

Western Electric 6002A "Donut" phone

Collection of photos and a price survey

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1904 Western Electric 6002A Metal Wall Set (Donut Phone)

This is a rare hard to find and complete Western Electric 6002A metal wall phone. This one has a knurled nut attaching the cup to the perch. The cup is dated "Patented NOV 17- 91, NOV 1 -92 with a wire hole in the back of the transmitter cup for the transmitter wire. It has a new cloth receiver cord. The switch hook, transmitter cup, transmitter face plate and perch are nickel. The transmitter is a started ("*329*). The cast metal inside base plate has raised letters "130 PAT'D. IN U.S.A. Aug. 16 04. The mouthpiece is a very early one that does not have the three side grooves but has a hole drilled just above the threads to allow fluids to drain away from the transmitter diaphragm. The receiver is a pony with exposed terminals. The nickel is good and there is a "Z" mark next to the cord eyelet. Both the mouthpiece and receiver do not have cracks or chips.



No. 2000

Metal Case Wall Type

2002

For direct, two party selective or four party semi-selective central battery service. 1000-ohm biased ringer

Consists of: 1 No. 1130-A wall set, which includes: 1 No. 229-W transmitter; 1 No. 122-W receiver; 1 No. 179, 5½ in. cord; 1 No. 196, 3 ft. cord; 1 No. 180, 6 ft. cord and 1 switchhook and 1 No. 1131-J. Desk Set Box, which includes: 1 No. 17-A ringer, 1 No. 21 E condenser, and 1 induction coil. The cases are metal, and regularly furnished with a black finish.....

9.75

CENTRAL BATTERY DESK TYPE

Regularly furnished in oak or walnut. Can be furnished for four party selective service.

Code No.

Price List
each

2000

For direct, two party selective or four party semi-selective central battery service.....
Includes: 1 No. 1295-A desk set box, 1 No. 1020-B desk stand.

11.75

2001

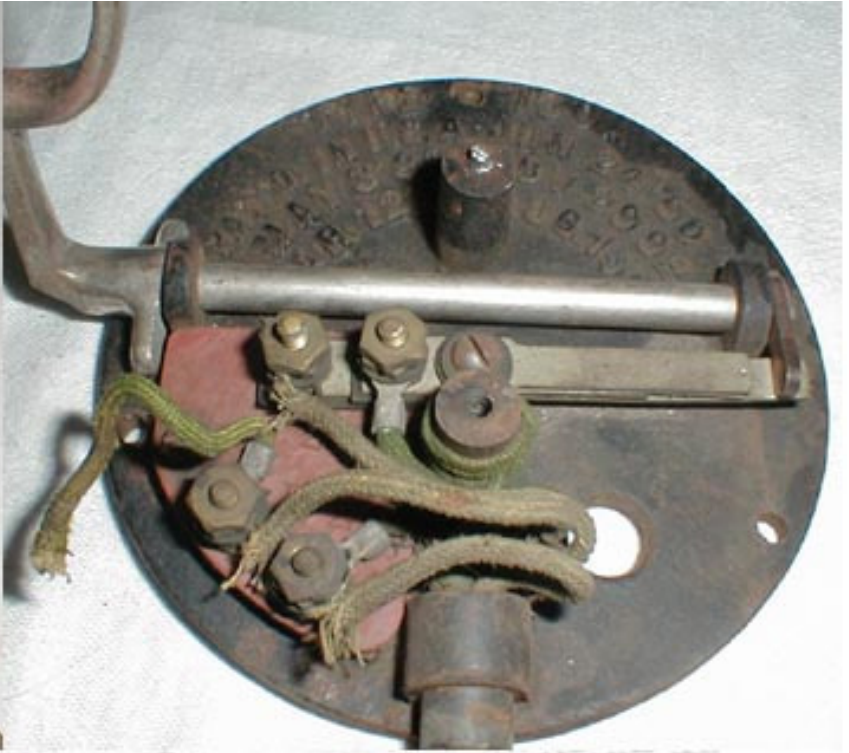
For coin collector service.....
Includes: 1 No. 1295-A desk set box, 1 No. 7-A coin collector, 1 No. 1020-F desk stand.

