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**NEWSPAPER ARTICLES ABOUT THE READING RADIO CLUB
FROM THE ARCHIVES OF THE READING TIMES**

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I want to say a BIG thank you to Bob Josuweit, WA3PZO, for researching the history of the Reading Radio Club (RRC) by searching through the archives of the READING TIMES newspaper using his access capability to "newspapers.com"

Bob, WA3PZO, is the American Radio Relay League (ARRL) Eastern Pennsylvania (EPA) Affiliated Club Coordinator. Bob, WA3PZO, carefully reads each and every newsletter that he receives from the clubs located in the ARRL EPA Section.

In the June 1, 2016 issue of the RRC BULLETIN Bob, WA3PZO, read through the article entitled "New Jersey Club Marks Centennial." Buried in that article were additional comments by this Editor as to the date that the RRC was first organized. This Editor speculated that it was sometime between 1916 and 1919.

I know Bob, WA3PZO, and I know he likes a challenge. He dug right in, using his access to "newspaper.com" and found the two articles on the following page of this RRC BULLETIN, which were originally published in the READING TIMES in 1921 and 1922.

With this information from Bob, WA3PZO, I believe the founding date of the RRC has been firmly established as - MARCH 10, 1921

The RRC affiliated with the ARRL on - FEBRUARY 17, 1922

Again, thank you Bob, WA3PZO, for taking the time to carefully read the RRC BULLETIN and using available and accurate archives for the benefit of the Reading Radio Club.

RRC OFFICERS & MEMBERS

CHECK OUT THE

1921 AND 1922

NEWSPAPER ARTICLES BELOW

**NEW MEMBERS FOR
READING RADIO CLUB**

At the meeting of the Reading Radio Club at the P. & R. Y. M. C. A. three new members were enrolled, Donald C. Kinsey, Robert W. Latshaw and William H. Wagner.

Robert H. Fidler gave a complete description of the process involved in exhausting audion tubes. It requires approximately one and a half hours to drive the gases from the metal elements of a tube and voltages varying from 250 to 500 volts are employed for this purpose.

One of the proposed plans for the future is to erect a bungalow along the river, to be used for recreation purposes, and a complete wireless station will also be installed.

In the near future the club will hold an electrical show, where the science of wireless telegraphy and telephony will be fully demonstrated.

P. & R. Y. M. C. A.
**Stands for the Philadelphia & Reading
Young Men's Christian Association.**
In the twenties and beyond, it was a facility for railroad workers to get some rest time, meals, and indoor recreation and exercise. Today, the building houses the "Hope Rescue Mission" in the original P&R building, and is located at 6th and Oley Streets, Reading, PA.

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(Above)

RADIO CLUB PLANS AN ANNIVERSARY

Plans for celebrating the first anniversary of the **Reading Radio club** were discussed at the regular meeting of the club at the P. & R. Y. M. C. A. on Friday evening. On March 10 the **Reading Radio** club will be one year old, and it is proposed that the event be celebrated with a banquet.

Fred G. DeLong, Paul F. Naftzinger, Walter D. Hoffman, Harold O. Landis, C. E. Kunsman, Russell Kutz and several other members of the local club will attend the third annual convention of the third and fourth radio districts, to be held at Hotel Raleigh, Washington, D. C., on Feb. 17 and 18.

All members are requested to attend the next meeting of the club, when final plans will be made for the anniversary celebration. The next meeting will be held at the P. & R. Y. M. C. A. on Friday, Feb. 24.

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(Above)