Subject: Killer! (Some more nastalgia...One last time..Long)
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Another one was the Maximus 1 woofer. I just could not scrape up 12 bux for it. It was a 3" woofer that had an alnico magnet that must have been 4" deep. looked like a flashlightCalrad horns. Bought tons of themThey claimed the motorola super horn as the "best". "Don't worry about a crossover on this one....as it adjust itself to whatever woofer you are going to use. Takes it about 2 hours"My Dad bought a CB/8track/AM/FM Car stereo there with the CB controller built into the microphone.In 72, I was 13 years old. I would mow ALL DAY...Just so I could order a single woofer. My favorite was an 8" Utah with an alnico magnet, and 2" voice coil for 5.95. FS was rated at 22hZ. After 2 years the foam surround would just dissolve. They thought I was nuts when I ordered 100 3" cone tweeters. I used them in some Huge line arrays... 80 inches tall, 25 tweeters in two rows in each cabinet. I wanted "big" highs. They were the killer 3/4" voice coil CTS Phenolic ring radiators...(Yello Phenolic ring around the viscious damped cone)Funny thing, the woofers were 12" fender lead guitar speakers,(Tuned to 45hZ) and the line arrays. In 1974, I got a Buddy that was dating my Sister to take those (and me) to a Local Hi Fi shop in Pensacola. This one sold Mid Fi..(Sansui/Pioneer/Garrard,Cerwin Vega) I asked them if I could bring in my speakers to check out some receivers, or Amps.They said "Sure kid". Well when we arrived at the back door, their eyes were as big as saucers. When we hooked them up, a customer offered my 2K for them...and I built the Klipschorns, and Bought a McIntosh 2105, Dyna PAS3, and a Garrard Zero 100...with M91ED.That was the second pair of homemade speakers I "accidently" sold in their shop.At another Shop...I walked in while my Dad went to a model airplane shop..(Dropped me off)and looked around for 20 mins...did not get greeted. I saw the McIntosh. Next week...I went in (had 1300.00 cash in my pocket) and looked around some more. I walked around for 15 mins, and spotted the JBL L200's. I knew the grills were removable...so when I went to peek inside..the velcro when zzziiiipppp. That got their attention..and the Guy came in from the other room...and said...WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE! Get out...scram...don't come back! My Dad asked me upon picking me up..."Well...where is your amp?" For the first time in my life...like an adult I said to him. "Well Pop...not from that Fucking place".He looked at me and said...."well I guess you can order one".(never said anything about the expletive). Guess he was still in the mode from talking model Airplanes. The next weekend (16 years old) I drove 350 miles to Atlanta (by myself) and walked into the Mac dealer, and asked if I could see the 2105. He said sure!....What albums do you like...I said...well I will spare you the audition....Let's just write it up! We stayed in touch for years...and I bet the other HiFi shop lost over 40 grand from me, and possibly over 200 grand from all my "rich buddies" over the years.Shows how treating a Kid...Future customer...can be very rewarding.Those assholes just did not have the brains to realize that even a 15/16 year old kid (back then) would be treated legally as a full blown adult in 2/3 years.Well....sorry for the belly full...but my mind is especially sharp on those old times. I swear I remember just how some of that equipment sounded ...to this day. The McGee catalog would surely bring back more memories. Those were the Days....