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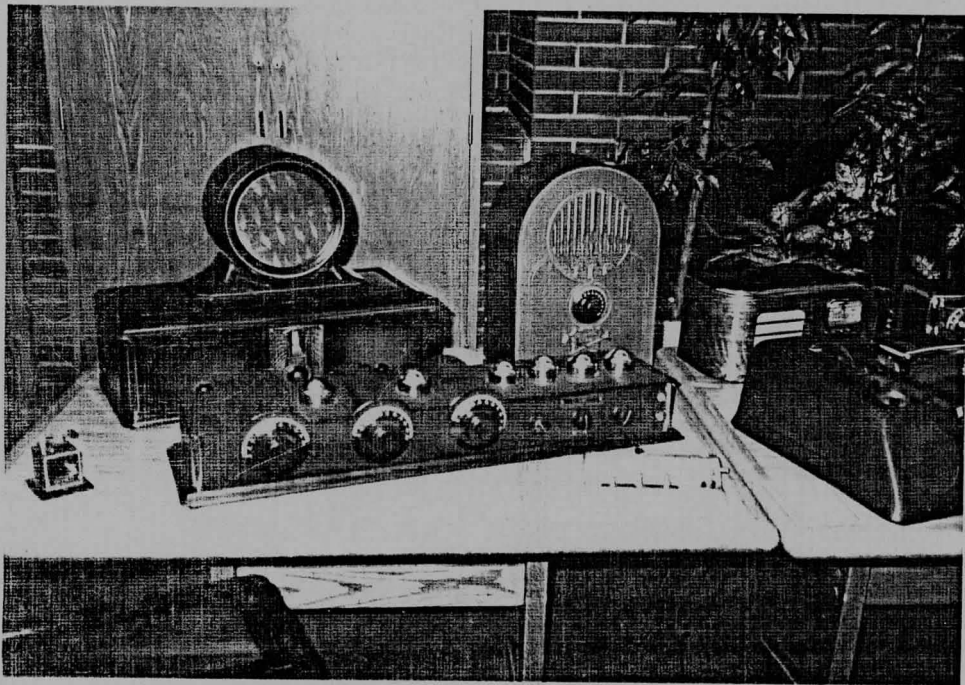
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*This Month:*

*Business Meeting at  
the NVRS Museum*

*Next Month:*

*Christmas Banquet  
December 18th*



## Vintage Radio Society

The Northwest Vintage Radio Society is a non-profit historical society incorporated in the State of Oregon. Since 1974 the Society has been dedicated to the preservation and enjoyment of "vintage radio" and wireless equipment.

Membership in the Society is open to all who are actively interested in historic preservation. The dues are \$15.00 for domestic membership, due on January 1st of each year.

The Call Letter has been a monthly publication since 1974. It was originated with the founder Bob Bilbie and our first president Harley Perkins. Through several editors and with the assistance of numerous members the Call Letter has continued to be a publication that both informs members of the society's business and that has supported the hobby of collecting, preserving, and restoring vintage radios.

Society meetings are held monthly (except July and August) at the Northwest Vintage Radio Museum, 7675 SW Capitol Highway (at 32nd street) in Portland Oregon. They convene at or about 10 AM for the purpose of displaying radios, conducting Society business, and information exchange. Guests are welcome at all Society meetings and functions (except board meetings)

Other Society functions include guest speakers, auctions, radio shows and radio sales which are advertised in the Call Letter and are held in and around SW Portland.

### Society Officers:

President	Speed Feldschau	(503) 390-3928
Vice President	Gordon Phillips	(503) 234-3517
Treasurer	Ed Charman	(503) 654-7387
Secretary	Joel Camicia	(503) 287-7832
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Museum Curator	Frank Rasada	(503) 246-3400

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## November Meeting

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At the November 13th meeting we will have the nomination of officers, another long-awaited business meeting, and a radio repair demonstration by Ray Nelson. Ray will use a signal generator and a signal tracer to locate trouble. Meeting begins at 10 AM; the demonstration directly follows..

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# Acquisitions

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Jim Mason

1918 Signal Corps Radio Receiver BC-14A

1922 Grebe CR-9 Receiver

1925 Scott World's Record Super Nine

1924 Best's improved 45,000 Cycle Superhet

Gordon Phillips

Emerson Tombstone Model 71

Stewart Warner Cathedral Model 102A

RCA Radiola III

Deforest Crosley 52

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# Call Letter Problems?

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By Editor Dick Karman

I have heard from some folks that material sent to the Call Letter never got printed. This may have happened. If it did, I apologize.

Things are sometimes lost in the mail. I receive mail for 4 other organizations at my home, so I'm just as happy to have the Call Letter material go to the post office box. Sometimes material from the post office box doesn't get into the Call Letter until after the next meeting, but I make sure that it eventually does.

