Subject: Help identifying old radio

Posted by SteveVA on Tue, 03 May 2005 20:22:50 GMT

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Hello! I recently came into possesion of an old radio. I believe it is an Automatic brand radio from what I can tell from the label on the front (it is a little worn off but still readable). This is the only identifying marking on the radio. There is no model number, serial numbr, etc. It is in an ivory colored plastic case (cracked on the top and bottom). Is there a source anywhere where I can get help in identifying the model and year of this radio? Any help would be greatly appreciated. Thank you, Steve.

Subject: Re: Help identifying old radio

Posted by Wayne Parham on Tue, 03 May 2005 20:27:36 GMT

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What tubes are used? Can you post a photo?

Subject: Re: Help identifying old radio

Posted by SteveVA on Tue, 03 May 2005 23:12:25 GMT

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I'm not sure how to post a picture here, this is my first time posting. There are 5 tubes:1) Tung-Sol 50L6GT2) Raytheon 12SQ73) RCA Victor 12SG74) Hytron Bantam 35Z5GTThe 5th one is behind a vertical silver/metal thing next to the 50L6GT tube and I didn't want to risk taking it out since I really can't reach it too well. The radio powers up, the 35Z5GT tube lights up as does the light next to the dial. The dial is labeled 'kilocycles' and 'meters'. Hope this helps. Thanks, Steve

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Posted by Wayne Parham on Wed, 04 May 2005 03:04:21 GMT

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That's a pretty common set of tubes for a five-tube radio. The 35Z5GT is the rectifier, the 50L6GT is the output, 12SQ7 is the 2nd detector, the 12SG7 is the IF amp and you probably have a 12SA7 as a detector/oscillator. Does the radio work? As for posting images, here are some instructions. If you have any trouble, write back and I'll try to help you out. Once you get the hang of it, it's pretty easy.

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