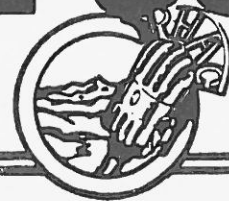


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BOB BURNS

in "ARKANSAS TRAVELER" - A Paramount Picture

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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, suggestions and donations are appreciated.

MAY MEETING

The next general membership meeting of the RHAC will be held Thursday, May 15th at 7:30 P.M. at 2061 West Hamilton Place, Englewood, Co. (Colorado Diesel and Purifiers). The main topics of the meeting will be the review of the club's by-laws and proposed revisions and, of course, the up-coming convention. This will be the last meeting before the convention so, plan to attend. The schedule of events will be finalized and you will receive firsthand a convention preview. Last month's meeting had an excellent turn-out. Thanks for your continued support.

A BIG THANKS

I know thanking the same people over and over becomes a bit boring but, I do not know of any other way to express it to Elmer and Helen and others who help get this newsletter out to you. If it were not for the snowstorm, you would have received the newsletter on time. Many thanks to you for your efforts Helen, Elmer and Dick.

ABOUT THE COVER

Across the river from my hometown of Ft. Smith, Arkansas lies the small community of Van Buren, Ark. where once lived the Arkansas Traveler, Mr. Bob Burns. According to John Dunning, The Arkansas Traveler began on radio in September of 1941 for Campbell Soups for a short run and settled into its Tuesday night format as simply The Bob Burns Show. I never heard any of his radio shows but I do recall my relatives recalling the days when they listened to him or actually met him and even knew him. According to Mr. Dunning, "One of the earliest ingredients was a new musical instrument created by Burns from two gas pipes and a whiskey funnel". Because of its sound, the instrument was labeled "bazooka" The closest I ever came to Bob Burns were the times when I would go watch a western movie at the BOB BURNS THEATRE in Van Buren.

BY-LAWS REVIEW

The following two pages cover the old and the new (proposed) club by-laws for you perusal. The changes will be discussed at the next meeting and be presented to the BOD. Please read them over and compare. If you've any suggestions, please bring them up at the meeting.

RHAC BYLAWS:

NAME

1. The name of the organization shall be known as The Radio Historical Association of Colorado.

PURPOSES

1. To promote interest in vintage radio programming.
2. To make tapes of such programs available to members as economically as possible.
3. To make such programs available to charitable organizations, institutions for the blind and senior citizen groups.
4. To collect, research and distribute historical and modern information on vintage radio, and to distribute a newsletter and other publications on such matters.
5. To maintain a library of vintage radio programs on tape and information related to them.
6. To carry out such other related purposes as the members deem appropriate.

MEMBERSHIP

1. Any person may become a member who is seriously interested in one or more of the purposes of the association and who will, to the best of their ability, take an active part in its activities.
2. Classes of membership are Regular and Honorary.
 - a. Regular Membership- A person who has paid their dues for one full year.
 - b. Honorary Membership- A person who has been approved by a majority of the members for membership and who does not pay dues.
3. Appropriate dues for membership will be established which will be used for carrying out the purposes of the association.

OFFICERS

1. The elective offices shall be: President, Vice President, Treasurer and Secretary. No two offices may be held by the same person except for the offices of Treasurer and Secretary.
2. Such other appointive or elective offices as deemed necessary by the membership may be established.
3. The term of each elective office is one year, commencing October 1 of each year and running through the following September 30.
4. Elections will be held during the month of September each year. Special elections to fill vacant offices may be held at other times.

LIBRARIES AND PUBLICATIONS

1. Reference Library- The Radio Historical Association of Colorado shall maintain a reference library of vintage radio information which will be available to all members. It shall endeavor to periodically supplement this library with additional information. All members are free to recommend additions that should be made and to assist with additions at any time.
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3. Newsletter- The official publication of the Radio Historical Association of Colorado shall be known as Return With Us Now. The association shall endeavor to distribute this newsletter on a monthly basis to all members. The primary purpose of this publication is to inform members of meetings and other notices and information of the association. Members are free to make recommendations concerning the publication and to assist with contributions at any time.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Elective Officers

