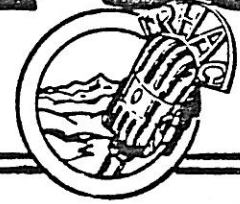


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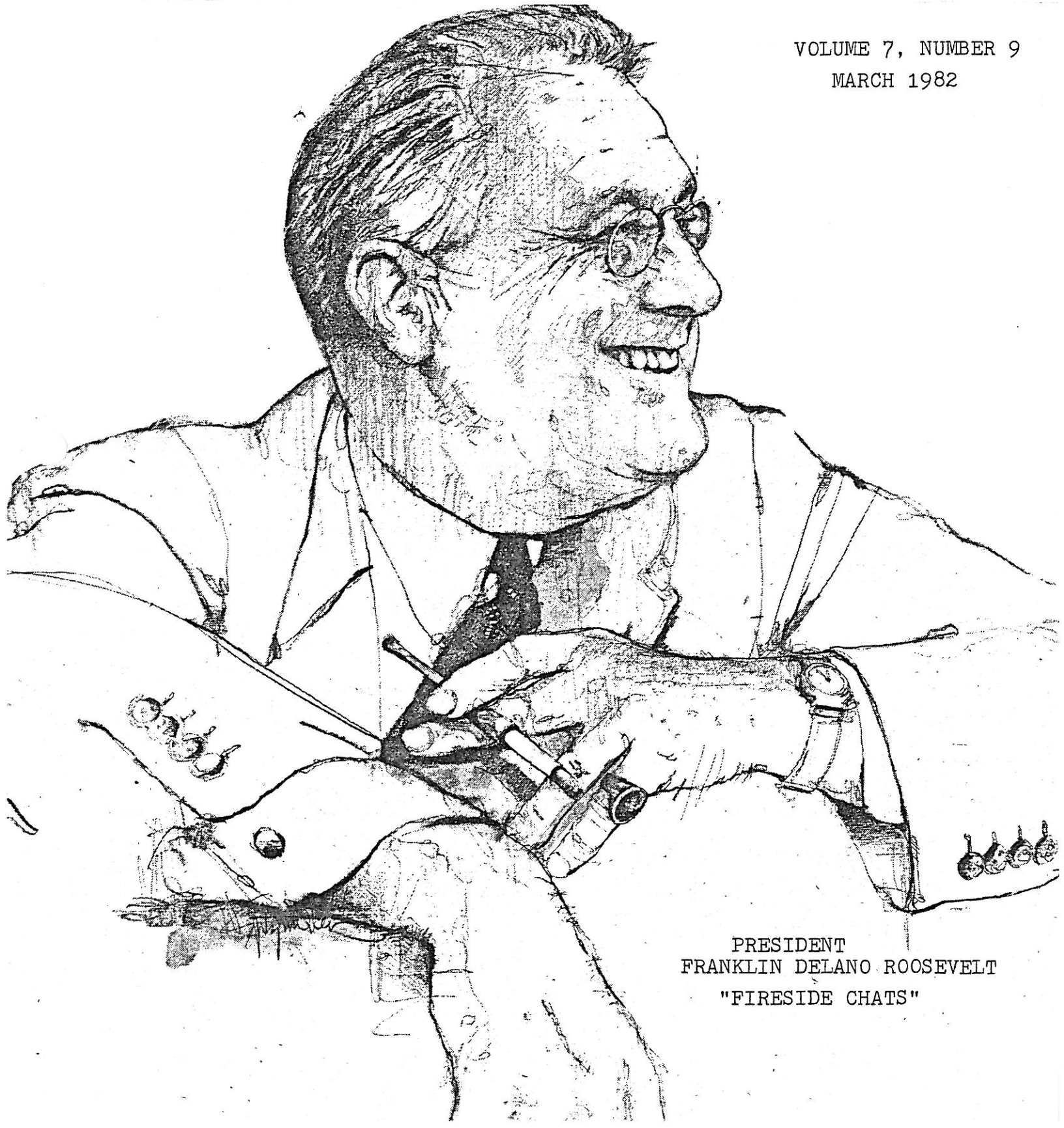
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"FIRESIDE CHATS"

