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A KISS for Assembly Programming

A CONTINUING ENCOUNTER

FROM REMark ISSUE #15

In Issue #15 of REMark, we discussed a simple Assembly Language program that would enable the beginner to become familiar with some of the techniques used as building blocks for this particular method of programming a computer to do work. If you remember, we described this program as being runnable on both the H8 and the H89. Also, our program was to "ring" the "bell" used by both of these computers five times. You may find it helpful to review the "KISS" article presented in Issue #15 before proceeding with "the second edition" so that you may fully understand our intended goals.

As suggested earlier, we are going to "try" to learn something about the HDOS Editor (EDIT) and Assembler (ASM). The Editor will be used in this situation to create the "source" file. In turn, we will then use the source file (.ASM) to create the "listing" file (.LST) and the "runnable" file (.ABS) by making use of the HDOS Assembler (ASM).

THE HDOS EDITOR

EDIT, the Editor used by HDOS, has been implemented by most individuals to create text files i.e. letters, recipes, lists, etc. For those of you that have not explored the use of EDIT's features, it may be helpful to examine your HDOS Software Reference Manual. However, we will discuss some of EDIT's "commands" here including DELETE, INSERT, PRINT, REPLACE, NEWOUT, READ, NEWIN, and BYE. Also, to prevent future confusion, it must be remembered that the Editor uses a thing called "command completion". Command completion causes a completed spelling of a partial word. As an example: typing "I" after the EDIT prompt invokes INSERT or typing "D" invokes DELETE, both words (INSERT and DELETE) will be spelled for you. The point of this caution is aimed at proficient typists out there that will find "garbage" on the screen if their fingers get carried Further, some words such as away. "NEWOUT" require that a "NWO" be typed to finish the word. I will try to catch these special commands as we go.

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GET IT IN....

NOTE: Before beginning to input our project, it would be best to have only the Assembler and Editor on disk. This will ensure plenty of disk space for "playtime" and later experiments you may wish to perform. You can INIT and SYSGEN a disk, then use PIP or ONECOPY to transfer EDIT and ASM to the finished disk. Please review your manual for operating procedures if necessary.

Beginning our programming task requires that we "load" the EDITor into our computer. Once we have obtained the HDOS prompt (>), we type EDIT followed by a carriage return (RETURN KEY). When loading is complete, the EDITor will respond with its' prompt (--) indicating we are ready to begin entry. Type "I". EDIT will respond with "INSERT" (--INSERT). Type RETURN. EDIT will then move the cursor to a blank line to begin the actual INSERTing of text.

please examine the example given (fig. A). (This program, in text form, is exactly the same program shown in Issue #15 with the comments, stars, and extra "goodies" removed. Issue #15 fig. B). Note that there are four numbered "fields" as shown at the top of the text (l. 2. 3. 4.). Each of these fields is an important component in our completed project. EACH FIELD IS ACCESSED BY PUSHING THE TAB KEY.

TYPE:

START (TAB) ORG (TAB) 100000A (TAB) COMMENTS

In this example we have entered the first line of the source listing beginning with the word "START". The TAB key is pushed to enter the next "field".

THE LABEL FIELD

The first field is known as the "LABEL" Field and is shown under the #1 at the top of our example (fig. A). The Label Field is used to indicate loops or GOTO line numbers when compared to BASIC. Also, the Label Field is used to define words selected by the programmer (more on this later).

THE MNEMONIC FIELD

The second of the four fields is defined as the "MNEMONIC" Field. This field uses the predefined mnemonics or abbreviations that the that the Assembler translates for the CPU. Examples of defined mnemonics would include MOV, MVI, JMP, etc. These mnemonics could also be called command words or instructions for the CPU similiar to PRINT, GOTO, or READ in BASIC.

THE ARGUMENT FIELD

The third field is the "ARGUMENT" Field. This field supplies the "argument" for the mnemonic supplied by field #2. As an example: "MVI" of the mnemonic field is given the argument of B,FIVE which translates to "MOVE IMMEDIATE to the B register the number FIVE" or MVI B, FIVE.

THE COMMENT FIELD

The easiest field would most certainly be #4 or the "COMMENT" Field. This field is used to "keep notes" on the progress of your program. You would normally use this area to explain your "moves" similiar to a REM statement in BASIC. Examine the comments of fig. B in REMark Issue #15. The comments and extra B... were removed to show the "bare bones" program in this issue.

1.	2.	3.	4.
******	******	******	****

START	ORG	100000A	COMMENTS
	MVI	B,FIVE	
LOOP	CALL	HORNO	
	MVI	D,TIME1	
LOOP2	MVI	E,TIME2	
LOOP3	DCR	E	
	JNZ	LOOP3	
	DCR	D	
	JNZ	LOOP2	
	DCR	в	
	JNZ	LOOP	
	JMP	HDOSP	

FIVE	EQU	ØØ5Q	
HORNO	EQU	ØØ2136A	
TIME1	EQU	377Q	
TIME2	EQU	377Q	
HDOSP	EQU	Ø4Ø1ØØA	
****	C.		
	END	START	

fig. A

SUMMARY ON FIELDS

There are FOUR individual FIELDS each of which is separated by the TAB function of EDIT. As we type the example shown in fig. A, we ACCESS each FIELD with a TAB after a completed entry. FIELD 1.=LABEL. FIELD 2.=MNEMONIC. 3.=ARGUMENT. FIELD 4.=COMMENTS. FIELD

2. 3. 4 START 100000A COMMENTS ORG

For the most part, we have covered the essential "tools" required to type the program shown in fig. A. After you have typed the info contained in each field for each line, you will type a RETURN to complete the line. You may add comments if you wish (field #4) as shown in fig. B Issue #15 of REMark or supply your own "notes"....whatever!

WHAT ABOUT MISTAKES!!!

If some of you are like I am, you tend to fumble around on a keyboard causing characters to appear that you didn't necessarily want or need. NO PROBLEM! At this point, type a RETURN and retype the line "accurately"! Continue this process until you have completed the text listing shown in fig. A.

By now probably several hours have gone by and the wife is P.O.ed! You've probably noticed that I didn't tell you everything. But, what better way to learn than what a little experience can provide! You should now be at the last line waiting further instructions.

OUT OF "INSERT"

Type a Control-C or hold the CTRL key and the "C" key down together. This action should cause the EDITor to return to its' prompt (--). If we then wish to view the mess we have made of typing the program press the "space" bar followed by "P" for PRINT. Again EDIT will complete the word "PRINT" for us.

NOTE: If your listing exceeds one page on your terminal, CTRL-S is used to stop printing and CTRL-Q is used to resume.

CORRECTING MISTAKES

OK...Let's ASSUME that some of us were not perfect !!! (WHO? ME!) We find that it becomes necessary to correct some of the lines for various reasons (refer to fig. B). We want to correct line #4. It must be remembered that we have to set EDIT's line "pointer" to the appropriate line position. To accomplish this, we type "^+3P" (--^+3PRINT). EDIT will respond by printing the line. Now we have several options open to us. We can DELETE an extra line, we can REPLACE a "defective" line, or INSERT more lines as necessary.

DELETE A LINE

Type "D". EDIT will respond with DELETE. If you now type RETURN, the line magically vanishes! If you type CTRL-C, the DELETE function is disabled.

REPLACE A LINE

Type "RP" (two letters). EDIT will respond with "REPLACE". A RETURN will allow you to retype the line as necessary. Again, CTRL-C disables the REPLACE command.

INSERT MORE LINES

Type "I". EDIT responds as demonstrated earlier. A RETURN will allow us to enter more text and CTRL-C will return us to the command mode.

NOTE: Good practice dictates that we re-print our listing after using any of the commands shown above. This is done to ensure we have correctly modified the text. Accuracy is essential if our finished project is to operate. To print the text, press the "space" bar followed by the letter "P". If you fail to press a space before "P", only the first line will be printed.

START	ORG	100000A COMMENTS
	MVI	B,FIVE
LOOP	CALL	HORNO
ERROR	JUNK ERRO	OR JUNK ERROR JUNK
LOOP2	MVI	E,TIME2
LOOP3	DCR	E
	JNZ	LOOP3
	DCR	D
	JNZ	LOOP2
	DCR	В
	JNZ	LOOP
	JMP	HDOSP

FIVE	EQU	0050
HORNO	EQU	ØØ2136A
TIME1	EQU	3770
TIME2	EQU	3770
HDOSP	EQU	040100A

	END	START

fig. B

USING THE (\$) AND THE (^)

To invoke the commands of EDIT described above, we must know the position of the "line pointer" or we will obtain some very unexpected results (i.e. missing lines, misplaced lines, etc.). Accomplishing proper editing of our text requires that we use the (\$) and (^) to "find" the correct line.

The (\$) is used to indicate the bottom of our text or the last line of text. If we type "\$P" the EDITor will respond with --\$PRINT and a RETURN will cause the last line of text to be printed.

END START

Further, if we type "\$-1P" and a RETURN the EDITor will print the next to the bottom line.

Each line can be counted and every line should be counted to give a proper location of the line we wish to edit. The (\$) operates from the bottom of our text using minus (-) numbers for location while the (\wedge) works from the top down using positive (+) numbers.

--^+3PRINT (RETURN) MVI D,TIME1

Remember the importance of the "line pointer" when editing your text. And, don't forget to use "PRINT" before any of the EDIT commands such as DELETE!

THE OUTPUT FILE AND FILE NAME

Some practice may be required to "build" the desired text file shown in fig. A. However, once you have completed the necessary typing, your text should look exactly like the text in fig. A. Compare your work against this example for accuracy. We have now reached the point of saving our text on disk.

--NEWOUT....

NEWOUT is one-half of the necessary command to save our project to disk. NEWOUT is invoked by typing "NWO" followed by our file name.

--NEWOUT/BEEP.ASM/

Above, I have used the file name "BEEP" followed by the extension ".ASM" to indicate that our "NEWOUT" will be a "source" file named "BEEP". EDIT will will respond by placing the name ONLY on the disk. You will then type "BY" to complete the transfer of the text to disk. (vectored to page 30)

Create, Change, Display, and Print an Address File

(For Microsoft BASIC)

Need an address or a Christmas card list, but yet don't want a complex system that requires a PHD to operate. The sample program included with this article will allow you to create, add to, change, display and print a simple mailing list. Our purpose in presenting this program is to teach you how to handle string files.

The progam does have limitations. It will NOT sort the list. You can not select individual names to be printed. You must make changes according to the order that the names are on the disk and as the names increase it will become quite slow. However if you need a cheap and easy way to get a mailing list program, here it is.

The program is divided into seven basic sections:

1. Setup

- 2. Menu
- 3. Add Routine
- 4. Change Routine
- 5. Print Routine
- Subroutines
- 7. Error Messages

A complete discription of the program is included for the beginner. If the desciption is not needed proceed directly to the STARTUP NOTES:.

SET UP

Line 10 -- Simply a title line complete with the name of the program, brief description, version number, which actually is the date of the last revision.

20 -- Clears 2000 bytes of string space, sets the terminal width to 255 (for graphic functions), and tells the program to go to line 20010 if there is an error.

30 -- Sets up the following string variables:

E\$ = (CHR\$(27) (the ESC key) El\$ = clear the screen P\$ = enter reverse video Q\$ = return to normal video Y\$ = direct cursor addressing (+ address) Y5\$ = turn cursor on X5\$ = turn cursor off 40 -- Also sets up string variables:

J\$ = Go to the location fourth row down from the top, first character from the right (more on direct cursor addressing later) and clear remaining screen. This is done to leave the title at the top of the screen.

WI\$ = Set the cursor near the middle of the screen, clearing everything below and to the right of that point. Also print the words "What is the" at that location.

50 -- This line retrieves the date from memory which was entered when the system was booted up. The memory locations 8383 to 8391 contain the date after bootup.

60 -- A simple spacing line.

MENU

100 -- Prints El\$ to clear the entire screen, P\$ to go into reverse video, Y\$ to start the direct cursor addressing mode. The sequence of the ESC (escape) key followed by a capital "Y" and two characters will select a position on the screen of the terminal. The first character will determine the position down from the top. The second character will select the position to the right of the left margin. The actual ASCII value (ASCII is the codes that the computer understands for each character, see your computer manual for an ASCII code table) of a character such as the space is 32. The screen is set up so that the HOME position is 32-32 or space-space. As the ASCII value is increased the position on the screen changes. In this line (100) we are using this will print on the second Y\$"!3", line from the top and the twentieth column (position) to the right, followed by the title of the program and the Q\$ to exit reverse video. Note the spaces before and after the title to give a little fancier look to it. Try it both ways and I think you'll agree. The colon (:) and the apostrophe (') means the rest of the line is a comment (REMark).