- a. President- The President of the Radio Historical Association of Colorado will be the official spokesperson of the organization. The President shall insure that the purposes of the association are carried out in all instances. The President shall have the responsibility for the planning and conducting of all meetings.
- b. Vice President- The Vice President of the Radio Historical Association of Colorado shall assume all of the duties and responsibilities of the President in the absence of the President.
- c. Treasurer- The Treasurer of the Radio Historical Association of Colorado shall be responsible for maintaining all of the financial records of the association. The Treasurer shall be responsible for notifying the officers and committees of any changes in membership.
- d. Secretary- The Secretary of the Radio Historical Association of Colorado shall be the official correspondent of the association and shall keep records of such correspondence.
2. Appointive Positions
3. Librarian- The Librarian shall be responsible for the maintenance of the tape library, selection of new material for the tape library and of lost or damaged tapes of the library, disposal or obsolete material and financial records of the library.
4. Reference Librarian- The Reference Librarian shall be responsible for the maintenance of the reference library, selection of new material for the reference library, informing members of the new material, distribution of that material, replacement of lost or damaged material, and financial records of the library.
5. Newsletter Editor- The Newsletter Editor shall be responsible for the publication and distribution of the newsletter. It shall be the responsibility of the newsletter editor to inform members of future meetings and that all material appearing in the newsletter are in good taste so that it does not reflect negatively on the association.
6. Membership Chairman- The membership chairman shall be responsible for insuring that all new and prospective members receive information of the benefits of membership in the association.
7. Board of Directors

The Board of Directors shall be a group whose main purpose is to give assistance to the officers in association business. The Board of Directors shall consist of the elective officers, the tape Librarian, newsletter editor, membership chairman and other active members, selected by the officers, not to exceed ten. The Board of Directors shall have the authority to make decisions for the association. Any decision shall become association policy but may be overruled by a 2/3 vote of the regular membership.

MEETINGS

1. Meetings will be held periodically, and at least every two months.
2. Written notices of meetings including new business to be discussed will be mailed to each member prior to the meetings. Other appropriate publicity of the meetings will be arranged.

AMENDMENTS AND BY-LAWS

1. This charter may be revised and amended by a 2/3 vote of the members present, or voting by proxy, at any regular meeting of the association where written notice of such amendment has first been given to all members.
2. By laws may be adopted or amended by the association by a majority vote of the members present at any regular meeting.

DISSOLUTION

In the event of the dissolution of the association, the assets will be distributed to such charitable organizations as a majority of the remaining members of the association may choose.

RADIO HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION OF COLORADO,
A NONPROFIT CORPORATION
2/17/86

NAME
The name of the organization is the RADIO HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION OF COLORADO, A NONPROFIT CORPORATION.

PURPOSES

The purposes of the Corporation are:

1. To promote interest in old time radio programming, programs and personalities.
2. To develop and maintain a circulating tape library of old time radio programs and other recorded materials for the benefit of Members and students of radio history.
3. To develop and maintain a circulating library of documentary materials dealing with old time radio for the benefit of Members and students of radio history.
4. To develop and publish a periodic newsletter dealing with old time radio for the benefit of Members and students of radio history.

MEMBERSHIP

1. There shall be two classes of membership in the Corporation--regular and honorary.

2. Upon paying the annual dues established by the Corporation's Board of Directors, (the Board) any person may become a regular member of the Corporation for the period covered by the dues.

3. The Board may grant honorary membership in the Corporation to any person thought by the Board to have made a significant contribution to old time radio, to interest in old time radio or to the Corporation. Honorary Members shall not be required to pay dues, but in all other respects shall have the same rights and duties as regular Members.

4. Regular membership meetings shall be held the third Thursday of each month at time and place to be contained in the Corporation's newsletter, unless otherwise designated by the Board. Publication in the newsletter shall be the only notice required for regular membership meetings.

ELECTIVE OFFICERS

1. The elective officers of the Corporation shall be those of President, Vice-president, Secretary, and Treasurer. One person may not hold more than one office at any one time except the offices of secretary and treasurer.

2. Officers shall be elected by majority vote of the Members attending, either in person or by proxy, the September membership meeting. Persons elected to office shall serve for a period of one year beginning October 1.

3. A vacancy occurring in an office shall be filled, for the balance of the unexpired term, by vote of the Board.

APPOINTIVE OFFICERS

1. In addition to elective officers, there shall be the following appointive officers: Membership Chairman, at least one Tape Librarian, a Reference Librarian, Newsletter Editor and such other offices as the Board may determine from time to time.

