

## Vintage Radios get new life...

E-mail: Tue, 16 Nov 2004

John,

Here's a photo of a Grunow model 262 console radio (circa 1934) that I restored. I did the electrical work and used your Antique Improver on the cabinet.

When I got it, it was a basket case. It was missing the speaker and the baffle board, and was pretty grubby (especially on top). I'll bet it hadn't been played in 20 years.

I found a suitable speaker via the Internet, built a new baffle board, added the grille cloth, replaced the filter capacitors, all the tubular wax capacitors and a few resistors and fired it up. Works great. Looks good too, don't you think?

Feel free to use the photo on your web site, if you'd like. — DB



**Grunow Model 262**

E-mail: Thu, 07 Apr 2005

John,

Here's another application for the Antique Improver. Last night I found that it works well as a cleaner on the faux "photo finishes" popular on some of the radios of the late 1930's — for instance the Philco 37-61 in the attached photo.

By the way, the problem I had with stickiness (of the Antique Improver?) on a Philco 60 cabinet, about which I spoke with you on the phone several months ago, seemed to cure itself. (Somebody had refinished the cabinet of this radio, rather badly, apparently with a urethane type finish.) The stickiness I encountered when I applied some of the Antique Improver (without knowing the nature of the finish) may have been due to the product. Or, it may have been that the finish simply was a bit tacky. In any case, the problem went away in a day or so. — DB



**Philco 37-61**