110,120,130 -- Print the menu options on the nineth, tenth, and eleventh lines respectively in the sixteen column to the right of the left margin.

10 ' File Sample--ADD, EDIT & PRINT @ SAMPLE.BAS Version 02.27.81 20 CLEAR 2000:WIDTH 255:ON ERROR GOTO 20010 30 E\$=CHR\$(27):E1\$=E\$+"E":P\$=E\$+"p":Q\$=E\$+"q":Y\$=E\$+"Y":Y5\$=E\$+"y5":X5\$=E\$+"x5" 40 JS=YS+"# "+ES+"J":WIS=YS+"00"+ES+"J"+"What is the " 50 D\$="":FOR D=8383 TO 8391:D\$=D\$+CHR\$ (PEEK(D)):NEXT D 60 : 100 PRINT El\$P\$Y\$"!3 Mail List Program "Q\$:'
110 PRINT Y\$"(01. ADD to list"
120 PRINT Y\$")02. CHANGE information" Menu 130 PRINT Y\$"*03. PRINT list" 140 PRINT P\$Y\$"/0 Your choice? (1 TO 3) <END> ";:GOSUB 10030 150 ON VAL(A\$) GOTO 1000,2000,3000:END:' OR SYSTEM 160 : 1000 GOSUB 10000:' Add Routine #1 1010 IF EOF(2) THEN 1030 1020 GOSUB 10040:GOSUB 10050:GOTO 1010 1030 H=1:PRINT J\$Y\$"#6 Add Routine "Y\$"% Hit the RETURN to <END> ";:A=1:GOSUB 10060 1040 IF A\$(1)="" THEN H=0:CLOSE:GOSUB 10110:GOTO 100 1050 PRINT Y\$"% "E\$"J"Y\$"%0"A\$(1)Y\$"&0";:A=2:GOSUB 10070:PRINT Y\$"&0"A\$(2) 1060 A=3:GOSUB 10080:PRINT Y\$"'0"A\$(3) 1070 A=4:GOSUB 10090:PRINT Y\$"0\$"A\$(2) 1080 GOTO 2040 1090 : 2000 GOSUB 10000:' Change Routine #2 2010 IF H=1 THEN 1030 2020 IF EOF(2) THEN CLOSE: GOSUB 10110: GOTO 100 2030 GOSUB 10040 2040 PRINT J\$Y\$"#3 Change Routine "Y\$"%01. "A\$(1)Y\$"&02. "A\$(2)Y\$"'03. "A\$(3) 2050 PRINT Y\$ "(04. "A\$(4)Y\$"20If not enter which number you wish to change. (1-4)" 2060 PRINT Y\$"00Are these, OK? <YES> ";:GOSUB 10030 2070 IF A\$=CHR\$(13) OR A\$="Y" OR A\$="Y" THEN GOSUB 10050:GOTO 2010 2080 A=VAL(A\$):ON A GOSUB 10060,10070,10080,10090:GOTO 2040 2090 : 3000 PRINT J\$Y\$"#6 PRINT LIST ":' Print Routine #3 3010 PRINT Y\$"00 Do you want Hardcopy? (Y or N) <Y> ";:GOSUB 10030 3020 GOSUB 10010:IF A\$="N" OR A\$="n" THEN LP\$="TT:" ELSE LP\$="LP:" 3030 OPEN "O",3,LP\$:PRINT #3,TAB(10) "Name List as of "D\$:PRINT #3, 3040 PRINT J\$Y\$"* ";:IF EOF(2) THEN CLOSE:GOTO 100 3050 GOSUB 10040:FOR I=1 TO 4:IF I=3 AND A\$(3)="" THEN 3070 3060 PRINT #3, TAB(10) A\$(I) 3070 NEXT I: IF A\$(3) ="" THEN PRINT #3,: 3080 PRINT #3,: IF LP\$="TT:" THEN CLOSE #3: GOSUB 10020: GOTO 3030 3090 GOTO 3040 3100 : 10000 OPEN "O",1, "TESTO.DAT":' 10010 OPEN "I",2, "TESTI.DAT":RETURN Subroutines 10020 PRINT P\$Y\$"50 Hit any key to continue! "; 10030 PRINT Y5\$Q\$" ";:A\$=INPUT\$(1):PRINT X5\$;:RETURN 10040 FOR I=1 TO 4:LINE INPUT #2,A\$(I):NEXT I:RETURN 10050 FOR I=1 TO 4:PRINT #1,A\$(I):NEXT I:RETURN 10060 PRINT WI\$"name";:GOTO 10100 10070 PRINT WI\$"1st street address";:GOTO 10100 10080 PRINT WI\$"2nd street address";:GOTO 10100 10090 PRINT WI\$"City, ST ZIP--CODE"; 10100 PRINT Y5\$"? ";:LINE INPUT A\$(A):PRINT X5\$;:RETURN 10110 KILL "TESTI.DAT":NAME "TESTO.DAT" AS "TESTI.DAT":RETURN 20000 Error Messages 20010 IF ERL=10010 AND A\$="2" THEN @ PRINT Y\$"3# You must start a file first!!":GOSUB 10020 20020 IF ERL=10010 THEN OPEN "O",2,"TESTI.DAT":CLOSE:RESUME 1000 20030 PRINT "ERROR #"ERR"IN LINE #"ERL

140 -- Prints in reverse video at location "/0" (line 16 column 16) the words "Your choice? (l to 3) <END>". The "<END>" shows what will happen if the RETURN key is pressed. The semi-colon (;) is used to keep the cursor from dropping to the next line for the gosub statement. The GOSUB's will all be explained later.

150 -- This line will select which option you have chosen for the menu. The VAL(A\$) is used since the input of a character was done in string form and we need a numerical value for the "ON GOTO" function.

160 -- Same as line 60.

ADD ROUTINE

1000 -- Is the beginning of the ADD ROUTINE. The first thing we do is GOSUB 10000 to open the input and the output files. Again we also show a REMark to help retrace our path at a later time.

1010 -- Checks to see if file #2 is at the END (EOF(2) is equal to The End Of File #2). If it is then we GOTO 1030.

1020 -- First we GOSUB 10040 to retrieve information from the present mailing list file (TESTI.DAT). Then we GOSUB 10050 to output to the new file (TESTO.DAT). After retrieving and outputting one set of name and address then we GOTO 1020 to check for another name and address. This process is repeated until the EOF is found then we go to line 1030.

1030 -- First we set an indicator (H=1) to indicate that we are in the add routine for use in the change routine. Then we print J\$ which clears the screen below the title, using direct cursor addressing we print the title for this routine, leave a message telling us if we have any more names and addresses to be entered to hit the RETURN key to end. The A=1 is another indicator, this time it is to tell a subroutine that we are requesting the NAME of the individual to be entered to the list. We then proceed to the subroutine at line 10060.

1040 -- Checks to see if A\$(1)="" and if it is, that means that the RETURN key was hit telling us that the end of the new entries has been reached. We then set the indicator "H" to zero, close all files, GOSUB 10110 to remove the input file and rename the output file to the new input file. We then return to menu at line 100.

1050 -- If A\$(1) was not equal to "" in line 1040 then we proceed to this line where we clear the screen, below the subtitle by printing E\$ followed by a capital "J". We then print the string A\$(1) at location "%0" (line 6 column 17). We are now ready for the second item to be entered. The indicator is changed (A=2) and we go to the subroutine at line 10070. Again we print the results, this time at "&0".

1060,1070 -- Select items three and four printing them at selected locations.

1080 -- Go to the CHANGE routine before we return to line 1030 for another name and address. This allows checking and correcting the entry before the next is entered.

1090 -- Same as line 60.

CHANGE ROUTINE

2000 -- Same as line 1000.

2010 -- Checks to see if this is the ADD routine and if it is, returns to 1030.

2020 -- Checks for the end of file number two, if it is the end, then GOSUB 10110 and return to 100.

2030 -- Goes to the subroutine at 10040 to input the first name and address.

2040 -- Clears the screen except the master title, prints the subtitle and the first three pieces of the first name and address.

2050 -- Prints the fourth piece of information and prints information on what to do if one of the four items is incorrect.

2060 -- Prints the question "Are these, OK?" with a default of "YES" and goes to the subroutine at line 10030 for an input (A\$).

2070 -- Checks "A\$" for a carriage return or the letter "Y" either in upper or lower case. If the check proves true then we GOSUB 10050 to output the data and then return to 2010 for the next input.

2080 -- If 2070 was false the variable "A" is made equal to the value of the string variable "A\$". Next, on the value of "A" we GOSUB to the appropriate line number, (A=1, GOSUB 10060; A=2, GOSUB 10070; etc.) to ask the question about the incorrect piece of information and change it. Then GOTO line 2040 for the next input.

2090 -- Same as 60.

PRINT ROUTINE

3000 -- Clears the screen except the main title, prints the subtitle and includes a REMark to help keep track of the program. 3010 -- Prints the question about hardcopy and asks for an input (A\$) through the subroutine at line 10030.

3020 -- Goes to the subroutine at line 10010 for opening the input file for reading. If "A\$" from the previous line was the letter "N" then the output file (LP\$) becomes the terminal (TT:) otherwise the output file is the line printer (LP:).

3030 -- First we open the output file for file number three and then we output to the output file (#3) a tab of ten, the title, the date (D\$) and a blank line for spacing.

3040 -- Clears the screen and positions the cursor on the line number eleven in the first space. A check is done for the end of file for file number two and if it is we close all files and goto 100.

3050 -- The first data to be printed is input by executing the subroutine at line 10040, and then a loop is started which will print the information. We also perform a check here to see if the third item is blank, and if it is, then we jump to 3070 for the next item.

3060 -- This line prints a tab of ten and the item identified as A\$(I) where the "I" is a number between one and four from the loop started in line 3050.

3070 -- We continue the loop with the next statement, and after the loop is finished a check is done on "A\$(3)" to see if it is a blank line. If it is then we output a blank line. The extra blank line is to keep the spacing from the first line of a name and address the same to the next.

3080 -- Another blank is outputted and a check is done to determine if the output device is the terminal (TT:). If it is, then we close the output file and GOSUB 10020 to ask you to hit a key after having read the information. Then we go to line number 3030.

The output file is closed if we are using the terminal because all data is sent to an output device in blocks of 256 characters except when a file is closed; then all remaining characters are sent. In this case most of the information being sent to the output device will be much less than the 256 characters, so we close the file to allow you to see it all.

3090 -- Is used to return to the next item when the output device is a line printer (LP:).

3100 -- Same as 60

SUBROUTINES

10000 -- This line starts the series of subroutines used by other portions of this program. This line is to open the file "TESTO.DAT" for output as file number one.

10010 -- Opens the input file "TESTI.DAT" for input as file number two. We then return to the line of the GOSUB.

10020 -- This line goes into reverse video and asks you to hit any key to continue. The semicolon (;) is used to allow the next line to continue after this line without dropping to the next line.

10030 -- First prints the "Y5\$" to turn the cursor back on then a "Q\$" to make sure the display is not in reverse video. Now "A\$" is input from the terminal as only one character. Next the "X5\$" is printed to turn the cursor off and we return to where we came from.

10040 -- This line is a loop to input four items from the input file (#2) and then to return.

10050 -- This line is a loop to output four items to the output file (#1) and then return.

10060 to 10090 -- Will print the question "What is the", the item to be changed or added and then goes to 10100.

10100 -- Turns on the cursor, prints the question mark (?), inputs a new value for the "A\$(I)" where "I" was determined by the routine using this subroutine. The cursor is shut off and we return to the routine.

10110 -- Caution: This line can destroy files, so be careful to type it correctly and use it only when needed. The first thing we do is kill the input file (TESTI.DAT) and then rename the output file (TESTO.DAT) to the input file. We then return to where we came from.

ERROR MESSAGES

20000 -- This line is used to separate the error messages from the rest of the program.

20010 -- This line checks for an error in line number 10010 and that A="2". If this is true then we print a message telling the user that a file must be started before it can be changed. This line continues onto line 20020.

20020 -- Checks for an error in line 10010 and then opens an output file as number two and immediately closes the file. The RESUME takes you back to the ADD routine to start a file.

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Safe Disk Reset

On my home system I have two 5-inch disk drives, and with them I work on some fairly large files (for example the source for FOCAL-8), so I use stand-alone quite a bit and do a lot of disk RESETting. The first time I did a RESET, I wondered if it was safe, so I looked into the drive and saw that the head load arm is pulled away from the disk when the door is opened even though the drive solenoid is engaged. I thought that all was OK until I took a closer look into the drive and saw that a little foam pad that holds the disk against part of the drive frame does not disengage when the door is opened with the solenoid engaged. This pad is below and behind the spindle. Each time you remove and replace a disk in RESET, it rubs against this pad.

