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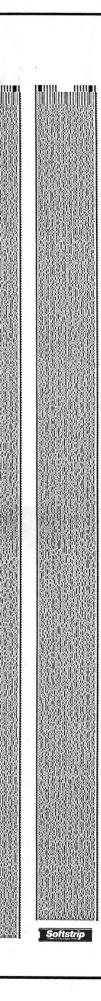
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that, and a LaserWriter can cram 3.5K of information into one strip. If you absolutely must have the maximum 5K on a single Softstrip, you can send a diskette to Cauzin Systems, which will print a 5K strip that you can take to a typesetter and have printed up for publication.

#### **Error Alert**

The Cauzin Softstrip reader appears to have excellent error-detection and correction capability. It checks the data as it goes, using both parity and CRC (cyclical redundancy checking) error-detection on each row of data in the datastrip.

CauzComm lets you know when the reader cannot read the datastrip because of misalignment of the paper,

## TIPS FOR SOFTSTRIP SYSTEM READER USERS

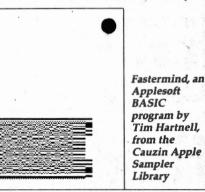
1. Don't jar the reader while it is scanning a Softstrip, so it won't "lose its place." 2. If your printer is turning out datastrips of poor legibility, you can make them easier for the Cauzin reader to read accurately; just make a photocopy of the datastrip. In particular, Xerox copies have a high carbon content, and the Cauzin reader is contrast-sensitive to carbon. (Carbon absorbs the infrared light that the reader uses to read a datastrip.) 3. If you accidentally mark a Softstrip with ink, it will probably not matter at all. If you spill coffee on it, don't despair; just photocopy the datastrip quickly, before the liquid wrinkles the paper and dimensional changes make it unreadable. 4. Folded photocopies are likely to be unreadable, because the carbon actually flakes off the crease in the paper.

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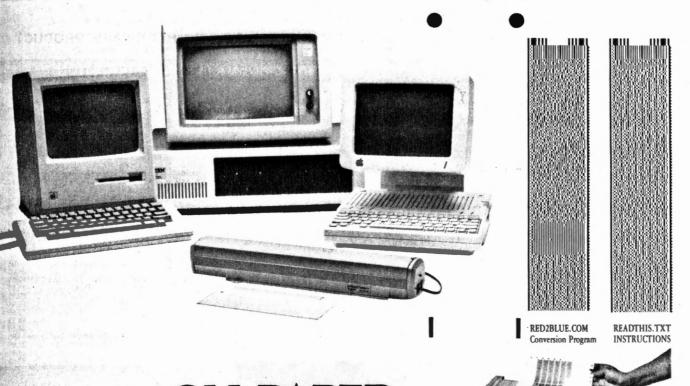
jarring of the reader, or another reason. The reader appears to be able to tolerate about a 6% change in the dimensions of a datastrip, allowing for moisture changes but not wrinkling of the paper.

The Cauzin reader doesn't come with much documentation, but you don't need much. Once you've figured out how to align the reader on a datastrip, there's little else to learn. For the curious, it would be nice to have some more technical details on how the reader works and how to produce the most reliable datastrips.

Using a Cauzin reader cannot compare to the ease of just popping a diskette into a drive. The datastrip medium makes life easier not for you,



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**ON PAPER** 

Use Mac or Apple files on a PC? Difficult? Not with the revolutionary Cauzin Softstrip™ System. With it you can easily move data between incompatible computers. Transfer ASCII or binary, word processing, data base or spreadsheet files. Mac to PC. PC to Mac. Apple to PC. And back again.

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But that's just the beginning of the Softstrip story and the real art of stripping ....

How can you take an Apple file and read it into a PC word processor? • Enter your document in DOS 3.3 AppleWriter, or convert a ProDOS AppleWriter

- file to DOS 3.3, or save an AppleWorks file as ASCII and convert it to DOS 3.3.
- Print your file as strips using Apple STRIPPER<sup>™</sup>.

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- Read the strips into the PC with the Softstrip reader.
- Follow directions contained in READTHIS. TXT (strip above, right).
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It's the year 2000. For the last two months you've been shut-up inside a fallout shelter. A nuclear war broke out and most of the population has been wiped off the face of the phase. Your food rations are nearly exhausted. A quick inventory brings you to the realization that you have enough food for three days, water for seven, and a rifle with 50 bullets left.

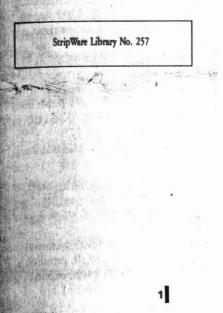
One question keeps going through your mind... Is there life after an atomic attack? You debate with yourself whether to leave the shelter or not. Your crumbling stomach answers for you. What dangers lie on the other side of the doorway? Wild creatures, pollution, poisonous gases, humans gone mad. Can you survive? You cautiously push the door open.

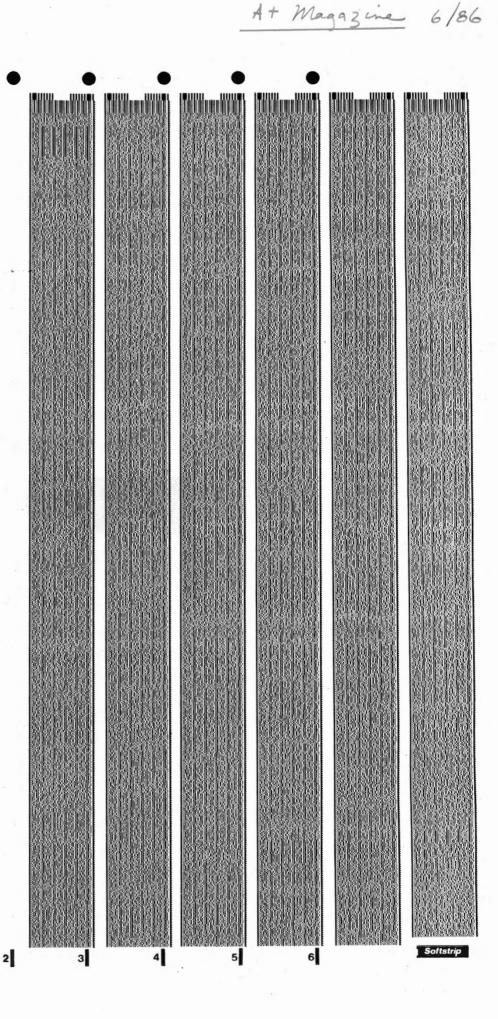
The six data strips on the right contain the text adventure ATOMIC SURVIVAL reprinted from a new computer medium called UPTIME... The magazine on a Disk, from Viking Technologies, Inc. Read the strips into your Apple and ran the program. There are on screen instructions you can follow. Press CONTROL-RESET to exit.

Just remember, your own fate, and that of mankind itself, is in your hands!

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## TRAVEL WITH HALLEY'S COMET

For centuries, man has been fascinated with the heavens. In this year of the return of Halley's Comet, there is renewed interest in the stars. How much do you really know about Comet Halley? Where should you look to spot the Comet? What constellations will it has through, and when? At Magazine 5/86

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You can find the answers to these questions and more on the two data strips on the near ight. They contain the program **STARWATCH**, which appeared in a special issue of UPTIME... the magazine on a disk.

Read in the data strips and RUN the program. You're presented with three choices: PLOT THE STARS shows you the constellations in Halley's path. STAR QUIZ will test our knowledge of the heavens Halley passes through. Finally, PLOT HALLEY'S PATH hows you Halley's trip through the constellations.

