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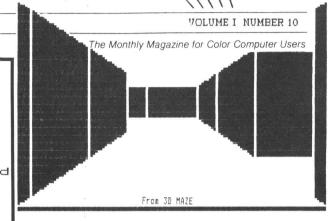
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Editor's Notes...

PRINT #-2,

Well, no one came up with a CANTERBURY ADVENTURE for this, the April issue, as I suggested in my column a month ago. I didn't really expect it, though, on such short notice.

But, that does give rise to telling you that we are planning a special "Adventure" issue for the future — probably in late summer. That issue will have a whole bunch of adventure information and a lot of reviews of adventure software. While we won't stint on other useful stuff, we plan to target a good portion of

that issue of *the RAINBOW* adventures.

And we're planning some other General special issues, too. subjects are on home utilities like money management and the like, and or educational programs. This does not "saving up" for these mean we'll be issues, but we do plan to have ar emphasis on those subject areas in the coming months.

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You'll see a notice inside about

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LETTERS TO

RAINBOW

MORE PRETTYPRINT

I just received my first issue of the RAIMBOW today. Good stuff!

I have some additional information regarding prettyprinting with CoCo. As you stated, a colon must be placed right after the line number when entering extra spaces to a new statement. However, once the line has been entered, extra spaces can be added without the colon key using the BASIC editor's insert command. A note of caution, these spaces will disappear if you save the program in ASCII format.

On a different note, I read with interest your Pipeline column concerning Mayne Green and 80-Micro. Bravo for our side! Wayne seems to think he is doing his readers a favor by publishing 80-Micro. Three cheers for everyone who supports the CoCo.

Ron Crouch Ft. Worth, TX

INTO MUSIC COMPOSING

Editor:

I have received my second issue of the RAINBON and the back issues I ordered. I really enjoy the magazine and think it is the best.

I'm hoping that someone will come up with a really good and complete music coposer program. Radio Shack's is a fine one as far as it goes, but it left out too many essentials to be used for any serious use.

I hope to become adept at programming and your magazine is a great help toward that goal. I look forward, each month, to receiving the RAINBOW.

Norman C. Place Zolfo Springs, FL

MORE RANDOM THOUGHTS

Editor:

In your February issue, Mr. Hasenstaub wrote in about the RND function for dice simulation. He is correct in saying that two RND

CORRECTION:
Page 20 Column 1 Line 500

SHOULD: 500 N = 4;; D = 5;; A \$ = "
GASOLINE";; C = 159;; GOSUB 440;; RETURN

functions are necessary in order to obtain "correct" odds for given

However, when he says that by using only one RND function you will get numbers between one and twelve he is only partially correct. You can very easily get RND numbers between two and twelve by applying a conditional statement to the RND variable you are using -- although the odds for all numbers will be the same.

The following short program will produce RND numbers between two and twelve using only one RND function.

10 CLS 20 FOR N=1 TO 24 30 A=RND(12)

40 IF A(1 THEN GOTO30

50 PRINT A,

50 NEXT N 70 END

Thank you. Rita Lawry Cleveland, OH

ART PRINTS?

Editor:

Can anyone out there help me? I bought a Radio Shack ART GALLERY CoCo program today and was surprised (and disappointed) to find that it does not have a way to output screen contents to the printer.

I am inexperienced in programming and don't know of a way to accomplish this. Is there maybe an easy program that would "load" a picture saved on cassette, and then print using the screen print program -- which I have. Or some other way?

Gary Burkhardt Coldwater, MI

AGREES WITH REVIEW

Editor:

Congratulations on the success and growing popularity of your publication. The capability of the Color-80 for the price is outstanding and I am sure the market will continue to grow. The one need is for more dedicated software and technical support such as the kind you are providing.

I am in agreement with the review by Rick Smith in your February issue on the 32K upgrade from one of your advertisers, Computerware. It works perfectly. The installation went well following their suggestion that low profile sockets be installed between the motherboard and the new board to allow for any minor alignment. The OM ERROR is gone.

John Arbogast Hamilton, OH

A MERGE SYSTEM

Editor:

I enjoyed your Pipeline comments of February. The RAIMBOW and the CoCo are really growing. It is refreshing to find TRS-80 Color Computer ads without having to sort through all the others.

For some time I have been looking for a merge routine to join two rather long BASIC programs. Perhaps there is a merge routine, but I couldn't find one so, being the sort of person I am, I set out to build one (Ed. Note: The September issue, No. 3, carried a merge routine).

Here is how my manual merge routine works:

If your programs are very long, you may have to edit out unnecessary lines of each program in order to get them both into memory. Also, some memory may be "taken back" from CoCo. Check the highest line number of the first program and renumber the second so that its starting line number is higher.

Now, on a blank cassette tape, CSAVE each program with its name using the ASCII format. Make note of how many "data bursts" there are in each program. The first "data burst" contains the ID and program type information. The last "data burst" contains the end of file information.

Now, CLOAD the first program, counting the "data bursts" and stop the tape recorder just before the last one. Leave the computer as is, it is still open to receive data.

Unplug the ear plug from the recorder and cue up the second

program just past the first "data burst." Plug the ear plug back into the earphone jack of the recorder.

Now, press PLAY on the recorder. CoCo will keep on receiving data as if it were never interrupted until it receives the end of file information from the second program.

I find it easier just to pull the earshone plug from the cassette player just before the last "data burst". let the tape play through the player's speaker, and shove it back into the earphone jack just after the first "data burst" of the second program. You have to do it fast to do it this way but you may have luck with the process -especially if your tape recorder has a slow startup speed.

James Richter Corous Christi. TX

VIDEOTEX ON CART Editor:

pagazine is to Your be complemented on the information which it provides for owners of the Color Computer.

I am interested in obtaining information on how one can either print or dump the screen while using VIDECTEX program. The program I have is not on tape, but on a ROM cartridge.

In closing, let me say that as a research scientist, I find the Color Computer to have great potential in the lab and that your magazine seems to contain the type of information -in both articles and advertising -that I need to make the best possible use of my computer.

> Drest Glembocki Brooklyn, NY

WORD PROCESSOR IS SIMPLE Editor:

When I received the January issue the RAINBOW I immediately began using the word processing program you printed on page 11. Would you believe that was the first time I used my printer as a typewriter. Your program is so simple its unbelievable.

The RAINBON has been extremely heloful to me and I anxiously await each issue.

I bought my CoCo in May, 1981, with 16K Extended Color Basic, and I have since modified it with a 16K Plus board from Computerware. I also have two disk drives and an Epson MX-80 printer. Since my initial investment. I am not sure I have made the best selection. Thus far, I have not been able to print graphics except from the short programs listed

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in the MX-80 manual after I enter the Radio Shack PIFX16 program that changes the computer output from seven bit to sight bit. When I try to print other graphics, all I get is garbage. The same is true when I use Radio Shack SCREEN PRINT the program.

George Klement Grandview, MO

(Ed. Mote: The LP VII and LP VIII use dot/bit graphics which work with Radio Shack's SCREEN PRINT program. The MX-80 does not have dot/bit graphics unless you install the GRAFIRAX modification. Even then, the driver routines may be different so that you will have to write your own graphics programs. Boes anyone have any further details on this?)

BORDER BEGONE?

Editor:

Your magazine was just what I was looking for for my CC.

Question: What commands can I give my 32K CC to not have the border around the screen so that the whole screen can be used?

> Dennis DiJusto Bronx, NY

E.N.G.L.I.S.H. Editor:

Sot my first adition of the today and am finally RAINBOR impressed by a computer mag. Like Tom Nee of Pittsburgh. I need experts to talk to me in ENGLISH (Easy Non-Bibberish Language Including Simple Homologues), a language even more basic than BASIC. Remember it?

When I bought a TV set I was told how to plug it in, turn it on and tune in to the channel I want to When I bought an adding watch. machine I was shown the buttons and functions. I was very satisfied.

I want an inexpensive word processor, perhaps with a built-in spelling checker. Why must I wade through chips, POKE, PEEK, compiler,

smart terminals. Etc., Ad Nauseum.

Your publication comes closest, but where can I go to get ENGLISH answers to my questions?

I am a writer looking for a tool with no desire to become a programmer, technician or -- God help us -- a system analyzer.

HELP (Honestly Easy Language/Please).

Slenn Knight Glen Burney, MD

Editor:

Regarding the letter in February from Mr. Tom Nee, I am in complete agreement with him. I would like to take the issue one step further. We hardware (electronics) are not experts either!

I'm going to stick my neck out and venture a guess that at least two-thirds of the present total market for peripherals, upgrades and software for the Color Computer of consists novices semi-technical types that have genuine interest in the CoCo. and. those folks that always seem to have money to spend on new things. So, why not write straightforward, plain-talk ads (and articles for that matter) about your products?

Don't get me wrong, I'm not talking about taking the CoCo to the level of a toy -- heaven forbid!!! am talking about communicating the practical utility and worth of your products which can expand, upgrade and support the Color Computer in a manner that the layman understand. And, in a manner that will allow him to make a buying decision.

By the way, if I'm wrong about the available marketplace, I'll withdraw my neck and extend my wrist for a Maybe the RAINBON would consider running a survey.

Jim Rauh Kennewick, WA (Ed Note: O.K. everyone. Let's hear from you.)

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the ASSEMBLY CORNER

(EDITOR'S NOTE: Assembly Language is one of the most complicated subjects faced by personal computer users. Yet, it is one which can offer some of the greatest programming rewards for the experienced. The RAIMBOW asked Dennis Lewandowski of DSL Computer Products, an experienced assembly language programmer, to write a series of tutorials on the subject. Dennis' column will appear monthly in the RAIMBOW and is aimed at the beginner. We hope you will enjoy this new feature.)

By Dennis Lewandowski

And welcome to a new series of articles on 6809 assembly Lonnie Falk language. (who!) asked i f T me would share mv knowledge of assembly language with RAINBOW'S readers. In deciding where to start, will you have never dabbled in assembly language before and we will begin, as they say, from scratch.

First of all, you will need to become familiar with the "language" used in assembly language and you should also know about the three numbering systems we will be using.

THREE numbering systems? Eeeah gaad! No, don't stop reading here,

one of them is decimal -- the same system you use every day and were taught in grade school. That's easy.

System two is the only Set computer in the world, including our favorite CoCo, uses. It is called binary. Binary is based on the only two and the "legal" numbers in the system are one and (That's two numbers.) zero. you have one and add one to it, you Confusing at first, get 10. However, binary can be converted into the third number system. hexidecimal hex. This is the most commonly used by computer programmers is best compromise between system you know (decimal) and the your CoCo knows (binary).

Hex is based on the number 16. Hold on there! There are only 10 numbers, zero to nine. How do we get 16 of them.

Well, we won't make up any numbers to confuse you, we'll just steal a few symbols from someplace else. And that someplace is the alphabet.

So, our hex numbers will translate into decimal numbers like this:

HEX Ø 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 A B C D E F DEC Ø 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15

But, since hex is based on 16 and sinary on two, once you achieve 16

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hex, or two binary, you have "10" -which is one in the "next greater" column. In other words, the number systems recycle according to their base, 2, 10 or 16.

There are whole books explaining the differences in numbering systems, and I don't (and can't) condense them all here. So, if you're a little confused by this, perhaps you can check one out of the local library and delve into it a little more deeply.

Now, about the Its not about all that language difference. Its not all that different. But, you might not be familiar with some of the words yet. You've already become acquainted with two of them, hex and binary. Let's borrow the dictionary format for the rest -- although we'll group them by subject, not alphabetically.

BIT -- The smallest piece information your CoCo uses. A bit may be SET to (1) one RESET to zero (Ø).

NIBBLE -- Four bits in a row. easily converted to a hex number Ø if all are reset, to an F if all are

BYTE -- Eight bits, or two nibbles in a row. Also easily converted from binary to hex.

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are reset, it is 00. If all are set. it is FF.

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-- The DATA arrangement of bits within a byte.

REGISTER -- A one or two byte location in which data is stored or acted upon. Can have many different uses and definitions.

MEMORY -- A series of bytes

used for data storage.

ROM -- Read Only Memory. Data which has been saved for continual Data use and which is not meant to be changed. It cannot be erased if power is disconnected.

RAM -- Random Access Memory. A series of bytes which can be changed and reused over and over again. It will always be erased when the power is turned off.

PROGRAM -- A series of bytes designed to instruct the computer to perform in a certain manner. Can be saved on ROM or placed in RAM from tape, disk or keyboard.

BASIC -- An acronymn Beginner's All-purpose Symbolic Instruction Code. It is a series of programs, usually in RDM. CoCo uses a BASIC interpreter which must analyze each instruction before carrying it

MACHINE LANGUAGE -- The actual set of codes the CoCo uses to perform any function. No analysis of the instructions takes place, and the computer will do exactly what it is told.

OP CODE -- Operational Code. A name given to a machine language code, usually abbreviated to two through four letters for easy use.

ASSEMBLER -- A program which takes the OP CODE, does an analysis of it, and writes a machine language program.

1/0 Input/Output. computer's way of interfacing with the outside world. The keyboard is an example of input; the video display an example of output.

Well, enough definitions for now. But, in addition to helping you understand some of the terms we will be using, the definitions are the key to why assembly language can be such a good way to program.

Remember, we said that machine language is the actual set of codes the CoCo uses and that an assembler takes op codes, does an analysis, and generates a machine language program? Well, because that machine language uses the CoCo's own code, the machine language program is faster. more detailed and takes up less space than does a BASIC program. A BASIC (Continued on next page)

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ASSEMBLY (From Page 5)

program is interpreted each time it is run. An assembly language program is interpreted only once -- when it is created. You leave out a whole sten.

I can see you can see the end of this opening column in sight and are asking, is that all I'm going to get out of this, numbers and lingo? way.

We'll get into using all of this in subsequent columns, but we do want to be firmly grounded in the basics first.

Until then, and to whet your appetite to the power of assembly language programming, I have included a short BASIC program which will put a machine language program into the memory of your CoCo and call it using BASIC's USR function. Its in this form because many of you may not have an assembler yet. The program will demonstrate the power of machine language by changing all colors of graphic blocks to the next color by using a 30 byte subroutine while leaving the text on the screen alone. It is written for Extended Color Basic. For non-extended, add a line: 80 POKE 275.4: POKE276.0

For 32K, change 12288 to 28672 in line 70.

