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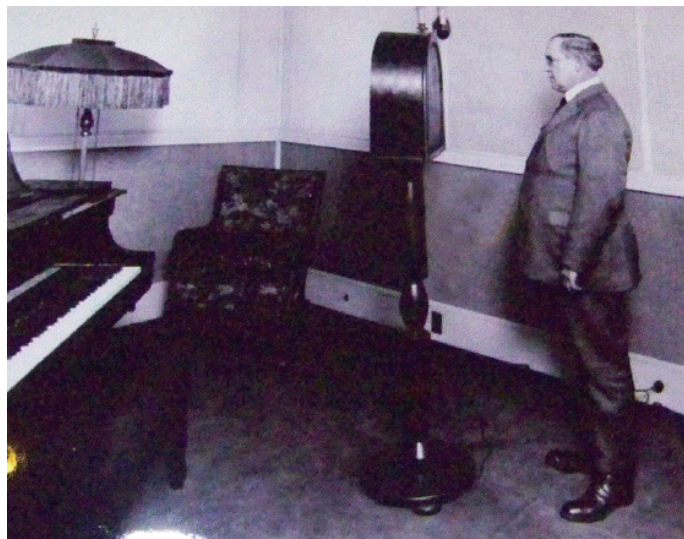


***A NOTE FROM PRESIDENT DEE***

Things are moving along at a brisk pace at the shop. Bill Tharp, the power company's archivist, is ready to start moving some of his stuff downstairs. Among this stuff will be a dozen or so old radios that belong to us. Bill is letting us store these radios on his shelves. Five of those radios are consoles. We have decided to put them in the kitchen downstairs. I think that it will dress up the place a bit. We might even put a picture or two on the walls.

Bill and I also discussed the upcoming 90th anniversary of WSY and the celebration that we will have. We are going to need a lot of help with this project. It could very well be the biggest undertaking that AHRS has ever done. If you can help in anyway, please let me know.

One of the first things that we can do is start setting up the WSY studio. Look at the picture below and you will see a man standing next to what looks like a cathedral speaker on a pedestal. Turns out that it probably was a speaker, but in this studio it is being used as a microphone. Also notice next to the piano is a Tiffany-style floor lamp with tassels hanging down. We are looking for a lamp that fits this description. If any of you have one of these lamps and could loan it to us, we would greatly appreciate it. So, please check your attics, folks, or if you've seen a good reproduction of this lamp at a lighting or other type of retail outlet let me know

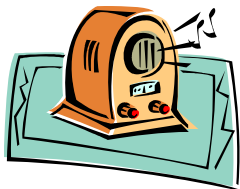


Mack White has offered to loan us a Victrola that looks very much like the one that was in the WSY studio back in 1922.



Here is another shot of the studio. Notice the piano, side table and settee. These are also items that we could use in the display. You don't have to donate these things, just make a temporary loan. We will get them back to you. FYI, I don't think we will have room for a piano.

Well, I guess that will be all for now. Please take pride in your club. Come by on Saturday mornings and attend all Monday night meetings. Help us plan for our future.



***LISTEN TO THE RADIO!!***

Finally, at long last, summer is over. No more hot sweaty stagnant days. I can sit on my front porch and not hear my neighbor's air conditioner buzzing away. It's hard to think of all the things that we need to do when I can sit in the swing and watch the white puffy clouds drift by. I can think back to my childhood before we had a TV. I was in grammar school talking with my friends. "Boy, I sure thought the Lone Range was a goner when he and Tonto got ambushed." Those may not have been my exact words, but we used to talk about our favorite radio shows back then just like we've been doing for the past 50 or 60 years about TV shows.

Thank goodness, someone has preserved those old shows for future generations to enjoy. I listened to a Jack Benny show last week when they were broadcasting from the deck of the "flat top" Saratoga just 4 days before she was intentionally sunk in the South Pacific during an A bomb test. Jack gave a fitting salute to her at the end of the broadcast. If you would like to listen to the show, go to the following web site:

<http://www.myoldradio.com/old-radio-shows/jack-benny-show-the/1>

Click on the 4th show down and enjoy.

*Dee Haynes*

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### ***MEETING TIMES***

We meet nearly every Saturday of the month at 09:00 AM in the one-story building at the corner of 8th Avenue North and 18th Street (1801 8th Avenue North, Birmingham, AL 35203). Use the rear (Southeast) entrance.

**Come to the Monday Night Meetings, TOO, on the 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of the month at 7 PM!**

### ***FREE ELECTRONICS CLASSES***

The first Saturday of the month, there are electronics classes free to members. Topics include test equipment, Resistors and Capacitance testing, Inductors and coil winding, to name only a few subjects!

Robert's next class will be October 15th 2011-- BRING YOUR RADIOS.

We hope to see you there!



### ***DUES ARE NOW DUE***

Membership dues are \$25 a year, payable beginning in January. If you have questions about your dues, you can contact Tom at 205-967-7000.

**Dues can be mailed to AHRS @ P.O. Box 131418, Birmingham AL 35213.**

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