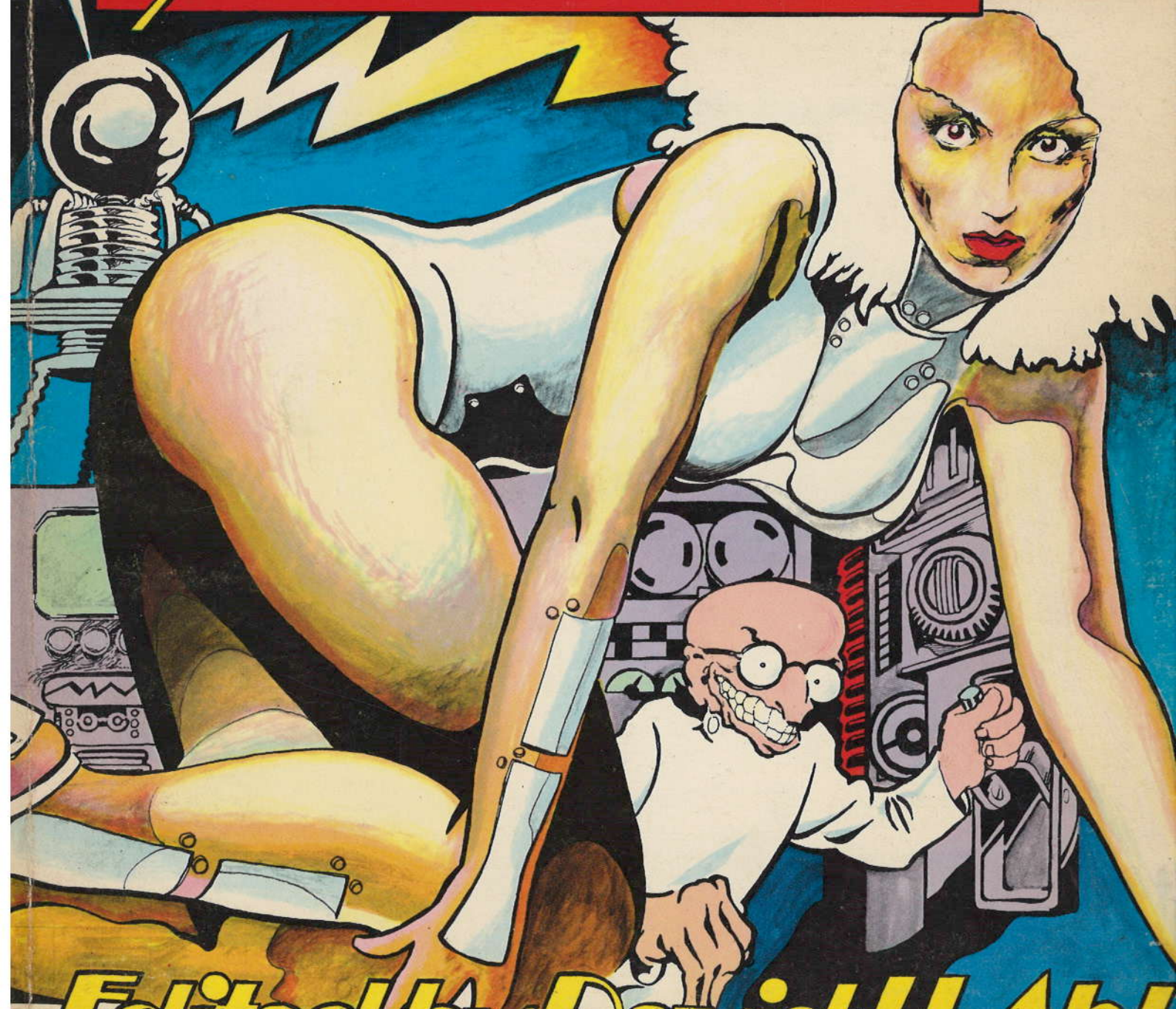


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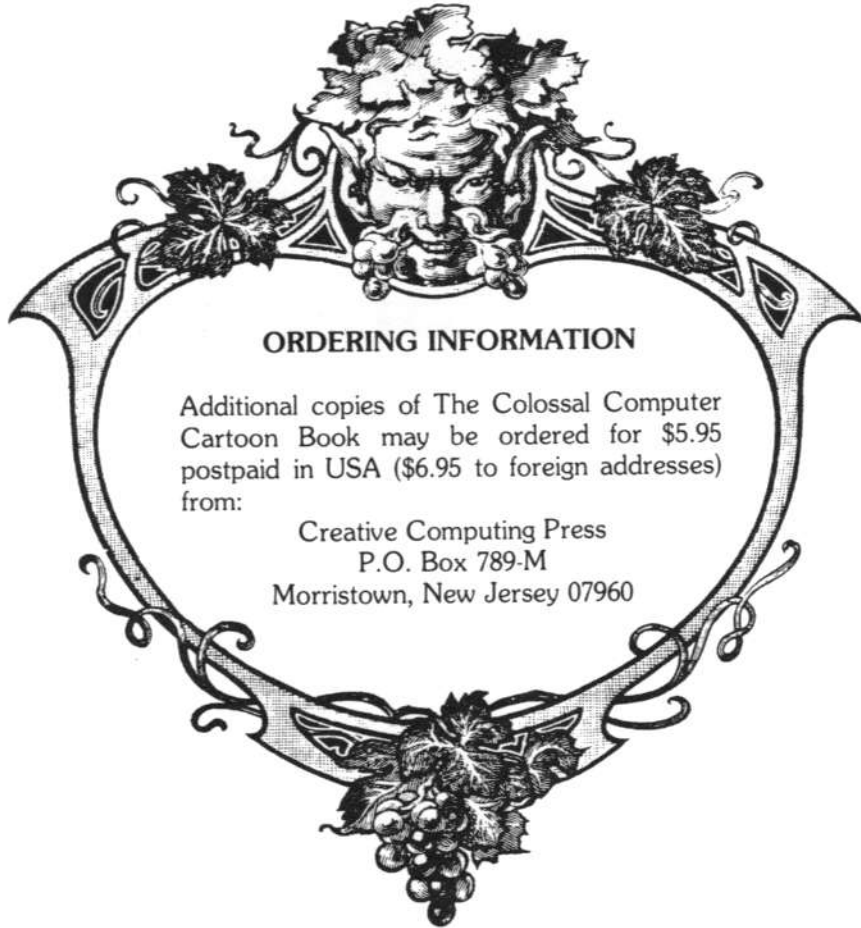
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Preface

Did you ever leaf through a magazine without stopping to look at the cartoons? Not many people do. Indeed, some sociologists feel that cartoons are one of the major influences on public opinion. I don't know if I'd go that far, however, I would not argue with the notion that many laypeople get their information about computers exclusively from sensationalist news stories and from cartoons. And just where do the cartoonists get their ideas? No one knows for sure, but it's fairly clear that the cartoonists are, for the most part, outsiders looking into the field of computers. And this look is generally through a peephole or dirty periscope.

So we probably won't get any profound knowledge about the world of computers from cartoons but that's not the object of cartoons anyway. Besides, it's the incongruous, the unexpected, and the surprise connection that makes a situation funny. And there are several hundred of these fresh creative leaps of the imagination in this book.

Ron Anderson, a sociologist at the University of Minnesota, feels that computer cartoons can be grouped into six categories:

1. Humanized computer
2. Computerized human
3. Computer as a beneficial tool
4. Tool evolves into threatening master
5. The dependent computer
6. Computer people and insider jokes

I don't argue with these categories since Ron has studied the subject far more deeply than I have. However, to lend this book some slight degree of organization (many computer people have this must-be-organized phobia), I found it easier to use a somewhat different group of categories from computer dating to computers in the office and so on.

If you read this far, you probably shouldn't have bought this book. The whole purpose of the book is to read the cartoons and laugh or chuckle or giggle or groan. Who ever heard of a preface in a cartoon book anyway? Let's get on with it and have a little cybernetic fun!

May 1977, Morristown, NJ

David H. Ahl



Cartoonists Represented

David Ahl	Al Johns
Frank Baginski	Craig Johnson
George Beker	Michael Kim
Martin Bucella	Bertha Kogut
Joe Buresch	Cheez Louize
Dave Carpenter	Dick Nelson
Cork	John Paine
George Crenshaw	Virgil Partch
Roy Cruse	Paul Quaiver
Sandy Dean	Marcelo Rodriguez
Louis Eisele	Clem Scalzitti
Martin Filchock	J. L. Scheepsma
Shary Flenniken	Bob Schochet
Jim Fuhr	Ned Sonntag
Randy Hall	Paul Swan
David Harbaugh	Leonard Todd
Cor Hoekstra	Marvin Townsend
Lowell Hoppes	Tony Zaro

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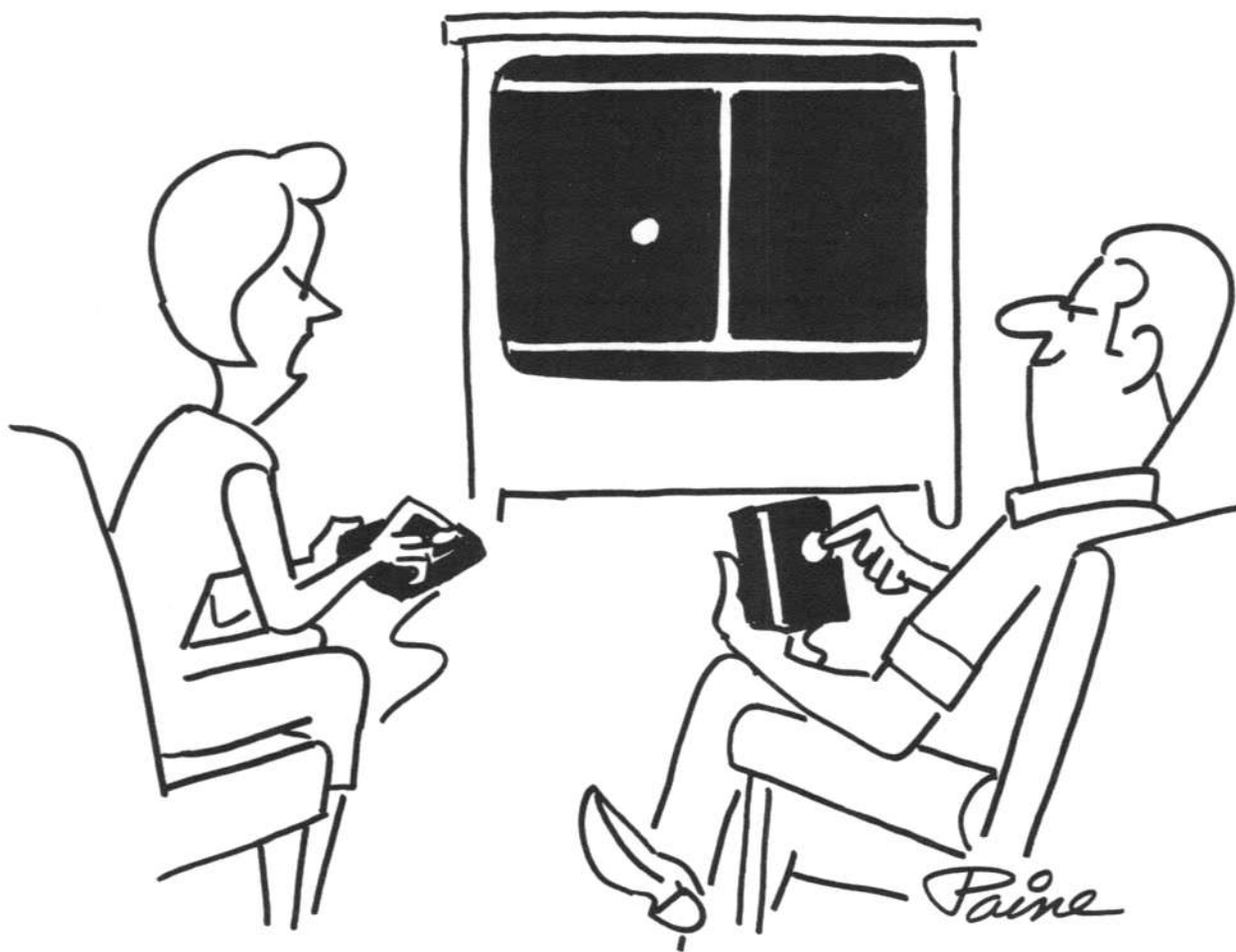
"Mr. Hewit, This is your life..."



"Must you always bring your work home with you?"



"I got rid of my computer today, when I decided it could replace me!"



"This isn't quite what I had in mind when I said I'd like to be a game show contestant on T.V.!"



GEORGE
RENSHAW

"I'd like a word with your computer."



Schoopema

"I just can't decide which computer is best for me."



"The nerve of them, taking the word of their computer against my pocket calculator!"



"Computer, Computer on my wall Who's the fairest of them all?"



"Charlie! Where do you want the computer?"



"Didn't I warn you it would lead to this? First your boss asks you to bring home a little book work, then typing, then a few reports to write up...!"



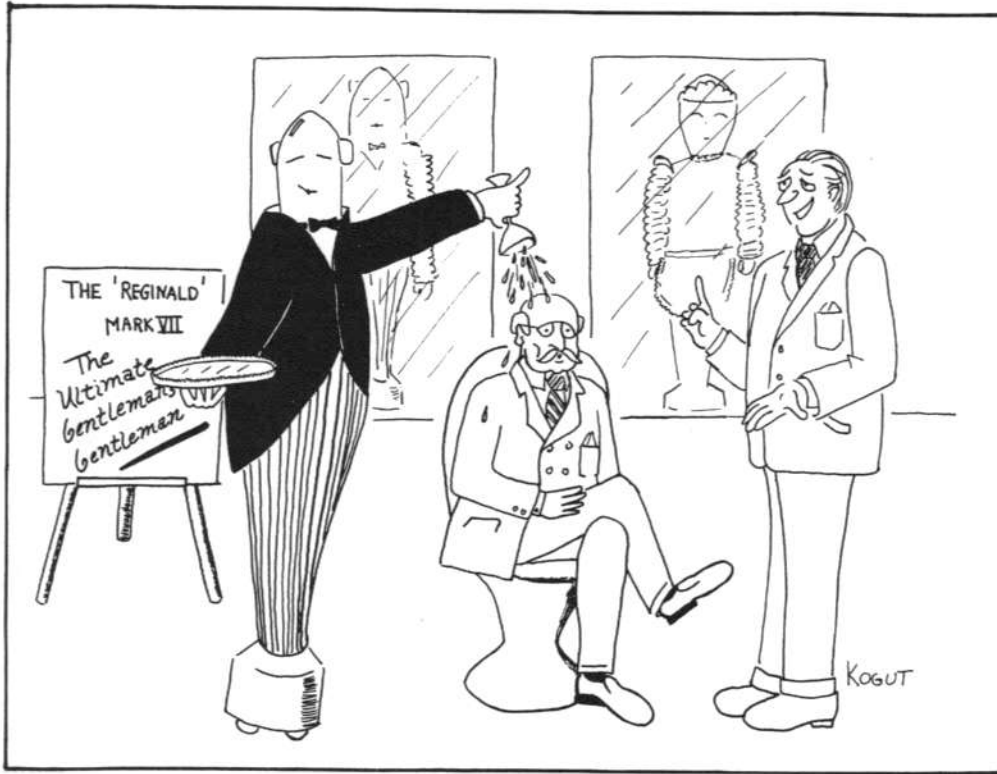
"Mrs. Jones, you have had a most unusual baby!!"



"Wow! The centerfold this month is the new IBM Triplex 304!"

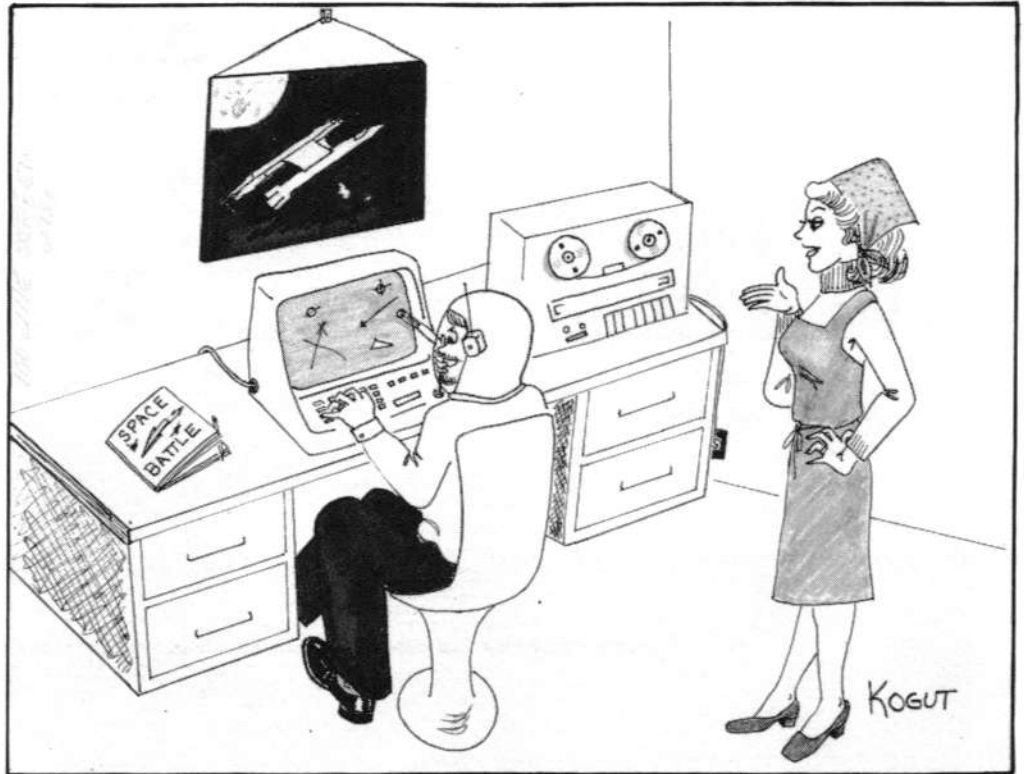


"Poor Harold! He spent hours assembling an electronic songbird and our cat ate it!"



"As you can see, we've programmed the MARK VII with a rather refreshing sense of humor."





"Well Captain Johnson, do you think you can tear yourself away from your galactic conquests long enough to take out the garbage?"



"It's worse than I expected. I've been replaced by a pocket calculator."



"You think you've got problems with a heat sink!"



"Can't you forget business for a day or two?"



Paine

"At that distance and location your ball will break sharply to the right it concludes with 'Lots of Luck!'"

TROTS AND BONNIE



STUPENDOUS! HORRIFYING!

FORTRAN



SEE

THE BATTLE OF
THE SNOWPLOWS!

THE ENTIRE
POPULATION OF
CLEVELAND OHIO
COMPILED IN A
SINGLE PASS!

★ STARRING ★
LINDA LOVEFACE
AND **JERRY MATHERS**
AS THE MONSTER

WITH
BOBBY BREEN, MR. CLEAN
PETER GREEN, JOHN DEAN
AND VALERIE PERRINE

MONSTER FROM THE UNKNOWN!

👉 COMING SOON TO A LOCATION NEAR YOU 👈





"What hurts is that I wasn't replaced by a whole computer - just a transistor."



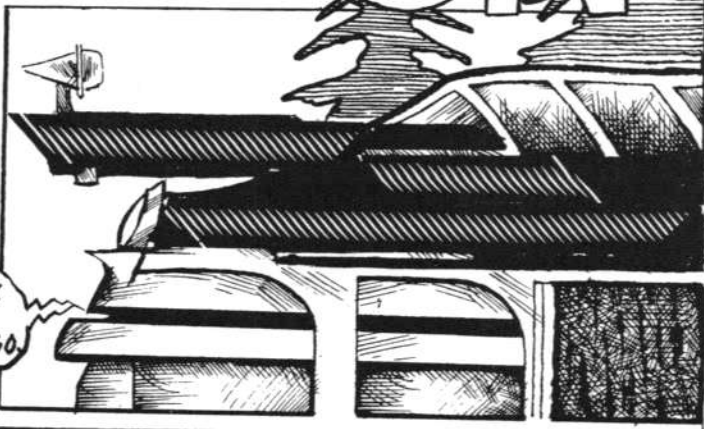
"The housewives are no longer complaining about dishpan hands. Now they've got push-button fingers."

A MONSTER COMPUTER PEERS INTO THE FUTURE !!

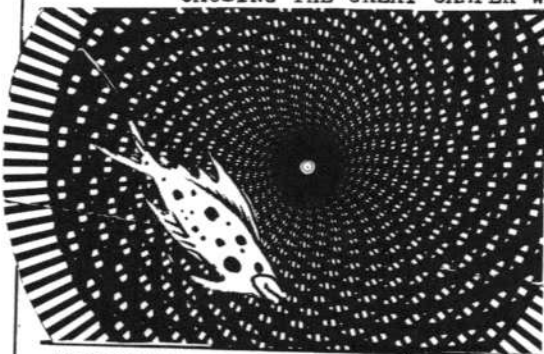
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SPANOVISION

BETWEEN 1975 AND 1985 THE DIVISION BETWEEN TECHNOLOGY AND THE PUBLIC GREW IMMENSELY. COMPUTER RELIANCE INCREASED WITH THE POPULATION, AND THE INTRUSION OF MACHINE IN HUMAN AFFAIRS DREW GREATER NEGATIVE REACTION THAN ANTICIPATED. THE HEIGHT CAME IN 1985 WHEN A COMPUTER ERRONEOUSLY SCHEDULED NINE MILLION RESERVATIONS IN YELLOWSTONE PARK, CAUSING THE GREAT CAMPER WARS.



GET A FIX ON THE WINNEBAGO.



1986- PUBLIC OPINION OF COMPUTERS REVERSES WHEN THE COMPUTRON-HOLOGRAPHIC DISCOVERIES GIVE BIRTH TO THE HOLOGRAPHIC AGE. EVERYTHING FROM FLOW CHARTS TO EPIC FIFTH FORM MOVIES CALM AN ENTHRALLED AND AND BETTER INFORMED MASS POPULACE.

BUT CHARLATANS ARE NEVER FAR BEHIND!

OPPORTUNISTS RUN AMOK...

CULTS AROUND...

SOCIETY NEARS OVERLOAD.



HOT COMPUTER CARDS, FELLA?



HALL OF



... AND THEN I MARRIED A CALCOMP.

LUCKY!

GAAACK!

IN THE CONFUSION OF INFORMATIONAL GLUT, AMERICANS WHO HAD BEEN ESSENTIALLY LEADERLESS FOR DECADES ARE OVERWHELMED BY THE COMPLEXITY OF THEIR SITUATION. BUT AS FATE FALLS, OUT OF THE QUAGMIRE OF COMMERCIAL ENTERPRISE AN INVENTION COMES TO THE RESCUE...



...AND BRINGS FAME AND FORTUNE TO ITS INVENTOR.

WHAT INVENTION COULD CAUSE SUCH A STOCK MARKET SENSATION?
 WHAT DEVICE COULD MAKE POLITICIANS HONEST?
 WHAT MIRACLE COULD MAKE TELEVISION FUN TO WATCH?

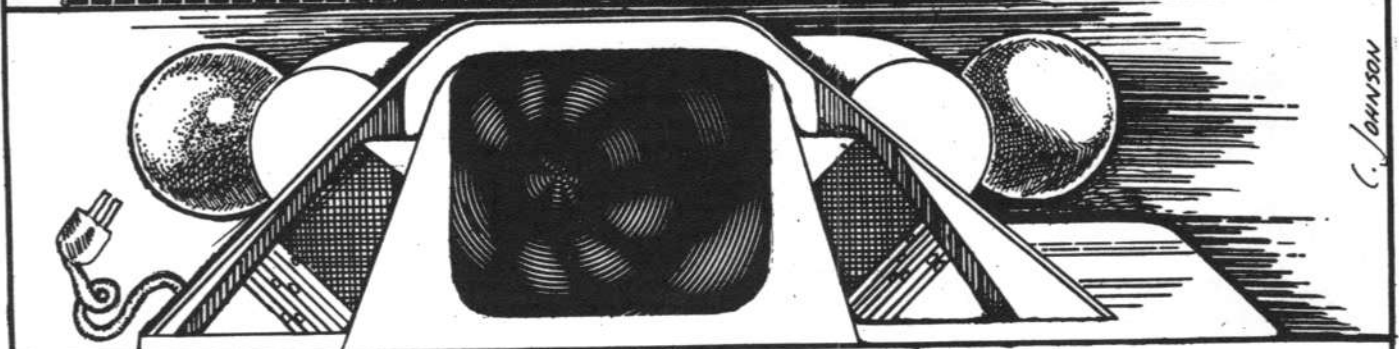
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 WHAT GALL.

C. Johnson

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SPANOVISION

What suspense! Last issue, the massive machinations of Span-O-Vision produced its first VIS-U-COMP rendition, conjuring an unnerving scenario in which computers are nearly rejected en masse by an enraged society. Only to rescue themselves with an astounding shift of focus! From the irritation of much misuse and quackery, commercial computer technology develops a pearl:



The Val-U-Graph Generator!

This device enables a home viewer to perceive when someone on T.V. is telling the truth! A special PSYCHOLOGICAL STRESS EVALUATOR UNIT reads variances in voice frequencies, determines stress, computes, and signals when a person is fibbing! Feb. 1987- Panicked legislators rush a bill through Congress prohibiting its use in legal proceedings and bans direct judgement of utterances on T.V.

Undaunted, commercial interests and T.V. industry backers devise a prime-time series in which politicians are invited to debate. Computers are programmed with all pertinent information. The debator's voices are fed into the PS Evaluator, and converted into graphic images, colors, and simultaneous electronic soundtrack based on voice frequency modulations!

It is then the task of viewers to debate the credibility of the speakers from evidence within those images (by predetermined criteria)



AND NATURALLY, IF I AM ELECTED, I CAN ASSURE THE AMERICAN PUBLIC....



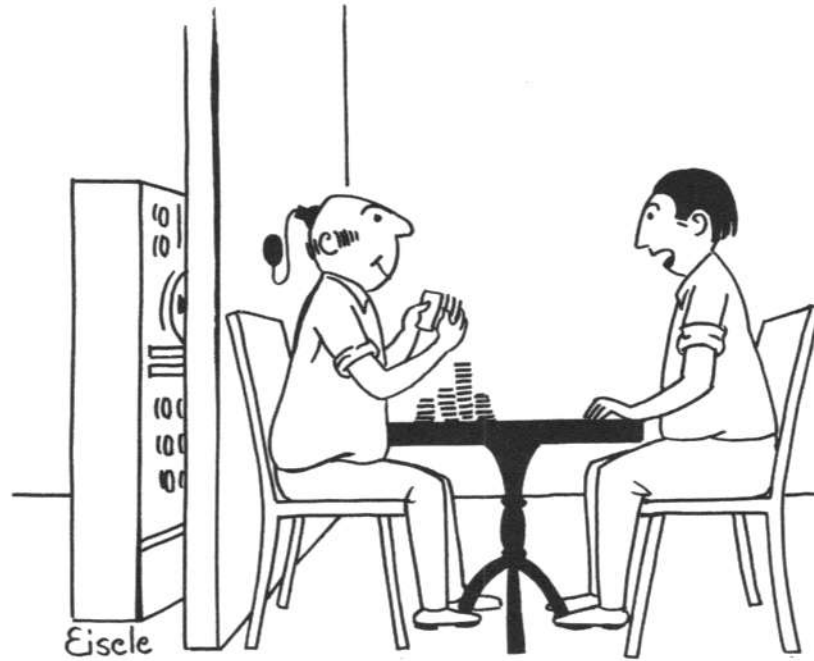
... THAT THEY WILL BECOME THE ULTIMATE FACTOR IN GOVERNMENTAL DECISIONS.

Gosh! But amazingly, there's more. The home viewer may then extract claims of politician, punch into home terminal linked to huge atomic-powered ENCYCLOTRON (a SPAN-O-VISION evolution) and receive a brief cinematic scenario immediately following said claim, along with its probability rating! Once again the world is safe for democracy.



"Feed that to the computer and see if it's a message,
or just a forest fire."





"I give up. I haven't won a hand all evening."



"How did things go at the lab today Dear?"

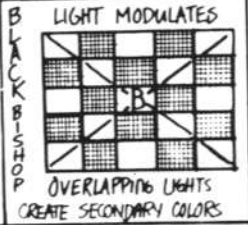
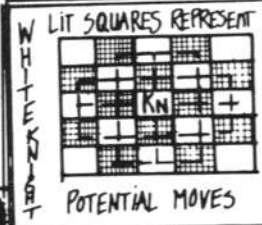
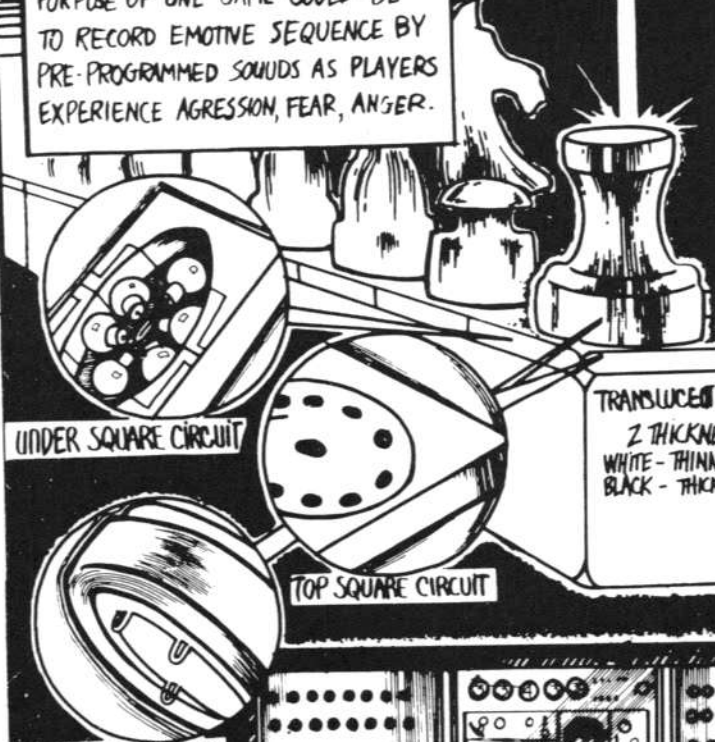
"You can start packing Ethyl ... My new cyborg is almost done."

CONCEPTUAL CHESS

THE CONCEPT: EACH GAME PLAYED WITH THIS SET-UP EVOLVES INTO A DIFFERENT DISPLAY OF IMAGE OCCURENCES THRU MODULATED SOUND AND COLORED LIGHT. EXAMPLE: PURPOSE OF ONE GAME COULD BE TO RECORD EMOTIVE SEQUENCE BY PRE-PROGRAMMED SOUNDS AS PLAYERS EXPERIENCE AGRESSION, FEAR, ANGER.

THE BOARD IS STANDARD SHAPE AND SIZE. EACH PIECE HAS ITS OWN CODED PLUG SET. AS EACH PIECE IS PLACED ON ANY SQUARE, IT LIGHTS UP, IN ITS OWN COLOR, THE PATHS OF ALL ITS POTENTIAL MOVES. EACH PIECE'S LIGHT SET OPTICALLY OSCILATES, AT A SPEED DETERMINED FOR THAT PIECE, WHICH IN TURN CORRESPONDS TO PREDETERMINED MODULATED SOUND FROM EMS SYNTHESIZER SHOWN BELOW.

SQUARES MADE OF TWO THICKNESSES OF LUCITE.



EMS SYNTHI 100 - THE ULTIMATE "MOOG" SYNTHESIZER. STORAGE CAPABILITIES 10,240 BITS. 256 SUCCESSIVE EVENTS. (170 GAMES) REMEMBERS SOUND SEQUENCES OF EACH GAME AND STORES IT, WITH POST PRODUCEABILITY. FULL EDITING UNITS, TWO FIVE OCTAVE KEYBOARDS, SIX TRACKS, TWELVE DRIFT-FREE OSCILLATORS. GAMES MAY BE COMBINED, EDITED, AND PLAYED BACKWARDS OR FORWARDS AT ANY SPEED. GIVES COMPLETE CONTROL TO PLAYERS.

