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Subject: Re: Type 43 tubes and others

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One of the things I like the most about these old radios, is knowing how the news of so much history was received and listened to on them. I marvel at the thought with the first radio I restored, because it has a service label on it from August 14, 1945. I know that someone listened to the events of WWII through this radio, and that it served them well. I imagine the radio playing several hours every day, bringing the news to a concerned family. Then when the allies won the war, the radio probably needed service from all its use. In one of my other radios, there was a mud wasp's nest inside. When I dislodged the nest, it crumbled in my hands revealing some long dead wasps. I realized at that moment, that these wasps were probably alive before I was. The radio was very old, and it probably had been retired and stored in a garage or barn several decades ago. While there, the wasps took up their new home. I imagine they lived and died a long time ago. It is fascinating to me to think of things like this as I restore and listen to these old tube radios.

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