

# DESCRIPTION

## GENERAL

There are four basic automatic washer models in the line for 1958: WA950R, WA850R, WA650R, and WA450R. In appearance, styling, and dimensions these four models match the corresponding four basic 1958 (R) dryer models.

In addition, there are two suds save-return models. The WA955R is the same as the WA950R except for the suds save and return feature; and the WA855R is the same as the WA850R except with this feature added. The suds save-return system on "R" models is the same as it was on 1957 "P" models.

The cover, lid, wash basket, and tub on all models are coated with alkaline-resistant porcelain enamel to prevent corrosion and to help keep the washer new-looking for years. Cabinets and backsplashes are made from rust-resistant steel and are painted inside and out with a special baked enamel which retains its color well and resists damage.

The backsplash trim parts are finished in hard chromium plate. Aluminum trim strips are anodized for corrosion resistance.

All rubber and plastic parts are manufactured from compounds which resist soaps, detergents, bleaches, oxidation, etc.

All models have a big, 10-pound load capacity. All models use the same activator, transmission assembly, motor, and suspension. The Filter-Flo<sup>®</sup> feature is incorporated in all models, which allows the heavy soil trap at the bottom of the wash basket to be used across the line.

Refer to the Models-Features chart on page 4 for a listing of the more important features found on the different "R" model washers.

## WA950R AND WA955R MODELS

A top-of-the-line 1958 washer - model WA955R - is shown in Fig. 1. The appearance of the WA950R is exactly the same as that of the WA955R except that the suds save-return switch is omitted from the escutcheon (Fig. 2 - see following page). WA950R and WA955R models incorporate two new features not previously used on General Electric washers:

- 1) An automatic rinse agent dispenser system which mixes a water softening agent with the rinse water automatically. The rinse agent is added through an opening in the cover at the beginning of each complete cycle.

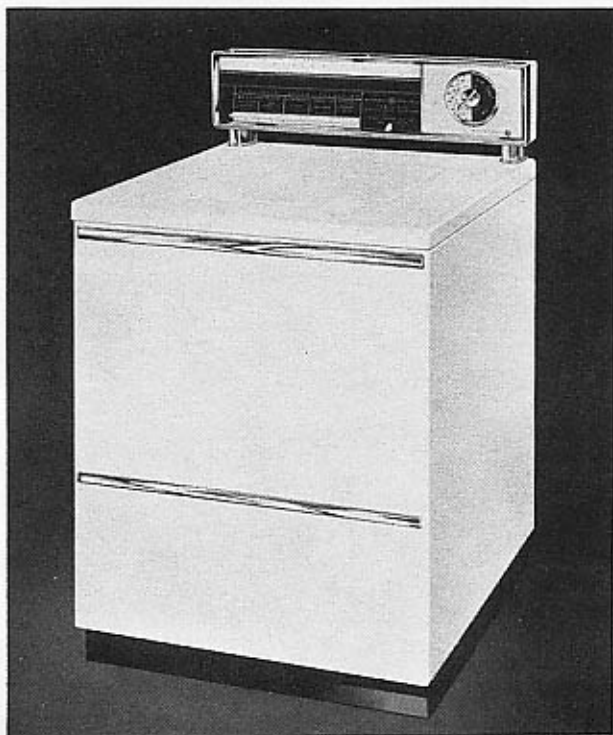


Fig. 1 - Model WA955R Automatic Washer

- 2) A two-speed automatic cycle with which the activation speed, spin speed, wash water temperature, and rinse water temperature are all automatically selected by pressing a button according to the type of fabric being washed. The fabric selection keys are shown in Fig. 2.

The WA950R and WA955R are the only models that have a fluorescent lamp across the top of the backsplash. This lamp comes on whenever the control dial is turned from its "OFF" position. In addition there is a dial light for the control dial which comes on when the dial is turned from the "OFF" position.

The control used on the WA950R and WA955R is essentially the same face-cam control that was used on 1957 "P" models except that it needs to have only one cycle instead of the former "NORMAL" and "SLOW" cycles.

