THE OLD TIME RADIO RESEARCHERS STAND ON COPYRIGHTED MATERIAL

The OTRR is a research group, devoted to the study, preservation, and dissemination of what is commonly called 'The Golden Age Of Radio', or otr, for short.

The mission statement of the group says -

How We Accomplish Our Mission:

- 1). Conduct research on a series, compiling information from as many sources as we can locate including correct broadcast dates, accurate and complete episode titles(where known), series synopses and other verified information.
- 2). Make every effort to verify the accuracy and authenticity of the information we have compiled.
- 3). Attempt to obtain every known episode in a series and label them with the correct broadcast dates, accurate and complete episode titles(where known).
- 4). Put each series of thorough specific tests to make sure they meet our accuracy, completeness and quality standards before it is made available.
- 5). Maintain research internet databases where information on old time radio is stored, thus providing an easy access to scholars and others interested in this period of history.

All of the various activities of the OTRR are supported through voluntary donations and contributions in kind of time, materials, etc. No charges are ever made for the receipt or use of any of our research.

Some of our research takes the form of distributions of newsletters, historical addendum, corrected names, dates, places, and the printing of broadcast schedules.

Distributions of series and episodes of otr are made to the members and friends of OTRR to enable them not only to enjoy these trips into history, but each distribution contains a large amount of extra materials that put the programs into context, provide more information, and supports a foundation for the members to do additional research, with the results being reported back to the parent body. The goal of such distributions is to enable the organization to place the programs into historical context, and provide information to groups and individuals studying this period in history.

Additionally several internet databases are maintained for use by scholars and other individuals doing research. These databases contain synopsis' of otr programs, pictures of stars, pdf files of old time radio magazines, and fanzines, and other materials designed to ease the burden for serious researchers. These materials are extrapolated from many sources and provided by many people.

Where possible, full and complete references are given.

Therefore - The Old Time Radio Researchers believes that it meet the criteria

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