Subject: Airline radio

Posted by Kay Kolls on Thu, 06 Jul 2006 14:59:23 GMT

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I am trying to get information about this radio. It has been in the family since at least 1939. Turned it on today, makes speaker noise, and some of the bulbs light up, but no reception. Any info would help. It is a Wards Airline Radio, model # 93BR-714B. Thanks. Also, how do I post a picture?

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Posted by Wayne Parham on Thu, 06 Jul 2006 16:28:46 GMT

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You can post a picture by uploading it to a free webhost like image shack and then putting the URL in the "Optional Image URL" field. Please do; It's nice to see everyone's radios. You can also use HTML, but it's a little more complicated. It will let you put more than one picture in a post. Here are some instructions. Your radio sounds like it is in good shape, but I'll bet the capacitors are bad. They almost always are in these old tube radios, and often times, that's all that's wrong with them. Sometimes the tubes are weak, but often times they're fine. Mongomery Ward used to sell radios made by RCA, Zenith and others manufacturers, branding them as Mongomery Ward "Airline" radios. What I've done with mine is to identify the chassis by its tube set and layout, finding a similar model made by one of the main manufacturers. Then I know the schematic and a rough idea of the date of manufacture.

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Posted by Kay Kolls on Thu, 06 Jul 2006 19:59:49 GMT

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Wayne, I will send you a picture of the radio and another by email of the inside. Can't get any simpler. I would really like to know the age of this radio. It is very Chicago specific, with all the Chicago radio stations listed on the dial. It is push button, and short-wave also. The sleepy eye is not lit.

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Posted by Kay Kolls on Thu, 06 Jul 2006 20:56:16 GMT

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I'm having some technical difficulties with the pictures on this end.	Bear with me.

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