70 DEFUSR0=28672 90 DATA 142,4,0,166,128,140,6,0 100 DATA 39,20,129,129,37,245,12

110 DATA 241,44,8,139,16,167,130 120 DATA 166, 128,32,233,128,112

,32,246,57

130 FOR X=28672 TO 28702:READY:P

OKE X,Y:NEXT

140 CLS(0)

150 Y=255: Z=480

160 FOR X=1024 TO 1216 STEP 32

170 FOR A=0 TO 31:X1=X+A

180 POKE X1, Y: POKE X1+Z, Y

190 NEXT A:Y=Y-16:Z=Z-64:NEXT X 200 PRINT@230, "PRESS THE SPACE B

AR" :

210 PRINT@262, "TO INCREASE SPEED 1 11 4

220 X=1000

230 FOR Y=0 TO X:NEXT

240 A=USR(0)

250 IF INKEY\$="" THEN 230

260 X=X/2:IF X<1 THEN X=1

270 GOTO230

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By Scott L. Bain

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Next, you will have to choose between fast and slow screens. 30 BASIC, MAZE is written in and while the paint used for the slow command screens makes MOLE attractive a display, it also slows down response time for movina from about one-half second to nearly three seconds. Since the score-timer always running, it makes the game more difficult when the response slow.

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second, with the fast screen you And, have another choice -- whether or use "helper trail." to a The helper-trail causes the program to leave a trail of "crumbs" behind you. This is very helpful to keep you from exploring the same area twice and getting lost in a maze of little twisty passages, all alike.

Once the screen comes up, you will see a view of the corridor in the direction you are facing, or just a wall in front of you. If you are facing a wall, iust keep turning until you're facing down a hallway.

Now, you can move freely through the maze. The up-arrow key will move you forward, the down-arrow will you completely around, and the rightand left-arrows will turn you in that direction. This will be an immediate turn, by the way.

Your're looking for a hole in you find it, move into Once it and you will be out of the game will be over. program will then switch to the text screen and display an overhead view the maze, indicating areas have explored and those you haven't. It will also tell you how long it you to find the hole and where took the hole was.

Occasionally you'll push a key. (Continued on next page)

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MAZE (From Page 7)

hear the register beep, and it will seem noting happened. Don't worry. This is because the new area you are looking at is just like the old one. One dead end looks like another. This is particularly a problem with the slow screen, so we've added a second, higher pitched, beep to tell you when your move is completed on the slow screen.

Also, the limit of your forward vision is four squares. Sometimes this will mean that the corridor you're looking down goes farther than you can see. The lesson here is that a dead end that is four squares away may not be a dead end.

The hole is always on the northernmost wall, somewhere. But, since you don't know which direction you're facing when you start, it

could, effectively, be on any wall.

The system used here to generate the maze is called "frontier cell." If you're interested in learning more about it, let the RAINBOW know.

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15 POKE65495, Ø
20 DIM M(11,11),F(50,2),V(5,2)
25 FORI=1T010:SOUND110,1:NEXTI
30 PRINT@331,"\ /":PRINT@39
5,"/ \":PRINT@364,"3DMAZE"
35 PRINTOØ, "PLEASE WAIT 1 MINUTE
WHILE I CREATE THE MAZE.";
40 FR=0:X=5:Y=5:M(X,Y)=1:FORI=-1
TO1:FORJ=-1TO1:IFI<>@ANDJ<>@THEN
5@ELSEIFI=@ANDJ=@THEN5@
45 M(X+I,Y+J)=-1:FR=FR+1:F(FR,1)
=X+I:F(FR,2)=Y+J
50 NEXT J.I
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55 CR=RND(FR):X=F(CR,1):Y=F(CR,2

60 Z=0:FORI=-1T01:FORJ=-1T01:IFI <>ØANDJ<>ØTHEN7Ø

65 IFM(X+I,Y+J)=1THENZ=Z+170 NEXTJ, I

75 IFZ<2THEN95

80 M(X,Y)=-285 FOR I=CR TO FR

90 F(I,1)=F(I+1,1):F(I,2)=F(I+1,

2):NEXTI:FR=FR-1:GOTO110 95 M(X,Y)=1:FORI=-1T01:FORJ=-1T0

1:IFI<>@ANDJ<>@THEN1@5

100 IFM(X+I,Y+J)=0ANDX+I>0ANDX+I <11ANDY+J>ØANDY+J<11THEN M(X+I,Y +J)=-1:FR=FR+1:F(FR,1)=X+I:F(FR,

2) = Y + J105 NEXT J, I:PRINT". ";:GOTO85 110 IF FR<>0THEN55

115 X=5:Y=5 120 D=RND(4)

125 TX=10:TY=RND(10):IF M(TX,TY) <>1 OR TY=5 THEN 125 130 V(0,1)=0:V(0,2)=1:V(1,1)=1:V $(1,2)=\emptyset: \lor (2,1)=\emptyset: \lor (2,2)=-1: \lor (3,1)$

)=-1:V(3,2)=0:V(4,1)=0:V(4,2)=1: V(5,1)=1:V(5,2)=0135 CLS:PRINT"TURN THE SOUND UP. ":PRINT:PRINT"YOUR OBJECT IS TO

FIND THE HOLE IN THE FLOOR AND E SCAPE. ": PRINT 140 PRINT"USE THE ARROW KEYS TO MOVE YOUR SELF FORWARD, OR TURN RIGHTOR LEFT, OR TO TURN AR

OUND. ": PRINT"USE THE 'C' KEY TO CHANGE SCREENS. ": PRINT 145 TIMER=0 150 PRINT"WOULD YOU LIKE: ": PRINT

"1- EASY TIMER, SIMPLE SCREEN. ": PRINT"2- HARD TIMER, COMPLETE SC REEN. ": INPUT SP: IF SP<>1 AND SP THEN CLS:GOTO 135 155 IF SP=2 THEN TL=0:PRINT"NO H ELPER TRAIL POSSIBLE.":FORI=1T01

50:NEXTI:GOTO 165 160 INPUT"DO YOU WANT A HELPER T RAIL"; A\$: IF MID\$(A\$, 1, 1) = "Y" THE

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Page 9 N TL=1 ELSE TL=0 265 LINE(D5,D6)-(D7,D8),PSET,B 165 IFPAGE=2THENPAGE=1ELSEPAGE= 270 O1 = X1 + (V(D,1)) : 02 = Y1 + (V(D,2))2 275 IF 01<1 OR 01>10 OR 02<1 OR 170 PMODE 0, PAGE 02>10 THEN 290 175 POKE65495, Ø 280 IF M(01,02)<1 THEN 290 180 IF X=TX AND Y=TY THEN 440 185 RESTORE 285 NEXT I 190 PCLS:LINE(0,0)-(254,190), PSE 290 IFSP =2 THENLINE(128,8)-(128 ,96), PRESET, B:LINE(128,98)-(236, T:LINE(254,0)-(0,190), PSET 195 LINE(10,8)-(244,182), PSET, B: 188), PRESET: LINE(126, 98)-(22, 180 IF M(X+V(D,1),Y+V(D,2))<.1THENC9</pre>), PRESET: PAINT (128,5),5,5 295 IF C9=1 THEN LINE(12,6)-(242 =1ELSEC9=0 ,184), PRESET, BF: GOTO305 200 X1=X:Y1=Y:DR=D-1:DL=D+1 205 M(X,Y)=1.1300 LINE(E1+2,F1-2)-(E2-2,F2+2), PRESET, BF 210 FOR I=1 TO 4 305 SCREEN 1,1 215 X1=X1+V(D,1):Y1=Y1+V(D,2) 220 READ E1,F1,E2,F2,B1,B2,B3,B4 310 POKE65494,0 , B5, B6, B7, B8, D1, D2, D3, D4, D5, D6, D 315 IFSP=2THEN SOUND 200,2 7, D8, CY, CR 320 As=INKEYs 325 IF A\$<>"^" THEN 345 225 LINE(E1,F1)-(E2,F2), PSET, B 230 IF X1=TX AND Y1=TY THEN CIRC 330 IF M(X+V(D,1),Y+V(D,2))<.1TH LE (126, CY), CR,,.5 EN 345 235 IF M(X1, Y1)=1.1 AND TL=1 THE 335 X=X+V(D,1):Y=Y+V(D,2)N PSET(126, CY, 5) 340 SOUND 100,3:GOTO 165 240 IF M(X1+(V(DL,1)),Y1+(V(DL,2 345 IF A\$<>CHR\$(8) THEN 365 350 SOUND 100,3)))<.1 THEN 255 245 IF SP=2 THEN LINE(B1,B2)-(B3 355 D=D+1:IF D>4 THEN D=1 ,B4),PRESET,B 360 GOTO 165 250 LINE(D1,D2)-(D3,D4),PSET,B 365 IF A\$<>CHR\$(9) THEN 385 255 IF M(X1+(V(DR,1)),Y1+(V(DR,2 370 SOUND 100,3 375 D=D-1:IF D<1 THEN D=4)))<.1 THEN 270 260 IF SP=2 THEN LINE (B5,B6)-(B 380 GOTO 165 (Continued on next page) 7, B8), PRESET, B

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MAZE (From Page 9) 385 IF A\$="C" THEN SOUND200,2:CL S:GOTO 150 390 IF A\$<>CHR\$(10) THEN 320 395 SOUND 100,3 400 D=D-2:IF D<1 THEN D=D+4 405 GOTO 165 410 GOTO 320 415 CLS: POKE65495, 0: GOTO50 420 DATA 58,146,196,44,26,16,28, 174, 224, 20, 220, 170, 10, 44, 58, 146, 244,44,196,146,166,16 425 DATA 90,122,164,68,74,54,78, 136, 176, 56, 172, 134, 58, 68, 90, 122, 164,68,196,122,134,12 430 DATA 106,110,148,80,102,74,1 04, 116, 152, 74, 150, 116, 90, 80, 106, 110, 148, 80, 164, 110, 116, 8 435 DATA 114,104,140,86,110,82,1 12, 108, 144, 82, 142, 108, 106, 86, 114 ,104,140,86,148,104,107,6 440 CLS:PRINT "ESCAPE! TIME=";T IMER: PRINT: PRINT 445 FOR I=10 TO 1 STEP -1:FOR I1 =1 TO 10 450 IF I=TX AND I1=TY THEN PRINT "O"; ELSE IF M(I, I1)=1 THEN PRI NT "X"; ELSE IF M(I, I1)=1.1 THEN PRINT" *"; ELSE PRINT " "; 455 NEXT I1: PRINT: NEXT I 460 PRINT@209, "X= UNEXPLORED":PR INT@241, "*= EXPLORED": PRINT@273, "O= ESCAPE": PRINT@448, ""; 465 INPUT" ANOTHER MAZE"; A\$: IF MI D\$(A\$,1,1)="Y" THEN RUN 470 POKE65494.0 475 END

Followup...

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Here's the listing:

'POLYGON FOLLOWUP

2 'BY R. FOULKE - MODIFIED BY R. C. WONG

5 PMODE 4,1:PCLS:SCREEN1,1

10 M=RND(90)

20 X\$=STR\$(M)

40 B\$=RIGHT\$(X\$,1)

50 A\$=MID\$(X\$,2,1)

60 IF M<10 THEN A\$="0"

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70 GOSUB1000 75 DRAW "S8BM3,15"+N\$(VAL(A\$))+N \$ (VAL (B\$)) 90 PI=3.14159 100 FOR T=0 TO 2*PI STEP PI/75 110 R=COS(M*T)*95 120 X1=COS(T)*R+128:Y1=SIN(T)*R+ 96 130 A=T+PI/3 14Ø R2=COS(M*A)*95 150 X2=COS(A)*R2+128:Y2=SIN(A)*R 2+96 160 LINE (X1, Y1) - (X2, Y2), PSET 170 NEXT T 180 FOR T=1 TO 500:NEXT 190 GOTO2 1000 N\$(1)="BR4NU4BR" 1010 N\$(2)="BR2U2R3U2NL3BD4NL3" 1020 N\$(3)="BR2R3U2NL2U2NL3BD4" 1030 N\$(4)="BR2BU2NU2R3U2D4" 1050 N\$(5)="BR2R3U2L3U2R3BD4" 1060 N\$(6)="BR2U4NR3D2R3D2NL3" 1070 N\$(7)="BR2BU3UR3D4" 1080 N\$(8)="BR2U4R3D2NL3D2NL3" 1090 N\$(9)="BR2BU2NR3U2R3D4" 1095 N\$(0)="BR2U4R3D4NL3"

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MOTION PICTURE PROGRAMMING--THE DETAILS

By Arnold Pouch

In last month's issue of the RAINBOW, you read about what a powerful tool Motion Picture Programming (MPP) can be for CoCo programmers who are still using commands like DRAW, PSET, COLOR, LINE and PAINT to crate graphics. MPP is a method of producing superior graphic programs packed with action that does not necessitate long hours with BASIC's graphic commands.

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Here are all the necessary tools you need to produce MPP. This tutorial is presented in three sections:

I. Conversion Instructions

II. Diagram

III. MPP Course

CONVERSION INSTRUCTIONS

These instructions are based on Chromasette's excellent DRAMER program (August, 1981). We show here how to convert DRAMER to MPP DRAMER.

For 16K Extended Color Basic, make the following changes:

10 Change CLEAR10 to CLEAR20

14 Remove PCLS

16 Remove FOR...NEXT

20 Insert after A\$=INKEY\$:

IF A\$="<" THEN25Ø ELSE IF A\$=">" THEN28Ø ELSE

228 Delete PRINT"TAPE":PRINT"
SAVE OR LOAD":

Insert: PRINT "MPP TAPE
INPUT/OUTPUT":PRINT" INPUT =<":
PRINT " OUTPUT = >":

Add the following lines:
250 CLS:PRINT:PRINT"TO LOAD MPP
PICTURE TAPES":PRINT:PRINT"READY YOUR
MPP TAPE IN CASSETTE":PRINT:INPUT
"PRESS <ENTER> WHEN READY":ZZ

252 SCREEN1, SC: CLOADM: GOTO20

28Ø CLS:PRINT:PRINT"TO SAVE MPP PICTURES TO TAPE":PRINT:PRINT"READY YOUR CASSETTE WITH FRESH TAPE AND PRESS RECORD AND PLAY. DON'T FORGET TO CHECK THE VOLUME"

282 PRINT: INPUT"HOW MANY GRAPHICS PAGES?

4-PAGES

5-PAGES

6-PAGES"; ZZ

284 PRINT:INPUT"TYPE NAME OF MPP PICTURE "; ZZ\$

286 CLS: PRINT@236, "STANDBY"

288 CSAVEM ZZ\$,1536,1536+(1536*ZZ)-1,44553

29Ø SCREEN1,SC:GOTO2Ø

Also, delete lines 156-168 and 170-178.