## MAKE YOUR OWN IMPRESSIVE POSTERS

Having a party? Want to say something in a big way? Are you going to a game and want to give your favorite player a boost? Maybe you've finally built up enough nerve to sk Sally to marry you, and you want to put a banner near the highway for everyone to see.

Read in the two data strips on the far right and type in RUN POSTER.PRINTER. This program, by Jeffrey Mills and John Fedak originally appeared in hotCider, is menutriven. It does not print lowercase letters. Experiment with your printer and produce austomized posters that express thoughts or ideas in your own personal style.

Poster Printer will provide you with hours of fun. Be careful though, always keep some atra paper near by. You see, **POSTER PRINTER** can be addictive.

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#### SORTING: USING TINY BUBBLES

Today, more than ever before, computer wers are interested in arranging and sorting wast amounts of information. Essential to this process is the element of speed. One of the quickest and most efficient methods werd in numerous programs today is bubble sorting.

The four data strips on the near right contain the program BUBBLE SORT by Alex May. Alex has come up with a unique way of showing how a computer arranges items.

Read the strips into your Apple and run the program. Press CONTROL-RESET to exit.

#### **BECOME MORE EFFICIENT**

Efficiency has become a popular "buzz" word in today's society. Like most terms, everybody talks about it but few can tell you how to measure its results. TOWER PUZZLE is a thought game that helps you measure your personal efficiency.

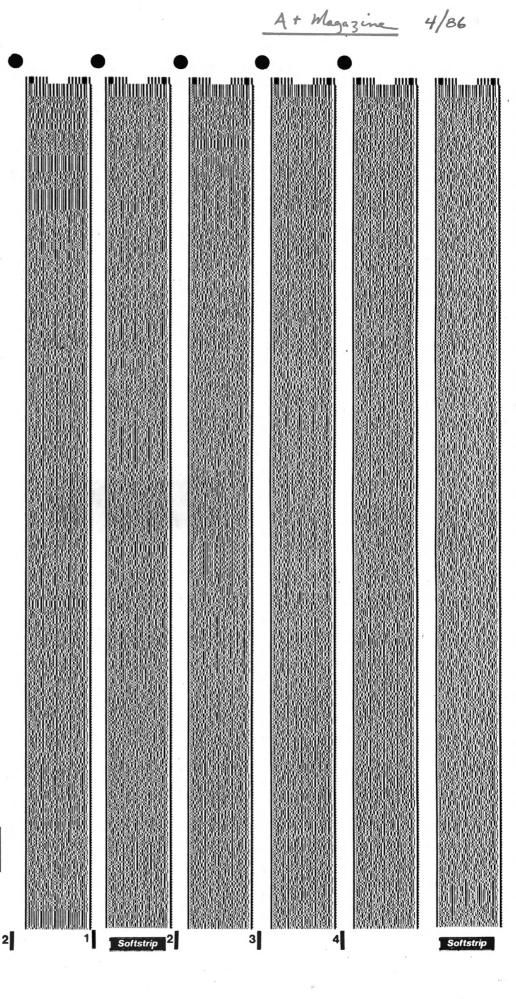
You're presented with three posts. You welect one to ten rings and try to move them from post to post... efficiently. At first, this might sound easy, try it! You'll be very surprised.

Read the two strips, on the far right, into your Apple and run the program. Press CONTROL-RESET to exit.

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## MARQUEE de SCREEN

Are you tired of the same olds screens staring you in the face all the time? The data strips on the right contain a program called SCREEN SPINNER by Steven Kearns which might well be the answer to your problem. The program is designed to eliminate those 'same old screen blues.'

SCREEN SPINNER is designed to take any string of alphanumeric characters and spin it around the perimeter of the screen in continuous motion in either clock or counterclockwise direction. You control the speed of the spin. Leave a message in a stationary position, or spin it at unreadable blinding speed. The choice is up to you.

Your message may be any length up to 255 characters. You can make it flash, inverse, or even mix-up the modes if you like. How about personalizing your program. Just sign your name and let people know who the genius behind the screen is.

There are two files on these strips. SPINNER is the main program and a machine language utility. It is compatible with either DOS 3.3 or ProDOS. SPINNER.DEMO1 is written in Applesoft BASIC and demonstrates how to use SPINNER.

After you read in the data strips, you can run the program from the Cauzin menu, or enter RUN SPINNER. DEMO1. Press the SPACE BAR to go from screen to screen. Exit any time by pressing CONTROL-RESET.

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## LEARN MORE ABOUT YOUR FUTURE

Do you ever wake up in the morning wondering what the day will bring? Is it a good day to go golfing, or is this the day to tackle that report you've been putting off. Let's face it, some days you feel like doing certain things and other days dynamite couldn't inspire you.

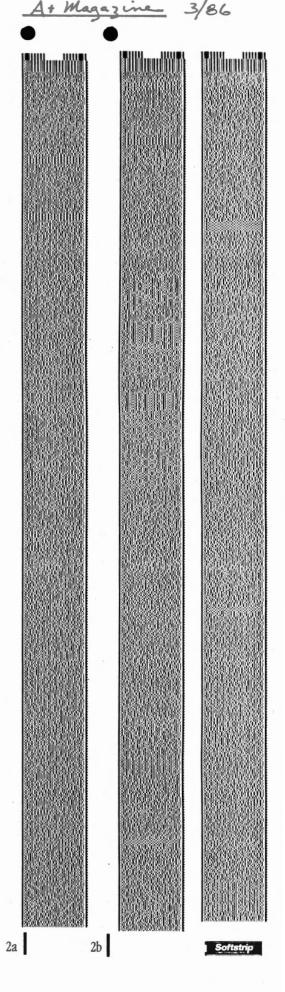
One of the things affecting your decision making is the changes you experience in physical coordination, mood, and mental awareness which come in cycles called biorhythms. They are based on your intellectual, emotional, and physical attributes. The cycles are unique to each individual and begin the moment you are born. The duration of each cycle also differs, so keeping track is a time consuming process.

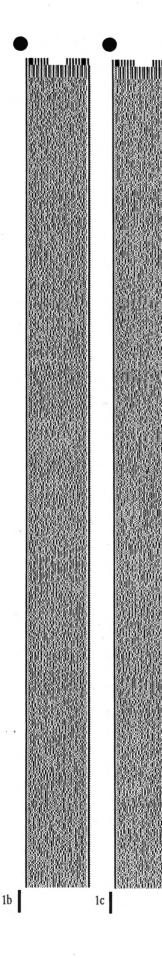
The data strips on the right contain a program called COMPOSITE BIORHYTHMS by Lee Banks, which appeared in NIBBLE Magazine, November 1984, page 69. Knowing when your critical days are will give you an edge and help you to prepare to be your best.

After you read in the data strips, you can either RUN the program from the Cauzin communications menu or you can enter RUN COMP.BIO. This program will work with either DOS 3.3 or ProDOS. From the menu you can display your current position in biorhythm cycles for today, or display a composite chart for an overview of the month. Quit anytime by choosing EXIT from the main menu or by pressing CONTROL-RESET.