It seemed to me that the pad might wear out eventually, so I wrote the program in the listing below. This little program uses the .MOUNT and .DMOUN SCALL's to accomplish a reset so that the drive solenoid is not engaged when you open the door. If the source is named R.ASM, and the resulting .ABS file (R.ABS) is placed on your system disk, then giving the command R or R 0 will reset SY0:, the command R 1 will reset SY1:, and the command R 2 will reset SY2:. If you enter another number or character, the program will just return control to HDOS. The only difference from a normal reset is that you must press RETURN after you insert the new disk. The program prompts you to do this by printing "Replace disk in SYn:, hit RETURN" on the console (n in "SYn:" is the drive number). If no disk was already mounted in the drive, the prompt is "Insert disk in SYn:, hit RETURN".

You must SET HDOS STAND-ALONE to use this program to reset SY0:. You only need to do it once for each system disk, because when you set STAND-ALONE, a flag is set and recorded on the disk indicating the STAND-ALONE condition. The next time you turn on your computer and boot that disk, the flag will still be there, and will remain set until you SET HDOS NOSTAND-ALONE.

If you never use STAND-ALONE, but would like to use this program to reset drives SY1: and SY2:, you can make the following changes. Change the line JZ RZERO to JZ BAD, and the line CPI '0' to CPI '1'. After these changes, the program will not reset drive SY0:.

Another change you can make to this program is to use the .MONMS and .DMNMS SCALL's instead of .MOUNT and .DMOUN. If you do this, the only message printed on the screen will be the prompt to hit RETURN.

PS:

TITLE 'R.ASM -- SAFE DISK RESET' STL 'by Patrick Swayne 27-FEB-81'

*	THIS PROGRAM	RESETS DISI	C DRIVES BY	DISMOUNTING
*	AND MOUNTING	INSTEAD OF	RESETTING.	THIS METHOD
*	IS SAFER FOR	BOTH DISKS	AND DRIVES.	

.SCIN	EQU	1	SINGLE CHARACTER INPUT
. LOADO	EQU	100	LOAD OVERLAYS
.CLEAR	EQU	550	CLEAR CHANNEL
. MOUNT	EQU	2000	MOUNT DISK ON DRIVE
. DMOUN	EQU	2010	DISMOUNT DISK
	EQU	31136A	TYPE TEXT ON CONSOLE
WBOOT	EQU	40100A	WARM BOOT ENTRY
	ORG	42200A	NORMAL USER ENTRY
START	LXI	н,0	
	DAD	SP	LOCATE STACK POINTER
	MOV	A,L	
	CPI	80H	ANY ARGUMENT ENTERED?
	JZ	RZERO	IF NOT, RESET SY0:
GETNUM	MOV	А, М	GET ARGUMENT CHARACTER
	CPI	40Q	IS IT A SPACE?
	INX	Н	INCREMENT POINTER
	JZ	GETNUM	IGNORE SPACES
	CPI	'0'	LESS THAN ZERO?
	JC	BAD	IF SO, EXIT

(listing continues on page 12)

Attention H11 Owners (Hard Disk Group Purchase)

The purpose of this information is is to see if you are interested in a possible group purchase of a hard disk subsystem for your machine. I would be willing to coordinate such a purchase if there is sufficient interest.

I currently know of at least three controllers that are available at the board level and work with the new eight-inch hard disks. The controller that I am proposing, however, is built by Andromeda Systems, a company in Los Angeles that builds accessories for the LSI-11 and which I have had very good experience. Their controller handles both eight-inch hard disks with the Shugart SA1000-compatible interface, and floppies (four drives of each type). The hard disk portion of the controller emulates the DEC RK05 drive and the floppy portion emulates the RX02 (double density). This means that operating systems like RT-11, UCSD Pascal, UNIX, etc. can be run directly without having to mess with the handlers. (You can patch the RK05 handler to vary the amount of space on each volume--it comes from DEC set for 2.5 megabytes per volume, but you can make it a lot bigger if you want to, depending on the capacity of the hard disk itself.) The reason this controller is attractive is that it would permit those of us who already have floppy systems to sell our current controllers to offset the price of the new one. (Also this would save slots in the backplane. For those of you with H-11s, it fits on one dual-width card.)

Andromeda's single-unit price for this controller is \$2,000. In quantities of 10-24 this price drops to \$1,800; 25-49 is \$1,700; and 50-99 is \$1,550. I didn't ask about quantities above 99 because I can't imagine getting that many participants, but, if we do it will probably drop another couple of hundred dollars.

The other part of the group purchase would be for the drives themselves, and possibly a box and powersupply for the drives. As I mentioned, the Andromeda controller interfaces with the Shugart SA1000 drive, which is becomming a de facto standard for the eight-inch disks. This means the controller also talks to drives like the Seagate five-inch mini-Winchester, the Quantum drive (which offers up to 40-megabytes, I think), as well as the 10-megabyte SA1000. There are undoubtably other drives that would be useful as well and I am investigating these--please let me know of any that you have seen actually working and that have the correct interface. I don't think we will want to go with the mini-Winchesters because they cost about as much as the eight-inch drives, are slower, and have less capacity. Prices for the drives are still unclear, depending on where we buy them and whether we buy bare drives (you provide your own powersupply and box) or whether we get boxed and powered units. I would guess that bare SA1000 drives in quantities of 50-99 would cost about \$1,100, and boxed units would be about \$2,000 in the same quantities.

If you are potentially interested in such a group purchase, please write and let me know. If there is enough response, I will put out another notice in about a month with more details on exactly what we will be buying, how much it will be, and how the money is to be handled. On this latter point, I am going to try to set up some kind of escrow account at a bank that will protect you, but at the same time will guarantee that the money will actually be there when needed. (This may be somewhat complicated. If any of you have done something similiar, let me know how you did it.) I am fairly sure that by offering cash, we can reduce the above quoted prices a little further, but this is still up in the air.

Assuming there is enough interest, I am tentatively planning to adhere to the following schedule:

Cut off for expression of interest.....May 30 Formal proposal mailed to interested parties....June 15 Cutoff for checks in escrow account....June 30 Purchase....July 15

It is likely that the actual shipments will be spread out over a month or two, depending on how many we order. Shipping priorities will be determined by the date your check reaches the escrow account.

Please let me know if you are interested in this idea. If you don't hear from me by June 25, 1981, you can assume that there wasn't enough interest and that I have dropped the attempt. Please, also, pass along the word to any friends or associates who may be interested, including companies, universities, etc. A hard disk system enhances the utility of the LSI-11, and I hope we can put together a large, supportive group to make it financially attractive as well.

For further information contact	**********
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(If you want to call, I'd prefer that you do so during the day. I'm usually there from about 8:30 am to 6:00 pm Pacific time.)

EOF

(listing continued from page 10)

	075 S	under and an and a second s	
	CPI	131	MORE THAN TWO?
	JNC	BAD	IF SO, EXIT
	STA	DNAME+2	CORRECT MESSAGE
	STA	DRIVE+2	SET UP DRIVE NUMBER
RZERO	MVI	A,0FFH	
	SCALL	.CLEAR	CLEAR CURRENT CHANNEL
	XRA	A	
	SCALL	. LOADO	LOAD FIRST OVERLAY
	JC		
	MVI	A,1	
	SCALL	A,1 .LOADO	LOAD SECOND OVERLAY
	JC	BAD	
	LXI	H, DRIVE	POINT TO DRIVE
	SCALL	. DMOUN	TRY TO DISMOUNT DISK
	JNC	REPLACE	GOOD DISMOUNT, TYPE "REPLACE"
	CALL	\$TYPTX	NO DISK, TYPE "INSERT"
	DB	12Q, 'Insert', 240	Q
	JMP		
REPLACE	CALL	STYPTX	
	DB	12Q, 'Replace', 24	400
TDISK			
10101		'disk in '	
DNAME	DB	'SYO:, hit RETU	RN',2120
Diffinitio	SCALL		WAIT FOR RETURN
	JC	*-2	
		H, DRIVE	
	SCALL		MOUNT DISK
BAD		WBOOT	RETURN TO HDOS
		'SY0:',0	
	END		
	2110		

EOF

NEWMONTH.SFS

SOFT BUGS SF-9005 INVENTORY PACKAGE

20 CLEAR 1000:ON ERROR GOTO 460 190 IF D<15 THEN D=D+12

ADD.SFS

20 CLEAR 4000:ON ERROR GOTO 420 600 FOR Gl=1 TO G:IF Pl\$=G\$(Gl) THEN 630 ELSE NEXT Gl

CHANGE.SFS

20 CLEAR 2000:WIDTH 255:ON ERROR GOTO 830

VENTORY PACKAGE 20 (

The following line numbers should be changed under the programs listed to correct or improve the performance of the respective components of the Inventory package.

START.SFS

20 CLEAR 2000:ON ERROR GOTO 360 210 IF D<15 THEN D=D+12 William N. Campbell, M.D. 855 Smithbridge Road Glen Mills, PA 19342

Abstract

MBASIC'S MID\$, LEN, and INSTR functions are used to isolate certain items in records and then strings are rearranged. A practical use of same is demonstrated. Of most value to newcomers to MBASIC.

Note: Reference is made to data files, records and fields. These terms are defined in my DBMS article in REMark, issue 14. Reference is also made to certain programs which were in Random File article in REMark, issue 10 (corrections to this article in REMark, issue 11.) Note also that the correct text of both those articles, along with all 21 programs are available on 5 inch diskette postpaid for \$10.00. Write Mr. Jerry Leon, Heathkit Electronic Center, 630 Lancaster Pike, Frazer, PA 19355 and enclose check for same if you desire the diskette (HDOS format).

It is frequently necessary to dissect string data and rearrange the string. For example, assume you have a sequential mailing list file with each record formatted as follows (the reverse slash is used as a delimiter):

LAST NAME\FIRST NAME\MRS\STREET ADDRESS\CITYSTATEZIP

The state in the above is the 2 letter abbreviation of the state. At present the ZIP consists of 5 digits. Hence, the last 5 characters of each record are the 5 digit zip code and the 2 characters immediately preceding the zip are the 2 letter abbreviation of the state. The other portions of each record are separated from each other by a "delimiter", a "reverse slash". The location of the zip and 2 letter abbreviation of state bear a constant relationship to the end of each record. We can isolate either of these with the LEN and MID\$ statement. We can isolate other items in each record by finding the position of the delimiter immediately preceding and immediately after each item using the INSTR function, then the MID\$ and LEN functions.

Programs for creation of such a file, the sorting of such a sequential file, and a program for creating labels from such a file will be found in my Random File article in REMark, issue 10 (programs 2, 4, and 3 respectively). However, frequently one desires to have the labels sorted in ascending order of zip codes, with names alphabetized within each group of different zip codes. Since the zip is always last in our records we need to "grab" the zip from each record and place it first in each record. After doing this to each record within the file, we could THEN sort the file, then reformat back to original format and obtain all our objectives.

The program "GRAB.BAS", (listed at the end of this article) is a demonstration program that will show you how to do this, among other things. We use the LEN, MID\$, and INSTR functions of MBASIC in this When you enter this program, program. just enter the program in logical units, then RUN and check and study the results until you feel comfortable with the different functions. For example, enter lines 10 to 130 and RUN. Then add lines 140 to 200 and RUN. And so on. If we are using the INSTR function you might wish to add a line at 445 -- PRINT Similarly, add this line at A, B, C, D. 485. With this program and your MBASIC manual you should be able to fathom these string handling functions.

Assuming you already have a sequential file, formatted as above, you can use program ZIPFIRST.BAS to prepare your file for sorting. After sorting, use program ZIPLAST.BAS to format your file back to original format. Program ZIPFIRST.BAS simply line inputs your file, record by record and line 120 reformats each record with zip code at beginning of record, line 130 puts each reformatted record in TEMP.DAT. This continues until EOF when file is closed. Now, sort the output The resulting file (we file TEMP.DAT. will call it SORT.DAT) is now ordered by zip code, and all records within each zip group are alphabetized. Next, run program ZIPLAST.BAS which simply inputs, record by record, SORT.DAT, then reformats back to original format and outputs records to TEMP2.DAT. Now, use TEMP2.DAT as the input file to SEQOUT.BAS (in issue 10 of REMark). If you want to use your line printer for the labels, simply open a file for output as "LP:" and substitute PRINT #n, for each PRINT in program as now listed. (n = the number of file that was opened; example -- PRINT #2,). now listed. Remember to close the files.