For 32K, make these additional changes:
10 change PCLEAR6 to PCLEAR8 and remove CLEAR20

12 Change MP=6 TO MP=8

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MPP(From Page 13)

226 Change both occurrances of "1-6" to "1-8" 282 Change and add: 6-PAGES? 7-PAGES? 8-PAGES::ZZ

MPP COURSE

First of all, it is essential that you familiarize yourself with the full instructions which accomapny Chromasette's DRAMER program. If you forget them, use the "H" for HELP command. It will not only give you a rundown of the commands, but will also tell you what the last command you gave was and show the exact X-Y coordinate of the cursor.

To help simplify these instructions, we will assume you will use PMODE 3,1 on a four-page MPP picture with two extra pages of Motion Modifiers (MM's). Your 4+2 pages will reside in memory locations 1536 through 10/751 (PCLEAR 6). All references to higher memory addresses for 32K Extended Basic (and for Disk) will be ommitted.

Now, take a look at the diagram. It is laid out in three sections: An MPP memory map is in the center; the three steps necessary to create MPP are on the left; and the Input/Output routines which will allow you to start and stop MPP drawing are on the right.

Connecting lines between the flowcharts and the memory map have been removed for the sake of clarity. Instead, we show the exact memory addresses for the START and END above each I/O box.

Now, to MPP...

STEP I - DRAW ...

- Place the converted DRAWER in your recorder, type PCLEAR6, and CLOAD it. RUN the program after it loads.
- 2. You will see blank memory pages 1-4. Its a mess. Press the <K>lear key to clear the screen. Now press the <P>age key and press 3. You have

switched the screen to pages 3 through 6. Pages 5 and 6 are still a mess, so press the K key again. Now that you have cleaned up the pages, press P and 1 to go back to pages 1-4.

3. Well, don't just sit there -DRAW! Use the arrow keys, since the
joysticks are difficult to control.

4. I don't see anything! Do something. Why don't you try a round clock face? Ah. That's better.

That's better. 5. Lets draw the Motion Modifiers now. These (MM = c) are simply repeatative drawings of a certain section of your picture where you want action to take place. These drawings are each a little different from the previous one and show a "time/motion" relationship -- such as 10 pictures of a clock hand moving from 15 minutes past the hour to 25 past the hour. MM #1 shows the clock hand at 16 after, MM #2 at 17 past, and so on up to MM #10 at 25 past.

6. Sounds like a lot of tedious work, right? It is, but your converted DRAWER program will most of it for you automatically. We don't want the MM's to be visible, press P and 3. Now press (I)mage сору and follow the menued instructions to copy and move as many MM's as you think you will need for a When you <P>ut smooth animation. your MM's on pages 5 through 6, set them in neat rows so you can later program to GET them with just one GET command in a FOR...NEXT loop.

7. With the Image copy, you now have 10 pictures of a section of a clock showing 15 minutes after the hour. Put that cursor to work now — and change each picture to the correct time. If your picture is complex, you can use as many MM's as you like to fill all of pages 5 and 6.

8. Getting tired? Just one thing before we can stop. Use the <H>elp command and your cursor to find the X-Y coordinate for all your GET MM's and their X-Y PUT coordinates in your

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master MPP picture. Write them down neatly as follows:

MM NAME GET (X,Y)-(X,Y) P number (PMODE) MPP NAME PUT (X,Y)-(X,Y) P number (PMODE)

9. We can stop the processes for Step I at any time by pressing the ">" key and following the menu instructions. This procedure will automatically make an MPP picture tape.

10. Test yourself now to feel secure before you shut off the computer. Press "<" and follow the menu instructions to load your MPP picture tape back into the CoCo. Want to be sure its doing this? Draw a line through your picture and then load the tape in. You'll see the line disappear.

STEP II - PROGRAM

- 1. You must have produced an MPP tape in Step I before you can use Step II. This process will mess up your original picture as it GETs and PUTs your MM's. You may want to reload a clean picture several times during the process and you must have a clean picture in Step III to produce your final tape.
- 2. Before you start programming, you may wish to add these little utilities to the CoCo's memory:

9998 GBTO 9998 (This will hold the program on the screen)

10000 PCLEAR6:PMODET,1:SCREEN1.0:CLDADM (You RUN10000 and it will visibly load your MPP picture tape whenever you

want a fresh picture)

10001 GOTO10001

20000 PMODE3,1:SCREEN1,0:60T020000 (You RUN20000 and your picture will be displayed any time)

30000 PMODE3,3:SCREEN1,0:60T030000 (You RUN30000 and your MM's will be displayed at any time)

- 3. Begin all your MPP BASIC programs with the following lines:
- 1 ' MPP BY (YOUR NAME)
- 2 ' SPRING, 1981

3 2

4 ' POKE27,XXX:POKE28,XXX:POKE29,XXX: POKE30,XXX:POKE31,XXX:POKE32,XXX

5 PMODE 3,1:SCREEN 1,0

This will allow you to RUN from the start of the program and see your MPP picture again while you are programming and debugging. Your program starts at Line 6.

4. Use normal BASIC and normal techniques. But what a blessing! No more long DRAW strings to fumble with and try to set blindly. No more figuring where SETs and RESETs should

go. No more COLOR, PCLS, or program-slowing PAINTs. Your graphic work was all completed in Step I. Your program only needs GETs and PUTs and you already have them written down with their addresses.

5. Here are some helpful hints in

the programming:

A. Try DIMensioning only one array for all GETs and PUTs, using the same one over and over again.

B. Write all GETs and PUTs inside FOR...NEXT loops to step off

the motion.

- C. Write the MM's to maximum speed and slow them down later with time delay loops, PLAY commands and, even, GET/PUT loops inside GET/PUT loops.
- D. Make your GETs and PUTs as small as possible to get the job done.
- E. If you PUT garbage, remember GET and PUT must be the same exact size. The array doesn't matter as long as it is big enough for the largest GET/PUT.

F. DIMension your arrays big enough while programming and then EDIT them down to size when you're finished.

G. Keep your PMODE page (Continued Next Page)

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starts set correctly. Changing them will not affect your picture, only SCREEN can do that.

6. If your programming is finished, or you just want to take a break for a day, you can CSAVE "MPPBASIC" any time you wish to stop. You will now have two tapes saved, your picture tape and your basic tape.

7. You can restart at any time from this point by reloading the two tapes. For the picture tape, type in PCLEAR6: CLOADM and for the program tape just CLOAD.

STEP III -- COMBINE

1. When your picture tape and your program tape are completed to your satisfaction, load them both into memory (as in the paragraph above) but DO NOT RUN OR EXEC THE PROGRAM!

2. Now, your pictures reside in memory in locations 1536 through 10751 and your program is located in memory starting at 10752 (because we PCLEARed 6 before it was loaded). We do not know where the end of the Basic program is located, and this is what we have to find out.

3. Follow these steps carefully:

Type ?PEEK(27)	the answer	will	be your	A value
Type PPEEK (28)	the answer			
Type ?HEX\$(A)	the answer			
Type ?HEX*(B)	the answer			
Type ?&HA\$B\$	the answer	#111	be your	AB value

4. You now have everything you need to finish your MPP. Go to Line 4 in your Basic program, where you put in the X's after the POKEs, and substitute the values you just found to make the line operational:

4 POKE27, A: POKE28, B: POKE29, A: POKE30, B: POKE 31, A: POKE32, B

5. Place a fresh tape in your recorder, set it to play and record, and type in CSAVEM "MPPNAME", 1536,AB,44661. Then press <ENTER> and you will make a complete MPP tape.

Once you have made a copy, as in Number 5 above, turn your CoCo off, let it sit for about 15-30 seconds and turn it back on. Place the newly made tape in the recorder, press PLAY and type in PCLEAR6:CLOADM:EXEC. The tape will load and the program will auto-start with your MPP graphics in motion!

Next month, we'll list out an MPP program to show you how one type of graphic can be done.

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PIPELINE

Probably the most successful single BBS in the CoCo world is the Connection-80 of Woodhaven, N.Y., operated by Bob Rosen. The BBS' first anniversary was on March 23 and Bob reports that more than 15.000 calls have come in to his system. Remember. Connection-80 is free and can be reached at (212) 441-3755 via terminal. Bob, who is the System Operator, can be contacted in person at (212) 441-2807, Connection-80 has been a real service to CoCo users and we salute Bob and his service.

We feel constrained to point out that the SABHLET reviewed in last month's issue is a 4K program. Author Britt Monk mentions this to us by way of saying he believes we should not have been so unkind to his graphics in the review. We certainly see his point and pass it along to you. And, for the record, GAUNILET is one of the few machine language programs available for the 4K CoCo.

Does anyone really think the CoCo is soon headed for oblivion? Guess not and, for sure, here's some new proof from Tandy. In a thick batch of news releases -- complete with photographs -- Tandy is announcing a whole stable of educational software expressly written for CoCo. Among the most important: An agreement with Harper & Row oublishers (a big time outfit) calling for H&R to develop and market educational courseware for schools. Judging by the large number of CoCo-related products, including a series of packages in cooperation with Children's Television Workshop (the people who brought you Sesame Street, The Electric Company and others), we'd say CoCo is only starting to make its impact felt in the market!

Speaking of big-time news on CoCo. we' hear a report that Walter Cronkite's: UNIVERSE program will feature graphics by CoCo next fall. This, we understand, isn't a one-time shot -- but a continuing exposure of our favorite computer throughout the year-long series on CBS.

We were asked the other day whether it would be possible to save a BASIC program with CSAVEM and then load it back in and have it be a machine language program. The answer is simply, "no." Through use of a program called a compiler, however. you are able to convert BASIC into pachine language. We did a little checking around and hear that there are at least a couple of firms "working on" a compiler for CoCo. We'll keep you abreast of developments.

Nelson Software is shipping its SUPER COLOR MRITER program and says that an updated version, called SUPER COLOR WRITER II will be available by the first of April. Daniel Nelson says its a "quarantee" that SCW II will be introduced on that date.

Armadillo Software says it has a FORTH program available on tape or disk. Two exceptional things about their announcement. First, they'll send tape and disk version for the same price ("so if you don't have a disk yet, you'll be all set when you get one"). Second, Armadillo will customize its program for any disk system you're using.

And, speaking of "other" disk systems, Cer-Comp is marketing a full function disk operating system for the TallGrass Technology disk controller. There are three systems in one package: A free-standing disk

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system for use without the BASIC ROM system; a fully supported external system that interfaces with assemblers, editors and other types of programs; and a system which interfaces with Basic and Extended Basic. The system will work even with a 4K machine and uses only a little over 1K. Watch for a review.

Missing your monthly dose of fantasy-role playing game aids? Author John Urban hooked up on the losing side of the U.S. Postal Service this month. The series will continue next month.

The first computerized encyclopedia? Its available from Moses Engineering and comes on 48 cassette tages. We know Roger Olsen will be pleased to note that the first item is reported to be "aardvark."

Radio Shack is now marketing a voltage spike regulator through all its retail stores under the familiar Archer brand.

UPDATE: Last month we asked whether anyone had received any software from Seebree's Computing. At press time, one reader wrote in to say he had.

By the by, we suggest you be sure to read advertisments carefully before you order. Most all will say what version of CoCo they are written for, and you should be sure they will run on yours. As always, the dishonest few make trouble for the rest of us ... but since it is easy to copy programs, it is understandable why software houses won't usually refund money to people who want to return programs because they might not be "what I expected."

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By Mark S. Mosty

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I became interested in writing COLOR BILLBARS through general dissatisfaction with other home finance programs which failed to provide the user with comparative graphics or hard copy.

I use the program each month when I have finished balancing my checkbook and setting up next month's budget. The program is written in Color Basic and will, of course, run under Extended Color Basic as well. It requires 16K and uses about 5200 bytes of memory. I use a Line Printer VII and the printer routines are coded accordingly.

To adapt this program to your use, make the following changes:

 Account names are located in lines 230-270 and 470-510.

2. Change the divisors to suit your needs by adjusting the "D" values in lines 470-510, using the following formula:

-- Take the highest value in the desired range (example, 500)

-- Divide by 25 (500/25=20) and use this value for your divisor.

3. Change the Scale Values in lines 440-450 to suit the range you have selected.

4. Make any necessary changes in the printer routine in lines 1360-1590.

COLOR BILLBARS can be adapted for a variety of uses, such as incorporation into a checkbook balancing program to provide graphic display of key accounts or to display virtually any numerical information.

