

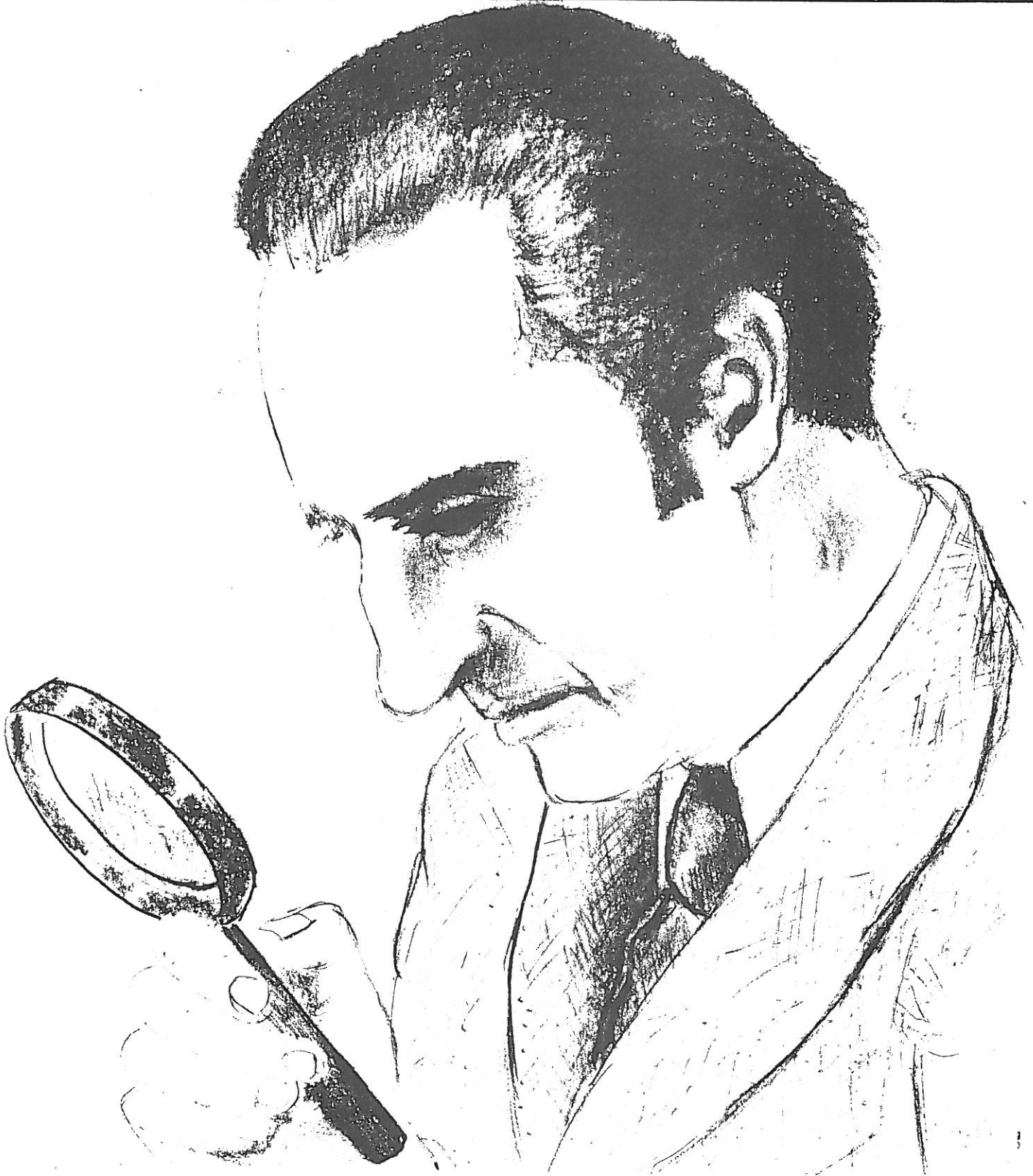
# RETURN WITH US NOW...

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## SPECIAL THANKS

I want to thank Elmer and Helen Westbrook for their valuable help in getting out last month's Newsletter. They both stamped, licked, labled, folded and stapled to help speed up the process of getting out the issue to all of you.

## MARCH MEETING

The March meeting of the RHAC will be held on the 20th at 7:30 P.M. at Colorado Diesel and Purifiers, 2061 W. Hamilton Place, Englewood, Co. The Directions will be published one more time so, please save. See you Thursday....