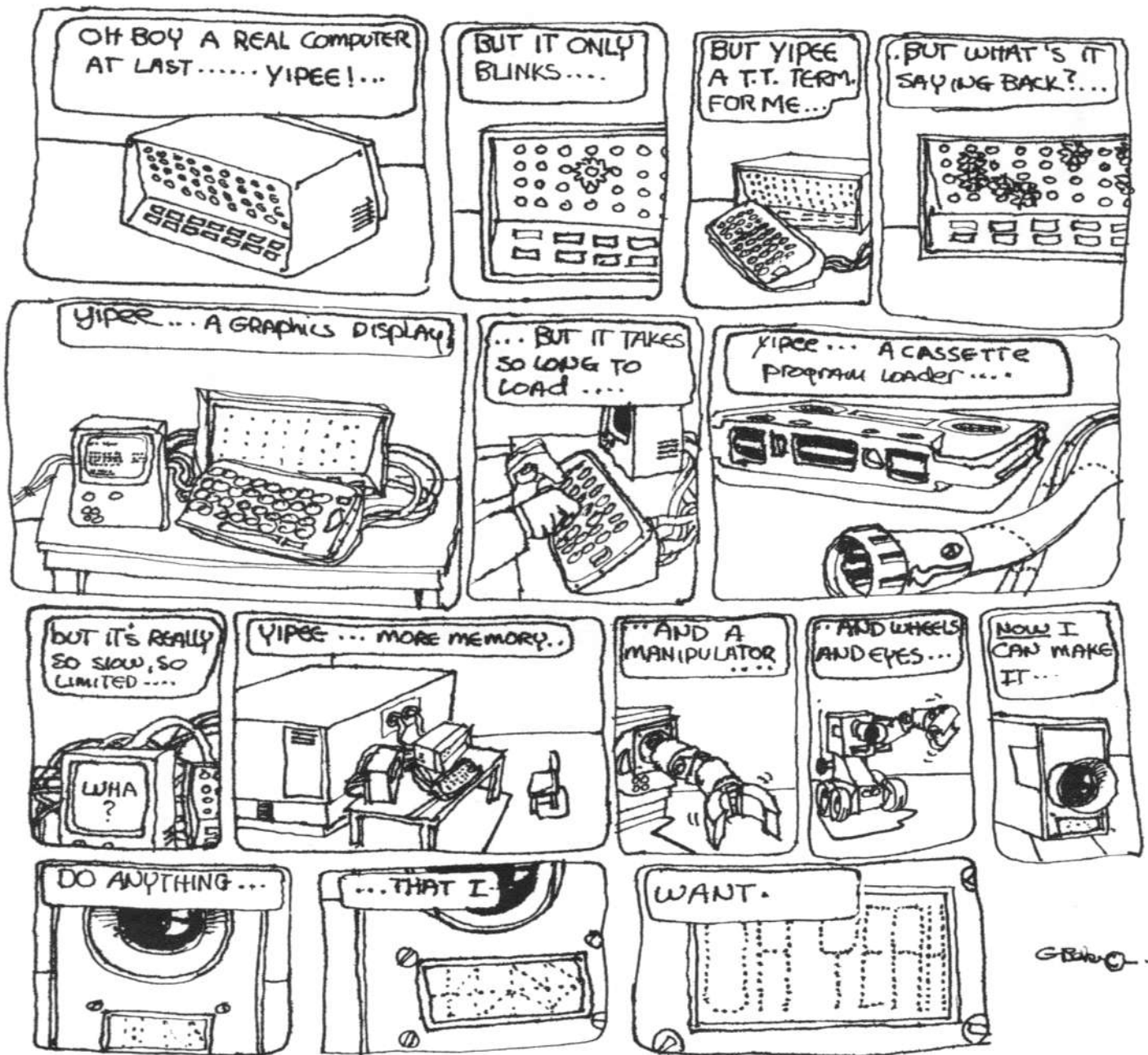
THE INCREDIBLE VARIETY OF TONE PRODUCEABILITY EN-ABLES ONE TO INSERT IDENTIFIABLE CHORDANTS INTO SEEMINGLY RANDOM SEQUENCES. I.E. WHITE BISHOP GIVEN SOUND OX), TAKES BLACK PAWN - (GIVEN SOUND OY), TO PRODUCE SOUND OXY (DISCHORDANT) TO DENOTE "CHAGRIN."

AT CHECKMATE, COMPUTER IS PROGRAMMED TO DETONATE STICK OF DYNAMITE UNDER LOSER'S CHAIR. (KA-BOOM!)
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C. Johnson

A HOME COMPUTER

as seen by
GEORGE BEKER



THINK TANK



"I call them numbers, you can add them, subtract them, multiply them, divide them ... find their square root..."



JOHNS

"I didn't understand all that stuff he said between 'Good Morning, Class' and 'That concludes my lecture for today'."



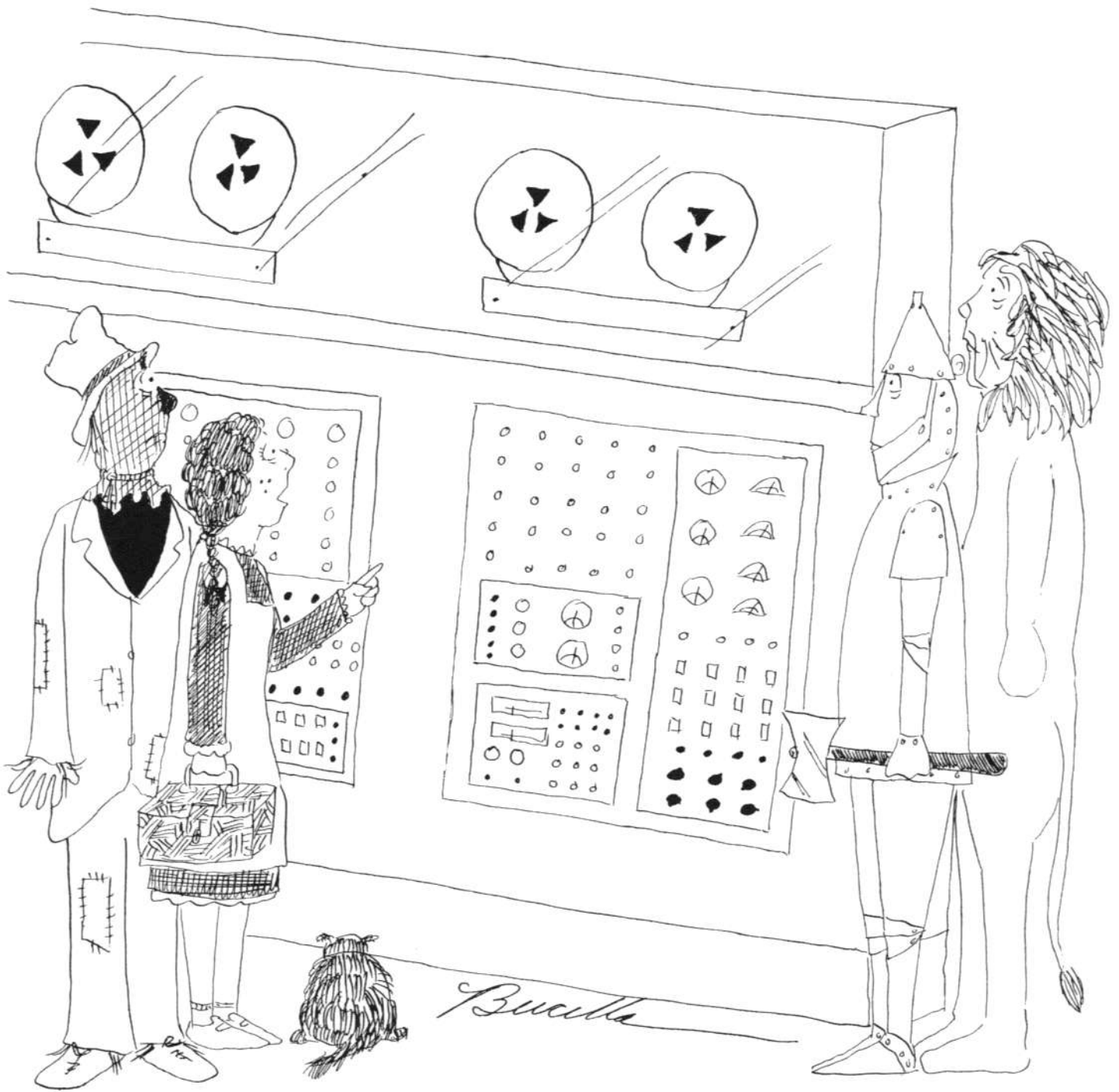
SCHOCHET

"Why do I have to know math if I have a mini-pocket-calculator?"

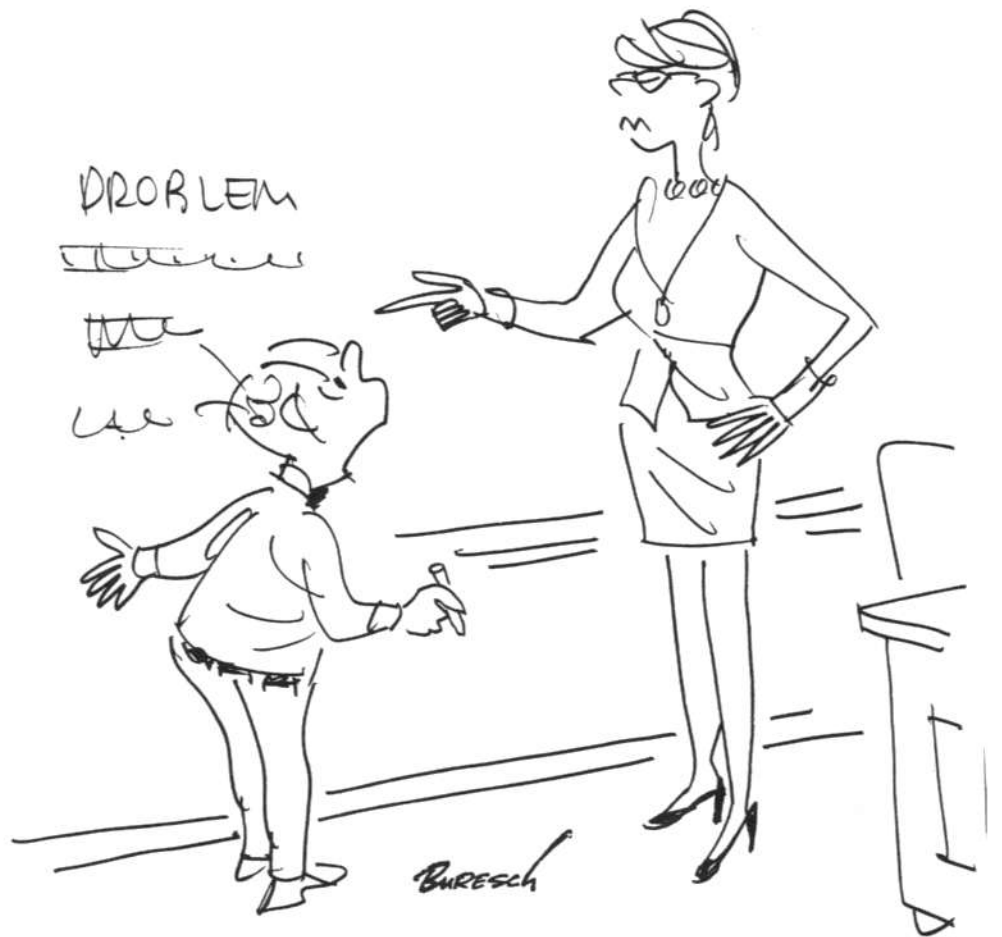


W. S.

"...No thanks, just scanning..."



"You're the Wizard of Oz?"



"But I thought the New Math was done by computers!"



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"Before attempting to determine the country's next president, I suggest you try something comparatively simple, like who the class president will be!"

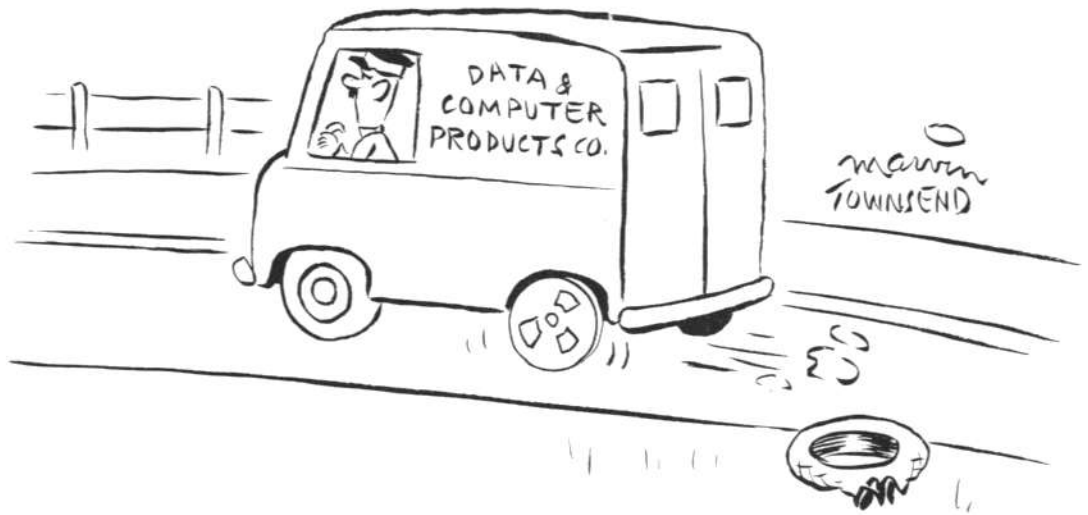
"If it was mine, I'd pin-stripe and wax it!"



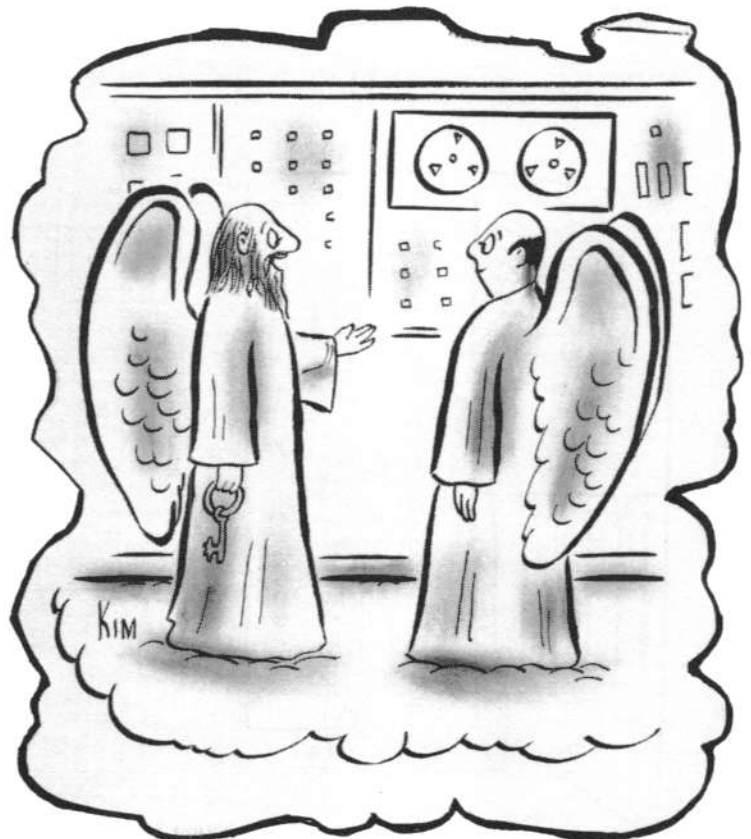
"... T12X31LC, this is A561205,LC4A ... I have to make pee pee..."



"We got the afternoon off: Our teacher's been recalled for repairs."



COMPUTER-EASE

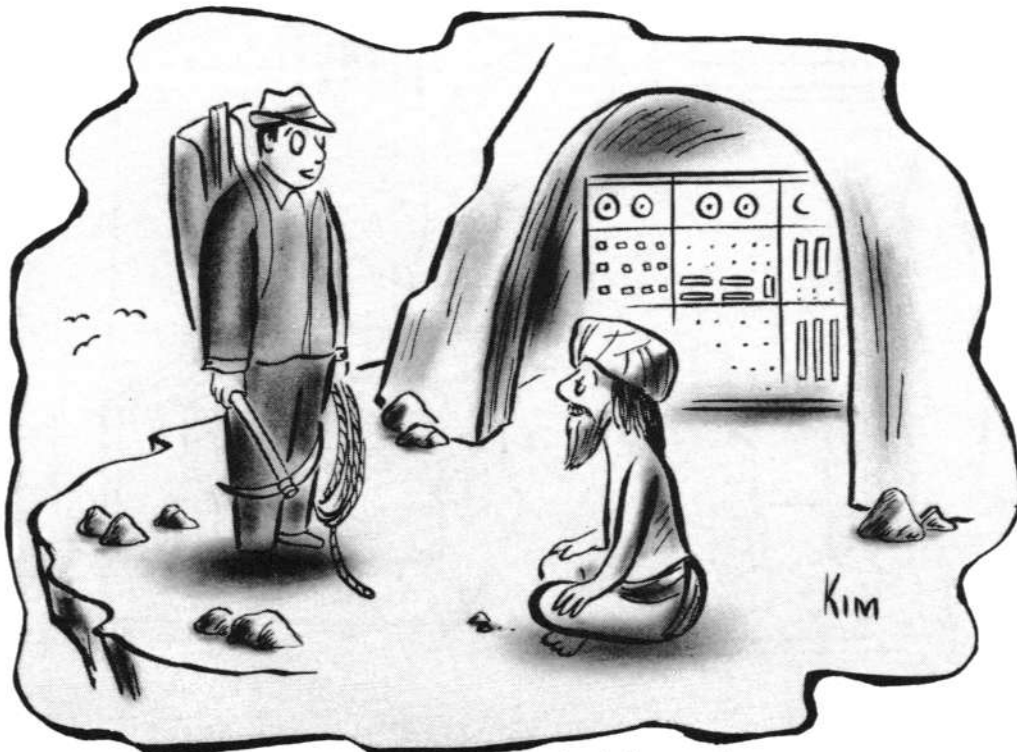
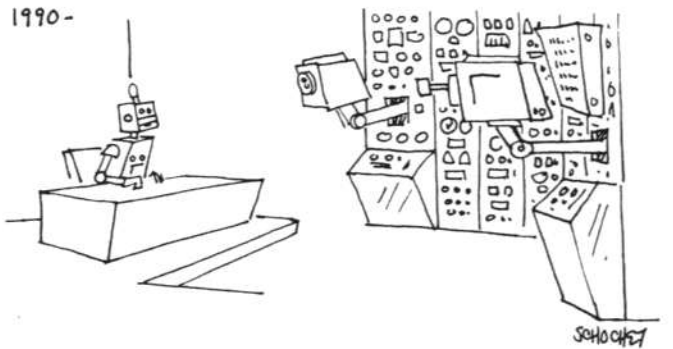
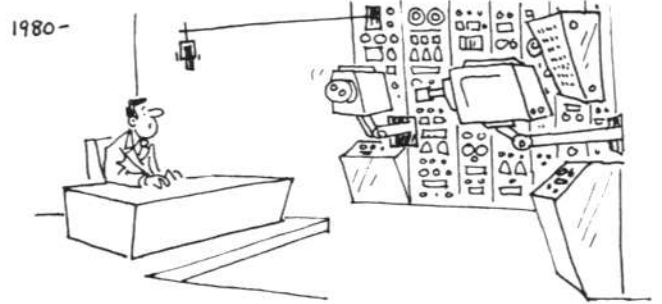
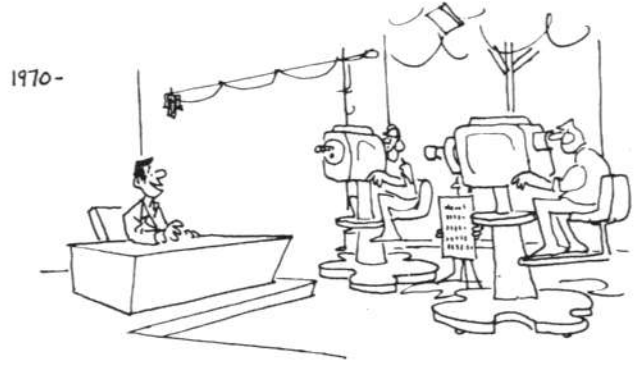


"It makes the job of keeping tabs on everyone a lot easier."

"Of course, he wants something that won't fall apart first time he uses it."



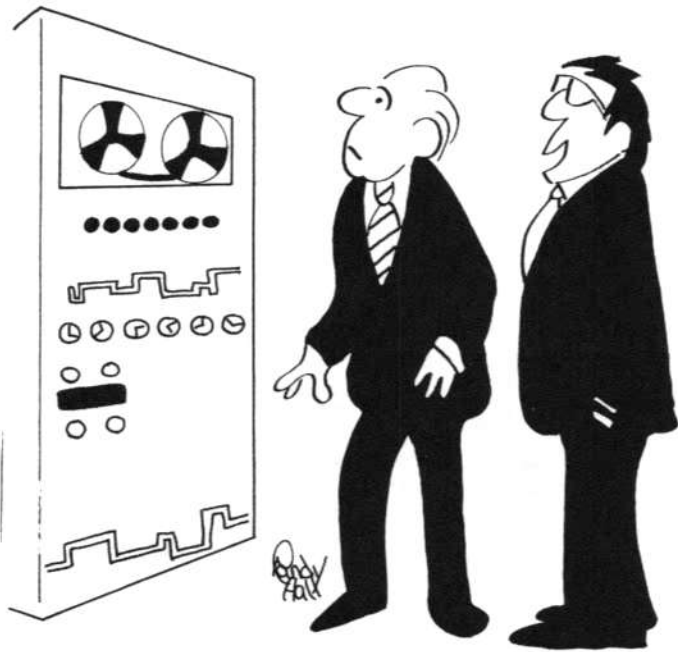
"... We'd like to put two bucks on 'Happy Daddy' running in the seventh today..."



"To what do you owe your great wisdom and knowledge?"



"Looks like it might be a nice day tomorrow!"



"Yes, progress is wonderful. This little baby only set us back \$75,000.00 and we replaced a \$90-per-week clerk with it."



"Let's see now ... Have you had any previous experience with electricity?"

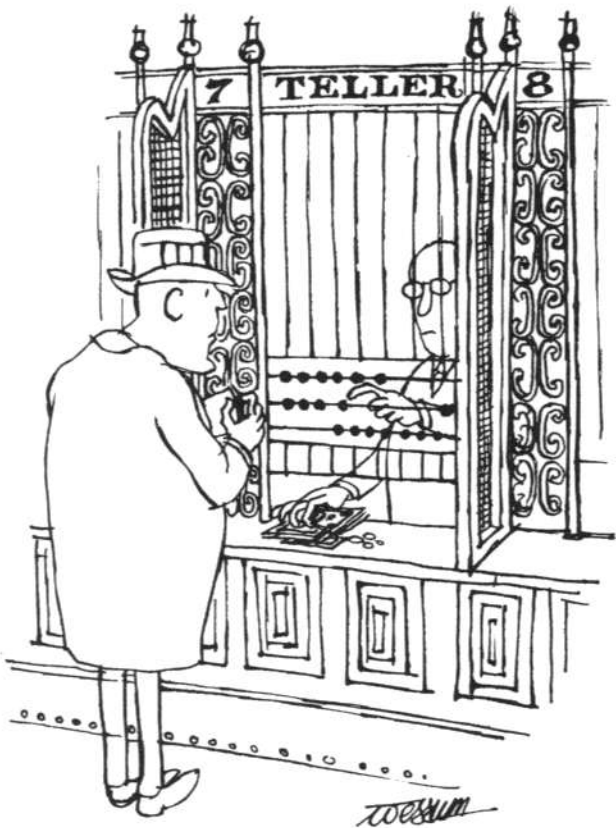
COMPUTER PROGRAMMING
TRAINING CENTER



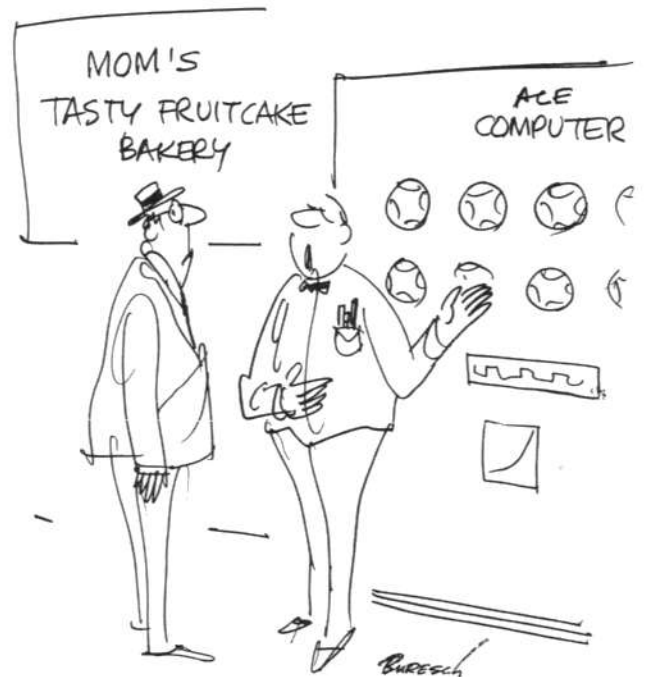
"Any other experience besides selling programs at the ball park?"



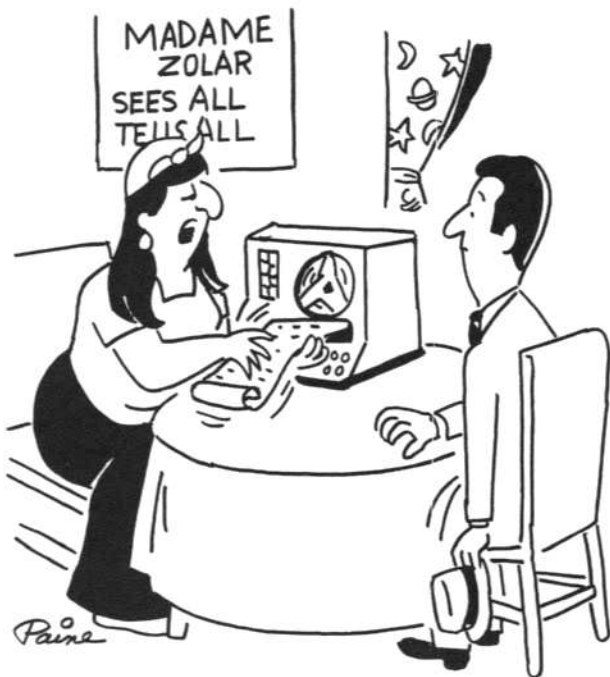
"You say you're an expert on computer technology?"



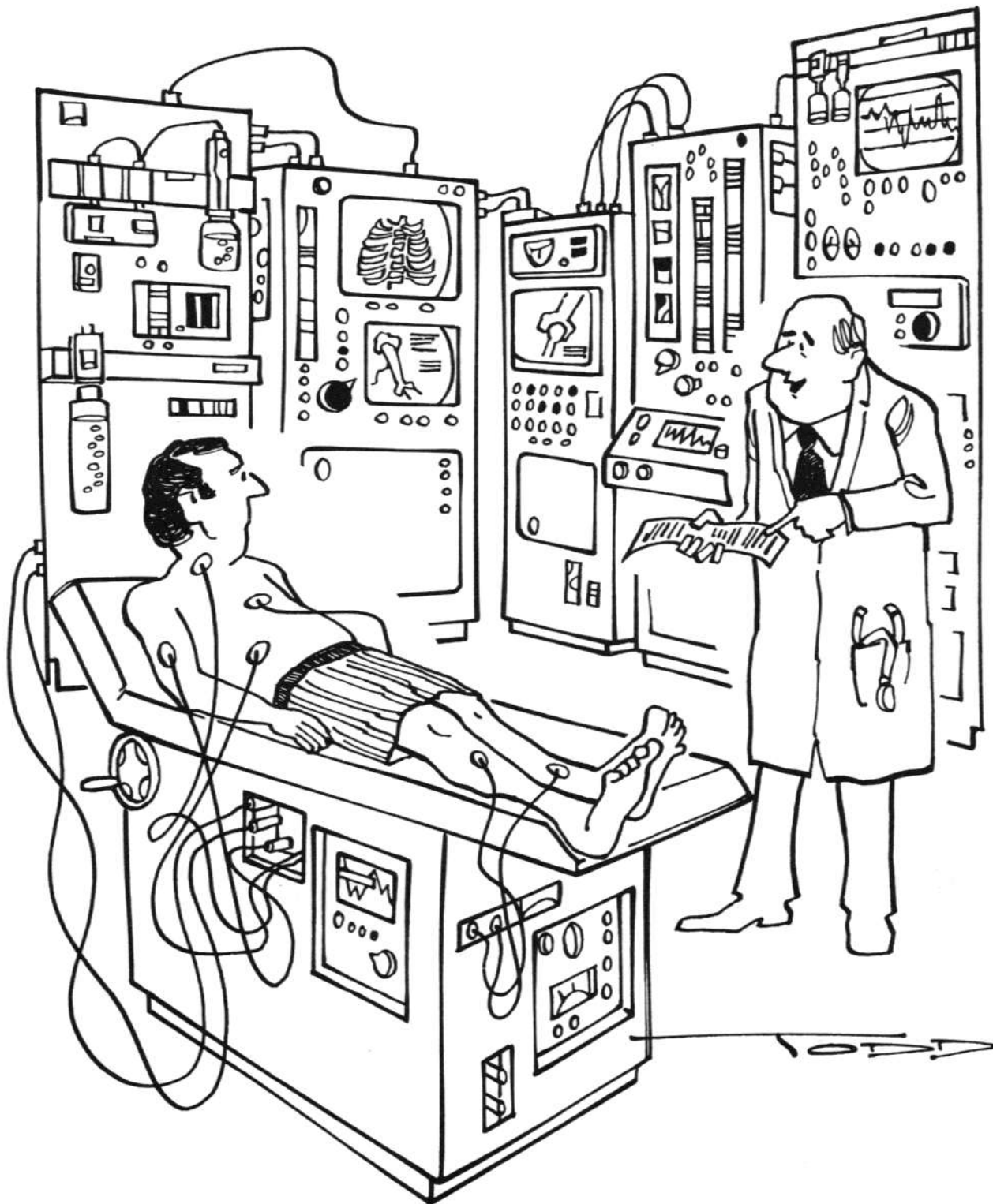
"The computer is guaranteed for fifty thousand miles or until it malfunctions... whichever comes first."



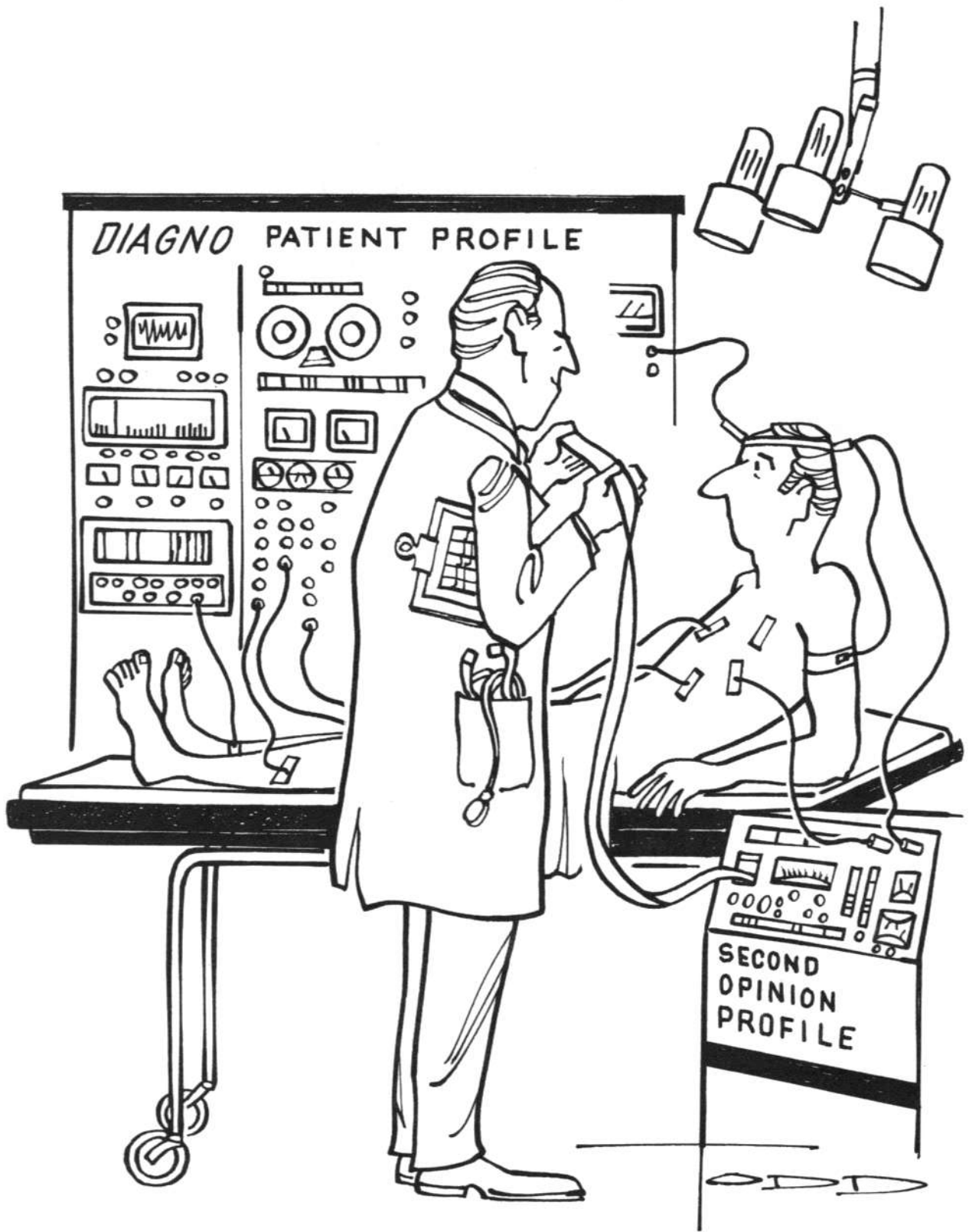
"This is Mom."