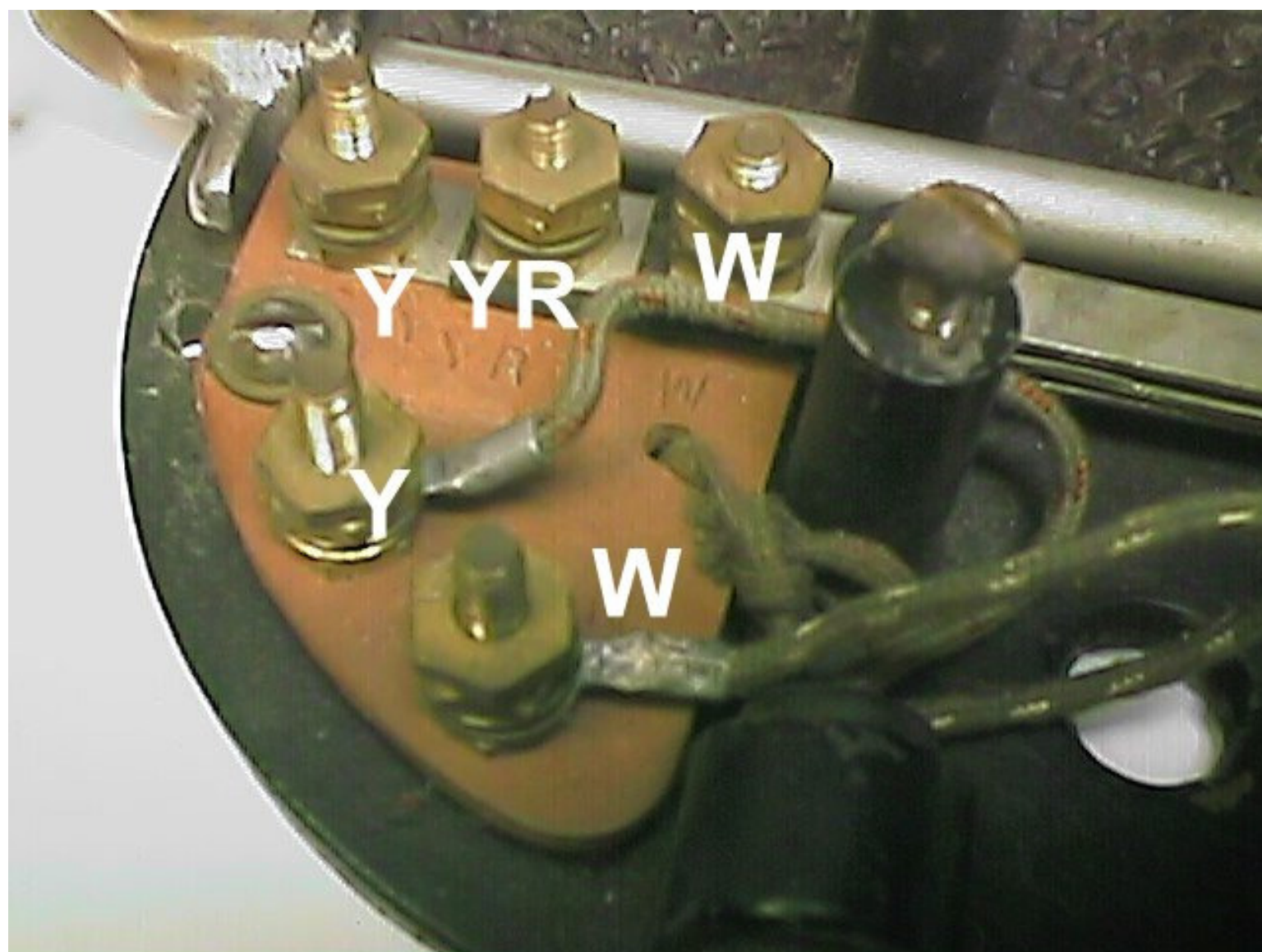
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