2. The appointive officers shall be filled by a majority vote of the Board.

3. Any person holding an appointive office may hold any other office in the Corporation at the same time.

4. A person holding appointive office shall serve at the pleasure of the Board.

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

1. The Board of Directors of the Corporation shall consist of the those persons serving for the time being as elected and appointed officers.

2. Regular meetings of the Board shall be held, without further notice, on the second Thursday of each month at the home of the President, unless at any meeting an alternate time, date and place is selected for any future meeting. No other notice for regular Board meetings need be given, but reasonable attempts must be made to notify the members of the Board of special meetings. Attendance at a special meeting of a majority of the members of the Board shall be presumptive evidence of the reasonableness of the attempts to give notice of the meeting and the meeting shall be presumed official. At a regular or special meeting the board may take up such business as may seem appropriate, but, in any event, the Board shall meet in the month of September of each year before the September meeting of the Members to take up nominations for, and appointment of, officers for the ensuing year.

3. The Board shall be responsible for the management of the Corporation and the setting of Corporate policies, including the amount of annual dues, the selection of honorary members, the setting of tape and reference library user fees, late charges and user limitations, scheduling meetings of Members and giving Members notice of meetings in the Newsletter or by other reasonable means, scheduling of other Corporate activities, overseeing the publication of the Corporate Newsletter, authorizing Corporate expenditures, and doing such other things as may be necessary for the smooth functioning of Corporate affairs.

AMENDMENT OF THESE BY-LAWS.

These By-Laws may be amended from time to time by the affirmative vote of a two-thirds majority of the Board.

DISSOLUTION

In the event the Corporation should dissolve, all assets of the Corporation shall be distributed to the most similar charitable organization as the Board may select.

MEMBERSHIP

Our membership is growing. Not necessarily by leaps and bounds but, growing. Vicki Blake reports two new members for this month: Patrick Hilleary of Aurora, Co. and Bob Hummrich of Elyria, Ohio. Also a renewal by James Albert. Our apologies to Barbara Watkins whom we failed to acknowledge as a renewal last February. Barbara has been a great friend of RHAC and has donated tapes and also compiled for us a Tape Library Reference Guide. She is currently newsletter editor of SPERDVAC's Radiogram.

TUNING IN COLORADO SPRINGS

I recently received some bad news via the Springs. Kevin Shields' apartment was broken into and some of his recording equipment, C.D.'s, etc were vandalized and stolen. Kevin will not submit a schedule of his OTR show on Sunday's for the month of May, understandably. To take from someone who is visually impaired and destroy a part of one's livelihood, is indicative of nature of the world today. A "Sign of the times". Fortunately, there are enough caring people who have and will come forward to help out. The RHAC is setting up a fund for donations to help Kevin replace his Open reel equipment that was damaged. With this equipment, Kevin dubs his personal collection as well as the tapes for his radio show. If you can help, please send your donations to John Licht (see address under Officers and Board Members). Any amount will be greatly appreciated. At least it will help restore some of Kevin's faith in mankind that he may have lost.

There is some good news, however. Kevin is getting married this July.

WANT-ADS

I recently received a letter from a Dr. William Harper of Purdue University who is researching a book-length study of the life and works of the American sportswriter, Grantland Rice (1880-1954). Dr. Harper is wondering if we might be able to help him find some of the various radio programs on which Mr. Rice appeared interviewing athletes or discussing sports. Some of the shows he mentioned were Cities Service Concerts, NBC, from 1933 - 1943, during which Rice appeared as a guest. Also, Information Please, This Is Your Life, Toast Of The Town, Coca-Cola Broadcasts, and other NBC radio broadcasts. Any help you can give him will be greatly appreciated and you will be acknowledge in his book on Grantland Rice.

If you've any information concerning the above, please contact me or write: William Harper, Ph.D., 607 Robinson Street, West Lafayette, Indiana 47906.

TAPE REVIEW

Imagine London at midnight. The fog swirling and covering the great city like a shroud. And, somewhere, possibly in a crusty old mansion that might contain a laboratory, exists a man whose wealth, intellect and powers of the occult gained him the infamous title of "Devil Doctor." This was Fu Manchu...A man set on the conquest of the world. Created by Sax Rohmer, Fu Manchu began his radio career in 1929 and lasted until 1940. RHAC is fortunate to have in its library one of the 3-a-week Fu Manchu serials, "The Shadow of Fu Manchu. The 39 episodes featured Gale Gordon and Hanley Stafford and was aired beginning 5/8/39. The sound quality is very good and it would be a welcome addition to your collection if you have not had the opportunity to hear it. You will find it on tapes #449 and #450.