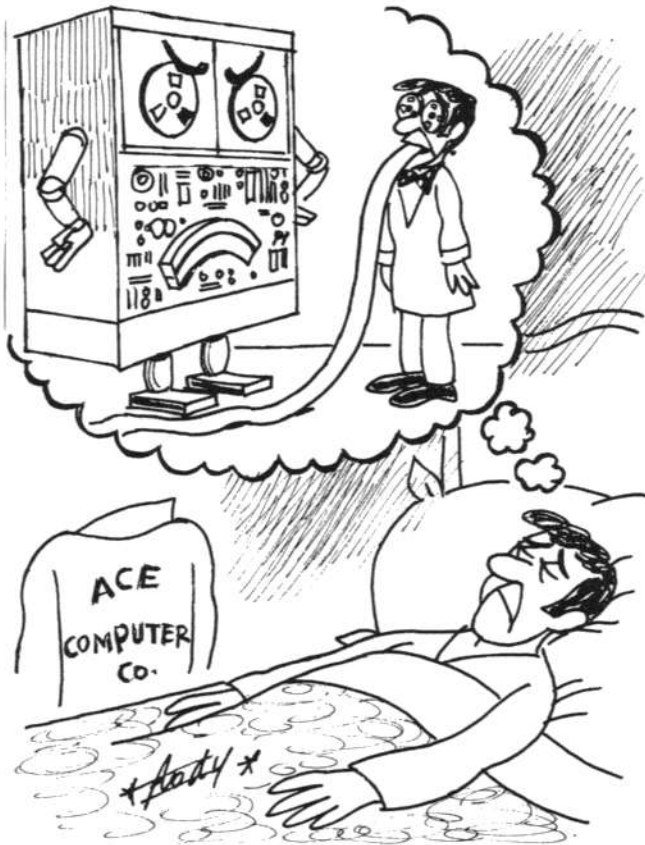


"Not only does it give a more accurate reading than a crystal ball - it doesn't break into a thousand pieces when you drop it!"



"Thanks to advanced technology we can start treating you immediately ... for either one of five things!"





"Right Chief, we're running the suspects through the computer right now."



"He was a top programmer until he fed the machine everything he knew."

AMORÉ

POTPOURRI!



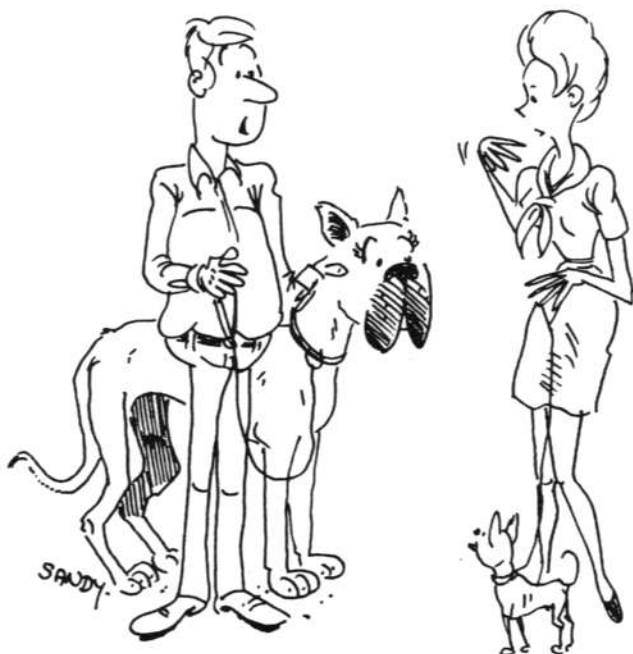


"Let's not rush things now, Miss Jablonski."



"To think I needed a computer to find you!"

MATE-A-PET
COMPUTER SERVICE

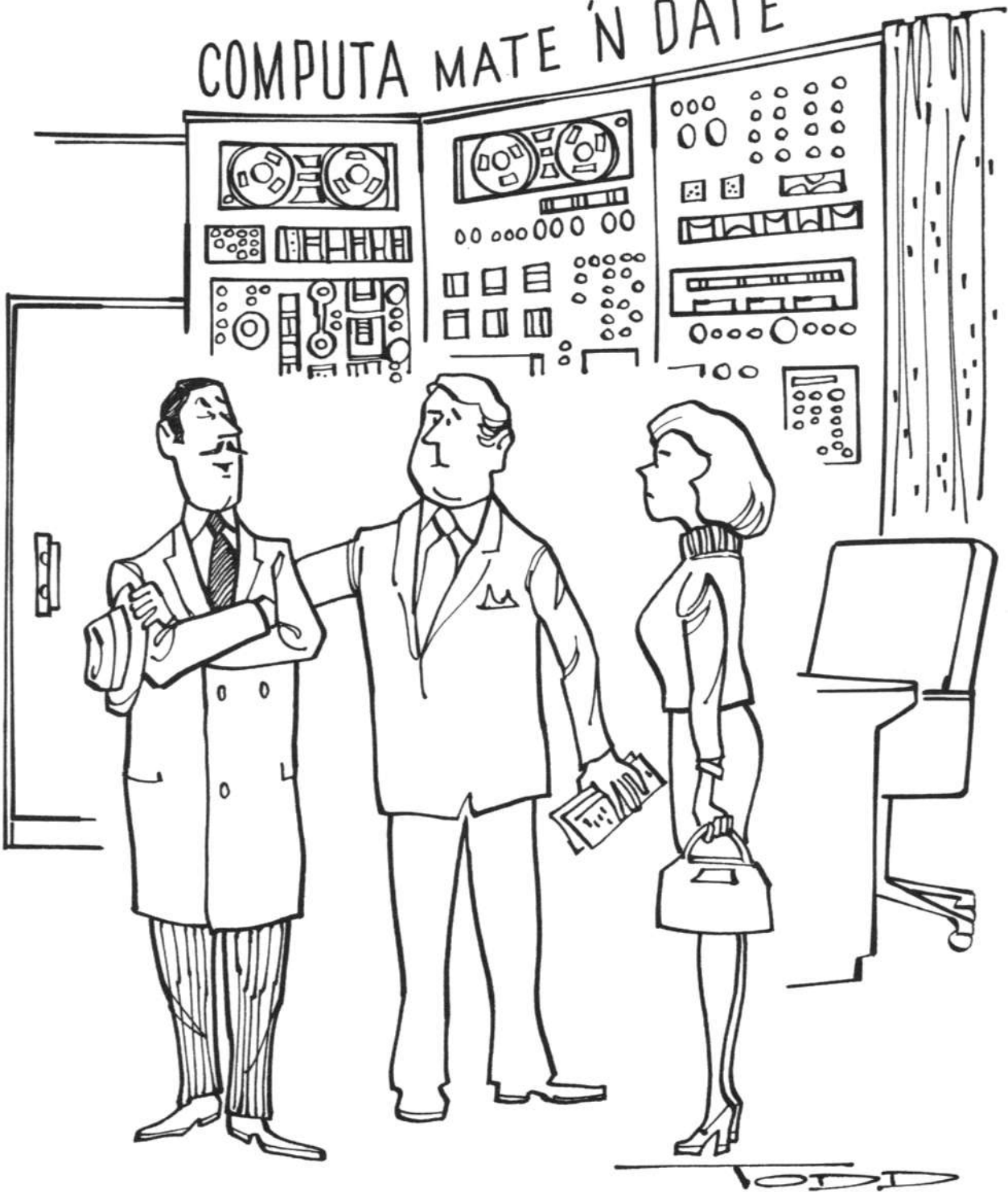


"I think I forgot to tell the computer that Bambi is a Great Dane."

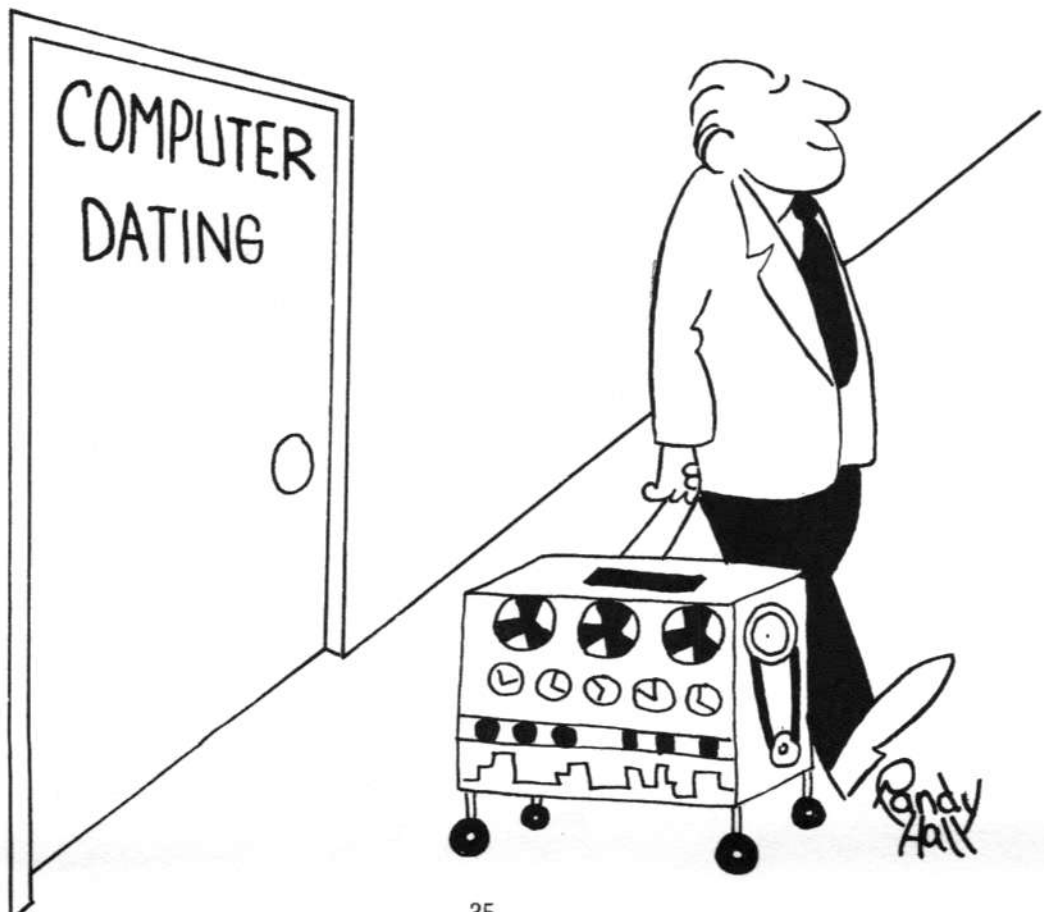
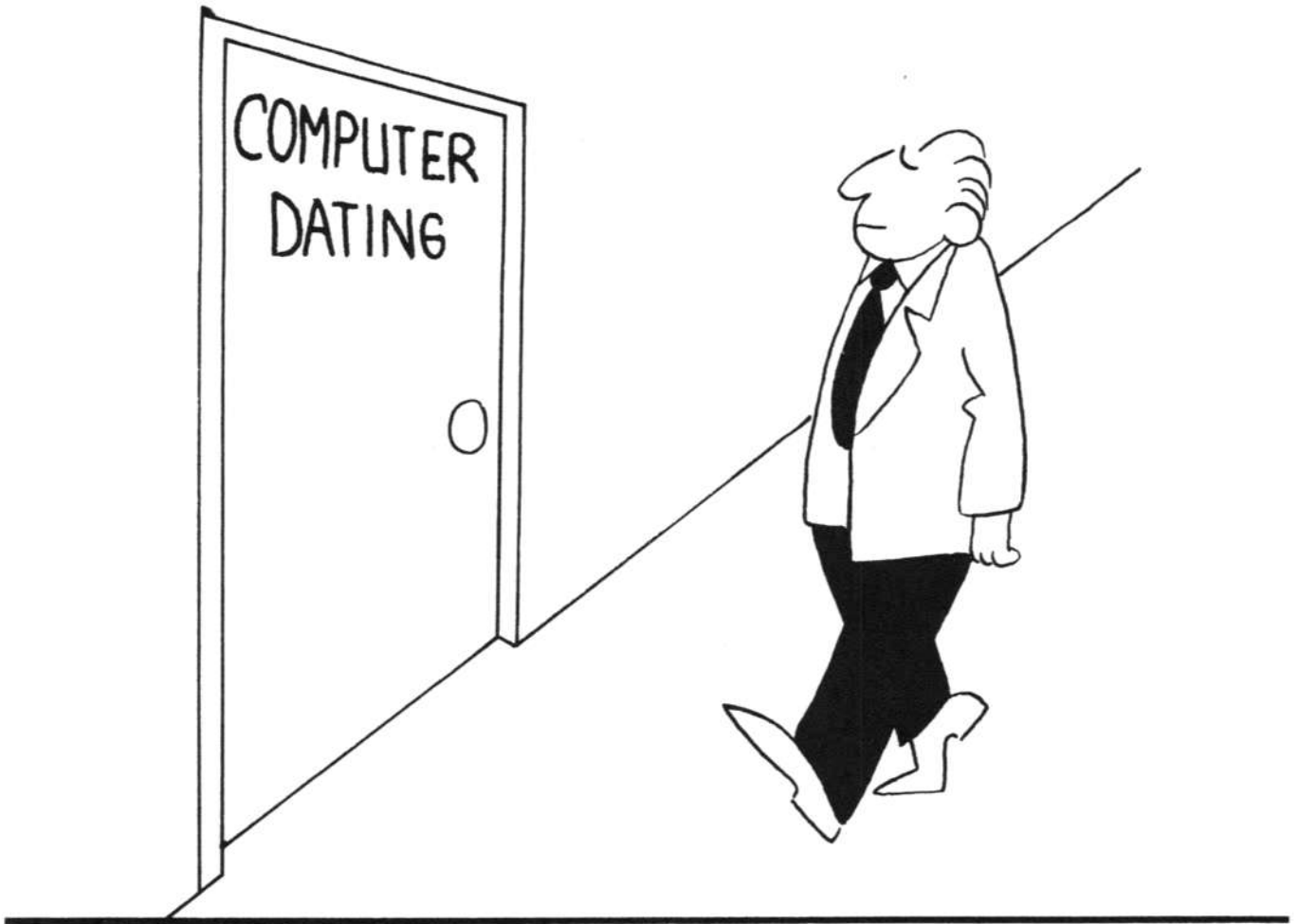


"Cinderella and the Prince could have made it a whole lot easier on themselves if they'd used computer dating."

COMPUTA MATE 'N DATE



"Do you mind if I take her outside first and see how she looks in daylight?"



Randy Hall

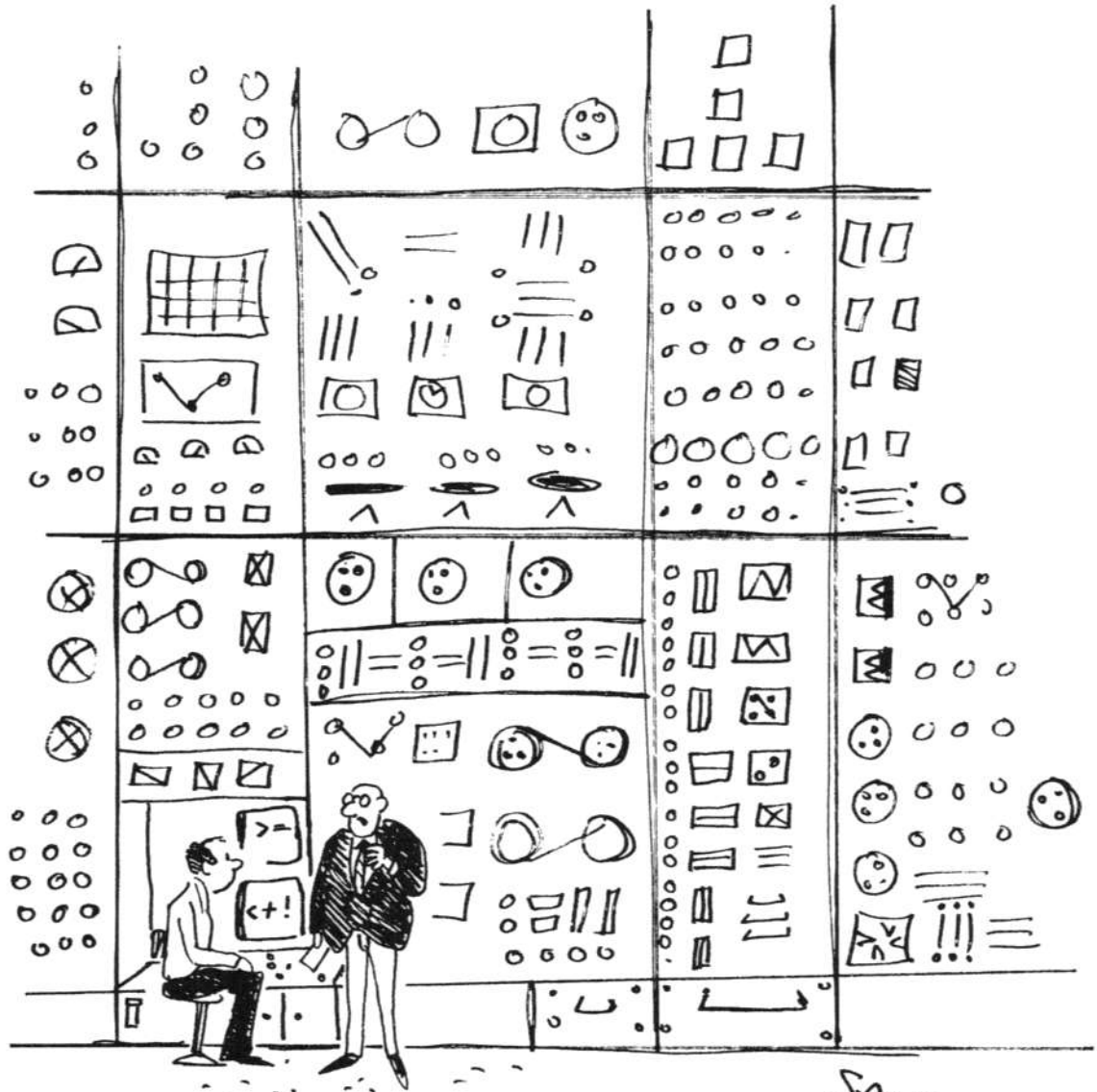


"Gee! my first computer date! I wonder what he'll be like?"



"What could I do? They said the computer never makes a mistake!"

SANDY'S DANDIES



SANDY

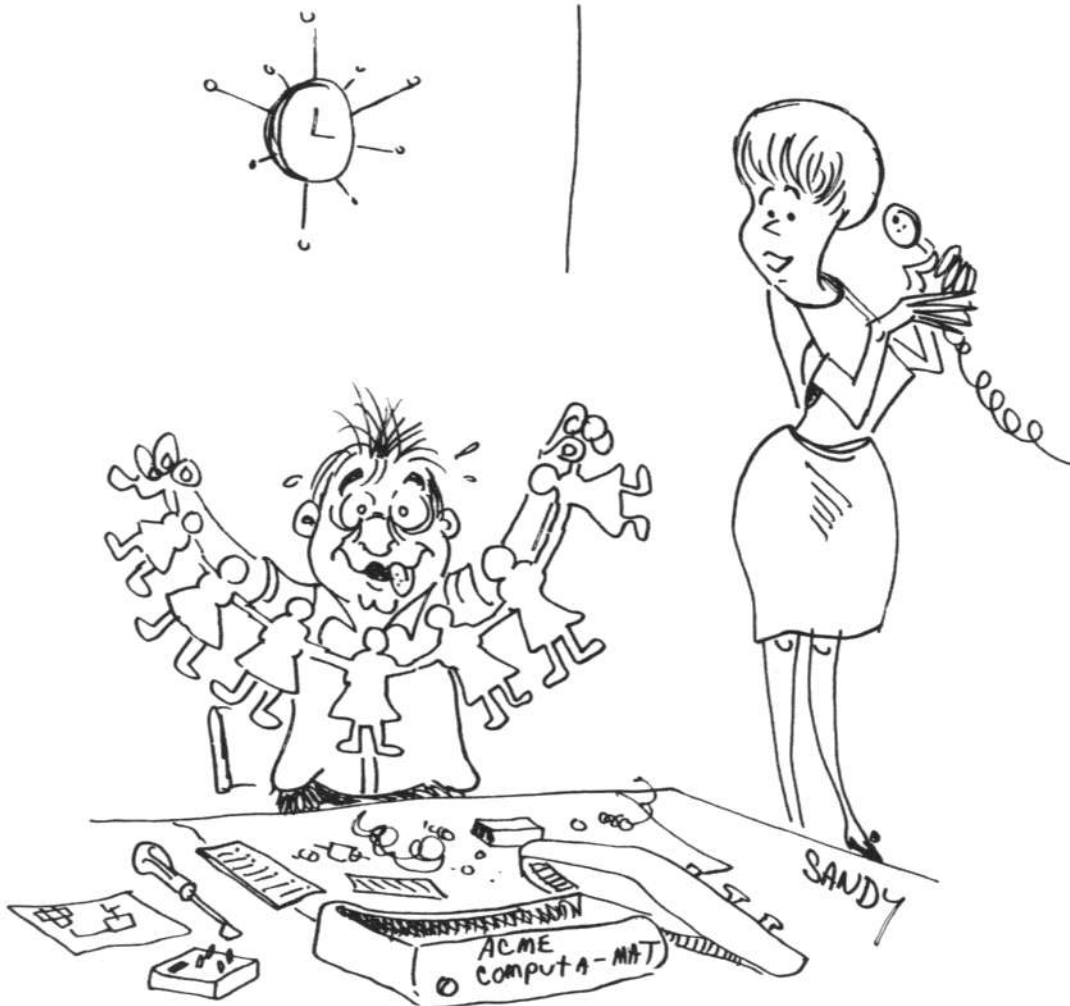
"Yeah? Well, it doesn't make ME feel lowly and insignificant."



"Blast! Those kids have been monkeying with the circuitry again."



"See? It refuses to compute when the Bionic Woman is on..."



"I've got the Acme people on the line. They say they are sorry but your kit contained instructions for a KI-8 kit and you bought a KP-2 kit. They hope you have not been inconvenienced."



"We can't do business after all ... my computer isn't speaking to your computer."



"Honey, were you saving this for anything special?"

"Do I remember what special day this is? Hmm ... Of course! It's Norbert Wiener's birthday!"

COMPUTER SHOP



"Do you suppose my problem could be that I accidentally left them in my pocket and they ran through a complete wash and spin-dry cycle...?"



"To err is human. To really foul up a computer takes a man."



"Shhssh! Hold it... let's go someplace where we can be alone..."

ACME COMPUTERS

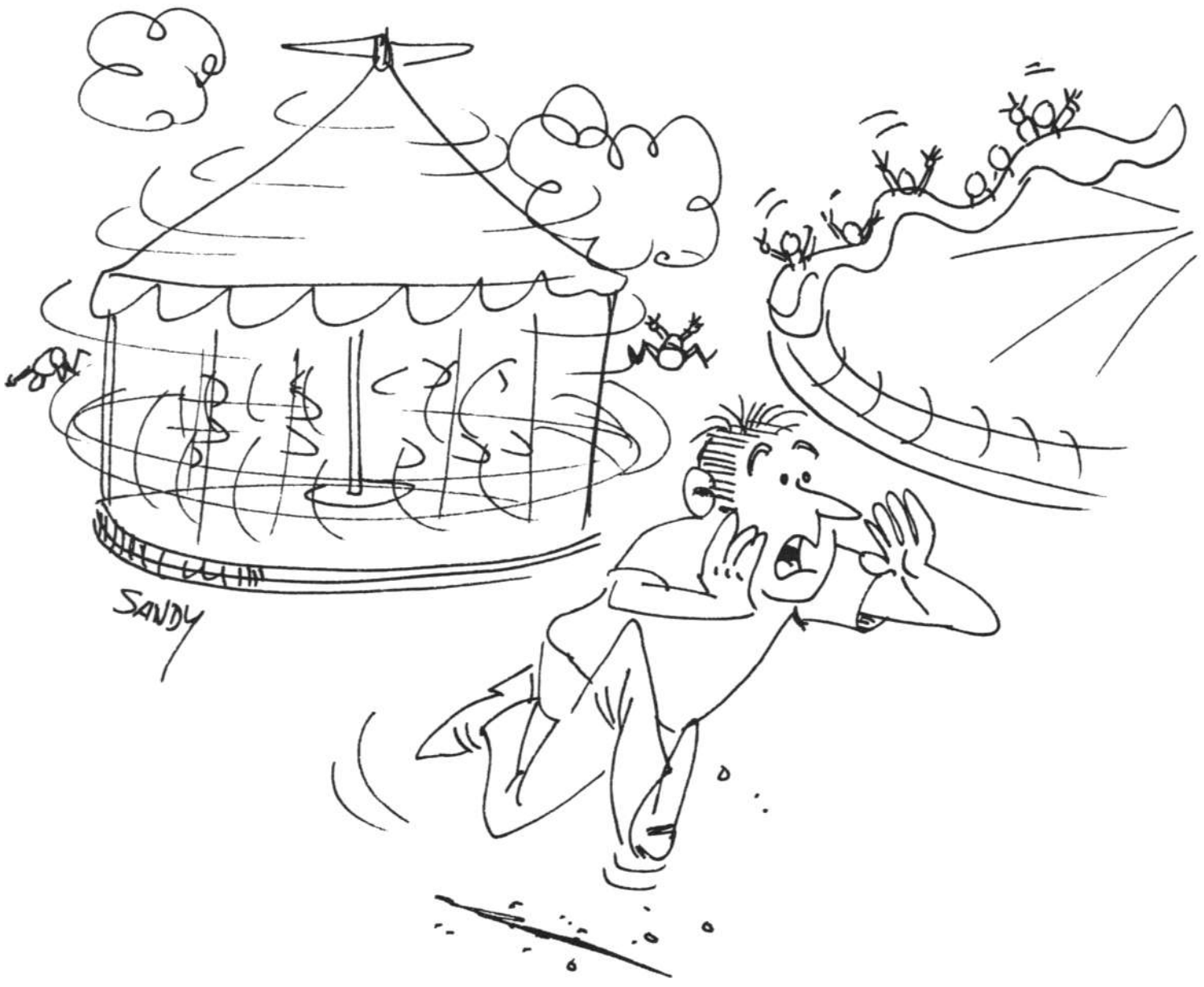


"He said he overheard two of our salesmen talking about the need for debugging..."

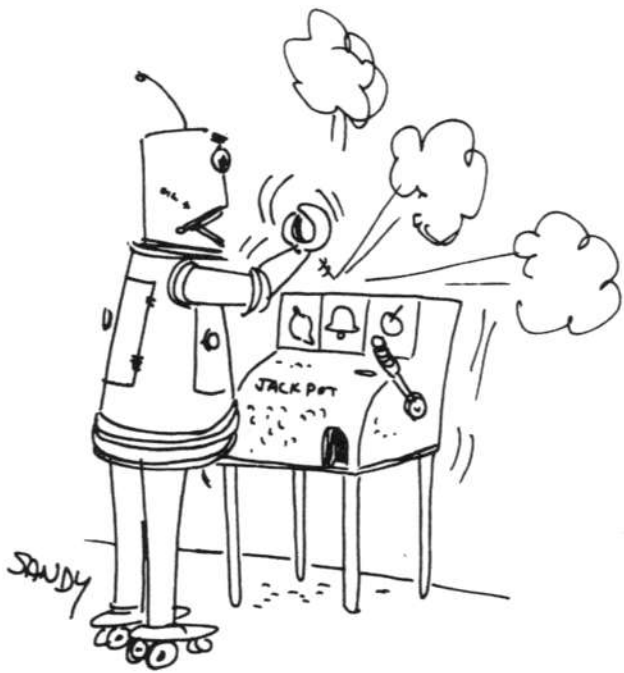


"Naw, I don't watch those bionic people TV shows. They're all a bunch of crock. Don't you agree, Ms. Ledbetter?"

AMUSEMENT PARK



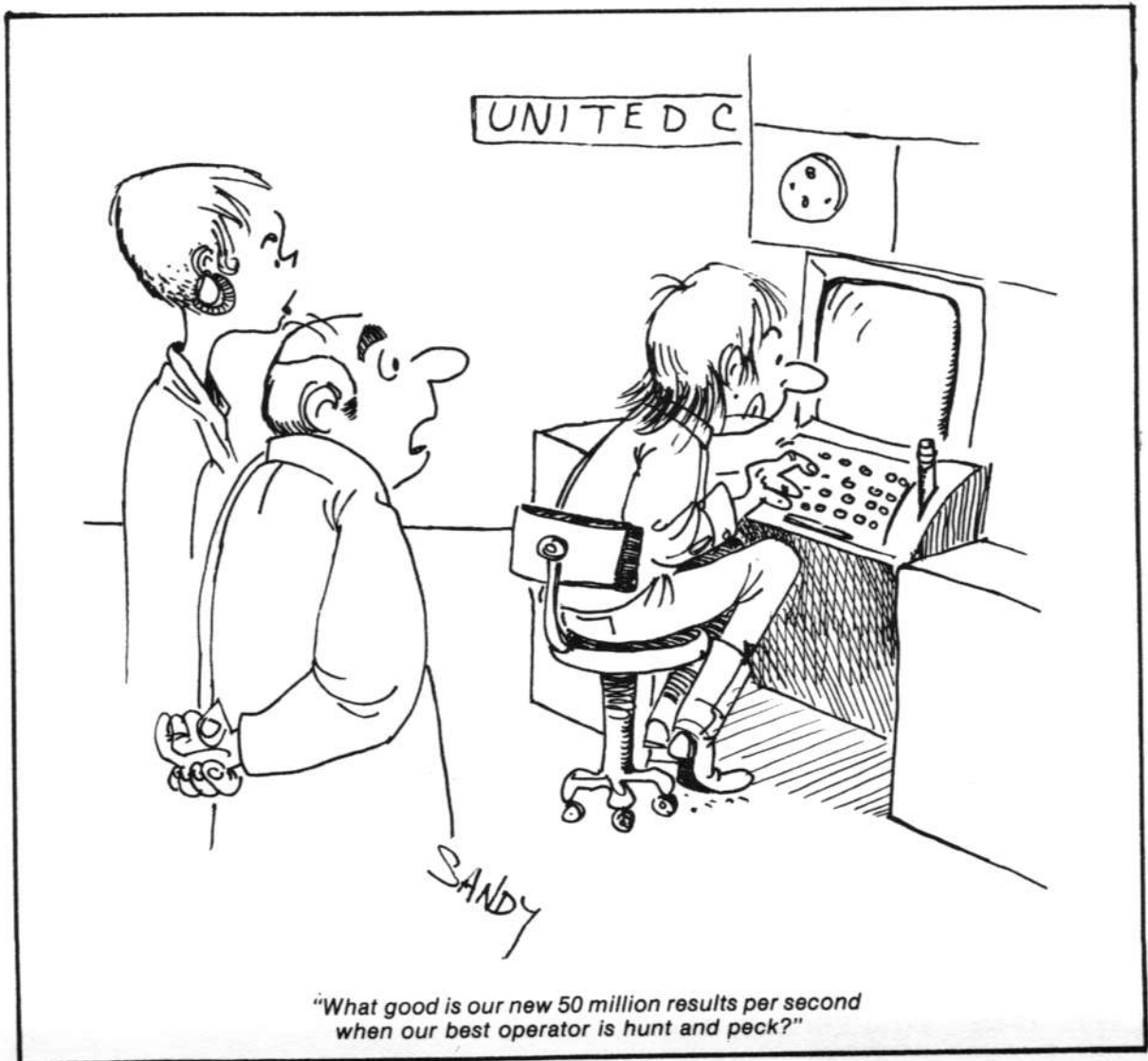
"Get the programmer back here! He's crossed the merry-go-round with the rocket!"