Note that the SORT program appeared in

a random file to begin with, just convert it to a sequential file before data list, and suppose the 4th field of reformatting; again, program to do this each record was the part number of an is in issue 10 of REMark. item in inventory. Then, you might well wish to "grab" the 4th field, place it You may wonder why you would be interested first in each record, and then sort the in isolating the "street address" from file. a "name and address" file as is done in lines 370-540 in program "GRAB.BAS". EOF Frankly, I can't think of a good reason 10 ' GRAB.BAS using MID\$, LEN, INSTR functions in MBASIC 20 ' 30 CLEAR 1000 40 ' ASSUME OUR FILE CONTAINS RECORDS FORMATTED AS IN X\$: 50 X\$="JONES\JACK\MR\1 FIRST AVE\FIRSTVILLEPA12345" 60 PRINT X\$ 70 ' ISOLATE ZIP AND PUT IT FIRST IN RECORD 80 A\$=MID\$(X\$,LEN(X\$)-4,5):' grab the zip and put in A\$ 90 B\$=MID\$(X\$,1,LEN(X\$)-5):' everything except zip goes into B\$ 100 X\$=A\$+B\$:' now X\$ has zip first 110 PRINT A\$:' print for inspection 120 PRINT BS 130 PRINT X\$ 140 ' NOW WE PUT BACK TO ORIGINAL FORMAT 150 A\$=MID\$(X\$,1,5):' put the zip (lst 5 char) in A\$
160 B\$=MID\$(X\$,6,LEN(X\$)-5):' put everything else in B\$
170 X\$=B\$+A\$:' reformat back to original format 180 PRINT B\$:' print for inspection 190 PRINT A\$ 200 PRINT X\$ 210 ' LETS ISOLATE THE 2 LTR ABBREV OF STATE AND PUT IT FIRST 220 A\$=MID\$(X\$,LEN(X\$)-6,2):' isolate state and put in A\$ 230 B\$=MID\$(X\$,1,LEN(X\$)-7):' put all before state into B\$ 240 C\$=MID\$(X\$,LEN(X\$)-4,5):' put zip in C\$ 250 X\$=A\$+B\$+C\$: 'reformat all with 2 ltr state abbrev first 260 PRINT A\$:' print for inspection 270 PRINT B\$ 280 PRINT C\$ 290 PRINT X\$ 300 ' AND PUT BACK INTO ORIGINAL FORMAT 310 A\$=MID\$(X\$,1,2):' put state abbrev into A\$ 320 B\$=MID\$(X\$,LEN(X\$)-4,5):' put zip in B\$ 330 X\$=MID\$(X\$,3,LEN(X\$)-7)+A\$+B\$:' concatenate back to original format 340 PRINT AS:' print for inspection 350 PRINT B\$ 360 PRINT X\$ 370 ' LETS GRAB THE FOURTH FIELD (STREET ADDRESS) AND PUT IT FIRST 380 ' next 2 lines finds position 1st 4 delimiters & puts in A,B,C,D 390 A=INSTR(1,X\$,"\"):B=INSTR(A+1,X\$,"\") 400 C=INSTR(B+1,X\$,"\"):D=INSTR(C+1,X\$,"\") 410 A\$=MID\$(X\$,1,C-1):' grab first three fields and put in A\$ 420 B\$=MID\$(X\$,C+1,(D-1)-(C)):' grab 4th field and put in B\$ 430 C\$=MID\$(X\$,D,LEN(X\$)):' put rest in C\$ 440 X\$=B\$+"\"+A\$+C\$:' reformat all with 4th field first 450 PRINT AS: PRINT BS: PRINT CS: PRINT XS: ' print for inspection 460 ' AND PUT BACK INTO ORIGINAL FORMAT 480 AND FOT BACK INTO ORIGINAL FORMAT 470 A=INSTR(1,X\$,"\"):B=INSTR(A+1,X\$,"\") 480 C=INSTR(B+1,X\$,"\"):D=INSTR(C+1,X\$,"\") 490 A\$=MID\$(X\$,1,A):' grab first field and put in A\$ 500 B\$=MID\$(X\$,A+1,D-(LEN(A\$))):' grab next 3 fields and put in B\$ 510 C\$=MID\$(X\$,D+1,LEN(X\$)):' rest of record into C\$ 520 X\$=B\$+A\$+C\$:' and concatenate back to original 530 PRINT AS: PRINT BS: PRINT C\$: PRINT X\$: ' print out for inspection 540 END

issue 10 of REMark. If your data is in

BUT suppose the data file was not a

mailing list, but rather an inventory

10 ' ZIPFIRST.BAS pgm for reformatting to sort on zips. After program is run, TEMP.DAT contains reformatted records with zip first, followed by last name. After sorting TEMP.DAT, use ZIPLAST.BAS to place in original format, then use 20 ' 30 ' 40 ' 50 ' TEMP2.DAT as input file when printing out labels. 60 ' 70 CLEAR 1000 80 OPEN "I",1,"LIST.DAT":' quoted file should be name of your seq file 90 OPEN "O",2, "TEMP.DAT" 100 IF EOF(1) THEN 150 110 LINE INPUT #1,X\$ 120 A\$=MID\$(X\$,LEN(X\$)-4,5):B\$=MID\$(X\$,1,LEN(X\$)-5):X\$=A\$+B\$ 130 PRINT #2,X\$ 140 GOTO 100 150 CLOSE: END 160 ' TEMP.DAT now contains file with records formatted with zip first, 170 ' ready to be sorted.

10 ' ZIPLAST.BAS after sorting TEMP.DAT to SORT.DAT, use this pgm which 20 ' reformats back to original format; TEMP2.DAT is now 30 ' ordered by ascending order of zips, ready for label printout 40 ' 50 CLEAR 1000 60 OPEN "I",1,"SORT.DAT":' quoted file here should be name of the sorted file 70 OPEN "O",2,"TEMP2.DAT" 80 IF EOF(1) THEN 130 90 LINE INPUT #1,X\$ 100 A\$=MID\$(X\$,1,5):B\$=MID\$(X\$,6,LEN(X\$)-5):X\$=B\$+A\$ 10 PRINT #2,X\$ 120 GOTO 80 130 CLOSE:END

EOF

Changes for HDOS 2.0 Boot-Up

The patches presented in this article are the version 2.0 (5 inch disks only!) equivalent of some of the patches in the article "Changes for HDOS Boot-up" in REMark #11. These patches will accomplish the following:

1. Eliminate the need to type a CR or the letter B to initiate BOOT.

2. Eliminate the need to enter a system date (without having to set NO-DATE).

3. Remove the printing of "BOOT" at start-up.

To make these patches, you will need DUMP.ABS from HUG disk VIII (885-1062). Other DUMP-type programs will work, but some of them use a different sector numbering scheme than DUMP, so be sure to check that the old values are as listed before you make changes.

Eliminate CR after <BOOT>

This patch causes BOOT to execute automatically. You loose the ability to do CHECKSUMS or to use the IGNORE command. TRACK 0 SECTOR 2

LOCATION	OLD VALUE	NEW VALUE
17	CD	C3
18	17	3E
19	27	25

2. Eliminate CR after date

This patch eliminates the requirement to enter a system date or a CR after existing date. If the system has been on, and a date is in memory, that date is used. If the system has been just turned on, the last date stored on the disk is used. You can enter a new date with the DATE command. Note: If the disk on which you make this patch has never been used, or has been used with NO-DATE set, it will come up with "DD-MMM-YY" as the system date (literally), but you can change it with the DATE command. You should SET HDOS DATE if NO-DATE was set. Setting NO-DATE eliminates the need to enter a date or type CR or enter a date, as this patch does, but with NO-DATE set you get the

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New HUG Software

885-1093 DND HDOS DISK \$20.00

DND.BAS is the HUG version of the popular game "DUNGEONS AND DRAGONS". The object of DND is to find the lord master of the 50 level Heathkit Dungeon by exploring it. You will begin your search on level 1 where there are taverns in which you may cash any gold you find for experience points. Accumulated experience points will allow you to become a higher level character.

During your quest you will encounter many obstacles and find objects that may at sometime help you in your search. The deeper you go into the dungeon the harder it will be to survive as a low level character. The lord of the dungeon will be found in a HEATHKIT VAULT. As the game progresses you will be given the combination. The lord may or may not be there -- other mysterious things may be in a vault -- so beware!

The minimum system requirement is a 56K machine, H19 or H89, HDOS Microsoft BASIC, and two drives. You will use ALL available memory so you will not be able to load any device drivers.

The instuctions are very brief. There are many aspects of the game to explore. Be adventurous, be careful and have fun!!!

Adventure using HDOS 2.0 and a Single Drive

Now that HDOS 2.0 is out, the ADVENTURE Disk (HUG P/N 885-1010) requires a couple of special notes. HDOS has grown again in its minimum configuration by several sectors. With this increase in size of of HDOS, Adventure becomes a little tight on a single five and a quarter inch disk. If all files that are NOT needed for Adventure are deleted then the three files ADVENT.ABS, ADVENTUR.DTB and NEWGAME.CAV You must delete all system will fit. files without a 'W' flag except SY. DVD. After copying the above three files onto the disk using ONECOPY.ABS there are only eight (8) sectors free, less than half required to save a game. That's fine if you always want to start a NEWCAVE everytime you play.

As a suggestion we recommend making a complete copy of the Adventure Disk without the documentation files. This should be done by using INIT.ABS to create a blank disk and then copying the three Adventure files, shown above, using ONECOPY.ABS. To check the spellings of the file names use $\angle L$ when you're in ONECOPY and the file names will be listed for you.

Once the disk is created then make another disk this time using INIT.ABS and SYSGEN.ABS. This disk will be known as the 'SYSTEM' disk.

Make sure that SET.ABS is on the system disk (if not use ONECOPY and get it from your HDOS disk). Boot up the system disk and proceed to what is known as HDOS STAND-ALONE. To do this we must type the following:

SET HDOS STAND-ALONE <CR>

Where <CR> equals the Carriage Return.

A message will appear warning you that you could be in trouble if you proceed, pick your heart up off the floor and do exactly what I tell you and everything will be fine. By the way the worse thing that could happen is that we could destroy one of the two disks we are working with. But let's think positive and follow these simple instructions and we will be playing Adventure before you know it.

Type: RESET SY0: <CR>

When told to replace the disk take the system disk out of the drive and replace it with the <u>COPY</u> of the Adventure disk.

Wait for the HDOS prompt (>) and then type:

ADVENT <CR>

When asked which cave, simply hit the RETURN key to get a NEW cave. An old cave can be called by typing in the name of the cave that has been previously played and saved using the "SAVE" command during the Adventure game. NOTE: When using the SAVE command remember the name of the CAVE that you have saved so that it may be recalled later.

Answer the question about instructions with a 'NO'. NOTE: Adventure looks for upper case only, so push the <u>CAPS LOCK</u> down.

You are standing at the end of a road before a small brick building. Around you is a forest. A small stream follows out of the building and down a gully.

Try going inside and see what you can find and remember the magic word XYZZY.

That's the end of my help gang, but I will suggest that you feed the bear the food and not yourself.

Adventure is a very addictive game, so if you're short of time try a less adventurous type game such as tic-tac-toe.

GK:

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CASSETTE SOFTWARE

MISCELLANEOUS COLLECTIONS

885-1008	Volume I	Documentation	\$ 9.00
885-1009	Tape I	Cassette	\$ 7.00
885-1012	Tape II BASI	C Cassette	\$ 9.00
885-1013	Volume II	Documentation	\$ 12.00
885-1014	Tape II ASM	Cassette H8 Only	\$ 9.00
885-1015	Volume III	Documentation	\$ 12.00
885-1026	Tape III	Cassette	\$ 9.00
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885-1093	DND Game for HDOS	\$ 20.00

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885-1022	HUG Editor (ED) Disk	H8/H89	\$ 15.00
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More on Home Control with the ET3400

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Minor modifications to the hardware and software presented in REMark Issue 13 are required if you have the ETA-3400 Accessory. The changes are summarized below:

1) The machine code program has been moved up one page (256 bytes), since the first page is reserved by the accessory. A number of lines of code have changed due to the fact that above the first page you can't take advantage of certain direct addressing instructions. The new program is two bytes longer than the old program described is Issue 13.

2) The command stack now starts at address OlAO (HEX).

3) The delay between commands has been increased to one second. I have found that the additional delay improves the reliability of the system.

4) An error (of no consequence) at address 017C (HEX) has been corrected.

5) The wire between IC 74LS30 Pin 8 and the RE connector block is no longer necessary. In fact, IC 74LS30 is no longer necessary at all. This is due to the method by which the ETA-3400 accesses the data lines in the ET-3400.

