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GENTLEMEN:

I TALKED TO MR. D. J. ANGUS AND HE ASKED ME TO WRITE THIS LETTER AS I AM WILLING TO DO.

YES I WAS IN ATTENDANCE AT THE FIRST MEETING OF THE RADIO CLUB IN INDIANAPOLIS AT CARL DEAN'S HOUSE IN THE FALL OF 1914 THIS MEETING WAS HELD IN HIS BASEMENT WHERE HIS TRANSMITTER WAS LOCATED. I REMEMBER THE TIME AS CARL LIVED NEAR 31ST & CAPITOL AND I LIVED AT 3151 GRACELAND.

I STARTED IN RADIO IN 1913 BECAUSE A FELLOW LIVED AT SOUTH WEST CORNER OF 32ND AND ILLINOIS STREET AND HE HAD A TRANSMITTER AND EVERY TIME I PASSED HIS HOUSE I HEARD THIS SPARK IN OPERATION. I DID STOP IN TO FIND OUT WHAT IT WAS ALL ABOUT AND THAT IS HOW I STARTED IN SPARK DAYS. I OPERATED MY SET UNTIL CLOSED BY THE FIRST WORLD WAR AND NEVER DID RESUME OPERATION. SOME OF THE EARLY BIRDS WERE, MATT MOORE, WALTER HONECKER, CHARLES McDONALD, THE FELLOW AT 38ST & ILLINOIS I BELIEVE HIS NAME WAS BENTON OR SOMETHING LIKE IT AFTER HE STARTED ME IN THE GAME HE MOVED AND I LOST TRACK OF HIM.

AT THIS FIRST MEETING I MET HARRY SILCOX FOR THE FIRST TIME, HE LIVED ON THE SOUTH SIDE NEAR MY DAD'S STEEL CO. YES I REMEMBER I BOUGHT A DEFOREST RADIO TUBE FROM HARRY AFTER MY ORIGINAL BURNED OUT. NO I AM SORRY THAT I DO NOT HAVE THIS DEFORREST OR RADIOTRON AND 2 TUBE IN ONE RADIOTRON I HAD KEPT THEM FOR A NUMBER OF YEARS.

THE DATE OF THIS FIRST MEETING I DO NOT REMEMBER BUT THE ORGANIZATION WAS STARTED SO THAT WE COULD GET ACQUAINTED WITH ONE ANOTHER AND SHOW A LITTLE RESPECT FOR EACH AS THERE WERE SIX OPERATIONS WITHIN 3 BLOCKS AND ALL WANTED TO SPARK AT THE SAME TIME. WE DID DEVELOP A LITTLE RESPECT FOR EACH OTHER AFTER THE CLUB WAS ORGANIZED.

WITH CONTINUED RESPECT

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