CONVENTION TIME

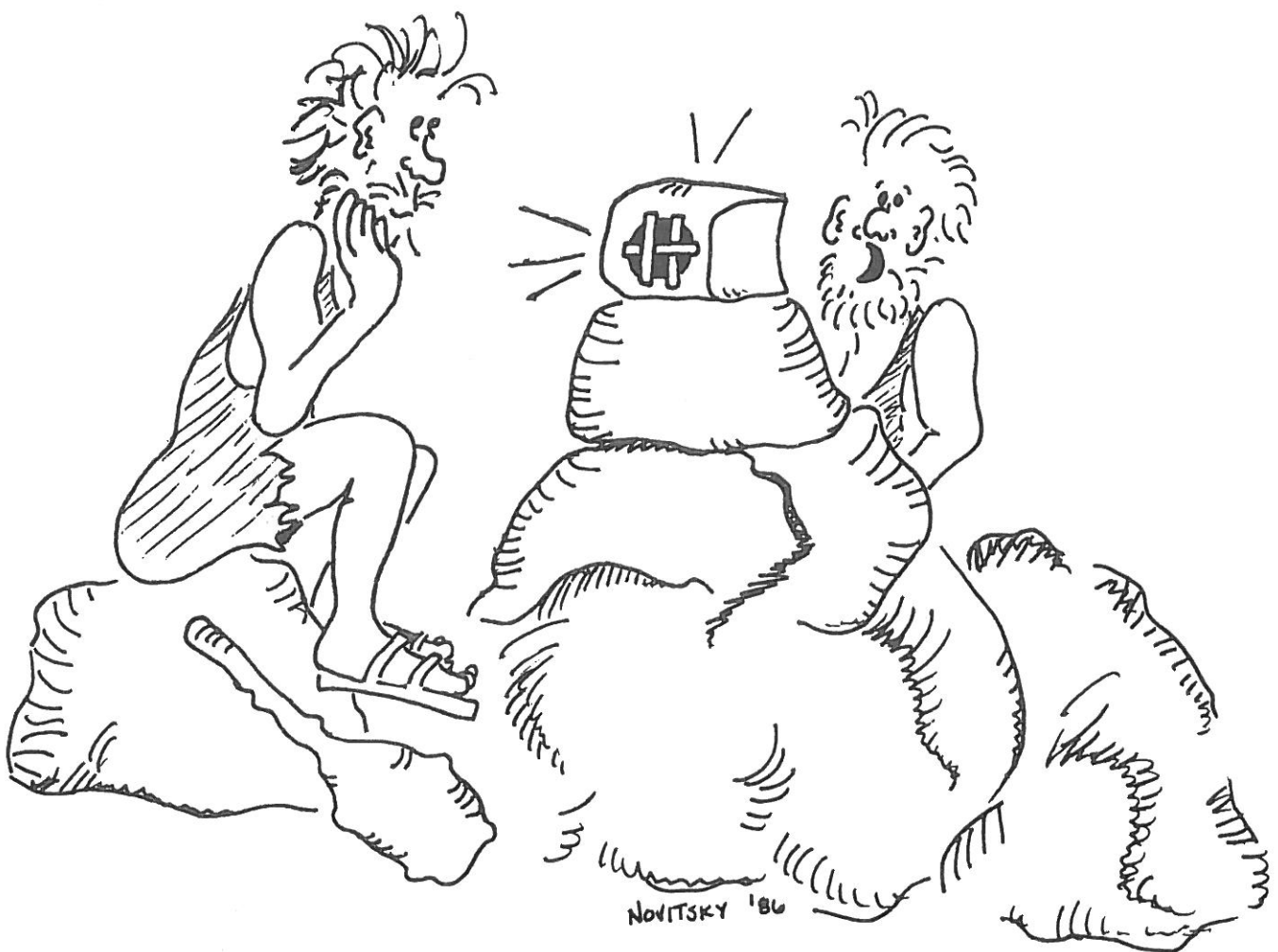
It's getting closer to the '86 OTR Convention and John Callor, Dick King, Jerry Piacitine and committee are wrapping up the final plans. Remember, May 15, 1986 is the deadline for the pre-registration. After that date, the cost of a ticket goes up. So, get your reservation in early. The first-come, first-served reserved seating has been filled. But, there are plenty of good seats remaining. The capacity is 350 people, so don't wait too long. They are filling fast!!! (See flyer - last page of newsletter)...