"That does not compute. That does not compute.
That does..."



"Now hear this! I am the programmer. You are the programme!"



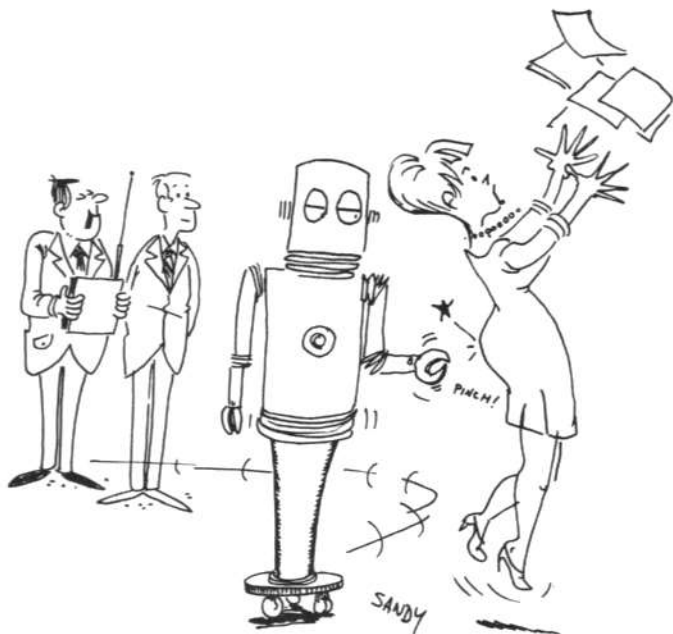
"What good is our new 50 million results per second
when our best operator is hunt and peck?"



"My programmer doesn't understand me."

ROUGHISH ROBOTS

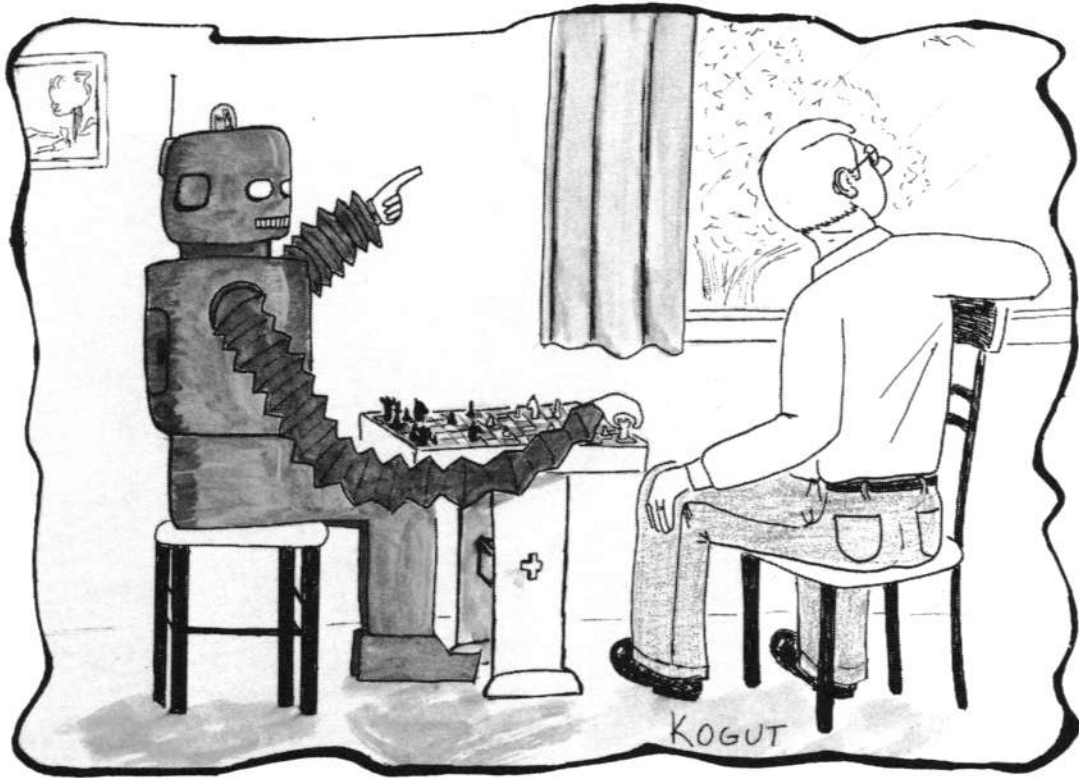
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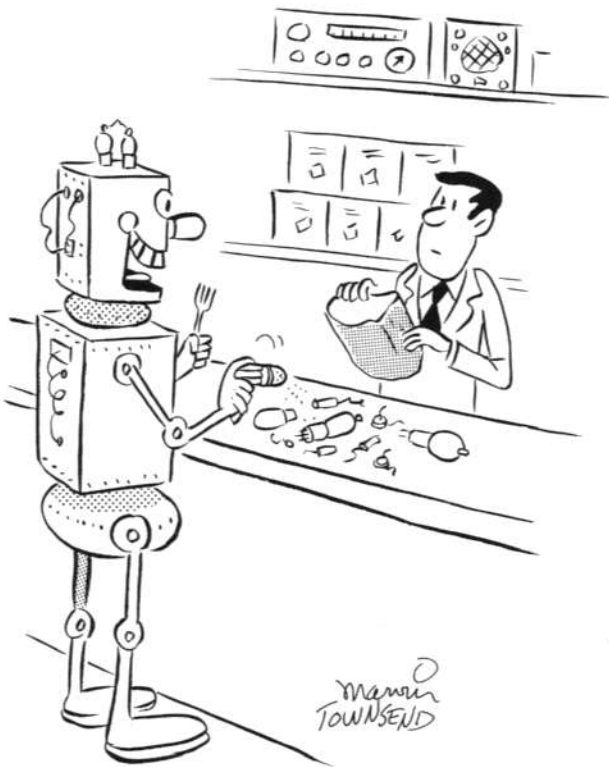
"See? The ex-14b is just as agile as any man."



"I compute therefore I am."



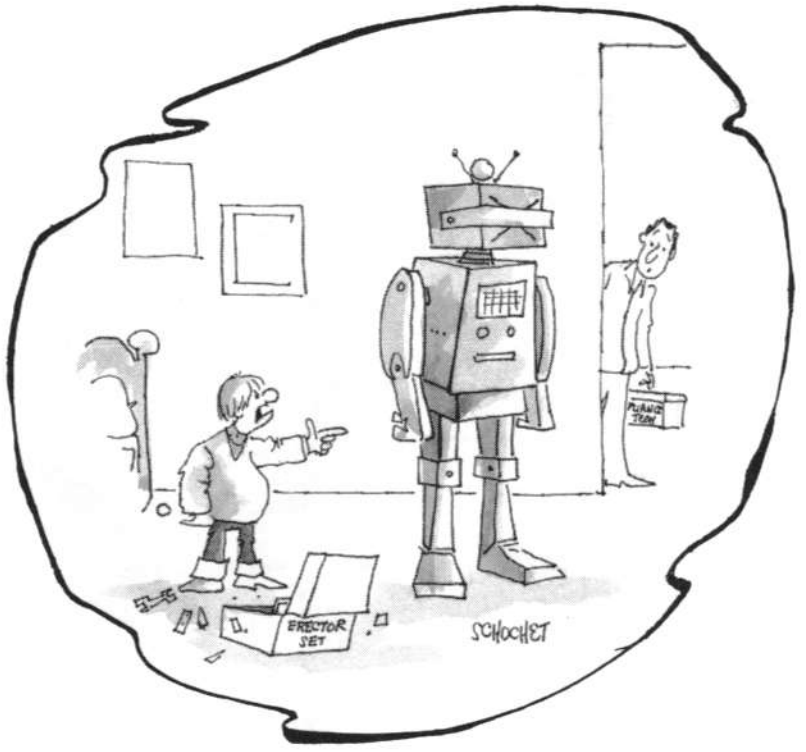
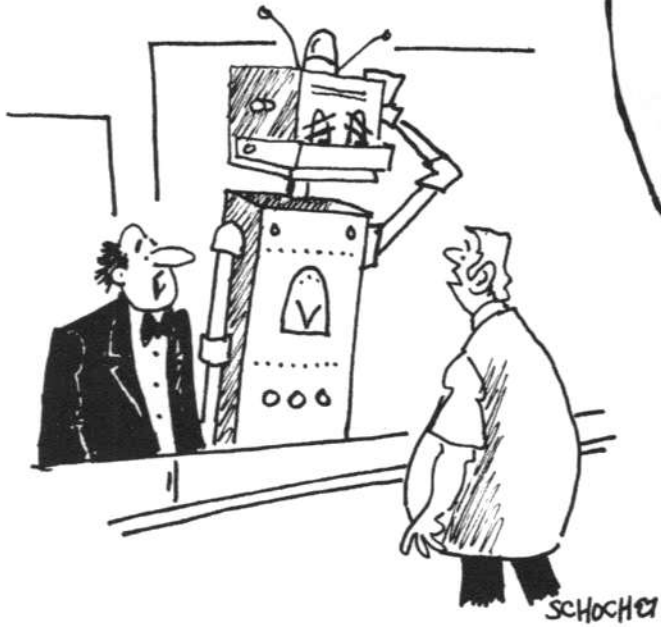
ELECTRONIC COMPONENTS



"Never mind the sack; I'll eat 'em here."

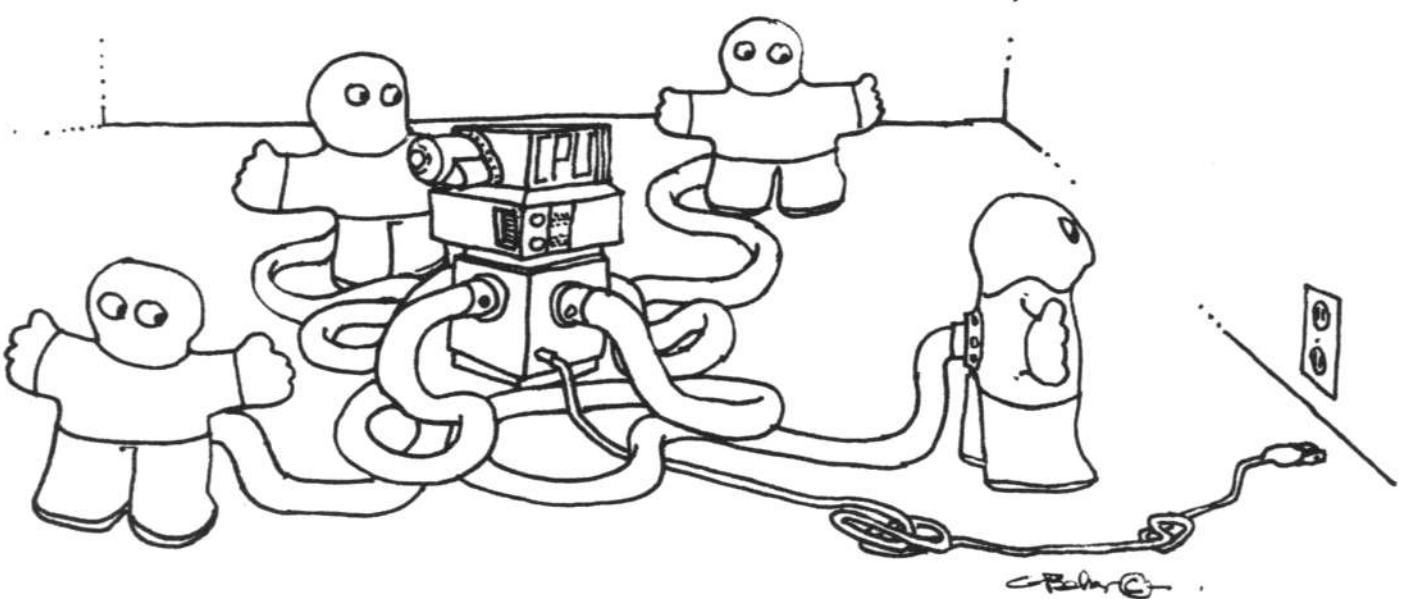


"My life has become a dull endless cycle of programming and reprogramming."

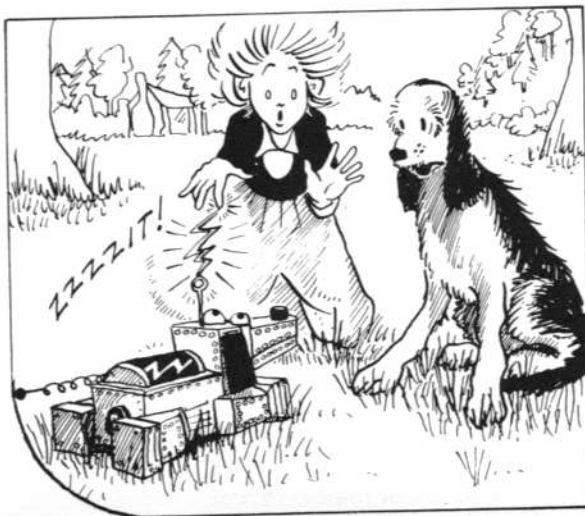
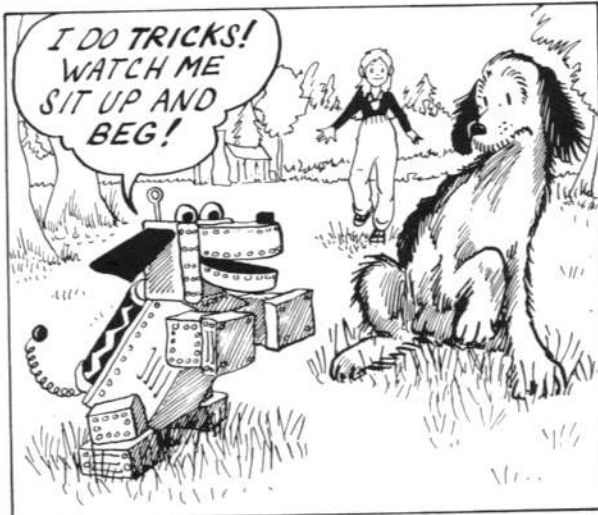


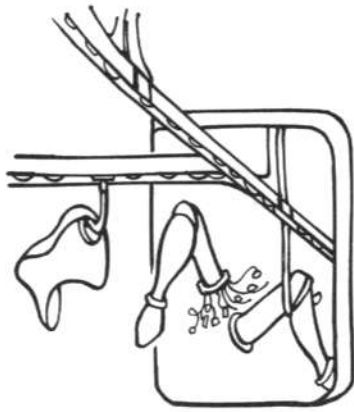
"DESTROY!"

"A box of CMOS please. He gets terrible migraines when he has to do intricate figuring."

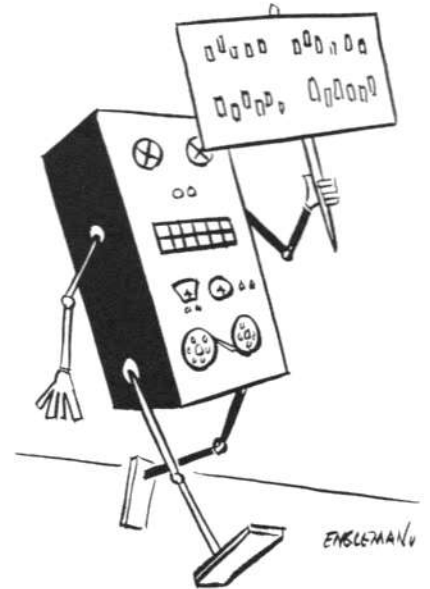


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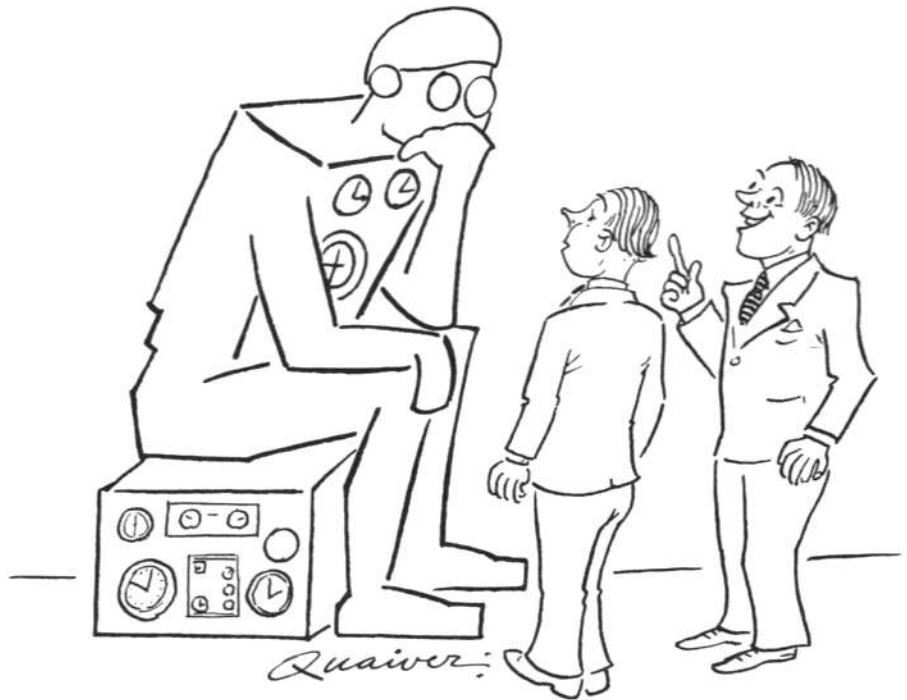




AUTOMATAN MANUFACTURING
female assembly →



"12:45 Ed; shall we go back in to join the ladies?"



"This is our thinker model."

EDU-MAN*

MEETS
PSEUDO
HERO

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OUR STORY OPENS AS PSEUDO HERO, SALESMAN FOR PLANETARY HERCULEAN COMPUTERS, IS TALKING TO AN UN-SUSPECTING H.S. PHYSICS TEACHER.

MINS AND MICROS ARE TOYS! YOU NEED 72-BIT WORDS TO DO ANYTHING USEFUL.



WELL, I JUST WANT TO LAND THIS LIL' MODEL ROCKET ON THE MOON.



NO CHANCE ON A MINIOR MICRO IN BASIC! THAT'S A MACHINE CODE JOB FOR A 524K PHE COMPUTER.



SORRY LYSOL. ALL OUR BUDGET WILL GO FOR HARDWARE. NO CREATIVE COMPUTING SUB'S NOW!



LYSOL EXCUSES HIMSELF.



THIS IS DEFINITELY A JOB FOR...



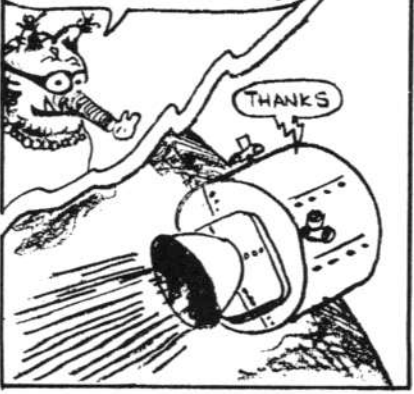
LET'S SEE. THAT OLD NASA PROGRAM IS 2.6M WORDS. NOW TO COMPRESS IT TO 4K BASIC.



AND NOW TO GET RID OF PSEUDO HERO!



HERE'S YOUR PROGRAM, MR. PHYSICS TEACHER.



THANKS



SPLAT!

READERS! WANT TO TRY TO MAKE A SOFT LANDING ON THE MOON? LUNAR IN BASIC FITS IN 0.5K USER SPACE! ALONG WITH 100 OTHER GAMES IN "101 BASIC COMPUTER GAMES." ONLY \$ 8.25 POSTPAID FROM: CREATIVE COMPUTING P.O. BOX 789-M MORRISTOWN, NJ 07960



GOOD LUCK !!

* Yes, astute readers — Creative Computing's erudite, effervescent, easy-going Edu-Man is indeed the twin brother of fearless, fighting, foulmouthed Wonder Wart Hog. Apologies to Gilbert Shelton. — DHA

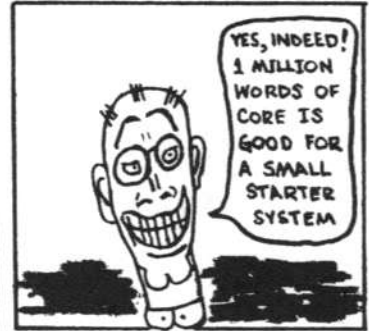
EDU-MAN*

MEETS THE RUMOR MONGERS

OUR STORY OPENS AS ALE CREATIVE COMPUTING SALESMAN, RONALD LYSOL, MAKES HIS ROUNDS OF SCHOOLS AND COLLEGES AND KEEPS HEARING THE FOLLOWING SOB STORY....



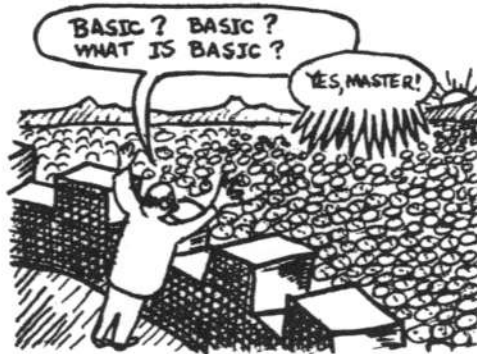
MEANWHILE THE SIH SALES MANAGER IS ADDRESSING THE SIH (+EG) SALES FORCE...



WHILE AT THIS VERY MOMENT, GENERAL DATA IS SPEAKING TO THE AVON SALES FORCE...



AND ADMIRAL WATSON SPEAKS TO A SMALL GROUP OF HAND-PICKED SELECT TROOPS...



WITH ALL THESE MALICIOUS RUMORS FLYING ABOUT, THIS IS OBVIOUSLY A JOB FOR...



FIRST I VISIT WELLESLEY WHERE I EXHIBIT MY FAMOUS ACCORDION IN WHICH I CRUSH 36 RUMOR MONGERS INTO IC'S WITH MY BARE HANDS



AND FINDS IT....

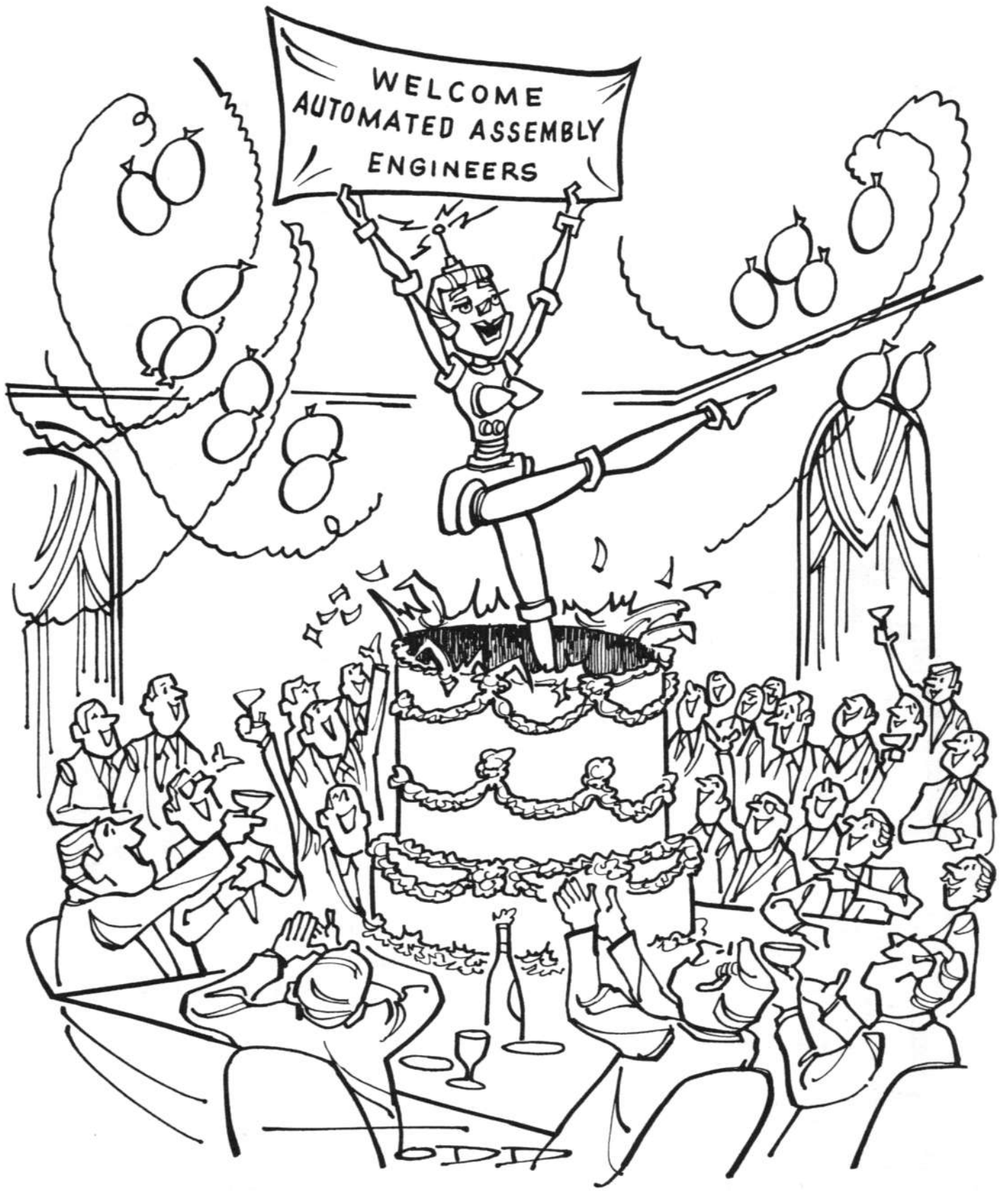


JUST AS FORMIDABLE, WHICH I DEMONSTRATE NOW IN ARMONK, IS MY FAMOUS REPERCUSSION PUNCH!



AND NOW FOR THE LAST WORD. IF YOU USE MINIS AND MICROS WISELY, YOU'LL HAVE PLENTY OF MONEY LEFT OVER FOR SUB'NS TO CREATIVE COMPUTING. (AND PERHAPS A BIT FOR YOUR FRIENDLY NEIGHBORHOOD SUPER WART-HOG TOO!) CHEERS!





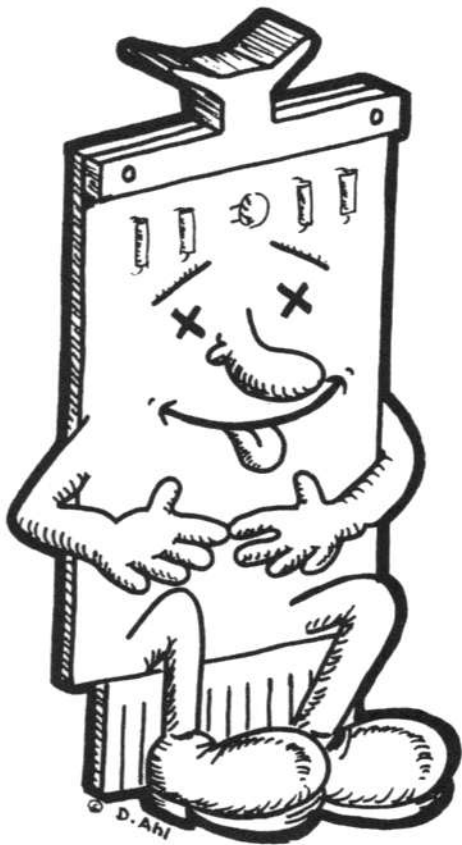
COLLECT 'EM!

Cut out these cute lil' critters along the heavy black line. Color with crayons, water colors, or "Flair-" type pens. Paste on walls, notebooks, IBM machines, etc. Or make a really keen mobile!

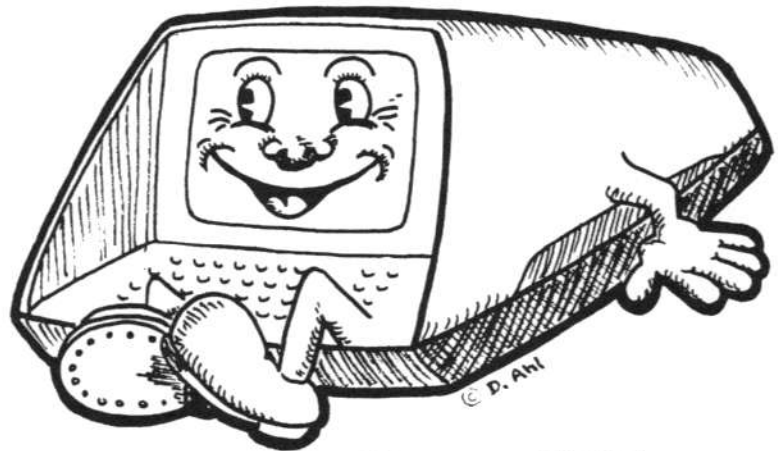


**Talkative
Terry
Telephone**

COMPUTER



**Freaked-out
Freddy Flip Chip**



Cyrus CRT

**HOURS
OF FUN!**



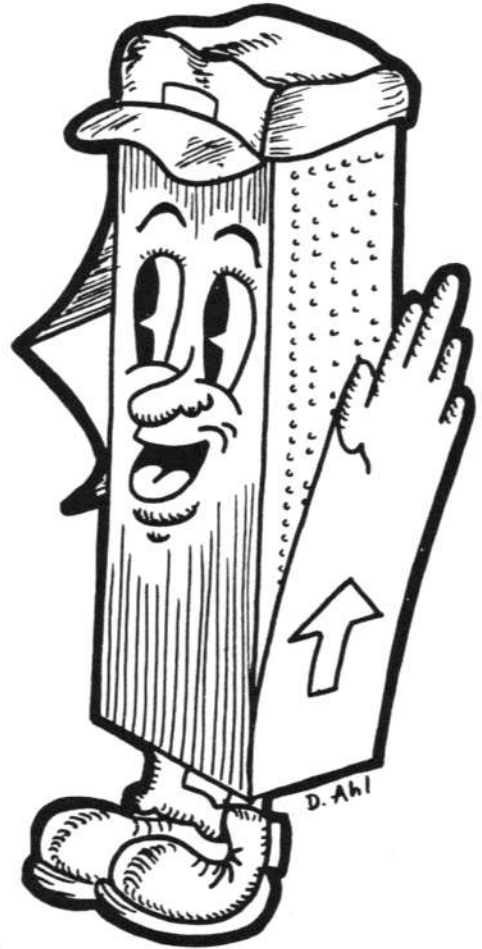
Pester Program Bug

**LOADS
OF
LAUGHS!**

CRITTERS



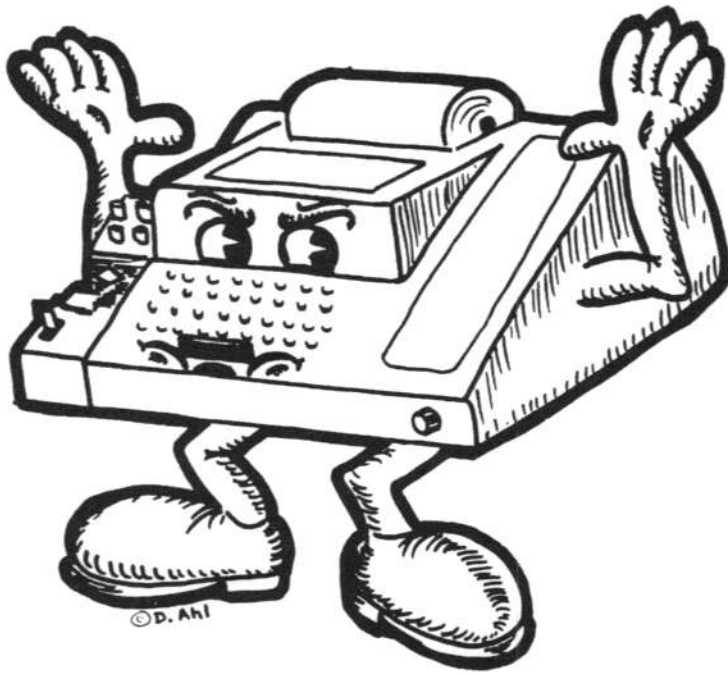
**Dancing Danny
DECTape**



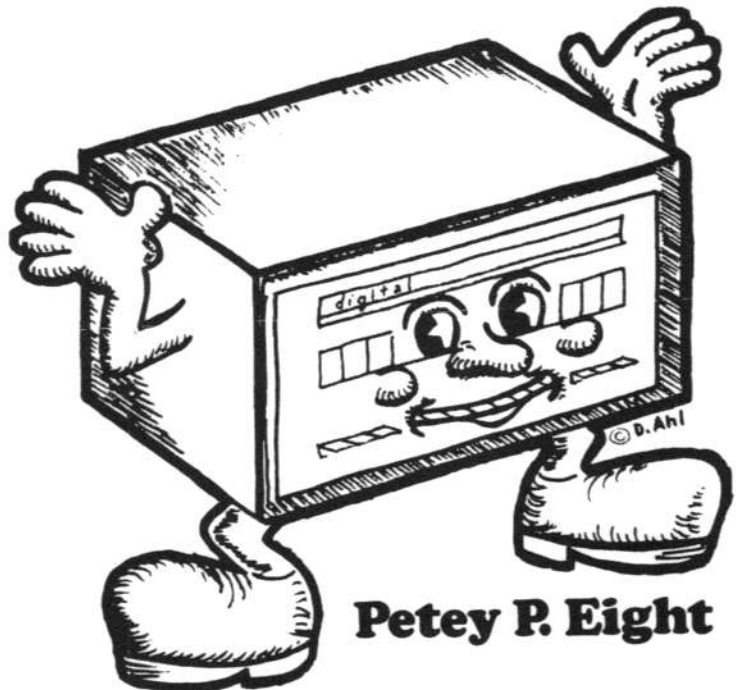
Punchy Paper Tape

SWAP 'EM!