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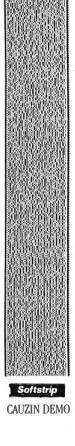
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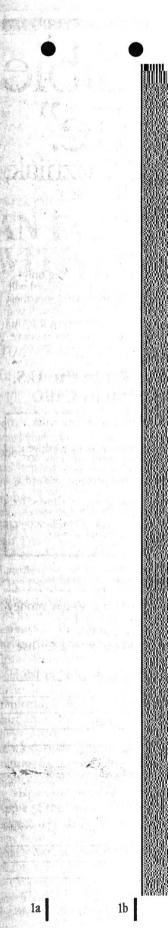
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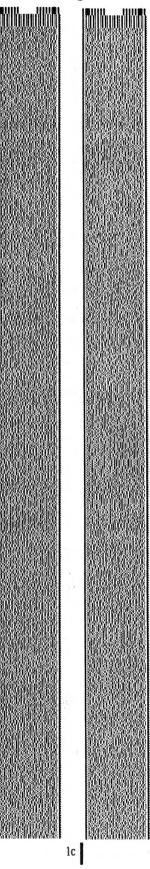
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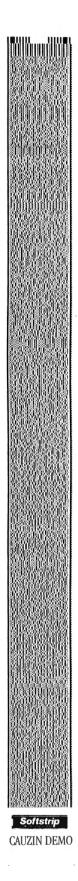
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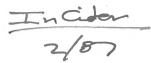
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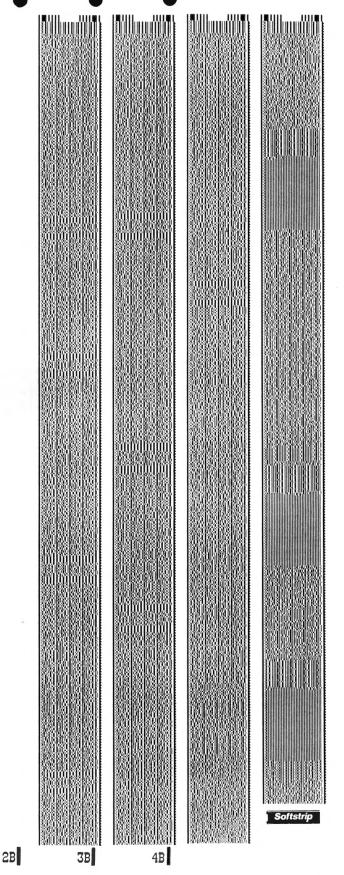


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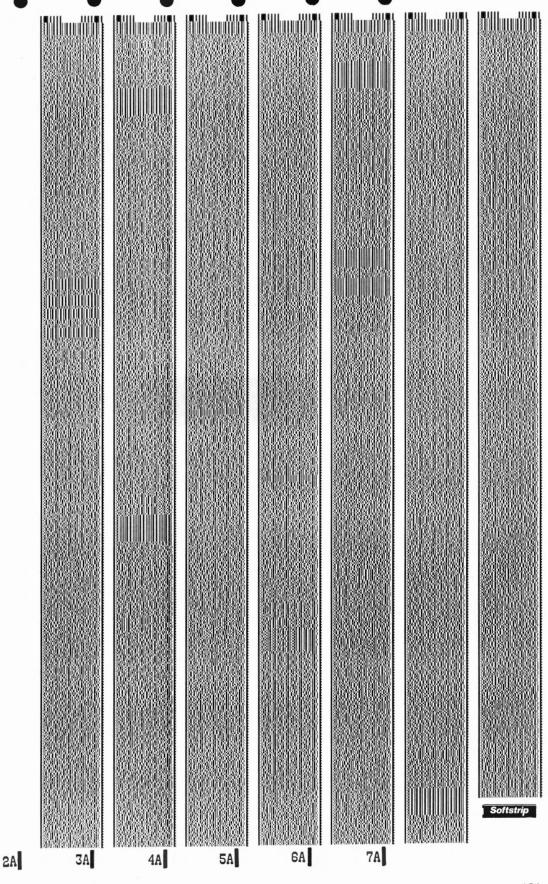
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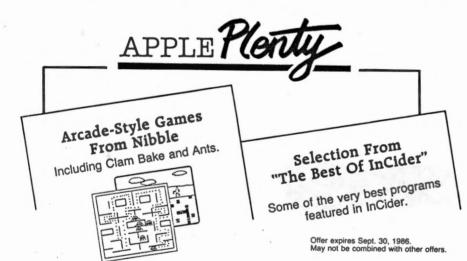
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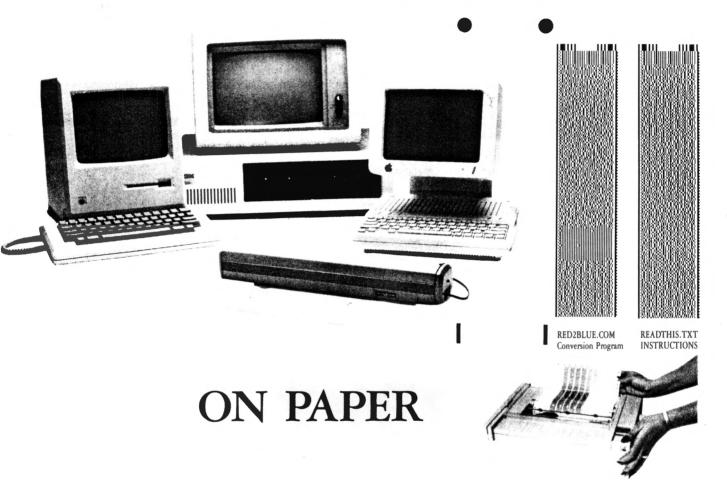
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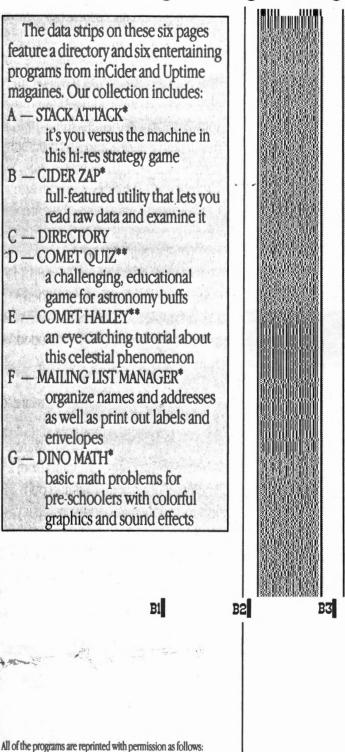
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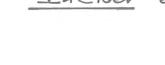
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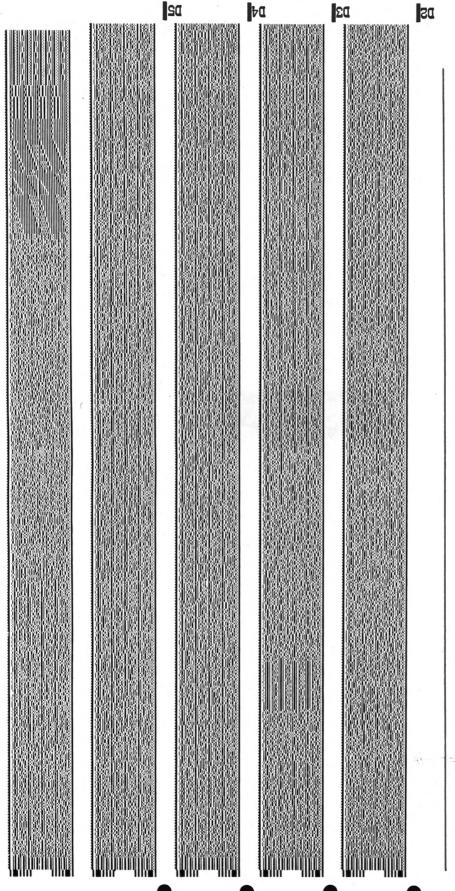
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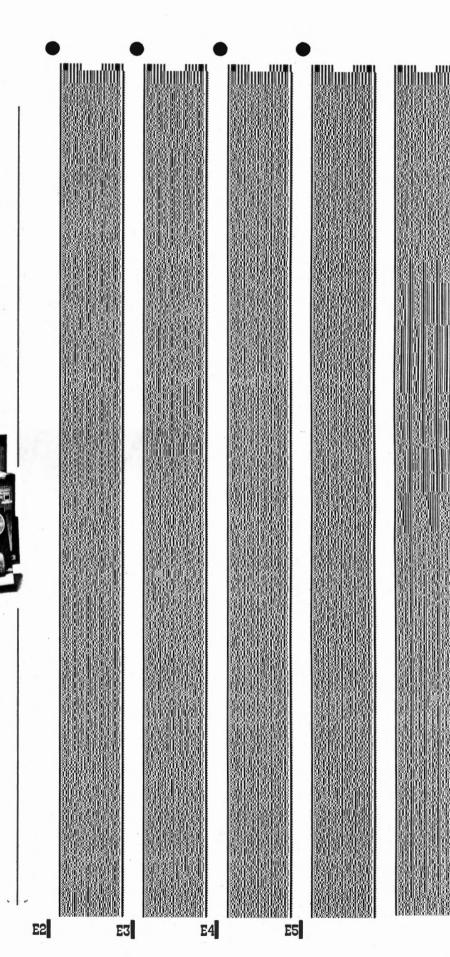
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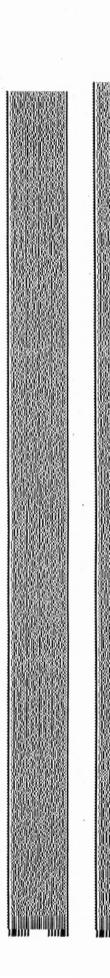