I make a very concerted effort to print everything that gets sent to me. All Acquisitions that have gotten to me have been printed. Also all swap shop material that I have received has been printed. If your ads didn't appear or if your acquisitions didn't get listed, please send them again. They'll come out in December. I do not discriminate against any members, and I'm always looking for material for your newsletter.

(this newsletter was produced on October 17th because of a prolonged absence of your editor).



# ATMOSPHERICA

By J

*Confucius Say*

*Hickory, Dickory, Dockee ;  
My grandpapa's radio-clockee.  
The pendulum bum,  
The speakee he mum,  
It a case of no tickee, no talkee !*

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*Velocity Modulation ?*

*I went to a neighbor's once,  
To hear his radio.  
He had a brand new Meteor,  
That he was proud to show.*

*Some other folks were there as well;  
A new set was quite a thing.  
My neighbor basked in pride  
As the set began to sing.*

*He demonstrated often how  
To bring in other places,  
Turned the volume up and down,  
To suit whatever cases.*

*And then up piped a lady there,  
She glibly asked, to know,  
Where the speed knob was  
That made it fast or slow !*

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# Meeting Minutes

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The October 9th, 1994 membership meeting of the Northwest Vintage Radio Society was called to order at 10:05 by president Speed Feldschau. Before the meeting commenced Speed encouraged the membership to get their flu shots citing several members who have fallen prey to this malady.

## Old Business:

Speed reported that the Kieser swap meet did not meet expectations. He stated that further meets in that neighborhood would be "tailgate" type meets to minimize expenses.

Sonny Clutter reported on the Show & Sale at the Multnomah Arts Center. He pointed out some of the disappointments of folks who reserved tables not showing up, and the problem of sellers leaving before the show was over. Speed stated that he feels that one "big" show and sale at the Multnomah Arts Center per year would be adequate. A show of hands indicated that two shows in the metro area each year would be preferable and that May and October were perhaps worth giving a try. One of the meets being held on a Sunday was recommended. The final decisions will be left to the new swap meet committee.

Ed Charman gave a treasurer's report which included itemized expenses for the May, July, and September Swap meets.

## New Business:

Under good and welfare: Honorary Member Wilbur Jerman is in Good Samaritan Hospital with respiratory problems. A motion was made, seconded and passed to authorize the society to send a card and flowers to Wilbur at the hospital.

Speed discussed the various committees that are necessary to keep the society going. He announced that Gordon Phillips would be stepping down from the post of Vice President and would also be resigning from the refreshment committee. Scott Macgregor has also said that his family is requiring more of his time, and he would no longer be able to serve on the special services committee.

Dick Karman announced that a sign up form would be mailed with the November Call Letter to ask for volunteers for the Swap

Meet Committee, the Meeting committee, the Call Letter special services, and contests/display committee.

The question was asked, "How do we get name badges?" The issue was not resolved. Gordon Phillips thought that perhaps Scott Macgregor would know where the template is.

Rudy Zvarich asked about the whereabouts of the "trade" newsletters from other organizations. Ed Charman advised that they are delivered to the Museum by mail. Ed Pittaway reported that all of them are available from the library. Rudy requested that the most recent ones be available for the membership to peruse at the meetings. Ed said that that was possible.

Dick Karman reported that the Call Letter is in need of folks to help with the typing.

Leads & Needs were intermixed with new business

Gordon Phillips reported that the Aero Maintenance Co. at Evergreen air field had many old radios for sale.

Jerry Talbot reported on a Zenith available on the coast. Contact Jerry for details.

Ed Pittaway is looking for Radiotron 4th edition (red binder).

Speed stated that John Otterstadt has information about a large batch of radios available here in the metro area.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:40 AM

A board meeting followed.

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## December Meeting

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The annual Christmas Meeting will be held on December 18th. The business meeting will begin at 2:30 PM. We will install new officers, and take care of some of the scheduling for the events of January and February. The Christmas Dinner will be served at 4:30 PM to all members and their families that can stay and enjoy.



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# Swap Shop

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Trade Old Radios for brass blade fans (Trade a FADA or a Catlin for an Edison Fan). FOR SALE: a wooden window fan (circa 1920) which looks like a radio (\$50) Dave Friedlund, 36006 SW Balk Peak Road, Hillsboro, Oregon 97123, or call (503) 628-1239.

FOR SALE Radios of the 1920's through the 1950's: Battery radios, consoles, cathedrals, transistor radios, and some of most other types (downsizing my collection). Sonny Clutter (503) 254-9296.

WANTED: 2 WD-11 tubes (duds); Philco #20 speaker and output transformer. Gordon Phillips (503) 234-3517.