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We thank you for your support of RHAC. We hope that all members utilize the many resources of the club to the fullest and enjoy them. Any comments, suggestion and donations are appreciated.

## ABOUT THE COVER

When one recalls the adventures of that ingenious sleuth, Sherlock Holmes, one invariably pictures Basil Rathbone in the starring role along with Nigel Bruce as his sidekick, Dr. Watson. Thanks to the efforts of Edith Meiser, actress turned script-writer, Holmes made his debut on radio in 1930 on NBC. According to John Dunning, Holmes' trusted assistant, Dr. Watson 'invited announcer Joseph Bell into his study, where there was usually "a blazing fire and a cup of George Washington Coffee" to ward off the cold.' As Holmes' Chronicler of the Adventures, Watson would tell the stories setting the stage for Holmes' brilliant deductions in solving each crime. Sherlock Holmes was perhaps portrayed by more radio, T.V. and film stars than any other character in the history of literature.

## NEW ADDITION TO THE REFERENCE LIBRARY

Thanks to Jack Richards for his donation of Kermit Schaefer's Best of Bloopers to the RHAC Reference Library. If any of our fellow members have any reading material that would be of interest to others, please follow Jack's lead and send it to Chuck Barton., Librarian.

At the last meeting, Chuck announced an offer that will "knock your socks off!!" To encourage greater use of the library, you can rent any book or reference material at half price!! For the month of March, only...Books, regularly \$1.25..now \$.50. and, reference articles regularly \$.04 /page...now, \$.02/page...WOW!!! Consult your Reference Library Log and put Chuck to work. Remember...Reading is as entertaining as listening.....

## CORRECTION.....

In February issue of RETURN WITH US NOW...I memtioned a 10% discount on equipment for RHAC members for purchases made at SECOND SOUND. It was brought to my attention that the discount is for open-reel and cassette equipment, only. Sorry for any inconvenience I may have caused.

## RHAC TAPE LIBRARY

REEL 582 FAVORITE STORY 1200'

1L	# 1: Les Miserables
	# 2: The Diamond Lens
2L	# 3: Little Women
	# 4: Wuthering Heights
1R	# 5: A Connecticut Yankee In King Arthur's Court
	# 6: Cyrano de Bergerac
2R	# 7: David Copperfield
	# 8: Queen Of Spades

REEL 583 FAVORITE STORY 1200'

1L	# 9: Huckleberry Finn
	#10: 1001 Arabian Nights
2L	#11: Jane Eyre
	#12: Vanity Fair
1R	#13: Joan Of Arc
	#14: Frankenstein
2R	#15: 20,000 Leagues Under The Sea
	#16: The Importance Of Being Earnest

REEL 584 DANGEROUS ASSIGNMENT/MAN CALLED X 1200'

1L	8-8-49	DA: PORTUGAL: Illegal Entry Racket
	3-27-50	DA: CAIRO: The Sheik
2L	4-24-50	DA: ALASKA: Two Missing Scientists
	7-26-50	DA: YABNEE: Guerilla Leader
1R	8-9-50	DA: AFRICA: Witch Doctor - Hate Campaign
	8-25-52	DA: PORT SAID: Arab Peace Treaty
2R	6-8-51	X: Grain Black Market In India
	5-5-51	X: Roulette Scheme In Monte Carlo

REEL 585 MAN CALLED X 1200'

1L	4-14-51	Treason At White Sands
	4-21-51	Nationalista Party
2L	4-28-51	Gun Running In Syria
	6-15-51	Rubber Sabotage
1R	6-22-51	Newspaper Owner Murdered
	6-29-51	Operation Zero
2R	5-25-51	Medicine Smuggling
	6-1-51	Underground Escape