MARCH MEETING

The March meeting of the Radio Historical Association of Colorado will be held on Thursday evening, March 18th at 7:30 PM, at the Southwest State Bank, 1380 S. Federal Blvd. The regular business meeting will be held and will be followed by the third round of the Trivia Bowl. As a reminder, the RHAC holds all of its meetings on the third Thursday of each month unless we are notified by the bank of a change.

JOHN DUNNING'S OTR SCHEDULE FOR MARCH

March 7: 7- -46 LIGHT'S OUT: "Battle of the Magicians"
11-18-56 JOHNNY DOLLAR: "The Markham Matter"
10-31-52 GUNSMOKE: "Overland Express"
INTERVIEW WITH Frank Nelson

March 14: 6-23-57 CBS RADIO WORKSHOP: "Meditations On Ecclesiastes"
7-31-45 THE DOCTOR FIGHTS: "Lan Ting Miracle"
4-23-46 RED SKELTON: "Old Letters And Trouble"
INTERVIEW WITH Glen Hall Taylor

March 21: 4-24-49 SCREEN DIRECTOR'S PLAYHOUSE: "The Sky's The Limit"
6-5-45 THE DOCTOR FIGHT'S: "Shingle on Luzon"
4-30-46 RED SKELTON: "The Dentist"

March 28: 5-1-49 SCREEN DIRECTOR'S PLAYHOUSE: "The Trouble With Women"
5-8-52 NIGHTBEAT: "Long Live The Clown"
5-7-46 RED SKELTON: "Firemen"

John also plans to interview Roy Rogers, the King of the Cowboys, during the month. John tells me that Roy does not want to do the show on Sunday, so it might be on tape from earlier in the week.

John's show can be heard on KNUS, 710 on the AM dial, Sundays from 2 pm to 5 pm. You might want to listen to KNUS at other times during the week for more OTR. On February 27 (Saturday), John was on for 2 hours with 4 shows. He may be asked by the station to do other shows in different time slots during March. Also, many of you know that John does conduct other talk shows during the week on KNUS.