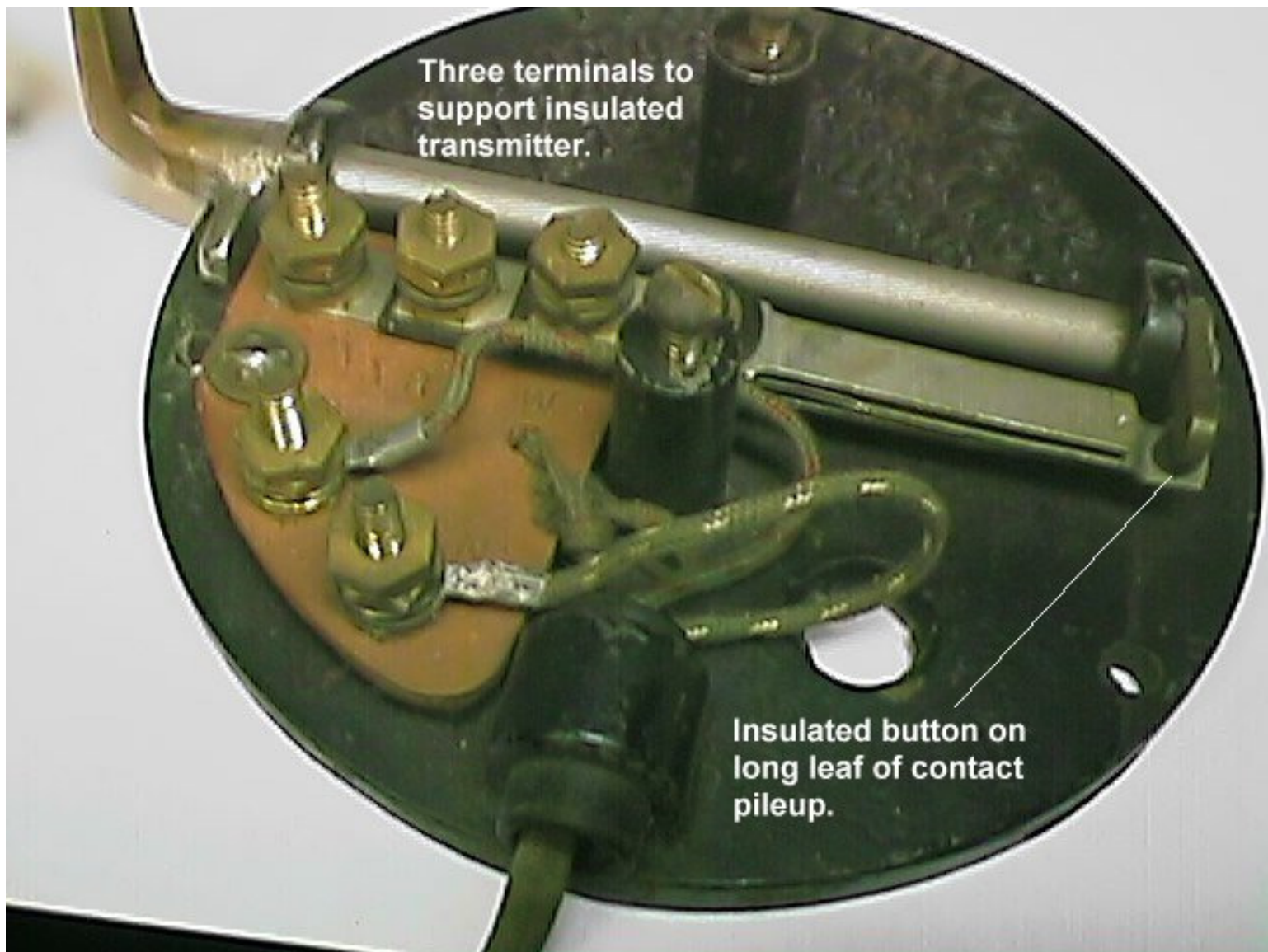