The listing:
10 '
20 ' COLOR BILLBARS
30 '
40 ' BY MARK S. MOSTY
50 ' 714 LEE ST.
60 ' KERRVILLE, TEXAS 78028
70 '
80 ' PRINT FORMATTED FOR LPVII
90 '
100 DIM A(5,12)
110 ' INPUT NEW YEAR
120 CLS:PRINT@99,"IS THIS A NEW
YEAR? (Y/N)"

130 GOSUB 170 140 IF7 = "Y"THEN 180 150 IFZ\$="N"THENGOSUB190:GOTO290 160 GOTO120 170 Z\$=INKEY\$:IFZ\$<>""THEN RETUR N ELSE 170 180 CLS:PRINT@99, "TYPE NEW YEAR. ";: INPUTY: GOS UB190:GOTO290 190 ' MAIN MENU 200 CA=255:CB=207:CC=191:CD=159: CE=239 210 CLS(6) 220 PRINT@72, "WHICH ACCOUNT...?" 230 PRINT@104," 1. LCRA/LSG H s 240 PRINT@136," 2. PHONE CO. H # 250 PRINTa168," 3. FOOD 11 m 260 PRINT@200," 4. GASOLINE li m 270 PRINT@232, " 5. UTILITIES 11 # 280 RETURN 290 PRINT@264, "OR... tt n 300 PRINT@296," 6. READ TAPE 17 15 310 PRINTA328," 7. SAVE TO TAPE

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320 PRINTA422, " SELECT KEY AND P RESS ";:PRINT@462,"(1-7)"; 330 PRINTall8, CHR\$(CA);:PRINTal5 0, CHR\$(CB); : PRINT@182, CHR\$(CC); : PRINT@214, CHR\$(CD); : PRINT@246, CH R\$(CE); 340 GOSUB170 350 IFZ\$="1"THEN GOSUB470:GOSUB5

20:GOTO1010

360 IFZ\$="2"THEN GOSUB480:GOSUB5

20:GOTO1010

370 IFZ\$="3"THEN GOSUB490:GOSUB5 20:GOTO1010

380 IFZ\$="4"THEN GOSUB500:GOSUB5

20:GOTO1010 390 IFZ\$="5"THEN GOSUB510:GOSUB5

20:GOTO1010

400 IFZ\$="6"THEN1610

410 IFZ\$="7"THEN1690

420 GOTO340

430 ' SCALES ADJUSTED HERE

440 SA=25:SB=50:SC=75:SD=100:SE= 125: RETURN

450 SA=100:SB=200:SC=300:SD=400:

SE=500: RETURN 460 ' DIVISORS (D) AND ACCOUNTS

ADJUSTED HERE AND AT 230-270

470 N=1:D=5:A\$="LCRA/LSG":C=255: GOSUB440: RETURN

480 N=2:D=5:A\$="PHONE CO.":C=207 :GOSUB440:RETURN

490 N=3:D=20:A\$="FOOD":C=191:GOS UB450: RETURN

Ø N=4:D=5:A\$="GASOLINE":C=159: GOSUB440: RETURN

510 N=5:D=5:A\$="UTILITIES":C=239

:GOSUB440:RETURN 520 ' INPUT UPDATE

530 CLS:PRINTa99," DO YOU WANT T ACCOUNT? (Y O UPDATE THIS

/N) " : PRINT

540 GOSUB170

550 IFZ\$="Y"THEN750

560 IFZ\$="N"THEN580

570 GOTO 540

580 CLS:PRINT@99, "DO YOU WISH TO REVIEW THE ENTRIES? (Y/N

) " ;

590 GOSUB170

600 IFZ\$="Y"THEN 640

610 IFZ\$="N"THEN GOSUB190:GOTO29

620 GOTO 590

630 ' REVIEW ROUTINE

64Ø GOSUB 21Ø

650 PRINTa88," ";:PRINTa264,"

";:PRINT@296," DO

";:PRINT@328," YOU WISH TO REVIEW...? ";:PRINT@422," SELE

CT KEY AND PRESS ";:PRINT@462,"(

1-5)";

660 GOSUB 170

670 IFZ\$="1"THEN GOSUB470:GOTO10 680 IFZ\$="2"THEN GOSUB480:GOTO10 10 690 IFZ\$="3"THEN GOSUB490:GOTO10 10 700 IFZ\$="4"THEN GOSUB500:GOTO10 10 710 IF7\$="5"THEN GOSUB510:GOTO10 10 720 GOTO660 730 ' UPDATE ROUTINE 740 SOUND 150,4:PRINT" INCORR ECT RESPONSE...":PRINT:RETURN 750 PRINT" UPDATE: "A\$:PRINT: PRINT" ROUND OFF DOLLAR AMOUN TS... ": PRINT

760 INPUT" WHICH MONTH (1-12) ";M:PRINT:IF M>12 OR M=VAL("") T HEN GOSUB 740 ELSE 780 770 GOTO 760 WHAT AMOUNT : \$";M

780 INPUT"

(T):PRINT 790 IF N=3 AND M(T)>500 THEN GOS UB 88Ø

800 IF N<>3 AND M(T)>125 THEN GO SUB 880

810 A(N,M)=M(T)/D

820 PRINT" ANOTHER MONTH? (Y/ ";:PRINT N)

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830 Z$=INKEY$:IFZ$=""THFN830
840 IFZ$="Y"THEN 760
850 IFZ$="N"THEN RETURN
860 GOTO 830
870 ' OVERLOAD ROUTINE
880 CLS:SOUND 150,4:PRINTa99,"AM
OUNT TOO LARGE ... YOU'LL
VE TO ADJUST THE SCALES": PRINT@1
98, "(SEE LINES 440-450)"; : PRINTa
259, "PRESS 'ENTER' TO CONTINUE":
:INPUT E$:GOSUB190:GOTO290
890 ' SCREEN SUBROUTINES
900 CLS0:PRINTa7,A$;:PRINTa22,Y;
: RETURN
910 PRINTCHR$(128);STRING$(A(N,M
), C); : RETURN
920 X$="
930 PRINTa32, M$::GOSUB910:PRINTA
64, X$; RETURN
940 PRINTa96, M$;:GOSUB910:PRINTa
128,X$::RETURN
950 PRINT@160, M$;:GOSUB910:PRINT
@192, X$; : RETURN
960 PRINT@224, M$; : GOSUB910: PRINT
@256, X$; : RETURN
970 PRINTa288, M$;:GOSUB910:PRINT
0320, X$:: RETURN
980 PRINT@352, M$;:GOSUB910:RETUR
N
990 PRINT@387, " 0":PRINT@391, SA:
PRINTa396, SB: PRINTa401, SC: PRINTa
406, SD: PRINT@411, SE: : PRINT@429, "
DOLLARS" : : RETURN
1000 ' SCREEN 1
1010 GOSUB900
1020 M=1:M$="JAN":GOSUB930
1030 M=2:M$="FEB":GOSUB940
1040 M=3:M$="MAR":GOSUR950
1050 M=4:M$="APR":GOSUB960
1060 M=5:M$="MAY":GOSUB970
1070 M=6:M$="JUN":GOSUB980
1080 GOSUB990
1090 PRINTa484, "C=CONTINUE M=MEN
J P=PRINT";
1100 GOSUB170
1110 IFZ$="C"THEN1160
1120 IFZ$="P"THEN1290
1130 IFZ$="M"THENGOSUB190:GOTO29
1140 GOTO1100
1150 ' SCREEN 2
1160 GOSUB900
1170 M=7:M$="JUL":GOSUB930
1180 M=8:M$="AUG":GOSUR940
1190 M=9:M$="SEP":GOSUB950
1200 M=10:M$="OCT":GOSUB960
1210 M=11:M$="NOV":GOSUB970
1220 M=12:M$="DEC":GOSUB980
1230 GOSUB990
1240 PRINTa488," M=MENU P=PRINT
 10 11
1250 GOSUB170
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1260 IFZ\$="P"THEN1290

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      1270 IFZ$="M"THENGOSUB190:GOTO29
      1280 GOTO1250
      1290 ' PRINTER ROUTINE
      1300 CLS:PRINTa99, "IS THE PRINTE
      R READY?"::PRINT@137,"(Y/N)";
     1310 GOSUB170
     1320 IFZ$="Y"THEN1350
     1330 IFZ$="N"THEN140
     1340 GOTO1310
     1350 CLS:PRINT@99, "PRINTING..."
      1360 PRINT#-2, CHR$(31):PRINT#-2,
     TAB(7);A$;TAB(24);Y;
      1370 PRINT#-2:PRINT#-2:PRINT#-2.
      CHR$(30):PRINT#-2,TAB(8)"!";:PRI
     NT#-2, CHR$(13);
     1380 GOTO1390
     1390 M=1:M$="JAN":GOSUB1580:GOSU
     B1590
     1400 M=2:M$="FEB":GOSUB1580:GOSU
     B1590
     1410 M=3:M$="MAR":GOSUB1580:GOSU
     R1590
     1420 M=4:M$="APR":GOSUB1580:GOSU
     B1590
     1430 M=5:M$="MAY":GOSUB1580:GOSU
     B1590
     1440 M=6:M$="JUN":GOSUB1580:GOSU
     B1590
     1450 0=7:M$="JUL":GOSUB1580:GOSU
     B1590
     1460 M=8:M$="AUG":GOSUB1580:GOSU
     B1590
     1470 M=9:M$="SEP":GOSUB1580:GOSU
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COMPUTER
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CASSETTES
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BILLBARS (From Page 21) 1480 M=10:M\$="OCT":GOSUB1580:GOS UB1590 1490 M=11:M\$="NOV":GOSUB1580:GOS UB1590 1500 M=12:M\$="DEC":GOSUB1580:GOS UB1590 1510 PRINT#-2, CHR\$(26); : PRINT#-2 ,TAB(9)"!";:PRINT#-2,CHR\$(13); 1520 PRINT#-2, TAB(8) " "; : PRINT#-2 ,STRING\$(58,"-"); 1530 PRINT#-2, CHR\$(26); :PRINT#-2 .CHR\$(13); 1540 PRINT#-2, TAB(11) "0"; TAB(19) SA; TAB(29)SB; TAB(39)SC; TAB(49)SD :TAB(59)SE 1550 PRINT#-2, CHR\$(13); :PRINT#-2 ,TAB(34) "DOLLARS":SOUND100,5 1560 GOSUB190:GOTO290 1570 ' PRINTER SUBROUTINES 1580 A(N,M)=A(N,M)*2:PRINT#-2,TA B(4)M\$;TAB(8)"!";TAB(10)" ";:PRI NT#-2,STRING\$(A(N,M),"*"):RETURN 1590 PRINT#-2, CHR\$(26); :PRINT#-2 ,TAB(9)"!";:PRINT#-2,CHR\$(13);:R ETURN 1600 ' LOAD TAPE ROUTINE 1610 CLS:MOTORON:PRINTa99, "INPUT DATA FROM TAPE...";:PRINT@165," POSITION TAPE...";:PRINT@197,"PR ESS 'PLAY'"; : PRINT@229, "PRESS 'E NTER'"; SOUND 100,5: INPUT E\$ 1620 OPEN"I",#-1,"BILLBARS" 1630 IF EOF(-1)THEN1660 1640 INPUT#-1.Y:FORN=1T05:FORM=1 TO12: INPUT#-1, A(N, M): NEXTM, N 1650 GOTO1630 1660 CLOSE #-1:SOUND100,5 1670 GOSUB190:GOTO290 1680 ' SAVE TO TAPE ROUTINE 1690 CLS:MOTORON:PRINT@99, "SAVE DATA TO TAPE..."; : PRINT@165, "POS ITION TAPE...";:PRINT@197, "PRESS 'PLAY' AND 'RECORD'"; :PRINT@229 ,"PRESS 'ENTER'";:SOUND 100,5:IN PUT E\$ 1700 OPEN "0", #-1, "BILLBARS": PRI NT#-1,Y:FORN=1T05:FORM=1T012:PRI NT#-1, A(N, M):NEXTM, N:CLOSE#-1:SO UND100,5 1710 CLS:PRINTa98, "TAPE SAVE COM PLETE...";:PRINT@162,"DO YOU WAN T TO BACK UP A TAPE? (Y/N) " ; 1720 GOSUB 170 1730 IFZ\$="Y"THEN1680 1740 IFZ\$="N"THEN GOSUB190:GOTO2 1750 GOTO1720

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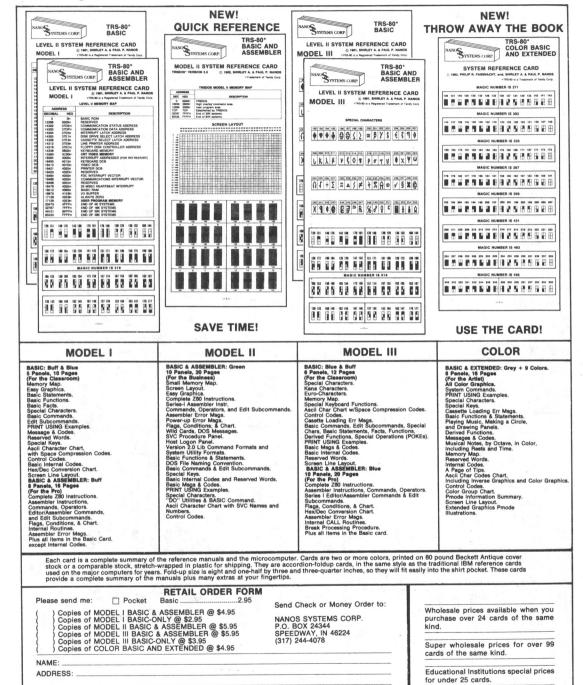
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Software Review ...

QUEST WILL KEEP YOU UP LATE QUESTING

QUEST is advertised as a "new idea in adventure games" and it is. It is also entertaining, a lot of fun and excercises the mind.

Too, QUEST (Aardvark-80, 2352 S. Commerce, Walled Lake, MI, 48088, \$14.95) is a lot of fun to play. But, it is more than a simple hack-and-slash adventure and it makes for quite a bit of enjoyment.

I couldn't get away from QUEST. There were a couple of times when I tried to leave and go to bed, but it seemed like I was in a good position to attack Moorlock's Castle...until something happened.

This game uses the low-res screen to draw a map of a land of castles, towers, ruins and the like. Each type of thing is shown by a symbol -and your position is shown by a symbol, too. You move around using the arrow keys and, when you get near something it shows up on the screen. A message line at the bottom alerts you to what it is.

to what it is.
The screen starts out almost blank, with just you, Moorlock's Castle, a river and a couple of cities shown. You have to discover the location of the other places -and discover how to get into them yourself.

You are not the only person in this land. There are bands of wizards, pilgrims, soldiers and the Sometimes some of the other bands have hired soldiers for protection. You can run away from these groups, try to fight or make friends. Sometimes your overtures are accepted, other times not. life, no?

By the way, your band can buy weapons and implements in the cities. This frequently gets you into a bargaining situation with a shopkeeper. But, you need gold to buy...and if you are long on gold and short on men, they won't be able to carry it all. And, you need food for the men. Or they'll die of starvation. The more men you have the more you can carry. But the more food you need.

This is an easy-to-play game that is a lot of fun. The combinations are endless and, frankly, I never missed not having the high-res screen. Its really not necessary.

You will really enjoy QUEST! Oh...did I mention Moorlock's Castle is on the other side of the river from you and that there isn't a bridge???

Software Review...

CAVE HUNTER

CAVE HUNTER IS PACMAN WITH A TWIST At first CAVE HUNTER's game layout looks familiar, like that of PACMAN. But ol? Box 1 PACMAN. But ol' P-M has it easy compared to what you have to go through to rack up the points in CAVE HUNTER.

