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Subject: Re: Theater 4's w/ EL-84 at 14 Watts per  
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I replaced the electrolytics with Solen 47uF's as well and indeed the presentation is rather forward but I feel the Theater 4's are forward leaning as opposed to layed back. The sound I'm getting with this amp so far is a bit "hifi" but I would not say un-musical in the least. There is plenty of that emotion and nuance of the musicians coming through but maybe not as much as with the 2A3's; and then there is the punch of the woofer in control with the 14 watts that moves things along quite nicely! I added a stage of 4uF GE oil caps to my Paramour's P.S. and got a nice sense of ease, fine grain/blackness to the sonic fabric- may have to try the same with the AA-111's sometime. Now I have to decide if I want to get some new EL-84 tubes, try some cheap Ei's or go for a matched quad of NOS\$\$\$. Now I've got 3 60's RCA's and one GE. And then there is the 7199 to deal with. I've heard that these are not the best tube for sonics. The Mullard rectifier is nice though.

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