Additional copies of the June issue of Return With Us Now will be made available to convention goers as part of the convention program package. This issue and the following month's will be primarily on the subject of the convention and the various activities.

(Thanks to Bill Novitsky for the following cartoon)

GREAT MOMENTS IN RADIO

"MAN INVENTS THE FIRST WIRELESS RADIO"



RHAC TAPE LIBRARY

<u>REEL 598</u>	<u>WORLD NEWS TODAY</u>	1200'
1L	10-8-44 Two American Armies Are On The Attack 10-15-44 Last 18 Hours - Greatest Air Attacks On Germany	
2L	10-22-44 American Troops On Leyte Hold Island's Capital 10-29-44 Allied Troops Cleared Breda In Holland	
1R	11-5-44 B-29s Hit Singapore And Sumatra 11-12-44 World Heard From Hitler For First Time In 17 Weeks	
2R	11-19-44 No Slow Down In Allied Advance In Western Europe 12-3-44 B-29s Over Tokyo Today	
<u>REEL 599</u>	<u>WORLD NEWS TODAY</u>	1200'
1L	12-31-44 Germans Failed To Close Corridor To Bastogne 1-7-45 Americans Gained 3 Miles On Northern Flank Of Belgian Bulge	
2L	1-14-45 Allied Armies Hammering German Salient In Belgium 1-28-45 New Drive On American's First Army	
1R	2-18-45 Accent Today On Two Widely Separated War Theatres 3-4-45 German Army Continues Retreat Across The Rhine	
2R	3-11-45 American 3rd Army Inside Koblenz 3-18-45 Joseph Stalin Announced Capture Of Kolberg	
<u>REEL 600</u>	<u>WORLD NEWS TODAY</u>	1200'
1L	3-25-45 21st Army Group Linked All It's Bridgeheads 4-8-45 British Troops Within 7 Miles Of Two German Cities	
2L	4-15-45 President Was Buried Today 5-13-45 Day Of National Prayer	
1R	5-20-45 Super Fortresses Attacked Tokyo District 7-8-45 Mustang Fighters Attacked Airfields In Tokyo	
2R	7-22-45 B-29s Bombed Yabi 7-29-45 Principal Negotiator At Potsdam Stated Country Will Go To War With Japan	
<u>REEL 601</u>	<u>WORLD NEWS TODAY</u>	1200'
1L	8-12-45 192 Weeks Ago That Americans Learned That War Had Come 8-19-45 Truman Leading Nation In Giving Thanks For Victory	
2L	8-26-45 US Fleet In Sagami Bay 9-2-45 Japan Has Surrendered	
1R	9-9-45 Slowly And Steadily, Occupation Of Japan Goes On 9-16-45 Japanese At Hong Kong Have Surrendered	
2R	9-23-45 Japanese Military Leaders Taken Into Custody 11-7-42 EXCERPT FORM CBS NEWS: Armed Forces Landing In Africa 12-4-43 CBS NEWS SPECIAL: Bombing Of Berlin	