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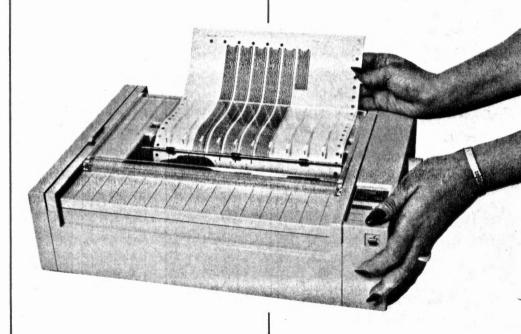
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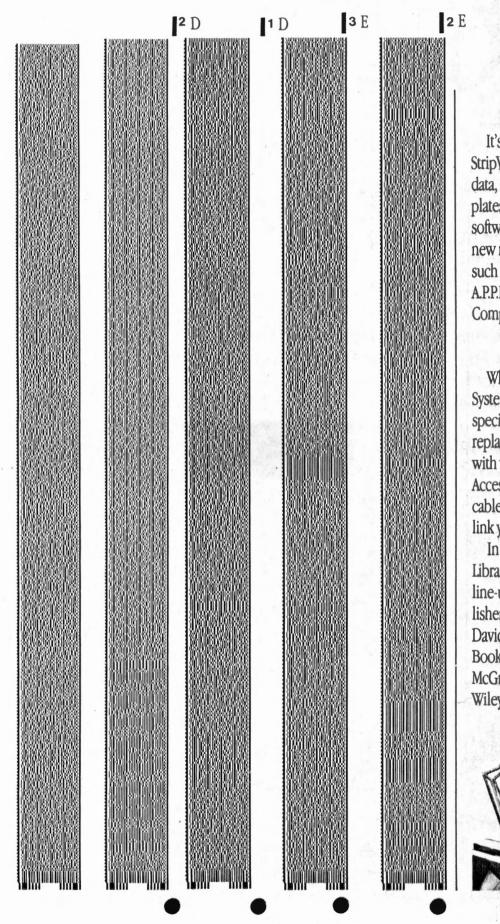
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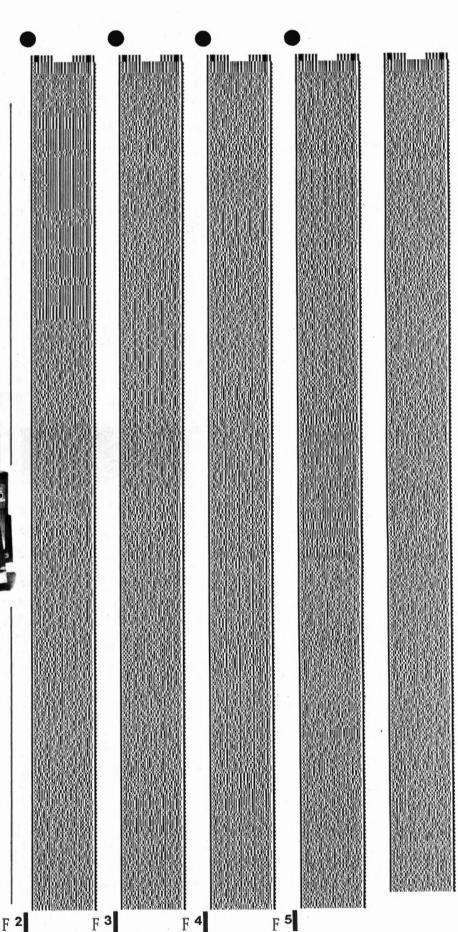
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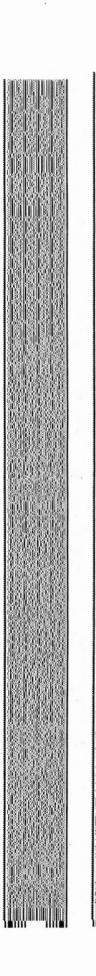


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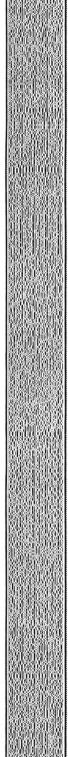
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## IS IT DOG, OR IS IT CHIEN?

The data strips on the right contains the program FLASHCARDS by Peter and Jerry Lachenbruch, which appeared in the May, 1984 issue of inCider. You'll find the program useful whether you're trying to learn French or brush up on some basics.

There is a collection of 30 word pairs, for studying conjugations of selected verbs. The program also contains a list of 20 word pairs for the advanced French linguist.

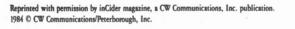
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## SOLVING GRAPH EQUATIONS

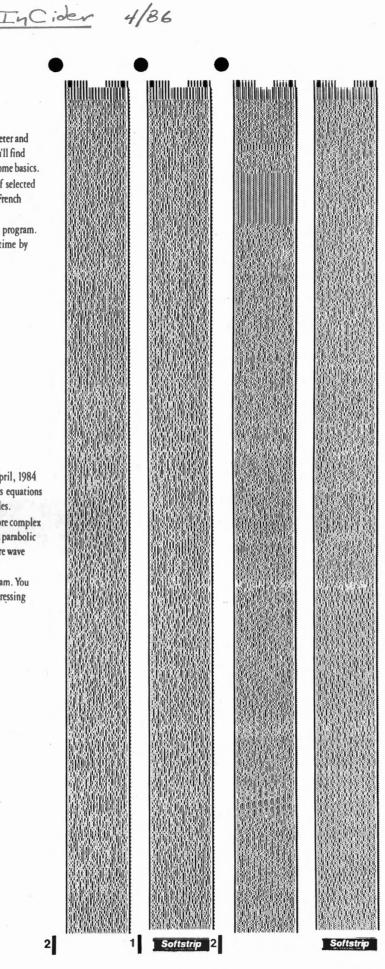
FUNCTION PLOTTER, a program by Don Fudge, appeared in the April, 1984 issue of inCider. A function plotter is a utility that solves and graphs equations (functions) that represent mathematical relationships between variables.

The equation might be something simple like Y = X - 3. It can be more complex like Y = SIN(X) or Y = 3(SIN(1/3(X - n/3))). A bell curve in statistics, a parabolic curve in physics and astronomy, a cosine curve in trigonometry, or a square wave curve in psychology are all examples of graphed functions.