Be sure to collect
the whole set



Terrible Tommy Teletype



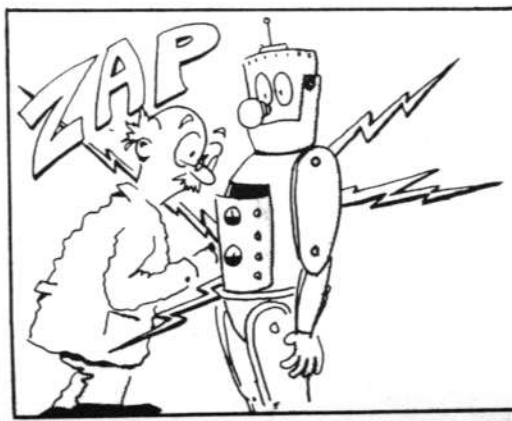
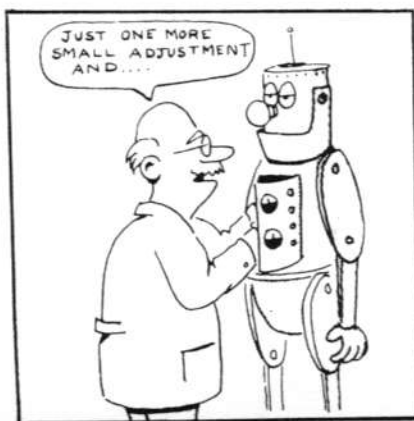
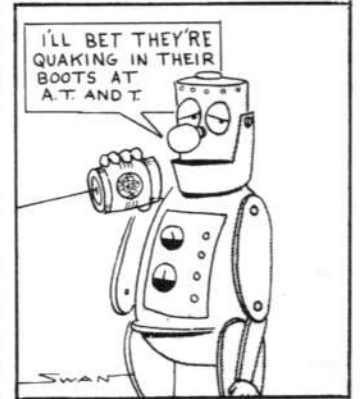
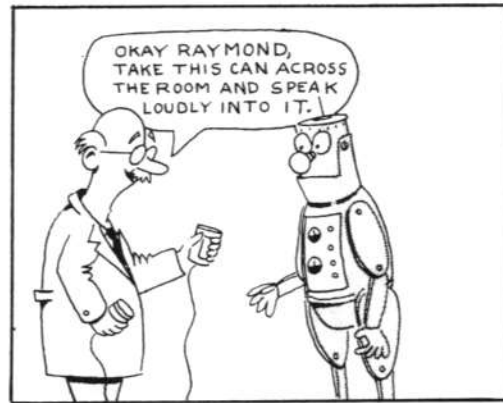
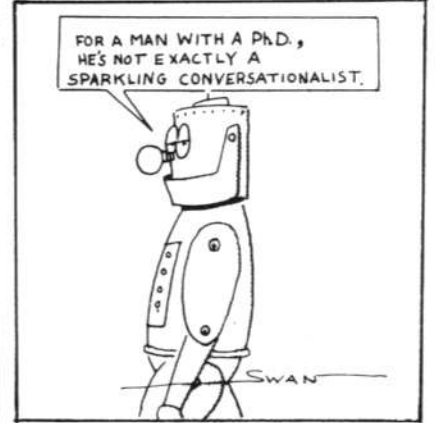
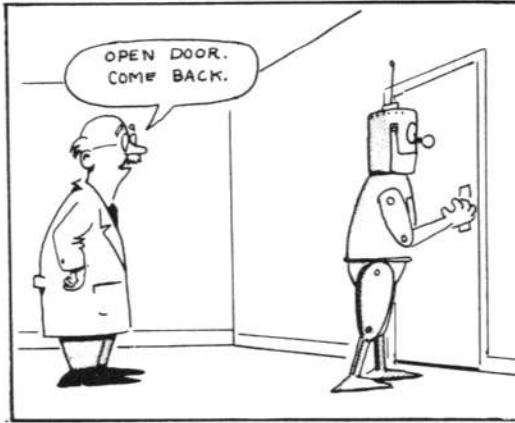
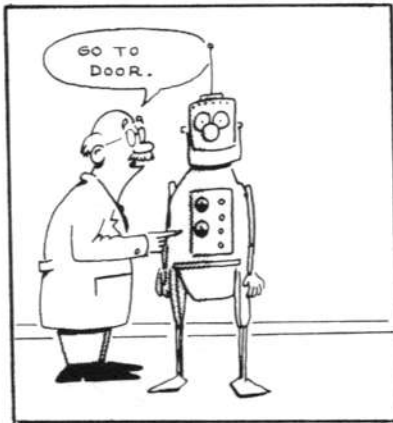
Petey P. Eight

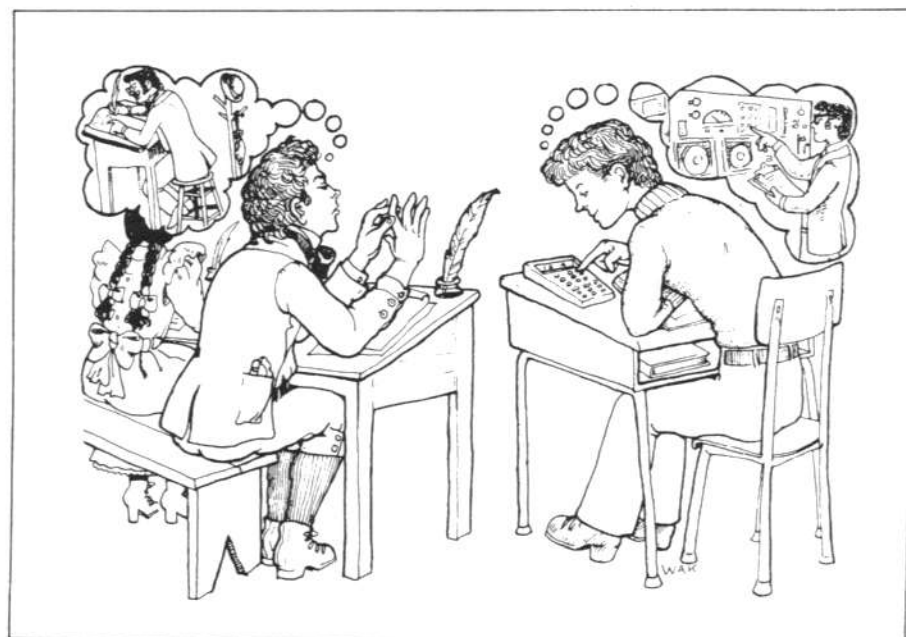
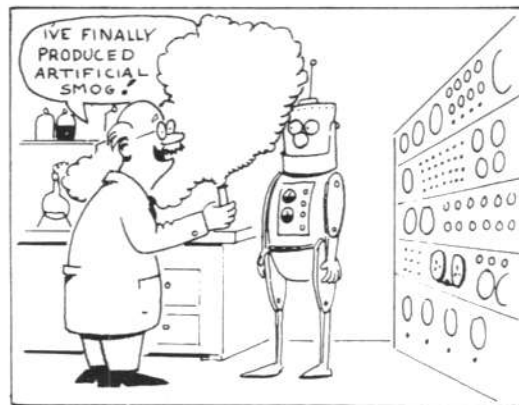
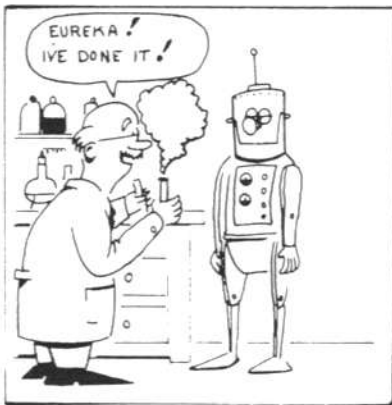
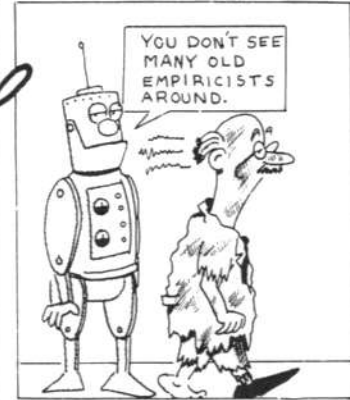
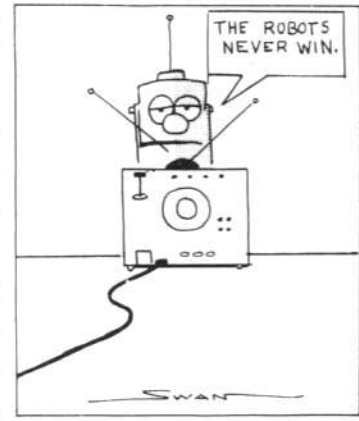
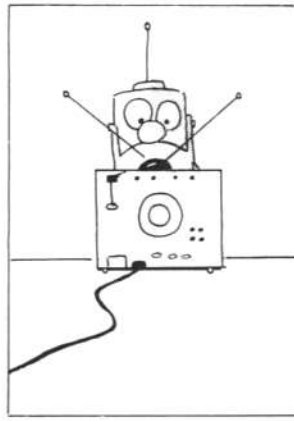
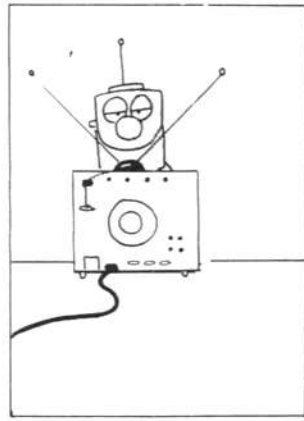
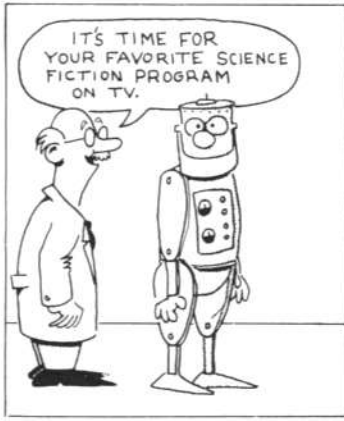


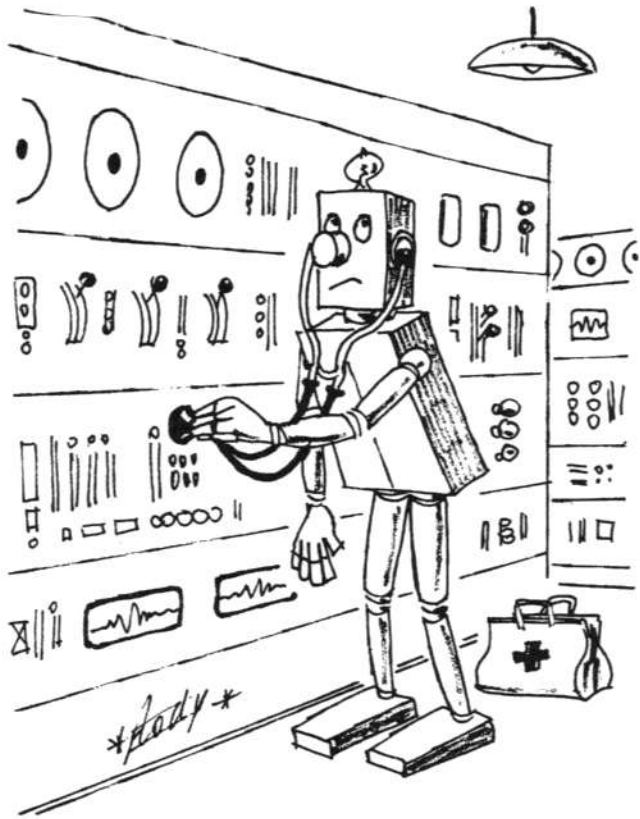
Devilish Donald Diskpack



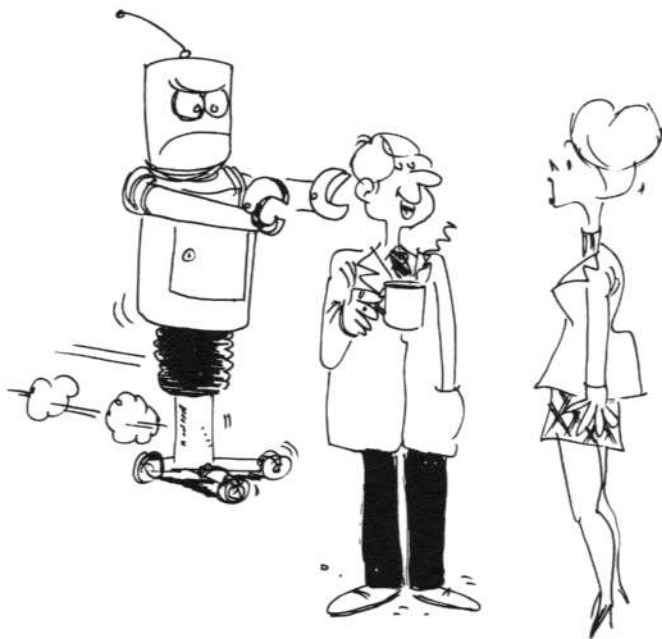
THE NUTTY PROFESSOR'S NUTTY ROBOT



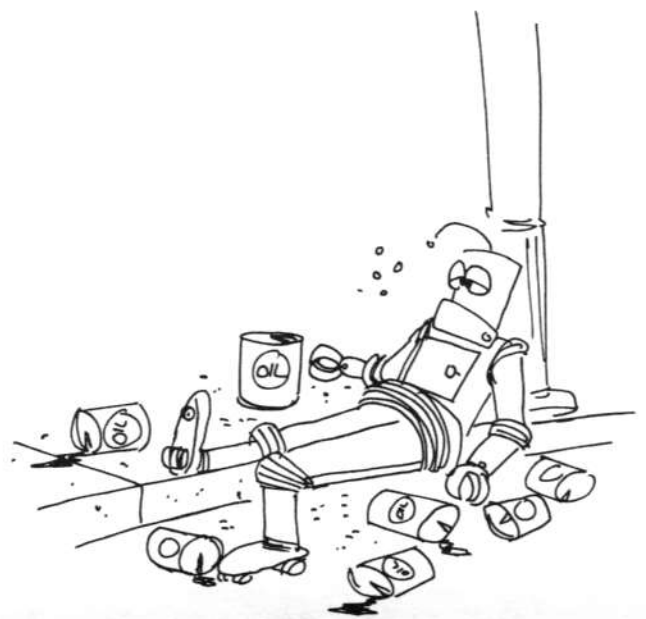


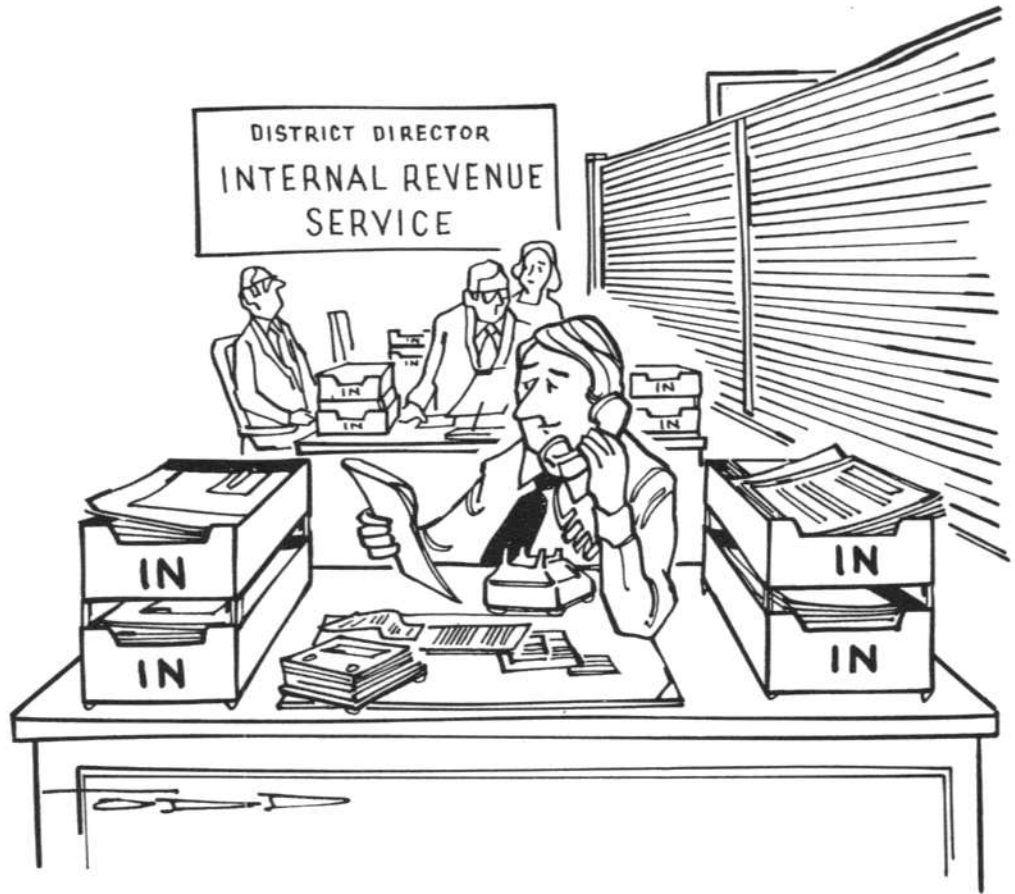


"Cold screwdriver, huh?"



"Did you see that movie about the robots that kill their programmers and take over the world? I laughed all the way through it!"





INSIDE JOKES



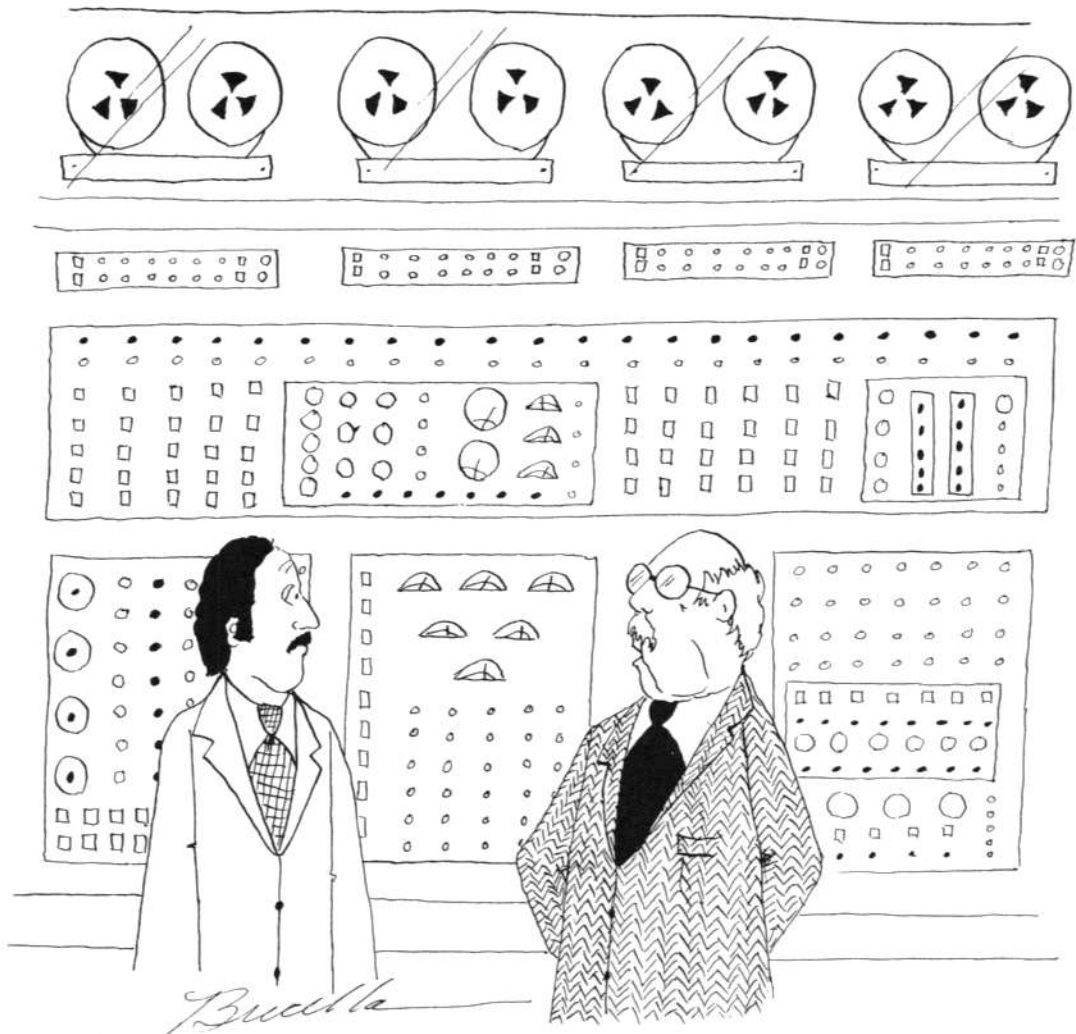
"Good morning, this is account number 35-0021-1973C. I'd like to be connected to my computer."



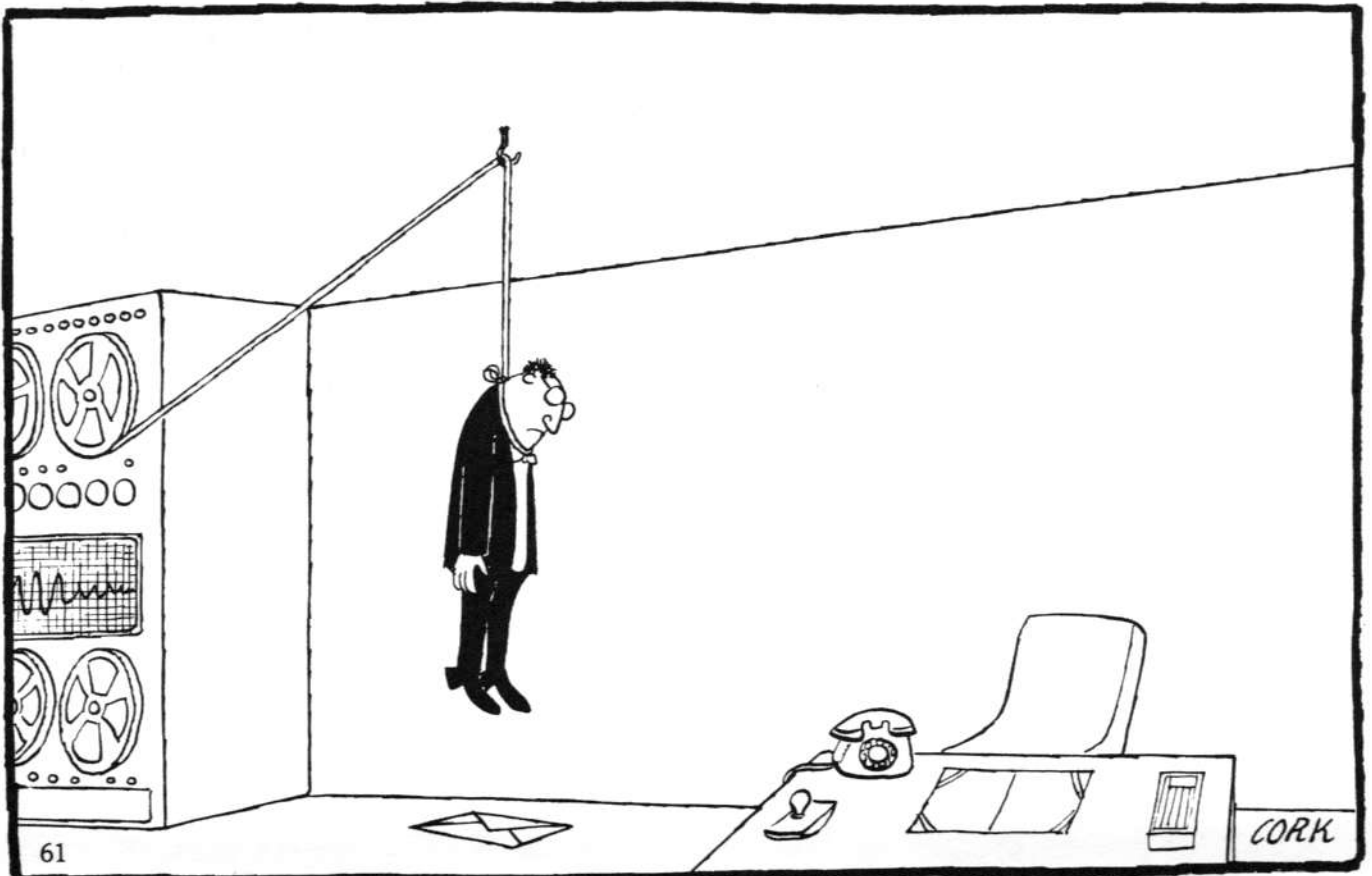
"I know it's been three days since installation, as soon as we find the OFF-ON switch you can start operations."

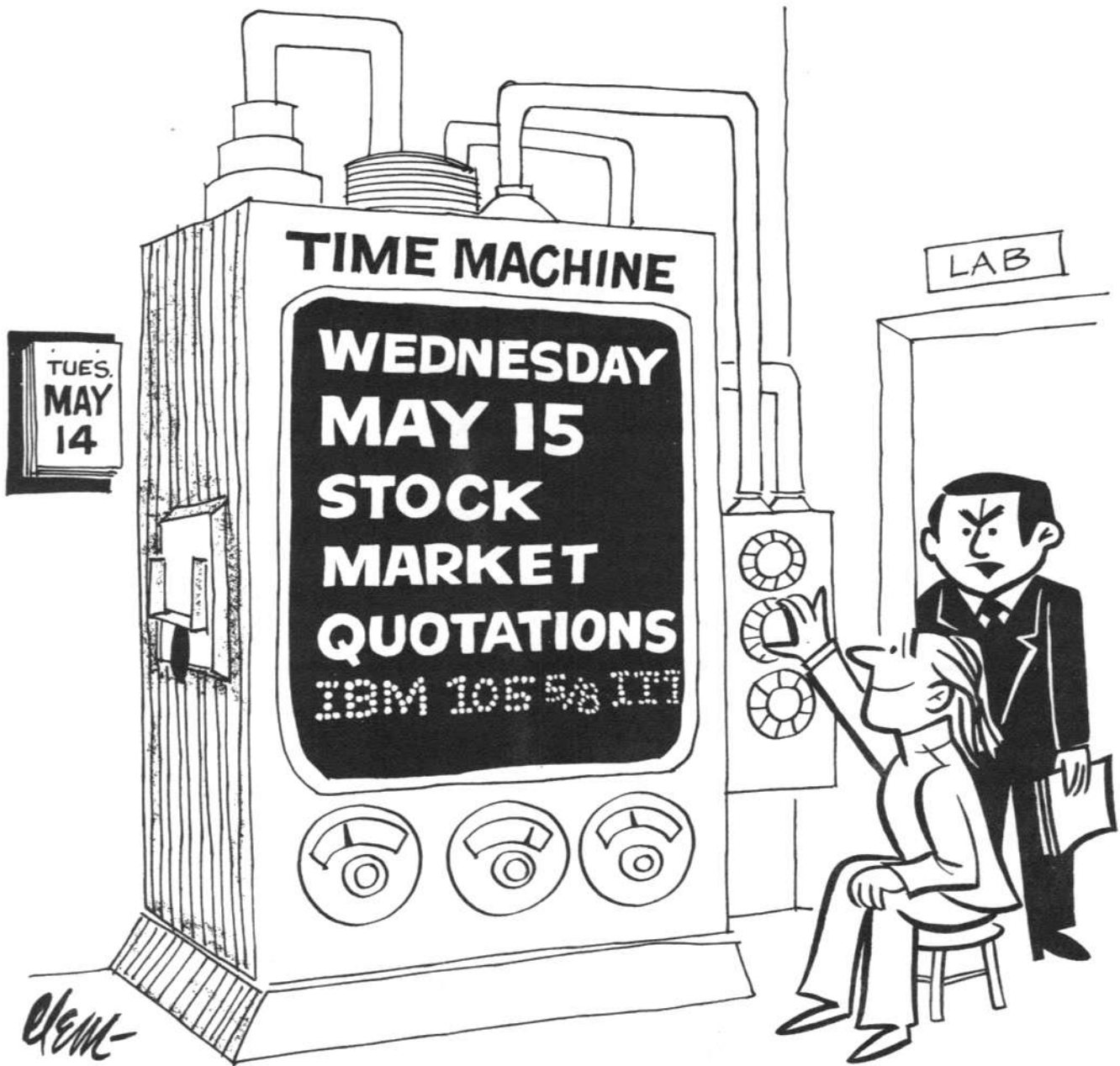


"Try to look like a computer."

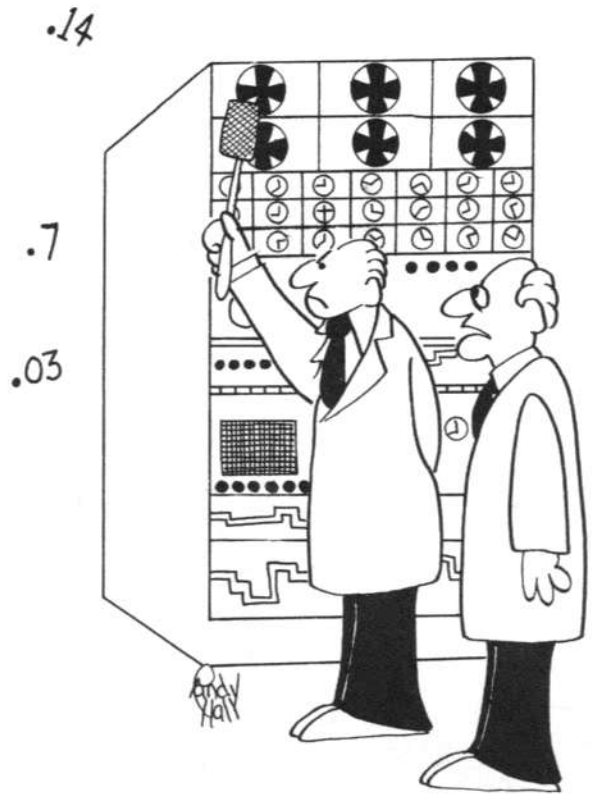


"Sure it looks impressive ... but can it produce Snoopy printouts?"

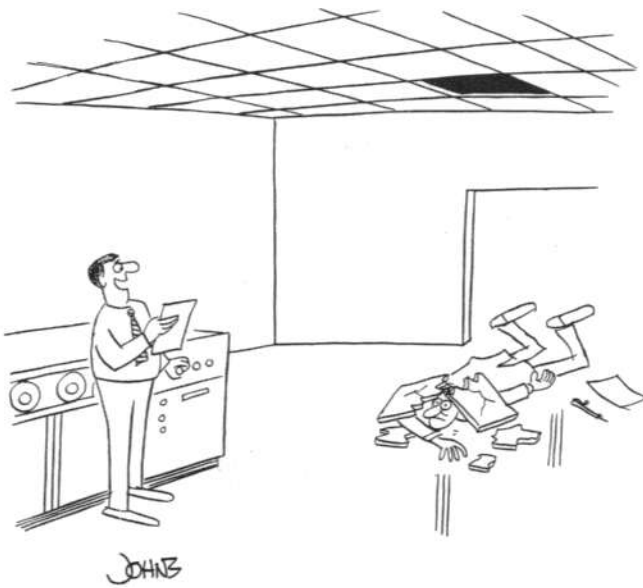




"My money and patience have come to an end for your stupid project, Dr. Janis. As you insisted, all patent rights revert to you. What good is going back into time, anyway?"