## RHAC TAPE LIBRARY

<u>REEL 586 PHILCO RADIO TIME</u>			1200'
1L	10-23-46	GUEST: Spike Jones	
	10-30-46	GUEST: Les Paul Trio	
2L	11-6-46	GUEST: Raphael Mendel	
	11-13-46	GUEST: Ezio Pinza	
1R	11-20-46	GUEST: Burl Ives	
	11-27-46	GUEST: Judy Garland, Les Paul	
2R	12-4-46	GUEST: Jimmy Durante	
	12-11-46	GUEST: Jerry Colonna	
 <u>REEL 587 PHILCO RADIO TIME</u>			1200'
1L	2-12-47	GUEST: Groucho Marx	
	2-19-47	GUEST: Judy Garland, William Frawley	
2L	2-26-47	GUEST: The Andrews Sisters	
	3-5-47	GUEST: Al Jolson	
1R	3-12-47	GUEST: Peggy Lee	
	3-19-47	GUEST: Danny Kaye, Peggy Lee	
2R	3-26-47	GUEST: Jack Benny, Mary Livingston	
	4-2-47	GUEST: Al Jolson, John Charles Thomas	
 <u>REEL 588 ROMANCE</u>			1200'
1L	7-14-52	This Above All	
	7-28-52	Paradise Package	
2L	8-4-52	Return To Tomorrow	
	8-11-52	Den Of Thieves	
1R	8-18-52	Old Man's Bride	
	8-25-52	The Barrier Reef	
2R	4-30-47	The Isles Of Spice And Lilys	
	9-15-56	The Man From Venus	
 <u>REEL 589 ROMANCE</u>			1200'
1L	1-14-56	The Loup Carou	
	1-21-56	Old Army Buddy	
2L	1-28-56	Julia	
	2-4-56	San Francisco Incident	
1R	2-11-56	The Enchanted Voyage	
	2-18-56	The Other Side Of Johnson	
2R	2-25-56	The Jackhammer Leg	
	3-3-56	Riviera Story	

## WANT-ADS (cont)....

available shows I am aware of, they would have about 50,000 programs. For further information and orders you can write to: Jay Hickerson, Box C, Orange, Ct. 06477...(203) 248-2887 or 795-6261

Should any of you get this useful publication, I would be interested in hearing your comments. Thanks to Jack Richards for providing us this information.

Chuck Barton knows that it "pays to advertise". In last month's WANT-ADS he requested shows from The Scarlet Pimpernel series and almost immediately after the newsletter was out, he received from a fellow member 2 shows from this series. Chuck is extremely grateful and wishes to thank the individual for the response. (I won't reveal this individual's name without his permission. He may not want a deluge of letters requesting shows from his collection).

Looking for a particular show? Have something to offer for trading? Have anything to sell? Drop me a note and your ad will be printed. You just may get the kind of response Chuck got.

## NEW MEMBERS....

Vicki Blake is happy to report four new members who have recently joined. They are Earl Ross, Gordon Spiering, Michael Porter and Margaret Johnson. Renewals include Janet Braden - 1/87 and Tim Irvin - 2/87. Welcome, Folks and please make use of the club resources. If you have a need for anything, please call or write any of the Officers and Board Members. They will be glad to help.

## RADIO LOGS....

Log Librarian, Vicki Blake, reported the addition of 3 new logs available to members. They are "Arch Obelov's Plays from 1939 - '40 and '45, "Plays for Americans" from 1942 and "Every-Man's Theatre" from 1940 - '41. Also, an 8-page "Lone Ranger" script titled, "Summer Dawn" has been added. Thanks to Ray Stannich for providing the above.. Contact Vicki if you can use any of these logs as well as the variety of other logs and scripts available.

## TAPE REVIEW....

Being a fan of Westerns, I ran across an interesting "Shoot-Em-Up" called, "Luke Slaughter of Tombstone". This show aired in February of 1958 and starred Sam Buffington. The stories are well-acted and featured Sam Edwards in a character role for several shows. Unfortunately, the show was up against some tough competition and was not as popular. As a former Civil War soldier, Luke came up against some pretty tough hombres who, at times, posed a threat to cattlemen across the Arizona Territory. Slaughter was his name and cattle was his game. There was not a man tough enough to take it away from him. Check out reels #31 and #43 and give Elmer an order. I think you will be pleased, if you have not heard them.

## SOUND EFFECTS...

I am looking for individuals who would be interested in working with me in putting on a Sound Effects demonstration for the '86 Convention. It will be approximately 15 to 20 minutes in duration and certainly apropos. If you are interested, please contact me, John Cook, at 690-5827. We will be working on some ideas for sound effects and a format in which to present them for the program. The idea is to show the convention goers how it may have been done before the advent of pre-recorded sounds. We could really have a lot of fun with it. Please give it some thought and give me a call.



## TUNING IN COLORADO SPRINGS.....

As promised, Kevin Shields has sent us his OTR Schedule for the month of March. His show airs each Sunday from 4 - 6 PM on Station KCMN, 1530 on the AM Dial. He is closing out a series of "Vic 'N Sade" shows this month with one each Sunday. Kevin also has a sponsor for his show. It is Sound Shop, a complete stereo/video store, located at 528 S. Tejon in Colorado Springs. Kevin has gotten a lot of response from his listeners as many have called in to let him know how much they enjoy the old-time radio. OTR is alive and well in the Springs. Schedule for the month of March is as follows....

