb.

In January of 1978, a lawyer was retained to start the first steps toward incorporation. (I trust this did not result from the Radiothon).

In 1978 things quieted down. The membership renewals were down and only the active members stuck together. Bob and Sandy Bilbie had left the club for Bob's health. Bob Hay was acting as the Call Letter editor. Tom James was the President.

In March that year, KOIN television aired a special on the hobby. Harley Perkins and Tom James did an exceptionally fine job of representing the Society during the two hour show.

On a darker note, member Jerry Novak died of a heart attack in April.

In June of '78 Tom James took over the position of Editor and was the first (and last) time since Bob Bilbie where the editor and President were the same.

There are many many memories perhaps more important than those listed here, but those who remember the "beginnings", will surely remember these.

Dick Karman Editor

AC·CES·SION /ik-'sesh-ən, ak-/

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

Joe Tompkins came across two great Zeniths; a good-looking console and a triple dial chairside.

Don Iverson got a Marconi Magnetic Detector, with a bevelled-glass top and all. He also has boosted his tube collection with a De Forrest DL-5, a Brass-tipped 200, and an Aeriola Senior with tubes.

Jerry Talbott came up with a Bristol Audiophone model C speaker; a 1924 Zenith VII Battery set; & a 1948 RCA 8T 530 television.

Dick Karman found the missing Sparks-Withington chassis for his model 931.

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

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The Call Letter apologizes to any contributors who may have submitted material which has not appeared in this issue. Due to holiday mailing schedules this issue went to press on the 15th instead of the 25th.

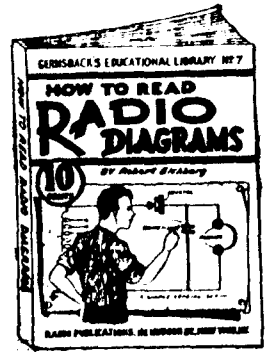
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Douglas H. Warren

Douglas H. Warren of Tualatin, a public relations consultant and former journalist, died of cancer Tuesday in a Portland-area hospital. He was 55.

Funeral will be Friday in the Dokken-Nelson Funeral Home chapel, Bozeman, Mont., with burial in the Bozeman Cemetery.

Mr. Warren was born in Bowdon, Ga., and moved to the Portland area in 1978. Previously, he had been editor of the Montana Agricultural Experiment Station at Montana State University in Bozeman, where he directed the communications program from 1965 to 1978. He also had been



news director at several radio and television stations in the Midwest from 1957 to 1962 and was a member of NBC-TV's regional election reporting team.

He held a bachelor's degree in agriculture from the University of Georgia and a master's in journalism from Oklahoma State University. He was a member of the American Association of Agricultural College Editors, from which he received many awards; Sigma Delta Chi Society of Professional Journalists, the Kiwanis clubs of Bozeman and Tualatin, the Chrysler 300 Automobile Club and the Northwest Vintage Radio Club.

Survivors include his wife, Evelyn; daughter, Elaine Olson of Wolf Point, Mont.; mother, Alma of Bowdon, Ga.; and two grandsons.

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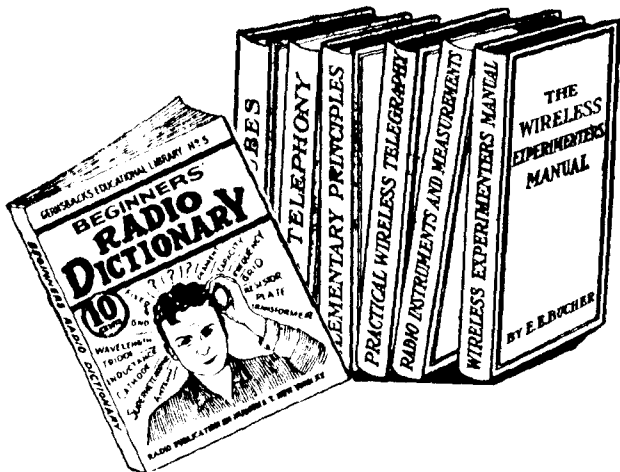
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This is the time for membership renewal again. Dues should be paid by January.

This form is to be used to fill in a trading roster. When the 1985 roster comes out your address and information will appear along with your special interests.

Please complete all the information and submit the form to the treasurer along with your dues.

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY, STATE _____

PHONE _____

VOCATION _____

SPECIAL INTERESTS _____

Check here if you **don't** wish to be included in the 1985 trading/membership roster..

The Call Letter Staff wishes to express
it's appreciation to the membership of
the Northwest Vintage Radio society
for making this publication possible.



Happy Holidays

Editor Dick