I have dumped the program to tape followed by a dump of my command stack beginning at address 01A0 (HEX). This makes it very easy to regenerate the system by doing two consecutive tape reads. Then all you have to do is set address 00F7 (HEX) to 3B (HEX), set the time, and you're back in business. I also have the program on disk, and dump it from my H8 to the ETA-3400 using the CPS modem software offered by Softstuff. Using tape and disk makes it easy to have a number of different command stacks readily available for use on weekends, vacations, etc.

If you have trouble implementing this system, make sure that the BSR command console is operating properly. After several months, my command console broke down. Sears replaced it with a new one, and it has worked perfectly since. Also, be sure you have a good battery in the cordless controller. If you have specific questions, I can be reached at the above address, or you can leave a message via MicroNET (ID No. 70140,371).

The following is a listing of the new program for the ETA-3400. Note that the addresses start at 0100 (HEX). GOOD LUCK !

ADDRESS	OPCODE	MNEMONIC	COMMENTS
******	*****	******	******
0100	00		HOURS
0101	00		MINUTES
0102	00		SECONDS
0103	CE FF04	LDX #FF04	SET UP THE PIA
0106	FF 8002	STX #8002	WITH THE B SIDE OUT
0109	86 FF	LDA #FF	LOAD BSR NULL COMMAND
010B	B7 8002	STAA #8002	SEND NULL COMMAND
010E	FE 015F	LDX #015F	GET ADDRESS OF NEXT COMMAND
0111	B6 0100	LDAA 0100	LOAD HOUR FROM CLOCK
0114	A1 00	CMPA,X 00	COMPARE CLOCK HOUR WITH NEXT HOUR
0116	26 09	BNE 09	NO MATCH - CONTINUE CLOCK
0118	B6 0101	LDAA #0101	HOURS MATCH, LOAD MINUTES FROM CLOCK
011B	A1 01	CMPA,X 01	COMPARE CLOCK MINUTE WITH NEXT MINUTE
011D	26 02	BNE 02	NO MATCH - CONTINUE CLOCK
011F	8D 40	BSR 40	TIMES MATCH! SEND COMMANDS
0121	CE 00FD	LDX #00FD	

0124	A6 03	LDAA,X 03	LOAD AND DISPLAY
0126	BD FE20	JSR #FE20	HOURS, MINUTES
0129	08	INX #1520	AND SECONDS
012A	8C 0100	CPX #0100	
012D	26 F5	BNE F5	
012F	BD FCBC	JSR #FCBC	RESET DISPLAY COUNTERS
0132	C6 3D	LDAB #3D	
0134	5A	DECB	
0135	27 04	BEQ 04	ONE SECOND DELAY ROUTINE
0137	0E	CLI	("LINE" MUST BE CONNECTED TO "IRQ")
0138	3E	WAI	(HINE MODI DE COMMETERE TO ING)
0139	20 F9	BRA F9	
013B	8B 01	ADDA #01	INCREMENT SECONDS
013D	19	DAA #01	DECIMAL ADJUST SECONDS
013E	A7 02	STAA,X 02	STORE SECONDS
0140	81 60	CMPA #60	60 SECONDS YET?
0142	26 DD	BNE DD	IF NOT, GO BACK FOR NEXT SECOND
0144	8D 0F	BSR OF	ELSE CLEAR SECONDS AND UPDATE MINUTES
0146	81 60	CMPA #60	60 MINUTES YET?
0148	26 C4	BNE C4	IF NOT, GO BACK AND CHECK NEXT TIME
014A	09	DEX	ELSE CLEAR MINUTES
014B	8D 08	BSR 08	- AND UPDATE HOURS
014D	81 24	CMPA #24	24 HOURS YET?
014F	26 02	BNE 02	IF NOT, DON'T CLEAR HOURS YET
0151	6F 01	CLR,X 01	ELSE CLEAR HOURS
0153	20 B9	BRA B9	GO BACK AND CHECK TIME
0155	6F 02	CLR,X 02	CLEAR SECONDS OR MINUTES
0157	A6 01	LDAA,X 01	LOAD MINUTES OR HOURS LOAD
0159	8B 01	ADDA #01	INCREMENT MINUTES OR HOURS AND
015B	19	DAA	DECIMAL ADJUST UPDATE
015C	A7 01	STAA,X 01	STORE MINUTES OR HOURS ROUTINE
015E	39	RTS	RETURN
015F	01A0		ADDRESS OF NEXT TIME; SCRATCH AREA
0161	A6 02	LDAA,X 02	LOAD NEXT COMMAND TO BE SENT
0163	27 12	BEQ 12	IF END OF STRING SET UP FOR NEXT TIME
0165	8D 22	BSR 22	ELSE GOTO SEND-AND-DELAY ROUTINE
0167	86 FF	LDAA #FF	LOAD BSR NULL COMMAND
0169	8D 1E	BSR 1E	GOTO SEND-AND-DELAY ROUTINE
016B	B6 0102	LDAA #0102	UPDATE SECONDS TO
016E	8B 02	ADDA #02	COMPENSATE FOR
0170	19	DAA	SENDING COMMANDS,
0171	B7 0102	STAA 0102	AND
0174	08	INX	SET INDEX REGISTER FOR NEXT COMMAND
0175	20 EA	BRA EA	GO BACK AND REPEAT FOR NEXT COMMAND
0177	A6 03	LDAA,X 03	LOAD HOUR FOR NEXT TIME
0179	81 99	CMPA #99	IS THIS THE END OF -
017B	27 05	BEQ 05	THE COMMAND STACK?
017D	08	INX	
017E	08	INX	IF NOT, SET THE INDEX REGISTER
017F	08	INX	FOR THE NEXT TIME
0180	20 03	BRA 03	
0182	CE 01A0	LDX #010A	ELSE RESET TO THE TOP OF COMMAND STACK
0185	FF 015F	STX #015F	STORE ADDRESS OF NEXT TIME
0188	39	RTS	RETURN TO CLOCK
0189	B7 8002	STAA #8002	SEND COMMAND TO PIA
018C	C6 3D	LDAB #3D	
018E	5A	DECB	
018F	27 04	BEQ 04	ONE-SECOND DELAY
0191	0E	CLI	
0192	3E	WAI	
0193	20 F9	BRA F9	
0195	39	RTS	RETURN TO COMMAND PROCESSOR
00 27	20	-	
00F7	3B	RTI	RETURN FROM INTERRUPT
01A0	SBEGIN CO	MMAND STACK HERE	
	- DEGIN CO	THIND STACK HERE	

What's a FOCAL?

Those of you who read the "New HUG Products" section of REMark #13 know that HUG is selling a FOCAL interpreter (885-1059) that I wrote for Heath computers (HDOS system). If you "grew up" on PDP-8's, or used the H11 back in the paper tape days, you may be familiar with FOCAL, but most of you probably don't have the foggiest notion of what it is all about.

The purpose of this article is to introduce you to FOCAL-8 (HUG FOCAL), not so that you will all be converted to it, but to let you know that there are other ways of doing things besides BASIC. Back in High School, I took Latin, and it helped me understand English better. In the same way, an exposure to FOCAL or another language will help you understand BASIC better. So let's take a look at FOCAL and see what it is like, and how it compares to BASIC.

In the introductory material in Heath's software for BASIC, it says that BASIC is a conversional programming language. This means that BASIC can interact with the user, allowing him or her to type in problems and get answers right away. BASIC is also a general purpose language, which means that it can be used for business programs, engineering programs, games, etc. You may have heard the expression "structured language". BASIC is not a structured language. You can arrange the parts of a program in just about any order as long as you GOTO the right place at the right time.

Most of these attributes apply to FOCAL as well as to BASIC. FOCAL is conversational like BASIC. It is not a structured language, but the way it works causes you to arrange your programs into a main body and subroutines more than you might do in BASIC. FOCAL differs from BASIC mainly in that it is not a general purpose language. It was designed primarily as a "number cruncher", for scientific and engineering use. While most BASIC's allow three data types (numeric, logic, and string), FOCAL allows only numeric data. The name FOCAL suggests its intended use: it means FOrmula CALculator.

Now, let's make some direct comparisons between FOCAL-8 and BASIC. In both languages, there is a command mode and a program mode. That is, you can type in a one line problem, hit RETURN, and it will execute immediately (command mode). Or, you can enter a number of lines preceded by line numbers (a

program), and then RUN the program. The line numbers in FOCAL are a little different from those in BASIC. They consist of a one or two digit number, a period, and another one or two digit number. A typical line number would be 10.45, and it might be followed by 10.50 (which you could enter as 10.5). The whole number is called the line number, as in BASIC, but the first part is called the group number. Every line number that started with 10 would be in group 10. The reason for this is that some of the commands in FOCAL can operate on either a single line or a whole group. For example, the WRITE command, which is like LIST in BASIC, can be used to list line number 10.45 on your terminal, or it can be used to list all of group 10. But it doesn't stop with simple commands like that. The DO command, which is the FOCAL version of GOSUB, can be used to call line 10.45 as a subroutine in one part of a program, then call all of group 10 as a subroutine an another part.

As you can see, the commands in FOCAL have different names from their BASIC counterparts. This was not intentionally done to confuse you, but is the result of a restriction placed on FOCAL commands that does not exist in BASIC. Each command in FOCAL can be abbreviated by its first letter, so each command must start with a unique first letter. There is a GOTO command in FOCAL, so there cannot be a GOSUB command. Writing a program is faster when all you have to type is the first letter of each command. You might think you would be restricted to 26 commands, but it is possible to have subcommands under a command. In FOCAL-8, the LIBRARY command, which is used for disk I/O, has 6 subcommands, all of which start with letters used by other main commands.

Figure 2 (at the end of this article) is a sample program in FOCAL-8 ("Electronic Checkbook"). This program is not only an example of the language, but it demonstrates how I overcame some limitations of the language. More on that later. Here is a list of the commands used in that program and their BASIC equivalents.

FOCAL	BASIC	USE
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ASK COMMENT	INPUT REM	Interractive input Remarks
DO	GOSUB	Subroutine call
ERASE	CLEAR	Clear variables
FOR	FOR	Loops

GOTO	GOTO	Control transfer
HARDCOPY	various	Toggle printer
IF	IF	Conditional control
JUMP	ON GOTO	Computed transfer
LIBRARY	various	Disk I/O
POKE	POKE	Change memory
RETURN	RETURN	Subroutine exit
SET	LET	Assignment
TYPE	PRINT	Print values, etc.
x	DEF USR	Set user address

In addition to these commands, FOCAL-8 has several pre-defined functions. For the most part, they are like their BASIC counterparts, except that the name starts with a capital F. For example, the BASIC ABS function is FABS in FOCAL.

Some of the commands differ more from BASIC than the command list would indicate. The IF command, for instance, evaluates an expression following it in parentheses, and jumps to one of three following line numbers (see line no. 03.64 in the program). It jumps to the first number if the expression is negative, to the second if it is zero, and to the third if it is positive. FORTRAN programmers will be familiar with this There are no comparison technique. operators in FOCAL, so comparison is done with subtraction (see line no. 05.12). Note that you can leave off one or two of the line numbers and add an executable statement instead.

The HARDCOPY command takes as its argument ON or OFF (or OF). When HARCOPY is ON, everything that goes to the screen also goes to the printer. When you turn HARDCOPY OFF, printer operations stop. This makes it easy to send program output to a printer without having to worry about opening files, closing files, PRINT #n, etc.

The six subcommands under the LIBRARY command are LOAD, RUN, SAVE, DELETE, PUT, and GET. LOAD, RUN, and SAVE are like the same commands in MBASIC, and DELETE is like KILL. PUT saves all of a program's variables in a file, and GET loads variables from a file. Line 01.30 in the Electronic Checkbook program saves your checkbook in a file called CHECK.FD (.FD is the default extension for FOCAL Data) on SY1:, and line 03.14 loads it back in the next time you use it. As with HARDCOPY, the programmer is freed from concern with opening and closing files, etc. Sometimes you need the file flexability afforded by BASIC, but when all you want to do is save the data you have entered into a program on disk, the FOCAL-8 approach is adequate.

It is not my intention to present a complete FOCAL manual in this article, but there is one more thing I should mention before I discuss some the tricks I used in the checkbook program. In FOCAL, arrays (dimensioned variables) are handled differently than in BASIC. Let's say that you have written a program with an array that could have as many as 1000 elements in it. If the program is in BASIC, you would have a statement near the beginning like this:

10 DIM A(1000)

You have reserved some memory in your computer for the array with the above statement. Let's say that each time you actually run the program, you use different elements in the array, but not all of them. For example, one time you run it you would use A(9), A(55), and A(998), and the next time you use A(44), A(322), A(444), and A(1000). The first time you used 3 elements, and the second time you used 4 elements, and all of the other elements you reserved were wasted space in the computer's memory. In FOCAL-8, there would be no wasted space. You do not have to reserve space for arrays (there is no DIM statement) because FOCAL-8 only uses space as it is needed. In the above example, if you needed A(2000), the program in BASIC would have to be re-written to allow the larger array. In FOCAL-8, no re-writing would be necessary. Some FOCAL interpreters allow only single dimensioned arrays, but FOCAL-8 allows two dimensioned arrays In theory, a single dimensioned also. array can have 65535 elements, and a two dimensioned array can be 255 by 255. The actual limit is the amount of memory in the computer.