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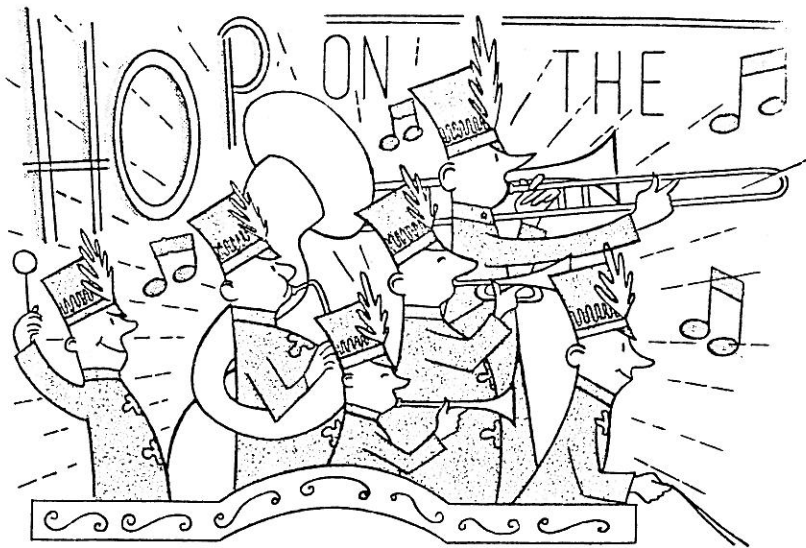
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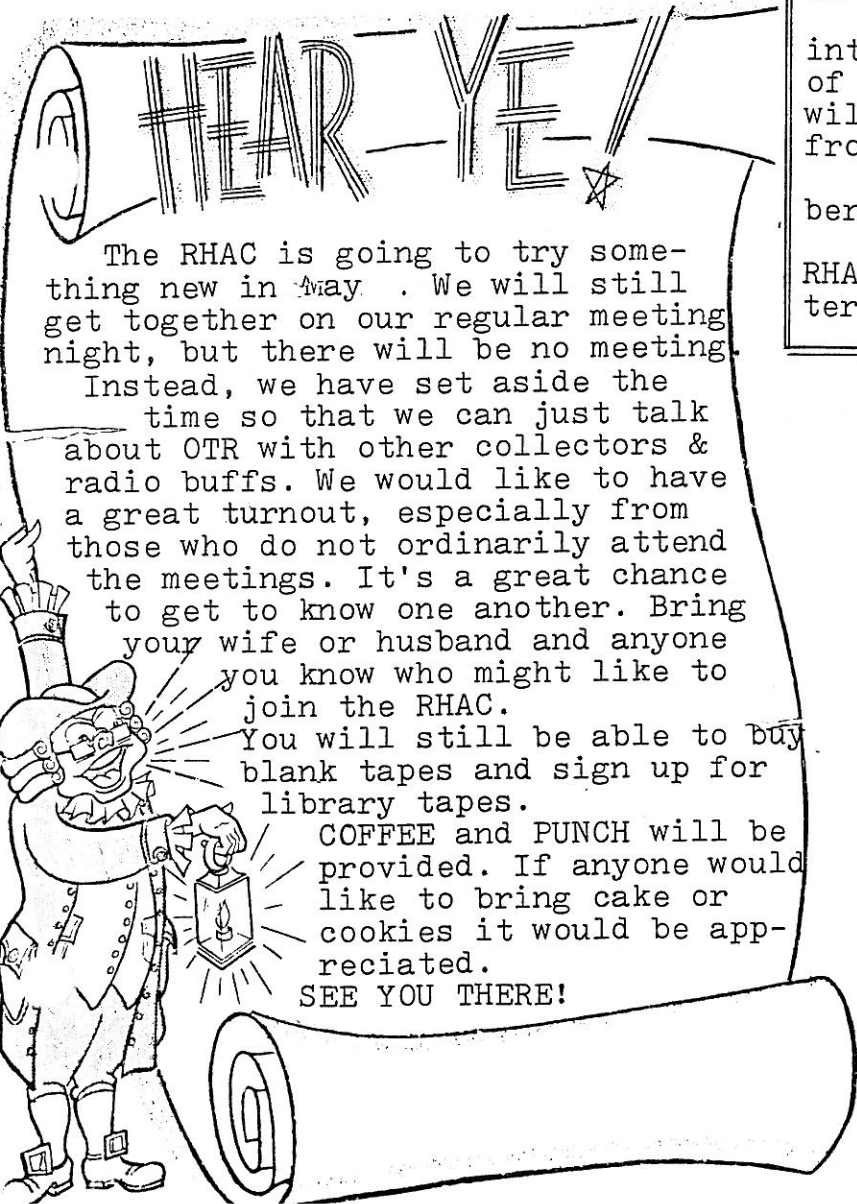
The Board of Directors has come up with an innovative means of gaining new members for the RHAC. It was announced at the February meeting so those members who were present have a head start.

For each new member that you bring into the club, you will have your choice of two blank reels of 1200' tape OR you will be able to sign up for two reels from the tape lending library for free.

This offer is only good for new members, not renewals or previous members.

We encourage you to "talk up" the RHAC to those you know who might be interested in joining us.

SUPPORT ALL RHAC ACTIVITIES



The RHAC is going to try something new in May. We will still get together on our regular meeting night, but there will be no meeting.