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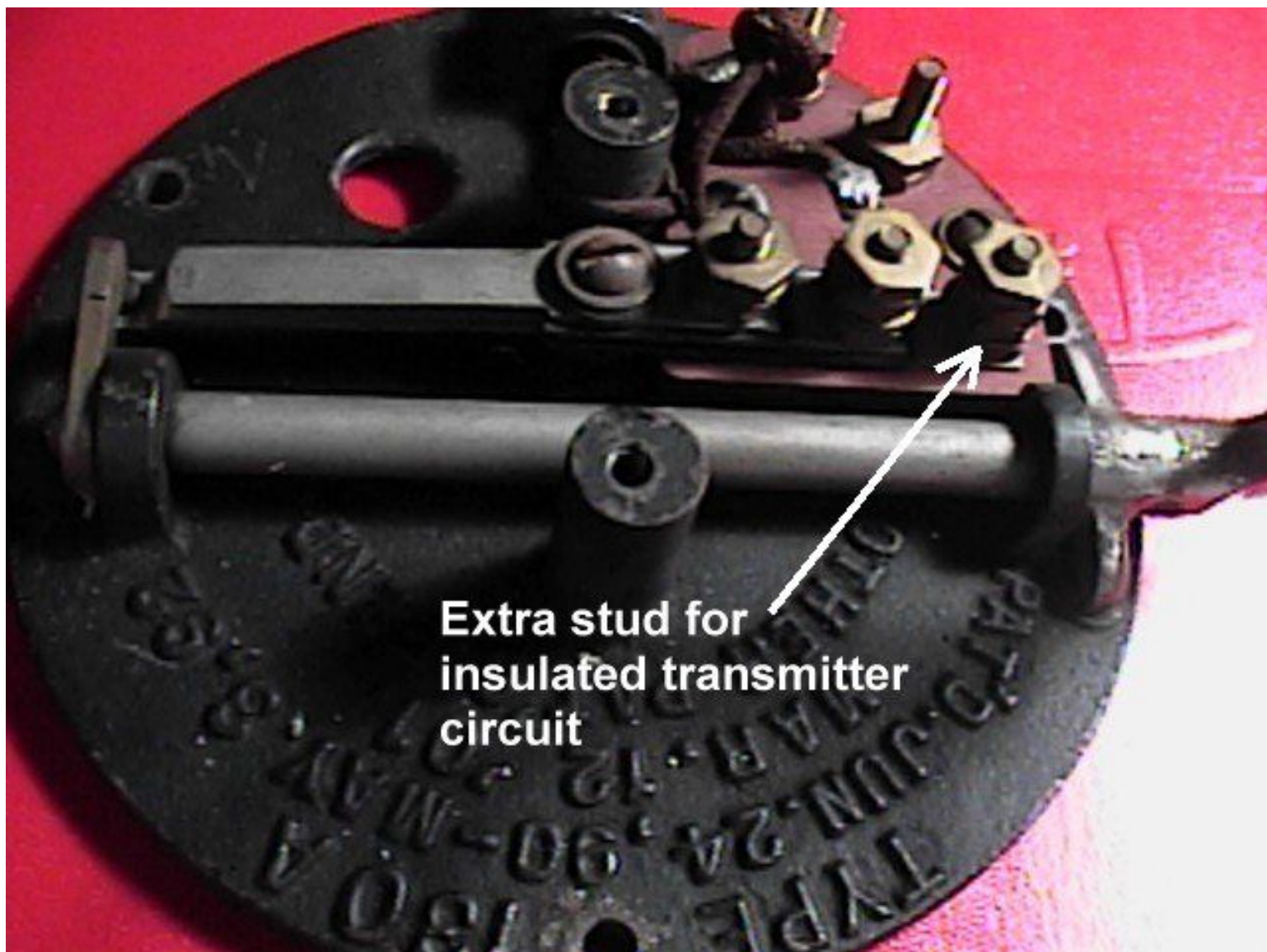