Now we will look at the "Electronic Checkbook" program. Figure 1 is a partial sample run. As you can see, there is a description of each item in the checkbook. How did we do this in a language that does not have strings? It was done by using POKE to put in a little machine language program to get a character from the console (see lines 01.04, 01.06, and 01.08). This routine is listed below:

.SCIN	EQU	1	
. SCOUT	EQU	2	
	SCALL	.SCIN	
	JC	*-2	
	CPI	177Q	DELETE KEY?
	JNZ	NOT	
	MVI	A,8	REPLACE WITH BS
NOT	SCALL	. SCOUT	
	MVI	в,0	
	MOV	C,A	
	RET		

The subroutine at group 8 determines where to put this little program. FOCAL-8 loads in the HDOS overlays when it starts up and stores the highest user address under them at locations 8835 and 8835 decimal (low byte first). The program gets the high byte, multiplies it by 256 to make it an even page address, then subtracts lk (1024) to get an address for the machine code routine. Group 30 calls the routine to get characters from the keyboard and put them in an array N, with the number of the character within the string as one dimension, and the entry number in the checkbook as the other. This is not a very memory efficient way of storing strings, but it works.

Group 40 is called when the checkbook entries are printed. It retrieves the characters from array N and prints them, and fills in with spaces if there are less than the maximum number of characters allowed, which is 15.

In the right column of numbers in the sample run you will notice right justified numbers in dollars and cents format. The routine that does this trick is group 50. I included several comments to help you figure it out. The \$27's in this routine are equivalent to CHR\$(27) in BASIC, which is the code for ESCAPE. The purpose is to cause the terminal (H19) or printer to ignore the next character being printed, which is the leading space that FOCAL-8 (or BASIC, for that matter) prints before a number. It will work on any printer or terminal that is looking for escape sequences. If the character following the escape is not part of the printer or terminal's codes, (for example a space) it is ignored. If you have a printer that does not use escape sequences, but does allow backspacing, replace \$27 with \$8.

It should be obvious by now that FOCAL is definitely not a business language. The sample program that comes with FOCAL-8, which plots data to a curve and draws a graph, is more indicative of what FOCAL can do. But, we have demonstrated that the deficiencies of a language can be overcome to some extent if a little effort is applied.

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Figure 1. "Electronic Checkbook" Sample Run

ELECTRONIC CHECKBOOK

Functions available:

- 1. Start a new checkbook
- 2. Update an existing checkbook
- 3. Print last N entries on screen
- 4. Print last N entries on printer
- 5. Save data on disk
- 6. Exit to operating system

Enter your option: 3

How many entries do you wish to list? 8

Entry no	. Check no.	Date		Description	Amount	Balance
24	206	February	18 1981	J C WHITNEY	2.21	258.99
25	207	February	18 1981	BOOKS	20.85	238.14
26	208 Void	February	18 1981		0.00	238.14
27	209	February	18 1981	I AND M	59.85	178.29
28	210	February	18 1981	W W MAG	8.95	169.34
29	211	February	18 1981	MERVYN'S	50.00	119.34
30	212	February	18 1981	PHONE	38.86	80.48
31	213	February	18 1981	J C PENNY	65.00	15.48

Figure 2. "Electronic Checkbook" Program in FOCAL-8

01.02 C Main Menu and machine code setup 01.04 D 8;P X,255;P X+1,1;P X+2,218;P X+3,0;P X+4,X1;P X+5,254 01.06 P X+6,127;P X+7,194;P X+8,12;P X+9,X1;P X+10,62;P X+11,8;P X+12,255 01.08 P X+13,2;P X+14,79;P X+15,6;P X+16,0;P X+17,201;X X 01.10 T "ELECTRONIC CHECKBOOK 01.12 T !!!"Functions available:

01.14 T !!"1. Start a new checkbook 01.16 T !"2. Update an existing checkbook 01.18 T !"3. Print last N entries on screen 01.20 T !"4. Print last N entries on printer 01.22 T !"5. Save data on disk 01.24 T !"6. Exit to operating system 01.26 A !!"Enter your option: ",A,! 01.28 J (A)2.1,3.1,4.1,5.1,1.3,1.32;G 1.12 01.30 L P SY1:CHECK;G 1.12 01.32 X 8256; S Y=1:N=2; A !!"Are you sure? (Y/N) <N>", A, ! 01.34 J (A)1.36,1.12;G 1.12 01.36 S A=FUSR(A);C Exit to HDOS Start a new checkbook 02.02 C 02.10 E;A !!"Enter the year for this checkbook: ",YEAR,! 02.12 I (YEAR-1900)2.14;G 2.16 02.14 S YEAR=YEAR+1900 02.16 A !"Enter the number of the first check in your checkbook: ", CKNUM, ! 02.18 A !"Enter your current balance: ",BALANCE, !;S ENTRY=1;G 3.22 Second Menu -- Deposits and withdrawals 03.02 C 03.10 S Y=1:N=2;A !! "Want to get data from disk? (Y/N) <Y>"A,! 03.12 J (A) 3.14, 3.16; G 3.14 03.14 L G SY1:CHECK;C Get data from disk 03.16 T !"The last check written was number", %2, CKNUM-1," dated " 03.18 S M1=M2(CKNUM-1);D 20;T %2,D2(CKNUM-1),! 03.20 T !!"Your current balance is \$";S NUM=BALANCE;D 50 03.22 T !!"Transactions available: 03.24 T !!"1. Make a deposit 03.26 T !"2. Write a check 03.28 T !"3. Make a withdrawal (no check used) 03.30 T 1"4. Change the amount on a previous item 03.32 T 1"5. Return to main menu 03.34 A !!!"Enter your choice: ",A,!;J (A)3.4,3.6,3.8,3.88,1.12;G 3.22 03.40 A !!"Enter the month (1-12)",MONTH(ENTRY)," The day (1-31)",DAY(ENTRY) 03.42 A " Amount of deposit: ", MONEY, !; D 30; S BALANCE=BALANCE+MONEY: TRANS(ENTRY) = MO NEY 03.44 S OLDBAL (ENTRY) = BALANCE : CH (ENTRY) =1 : ENTRY=ENTRY+1;G 3.2 03.60 A !!"Enter the month (1-12)", MONTH (ENTRY), " The day (1-31)", DAY (ENTRY), ! 03.62 T %2,!"Enter amount for check no.", CKNUM; A " (0 to void, -1 to exit) ", MONEY 03.64 I (MONEY) 3.2,3.66,3.66 03.66 D 30; S CH(ENTRY)=CKNUM:BALANCE=BALANCE-MONEY:OLDBAL(ENTRY)=BALANCE 03.68 S TRANS(ENTRY)=MONEY:ENTRY=ENTRY+1:MONTH(ENTRY)=MONTH(ENTRY-1) 03.70 S DAY(ENTRY) = DAY(ENTRY-1): M2(CKNUM) = MONTH(ENTRY-1): D2(CKNUM) = DAY(ENTRY-1) 03.72 S CKNUM=CKNUM+1;G 3.62 03.80 A !!"Enter the month (1-12)", MONTH(ENTRY)," The day (1-13)", DAY(ENTRY) 03.82 A " Amount of withdrawal: ", MONEY, !; S MONEY=FABS(MONEY); D 30 03.84 S BALANCE=BALANCE-MONEY:TRANS(ENTRY)=MONEY:CH(ENTRY)=2 03.86 S OLDBAL (ENTRY) = BALANCE : ENTRY=ENTRY+1;G 3.2 03.88 A !!"Enter item no. to change: ", ITEM," Enter new amount: ", MONEY, ! 03.90 S DIFF=TRANS(ITEM)-MONEY:TRANS(ITEM)=MONEY 03.92 J (CH(ITEM)) 3.96; F I=ITEM, ENTRY-1; S OLDBAL(I)=OLDBAL(I)+DIFF 03.94 S BALANCE=BALANCE+DIFF;G 3.2 03.96 F I=ITEM, ENTRY-1; S OLDBAL(I)=OLDBAL(I)-DIFF 03.98 S BALANCE=BALANCE-DIFF;G 3.2 04.02 C List checkbook on screen 04.10 A !!"How many entries do you wish to list? ", A, ! 04.12 I (ENTRY-A) 4.14,4.14; S A=ENTRY-A; G 4.16 04.14 S A=1 04.16 T !!" Entry no. Check no. Date Description Amount Bala nce"!! 04.18 F I=A, ENTRY-1;D 10 04.20 A !"Hit RETURN to continue", A, 1; G 1.12 05.02 C List checkbook on printer 05.10 A !!"How many entries do you wish to list? ",A,! 05.12 I (ENTRY-A)5.14,5.14;S A=ENTRY-A;G 5.16 05.14 S A=1 05.16 H ON;T !" Entry no. Check no. Date Description Amount Balance"!!

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05.18 F I=A, ENTRY-1;D 10
 05.20 H OF;G 1.12
              Subroutine to locate machine program
 08.02 C
 08.10 S X=FPEK(8836) *256-1024:X1=FINT(X/256)
 10.02 C
              Subroutine to make checkbook listing
 10.10 T %10,I;J (CH(I))10.12,10.14;G 10.16
 10.12 T " Deposit ";G 10.2
10.14 T " Withdrawal ";G 10.2
 10.16 I (TRANS(I)) 10.18,10.18;T %12,CH(I);G 10.2
 10.18 T %6,CH(I), "Void
 10.20 S M1=MONTH(I);D 20;T %3,DAY(I);T %7,YEAR
10.22 D 40;S NUM=TRANS(I);D 50;T " ";S NUM=OLDBAL(I);D 50;T !
 20.02 C
              Subroutine to print month name from number
 20.10 J (M1) 20.12, 20.14, 20.16, 20.18, 20.2, 20.22, 20.24, 20.26, 20.28, 20.3, 20.32, 20.34
 20.12 T "January ";R
 20.14 T "February ";R
 20.16 T "March
                     ";R
 20.18 T "April
                     ";R
                     ";R
 20.20 T "May
 20.22 T "June
                     ";R
 20.24 T "July
                     ";R
                     ";R
 20.26 T "August
 20.28 T "September";R
 20.30 T "October ";R
 20.32 T "November ";R
 20.34 T "December ";R
 30.02 C
              Subroutine to put string characters in array N
 30.10 T !"Enter description of item: (15 characters max)"
 30.12 T " "; F X=1,15; S N(X, EN) = FUSR(X); I (N(X, EN)-13)30.16
  30.14 S X=15;R
 30.16 I (N(X,EN)-8) 30.14,30.18,30.14
 30.18 I (X-2) 30.12;T " ",$8;S X=X-2
              Subroutine to print string characters from array N
 40.02 C
 40.10 F X=1,15;I (N(X,I)-13)40.12;T $N(X,I)
  40.12 S X1=X:X=15
 40.14 F X=X1,16;T " "
 40.16 R
              Subroutine to print right justified dollars and cents
 50.01 C
 50.02 I (NUM) 50.04; S MIN=32; G 50.06; C
                                                  Test if number is negative
                                                   "MIN" = ASCII minus if so
 50.04 S MIN=45;C
 50.06 S NUM=FABS(NUM);C
                                                  Get absolute value of number
 50.08 I (NUM-10)50.24;C
50.10 I (NUM-100)50.26
                                                  Test number for number of digits
 50.12 I (NUM-1000) 50.28
 50.14 I (NUM-10000) 50.3
 50.16 T %2,$MIN,$27,FINT(NUM),".",$27;C
                                                  Print dollars and decimal
 50.18 S CENTS=FINT(NUM-FINT(NUM) *100+.5);C
                                                  Isolate cents
 50.20 I (CENTS-10) 50.22; T %2, CENTS; R; C
                                                  If cents >= 10 then print as is
 50.22 T %2," 0",$27,CENTS;R;C
50.24 T " ;G 50.16;C
                                                  If cents < 10 then add leading 0
                                                  Print spaces for right
 50.26 T "
              ";G 50.16;C
                                                        justification
 50.28 T " ";G 50.16
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                                                                   EOF
                                                 in addition to the 8080 registers when
NON-HUG BUG: The RDT debugging tool
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NON-HUG BUG: The RDT debugging tool introduced in REMark issue #14 will not work with the DG-FP8 monitor sold by DG Electronics for their 280 CPU board. The reasons were mentioned in <u>BUSS</u> Issue #28, which stated that DBUG also would not work under that monitor. The first reason is that the DG-FP8 monitor saves the 280 IX and IY registers on the stack in addition to the 8080 registers when a RST 2 is executed. (RST 2 is used for breakpoints). The second reason is that the single step interrupt must be armed immediately prior to jumping to a user program with DG-FP8. Both DBUG and RDT arm the interrupt several instructions prior to the jump.