This program, (from Mark Data, 23802 Barquilla, Mission Viejo, CA, 92691, \$24.95) is in machine language and does have those little dots, a PAC-like figure and some small villains who try to do you in.

BUT...there is more. You see, to be a CAVE HUNTER, you have to actually hunt through a cave and find something in it. And that's the rub, because it seems the little villains know where the loot is. least, they know how to keep you from getting either (1) it or (2) back to the surface.

The purpose of the game is to venture down into the cave, get the treasure and return to the surface. You steer your CAVE HUNTER with your joystick and try to avoid the bad guys.

As someone said: "Easy it isn't." But, as someone must have said: "Fun, it is."

Response to the joysticks is good and the action is fast-paced. There is a lot of planning involved, and you do get some "free time" -- you you do get some "free time" -- you can stay on the surface while you plot your next move. Of course, if you stay there too long, the bad guys figure out where you are and its difficult to get back into the cave.

In a word, CAVE HUNTER is enjovable.

Software Review...

EL CASINO IS FOR ALL VEGAS ADDICTS

Before author Arnold Pouch accuses me of not knowing what the original El Casino is, I want to assure him — and you — that I have visited that pleasure dome in Freeport, the Bahamas. It is reputed to be the largest casino in the world.

In some ways, EL CASINO Superior Graphic Software, Little Mountain Road, Waynesville, NC, 28786, for \$49.95) is the largest casino of its type in the world, too. It is three programs on tape or disk that cover three of the most popular game of chance in any casino.

All, too, are done with Pouch's Motion Picture Programming (MMP). This offers some of the imaginative graphics we have seen for the CoCo. (Continued on Page 28)

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CASINO (From Page 25)

interest particular the i = you a wide game, which gives variety of bets to make and all of them on the graphics of screen. No shifting screens to keep up with the four players who can CASINO stand at the EL

But the real turn-on is when its time for the "bones" to roll! A hand at one end of the table shakes and forth and then opens up as the dice come rolling toward you. Not flicker in the graphics, folks. Of course, the game keeps track of all your bets -- and almost all of the traditional ones are available. Even the "hard ways."

Blackjack, also played CASINO. uses graphically displayed cards, somewhat similar to a number the arcade games. It does a good iob and its also nice to know VOU won't get thrown out of this rasino for card-counting. The program will count cards for you!

Lastly are Slot Machines, which operate fairly much the way all slots do. Motion Picture Programming does give this interesting graphics.

All three programs are also available individually.

Software Review...

SPACE INVADERS BY COMPUTERWARE

Space Invaders is a game, frankly, which captures the imagination of thousands. The other day I was in a large airport and, with some time between connections, I stopped in at the arcade to see what was new.

As usual, there were a few things new, but there were a number of the old stanbdys around, too. Space Invaders was one of the old friends. And, as usual, there were people waiting to play.

If Space Invaders is the Monopoly the electronic generation there's some philosophy. And I bet you thought you were reading a review!), then everyone will have or another eventually. version worse than to buy you could do far INVADERS from Computerware COLOR C, Box 668, Encinitas. (Dept. 92024, \$24.95 \$29.95 on tape. disk).

Is there anyone out there who doesn't know how to play Space Invaders? I thought not, so we'll do without the explaination of the game itself.

However, the Computerware COLOR is in machine INVADERS game you which have language, means of the joystick in control excellent (Continued on Page 31)

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Using this system to run FLEX and OS-9 has many advantages. First, it gives you 48K from zero right up to FLEX. This means that ALL FLEX compatible software will run with NO MODIFICATIONS and NO PATCHES! There are no memory conflicts because we moved the screen up above FLEX which leaves the lower 48K free for user programs.

What you end up with is 48K for user programs, 8K for FLEX and another 8K above FLEX for the screens and stuff. We are working on a multi screen format so you can page backward to see what scrolled by and a Hi-Res screen that will enable us to have 24 lines by 42 character display. That's better than an Apple!

We also implemented a full function keyboard, with a control key and escape key. All ASCII codes can now be generated from the Color Computer keyboard!

We also added some bells and whistles to Radio Shack's Disk system when you're running FLEX or OS-9. We are supporting single or double sided, single or double density, 35, 40 and 80 track drives. If you use double sided drives, the maximum is three drives because we use the drive 3 select for side select. When you are running the Radio Shack disk, it will work with the double sided drives but it will only use one side and only 35 tracks. Using 80 track drives is okay, but will not be compatible with standard Radio Shack software. You can also set each drive's stepping rate and drive type. (SS or DS SD or DD)

In case you don't understand how this works, I'll give you a brief explanation. The Color Computer was designed so that the roms in the system could be turned off under software control. In a normal Color Computer this would only make it go away. However, if you put a program in memory to do something first (like boot in FLEX or OS-9), when you turn off the roms, you will have a full 64K RAM System with which to run your program (FLEX or OS-9). When the roms are turned off, it is as if you had removed them from the computer. They are gone!

Now, we need the other half of the 64K ram chips to work, and this seems to be the case most of the time, as the article states. Of course, you could also put 64K chips in.

We decided that this was the best way to run FLEX and OS-9 on the Color Computer because it does remove the roms from the memory map and leaves the full 48K for user programs. If you just put in memory for FLEX and use the Basic hooks for I/O, all you have is a little over 30K for user programs. In addition, very few FLEX programs will run without being modified and some won't run very well, if at all (our DATAMAN + for example). Let me state it again. ALL FLEX COMPATIBLE PROGRAMS WILL RUN WITHOUT MODIFICATION!!! and the same goes for OS-9!

It is also the ONLY way OS-9 will run because 30K is just not enough.

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INVADERS (From Page 28)

your battle against the alien critters. Too, the aliens move across the screen well, and quickly. The play is good and in real time. Its a fine version.

COLOR INVADERS has eight skill levels and a maximum of 999,999 points. Computerware asks for notification of anyone who makes more than 15,000 on skill level eight. In short, it is a demanding game.

I liked COLOR INVADERS and you will, too.

Review...

NEW SYSTEM CARD HAS IT ALL

Do you spend a lot of time thumbing through Getting Started With Color Basic and Going Ahead With Extended Color Basic looking for the exact syntax for some command that isn't quite explained to your satisfaction on the system card you got with CoCo?

Did you ever wish there was just a little more information some-where...that was easy and quick to get to?

Enter the TRS-80 COLOR BASIC AND EXTENDED SYSTEM REFERENCE CARD from Nanos Systems Corp., P. O. Box 24344, Speedway, IN, 46224, \$4.95). It is a shirt-pocket foldup card that's 16 pages long and just what the doctor ordered!

And, just like CoCo, it is in eight colors — plus grey, white and black. No more trying to figure out whether this CHR\$ puts a red or a magneta block in such—and—such a place. Its all here, and in color.

Want to know when PLAY and SOUND shift octaves? The notes are represented on a staff ... and the notes shift colors, too, when the octaves shift.

There is a illustration of verv well-done PRINT USING, all short messages with explainations, and a list of derived Also: detailed functions. for playing music, instructions making a circle and drawing. There are the CoCo's color groupings, a screen line layout and a line printer control code command set (for the LP VII).

We are very impressed with this product and feel it will be helpful to anyone who programs in BASIC.

Review..

LIGHT PEN OFFERS INTERESTING IDEAS

INTERESTING IDEAS
One of the really interesting
possibilities for a few different
applications with our CoCo comes from
such gee-whiz things as a light pen.

One specifically made for CoCo is now available from Moses Engineering (Regent Drive, Route 7, Greenville, SC, 29609, \$19.95 kit, \$39.95 assembled with joystick).

The Moses light pen uses the right joystick and the JOYSTK(Ø) reading to operate. It senses the brightness of colors on the screen and, if the software gets a reading matching the brightness, it can be programmed to do various things. Needless to say, this opens up all sorts of possibilities.

This particular product comes in two forms — assembled and with a joystick attached and unassembled. Even the most klutzy of you need not fear the kit — it was easy to assemble, took only 20 minutes, and did not require any messing with the CoCo itself.

To do the assembly, just open the joystick up, remove the innards, drill a hole for a phono jack (which is supplied) and solder two connections from the phono jack to two clearly marked parts of the joystick control. Put the whole thing back into the case and screw it back together. (No kidding, friends, I really can't do this kind of stuff well, but it was easy.)

You can buy the kit assembled for

You can buy the kit assembled for \$20 more, and you get another joystick. The modification does not hurt the joystick.

Then, when you want it, you plug the light pen in the phono jack on the joystick and you're ready.

The sample programs Moses Engineering supplies are just that, samples. They are not sophisticated, but are to show what the light pen can do. It has excellent potential.

In one program, you simply point the light pen at the end of a cannon, and, after reacting to the reading, the cannon fires at the top of the screen. In another, the screen is divided into three colors and the pen reads the relative brightness of the colors and tells you which one it is. These are, however, quite simple programs which — being in BASIC — take some time to react. It boggles the mind what one might do with some of the really good software — in BASIC or machine language — were it adapted to the light pen.

We believe you'll find this an interesting accessory and will open up several programming possibilities for you.

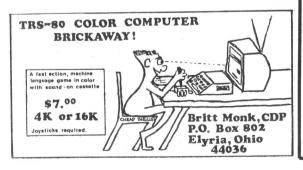
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Honestly, we've subscription rates. held off on them as long as possible. I did a little checking with some of you by telephone, and the overwhelming response was that the RAINBOW was worth our new base rate of \$16. Please note: All of you who have helped us get started can renew your subscriptions at the current \$12 base rate for a limited time. Its a way of mixing the bad with the good and, in a way, saying "thank you" for your confidence in our ability to provide you with a good magazine in a timely manner.

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Incidentally, the RAINBOW is now a truly international publication. A separate edition is being published in Australia for Australian and Asian markets through a license to Gregg Wilson of Australia. Gregg, who's a most interesting and charming fellow, also holds license rights to much of the software you can buy through our advertisers in this country and Canada.

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Finally, we're planning an announcement shortly that should be of interest to everyone who purchases software. We hope it will be an answer to the problem of availability of advertised software. More about this later.

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THREE NEW WORD PROCESSORS OFFER A VARIETY OF FEATURES

By Lawrence C. Falk

Three more word processing systems have hit the market since our last look at these programs, and all three have a number of excellent features to offer for the CoCo owner looking for a way to have his computer (and printer!) help him put words on paper.

Among the systems is Tandy Corp.'s entry into the field, appropriately named COLOR SCRIPSIT, Nelson Software's SUPER COLOR WRITER and TEXTPRO from Cer-Comp. All three programs are in machine language, which named COLOR give a fast reaction to operator input and all have a variety of features. These programs, and the four word processors reviewed in the December edition of the RAINBOW, give a wide range of software from which to choose. Perhaps no single computer has as much word processing software available as does CoCo. And that is a point which should not be missed by your friends seeking to buy a computer.

Too, we believe that the preponderance of word processing software means that CoCo owners will have a variety of other business and utility oriented programs to choose from in other areas as well. Software support? is in abundance -- for every need and every pocketbook.

 $\mathit{TEXTPR0}$ is, as we said, a machine language program which uses the "regular" screen to display letters -- that is, black letters on a green background for upper case. It is a line-based text editor, in that each line is numbered, by the writer or by the program.

You can number lines manually, much the same as you number BASIC programs. Or, you can let TEXTPRO do it. Its much easier to assign the task to the program -- and once that is done TEXTPRO does provide a simple way to insert lines: All you do is insert a line by using a number in between those already in existance. Since this is so much like the way you program in BASIC, it comes naturally.

TEXTPRO also uses commands similar to BASIC commands to perform many of its functions, such as copying lines from one part of the text file to another, deleting lines and moving them. One would suppose it could also be used to perform major surgery on BASIC programs -- so long as they were saved in the ASCII format. We have not tried this, but -- especially with the line numbers making it easy -- it seems a real interesting possibility.

The program's "replace" function is excellent, it will replace one text string with another with the blink of an eye. However, its "search" does not lend itself to the line-basis format, since it displays all the lines which contain a particular text string — and these can scroll off the screen.

TEXTPRO. as COLOR SCRIPSIT and SUPER COLOR WRITER, has "scroll" through the text buffer (the characters you input). Its "scroll" is based more on lines, however, sometimes making it a bit difficult to follow in the text entry mode. However, in the edit mode, the cursor can be moved through the buffer at will. The editor is efficient and easy to use and the commands to do the most common things are easy to learn.

COLOR SCRIPSIT uses a red screen with a yellow "status line" on the bottom which tells you at a glance what amount of memory is left, what line you are on and what position in that line the cursor presently occupies. This is the most sophisticated status update of any of the seven word processors we have seen and is very similar to the status line which all other versions of Scripsit use. There is also a little box which tells you whether you are in capital or lower case letters. Upper case letters are shown backgrounded in red -- similar to the black on the familiar text screen.

SCRIPSIT also uses COLOR "regular" 32-character screen, but with a difference. As reported previously in *The Pipeline*, it flips screens on the same line to give you 64 characters of width in the cursor through the text at will program allows you to set the amount

the at any time you wish.

As far as editing is concerned, you can insert, delete and change characters easily. This program also uses a device called wordwrap (as give you 64 characters of width in does SUPER COLOR WRITER), which the same line. However, once the keeps words from breaking up at the display is "flipped," you cannot see end of a line. COLOR SCRIPSIT the first part of the line. You have true scrolling in that you can move allows for hyphenation of words. The (Continued on next page)

of characters you want it to use in looking for possible places to hyphenate. Once you place the program in the hyphenation mode, it moves through the text and locates all the possible hyphens. When it finds one, it gives you the option of moving the hyphenation to a logical point or just leaving the word alone.

COLOR SCRIPSIT also supports finding and replacing text. It has the added feature of giving you an option as to whether you want to change a particular string after it has been found.

This is pretty important. As an example, suppose you asked someone to type in something for you, and the person typed in all the letter "i's" without capitalizing them. You could use this feature to go through the text and locate the lower case "i's" and make them "I's." The problem is, the program would also locate all the "i's" in the middle of words as well. Because you can give a yes/no decision to any change, it makes this sort of thing easy to use.