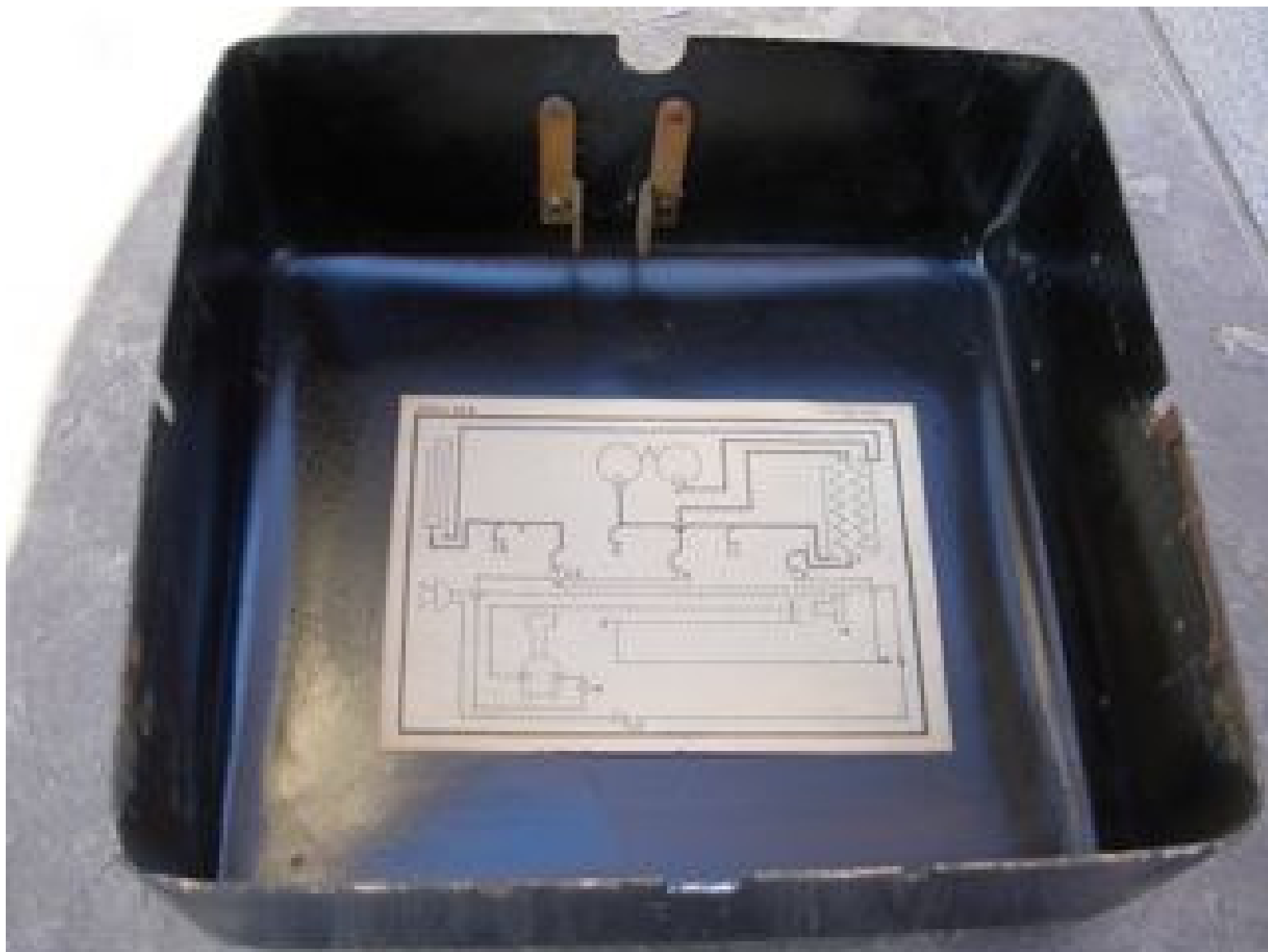














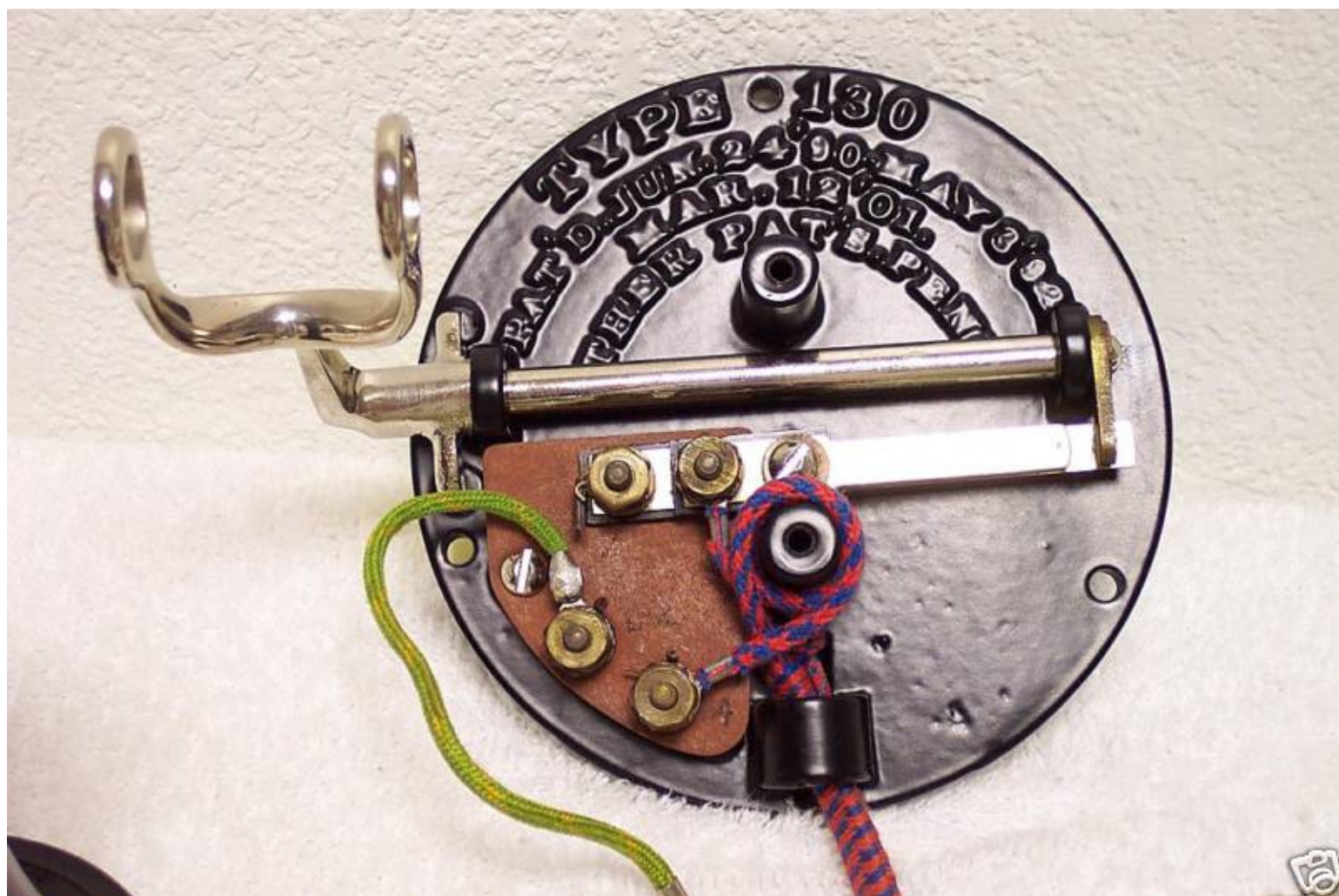




















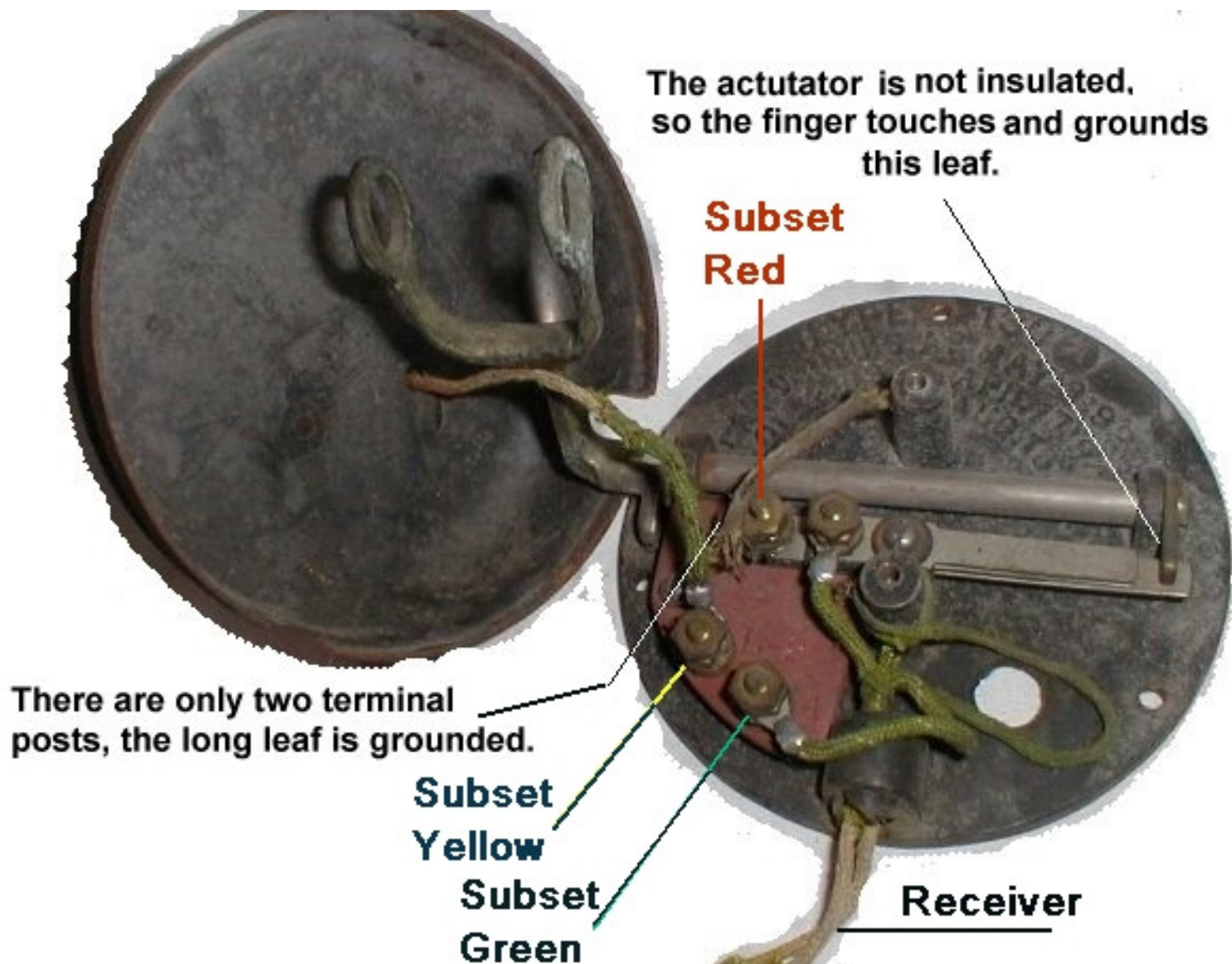


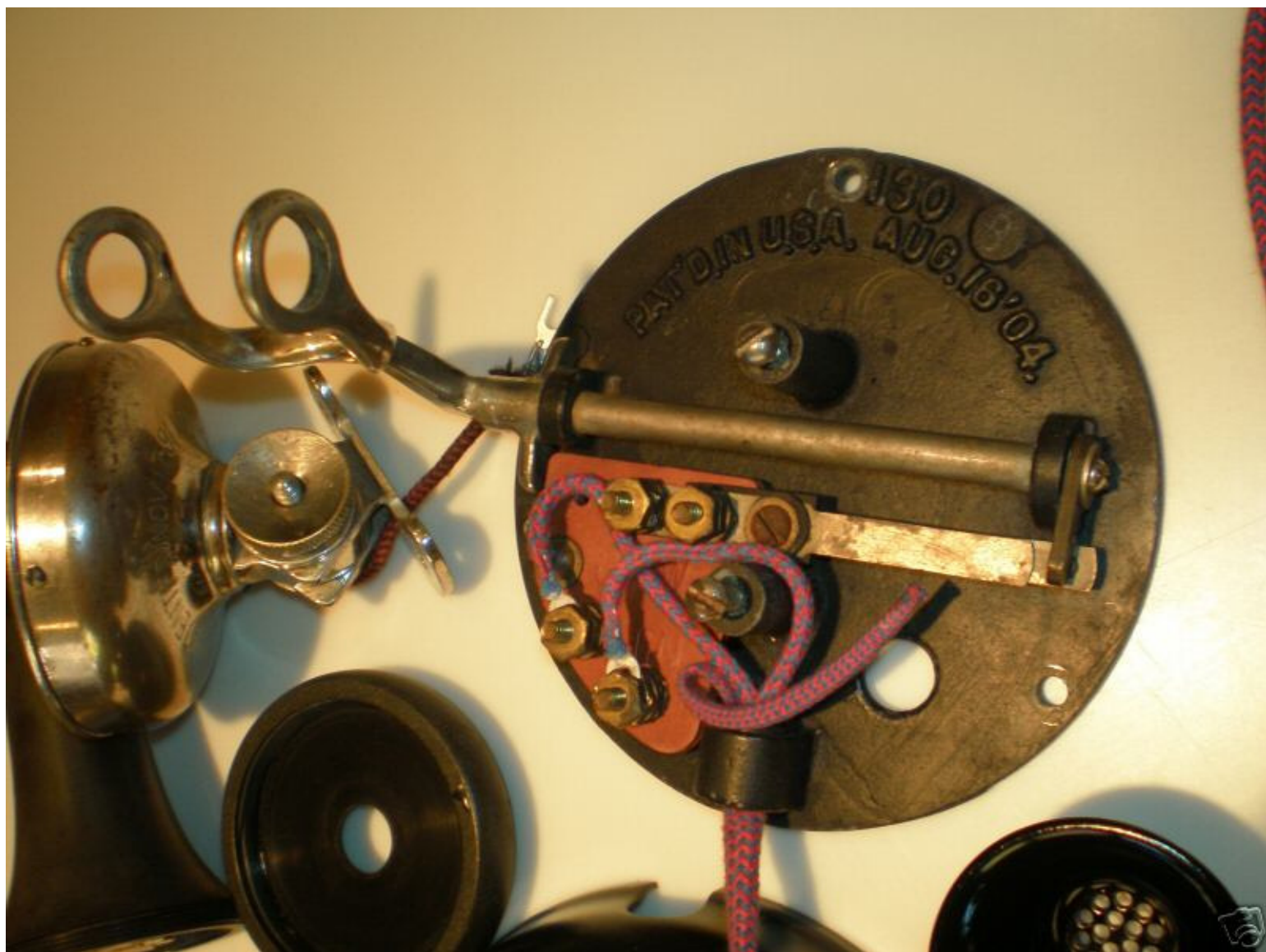












Western Electric Donut phone Survey

Completed in October 2001

Hi Folks- Here are the responses to the Donut Survey with names removed:

Of those who have them, 1. What did you pay? 2. What value do you place on it today?

NO one responded who has never had one.

Here are the averages, throwing out one member's \$ 5151. number.

1 (paid)	2. (present value)
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-Bobby

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paid 175..00 about 4 years ago at a show. Value 5151.05. thanks Norman

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I have 7 of these little buggers. I paid from \$1.00 - 200.00 for them.
I sold them for as much as \$750.00.

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1. What did you pay? don't remember but I would guess \$350-\$400 keep