PS:

RS-232 to 20 mA Current Loop Converter for the H19 or H89

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Many time-sharing computer systems use a 20 milliampere current loops to transmit data between the computer and the terminal; hence it is necessary to convert the RS-232 from the H-89 serial interface card to 20 ma current signals. The circuit shown below is a simple, inexpensive circuit to do the conversion without changing any of the existing functions of the computer.

Pin 10 _____1 ____ .6 ____.22K 20 mA in _____2 ____.6 ____.6 ____.412 Volt Pin 11 _____2 ____.6 ____.9in 25 RS232-OUT 3. _____4 ____.12 VOLT



The circuit is wired on a 2-inch square of perf-board. Use a single 16-pin socket and place one opto-isolater in the top six pins and the other in the bottom six. D1 and D2 are general purpose diodes. Mount the board in the upper right corner of the terminal board using the two tapped holes in the heat sink. Be sure to insert a sufficient number of washers and a sheet of insulating material to prevent the circuit from touching the conductors on the terminal board. Failure to do this may severely damage your computer if the converter touches the computer terminal board.

The power for the circuit is obtained by soldering wires to the foil side of the terminal circuit board. Connect the +12 volts to U403 (make the connection between U403 and C406) and the -12 volts to U405 (between U405, U404 and C408). Check the diagram for the terminal logic board on page 19 of the illustration booklet to make certain that you have the correct connection points. You may also wish to measure the voltages to insure that you have not made a mistake.

The signal leads are connected to plug, Pl, on the back mounting plate of the computer. You will have to insert additional pins in the plug or replace the existing plug. In either case you should not change the existing connections to pins 1 through 8 and pin 20. Connect the converter to pins 10 through 13 and 23 through 25 as shown on the circuit diagram. The modifications to your computer/terminal are now complete.

The final step is to make an adapter plug to connect the H-89 to the 20 ma computer loop. Connect pins 10 & 11 to the current loop sending data from the H-89 to the external device (pin 10 to the +20 ma; pin 11 to the -20 ma). Connect pins 12 & 13 to the loop receiving data from the external source (pin 12 to the +20 ma; pin 13 to the -20 ma). Finally connect pin 3 to pin 25, pin 7 to pin 24 and pin 2 to pin 23 within the plug.

The advantage of this connection is that P2 retains its original function if a standard RS-232 plug is connected to the terminal. When the adapter plug is connected the RS-232 signals are sent to the converter and 20 ma signals to the external device. Note however that this converter does not contain a current source, hence the external device must supply the current and MUST LIMIT IT TO 20 MILLIAMPERES as the converter does not contain a current limiter.

EOF

(vectored from page 9)

20030 -- Is a catch-all in that if there is an error for some unknown reason the error number (ERR) and the line (ERL) that the error occurred in will be displayed on the screen for easier trouble shooting.

STARTUP NOTES:

Before attempting to type in the <u>SAMPLE</u> program and while you are still in HDOS (Heath Disk Operating System) be sure to load your printer device driver.

Example: >LOAD LP:

Load in Microsoft BASIC and have fun typing the SAMPLE program. GK:



Dear HUG,

I would like to share this idea with other members who use HDOS MICROSOFT BASIC. When I received my MICROSOFT early in 1980, and worked through the software manual, I discovered that there was no multi-statement (line) command. Each time you needed a new line similiar to a line you had just entered, you were required to type that new line with a new line number. One day, when I read and worked through chapter 4,4 (EDIT COMMANDS), I worked especially with the command CTRL/A and discovered what I needed:

User types: LIST 100 Computer prints: REM FOR I=1 TO N User types: CTRL/A (A AND CTRL KEYS) Computer prints: ! User types: I(for insert) 1500 (RETURN) User types: LIST 1500 Computer prints: REM FOR I=1 TO N

You still have the old line number and you can proceed with the multi-statement because the last number is always in the memory buffer. (Just use the CTRL/A and I(nsert) before the new line you wish to create.

Knud Hinrichsen Oernevang 54 3450 Alleroed DK Denmark

Dear HUG,

I just spent hours looking through back issues of REMark to find a way of getting at the date one puts in at boot-up. Well, I couldn't find anything. So, I thought up a little one-liner in Microsoft BASIC which may not be anything new to the old hands, but may help some of the others.

10 DA\$="":FOR J%=8383 TO 8391: DA\$=DA\$+CHR\$(PEEK(J%)):NEXT J%:END The Variable DA\$ now contains the boot-up date>

Best regards

Lex Reinkeluers RR 5 London, Ontario Canada N6A 4B9

NOTE: a similiar technique was used in the Screen Format article presented in Issue 12 of REMark. You may wish to examine this program to see how the "date" function was implemented.

Dear HUG,

The "MOUNTALL" program described in Issue 12 of REMark will no longer function under HDOS 2.0. The following corrections will allow proper operation using the newest version.

- A. In the definitions the .ERROR EQU should now be 057Q.
- B. After the line 042.237 with the instruction STA DNUM you should insert an additional instruction - STA DNUM2
- C. Line 042.255, with the instruction LXI H,DRIVE, should be changed to indicate LXI H,DRIVE2.
- D. After line 043.003, the following lines should be inserted:

DRIVE2 DB 'SY' DNUM2 DB 'X:',0

The reason the program failed under version 2.0 was the end message character at line 043.003. When HDOS was rewritten, this character caused the Mount Scal to exit presumably under an undefined file error.

Yours truly, Clifford C. Lundberg 310 King Avenue Elk River, Minn. 55330

8k Memory Blues

ARCKLE, SPARKLE, LITTLE SNAP HOW I WONDER WHAT WENT ZAP? UP ABOVE MEMORY HIGH I PLUG YOU IN AND NOW I CRY.

IT MUST HAVE BEEN THOSE CHIPS THEY TUBED NOW THEY'RE GONE, ZERO TO "F" CUBED. WHY'D YOU DO THIS THING TO US? WHOOPS! LOOK OUT! THERE GOES THE BUS!

Kurt Schultz 115-1 Roxanne Ct. Walnut Creek, CA 94596

HUGBB on MicroNET

Wow, the response and activity of the HUG Bulletin Board is fantastic. I have been adding at least two or three users to the list of HUGBB members every two days. With each new member comes more monitoring and maintenance to be done by yours truly. Even with all this new, additional work load the HUGBB has been running great.

The credit for the smooth running Bulletin Board goes to Richard Taylor, the original creator of the BB, and Russel Renshaw of MicroNET. Gentlemen, we thank you for your support over the past weeks when we needed your help and expertise.

All this "smooth sailing" is just in time for a new rumor . . . the HUGBB may be moving. Russel Renshaw (the MNET Wizard) is writing a new Bulletin Board system that we may move to. From the outline he submitted the projected BB looks really nice . . . much more user oriented.

At this time however, we cannot project that we will or will not change to the new BB system. Therefore, it makes it extremely difficult to write an article about the HUGBB when by the time this REMark magazine "hits" the street what we print may not be pertinent.

Also of importance, and which we have discovered is a most discouraging and disheartening fact . . . that is that MicroNET as of around the first of February has been selling and promoting their membership through one of our "friendly neighborhood" competitors of which will remain nameless at this time.

MicroNET and our competitor have signed a contract that limits all other hardware manufacturers if they choose to sell MicroNET memberships. MicroNET did indicate to us that they will honor all mailed membership forms but did not indicate any turn-around time. So for the time being if you plan on becoming a member of the MicroNET system and the HUG Bulletin Board you might have to visit our competitor to "sign on".

As operators of the finest microprocessors available on the market today and as a Users' Group second to none, I do not like to sit and have our BB on a system that caters to another group. (That was a little pride showing through . . I hope they take the "hint"!!) Meanwhile, we must sit tight and wait to see what developes in the near future.

Related to this is my next thought .. QUESTION ... How many of you HUGBB users are familiar with "SOURCE"? We just want to put out some "feelers" and see what kind of response you give. The SOURCE people stopped by to pay us a visit again . I guess in the past there were pretty bad feelings about SOURCE. At the present time they have much improved there services as I understand. This was my first introduction to SOURCE and I was impressed to say the least.

Bob will be writing an article for REMark 17 which will explain SOURCE and their revisit here to HUG. So until we have a chance to view SOURCE, we will "stay low" so as not to cause any "uproar" . . whatever that may include.

Well, there you have it . . . good news, bad news, and informative news all in one nice "swoop". Until we know more, that is the extent that we can cover in detail about the MicroNET system and the HUG Bulletin Board.

For your reference I am including an outline of tenative facilities of the new bulletin board that MNET is designing for the HUG Bulletin Board and other Special Interest Groups (SIGs). (The numbers in parentheses are relative priorities in implementation.)

NOTE: This outline is dated the 10th of February 1981 with a transistion completion date of after March 1st. (This is why we may be into a new Bulletin Board before you get this issue.)

MNET-80 type of message system (1) a. Public messages (1) b. Member Only (MO) messages

i. For everyone ii. For specific member (1) Variable line length output, keyed to user's terminal parameters (2) Direct feedback to SYSOP MO and Public Databases a. Direct typeout (2) b. FILTRN access for downloading
(3) c. Send to user's filespace (3) Host-resident Program Library For example, programs which exploit specific features of manufacturer's equipment, such as sound or special graphics. (1) Choice of Menu or Command mode (2) Real-time Facilities a. USTAT - show other current users of the SIG (BB) "CB-like" communication with: b. i. Public channelii. Member Only channel "TALK" for private user-to-user communication C. SYSOP functions (keyed on SYSOP's User ID) (1) a. Edit MO access list (1) b. Edit databases c. Edit program library (3)

- (1) d. Delete any public or MO message
- (2) e. Read/delete SYSOP feedback

This will give you a general picture of what the new HUGBB could conceivably consist of . . . We may or may not be on the new Bulletin Board at the time of this issues' release.

The following messages have been left on the HUG Bulletin Board and I thought you might find them informative . . .

Msg#- 3805 Date- FEB. 5, 1981 23:38 From- Tom Jorgenson 70120,153 To- JERRY ZUCKERMAN Subject- HDOS/CPM

JERRY - NEVER WOULD'VE BELIEVED THAT SUCH A CONTROVERSY COULD ARISE OVER SUCH THINGS AS THESE TWO OPERATING SYSTEMS. AS WITH ANYTHING ELSE, NEITHER SYSTEM IS ACTUALLY 'BETTER' OR MORE PROFESSIONAL THAN THE OTHER! (BESIDES, HAVING WORKED ON 'PROFESSIONAL MINIS AND LARGE-FRAMES FOR THE LAST DECADE' I CAN TELL YOU THAT BOTH ARE SUPERIOR TO MANY OF THE PROS). CP/M IS A NON-PROTECTIVE SYSTEM INTENTIONALLY, IT'S INTENDED MAINLY FOR THE ASSEMBLY PROGRAMMER (WHO GETS PERTURBED WHENEVER THE SYSTEM FIGHTS HIM WITH NON-RETRIEVABLE ERRORS). HDOS IS INTENDED FOR MAXIMUM PROTECTION OF THE SYSTEM FROM THE USER, AND TO BE EASY TO LEARN (WHICH CP/M ISN'T). BOTH SYSTEMS HAVE BOTH FLIGHTS OF GENIUS AND STRAINS OF FOOLISHNESS IN THEM (WHICH THEY KNOW AND ARE STUCK WITH)...SO, WHAT THE HEY! I USE BOTH AS EACH IS INTENDED...BUT I SURE HATE TO SEE EITHER OF THEM KNOCKED!! BEST REGARDS AND ALL!! TOM JORGENSON

Msg#- 3891 Date- FEB. 8, 1981 18:14 From- ROB RALSTON 70040,767 Subject- MICRONET COMMUNICATIONS

JIM, I HAD ANOTHER PROBLEM WHEN GETTING ACQUAINTED WITH MICRONET THAT MAY BE USEFUL TO PASS ON TO OTHER HUG MEMBERS WHO HAVEN'T BECOME USERS OF THE MICRONET SYSTEM YET. WHEN I FIRST TRIED TO LOG-ON, I GOT A REQUEST FOR "U3%2 ID :". AT FIRST I THOUGHT THERE WAS A NOISE PROBLEM ON THE LINE, BUT NO MATTER HOW MANY TIMES I HIT CTL-C I GOT THE SAME MESSAGE. I KNEW THEN THAT IT WASN'T WITH THE SYSTEM BUT WAS PROBABLY SOMETHING 'SIMPLE' ON MY END. WELL, A COUPLE OF PHONE CALLS LATER I WAS TALKING TO MR. JIM DAVENPORT AT COMPUSERVE. WHEN I EXPLAINED MY PROBLEM HE SAID, "YOU MUST HAVE A HEATHKIT TERMINAL". I KNEW THEN THAT I WAS SAVED. WELL, AS I THOUGHT, IT WAS SIMPLE. I WAS RECEIVING LOWER CASE ASCII WHICH MY H9 COULDN'T SWALLOW. HE INFORMED ME THAT I COULD TEMPORARILY RECONFIGURE OUTPUT TO MY TERMINAL BY TYPING: "MIC<RETURN>" THEN:"TER VTD 232<RETURN>". NOW I WAS RECEIVING ALL UPPER CASE ASCII AND COULD RUN THE 'R DEFALT' PROGRAM TO PERMANENTLY RECONFIGURE OUTPUT TO MY TERMINAL. OF COURSE, AT LOGIN I STILL RECEIVE THE GARBLED INFO UNTIL IT RECOGNIZES ME AFTER MY PASSWORD.