SUPER COLOR MRITER is now available. It uses a full-scroll text buffer and a "normal" screen, with the green and black reversed -- much as does MORD PROCESSOR/TEXT EDITOR does. This makes the screen very readable in the standard 32-character line. And, if you don't like the color set, you can switch it (to orange letters!).

This program has many of the same features the others do. Every function has a control key, and there are a large number to keep track of. For this reason, probably, a "help" screen is available — showing the most-used commands. This is a nice touch.

The CLEAR key is the control. As an example, to delete a character, you hit CLEAR and "D". To get the help screen, its CLEAR and "H". The program has a "status line" at the top of the screen and the cursor changes colors, depending on what sort of mode you're in. This is helpful in keeping things straight.

Super COLOR WRITER has a unique feature in its search command, the ability to use a "wild card" to mask letters. Now, lets say you never learned the old rule that goes "i before e, except after c" and you have spelled several words like "recieved," "recieve" and so on. You want to change them. You can "mask" the "ie" out, and find all occurrances of the word with either spelling.

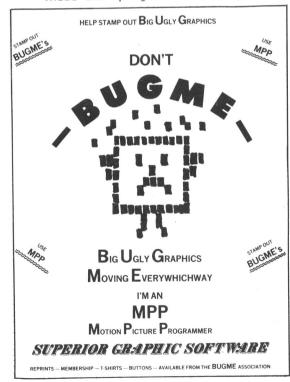
All three programs do all of the "simple" things like move and copy text, center material and justify copy. Keep in mind these are difficult to do on a typewriter — and extremely easy with a word processing program. Also remember that studies show you can type much more quickly on a computer screen than on a piece of paper.

than on a piece of paper.

Getting information in is only half the battle, however. The other half is in the printing. All programs allow you to set such things as right and left margins, line spacing and number of lines per page. All also allow you to set "headers" and "footers," — those standard lines than run on the top and bottom of the page when you have long documents. All also allow the computer to number the pages for you.

TEXTPRO and SUPER COLOR WRITER, however, also allow you a great amount of leeway in the use of control codes. Control codes are those things you send to a printer to change the type size and the line. For instance, in the LP VII, the CHR\$(30) is a control code to run double-wide letters.

These two programs allow you to



imbed the control codes into your text, and change things "on the fly." Too, both also allow you to change the parameters you selected to print your document while you are doing the printing. This can be real important if you are trying to set half-column, go to a full column for several lines, and then go back to a hálf column. It also means if are using a printer which vou are using a printer which different character sets, you has can vary the character sets just by typing in a control code.

All three programs use tape for storage. TEXTPRO comes in a disk as well. SUPER version COLOR MRITER is advertised in both Rom Pak and disk versions, but we did not receive them for review. Since the tape version is in machine language, it is difficult to adapt to disk, but, I suppose, could be done. With COLOR SCRIPSIT on a ROM Cart, you cannot use a disk drive, because the disk will have to use the same port. COLOR SCRIPSIT does have the plug-in-and-run advantage, and does not use CoCo memory for the program.

As with the four word processors we reviewed earlier, each of these programs has some very real advantages. We hope this rundown will help you choose the right one for your uses.

TEXTPRO, by Bill Vergona, Cer-Comp, 5566 Richochet Ave., Las Vegas, NV, 89110, \$39.95.

COLOR SCRIPSII, by Robert Kilgus, at Radio Shack dealers and stores, \$39.95.

SUPER COLOR WRITER, by Tim Nelson, Nelson Software, P.O. Box 19095, Minneapolis, MN, 55419, \$49.95 tape; \$74.95 Rom Pak; \$99.95 disk.

Software Review ...

MONEY MINDER II WILL HELP BUDGET

MONEY MINDER II from Harmonycs (P.O. Box 1573, Salt Lake City, UT, 84110-1573, \$8.95) is a fine addition to a software library and a useful program for anyone who wants to keep track of where his money is going.

Designed to operate on the 16K CoCo, the program allows you to set up to 56 categories of expenditure and assign checks to any of them. It also will work against a budget, so that you can place deposits in the categories as you wish and then monitor how you draw checks against them.

The large number of categories can be especially useful when you come to income tax time. And, since there are also printout and data tape save routines, you can keep track of things all year long and get a prinout at any time.

If we have one complaint about MONEY MINDER II, it is the documentation. It would be greatly improved with some examples running all the way through the text and, we believe, would help the user. We were impressed by the program but wished access to its features had been made easier.

That being said, MONEY MINDER II does have some fine features. We particularly liked the way category balances are displayed in that if you only use part of the categories the program will not force you to "look at" a page or two of empty screens.

Too, a routine to allow you to look at the last entry in each category is included. This is especially useful when you wonder just "where you are" in the program. Despite the best of intentions, you know you're not going to enter in checks every day as you write them. The last entry feature works with keyboard or data tape entries — whichever is last.

Finally, there is a particularly helpful feature called "Transfer Balances." Simply put, it allows you to handle your entries a week (or month, or whatever) at a time. It keeps a running total of balances forward and does not require you to read in long amounts of data from tape to get "up to date."

We believe you will be pleased with this program.

Software Review...

DANCING DEVIL IS DEVILISHLY FUN

You, or your kids, can keep busy for hours with DANCING DEVIL. It is a good program that will provide a lot of enjoyment.

Available from Tom Mix Software (3424 College N.E., Grand Rapids, MI, 49505, for \$14.95), this program lets you combine both musical and artistic talents.

Its somewhat similar to another program available for the black and white TRS-80's, but now it is available for the CoCo with all the enhancements CoCo can give it.

DANCING DEVIL features a little devil who will dance to any song you want to enter into the Computer. You do this through a menu system that is easy to use and the note selection is very easy. Even if you don't want to use a song, per se, you can just use notes.

Then, in step two, you program in the steps the devil can make in connection with the notes. Again, a

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simple menu format is used to make things extremely easy. And, the devil will do a devilish number of things, from jumps to the Charleston.

Finally. you select performance item on the menu, a curtain goes up, and the devil does his stuff. You can choose how fast you want him to run through it, and how many times (1 to 255) you want him to repeat. When the performance is over, the devil bows and the curtain goes down.

You can save your routines tape and load them back from memory. addition, there are two for pre-programmed routines demonstration.

DANCING DEVIL rates a "NE om the resident 13-year-old. "NEAT!" major accolade!

Music...

JULIE's SONG...

Julie Kerr, 10, of Bellevue. Wash., is as interested in music as she is in computers. So, she wrote following program as an example of how CoCo can be used in a musical application.

The program generates a random sound for a couple of seconds, then starts at another random sound. You can maneuver the second sound up or down the scale until you think it matches the first. The program will tell you how close you came to a match!

Julie's mother, by the way, savs it is only Julie among her family who consistantly gets the "Tuned By An Expert" message.

This program's idea, and the code for it, was Julie's idea and inspiration. We hope you like it.

The listing:

5 ' TUNING

7 ' BY JULIE KERR

10 CLS5

20 PRINT "LISTEN TO THE FIRST SO UND"

30 PRINT "THEN LISTEN TO THE SEC OND SOUND"

4Ø PRINT "TUNE THE SECOND SOUND

TO THE"

50 PRINT "FIRST SOUND BY PRESSIN G <L> TO"

60 PRINT "GO LOWER AND <H> TO GO HIGHER."

70 PRINT "WHEN YOU THINK IT'S IN TUNE, "

80 PRINT "PRESS <T>."

90 PRINT

100 FOR T=1 TO 1500:NEXT T

120 SOUND N. 100 130 T=RND(100)+50 140 SOUND T.2 150 C\$=INKEY\$ 160 IF C\$="H" THEN T=T+1 170 IF C\$="L" THEN T=T-1 180 IF C\$="T" THEN GOT0220 190 IF T=0 THEN T=1 200 IF T=201 THEN T=200 210 GOTO140 220 IF T=N THEN PRINT"TUNED BY A N EXPERT! ": GOTO260 230 IF T>N-10 AND T<N+10 THEN PR INT "VERY GOOD": GOTO260 240 IF T>N-20 AND T<N+20 THEN PR INT"YOU NEED A LITTLE MORE PRACT ICE": GOTO260 250 PRINT "PRACTICE MAKES PERFEC 260 PRINT"THE TONE WAS"N"- YOU C HOSE"T

110 N=RND(100)+50

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If you don't like spiders, don't play WILD, WILD WEB, because in it you are a spider and your object is to get a good, wholesome lunch.

While there are many differing opinions about what a good, wholesome lunch might consist of among us humans, there is little debate among spiders. like ants. (We are told they like moths for dinner.)

This game, brought to you by the IMB dynamic duo of Fred Scerbo and Dale (a.k.a. Snail), will let you sit in your web and try to get some ants for lunch. Use the right joystick to direct your little web and "fire" button to shoot out a web at the ant. You're measured on how long it takes vou.

As always, please remember this game is for your personal use and pleasure and is not to be copied for any other reason. Similarly, the routines are for use in the game, but not for use in any software you write.

Get those ants!

1 POKE65495,0:CLEAR500:CLS0:SR=3 :C=1:GOSUB3:GOTO9 3 SR=3:C=C+1::P\$=CHR\$(128):FORI= 2T014:FORJ=4T013:SET(J,I,C):NEXT J:NEYTT

5 FORK=0T011STEP11:FORJ=18T023:S ET(J+K,2,C):NEXTJ:FORJ=17T024:SE T(J+K, 3, C): NEXTJ: FORI=4TO14: FORJ=16T025:SET(J+K,I,C):NEXTJ:NEXTI :NEXTK

7 FORK=ØTO7STEP7:FORJ=39TO58:FOR I=2T07:SET(J,I+K,C):NEXTI:NEXTJ: FORI=3T06:SET(59, I+K, C):NEXTI:FO RI=4T05:SET(60, I+K, C):NEXTI:NEXT K: RETURN

9 PRINT@257,P\$;:FORY=1T028:READA :PRINTCHR\$(A);:NEXT

11 DATA105,108,108,117,115,116,1 14,97,116,101,100,128,128,128,10 9,101,109,111,114,121,128,128,12

8,98,97,110,107,115 13 PRINT@329, P\$;:FORY=1T012: READ

A: PRINTCHR\$(A); :NEXT

15 DATA98, 111, 110, 117, 115, 128, 12 8,128,103,97,109,101

17 PRINT@399, CHR\$(98)+CHR\$(121);

19 PRINT@448, P\$; : FORY=1T031: READ A: PRINTCHR\$(A); :NEXT

21 DATA102,114,101,100,128,115,9 9, 101, 114, 98, 111, 128, 128, 97, 110, 100, 128, 128, 100, 97, 108, 101, 128, 1

04,97,103,103,101,114,116,121 23 FORJH=1T02:GOSUB3:NEXTJH

25 W\$="BU2U7R2D6FEU4R2D4FEU6R2D7

G2L2HGL2H2BD2BR12" 27 IL\$="U9R2D9L2BR4U9R2D7R4D2L6B

R7U9R5F2D5G2L5BE2U5R2FD3GL2"

29 EB\$="U9R7D2L5D2R3DL3D2R5D2NL7 BR2U9R5F2DGDFDG2L5BE2U2R2FGL2BU3 U2R2FGL2"

31 PMODE3, 1:PCLS5:SCREENØ, Ø

33 DRAW"S4BM16,16C3U4L2R4BR4D4U2 R4U2D4BR4NR4U2NR2U2R4"

35 DRAW"S16BM10,60C4"+W\$+IL\$

37 DRAW"BM70,110"+W\$+IL\$

39 DRAW"BM130,160C3"+W\$+EB\$

41 FORY=0T060STEP60:FORI=34T0124 STEP30:PAINT(I+Y,55+WL),4,4:NEXT

I:WL=50:NEXTY 43 FORI=160T0220STEP30:PAINT(I,1 53),3,3:NEXTI 45 LINE(0,0)-(256,192), PSET, B:SC REEN1, 1: FORI = 2TO100STEP8: LINE(0, 92+I)-(30+I,192), PSET:LINE(124+I ,0)-(256,0+I), PSET:NEXT 47 FORI=ØTO24STEP8:LINE(Ø,94)-(3 2-I,192), PSET:LINE(256,100)-(256 -I,0), PSET:NEXT 49 FORWA=1T02000:NEXT:CLS0

51 PMODE4,1:PCLS5:SCREEN0,0 53 AR\$="C@R18L2NE6U3L3D3L8U3L3D3 L8U3L3D3U5L3D5U3L3D3F2R7NG5U2R8D 2RND5R2U2R5NF7": DRAW"S2BM118,92;

"+AR\$ 55 DRAW"C0S2BM118,122L18R2NH6U3R 3D3R8U3R3D3R8U3R3D3U5R3D5U3R3D3G

2L7NF5U2L8D2LND5L2U2L5NG7" 57 DIMA(6)

59 DIMB(6)

61 GET(108,89)-(129,95),A,G 63 GET(107,119)-(128,125),B,G

65 PMODE4, 1:PCLS5:SCREENØ, @

67 CIRCLE(126,41),10,0,.9

69 PAINT(126,40),0,0

71 CIRCLE(126,52),4,0

73 PAINT(126,52),0,0

75 DRAW"S4BM126,50;C0L8G3D3BM126 ,50R8F3D3BM126,52L6G3D3BM126,52R

6F3D3BM126,54L4G3D3BM126,54R4F3D 3BM126,54D5NF3NG3"

77 DIMS(24)

79 GET(110,32)-(142,60),S,G

81 PCLS5

83 FORI=ØT09ØSTEP15:LINE(126,48) -(0, I), PSET:LINE(126, 48)-(256, I)

, PSET: NEXT

85 FORI=32T0224STEP16:LINE(I,0)-

(126,48), PSET:NEXT

87 FORI=2T0146STEP9:CIRCLE(128,4

5+(I/2,5)),3+I,0,1.3,.5,1:NEXT

89 PUT(111,40)-(143,68),S,AND

91 I=126

93 SCREEN1,1

95 TIMER=0

97 C=RND(10): IFC=>6THEN1011 951F

C<=5THEN107 (Continued on next page) the RAINBOW Programming Tip... SELF-MAILER SAVES AND ENVELOPES TIME

> Dr. Lane Lester of Liberty Bantist in Lynchburg, Va., didn't College send in a submission, hut impressed with the letter we're very he mailed the other day and would pass its concept along as a like to their hint to those who want to use processor and don't word CoCo as a want to hassle with envelopes.