"When are you going to learn the difference between a fly and a floating decimal?"



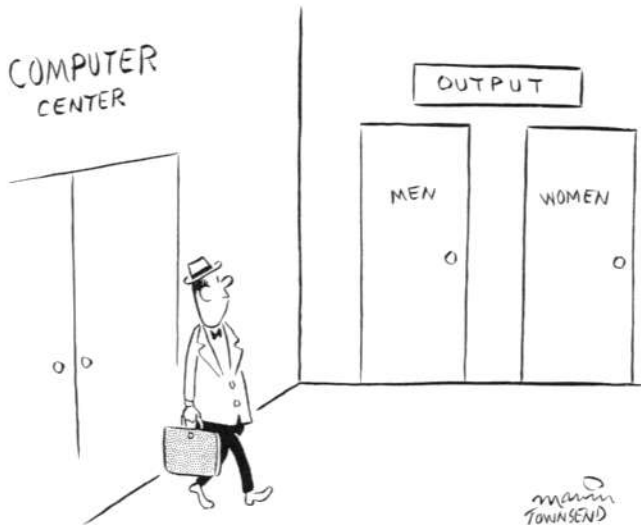
"Would you like to hear what the odds are against that ever happening again?!"



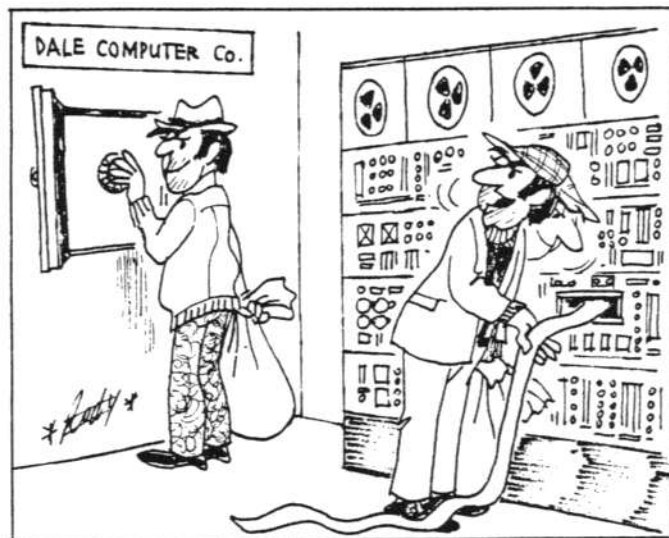
"The finest minds in the company have considered for two days, J.B., and it looks like OHIO STATE by 13."



"I'm sure we can find a place for it... Miss Smedley, you're fired!"



Martin
TOWNSEND



"Why, in case it overflows, of course."



RAY
CRUISE

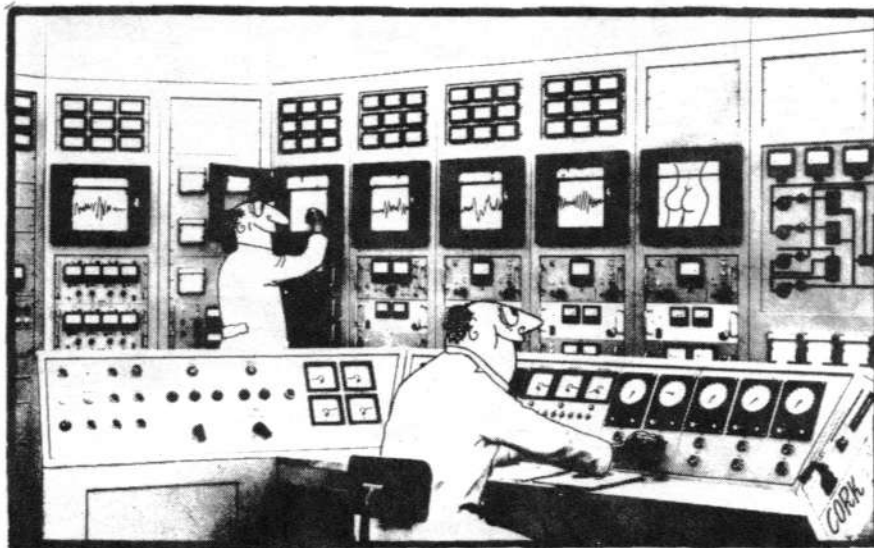
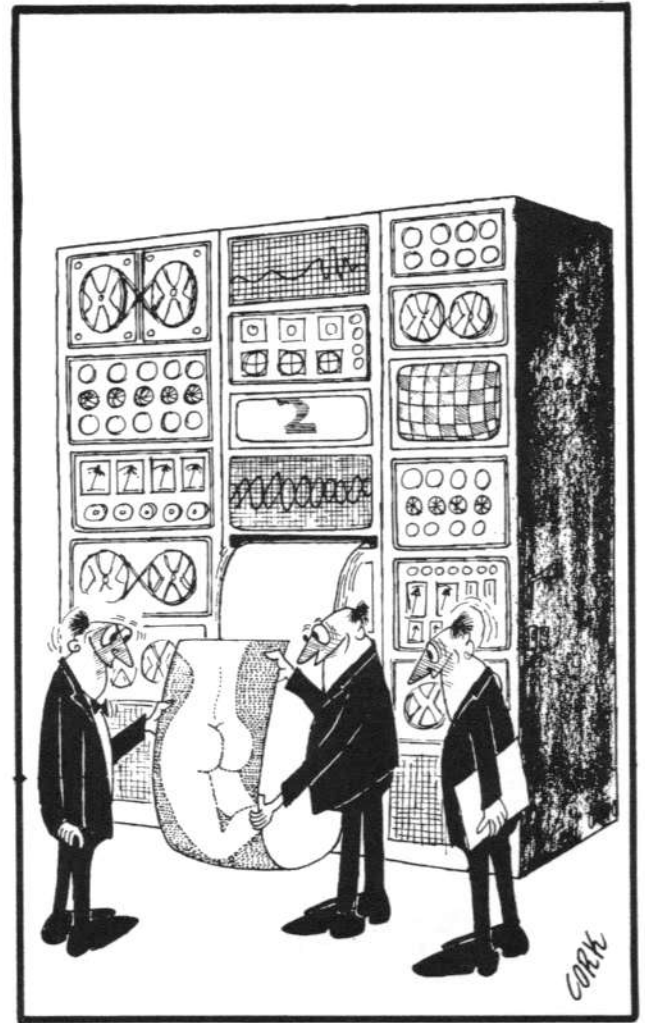
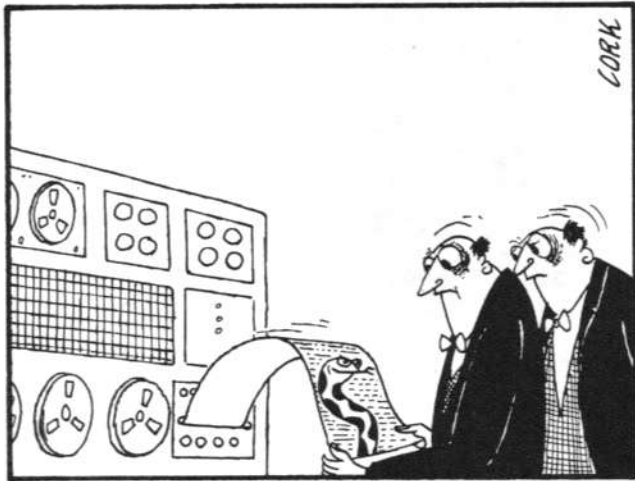
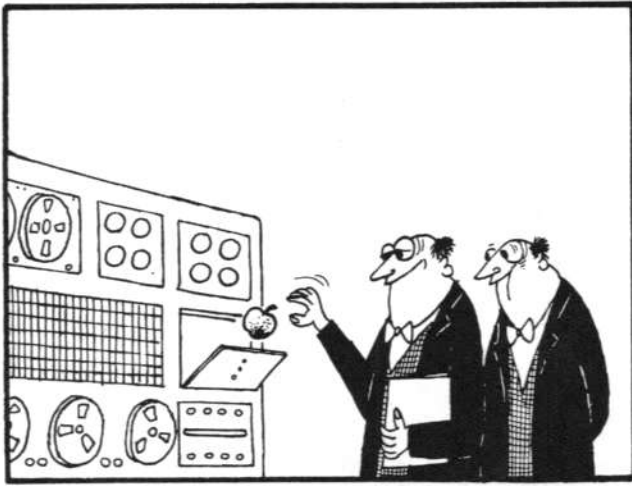
"I'd like you to meet Mr. Headly, he's a cyborg."

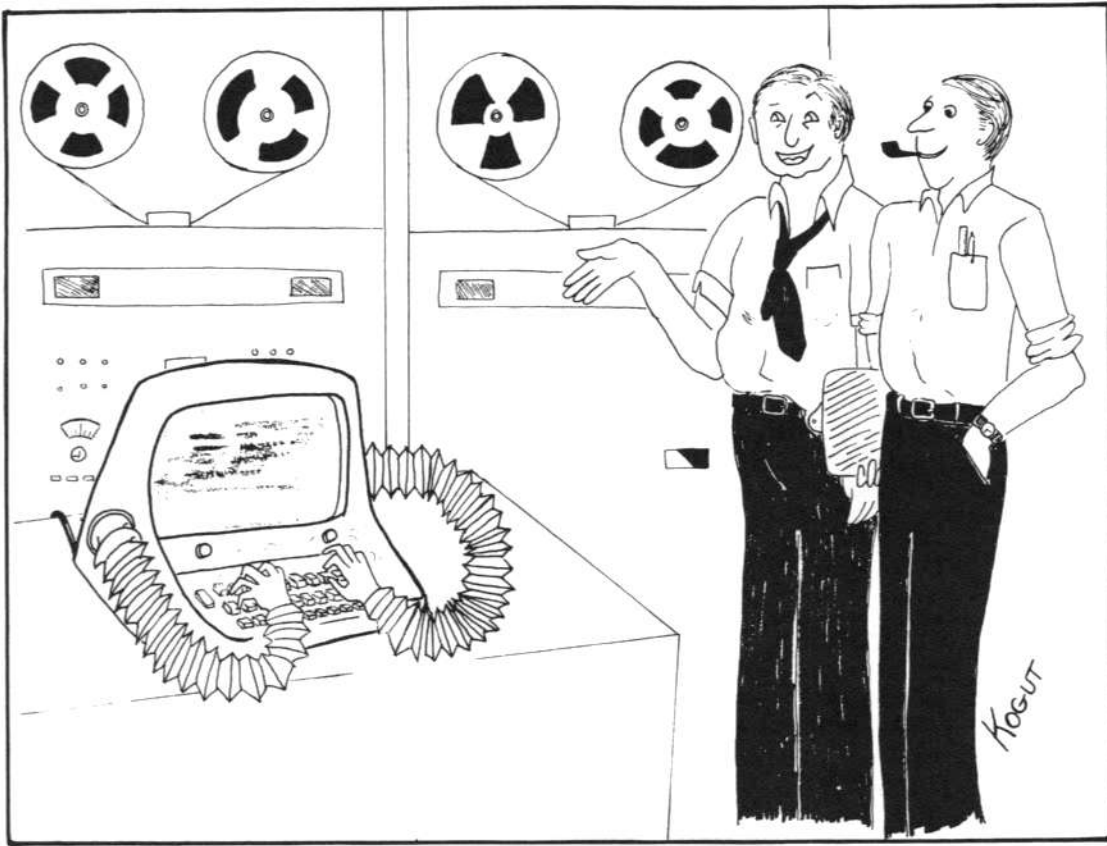


"He says that reminds him of the good old days."

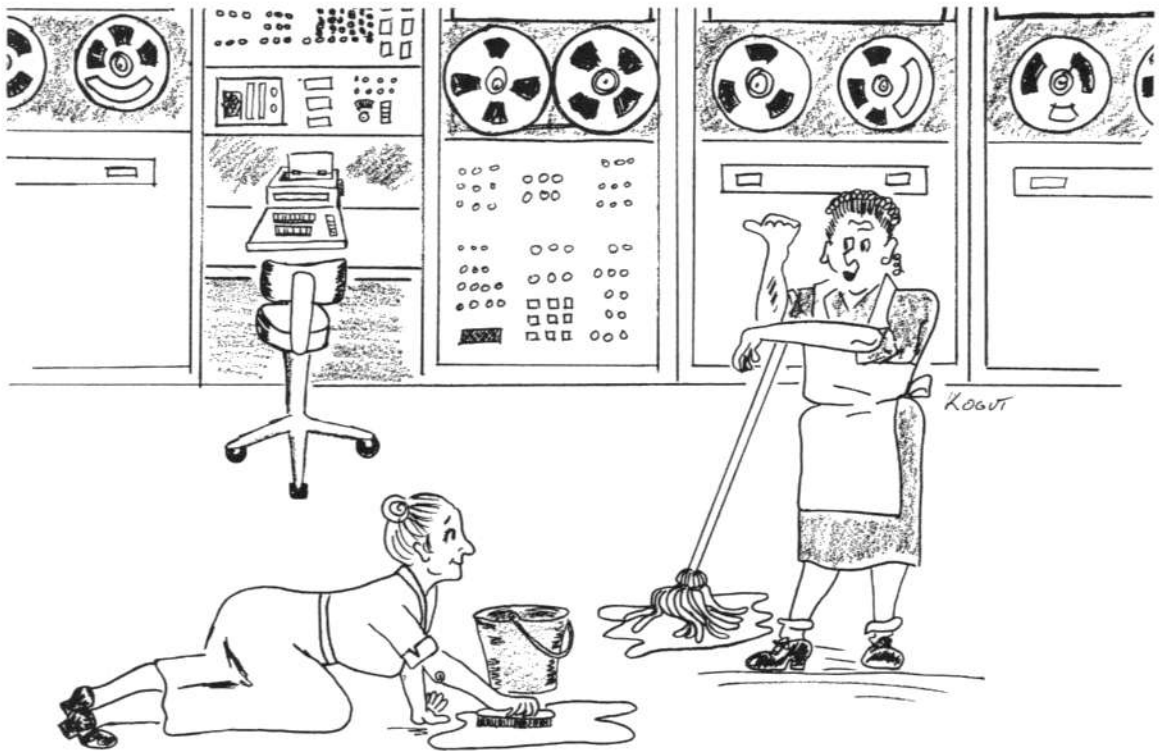


"I'd be glad to put your information into layman's language, Mr. Turner, but I don't know any layman's language."

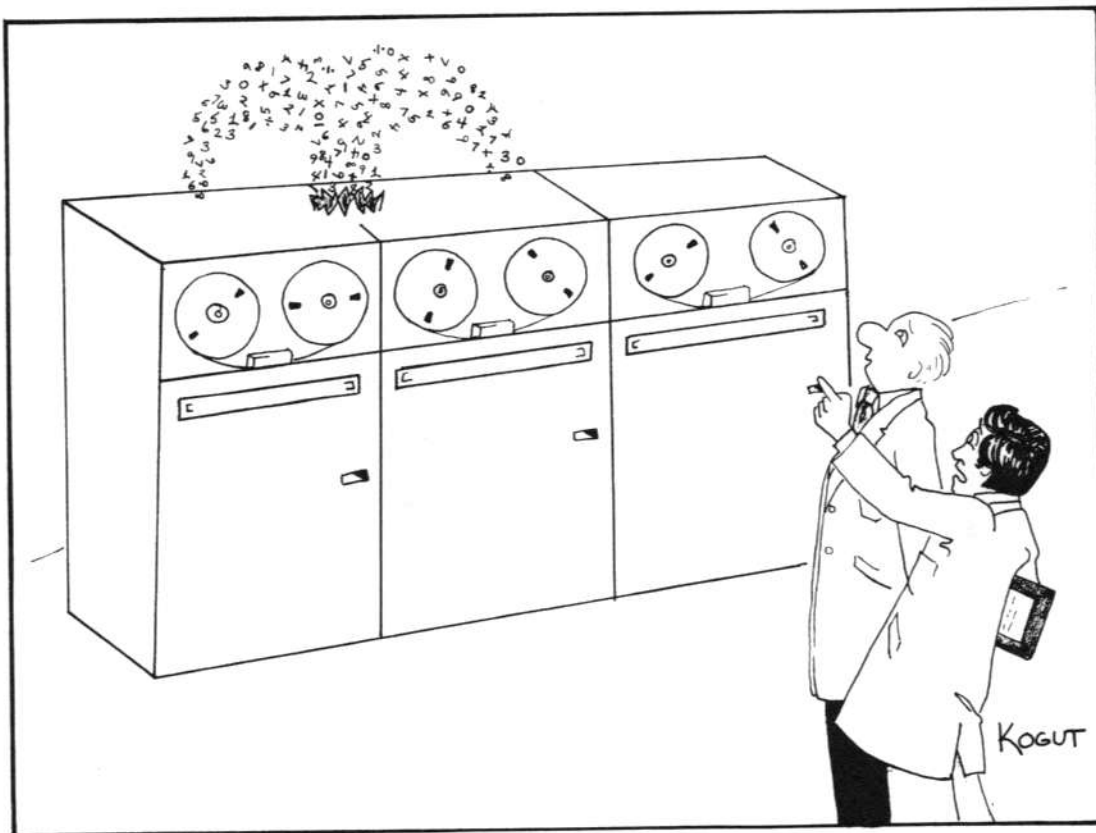
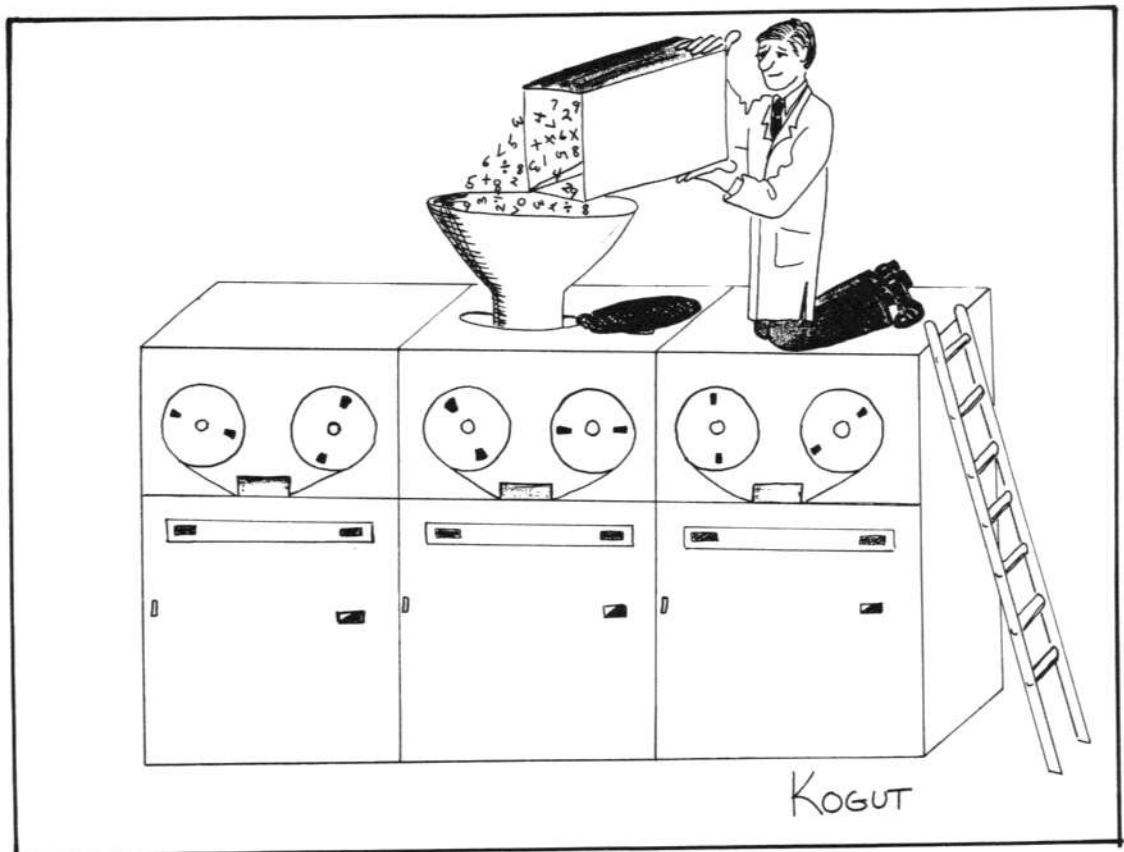




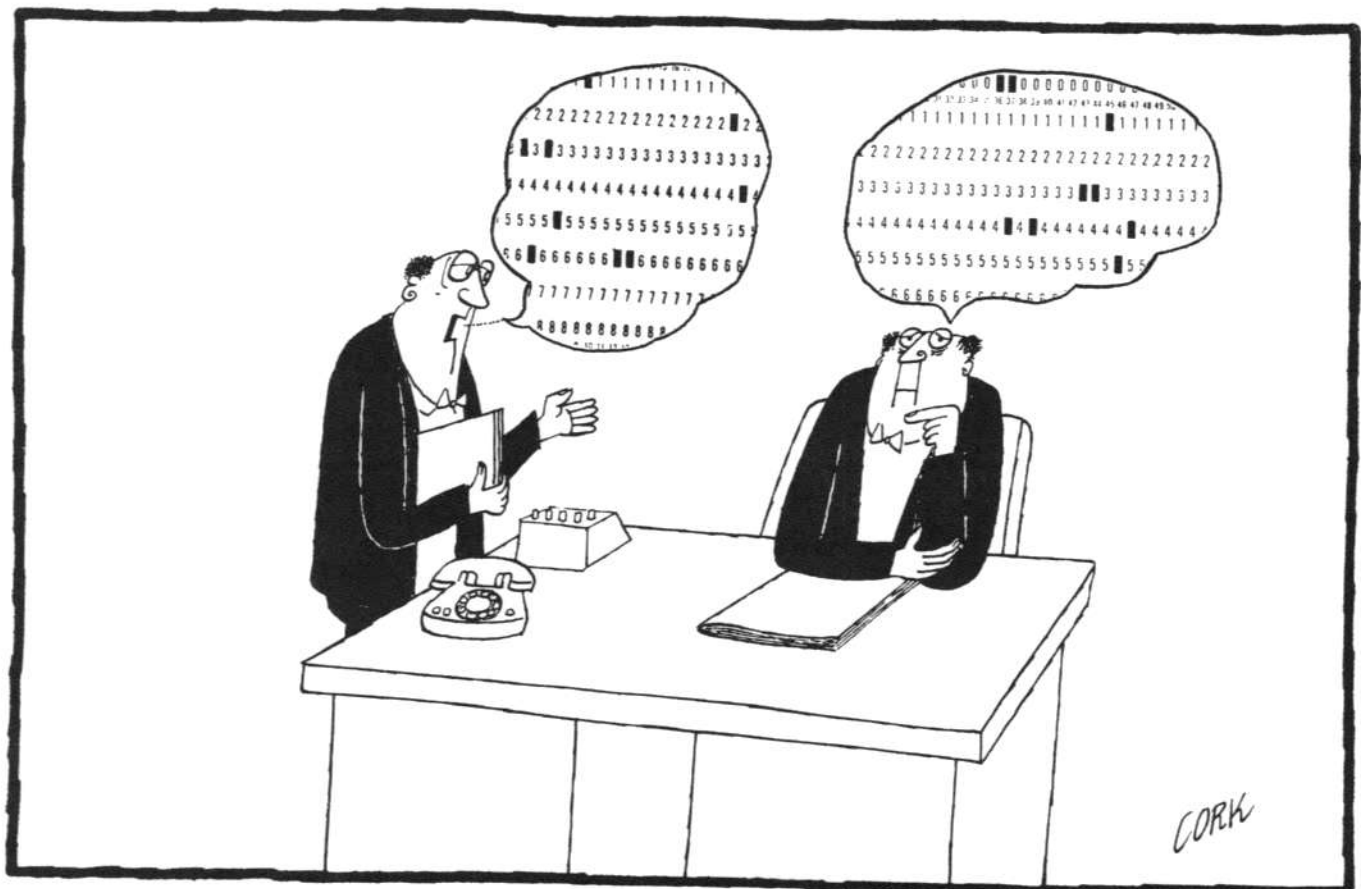
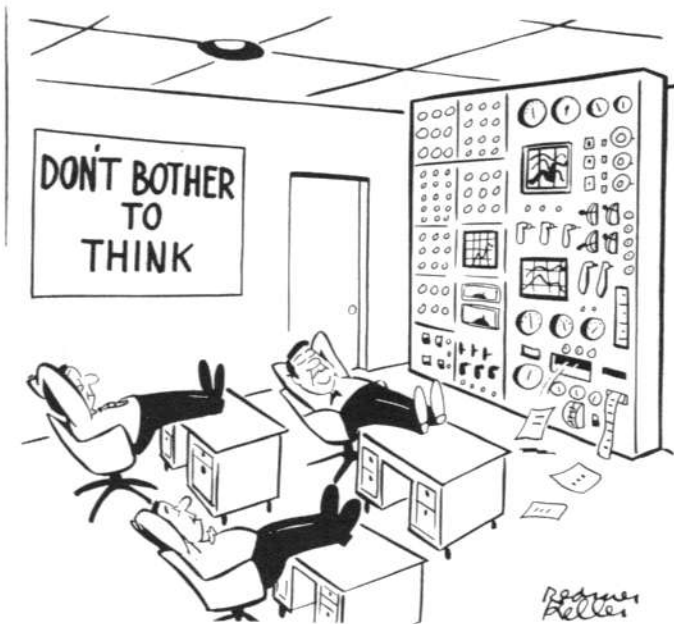
"It's our new self-programming terminal."

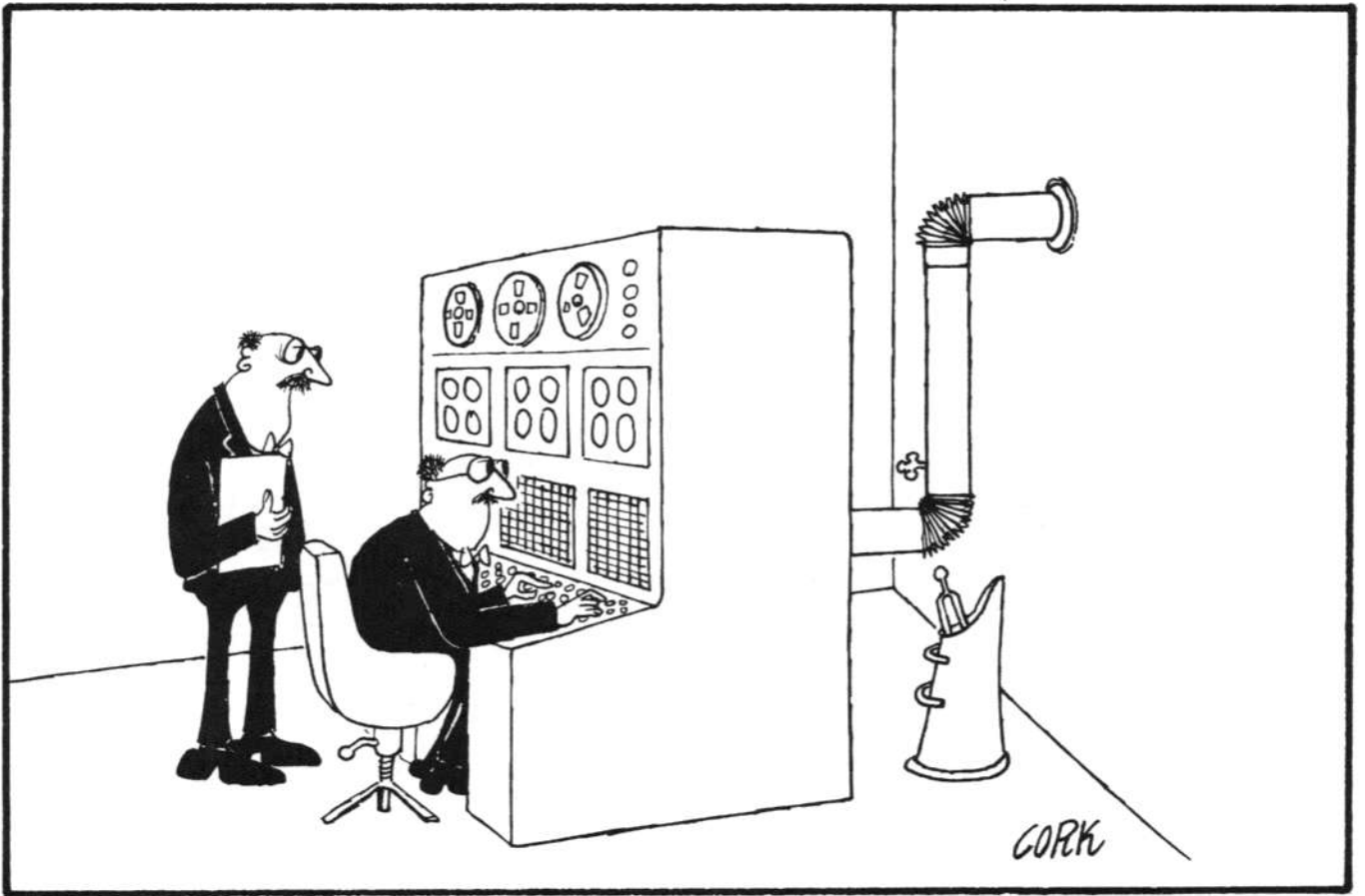


"If it's so smart, how come it ain't rich?"