Instead, we have set aside the time so that we can just talk about OTR with other collectors & radio buffs. We would like to have a great turnout, especially from those who do not ordinarily attend the meetings. It's a great chance to get to know one another. Bring your wife or husband and anyone you know who might like to join the RHAC.

You will still be able to buy blank tapes and sign up for library tapes.

COFFEE and PUNCH will be provided. If anyone would like to bring cake or cookies it would be appreciated.

SEE YOU THERE!

NEWSLETTER REMINDER

If you are looking for any shows please let us know and we will help you find them by placing an ad in RETURN WITH US NOW.

If you have equipment (in good condition) that you are trying to sell we will let our readers know about it.

It's your newsletter, take advantage of the free advertising.

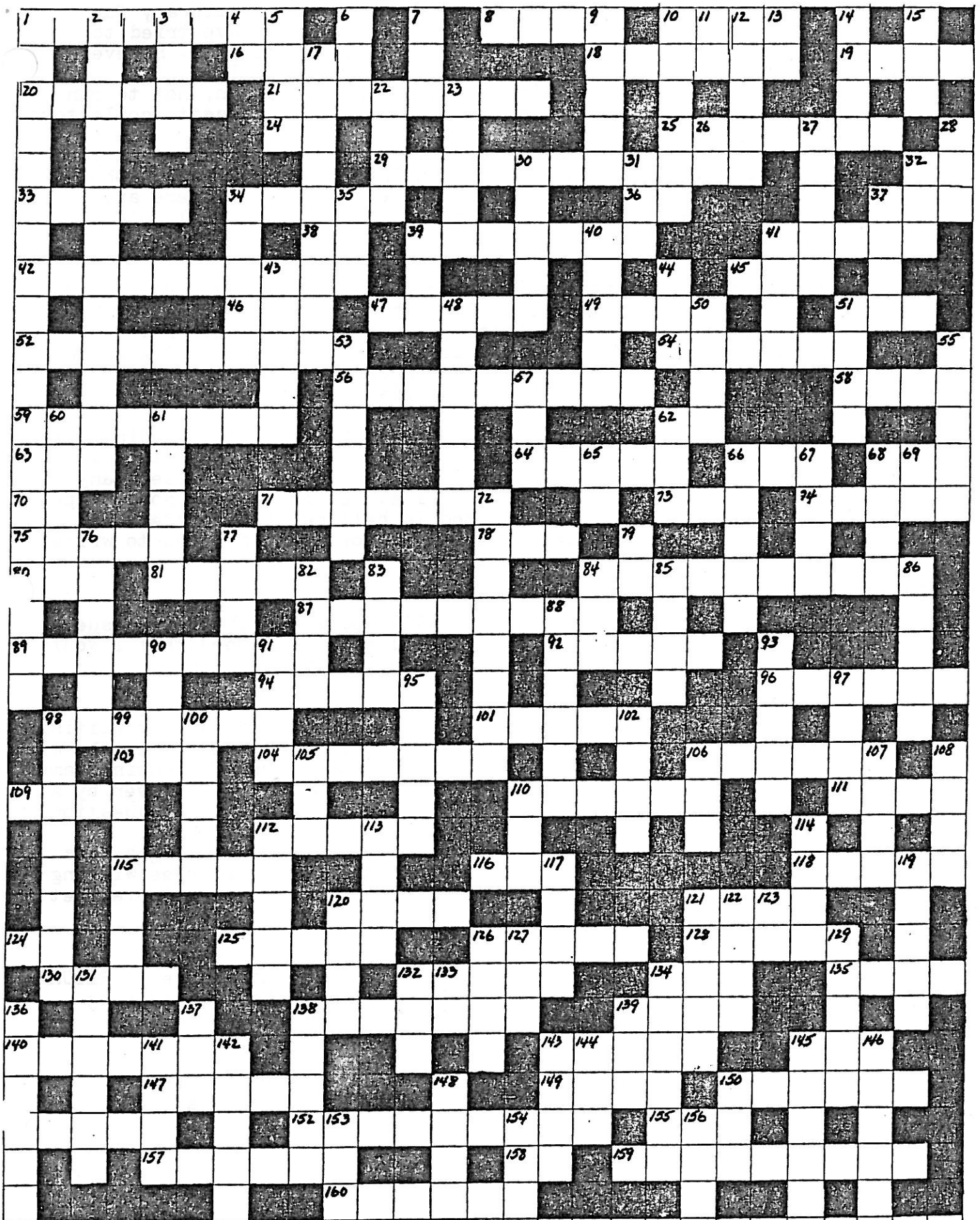
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2. Actor Chandler of Our Miss Brooks
3. Hannibal _____
4. A _____ With Judy _____
5. He played Shorty Bell
6. Land of the _____
7. Meets the Critics
8. Captain _____
9. Keep _____ Rolling
10. Of the Mounted
11. Soap opera about Joan Hargrave
12. Scott (2 words)
13. Leave It _____ The Girls _____
14. Mr Hare of the Interwoven Pair
15. _____ and Rollo _____
16. The _____ Sullivan Show
17. The _____ Murray Program
18. You Want to Lead A Band
19. Soap opera about a close knit family in Royaltan
20. For A Day _____
21. Dodge City marshal (2 words)
22. Coast To Coast On A _____
23. Tommy Riggs and Betty _____
24. Comedian Bracken _____
25. Wilderness _____
26. Affairs of _____ Scotland
27. _____ and Budd _____
28. "Lord of the Jungle"
29. The Mentalist _____
30. I Love A Mystery thriller: "Bury Your _____ in _____"
31. _____ Jim _____
32. Friend Irma _____
33. Sponsor _____ Hepatica _____
34. Woman In _____ Time _____
35. In Swing Time _____
36. Jungle _____
37. Little _____ Hollywood
38. Meet _____ Archer _____
39. Roy Rogers cowgirl wife _____
40. _____ and Danger _____
41. On A Clue _____
42. Comic Kabbible of Kay Kyser's band _____