Underneath the backsplash can is a "Rinse Temperature Selection Switch" with three positions:

- 1) AUTOMATIC - the switch toggle pushed to the right hand position, looking from the front of the backsplash. In this position the rinse water temperature is determined by the Fabric Selector Switches.

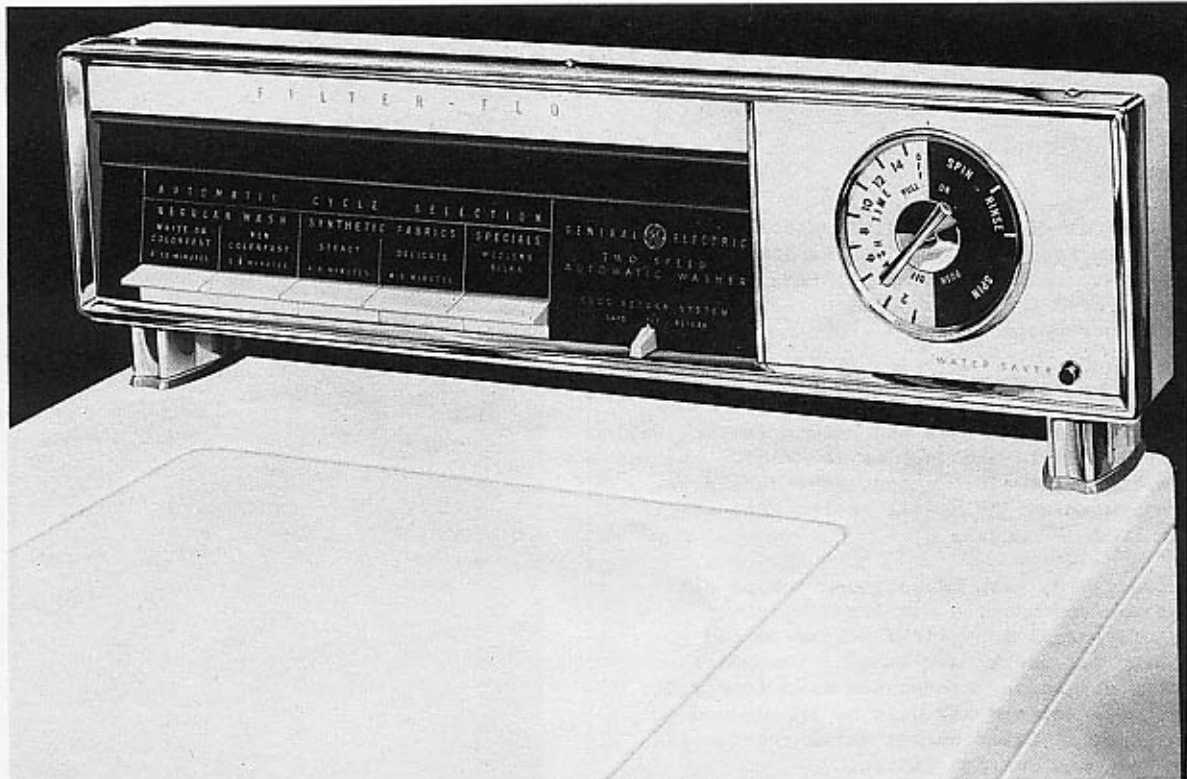


Fig. 2 - WA955R Backsplash

- 2) COLD - the switch toggle in its center position. The rinse water is always cold in this position.
- 3) WARM - the switch toggle in the left hand position. In this position the rinse water is always warm.

#### WA850R AND WA855R MODELS

A picture of the WA855R is shown in Fig. 3. A view of the WA855R backsplash is shown in Fig. 4 - see following page. The only appearance difference between the WA850R and the WA855R is that on the WA855R there is an added SUDS push-button with RETURN and SAVE positions.

These two models are identical in operation to the WA850P and WA855P - 1957 models - except that there is no fluorescent lamp in the backsplash. There is a control dial light which comes on when the dial is moved from the "OFF" position.

The backsplash can is flush with the cover - no pedestals are used. The WA850R and WA855R have only one trim strip - at the top front of the cabinet.