FOR SALE: Teletype machines, model 15 and 28. 1 complete table top model 15 with power supply. 2 model KSR consoles. will consider any reasonable offers. Rudy Zvarick (503) 255-2227.

35,000 Tubes, \$1 and up each; old radio and electronics gear; - Bob Lee at R-5, D-3 Surplus, 6111 SE 82nd Avenue, Portland, (503) 774-6560.

WANTED: 3 WD11 to UX199 adapters, Bob Phelps (206) 546-5495

WANTED: Atwater Kent F4 Speaker for 55C Console, Steve Metzenbers (206) 941-0699.

WANTED: Grunow 801A Radio, Darrell Forsberg (206) 363-0754.

WANTED: Knobs for Jackson Bell Model 62, Cory Turner (206) 363-0754.

WANTED: Early pocket transistor radios and parts, Paul Stengel (206) 284-4812.

WANTED: Majestic Model 20 chassis; Philco Model 20 Chassis; Crosley model 59 chassis; Arturus Blue 01As; Boys radios; pre-1950's TV and literature, Ken Korhonen (206) 932-9363.

WANTED: 50's and early 60's shirt pocket transistors and Midget tube radios from the 30's and 40's, Steve Berglund (206) 244-6428.



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# Meetings

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November Meeting Nominations NVRS Museum 10 AM

December Meeting Christmas Party Banquet December 18, 2:30 PM

January Meeting NVRS Museum 10 AM

February Meeting NVRS Museum 10 AM

March Meeting NVRS Museum 10 AM

April Meeting NVRS Museum 10 AM

May Meeting Show & Sale (TBA) 9 AM

June Meeting NVRS Museum 10 AM

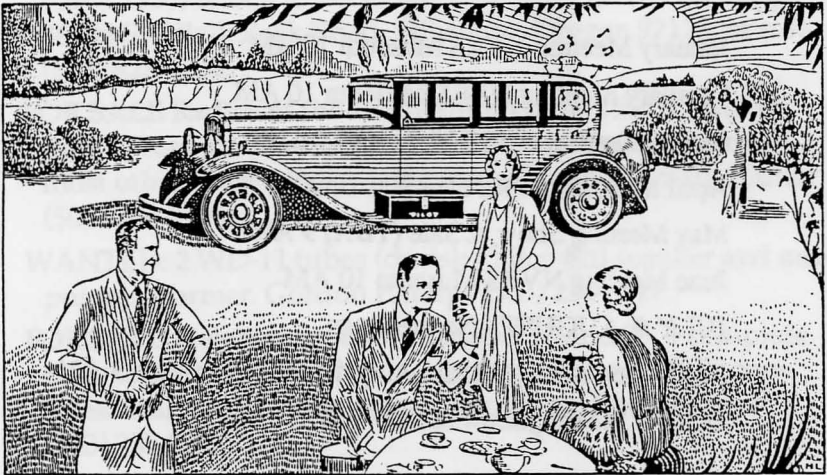
JULY & AUGUST - No meetings

September Meeting Radio Auction NVRS Museum 9 AM

October Meeting Show & Sale (TBA) 9 AM

# 20th Century Genuine Bargains!

## PILOT AUTOMOBILE RADIO KIT



### SIX-TUBE SCREEN-GRID BROADCAST RECEIVER

The "Auto" PILOT. A full Screen-Grid Broadcast Receiver in kit form for your automobile. This clear-toned and powerful PILOT Auto Receiver goes on any make of car. Wherever you go, it carries programs with you. Bolt the black japanned container on your running board, attach the remote control dial and you are ready to connect up. Easily attached, PILOT "Under-Car" aerial obviates wires on or under car roof. Cone speaker goes wherever you prefer. Employs four P-224 (non-microphonic) A.C. screen-grid Pilotrons, one P-227 A.C. Pilotron and one P-245 power Pilotron, with filaments drawing only 5 amperes from car's battery. The above PILOTRONS draw only 20 milliamperes plate current from three 45-volt "B" batteries. Steel black Japanned box 22" long, 8" wide, 6 $\frac{3}{8}$ " high. Control panel approximately 5" x 5" x 2". Flexible Cable Connecting Set with remote Control panel approximately 6 $\frac{1}{2}$  ft. long. No box is furnished for containing the "B" batteries.

*The special "Auto" Pilot Cone Speaker designed particularly for use with the "Auto" Pilot Receiver—compact and inconspicuous—dimensions are 3 $\frac{3}{4}$  inches thick, 8 $\frac{3}{8}$  inches diameter—octagonal in shape. Price, \$7.50.*



Kit K-140 Complete with Aerial, less Pilotrons and Speaker - - - \$47.50