Dr. Lester has formatted his word processing program to use the first self-mailer that doesn't page as a Using plain an envelope. require he sets white printer paper, the left-hand return address on margin 26 lines down from the top of Then, paper. he starts the the he is address of the person to whom 33 lines down and 35 spaces (Continued on Page 40)

> 133 CLSØ:PRINTa228, "YOU TOOK"; :P RINTUSING"####,##";SE;:PRINT" SE CONDS. " :

135 FORI=1T03000:NEXT:RUN

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99 GOTO115 101 FORY=1T06:I=I+4:IF I=>230THE N103ELSE105 103 COLOR5,5:LINE(I,150)-(21+I,1 56), PRESET, BF: I=10 105 PUT(I, 150) - (21+I, 156), A, PSET :NEXT:GOTO97 107 GOSUB115:FORY=1T06:I=I-4:IF I<=10THEN109ELSE111I=230 109 COLOR5,5:LINE(I+4,150)-(25+I ,156), PRESET, BF: I=230 111 PUT(I+4,150)-(25+I,156), B, PS ET:NEXT:GOT097 113 GOTO113 115 IFPEEK(339)=255THEN101 117 L=JOYSTK(0)*4 119 PLAY"V3105L255BC" 121 COLORØ, Ø:LINE(127, 70)-(L, 151), PSET: COLOR5, 5:LINE(127, 70)-(L, 151), PRESET: COLORO, Ø 123 IFPPOINT(L, 153)=5THENRETURN 125 SOUND1,1:COLORØ,5:FORWS=3T09 STEP3:CIRCLE(L, 152), WS, 0, . 6:NEXT WS:LINE(I-8,146)-(28+1,158), PRES ET, BF: DRAW "S2BM" +STR\$(RND(200)+2 2)+","+STR\$(RND(30))+AR\$:LO=RND(2):IF LO=>1THEN I=20ELSEI=220 127 TA=TA+1:IFTA<15THEN101 129 TE=TIMER:SE=INT(TE/60) 131 POKE65494, 0: SCREEN1, 0: FORW=1 TO5:PLAY"01T55BCBCBC":NEXT:FORW=



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ENVELOPE (From Page 38)

from the left-hand margin.

Once that information is entered, he has his printer move to the top of the next page, prints a "letterhead," spaces down several spaces and starts the letter off with the date and

"Dear _ _:" salutation.

Owing to the number of word processors on the market, we won't try to tell you how to format yours, but here's how the program could be written in BASIC. With every word processor we've seen for the CoCo, the actual formatting should be easy to accomplish.

10 FOR X=1 TO 26:PRINT #-2: NEXT 20 PRINT #-2, "Lane P. Lester,

Ph. D. "

PRINT #-2, "Liberty Baptist 3Ø College"

40 PRINT #-2, "Lynchburg, VA 24506" 50 FOR X=1 TO 4: PRINT #-2: NEXT

60 LINEINPUT "NAME": A\$

70 LINEINPUT "STREET ADDRESS"; B\$

80 LINEINPUT "CITY, STATE, ZIP";C\$ 90 PRINT #-2,TAB(35)A\$:PRINT

#=2, TAB(35)B\$:PRINT #-2, TAB(35)C\$ 100 FOR X=1 TO 33:PRINT #-2:NEXT X

Once you've done this, simply use whatever you wish to make a "letterhead" and write the letter. Then, once done, make a triple fold in the paper and you have a letter on one side and (on the top sheet which becomes the "back") an envelope, all addressed and ready to mail. Just tape the paper together.

Its a neat trick that can save you hours of time.

Utility...

FOR THE GAMERS... SCREEN-SCORING

By Charles H. Santee

enjoyed the RAINBO∺ have very much and, especially, the SNAIL INVADERS game by Fred Scerbo and Dale Haggerty of IMB. It is especially interesting.

Being very interested in screen scoring on the graphics on-screen pages, I have written up a routine which, I believe, will conserve a great deal of memory. It is one I

have been using in games.

To insert this routine into a game, use lines 1000 to 2130 without the documentation included in the listing so you can follow the routine's logic. Or, you can run the program as is to see how it works.

A few notes...

1. If you would like a set number of digits on the screen for the score

(e.g., 0057), edit line 2030 as: LS=LEN(SS\$):SS\$=RIGHT\$(SS\$,LS-1)

:SS\$=STRING\$(5-LS, "Ø")+SS\$

2. If you want a right to left "flip" of numerals delete lines 2105 and 2115 and edit the lines listed below as follows: 1Ø15 NEXT X

:E\$="C1BRNU4RU4RD4RU4RD4RU4RNL4D2NL4 D2L8C3": RETURN

2085 GG\$=GG\$+E\$+G\$(V)

3. When the above method is used and a score is very large, GG\$ may give an LS error. The listing:

> 5 '%%%% CLEAR ENOUGH SPACE FOR THE GRAPHICS AND STRINGS %%%%

10 CLEAR 600

15 GOSUB 1000: "%%% GO TO THE SUBROUTINE WHICH MAKES A FILE OF GRAPHIC NUMBERS %%%% 20 '%%%% THIS ROUTINE SELECTS

SOME NUMBERS TO BE DRAWN IN A GAME, THE NUMBERS

DRAWN WOULD BE THE SCORE %%% 25 CLS:INPUT"FIRST NUMBER";F

30 INPUT"LAST NUMBER";L 35 INPUT" INPUT STEP" ; ST

40 '%%% SET UP GRAPHIC SCREEN %%

45 PMODE 3,1:PCLS:SCREEN 1,0 50 '%%% the numeric variable SC is the score %%%

55 FOR SC = F TO L STEP ST

60 GOSUB 2000 65 FOR P = 1 TO 200:NEXT P: "%%% PAUSE SO THAT THE SCORE CAN BE VIEWED

70 NEXT SC 8Ø GOTO 25: "%% TRY NEW NUMBERS % 1000 '"\$"\$"\$"\$ This subroutine

sets up a table of graphic strings to be used in the draw statement which can be used to draw the numbers 0 through 9 "\$"\$"\$"\$

1005 FOR G = 0 TO 9 1010 READ G\$(G)

1015 NEXT G:RETURN 1020 '### THE NUMERAL 0 ###

1025 DATA"BR2U4R3D4NL3BR3" 1030 '### 1 ###

1035 DATA"BR4NU4BR4"

10/40 '### 2 ###

1045 DATA"BR2U2R3U2NL3BD4NL3BR3" 1050 '### 3 ###

1055 DATA"BR2R3U2NL2U2NL3BD4BR3"

10/60 7 ### 4 ### 1065 DATA"BR2BU2NU2R3U2D4BR3"

10/70/2 * ### 5 ### 1075 DATA"BR2R3U2L3U2R3BD4BR3"

1080 '### 6 ###

1085 DATA "BR2U4NR3D2R3D2NL3BR3"

10/90 '### 7 ###

1095 DATA "BR2BU3UR3D4BR3" 1100 '### 8 ### 1105 DATA"BR2U4R3D2NL3D2NL3BR3" 1110 '### 9 ### 1115 DATA"BR2BU2NR3U2R3D4BR3" 2000 '"\$"\$"\$ This subroutine converts the numeric variable into a graphic variable and draws the numbers on the screen 2005 '%%% INITIALIZE THE GRAPHIC VARIABLE %%% 2010 GG\$="" 2015 '%%% CONVERT THE NUMERIC VAIRIABLE TO A STRING %%% 2020 SS\$=STR\$(SC) 2025 '%%% DELETE THE LEADING BLANK FROM THE STRING %%% 2030 LS=LEN(SS\$):SS\$=RIGHT\$(SS\$, 2035 '%%% The next step is to pick off each decimal of numerical string, convert that string back to a numeral, and use that numeral to call up the graphic string. 2040 '%%% The graphics are combined to form one

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graphic for drawing the 2045 L=LEN(SS\$); '### DEFINE THE NUMBER OF NUMERALS IN THE STRING 2050 '### REPEAT THE STEPS BELOW FOR EACH NUMERAL 2055 FOR A=1 TO L 2060 '%%% DEFINE EACH NUMERAL IN THE STRING 2065 N\$=MID\$(SS\$,A,1) 2070 '%% DETERMINE THE VALUE OF THE NUMERAL %%% 2075 V=VAL(N\$) 2080 '%% USE THAT VALUE TO CALL UP THE GRAPHIC REPRESENTATION OF THE VALUE AND ADD THE GRAPHIC STRINGS TOGETHER %%% 2085 GG\$=GG\$+G\$(V) 2090 '%% DO IT AGAIN FOR THE REST OF THE NUMERALS %% 2095 NEXT A 2100 '%% ERASE THE LAST GRAPHIC BY REDRAWING THE OLD SCORE WITH THE BACKGROUND COLOR 2105 DRAW"BM0, 20C1S8"+0G\$ 2110 '%%% REDEFINE THE NUMBER TO BE ERASED NEXT TIME (OLD GRAPHIC) 2115 OG\$=GG\$ 2120 '%% DRAW THE NEW GRAPHIC (PRESENT SCORE) 2125 DRAW"BM0,20C3S8"+GG\$ 2130 RETURN Utility ... AN 8-BIT DRIVER FOR BASIC USE By Mark Reeves SOFTMARE more

Yes, you can get a free eight-bit printer driver from Radio Shack that will allow you to print the bit image graphics and so on (as well as access some of the special characters on the One of the problems with LP VIII). it, though, is that it is in machine language and, sometimes, can be a little difficult to use. But what do you want, its free!

At SNAKE MOUNTAIN to have a wanted little versatility in an eight-bit driver, especially a program that would allow us to move it anywhere in memory. That is important, because it lets us put the driver in some vacant place in the RAM -- out of the way of any program.

Still, it is important that driver be in machine language, because of the speed. The program below is in BASIC, but POKES machine (Continued Next Page)

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And, because the code into memory. machine code is position-independent, it can be used easily, simply and anywhere in memory.

There is nothing special The only thing you this program. might have to adjust is the location where you wish the driver to load. is accomplished simply changing the value of the variable LD in line 200 to whatever decimal number you wish.

If you have an assembler, its easy to translate the hexidecimal codes in the data statements into assembly language Op Codes, assemble this and make a tape. It works just as well in BASIC, but you might want to get with practice working some assembler.

The listing:

200 LD=492: 'OR ANY ADDRESS YOU WISH

21Ø FOR I=Ø TO 4Ø

220 READ VL\$

23Ø PK=VAL ("&H"+VL\$)

240 POKE LD+I,PK

25Ø NEXT I

260 EXEC LD

27Ø END

280 DATA 83,00,00,30,8D,00,08 290 DATA 8F,01,68,96,96,97,E6

300 DATA 39,34,04,D6,6F,5C,2B 310 DATA 02,35,84,35,04,32,62

320 DATA 34,04,F6,FF,22,54,25 33Ø DATA FA, BD, 8E, ØC, 35, 84

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SAVE ML PROGRAMS YOUR DISK TO

By Jorge Mir RAINBON Utilityman

SAVEM is a disk version of program previously published in the RAINBOW that facilitates the saving language machine programs. Additional features have incorporated into this new version of the program which I find useful with the disk system.

The program starts by relocating itself to the upper part of RAM. It checks to determine whether you have or 32K system and relocates a 16K itself starting at hex location %H3600 for 16K or %H7600 for 32K. Since most machine language programs occupy the lower RAM area, relocating to a higher location will avoid conflict most of the time. In (Continued on Page 44)



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DISK SAVE (From Page 42) the event that the program you wish to save covers the RAM areas noted you can have SAVEM relocate itself to any RAM area by changing lines 720-800, thus avoiding conflict with the program to be copied.

After relocating itself, SAVEM presents you with a menu through which you can choose to copy a program from casette or disk. It also provides for copying a program currently in RAM (if you choose this option and have no program in RAM,

SAVEM will crash). To load from cassette, you are asked for the program name and, after you input it, the cassette tape is searched for the program. If you want to offset load the program, indicate so as part of the program name just as you would do if you were offset loading a program cassette without the aid of the SAVEM program (see the manual for the syntax).

Once the program is loaded into RAM, the hex and decimal values of the start, end and execute addresses are displayed for information purposes. It addition, you are asked whether the target program was offset loaded and, if so, SAVEM then asks for the offset hex value so it can correct the reference at the start of the program. In addition, you are asked for the title you wish to use for the program you are saving and you are given a choice of saving the program to tape or disk.

Before you indicate you want the program saved to tape, you should have the recorder ready in the record

If the program is saved to disk, creates a data indicating the start, end and execute points of the target program. This comes in handy later on when you want to load from disk and copy the programs to other disks or casette tapes since, as you may have already found out, the disk system does not locations %HØØ7E-%HØØ7F or %HØ1E7-%HØ1E8 to indicate the start and end of programs.

To load from disk, you can load any machine language program with the SAVEM program, provided the program was previously copied from cassette using SAVEM. Before loading from disk, the SAVEM searches for the start, end and execute addresses previously stored on disk when the target program was loaded from cassette and then transferred to disk. If the program was not previously saved using

SAVEM, it returns to the program name prompt. Once the program is loaded into

RAM you are given a choice of saving to disk or cassette and an option to change the title of the program.

In loading from memory, when program is already stored in RAM, you can still copy to cassette or disk since SAVEM determines to various addresses needed as well as the name

(which is stored in locations

%HØ1D2-%HØ1D9). This choice was added since, in some instances, you may not know the exact name of the program stored on cassette. If that is the case, you simply type CLOADM and the program is loaded into RAM. You then can run SAVEM to copy to

There are no special operating instructions to run SAVEM. However, it must be loaded and RUN before attempting to copy anv programs. If you load SAVEM after you have a machine language program in RAM, it may not function properly. SAVEM is to be used only

disk and vice-versa. The listing:

10 GOTO 730

disk or tape.

