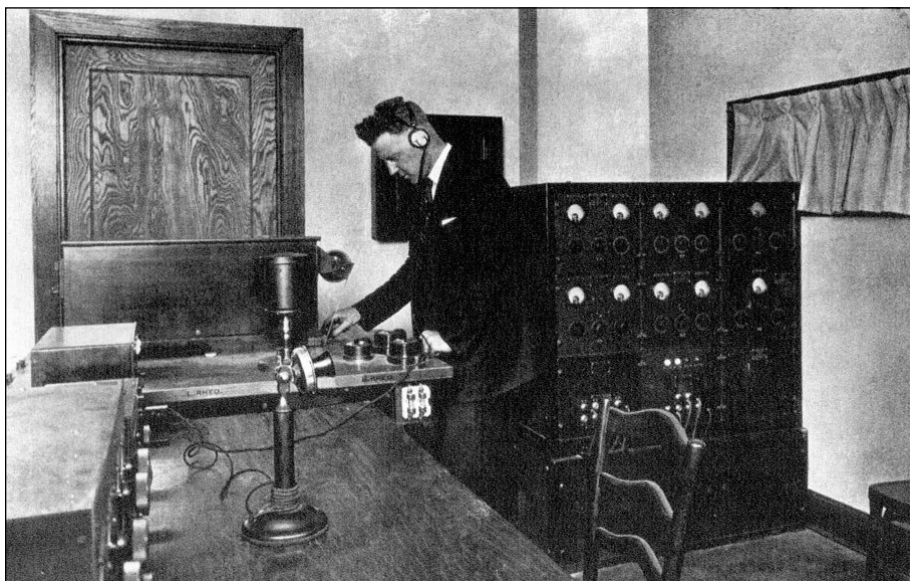




# Artifact Showcase

## Station WRC in 1923

The Museum's large collection includes many photographs documenting D.C. radio station WRC. RCA launched this station in August 1923, initially on 640 kHz. By the late 1940s it was at 980 on the dial. In 1923 sharing a frequency was common, and WRC had to time-share with WCAP, owned by the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company. WRC was an NBC affiliate for much of its existence,



WRC was originally housed in the Riggs National Bank Building on 14th Street NW. The top photo shows the control room. In the second photo, note the "flat-top" antenna stretched between two tall masts on the building's roof.

Like so many pioneer stations, WRC is no longer with us, but many residents of the D.C. area will recall listening to WRC when it was a major area broadcaster.

We appreciate your support of the museum so that historical artifacts like this one, and the stories that go with them, can be preserved for future generations. THANKS!