A two cycle face-cam control is used which has a NORMAL cycle of 34 minutes duration and a SHORT cycle of 20 minutes duration. There are separate, independent pushbuttons for selecting WASH ACTION and SPIN speeds (NORMAL or SLOW) and for selecting WASH and RINSE water temperatures.

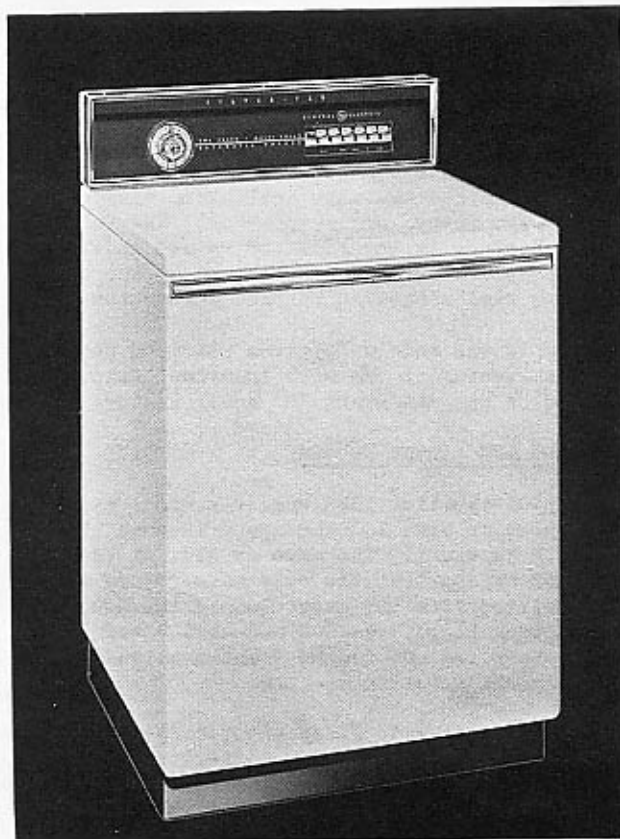


Fig. 3 - Model WA855R Automatic Washer

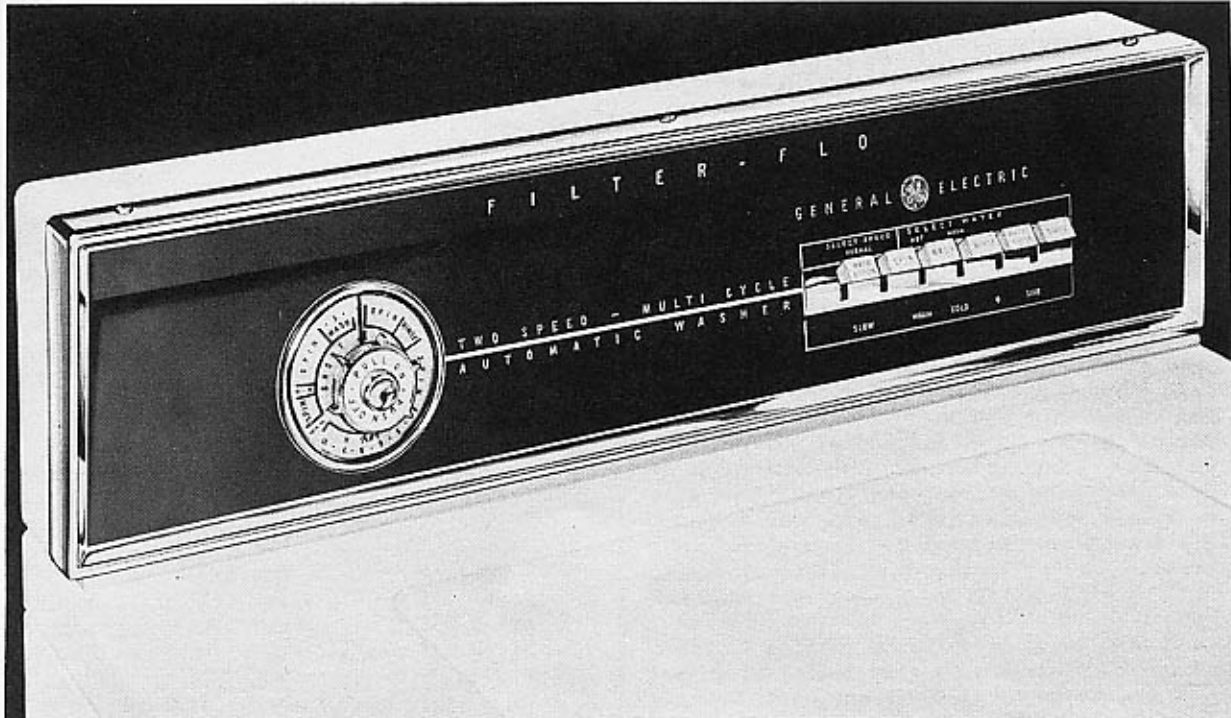


Fig. 4 - WA855R Backsplash

#### WA650R MODEL

Fig. 5 shows a picture of the WA650R backplash. The WA650R is exactly the same as the 1957 model, WA650P, except for the color of certain appearance items.

The WA650R has only one speed in activation and Spin - corresponding to the NORMAL speed of two-speed models. There is a dial light behind the control dial which comes on whenever the dial is turned from its OFF position.

The WA650R uses the same control assembly as does the WA850R.

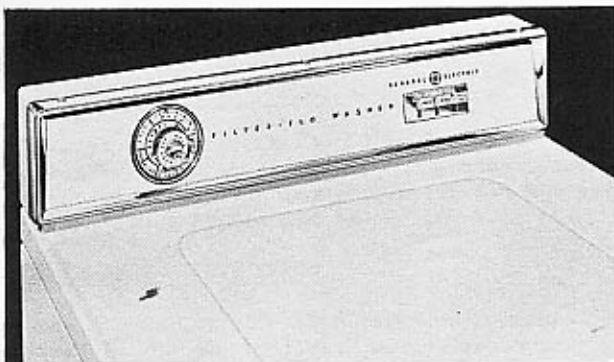


Fig. 5 - Model WA650R Backsplash