in mind the rec affects the price it may or not have an ost rec.

2. What value do you place on it today? With the ost I would say \$500

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Bobby, I paid \$325 for mine. A mint sample with 250 trans and a pony rec.
This was three years ago. I think it is worth about \$400-\$425 now (?) I also
has two somewhat rusty ones / reg rec. in the garage somewhere that I paid
\$150 each, may be worth \$250 now if I ever want to sell it but I won't.

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I paid \$275.00 for mine. That was complete with perfect paint, perfect pony
receiver and cords.

It is probably valued today at around \$500.00

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There are two different ones of these 130A phones. I think that the
later one had the wire through the mount and the other earlier one, which I
have, the wire goes through a grommet on the cup. There may be another
difference, but not sure about that. I bought mine years ago at a flea
market for \$35 not knowing exactly what I had. Believe it did not come with
OST rcvr.

As for today's value, I have only found them on eBay for around \$200-500. I
believe the \$3-400 range would be a good range. You don't see many for
sale!

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I guess I can fess up that I have one... can't remember what I paid but probably something like \$245..... Haven't seen them around enough to know what they are selling for currently... my guess? Maybe about \$375-\$425??? there is one on ebay that all rusted and it is currently about \$230

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Bobby, if the "pancake phone" is "correct":

It should have the 229 trans and cup with hole for trans wire and a pony receiver. If it doesn't, then someone probably removed these items and put on later stuff. I have never seen a picture of one in a W.E. catalog without what I just described to you.

The cost of a complete in nice condtion would run in the 500-700 arena, with ups and downs depending on condition, parts, etc.

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1. \$150.00

2. \$250.00

note: nice w/OST receiver

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I bought mine at least 10 years ago, maybe more, for \$100 and something (130?).

I see them very infrequently but really have no idea of price, but I am sure you could get \$300 without trouble for a nice one and possibly more on e-bay. ???

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OK I will tell you.

I have 2. I paid \$150 for a nice one some year ago. I found the other in a shop in AZ and stole it from under John I. nose. (he had been looking at it for sometime. I was in town and got it 1 HR before he got off work and stopped by to get it) The price was \$200 brassed out. I turned down \$400 for one at one time. Now with ebay raising hell with the price. Up and Down I don't know were it would be now. More than you wanted.

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