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An unidentified fleet is on the horizon, heading your way. So, prepare to engage the enemy—via your modem. Here is the hi-tech version of Battleship, an old pencil-and-paper game. It is a game of strategy where you try to find and destroy your opponent's navy before yours is sunk.

These data strips contain MODEM BATTLESHIP, by Kerry Lanz and Bob Ryan, for any Apple II compter and the Hayes Micromodem, Micromodem //e, and Hayes-compatible modems. It is reprinted from *inCider* Magazine, May, 1985.

Read the strips into any Apple II computer following the directions that come with your Cauzin Softstrip™ System reader.

There are three files on these strips. M.BATTLESHIP is the main program written in BASIC. It is compatible with DOS 3.3 and ProDOS. SOUND is a short binary file that provides sound effects for the game. It is loaded automatically when you run M.BATTLESHIP.

MODEM. TEXT is a text file created by Apple Writer that contains the complete original article. It has full documentation for using the program. Most popular word processors (including Apple Writer and AppleWorks) can use it.

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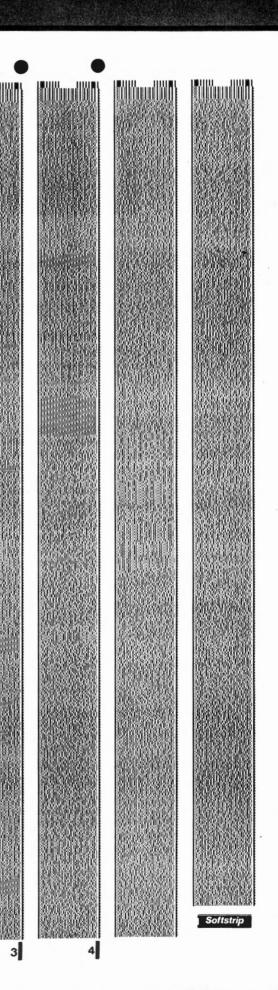
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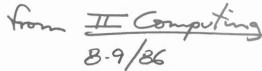
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This Softstrip contains Bill Marquardt's TYPERIGHT (page 55) and Michael Biancalana's FLASH.MATH (page 68.)//

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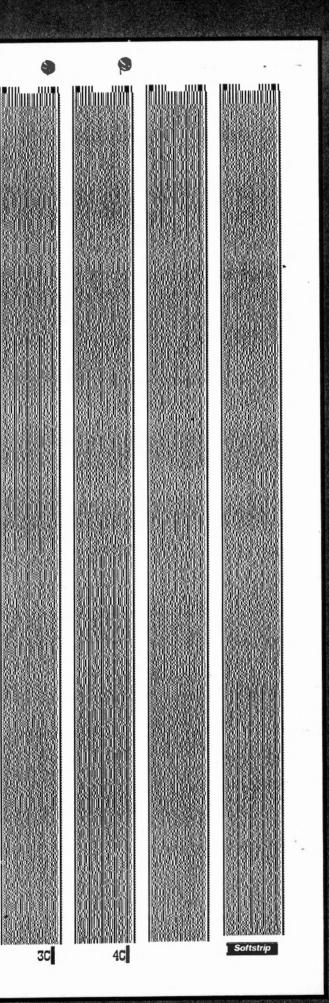


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#### This Softstrip contains Tracy and Lori Hershey's CASTLE GAME (see page 68).//



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There's something new in this month's *II Computing*: the Softstrip from Cauzin Systems. The **Shuttle Tracker** program, along with its accompanying map of the earth, appears in the Program Listings section on page 77 in this special machine-readable form.

The Softstrip is a new way to include computer data and programs in printed publications such as books and magazines. Each Softstrip contains about 5K of data, program listings, or graphics—anything that can be put on a computer disk file.

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Line 2010 starts the FOR/NEXT loop that runs the length of the shuttle's flight.

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Lines 2030 to 2310 calculate and display the flight data at the bottom of the screen, and plot the new shuttle position on the map.

Line 2320 ends the main program loop, and line 2330 ends the program. Lines 9020 to 9060 set up arrays and the hi-res screen, and load the world map, WORLD.PIC.

Lines 9070 to 9250 print the title screen and ask for the mission data. Lines 9270 to 9350 set up constants

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the program uses. KT is the length of time the shuttle takes to orbit the earth, calculated with Kepler's third law. KD is used to calculate the circumference of the shuttle's orbit for distance calculations. L0 and L8 are longitudes 0 and 180, respectively; LK is the longitude of the Kennedy Space Center.

Lines 9360 to 9390 initialize variables and functions.

Lines 9410 to 9460 set up the map display on the hi-res screen.

Philip Chien, who lives near the Kennedy Space Center, has a strong interest in the space program. He also operates a 24-hour computerized bulletin board, Earth News Central; it can be reached at (718) 934-0774.

## CAUZIN SOFTSTRIP

(See text box, page 27.)

Note: The Cauzin Softstrip Reader will not work in conjunction with any accelerator boards for the Apple II. Be sure the Apple is running at normal speed before attempting to read the Softstrip.

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### MARBLE MANIA RUNNING WILD

The data strips, on the far right, contain the program MARBLE MANIA by Bill Marquardt, which appeared in the Dec./Jan. 1986 issue. This challenging puzzle demonstrates some of the basic graphics techniques of your Apple.

The object of the game is to jump over a an adjacent marble (provided there is a space to jump into) and remove the jumped marble from the board, until no more jumps can be made. But there's a twist. You only win if the last marble left is in the center of the board.

## **COLORFUL LADY**

The third data strip to the right contains the program LADYBUG by Steve Koepke, which appeared in the Oct./Nov. 1985 issue. It's a delightful drawing program that will introduce youngsters to computer graphics.

This easy, colorful program uses a graphic ladybug to help you doodle, sketch, and draw pictures on your monitor. It can be used with either the keyboard or a joystick. Press "O" to change color.

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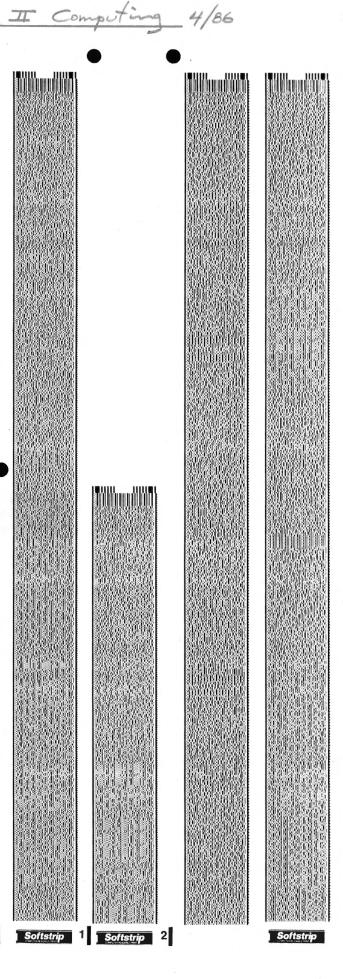
It's a dark, stormy night and you're home alone. Suddenly, out of nowhere Ghosts appear and rush about trying to drive you out. The only way you can rid yourself of these ectoplasmic interlopers is by de-energizing them. Fortunately, you are armed with the very latest anti-ghost weapon called ECTO BLASTER (the data strip on the far right.) Squirt a dose of entropy juice at the enemy and its done for.

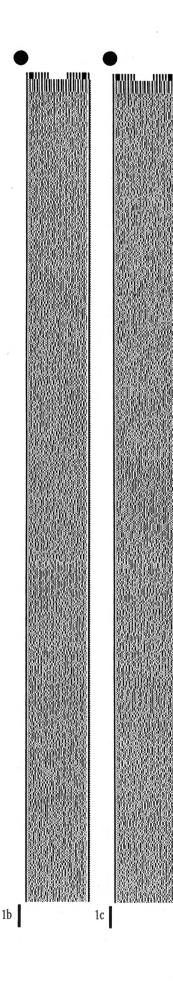
This program appeared in the Oct./Nov. issue. A joystick or your keyboard can be used to operate this sophisticated weapon. If you use the keyboard use key I, J, K, or M to control position of the weapon. The SPACEBAR substitutes for the trigger button.