43. Dr. Malone _____
44. Fanny Brice made this role famous (2 words)
45. Ft. Laramie character (2 words)
46. _____ Jed _____
47. _____'s Desire _____
48. Little Orphan _____
49. The _____ Burns Panatela Program
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2. Don Winslow of the _____
3. Drake _____
4. Mr. McConnell of the Buster Brown Gang _____
5. Uncle _____ and Sparkie _____
6. Big _____ Phil Harris _____
7. Mrs. _____ Tremayne _____
8. Actor _____
9. Prime Minister's address on Downing St. _____
10. Perry Mason's Girl Friday _____
11. Actor Ameche of the Bickersons _____
12. Mr. _____, Tracer of Lost Persons _____
13. The _____ Skipper _____
14. Mystery In The Air star _____
15. _____ Kids _____
16. She starred in The Stepmother _____
17. Princess _____ Players _____
18. Singer Day _____
19. Newsman John Charles _____
20. Amos 'n' _____
21. Actor Arnold _____
22. Passport For _____
23. Hear It _____
24. _____ of Ivy _____
25. Your Hit Parade theme: "_____ Day"
26. Comedian Blanc _____
27. Pays To Be Ignorant _____
28. Quitck As A _____
29. Detective Wolfe _____
30. The _____ Carson Show _____
31. Buck Rogers _____ the 25th Century _____
32. He created the character of Jimmy Valentine (2 words)
33. Bandleader Columbo _____
34. Perkins _____
35. Bandleader Gray _____
36. Comedian Arnaz _____
37. National Spelling _____
38. National _____ Dance _____
39. The _____ of Mary Marlin _____
40. _____ the Magician _____
41. _____ Aces _____
42. _____ of Cairo _____
43. Singer Sinatra _____
44. Andrews Sisters _____ To The Bar Ranch _____
45. Sportscaster Stern _____
46. Comedy starring Ed Ford, Peter Donald and Eunice Howard _____
47. Quiz show featured phone calls to listeners (3 words)
48. Here's Babe _____
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ATTENTION CASSETTE COLLECTORS

A new member recently suggested that we begin a cassette library for those members who do not collect on reel to reel tape. We have tried to provide this service twice in the past with disasterous results. However, the times have changed and we are willing to study this again.