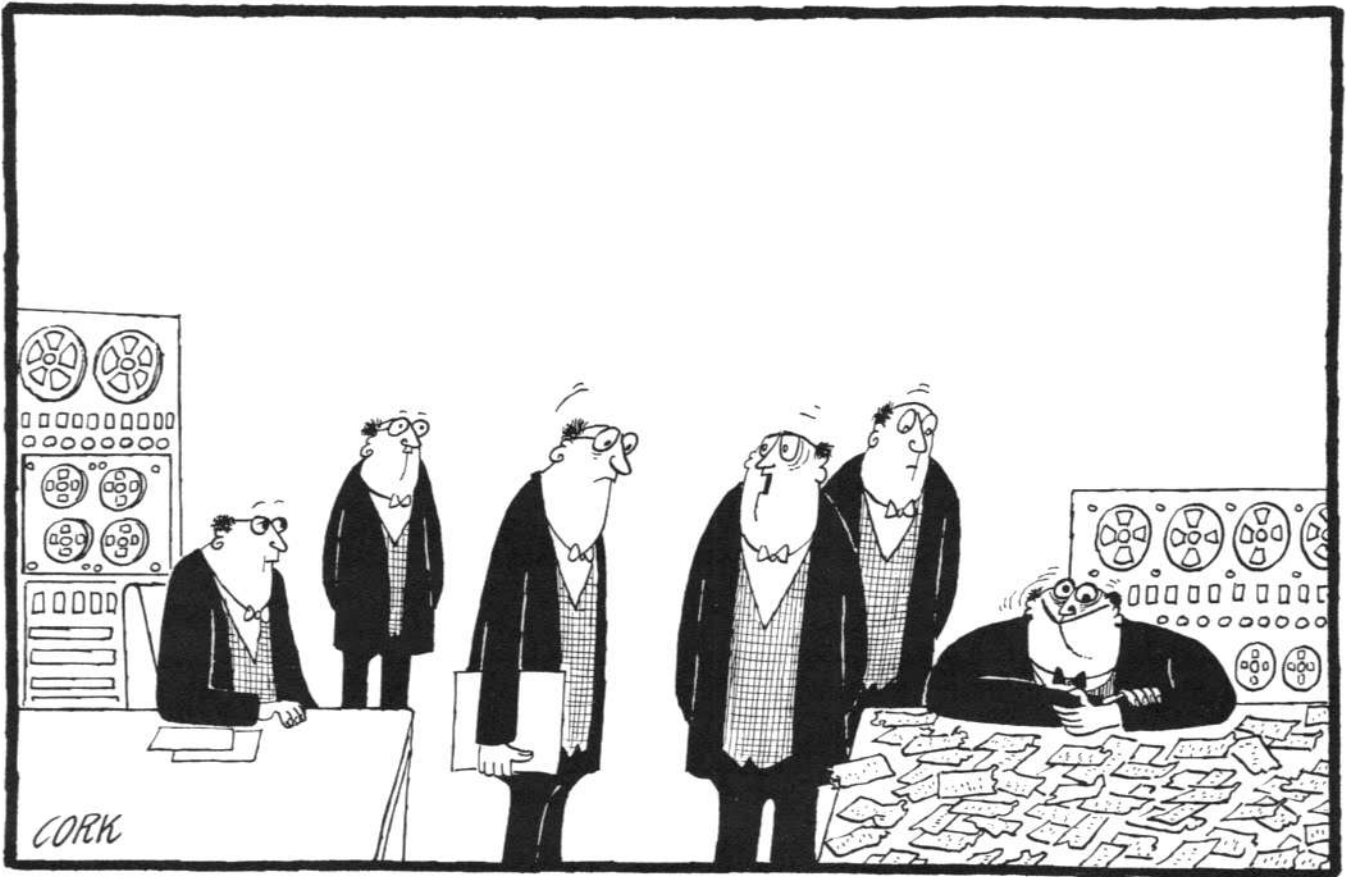
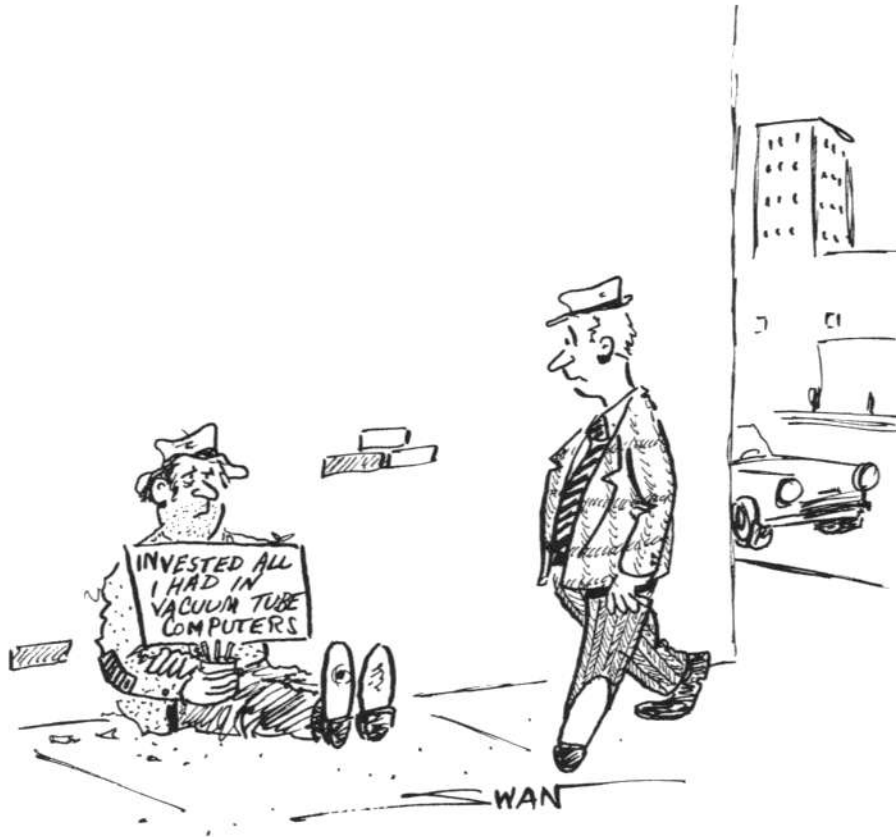


"Good Grief! It's sprung a leak!!"

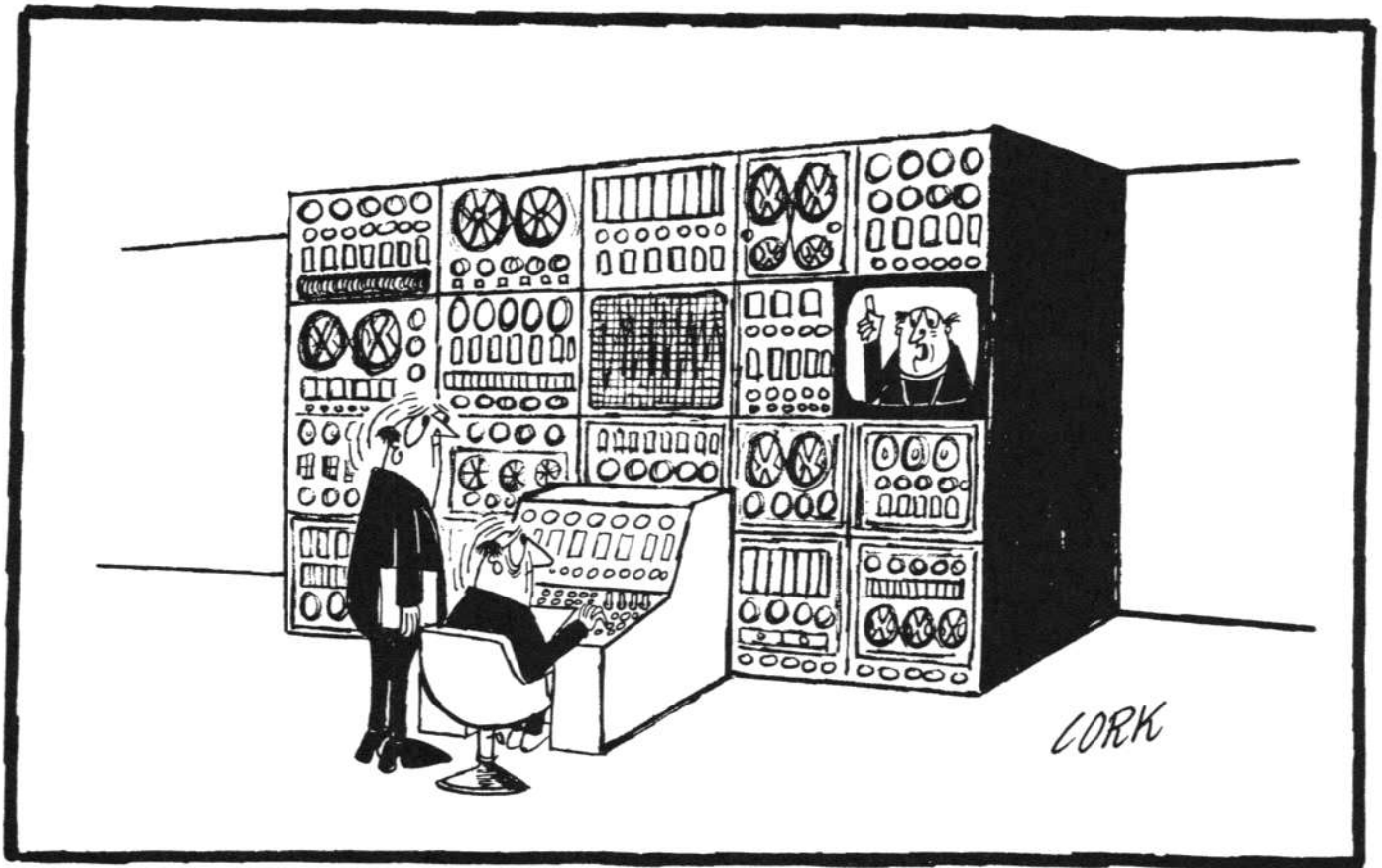




*"I'm afraid our computer is busy right now, sir.
Would you like to speak with a human being?"*

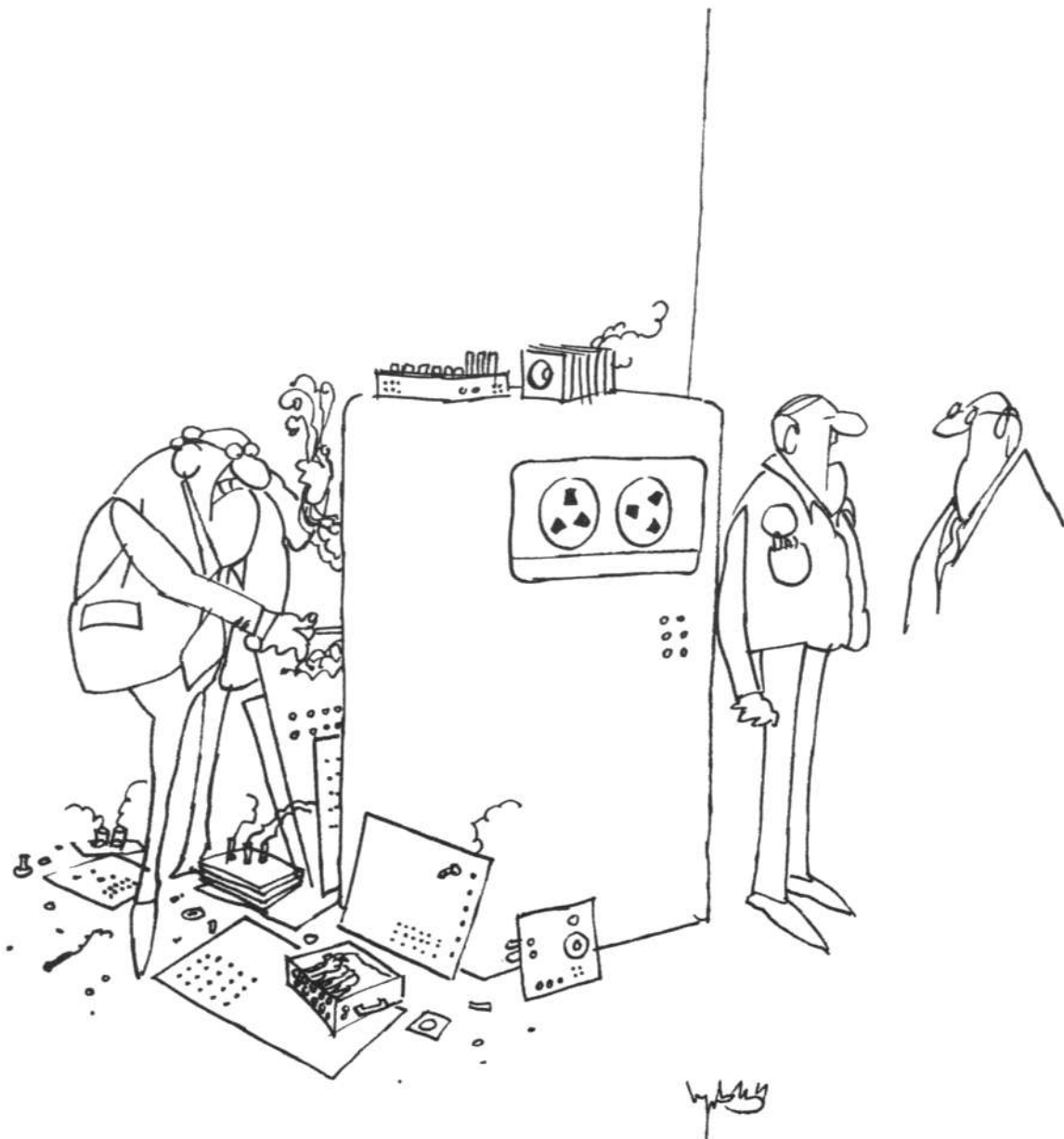


"He folded all cards."

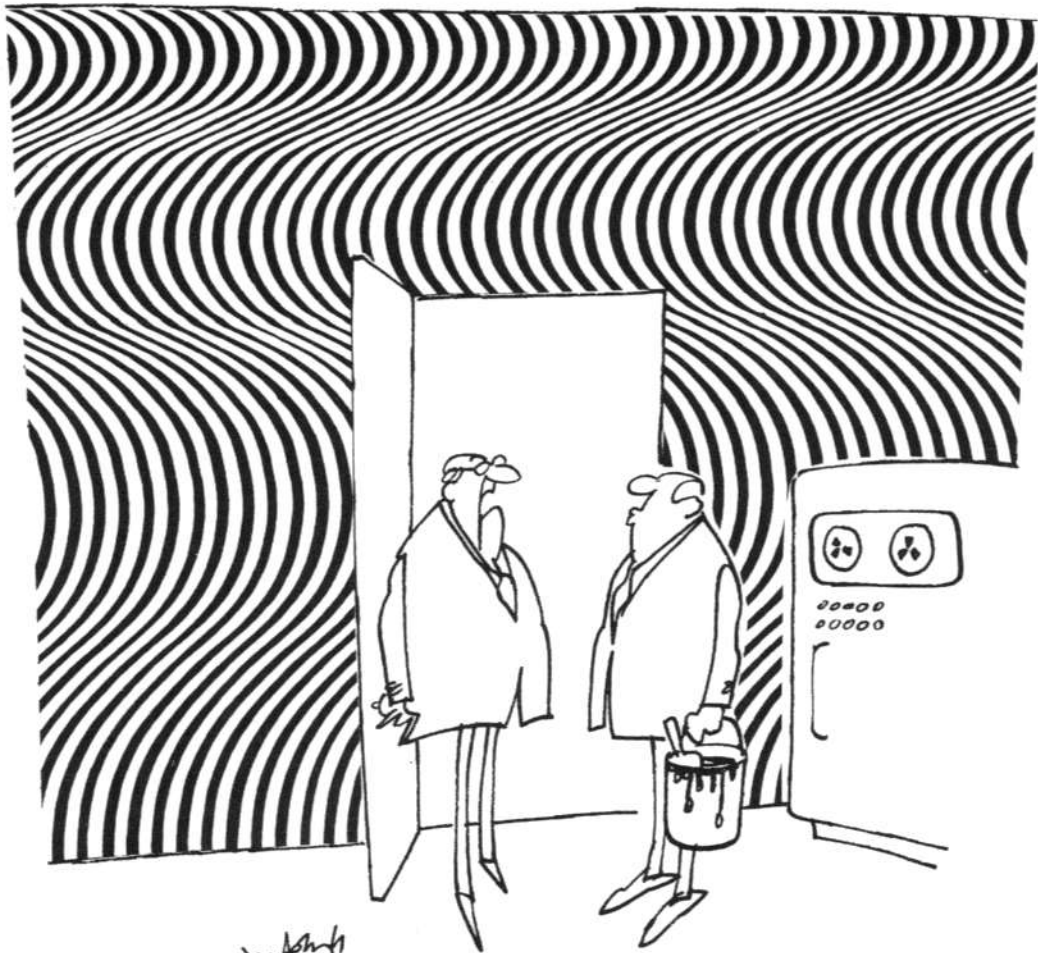


"Fred's at that awkward stage between being replaced by a computer and collecting social security."

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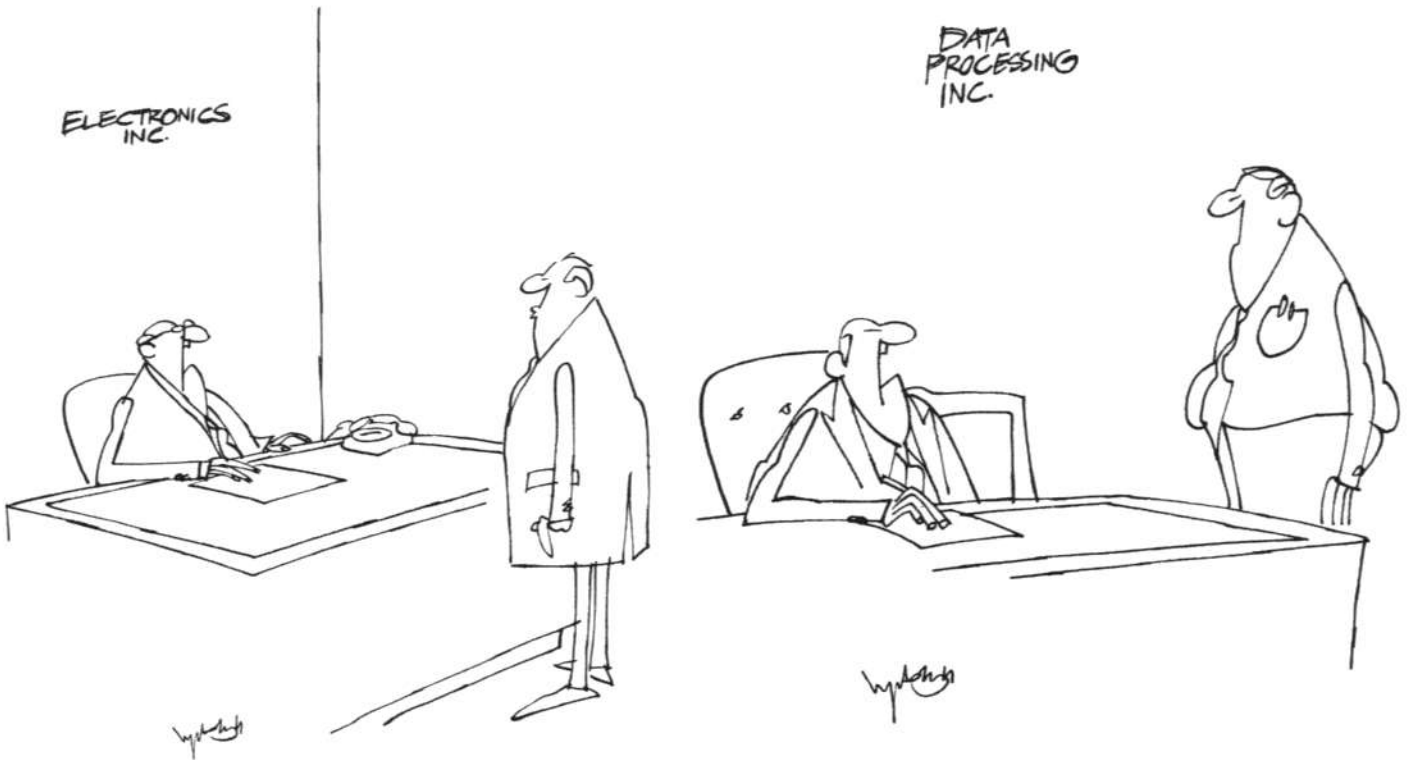


"He said he could fix it in half the time it was taking me, so I let him try..."



Walt

"...you thought it needed jazzed up?!!"



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Walt

Walt

"You mean to tell me you spent 3 days in the think tank and all you thought of was strawberry ice-cream?!"

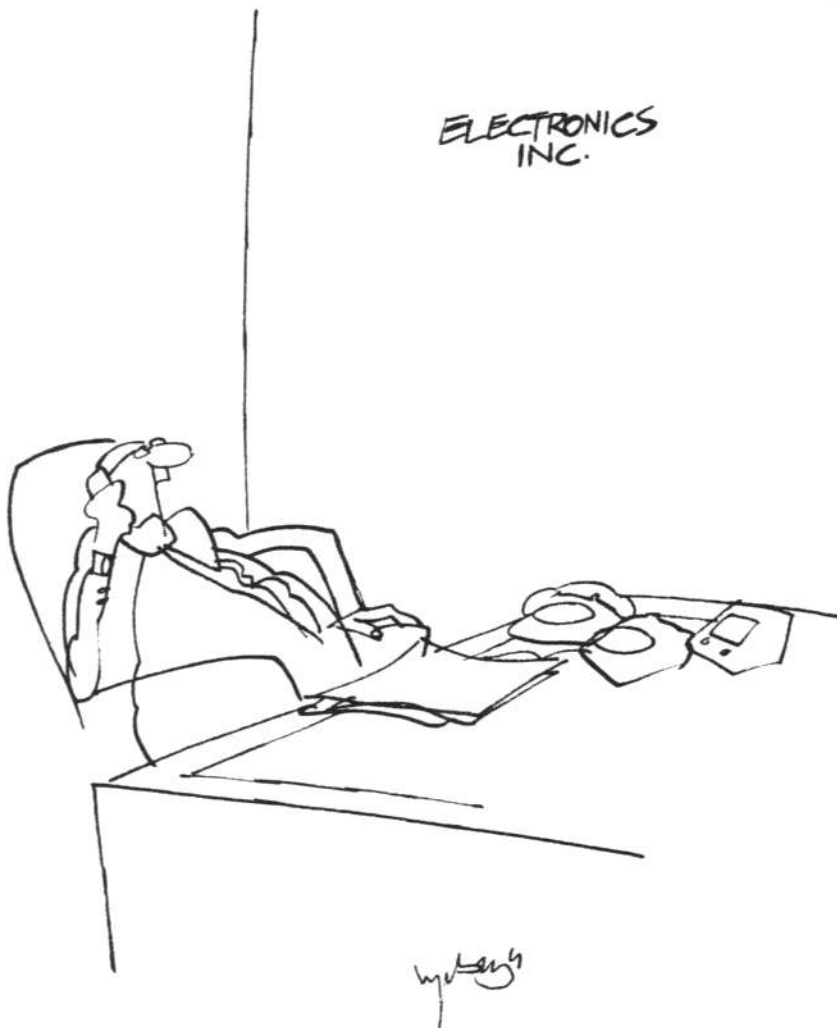
"I understand you set a new frisbee record with one of our tape reels..."



"You forgot to tell him it's an antique computer, ... he thinks it's ours..."



"Pi!! That's the quantity I forgot to factor in!!!"



"...oh, working on a 50 million dollar expansion program, ...what are you doing dear?"



"... our sales manager said when I finished this you'd say, 'Wow!, what a terrific idea'."



"Nevermind the Ho, Ho, Ho's..."



"He wants to see you about your tricky mailer, the one where the giant component pops out..."

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COMPUTER
SOFTWARE
INC.



"... I asked him to write a program language during
his lunch hour..."



"... why didn't you tell me he had tennis elbow
before I shook his hand?"

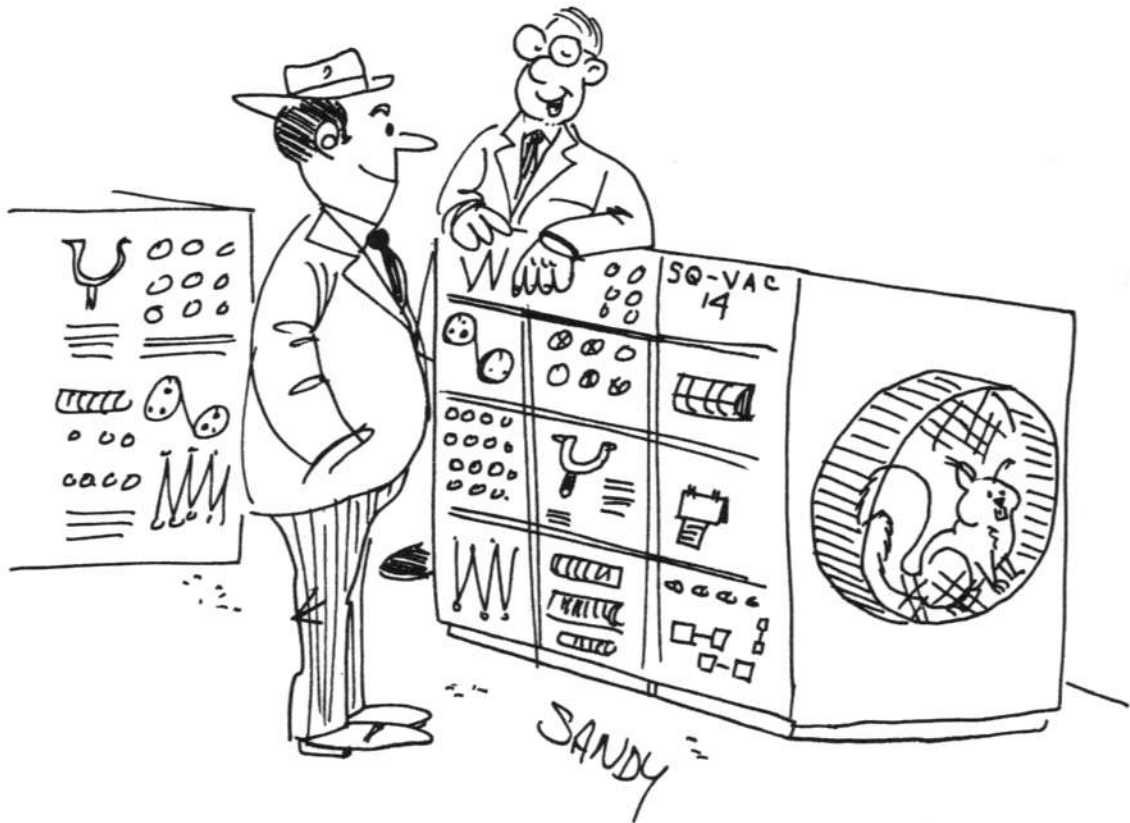


"You mean it's going to take two of those just to replace Hartwell?"

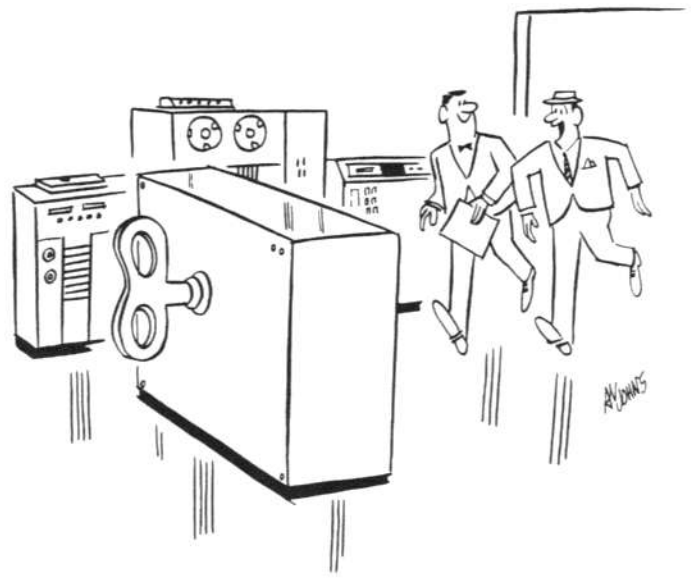


"Just a minute ... we need TWO of them!"

HARD(WARE) SELL



"This is our finest economy model. It runs on just peanuts a day."



"Gosh! How can you afford to sell a computer at that price?!"

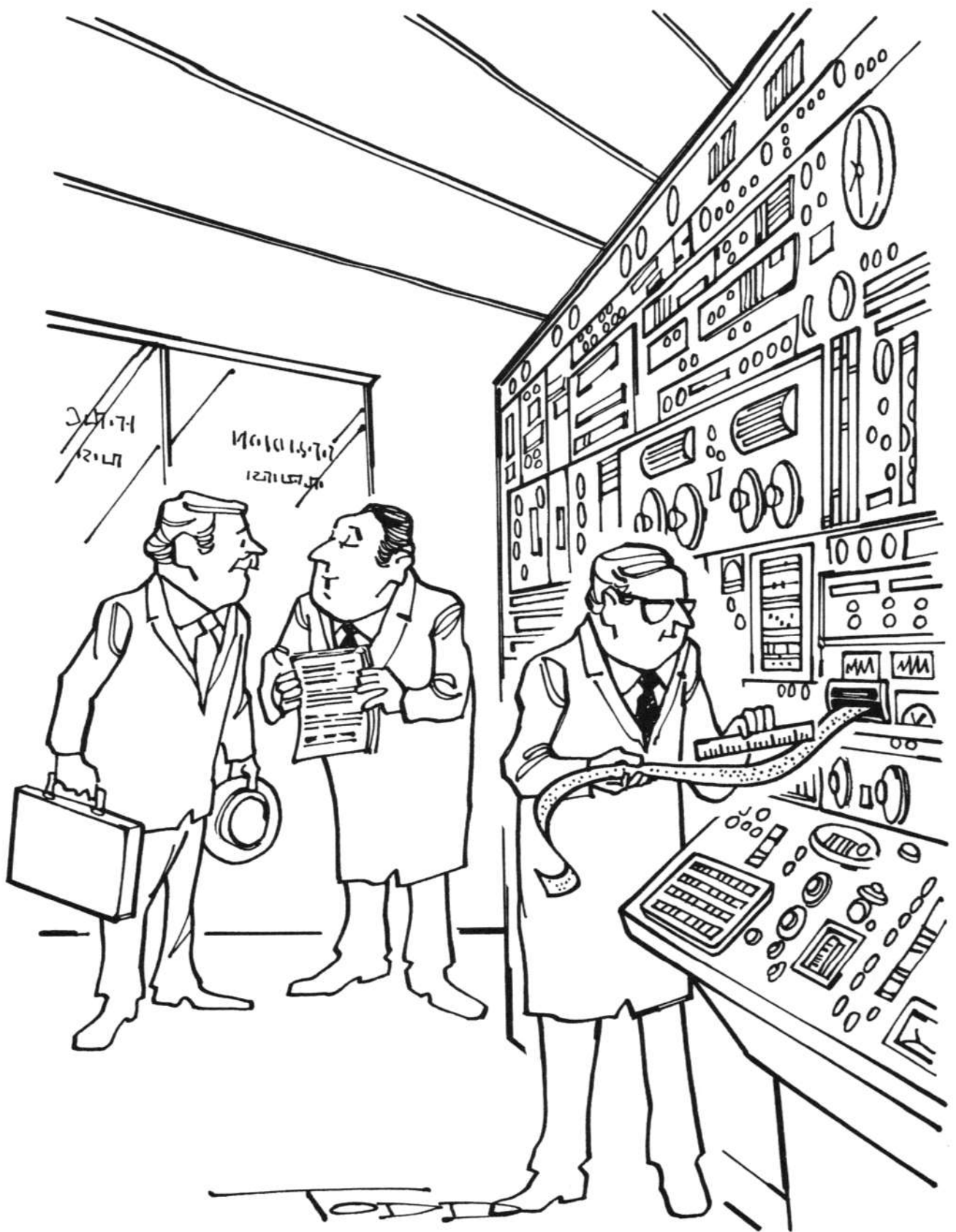
"Now this model is an extremely popular model - especially with our salesmen, because we get an exceptionally high commission if we unload them..."

OOOO

OOOO



"I figure it will pay for itself in the money we'd save on chalk."



"No charge at all to process these questions, ... the answers will be \$850 an inch, though!"



"C'mon, everybody — let's hear it for the computer repairman!"

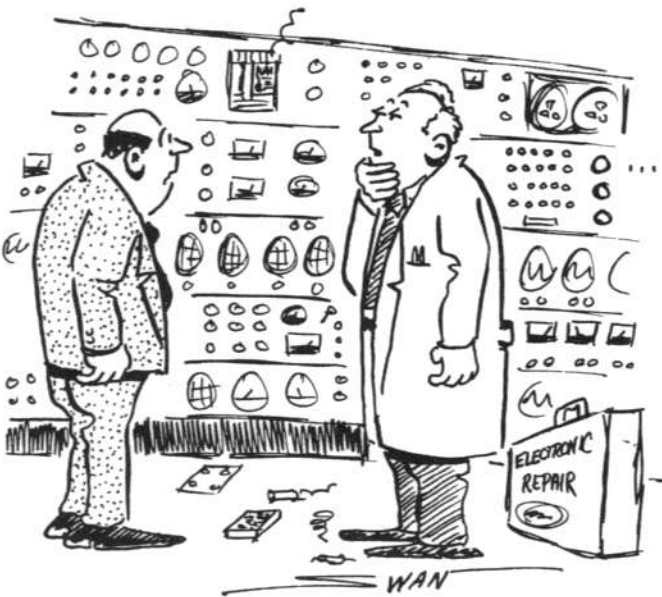


"Where did you learn to debug a program, Haverstraw?"

THIS DOES NOT



COMPUTE



"I can fix it, but I'll have to bring my shop here."



"I'll bet you 10 bucks it's Mrs. Platt's form again."

... six



... five



... four



... three



... two



... one



... fire



.....



SYVERSON



Andy

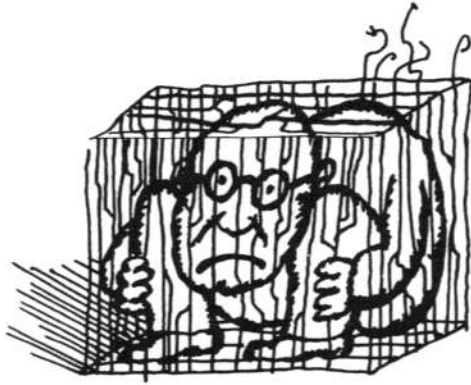


BAURKI

"It doesn't compute!"