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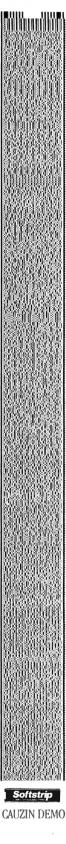
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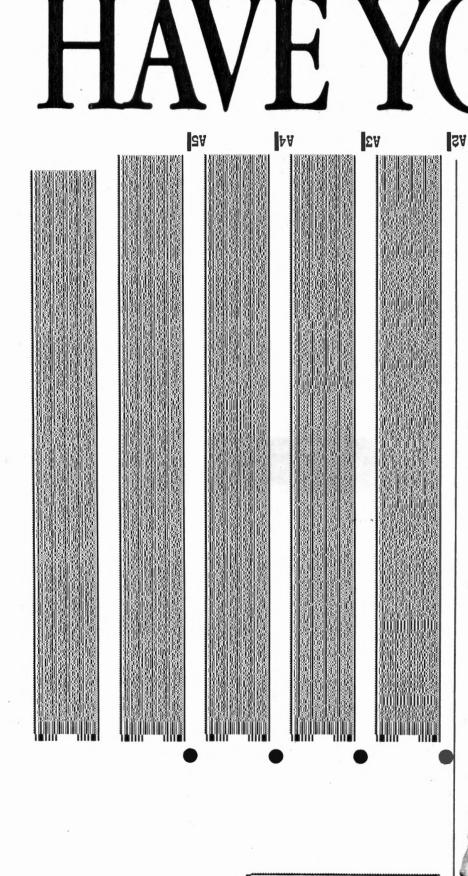
CASH BUDGETING . The three strip program (1a, 1b, 1c) contains a 350 line, Apple BASIC, financial program. It helps you plan cash and budgets. The program comes from John Wiley & Sons' book ''Essential Programs for Small Business Planning,'' by Michael Kilpatrick. You can find more programs and complete documentation for this one in the Stripware<sup>™</sup> product of the same name, or in the J. Wiley book. To use them, just enter them and run.

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SOFTWARE ON PAPER The single strip (2) contains an entire BASIC software program demonstrating how text, graphics and even sound will come to you on data strips. Read it into any Apple II series computer and run it.



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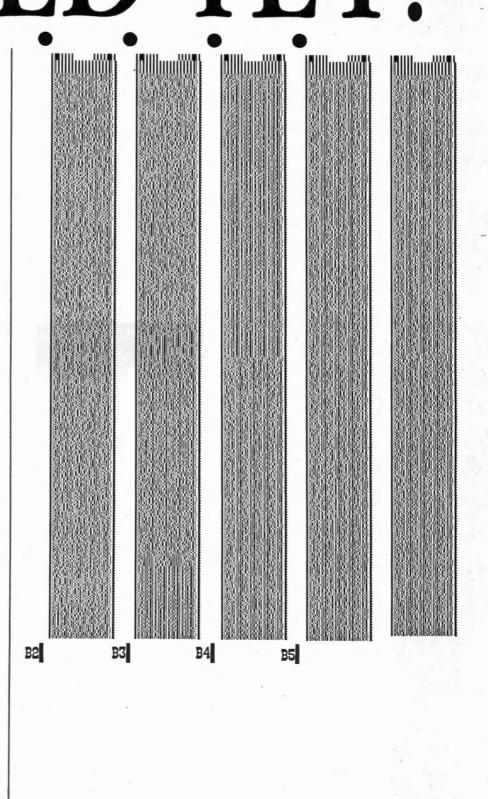
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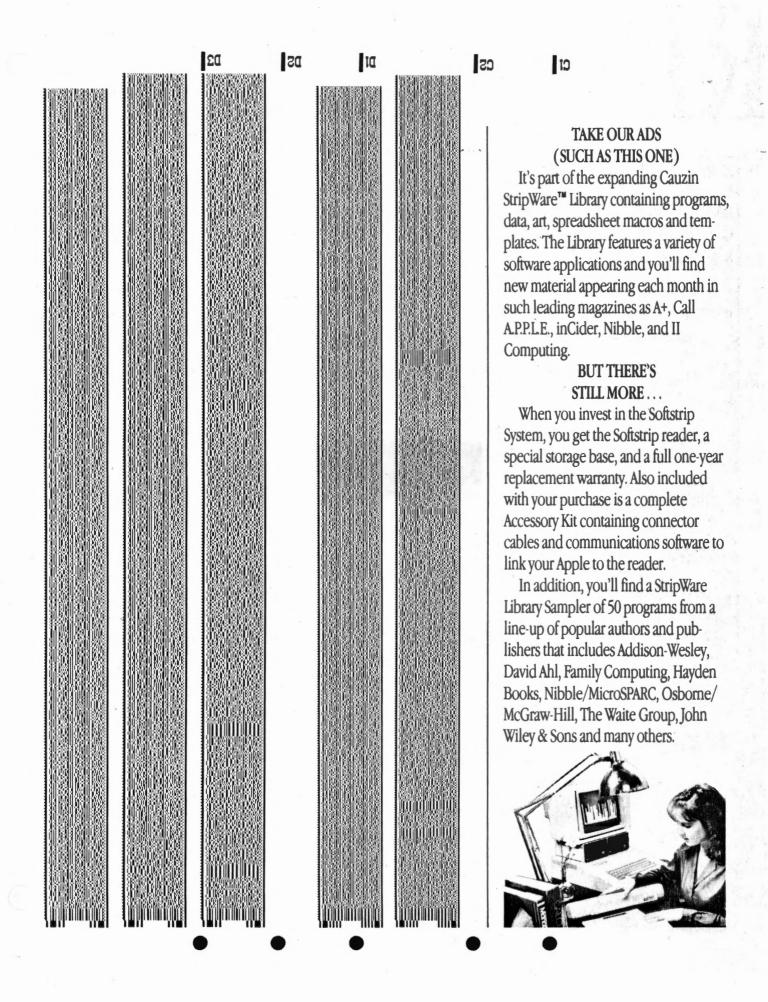
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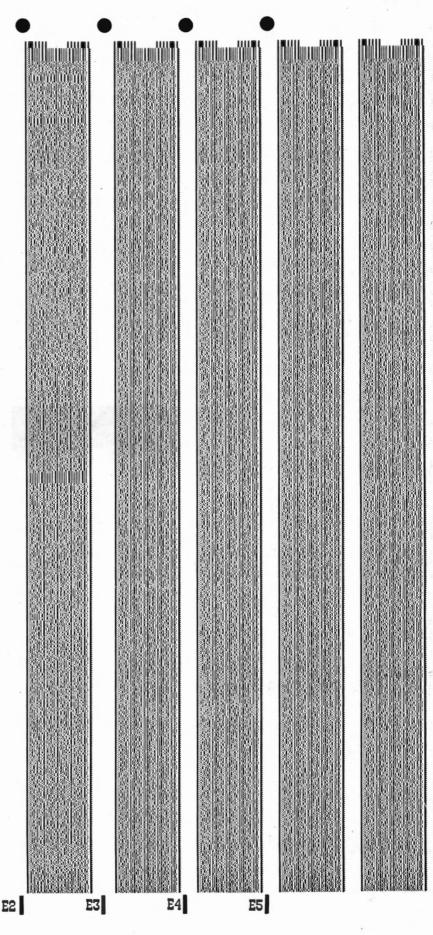
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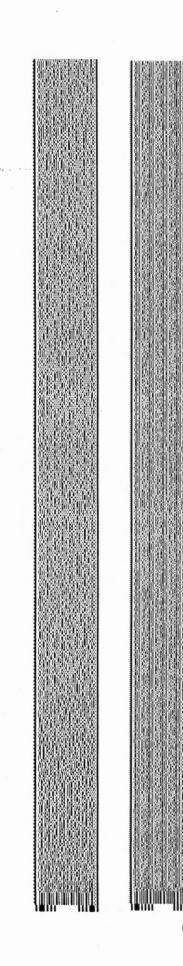