20 CLS:PRINT TAB(10)"* SAVEM *" 30 PRINT TAB(10)"----" 40 PRINT @165,"1 - LOAD FROM DIS K" 50 PRINT @197, "2 - LOAD FROM CAS SETTE" 60 PRINT @229,"3 - COPY PROGRAM

copy your own programs from tape to

IN RAM" 70 PRINT @261,"4 - END PROGRAM" 80 I = INKEY =: IF I = " THEN 80 90 I=VAL(I\$):IF I<1 OR I>4 THEN 80

100 IF I=3 OR I=4 THEN 130 110 PRINT: INPUT "PROGRAM NAME"; N\$ 120 IF LEN(N\$) >8 THEN 110 130 ON I GOTO 150,310,320

140 END 150 IF LEN(N\$)=8 THEN 170 160 N\$=N\$+" ":GOTO150

170 LOADM NS 180 CLOSE#1:R=0

190 OPEN"D", #1, "SAVEM/DAT", 20 200 FIELD #1, 8 AS NAME\$, 4 AS B

EGIN\$, 4 AS TAIL\$, 4 AS START\$ 210 IF R=LOF(1) THEN 110 ELSE R=R

220 GET #1, R 230 IF NAME\$=N\$ THEN 240 ELSE210

240 A\$=PROG\$ 250 A=VAL("&H"+BEGIN\$)

260 B=VAL("&H"+TAIL\$) (Continued on Page 4

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DISK SAVE (From Page 44)
270 C=VAL("&H"+START$)
28Ø CLOSE #1
290 CLS:PRINT"PROGRAM: "N$
300 GOTO 420
310 CLOADM NS
320 PG$=""
330 FOR X=474 TO 481
340 Y=PEEK(X): IF Y=32 THEN Y=143
350 PG$=PG$+CHR$(Y)
360 NEXT X
370 A=PEEK(487)*256+PEEK(488)
380 B=PEEK(126)*256+PEEK(127)-1
390 C=PEEK(157)*256+PEEK(158)
400 Y$=""
410 CLS:PRINT"PROGRAM: "PG$
420 PRINT" DECIMAL"," HEX
               430 PRINT"
440 PRINT"START: "A," "HEX$(A)
450 PRINT" END: "B," "HEX$(B)
460 PRINT"ENTRY: "C," "HEX#(C)
470 IF LEFT$(I$,1)="Y" THEN 510
480 IF I > 3 THEN 510
490 PRINT: INPUT"WAS PROGRAM OFFS
ET LOADED" ; Y$
500 IF LEFT$(Y$.1)="Y" THEN INPU
T"OFFSET ADDRESS (TYPE '&H'+####
)";I:A=A+I:GOTO410
510 PRINT: INPUT WHAT IS THE TITL
E YOU WISH TO USE FOR THIS PRO
GRAM" ; A$
520 A$=LEFT$(A$,8)
530 PRINT"PROGRAM CAN BE SAVED 0
N:"
540 PRINT" (D) DISK"
550 PRINT" (C) CASSETTE"
560 PRINT: INPUT "YOUR CHOICE"; I$
570 IF I$="D" THEN 600
580 IF I$="C" THEN 700
590 GOTO 560
600 SAVEM A$, A, B, C
610 OPEN"D", #1, "SAVEM/DAT", 20
620 FIELD #1, 8 AS NAME$, 4 AS B
EGIN$,4 AS TAIL$, $ AS START$
630 R = LOF(1)+1
640 LSET NAMES=AS
650 LSET REGINS=HEXS(A)
660 LSET TAIL =HEX + (B)
670 LSET START$=HEX$(C)
68Ø PUT #1,R
690 CLOSE#1:GOTO 710
700 CSAVEM A$, A, B, C
710 PRINT:PRINT"ALL DONE":GOTO 2
720 DATA BD, B3, ED, 1F, 02, 7E, 96, A7
730 IF PEEK(&H25)<>&H7F THEN 780
740 CLEAR200:FOR I=0T07:READE$
750 POKE&H7603+I, VAL("&H"+E$):NE
XT
760 DEFUSR0=&H7603:X=USR0(&H7618
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MAKE LETTERHEADS FOR CORRESPONDENCE

lot of printers can use single sheet paper, its a hassle. Yet, with all the sophisticated word processors out, your CoCo is an excellent tool for writing letters -- and it and the word processing software is a heck of a lot less expensive than a good electric typewriter.

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(see the illustration). With a

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The listing:

1 CLS:PRINT@232, "SET PRINTER TO BIT POSITION" 2 PRINTa380," ":INPUT" HIT <EN TER> WHEN READY"; Z\$ 3 'COPYRIGHT AUG/1981 BY THE EAS T TEXAS COLOR COMPUTER CLUB

4 '2101 EAST MAIN STREET

5 'HENDERSON, TEXAS 75652 10 DEFUSR0=15785

770 GOTO 20

810 GOTO 20

7/0 G010 46 780 CLEAR200:FORI=0T07:READE\$ 790 POKE&H3603+I,VAL("&H"+E\$):NE XT 800 DEFUSR0=&H3603:X=USR0(&H3618

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20 PMODE 4,1:PCLS:SCREEN 1,1
30 LINE(88,10)-(168,10), PSET
40 LINE-(171,23), PSET
50 LINE(167,10)-(170,23), PSET
60 LINE(88,10)-(85,23), PSET
70 LINE(89,10)-(86,23), PSET
30 LINE(86,23)-(170,23), PSET
70 LINE(86,24)-(170,24), PSET
100 LINE(171,23)-(171,77), PSET
110 LINE(85,23)-(85,77), PSET
120 LINE(86,23)-(86,77), PSET
130 LINE(170,23)-(170,77), PSET
140 LINE(150,23)-(150,77), PSET
150 LINE(85,77)-(171,77), PSET
160 LINE(85,78)-(171,78), PSET
170 LINE(91,25)-(148,25), PSET
180 LINE-(148,75), PSET
190 LINE-(91,75), PSET
200 LINE-(91,25), PSET
210 LINE-(96,30), PSET
220 LINE-(108,29), PSET
230 LINE-(121,28), PSET
240 LINE-(133,29), PSET
250 LINE-(146,30), PSET
260 LINE-(150,24), PSET
270 LINE(146,30)-(147,40), PSET
280 LINE-(148,49), PSET
290 LINE-(147,59), PSET
300 LINE-(146,68), PSET
310 LINE-(150,74), PSET
320 LINE(146,68)-(133,69), PSET
330 LINE-(121,70), PSET
340 LINE-(108,69), PSET
350 LINE-(96,68), PSET
360 LINE-(91,73), PSET
370 LINE(96,68)-(95,49), PSET
380 LINE-(96,30), PSET
390 FOR X=60 TO 77 STEP 2
400 LINE(150, X)-(170, X), PSET:NEX
410 LINE(153,26)-(167,57), PSET, B
420 CIRCLE(162,30),3
430 LINE(155,34)-(165,36), PSET, B
440 LINE(155,38)-(165,40), PSET, B
450 FOR X=157 TO 163 STEP 4
460 LINE(X,42)-(X+2,42), PSET, BF
470 LINE(X, 46)-(X+2, 48), PSET, BF
480 LINE(X,50)-(X+2,52), PSET, BF
490 LINE(X,54)-(X+2,56), PSET, BF
500 NEXT
510 CIRCLE(115,40),8
520 CIRCLE(135,39),8
530 CIRCLE(115,42),4
540 CIRCLE(135,41),4
550 CIRCLE(126,50),7,,1,.15,.5
560 CIRCLE(106,38),20,,1,0,.1
570 CIRCLE(115,48),30,,.6,.1,.28
580 CIRCLE(171,33),10,5,1,.75,.2
590 CIRCLE(84,33),10,5,1,.25,.75
600 CIRCLE(171,70),5,5,1,.75,.25
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610 CIRCLE(84,70),5,5,1,,25,,75

620 LINE(181,33)-(200,55), PSET 630 LINE-(176,70), PSET 640 LINE(172,43)-(187,55), PSET 650 LINE-(172,65), PSET 660 LINE(74,33)-(55,55), PSET 670 LINE-(79,70), PSET 680 LINE(84,43)-(65,55), PSET 690 LINE-(84,65), PSET 700 CIRCLE(79,75),2 710 CIRCLE(175,75),2 720 REM DRAW COMPUTER 730 LINE(83,80)-(168,80), PSET 740 LINE-(168,84), PSET 750 LINE-(170,85), PSET 760 LINE-(170,95), PSET 770 LINE-(150,138), PSET 780 LINE-(57,138), PSET 790 LINE-(70,110), PSET 800 LINE-(70,105), PSET 810 LINE-(83,80), PSET 820 LINE(70,105)-(155,105),PSET 830 LINE(70,107)-(154,107), PSET 840 LINE(70,109)-(153,109), PSET 850 LINE(150,138)-(150,135), PSET 860 LINE-(158, 109), PSET 870 LINE-(170,85), PSET 880 LINE(147,135)-(155,109), PSET (c)2101 EAST MAIN HENDERSON 75652 890 LINE-(154,107), PSET 900 LINE-(155,105), PSET 910 LINE(162,100)-(173,100), PSET 920 LINE-(173,103), PSET 930 LINE-(162,103), PSET 940 LINE(168,100)-(178,91), PSET 950 LINE-(168,91),PSET 960 LINE(145,95)-(150,98), PSET, B 970 LINE(173,103)-(178,94), PSET 980 LINE-(178,91), PSET 990 LINE(155,105)-(168,80), PSET 1000 LINE(75,115)-(145,115), PSET 1010 LINE-(137,135), PSET 1020 LINE-(65,135), PSET 1030 LINE-(75,115), PSET 1040 FOR X=80 TO 135 STEP 5 1050 LINE(X,117)-(X+2,119), PSET, (Continued Next Page)

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89,161,177,129,95,39,1,57,52,52

1310 DATA 150, 182, 129, 0, 39, 14, 12

9, 2, 39, 19, 129, 4, 39, 35, 53, 52, 18, 1

34, 32, 57, 134, 16, 183, 63, 181, 134, 3 2, 32, 7, 134, 16, 183, 63, 181, 134, 96,

183, 63, 176, 134, 28, 183, 63, 183, 183

1320 DATA 63,179,32,18,134,32,18

3, 63, 181, 134, 192, 183, 63, 176, 134, 28, 183, 63, 183, 127, 63, 179, 158, 186

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7, 134, 18, 189, 63, 106, 134, 27, 189, 6

1330 DATA 134,16,189,63,106,134,

LETTERHEADS (From Page 47) 1060 NEXT 1070 FOR X=78 TO 133 STEP 5 1080 LINE(X, 122) - (X+2, 124), PSET, 1090 NEXT 1100 FOR X=75 TO 130 STEP 5 1110 LINE(X,127)-(X+2,129), PSET, 1120 NEXT 1130 FOR X=72 TO 127 STEP 5 1140 LINE(X, 132) - (X+2, 134), PSET, 1150 NEXT 1150 LINE(78,111)-(108,113), PSET , P. 1170 DRAW"BM82,145;NF2L6G2D8F2R6 E2;BR5NF2U8E2R6F2D8G2NL6;BR7NU12 R10;BR7H2U8E2R6F2D8G2NL6BR7U12R6 F2D3G2L6R3F6 1180 DRAW"BM20,20:NR15D7NR10D8R1 5; BD32H2L11G2D4F2R11F2D3G2L11H2; BD9R7NR8D15 1190 LINE(27,42)-(20,57), PSET:LI NE(27,42)-(35,57), PSET:LINE(25,5 0)-(29,50), PSET 1200 DRAW"BM235,20;L8ND15L8;BD22 NR15D8NR1ØD8NR15;BD7F8NE8NG8F8;B D32H2L11G2D4F2R11F2D3G2L11H2" 1210 LINE(228,89)-(220,104), PSET :LINE(228,89)-(235,104), PSET:LIN E(225,97)-(232,97), PSET 1220 DRAW"BM37,167;H2L6G2D8F2R6E 2;BR5NF2U8E2R6F2D8G2NL6;BR7U12F5 E5D12;BR5U12R6F2D3G2L6;BR15BU7D1 ØF2R6E2U1Ø;BR5R5ND12R5;BR5NR1ØD6 NR7D6R1Ø;BR5U12R6F2D3G2NL6F5;BU1 BR28NE2L6H2U8E2R6F2BU2;BR5D12R1Ø ;BR5BU2NU1@F2R6E2U1@;BR5ND12R6F2 D2G2NL6F2D2G2L6" 1230 CIRCLE(27,120),8 1240 CIRCLE(27,120),4,5,1,.1,.9 1250 DRAW"BM25,184;E1R1F1G3D1R3; BR3U5; BR4G1D3F1R1E1U3H1NL1; BR4ND 5; BR6NR3D2NR2D3R3; BR2U4NR3E1R1F1 D4;BR4NH1R1E1U1H1L1H1E1R1F1;BU1B R3R1ND5R2;BR6ND5F2E2D5;BR3U4NR3E 1R1F1D4;BR3U3BU1U1;BR3ND5F5U5 1260 DRAW"BM125,184; D2ND3R3ND3U2 ;BR3NR3D2NR2D3R3;BR3U5F5U5;BR3D5 R1E1U3H1L1;BR6NR3D2NR2D3R3;BR3U5 R2F1D1G1NL2F2;BR4NH1R1E1U1H1L1H1 E1R1F1;BR3NE1D3F1R1E1U3H1NL1;BR4 ND5F5U5;BR8R3G3D2;BR7NH1R1E1U1H1 L2U2R3;BR5NF1L1G1D3F1R1E1H1NL2;B R5BU3NR3D2R2F1D1G1L1H1; 1270 DRAW"BR7D1NR3U1E3H1L1G1 1280 FOR X=15742 TO 16360 1290 READ A: POKE X, A: NEXT 1300 DATA 0,0,142,61,152,191,1,1 07,134,126,183,1,106,183,1,103,1 42,63,80,191,1,104,127,63,175,57

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0,128,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,128,128,
128,128,128,128
1410 DATA 128,128,128,128,128,12
8,128,128,128,128,128,128,128,12
8,128,128,128,128,128,128,128,12
8,128,128,128,128,128,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0,0
0
1420 Y=USR(0)
1430 CLS:PRINT & 232,"I AM FINIS

HED"
1440 INPUT" WRITE A LETTER"
;L\$
1450 IF LEFT\$(L\$,1)="Y" THEN CLS
:PRINT#-2, CHR\$(13):GOTO1460 ELSE
END
1460 LINE INPUTA\$:IF A\$="_" THEN
PRINT#-2, CHR\$(31):GOTO 1460
1470 IF A\$="[" THEN PRINT#-2, CHR
\$(30):GOTO 1460
1480 IF A\$="]" THEN PRINT#-2, STR
ING\$(50,32);:GOTO 1460
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