Another Bluebird?

Below is he 1937 Detrola Model 105 "Wooden Bluebird." This set is an obvious attempt to follow in the footsteps of the 1935 Sparton Bluebird in a wooden cabinet. At only 10 inches wide and tall, it is still an eye-catching addition to any collection. One example sold for nearly \$4,000 in March of 2012.⁵



Detrola Model 105 "Wooden Bluebird"



The Granger & Feitler "Searchlight" Radio

A Round Radio "Highlight"

The "G&F Searchlight Radio" can be rotated on both the vertical and horizonatal axes. Granger and Feitler marketed this radio in 1937 and may have been influenced by the Sparton as well. There appears to be two versions of this radio since one being sold on Radioattic has an eye tube.



The Thompson "Minuet"

The Last Was First...

Bart Lee indicates that the predecessor to all of these radios may have been the R. E. Thompson Mfg. Co. 'Minuete' from the early 1920's. The firm ceased to exist around 1927. The photo above is from the collection of the late D. H. Moore.

CREDITS

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- 1 https://www.spartonnocturne.com/index.html on Page 9. Excellent detailed information on this radio is available on the site.
- 2 https://www.spartonradios.com/566.html. Great site with detailed descriptions on these sets.
- 3 https://www.vintage-radio.com/manufacturers-andsets/ekco.html
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