You will notice that we are willing to study the situation, not to run blindly into it again. The ball is in the court of those cassette collectors in the RHAC.

Here is what you will have to do. Drop a line to John Migrala that you are interested in a cassette tape library. NO PHONE CALLS, PLEASE. John will pass the letters along to the Board of Directors and if there are enough, we will look into providing this service to cassette collectors.

HOWDY EVERYONE

Well, I am back for the umpteenth time as your editor of RETURN WITH US NOW. I have always enjoyed getting back into the hassle again, believe it or not. For the first time in the history of the club, we have several other members who have offered to edit this newsletter for you. Joe Madden and John Adams have offered their services and John Callor has offered his services for the immediate future and I will gladly take them up on it in very short order.

I am excited about the future of the RHAC. We have some outstanding new members, willing to put in some effort to improve things in the club. I am also extremely pleased with our current officers. I've never seen anyone as dedicated as Barrett Benson is to his office. We are in very good shape.

Please let us know if you are interested in helping with newsletter articles. We will pass along valuable library information for you to write your articles. It really would help us all.

PUZZLE ANSWERS

Answers to this months crossword puzzle will appear in the next issue. Let us know how you like this type of puzzle. I have many more that I would like to share with you all if you are interested.

TRIVIA QUIZ RESULTS

The second round of the current Trivia Bowl proved to be just as exiting as the first round. After being down in the early part of the contest by a score of 9-1, the team of Carol Roe, Chuck Hansen and Jerry Piacentine came back to defeat the team of Chuck Barton, John Adams and Terry Shroyer by a final score of 20 to 16. The contest went right down to the final question for the second time in a row.

We will be looking for 6 more participants for the next meeting's quiz. We will then have the final round in April consisting of the three winning teams. It has been a great deal of fun thus far and proves to get even better as we get to the finals.

MEMBERSHIP LISTING

A current list of RHAC members appears elsewhere in this issue of RETURN WITH US NOW. Please check it over and let us know if we have everything correct. The date appearing after your address is your renewal date.

RENEWAL NOTIFICATION

John Migrala will be sending out letters to all members before the expiration date of their membership. You can help us save postage by renewing early if you plan on doing so.

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'FIBBER' SURFACES IN TV SEGMENT

THE DENVER POST
Thurs., Dec. 16, 1976 **31**

Jordan's Career 'Out of Closet'

By **BOB THOMAS**

LOS ANGELES—(AP)—To old-time radio listeners, the voice will be familiar even if the face isn't. Who could forget Fibber McGee and his rubble-filled closet?

That familiar Midwest drawl will be heard again when Jim Jordan appears Friday on NBC's *Chico and the Man* (7:30 p.m. Channel 4 in Denver). He'll play a 73-year-old muffler mechanic who learns first-hand about discrimination against older workers.

Jim Jordan is all of 79 and he doesn't look it. Nor act like it, although he complained mildly about the taping session for *Chico and the Man*.

"If I'da known what I was getting into I never woulda done it," he remarked at the NBC Burbank studios. "You know they had me standing on my feet for five days. I've just started my second retirement!"

STILL, HE SEEMS to be enjoying the attention that *Chico* has provided. Especially when he gets a chance to talk about Fibber McGee and Molly, which occupied him for 21 years in radio and has followed him ever since.

"Sure, I remember Fibber with great fondness," he commented. "I just get tired of people thinking Fibber McGee and Molly was just a closet."

