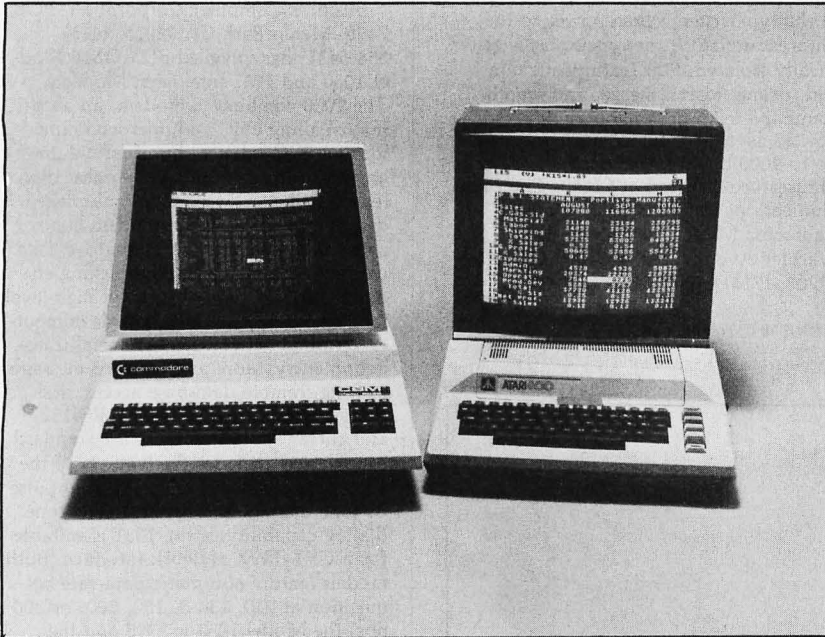# What's New?

SOFTWARE

VisiCalc Now Runs on PETs and Atari Machines

VisiCalc, from Personal Software Inc, 1330 Bordeaux Dr, Sunnyvale CA 94086, (408) 745-7841, is a software package that turns a personal-computer display into an interactive electronic worksheet. It is now available for the Commodore PET and CBM Model 8032 and Atari 800 computers. VisiCalc creates a 64-column wide, 254-row high matrix on the screen. It is used instead of a calculator in businesses for inventory planning, sales forecasts, financial analyses, and modeling. Prices are available from local computer stores.

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Cross Assemblers

These development systems feature a macroassembler, an interactive editor/assembler, and a text editor. They enable CP/M systems to serve as development stations for the Intel 8048 series, RCA COSMAC 1802/1804, National COP400 series, and the Zilog Z8 processors. The development systems share a common operational structure. The assemblers feature instruction mnemonics and syntax as defined by the processor manufacturers. The macro-assembler includes full macroassembly and conditional assembly features, as well as the ability to chain a series of source files together during a single assembly. Programs developed under these systems must be off-loaded to the target processor for testing. Each development system is available for $150 on CP/M 8-inch floppy disks, 5-inch North Star or Micropolis Mod II disks. Contact Allen Ashley, 395 Sierra Madre Villa, Pasadena CA 91107, (213) 793-5748.

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Data Base for the Hewlett-Packard HP-85A

The EDIT Division of Physiologic Corporation, 3800 Woodward Ave, Detroit MI 48201, (313) 831-8800, has introduced EDIT-85 for the HP-85A computer. This data-base management system supports all standard EDIT features such as validity and range checking during data entry, unlimited user viewing of the data, output-format control, data compression, nested data relations within files, and menu-oriented user prompts. EDIT applications include check/request, invoice, mail list, purchase order/request, and quote functions. The EDIT-85 and EDIT-4050 tape cartridge-based systems purchase price is $1750, and the lease/equity plan is $110 a month. The introductory applications are $50 each or $200 for all five on one tape. All EDIT systems receive 1 year of update privileges and the EDIT newsletter.

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Programs for Home Control

The Soft-Sonic programs provide for home control. They run on the Apple microcomputer with a BSR Ultrasonic System X-10 (Sears Home Controller). The package includes the transducer hardware, interface cable, and the programs on a floppy disk. The programs allow for control of lighting, appliances, and more, through user-defined timed sequences or by voice command using Heuristics Speech Lab. The price is $39.95 from John Blankenship, BACE, POB 52785, Atlanta GA 30355.

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The Dow Jones Connection

The Dow Jones Connection is a stock-management system that interfaces the TRS-80 to the Dow Jones computer in Princeton, New Jersey. Interaction with the Dow Jones network is automatic and virtually instantaneous. The first step is to create one or more portfolios of up to twenty-five stocks each. When the portfolio is completed, a second progam requests the user password and prepares the data for interrogation of the Dow Jones computer. A telephone call connects the two systems. Hard copy of the data can also be obtained through the user's printer. The Dow Jones Connection requires a TRS-80 Model I or II disk system or a Model I cassette system with a minimum of 32 K bytes of memory, and a Micro Connection modem which has an RS-232 output that can be used to drive a serial printer. For additional information, contact The MicroPeripheral Corporation, POB 529, Mercer Island WA 98040, (206) 454-3303.

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Color-Enhanced Business Packages

Peachtree Software has announced a color-enhanced version of its general business packages. The packages have been modified for the CP/M-compatible Intecolor unit at Intelligent Systems Corporation of Norcross, Georgia. Initially offered are the Accounting, Inventory, and Mailing Address systems. For more information, contact the marketing department, Retail Sciences Inc, 3 Corporate Sq, Suite 700, Atlanta GA 30329, (404) 325-8533.

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