March 2...Amos 'N Andy..."Andy Saves A Millionaire".....5/14/48  
The Judy Canova Show..."Dreams of an Academy Award"....5/1/48  
Suspense....."The Barking Death".....3/1/54  
Vic 'N Sade...."Cleaning the Attic"....8/18/42  
March 9...Duffy's Tavern...."Archie Wants a Raise"....5/19/48  
Information Please....Guests; Orson Welles and Christopher Morley....9/18/42  
Escape....."A Shipment of Mute Fate".....7/7/50  
Vic 'N Sade....."Lodge Regalia"....7/12/43  
March 16..Adventures of Ozzie and Harriet....."Heroes".....1/9/49  
The Fred Allen Show....Guest; Jack Haley.....NBC....10/26/47  
Yours Truly, Johnny Dollar..."The Harried Heiress Matter"...Bob Bailey...6/12/60  
Vic 'N Sade....."Carribean Dream Flute"....9/14/44  
March 23..Fibber McGee and Molly..."Fibber Wants to Remodel His House"...1/21/47  
The Great Gildersleeve...."Vacation Plans for a Houseboat"...Hal Peary..6/14/50  
The Whistler...."Notes In The Night"....6/27/42  
Vic 'N Sade....."A Letter From Bess".....11/19/43  
March 30..Fred Allen Show...Guest; Leo Duroucher...4/25/48  
The Great Gildersleeve..."Marjorie is Expecting"....Willard Waterman....9/6/50  
Dragnet...."Hit and Run".....6/21/50  
Vic 'N Sade....."Bernice Died Today".....No Date

Along with Kevin's good news, there is some sad news which has befallen the Springs Chapter of RHAC. Due to the poor attendance of Chapter meetings it has been decided that future meetings will be cancelled until further notice. The efforts of Tom Daoust and others have apparently been fruitless since only 2 to 3 people show up for the meetings. They will continue to keep OTR alive in the Springs with the hope that a better response will come about as a result of their efforts. Our gratitude goes out to all of you...

## WANT ADS

"What You Always Wanted To Know About Circulating OTR Series...(but could never find out)"

A NEW PUBLICATION: A computerized listing (with letter-quality print) of all available complete network and syndicated shows has recently been published by Jay Hickerson. Each item lists the title, year(s) on the air (and in many cases the exact dates) and the number of shows available for trade. If there are a few shows available, exact dates or titles shown in most cases.

Foreign shows, AFRS and government sponsored series, country and western shows, local series and remotes are projects of their own. I will mention many of these in this project with a representative number of shows available. No remotes will be listed but all bands and singers will be included if they were on a weekly or daily show. I am including news commentators with one or two dates for each one as well as religious programs, sports and health shows. Some shows are listed more than once by sponsor or other category. Whenever possible, I have indicated whether the number of shows available is the complete or a partial run.

The information was gathered from various catalogs and my own resources. Since new programs are discovered constantly (many are not listed in catalogs until much later) and since there is conflicting information, it was a difficult project. Undated shows cause a big problem and dates seem to change from catalog to catalog.

THE BIG BROADCAST and TUNE IN YESTERDAY are now out of print. Both books described the shows but did not indicate availability. I hope this project will correct inaccurate information found in certain other books and add to the number of programs previously covered.

The cost of this project: \$17.50 (mailed first class and flat). The document is 44 pages and lists 2200 network and syndicated series alphabetically. If someone had all the..(cont)..

I sure would like to see many members who live within driving distance of Denver to come for the weekend. We will have dinner at the hotel Friday night for all out of town conventioners staying there and all those working on the convention, with our guests

CLUBS- If your club would like to have fliers displayed, there will be no charge but please contact Vicki Blake (see officers listing) so we know how much room we will need.

DEALERS- If you would like your OTR business or newsletter displayed please contact Vicki Blake so we can get a count. In most cases there would be no charge.

EXHIBITS- We hope that all those who brought displays last year will be kind enough to return with their memorabilia this year. We also have many interesting new exhibits this year. We know you will enjoy them. We ask that you contact Jerry Piacentine at 466-2234 for arrangements.

We are pleased to announce that Bob Wilkinson will return with even more of his wonderful collection of vintage microphones this year. We will be using them in our program, thanks to his generosity.

We need some help at the convention. We need some help just prior to the convention. We need some help in the near future. Won't some of you step forward to help YOUR club?