The closet, of course, is what everyone remembers. How Molly used to warn her husband not to open the dreaded door. How the ever-confident Fibber nevertheless made the fateful move. How the sounds of tumbling debris crashed through home loudspeakers on Tuesday nights. Fibber's blithe comment: "Gotta clean that hall closet one of these days."

There was much more to Fibber McGee and Molly. Scriptwriter Don Quinn provided a rare slice of Americana with such characters as Gildersleeve (Hal Peary), Doc Gamble (Arthur Q. Bryan), Mayor La-Trivia (Gale Gordon), Old Timer and Mr. Wimple (Bill Thompson).

Also there was the McGee's cook, Beulah, played on the show by a male, Merlin Hirt. She later had her own radio show starring Hattie McDaniel; later Ethel Waters played the role on television.

It all started with a couple of married radio actors, Marion and Jim Jordan, back in Chicago in 1925. They did every kind of show from the Saturday Night Jamboree to their own daily Smackout. Jim specialized in old codgers, including "an awful liar" named Luke Gray. In late 1934 the Johnson Wax Co. proposed a show with the Jordans, seeking a title that indicated lying. Writer Quinn, who had been a commercial artist, brought in a hand-decorated sign, "Fibber McGee." It seemed perfect, and the Jordans added "Molly" from another character Marion had been doing.

FIBBER MCGEE AND MOLLY became a national hit, and the Jordans moved the show to Hollywood, where they also appeared in movies based on the characters. They resisted the transition to television.

"During those early days, TV was killing people; stars and directors were getting heart attacks from overwork," Jordan recalled.

"Marion had had a heart attack in 1953, and we were satisfied with radio. We started thinking about TV in 1959, but then Marion's cancer was discovered."

She died in 1961, and Jordan married Gretchen Stewart in 1962.

What has Jim Jordan done since 1960?

"I often think what I can say when people ask me that. I only know that I'm 10 times busier than when I was in radio. When you're working, you set everything else aside. Now I'm able to do all the things I wanted to do, like woodworking and gardening."

Thanks to RHAC member Jacob Tustin for sending in the 1976 Denver Post article on Jim Jordan.

'FIBBER MCGEE' TO MAKE TV DEBUT AP Laserphotos
Jim Jordan will be on Friday's *Chico and the Man* show at 7:30 p.m. portraying a 73-year-old muffler mechanic. At right, Jordan and his wife, Marion, doing a 1946 Fibber McGee and Molly show.



REEL 236 CAMPBELL PLAYHOUSE/MERCURY THEATRE ON THE AIR 1200'

1L 1-21-40 CP: The Citadel
2L -40 CP: Huckleberry Finn
1R 3-17-39 CP: Beau Gest
2R 10-9-38 MT: Hell On Ice

REEL 237 SCREEN GUILD THEATRE 1200'

1L 4-30-39 Alone In Paris
5-7-39 Review
2L 5-14-39 Review
5-21-39 Review
1R 5-28-39 Review
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10-8-39 Review

REEL 238 GUNSMOKE 1200'

1L 11-14-53 Professor Lute Bone
12-12-53 The Cast
2L 12-19-53 Big Girl Lost
12-26-53 The Guitar
1R 1-2-54 Stage Holdup
1-23-54 Nina
2R 1-30-54 Gun Smuggler
2-6-54 Big Broad

REEL 239 THE NEW EDGAR BERGEN HOUR 1200'

1L 11-6-55 GUEST: Norwegian Exchange Student
2L 11-13-55 GUEST: Sheila Graham
1R 11-27-55 GUEST: Jack Benny
2R 12-4-55 GUEST: Authority On Juvenile Delinquency

REEL 240 THE NEW EDGAR BERGEN HOUR 1200'

1L 12-11-55 GUEST: Shirley Yamaguchi
2L 12-18-55 GUEST: Hollywood Correspondent, Elaine Mosby
1R 12-25-55 GUEST: Candice Bergen
2R 1-1-56 GUEST: Lew Ayres