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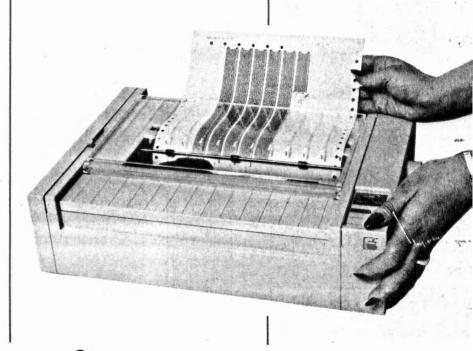
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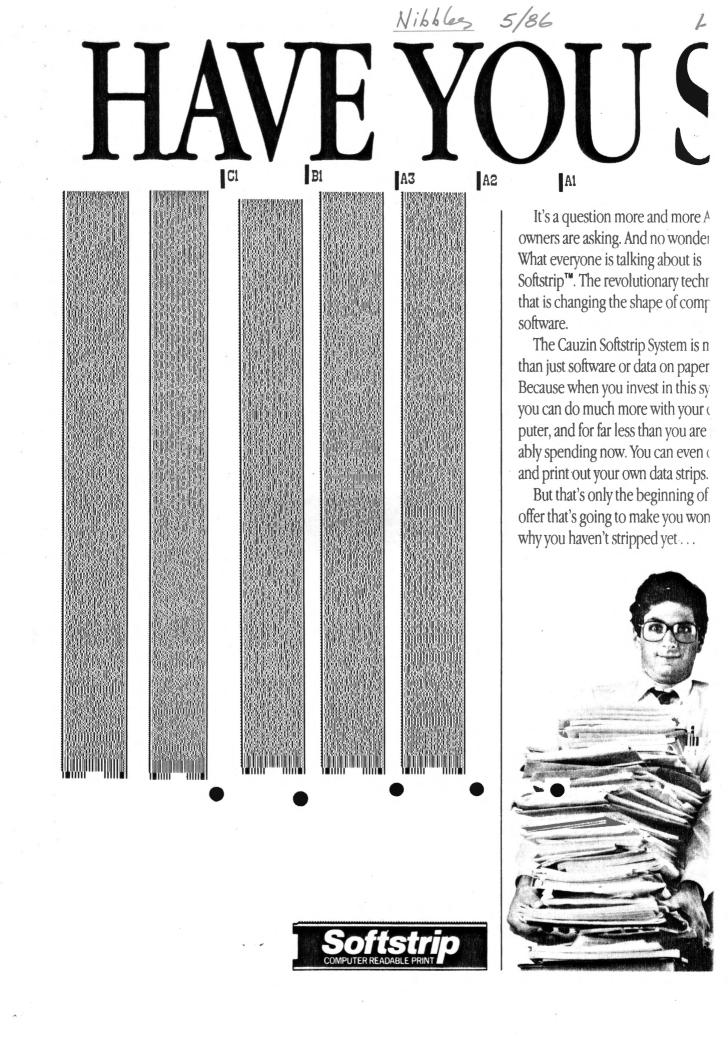


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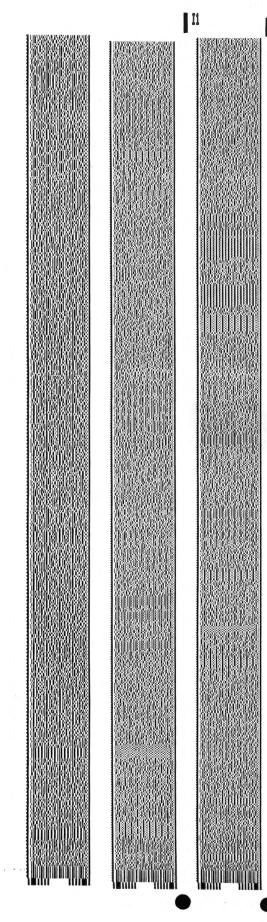


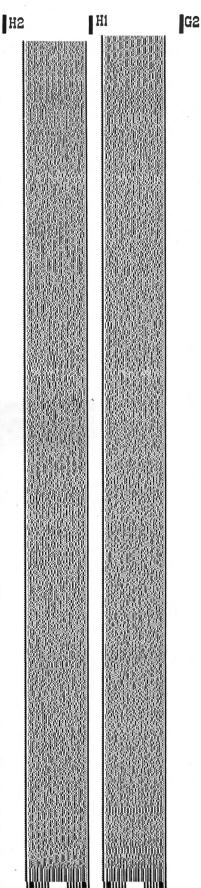


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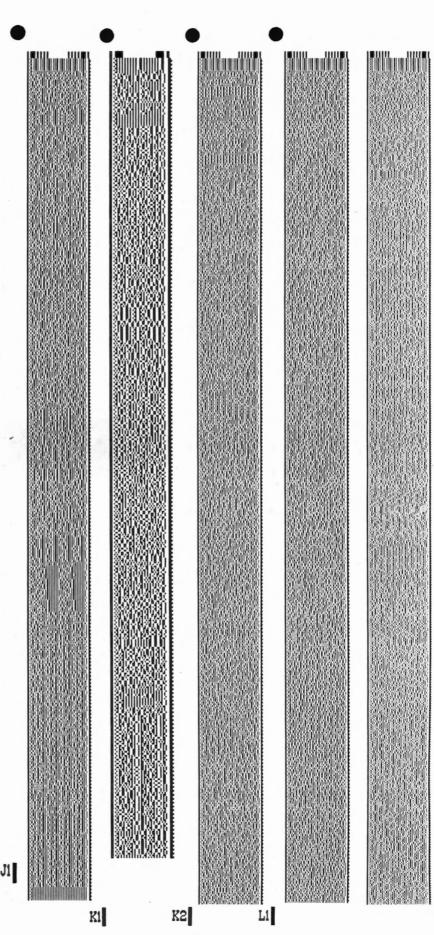
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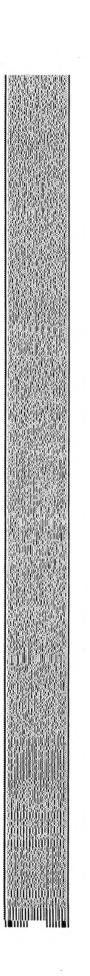






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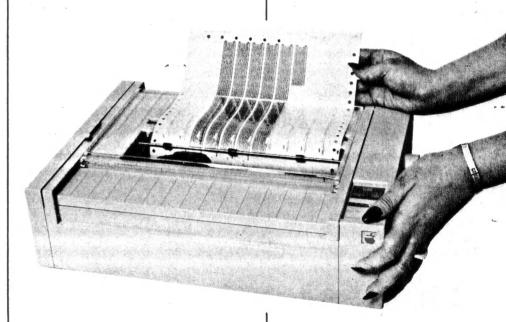
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#### **EXCITING MATH**

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Here's a program that combines the excitement of that popular old-time television game show "Concentration" with math drills. It's an entertaining game that develops basic math skills and improves memorization.