Msg#- 3890 Date- FEB. 8, 1981 18:14 From- ROB RALSTON 70040,767 To- JIM BLAKE Subject- UDS MODEM

JIM, I WOULD LIKE TO PASS ON SOME INFORMATION FOR POSSIBLE PUBLICATION IN A FUTURE ISSUE OF REMARK. I RECENTLY PURCHASED THE 'UDS' DIRECT CONNECT MODEM THRU HEATH. THE UNIT APPEARED NOT TO FUNCTION WHEN CONNECTED UP TO MY H9 TERMINAL. UPON INVESTIGATING WITH A SCOPE, I FOUND THAT AFTER ISSUING THE INITIAL CTL-C TO ACCESS THE SYSTEM, I WAS INDEED GETTING A RESPONSE BUT MY TERMINAL WASN'T PRINTING ANYTHING. THE MODEM WAS APPARENTLY NOT DRIVING THE EIA INPUT HARD ENOUGH, AS THE VOLTAGE LEVELS WERE BORDERLINE. WITH A RESISTANCE SUBSTITUTION BOX I FOUND THAT ADDING 10K ACCROSS R618 ON THE I/O BOARD MADE EVERYTHING WORK JUST FINE. I CERTAINLY DON'T KNOW IF THIS IS UNIQUE TO MY H9, OR POSSIBLY DUE TO LOW VOLTAGE LEVELS ON MY PHONE LINES, BUT IT WORKED AND I HOPE THAT PASSING THIS ON MAY HELP SOMEONE ELSE.

Msg#- 4141 Date- FEB. 17, 1981 20:43 From- Mike Cogswell 70140,363 To- SYSOP: 70000,21 (X) Subject- GENDW.DW

There is a copy of 'GENDW.DW' available on my directory for your use, (or anyone else's). The program can be downloaded from MNET and assembled using the standard HDOS 'ASM.ABS' assembler. Once assembled, GENDW will take any '.ABS' program as an input file and use it to create a source code that consists of nothing but an 'ORG' and a lot of 'DW' statements. The resulting '.DW' file can then be uploaded to MNET and made available for others to use since the "source" is in ASCII. These '.DW' files can be downloaded and reassembled using the Heath assembler back into the original '.ABS' program. A slick way of transferring '.ABS' files over the phone using programs that will not transmit an absolute file. There is one small catch however, the 'GENDW.DW' program WILL NOT WORK with a relocatable program (i.e., one originally assembled using the CODE PIC psuedo-op). In other words, it won't work with the system overlays or any of the Device Drivers. Other than that, it's great! Hope you find this helpful __Mike P.S. Please delete message #4118 for me. TNX

Tom Jorgenson, I hope you don't mind me printing your expose' of HDOS verses CP/M. There was a big "discussion" going on over the Bulletin Board that weekend and I felt that Tom summed up the most objective view . . . and may I say, I agree whole heartedly with him.

Well, that about "raps it up" for the "HUGBB on MicroNET" for this issue of REMark. I thank all of you HUGBB members who have been so very encouraging during the "ups and downs" of the Bulletin Board. You are the "gang" that makes the HUGBB an interesting and informative Board . . . Keep up the excellent input and "good work".

SYSOP <TLJ>

(vectored from page 5)

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--NEWOUT/BEEP.ASM/
--BYE
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When we typed "BY" the EDITor completed its' task and returned us to the HDOS prompt (>). Under HDOS, we can now produce a "hardcopy" if a printer is available (optional) by typing the following:

>COPY LP:=BEEP.ASM (RETURN)

You should now have a listing which looks exactly like fig. A. Further, if you catalog your disk you will find the file named BEEP.ASM under the directory.

WHAT NEXT?

We have now DESIGNED a program. We have examined the FLOW. We have (hopefully) used the HDOS EDIT to enter the program. We have discussed FIELDS used by the Assembler. Next, we will use the ASM (Assembler) to obtain a listing and a "runnable" program. But, right now it's time for my coffee-break and you'll have to wait 'till the next issue of REMark to complete this thing.

Local HUG News

NOHUG (New Orleans Heath Users' Group) is currently meeting the first Wednesday of every month at 7:30 pm. This group meets at the Kenner Heath Electronics Center located at 1900 Veterans Memorial Highway; Kenner, LA 70062. For additional information, contact the Heath Center by calling (504) 467-6321.

Richard Senecal is interested in forming a new club for Heath users' in his area. Richard can be contacted at his home by writing him at RFD#3 Box 283 A.; Columbia, SC 29206 or by calling (803) 736-0510 after 6:00 pm. Rich says he's a little remote and hopes there are other users in his area to help out!

H-11 OWNERS.....

A Special Interest Group (SIG) for H-ll users is forming within the Capital Heath Users' Group known as CHUG in the Washington, DC area. For specific information, contact J. Bramlage c/o CHUG; P.O. Box 341; Fairfax, VA 22030.

WANTING TO START NEW GROUP

Mr. Robert Sloat of Tice Florida is interested in contacting owners of Heath equipment with hopes of forming a local HUG. Bob teaches novice classes sponsored by the Fort Myers Amateur Radio Club. He informs us that he is equipped with an H89 along with an H8 and H9. Bob can be contacted by writing to P.O. Box 05-37; Tice, FL 33905.

From Canada...The Greater Vancouver Heath Users' Group meets on the final Wednesday of each month at their local Heath Electronics Center located at 3058 Kingsway, Vancouver B.C. at 7:30 pm.

The Pomona Heath Users' Group has been formed in Pomona, California. Meetings are scheduled for the first and third Saturday of each month at 3:30 pm. They will be held at the Heath Electronics Center located on 1555 North Orange Grove Ave.; Pomona, CA 91767. Contact Doug at (714) 623-3543 for additional information.

> DENHUG INCORPORATES AS A NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION

The Denver Heath Users' Group general membership meetings are held on the second Monday of each month at the local Heath Electronics Center located on 5940 West 38th Ave.; Denver, CO 80212. Further Details can be obtained from Alfred K. Carr, Treasure and Registered Agent for DENHUG by writing P.O. Box 20422; Denver, CO 80220; or calling (303) 320-7552 (voice and modem). Al informs us that their group is currently exchanging newsletters with CHUG (Capital Heath Users' Group) to increase the exchange of information for all members of both groups!

NEW GROUP IN LITTLEROCK

Richard Allen is interested in forming a local HUG in or around Little Rock. If you wish to contact Dick you may write him at 4300 East 43rd Street; North Little Rock AR 72117.

Jack Leach and Richard Crawford are attempting to contact local users in the Portland area in an effort to form a new HUG group. If you are interested in joining their campaign, you can contact them at the following addresses:

Jack Leach (206) 693-2485 5008 N.E. 18th Ave. Vancouver, Wash 98663

Richard Crawford (503) 642-9307 3220 S.W. 173rd Aloha, OR 97006

CLUB HAPPENINGS

Remember, if you're interested in forming a new Heath Users' Group in your area or if your club is planning special activities, PLEASE let us know as quickly as possible so that we can pass on this valuable information to others! (vectored from page 15)

expression "No-Date" in the date column of your directory for all files created under NO-DATE. In my opinion, having a date looks nicer, even if it is an old one.

TRACK 2 SECTOR 0

LOCATION	OLD VALUE	NEW VALUE
53	20	3A
54	A8	A0
76	29	20
77	3 F	20
7C	CD	C9

3. Remove "BOOT"

This patch is a cosmetic improvement for the first patch. It eliminates the printing of the word "BOOT" by HDOS, which is still done after the first patch even though it is not needed.

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TRACK 0 SECTOR 2

54

LOCATION	OLD VALUE	NEW VALUE
C6	42	20
C7	4F	20
C8	4F	20

These patches, when combined with an appropriate PROLOGUE.SYS and the proper switch settings on an H89 with the new ROMs or an H8 with the extended configuration option, can give you true turn-key operation. You can turn the power on, insert your disk(s), and be in a user program with no further operations necessary.

PS:

HUG BUG: The part number for the CP/M programs TERM and H8COPY was listed incorrectly in the REMARK #15 HUG Products List (page 17) as 885-1027. The correct part number is 885-1207.

Hole to Fill

Your Heath Users' Group team has been working at "break-neck" speed to bring REMark back on schedule! I am happy to report that we are almost there. In the future we hope to bring you some interesting and "powerful" data base systems submitted by your fellow users. Things are beginning to shape up rapidly with many new and exciting programs for all of us to look at. We're still knee deep in work and hope that each of you will offer the continued support that has been noted in the last couple of months. THANX TO ALL.

BE:

P.S. This is all the room the "gang" would give me for comments!!!

Changing your address? Be sure and let us know since the software catalog and REMark are mailed bulk rate and it is not forwarded or returned.

----- CUT ALONG THIS LINE ------

HUG MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FORM

When was the last time you renewed?

Check your ID card for your expiration date.

IS THE INFORMATION ON THE REVERSE SIDE CORRECT? IF NOT FILL IN BELOW.

Name _____

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Address _____

City-State _____

Zip _____

REMEMBER - ENCLOSE CHECK OR MONEY ORDER

CHECK THE APPROPRIATE BOX AND RETURN TO HUG

	NEW MEMBERSHIP		
	FEE IS:		
RENEWAL RATES			
US DOMESTIC	\$15 🔲	\$18	
CANADA	\$17 🔲 US FUNDS	\$20	
INTERNAT'L*	\$22 🔲 US FUNDS	\$28	

* Membership in England, France, Germany, Belgium, Holland, Sweden and Switzerland is aquired through the local distributor at the prevailing rate.

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H11/H19 Video Editor

The H-19 Video Editor is a powerful screen oriented editor which uses the features of the H-19 terminal to allow the H-19 screen to serve as a "window" on the Text Buffer. All changes to the Text Buffer are displayed immediately, making the editing process very accurate. The cursor is used as the Text Pointer thus keeping you informed of the current buffer position.

The main editor of the H-19 Video Editor is the DEC editor TECO Version 28. TECO is an extremely powerful and complicated editor. Over 40 TECO commands have been implemented on the H-19 keypad and Special Function keys so that most editing tasks may be completed without ever typing an editor command sequence. For example, 'HOME' takes the text pointer to the start of the Text Buffer and the 'ERASE' deletes text from the Text Pointer position to the end of the buffer.

ORDERING INFORMATION

The H-19 Video Editor is available on an 8" floppy disk with user manual for \$75.00 from:

> David L. O'Conner 370 Eden Street Buffalo, NY 14220

NOTE: A version of this program for RT-11 Version 4 and TECO Version 36 is available. This will not run on older versions of TECO or HT-11. The price is the same. Specify VIDEO EDITOR FOR TECO 36 when ordering.

That Football in Tiny BASIC

10 LET W=-5 20 LET A=-5 30 LET B=A*A 40 LET C=0 50 IF B=C THEN PRINT "*"; 60 IF B>C THEN PRINT " "; 70 LET C=C+1 80 IF C<=B THEN GOTO 50 90 LET A=A+1 100 LET X=W*W 110 LET Y=58-X 120 LET Z=C 130 IF Y=Z THEN PRINT "*" 140 IF Y>Z THEN PRINT " "; 150 LET Z=Z+1 160 IF Y>=Z THEN 130 170 LET W=W+1 180 IF W<>6 THEN 30 190 END

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