#### WA450R MODEL

A backplash view of the WA450R is shown in Fig. 6. The operation of the WA450R is the same as last year's WA450P, but the appearance is somewhat different. The larger, plastic backplash cabinet is located on the right rear of the cover. (On the corresponding "R" model dryer, this backplash cabinet is located on the left rear of the cover).

The WA450R uses the same one-cycle control as is used on the WA950R. It has a WASH temperature selection switch - HOT or WARM.

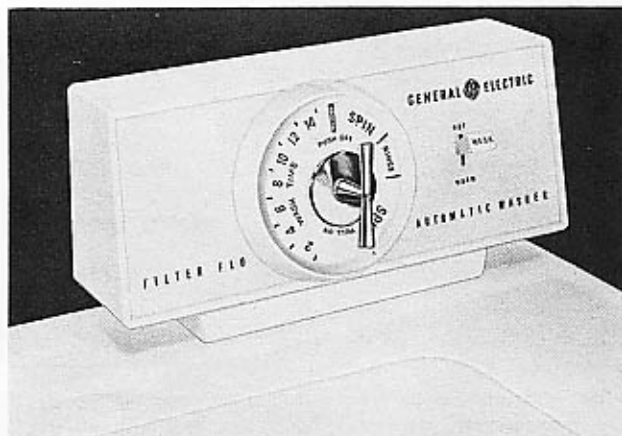
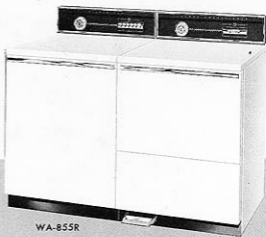


Fig. 6 - Model WA450R Backsplash Cabinet



WA-955R

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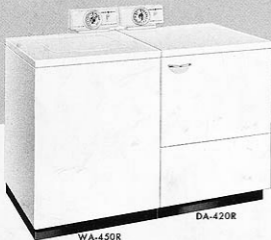
WA-855R

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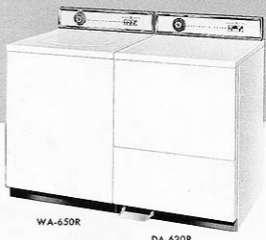
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WA-450R

DA-420R



WA-650R

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