RHAC TAPE LIBRARY

<u>REEL 602</u>	<u>DUFFY'S TAVERN/BIOGRAPHY IN SOUND</u>	1200'
1L	5-9-44 DUFFY'S TAVERN: Lecture On Men's Fashions (AFRS)	
	1-4-46 DUFFY'S TAVERN: Balancing The Books (AFRS)	
2L	-45 DUFFY'S TAVERN: Archie's Nephew (AFRS)	
	12-7-43 DUFFY'S TAVERN: Guest - Bing Crosby	
1R	12-14-45 DUFFY'S TAVERN: Guest - Dinah Shore, Joan Davis (AFRS)	
	5-8-47 DUFFY'S TAVERN: Coming Out Party	
2R	1-16-58 BIOGRAPHY IN SOUND: Ernie Pyle - Typewriter In A Foxhole	
<u>REEL 603</u>	<u>BIOGRAPHY IN SOUND</u>	1200'
1L	7-20-55 Meet Gertrude Lawrence	
2L	3-21-56 They Knew George M. Cohan	
1R	3-27-56 Thornton Wilder, Keeper Of The Time Capsule	
2R	5-29-56 Portrait Of Fred Allen	
<u>REEL 604</u>	<u>BIOGRAPHY IN SOUND</u>	1200'
1L	1-26-56 Fiorello LaGuardia: The Little Giant Of Gotham	
2L	5-15-56 Recollections At 30 (30 Years Of Radio)	
1R	7-27-56 Meet Ernest Hemmingway	
2R	9-10-57 The Prince Of Clowns: Danny Kaye	
<u>REEL 605</u>	<u>MUSIC SHOWS</u>	1200'
1L	VICTORY PARADE OF SPOTLIGHT BANDS: w/ Tommy Dorsey	
	2-18-50 SATURDAY AT THE SHAMROCK" w/ Harpo & Chico Marx	
2L	10-6-45 ONE NIGHT STAND: w/ Vaughn Monroe	
	8-12-43 STAGEDOOR CANTEN: w/ Jack Smith, Mary Martin	
1R	-30s BLUE COAL MINSTRALS: Pgm #1	
	-30s BLUE COAL MINSTRALS: Pgm #2	
	4-26-47 THIS IS JAZZ: w/ Louis Armstrong	
2R	8-25-46 TOMMY DORSEY SHOW: w/ Duke Ellington	
	-20s THE CONTINENTAL TRIO: 1st - Confession	
	-20s THE CONTINENTAL TRIO: 1st - Bye, Bye, Blues	
	1-15-34 THE CLIMALENE CARNIVAL: 1st - Louisiana Hayride	
<u>REEL 606</u>	<u>CBS SHAKESPEARE SERIES</u>	1200'
1L	7-19-37 Much Ado About Nothing	
2L	7-26-37 Julius Caesar	
1R	8-2-37 The Taming Of The Shrew	
2R	8-23-37 Henry IV	

The Radio Historical Association of Colorado is pleased to announce that it will sponsor a convention dedicated to fans of "The Golden Age of Radio".

The one day convention will be held on Saturday, June 7th at the Continental Inn Denver (I25 and Speer Blvd). Registration is at 11 am and the convention starts at noon.

The theme of the convention is "A Reunion of Radio Greats" and will feature many of your radio favorites. On hand will be PARLEY BAER (Gunsmoke), JUNE FORAY (Stan Freberg Show), SAM EDWARDS (Meet Corliss Archer) as well as local favorites PETE SMYTHE, DON ROBERTS, DICK McDANIEL and JIM HAWTHORNE. Local radio personalities JOHN DUNNING and BILL SAUL will also be participating. We hope to add even more guests.

Two radio plays will be performed at the convention. The first will be a recreation of the radio classic "Sorry Wrong Number" which will be performed by the Metro State College Theater Co. The second will be an original radio play written by PETE WEHNER and performed by our radio guests. There will also be two rooms full of radio exhibits, two lively panel discussions, a sound effects demonstration, an autograph session, drawings for prizes and a fine buffet dinner. Prior to the start of the convention, at 9 am, there will be a two hour video presentation of radio stars in scenes from movies and early tv.

If you enjoyed radio from it's "Golden Age" you will not want to miss this very special day dedicated to it's memories. Registration for the convention, which includes dinner, is only \$12.50 per person, but you must register by May 15th. After that date, the cost is \$15.00. Sign up early for best seating.

If you desire further information call 331-2362 and leave your name and number.

Circle Saturday, June 7th on your calendar and join us at the Continental Inn Denver.

Please reserve _____ seats at the RHAC convention.

Make checks payable to: RHAC

Enclosed is my check for \$ _____

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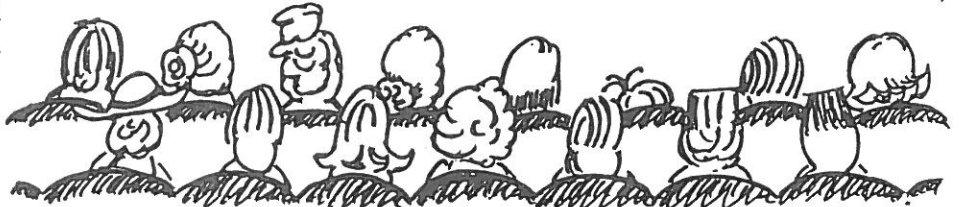
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