We are going to begin our advertising within the next few weeks. We will be using a phone number in all our advertising which is just for messages. We ask members not to use the phone number since you have our numbers in your newsletter. Also, please do not take it upon yourselves to be spokesmen for the RHAC on the radio and give personal phone numbers like one member did last year. It causes great problems.

We ask you to take one day to support the convention. We have gone to a great deal of time and trouble to get things organized, our guests are giving up their time and coming to Denver for you, actors in both radio dramas are practicing very hard for your entertainment. Please show them you appreciate their efforts, and ours. Tell others about it, too.

For hotel reservations call 1-800-525-8110 from out of Colorado and 1-800-332-8767 within Colorado. Be sure to tell them you are with the RHAC for the discount rate.

John Lloyd - Convention Chairman

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A REUNION OF RADIO GREATS

Yes, I'll be at the convention. Please reserve \_\_\_\_\_ seats for me.

Enclosed is my check for \$\_\_\_\_\_. \$12.50 per person prior to May 15th, \$15 per person after May 15th

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## CONVENTION UPDATE

### A REUNION OF RADIO GREATS

The RHAC is pleased to announce that we will again be sponsoring a convention this year dedicated to those with an interest in "The Golden Age of Radio". The theme of the convention will be "A Reunion of Radio Greats".

The convention will be held on Saturday, June 7, 1986 at the Continental Denver. The hotel is located at I25 and Speer Blvd. The convention will begin with registration between 11 am and noon. At that time, conventioners will receive their seating, program, name tags, be able to register for free prizes and purchase photos of our guests for autographs.

The first convention feature will be a presentation of the Suspense thriller "Sorry Wrong Number" which will be performed by the members of the Metro State College Theater Company. They are a wonderful group of young people and give a great performance.

Our featured guests will then be introduced. We are fortunate enough to have Parley Baer, most widely known for his role on Gunsmoke but also known for great performances on Suspense and other radio shows; June Foray, who appeared on Stan Freberg's Show, Buster Brown Gang and other shows as well as being the voice of Rocky on the TV Rocky and Bullwinkle Show; and returning again this year will be our friend Sam Edwards, most widely known as Dexter on Meet Corliss Archer, many roles on Gunsmoke and many other radio shows. We are really delighted and privileged to have these three fine performers coming to Denver.

Parley, June and Sam will sit on a panel discussion of their days in radio, perform some small skits from their shows and sign autographs for you.

At 3 PM we will have drawings for prizes, a sound effects demonstration, some audience participation events. We will then break for a half hour to give you time to view some of the wonderful exhibits that will be on display.

When we reconvene at 4 PM we will have a panel discussion with local radio personalities Pete Smythe, Don Roberts, Dick McDaniel and Jim Hawthorne. The local panel was very popular last year and we know it will be every bit as interesting this year. A short question and answer session will follow each panel.

At 5 PM we will break for dinner. A short cocktail period will be provided (cash bar) for your convenience. The time will be used for the hotel staff to set up tables for the buffet dinner which is included in your ticket price. There is a wonderful selection available at the buffet dinner.

After dinner is over there will be a little time to socialize with new and old friends, visit the exhibits again, view the city from the balconies off the ballrooms or just relax. At 7 PM we will be asked to return to the ballroom for a one hour program, written exclusively for the convention by Pete Wehner. It will feature Parley, June and Sam as well as other local radio talent. Last year's show was "Hickok Was A Lousy Shot" and was very entertaining. Pete has not divulge- what the story will be about which adds to the drama of our convention. We may announce it closer to the convention.

We will take breaks each hour for about 10 minutes for your convenience. We are sorry but there will be no smoking in the convention rooms, there are plenty of balconies off the ballrooms for smokers. Bring your cameras for pictures. Sorry, no tape recorders.

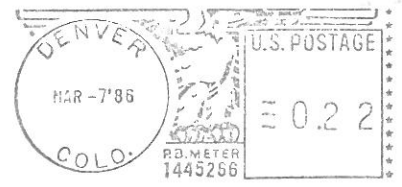
If you are an old time radio buff, there is something going on all the time for you. If you like videos, come early because we will have videos of OTR stars from the movies and TV which will be on the big screen TV in the lounge from 9-11 am.

This is quite a bargain at \$12.50 (it's quite a bargain at any price). For those out of town who think that they might like to come because of the low air fares now in effect, we are happy to announce that the hotel is providing corporate rates of \$35 per night. If you are coming from out of town better reserve your room early because the tourists will be starting at that time.





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