MATH CONCENTRATION by Steven Wong, appeared in the December 1984 issue of Nibble (Vol. 5, No. 12). It's a game for two players or two teams. Match two pictures, then answer the math drill designed for elementary-school children. To score, you must win at hi-res Concentration, and also solve a math problem.

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# MARQUEE de SCREEN

Are you tired of the same olds screens staring you in the face all the time? The data strips on the right contain a program called SCREEN SPINNER by Steven Kearns which might well be the answer to your problem. The program is designed to eliminate those 'same old screen blues.'

SCREEN SPINNER is designed to take any string of alphanumeric characters and spin it around the perimeter of the screen in continuous motion in either clock or counterclockwise direction. You control the speed of the spin. Leave a message in a stationary position, or spin it at unreadable blinding speed. The choice is up to you.

Your message may be any length up to 255 characters. You can make it flash, inverse, or even mix-up the modes if you like. How about personalizing your program. Just sign your name and let people know who the genius behind the screen is.

There are two files on these strips. SPINNER is the main program and a machine language utility. It is compatible with either DOS 3.3 or ProDOS. SPINNER.DEMO1 is written in Applesoft BASIC and demonstrates how to use SPINNER.

After you read in the data strips, you can run the program from the Cauzin menu, or enter RUN SPINNER. DEMO1. Press the SPACE BAR to go from screen to screen. Exit any time by pressing CONTROL-RESET.

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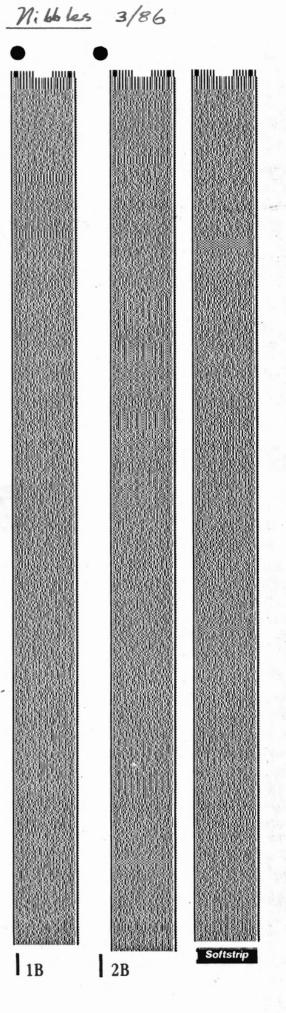
Do you ever wake up in the morning wondering what the day will bring? Is it a good day to go golfing, or is this the day to tackle that report you've been putting off. Let's face it, some days you feel like doing certain things and other days dynamite couldn't inspire you.

One of the things affecting your decision making is the changes you experience in physical coordination, mood, and mental awareness which come in cycles called biorhythms. They are based on your intellectual, emotional, and physical attributes. The cycles are unique to each individual and begin the moment you are born. The duration of each cycle also differs, so keeping track is a time consuming process.

The data strips on the right contain a program called COMPOSITE BIORHYTHMS by Lee Banks, which appeared in NIBBLE Magazine, November 1984, page 69. Knowing when your critical days are will give you an edge and help you to prepare to be your best.

After you read in the data strips, you can either RUN the program from the Cauzin communications menu or you can enter RUN COMP.BIO. This program will work with either DOS 3.3 or ProDOS. From the menu you can display your current position in biorhythm cycles for today, or display a composite chart for an overview of the month. Quit anytime by choosing EXIT from the main menu or by pressing CONTROL-RESET.

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A close-up view of a strip reveals five distinct sections. The header (1) at the top tells the reader the number of bytes in a line, the height of each line, and the paper to ink contrast level. Running vertically down the sides of the strip are the startline (2), the checkerboard (3) and the rack (4). They identify the boundaries of every horizontal line to be read. They also work in tandem to feed the reader alignment information.

Contained within the body of the strip, between the checkerboard and rack, is the file's data area (5).

Strip data accuracy is checked and error correction is provided by parity bits at the beginning and end of every data line, as well as by a strip checksum. There is also an optional 16 bit CRC. Combined, this design results in an undetected bit error rate

of less than one bit error per 10,000,000,000 bits. IT TOOK GUTS TO BUILD THE READER.

Rated for 25,000 reads, the reader is an equally impressive technology. It's composed of two key components: the case and the truck. While the case sits still, the truck moves uniformly down the length of the strip making a complete scan of the strip's di-bit lines every 0.0025 inches.

As the truck moves down the strip, it tracks its own lateral movement within five microns. Alignment is controlled by two servo mechanisms. As the truck moves, it illuminates the area to be scanned using near infra-red light beamed through a light pipe. (The infra-red technique permits the reader to see through colors, stains, and spills.)

The reader's optical scanning system, containing eight rotating cylindrical lenses and an aspherical corrector lens, forms an F.12 optical system with a depth of field between 0.05 and 0.08 inches. A set of 160 addi tional cylindrical lenses on the rotating lens allow the system to control scanning speed.

Inside the reader, the mechanical system uses six AGMA-7 high precision plastic molded gears to provide very accurate truck movement. One gear system even allows for a 4000 to 1 angle reduction with no backlash for corrector lens alignment.

ATMS 7040 8-bit processor and Cauzin's own custom VLSI chip provide reader logic, control and communications using four nested phase locked loops and several hardware and software servos. The reader transmits data to the host at 4800 baud burst rates with throughput of 1500 baud.

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In the next few months, you should start to see data strips appear

in popular computer magazines, some new computer books, and those consumer ads we told you about earlier. They'll look exactly like the working strip you see here, a medium density strip with an ASCII text file on it. Of course

you'll be able to purchase a reader at most computer dealers. They'll be selling for about \$200.00. Contact your dealer soon for a demonstration. Or call us directly at 203-573-0150.

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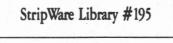
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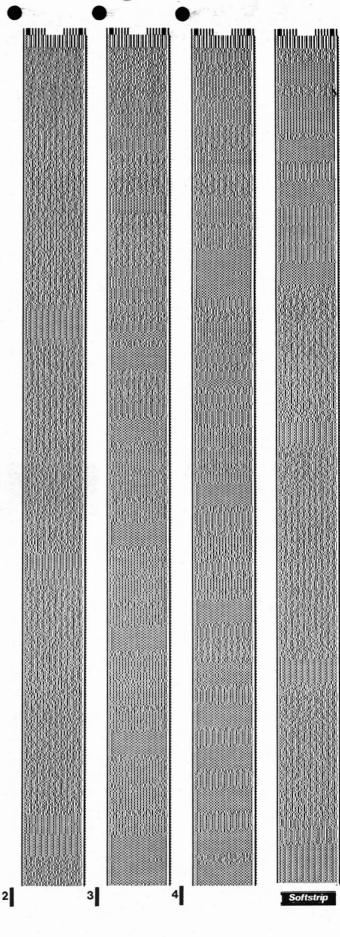
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#### **AH! THOSE MARVELOUS GAME SOUNDS**

Have you ever wondered where those marvelous sounds came from on your favorite video game?

The two data strips on the near right contain a portion of the program SOUND TESTER by Ed Sachs, which appeared in the March 1986 issue. This machine language program helps you generate both tones and background effects to enhance your own programs.

Read in the strips and run the program. Exit early by pressing CONTROL-RESET.

#### PICTURE PACKING PROGRAM

One of the most useful utilities available to Apple II users is high resolution picture packers (say that 10 times fast.) They are commonly used to store more pictures on a disk than is normally possible. For instance, an entire slide show can be stored within RAM.

DEMO is a short BASIC program that simply packs and unpacks pictures on a disk. It will give you a flavor of the more extensive program Hi-res Packer by Michael Ackerman, which appeared in the October 1985 issue.

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