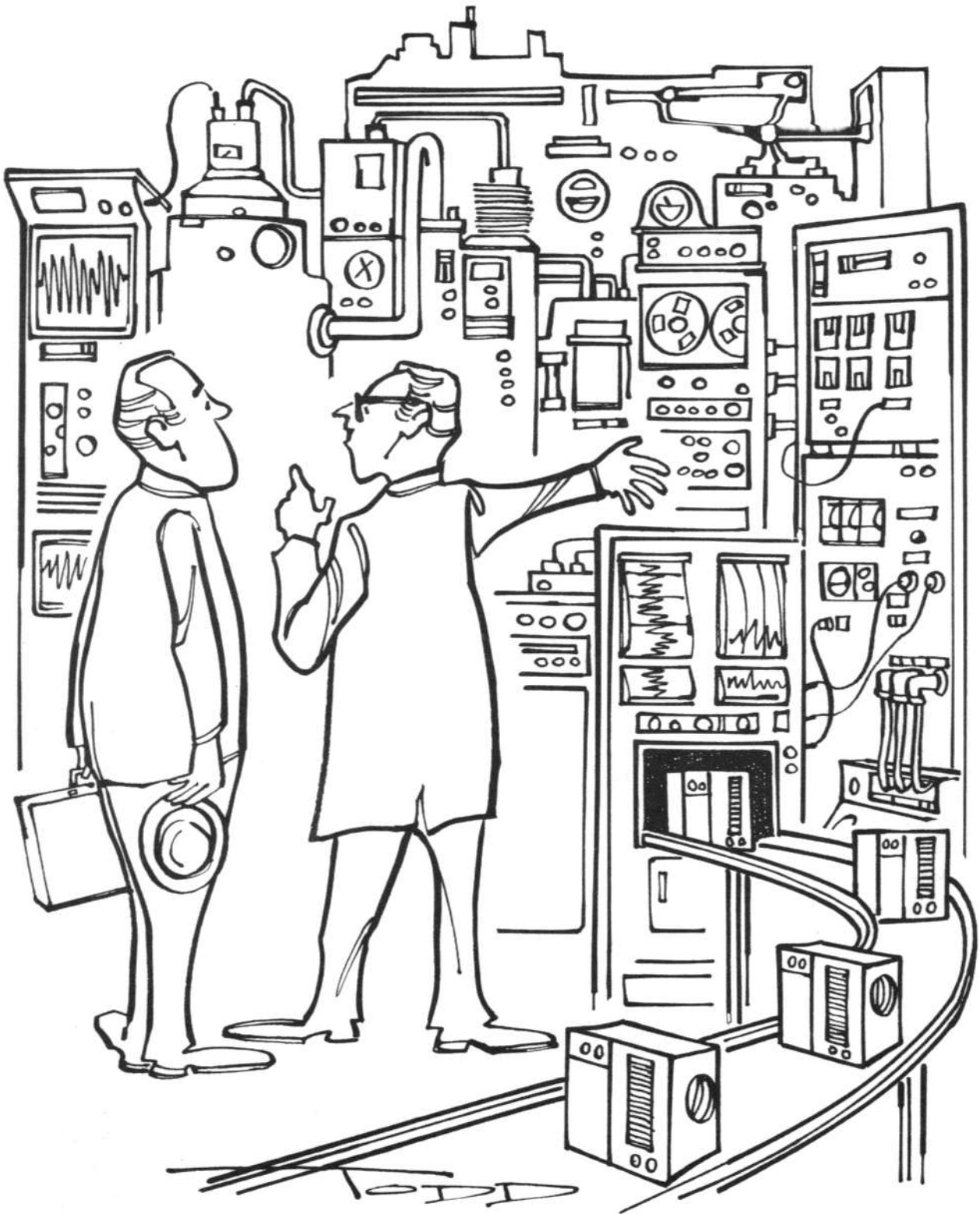
"... why this is terrible! — unless, of course, he comes up with the right answer to the malfunction.....!"



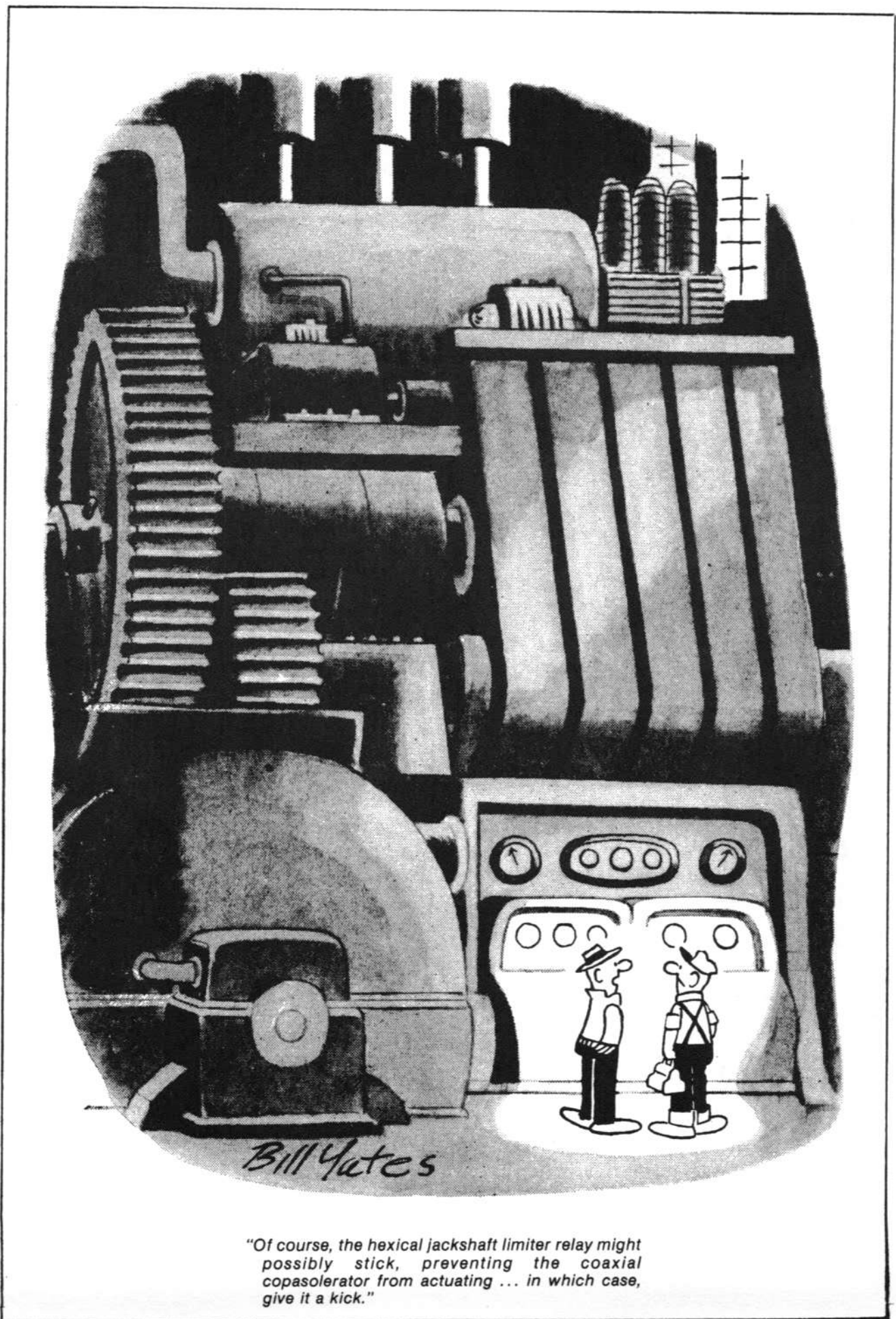
"This always works on my TV at home."



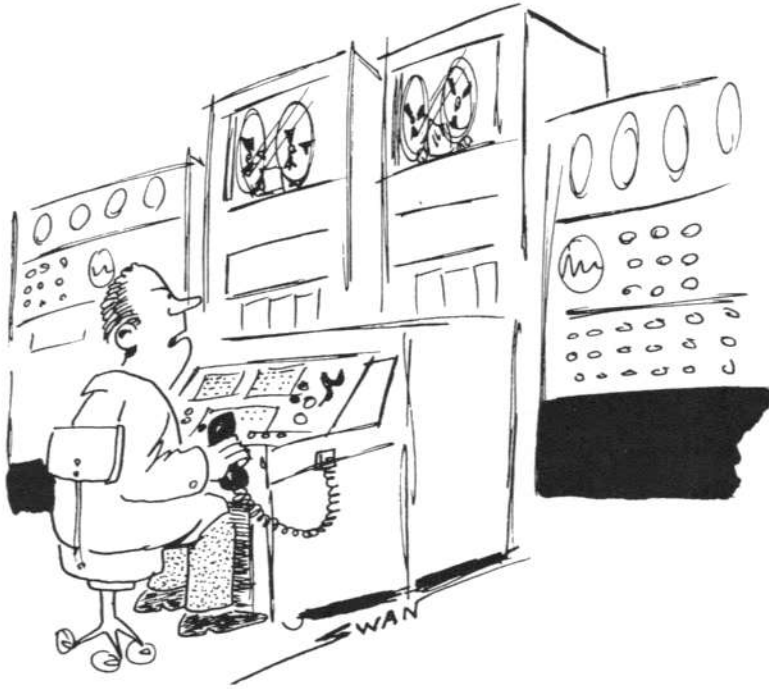
"It does the work of 50 girls, but you need 51 men to service it."



"Now the final assembled product is tested by this machine. That instrument checks the testing machine which in turn is tested by this system, then..."

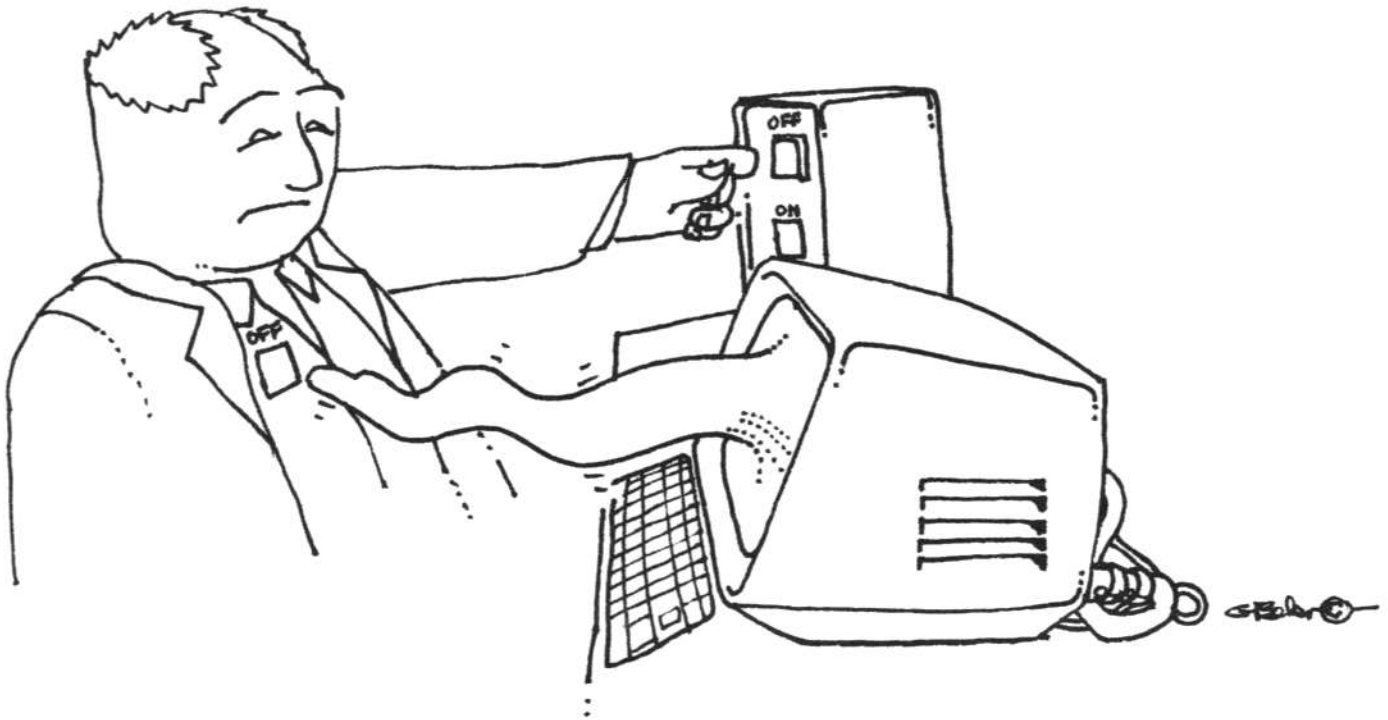


"Of course, the hexical jackshaft limiter relay might possibly stick, preventing the coaxial copasolerator from actuating ... in which case, give it a kick."



"You didn't call the central data bank at all ... you called Dial-A-Joke didn't you?"

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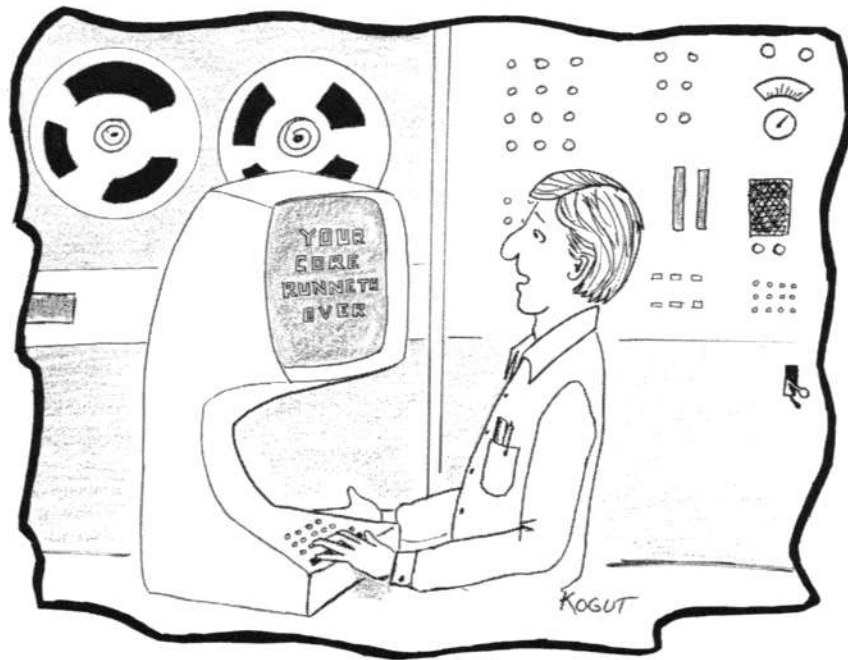


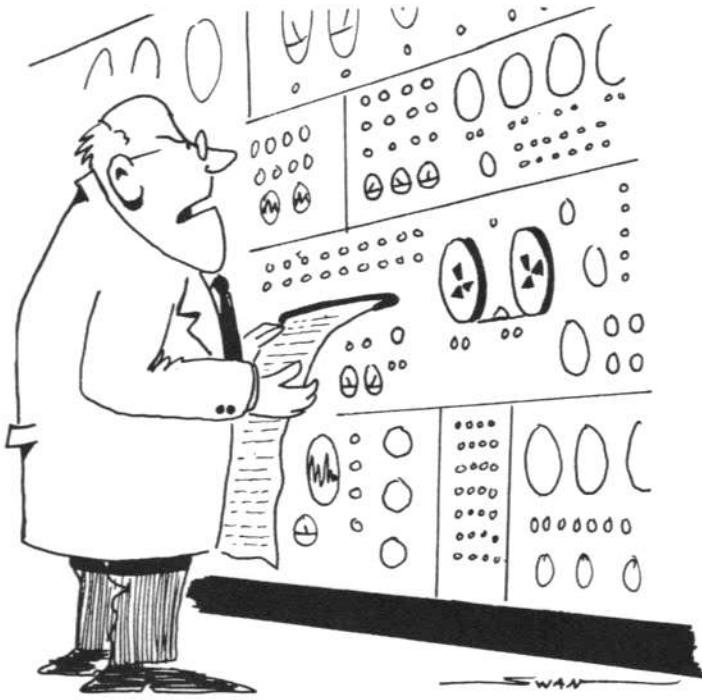


"Same to you."

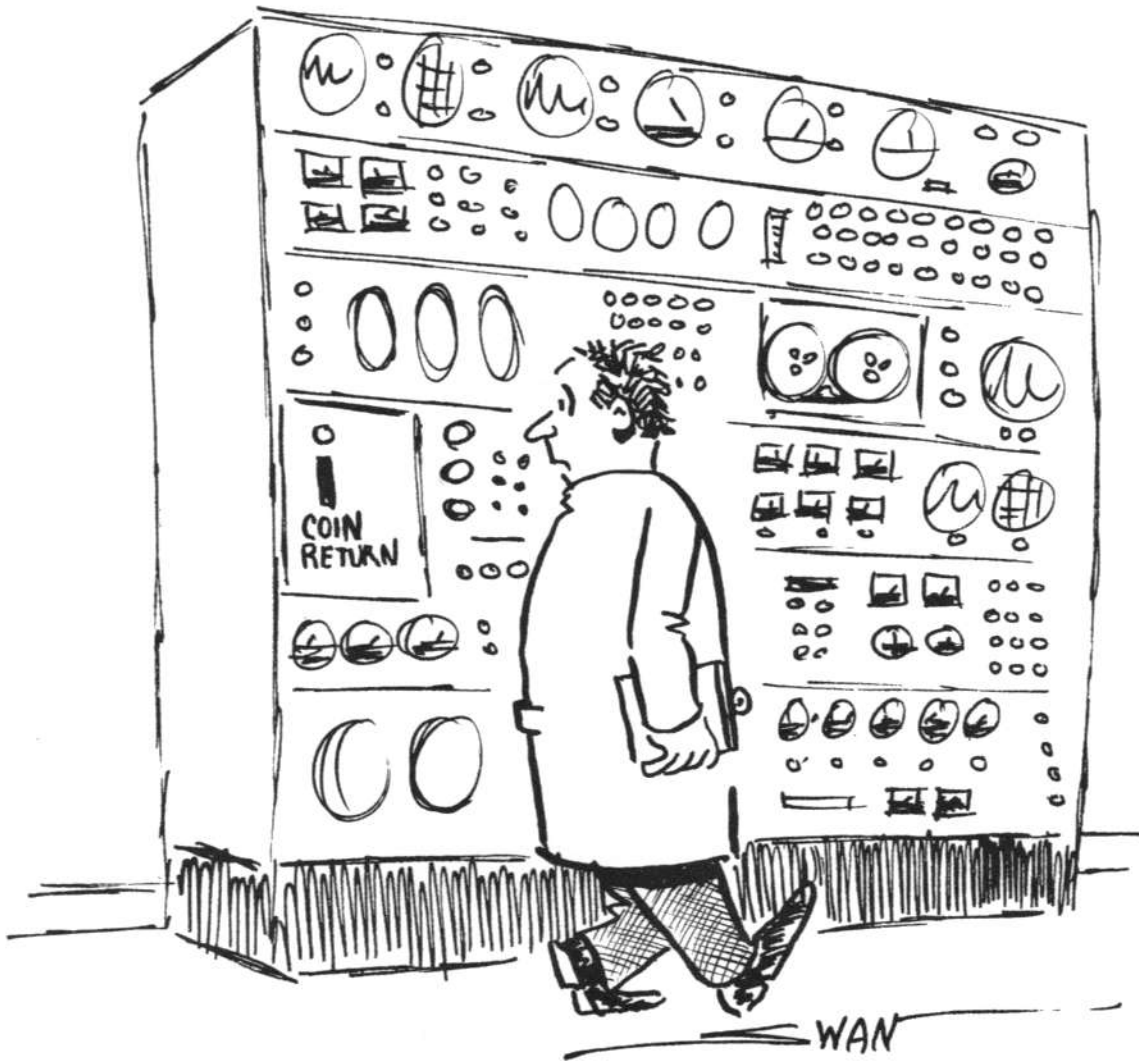
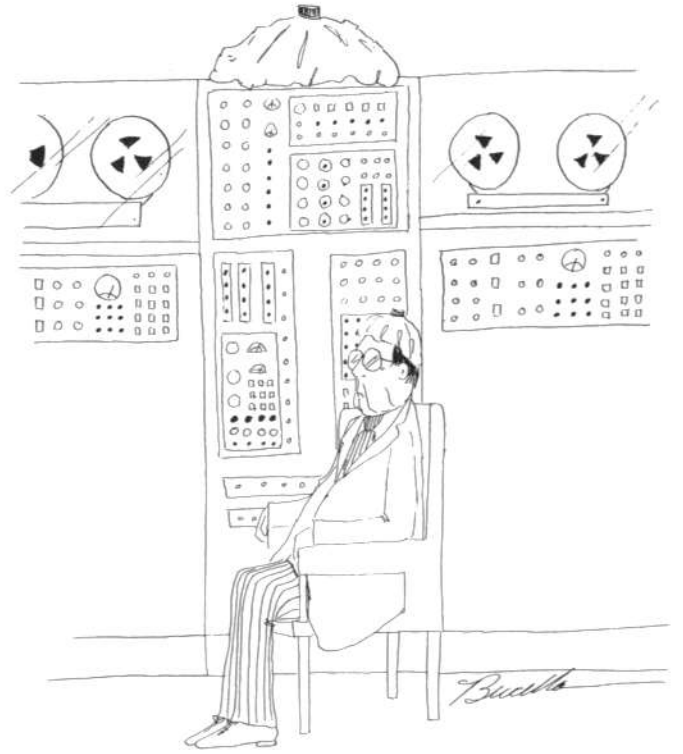


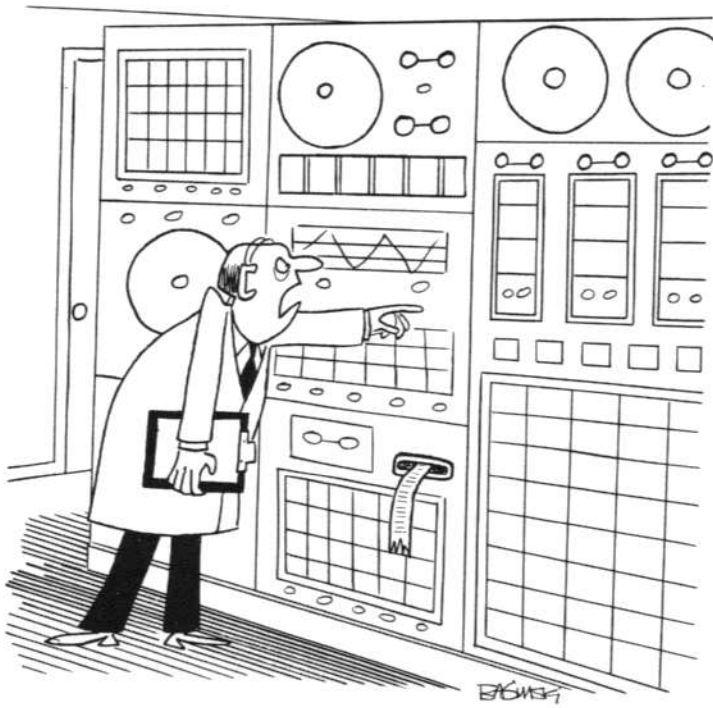
"Had a bad weekend too, eh?"



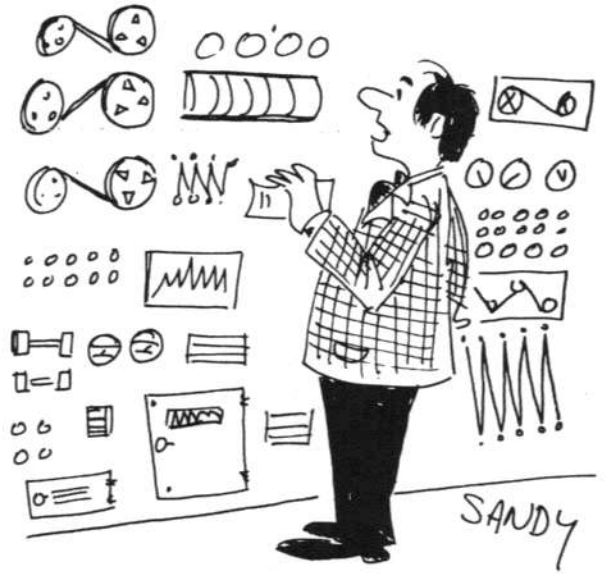


"Oh yeah!"

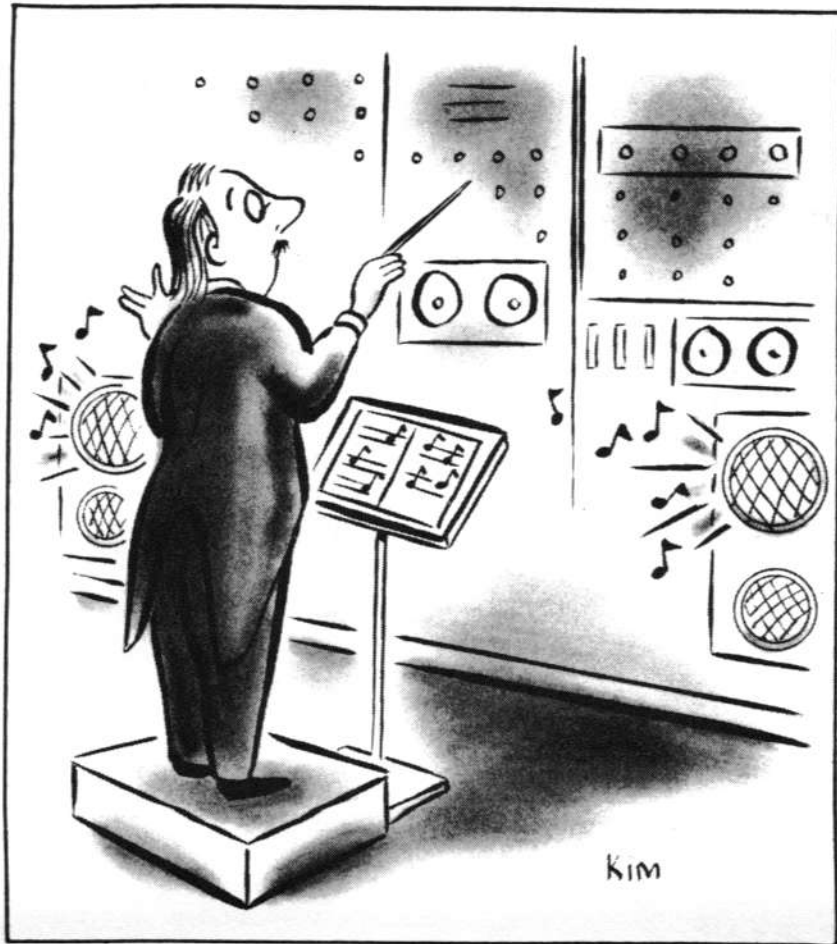




"You're keeping something from me!!"



"Why did you turn off my power? I paid my bill. See? Here's my canceled check."



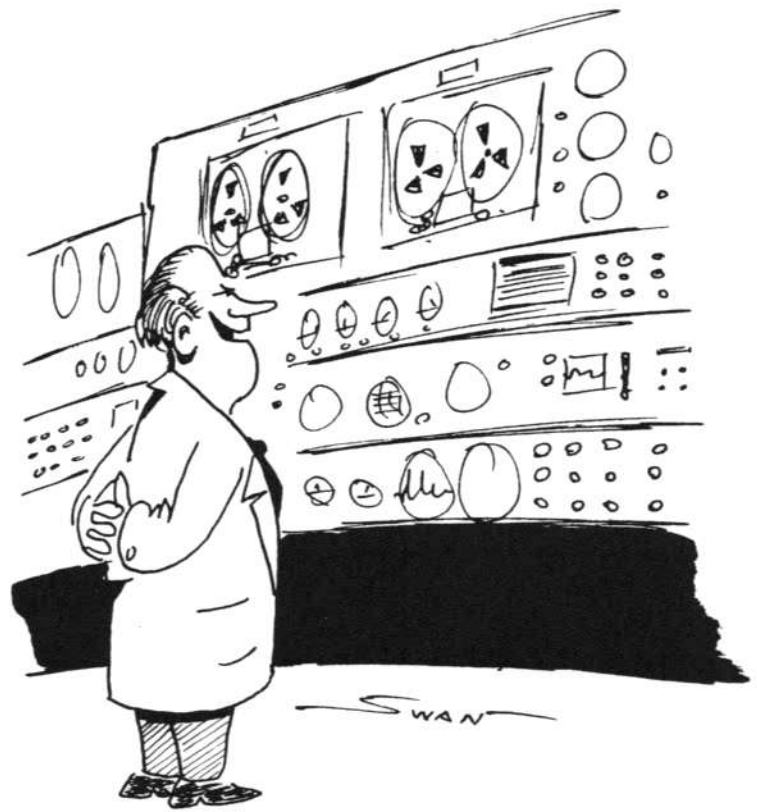
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"What do you mean, you demand higher voltage?!"



"Forgive me, Betty, forgive me! I'm sorry I kicked you in the side panel..."



"I can use base ten, and you can't."

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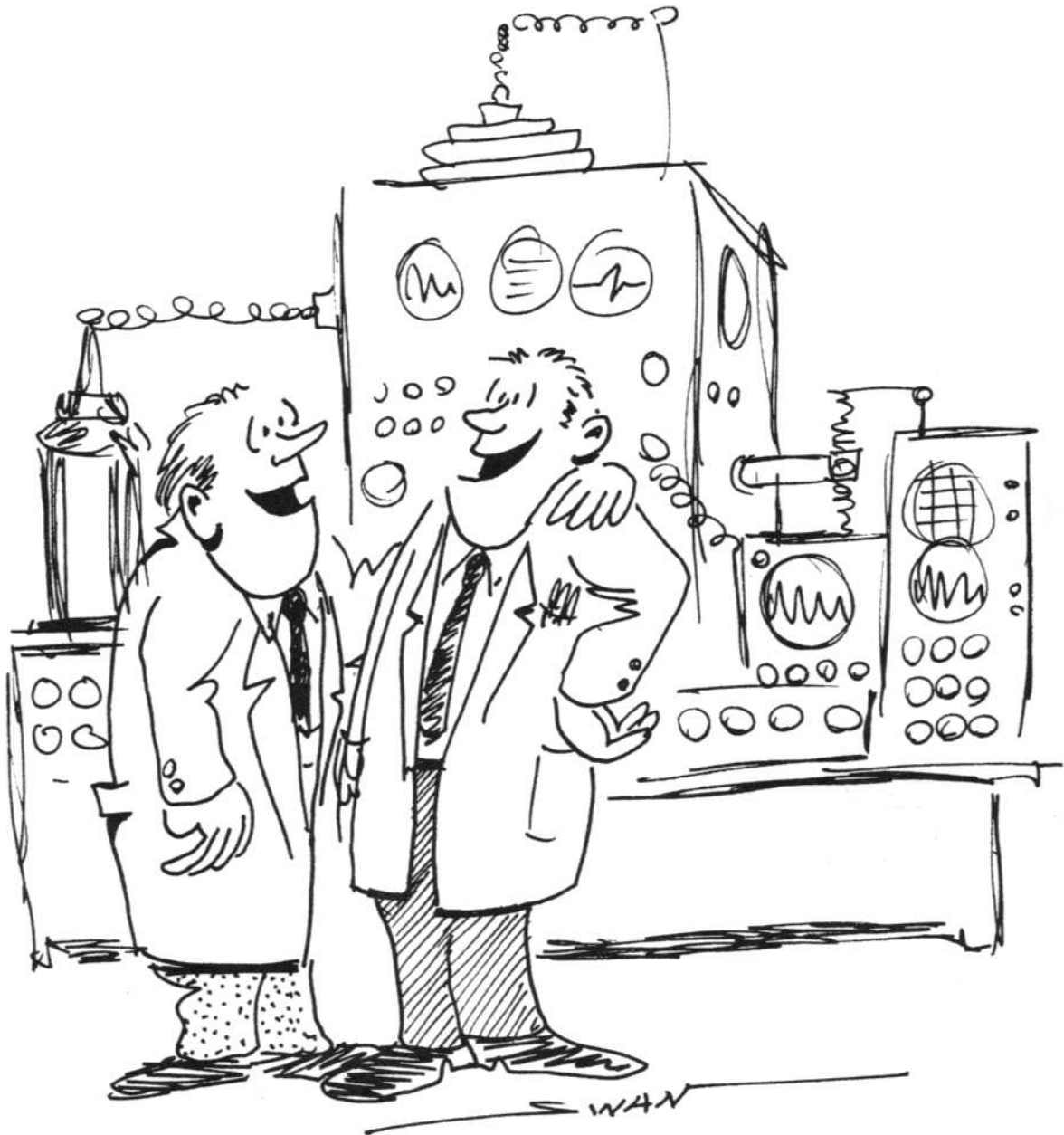
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"Give you Boardwalk?! Are you crazy?!"

SWAN'S CIRCUS



"The pulse amplifier's connected to the photomultiplier, the photomultiplier's connected to the....."



"It makes everything as easy as 3.1415926..."



"But you distinctly said to dump the files."

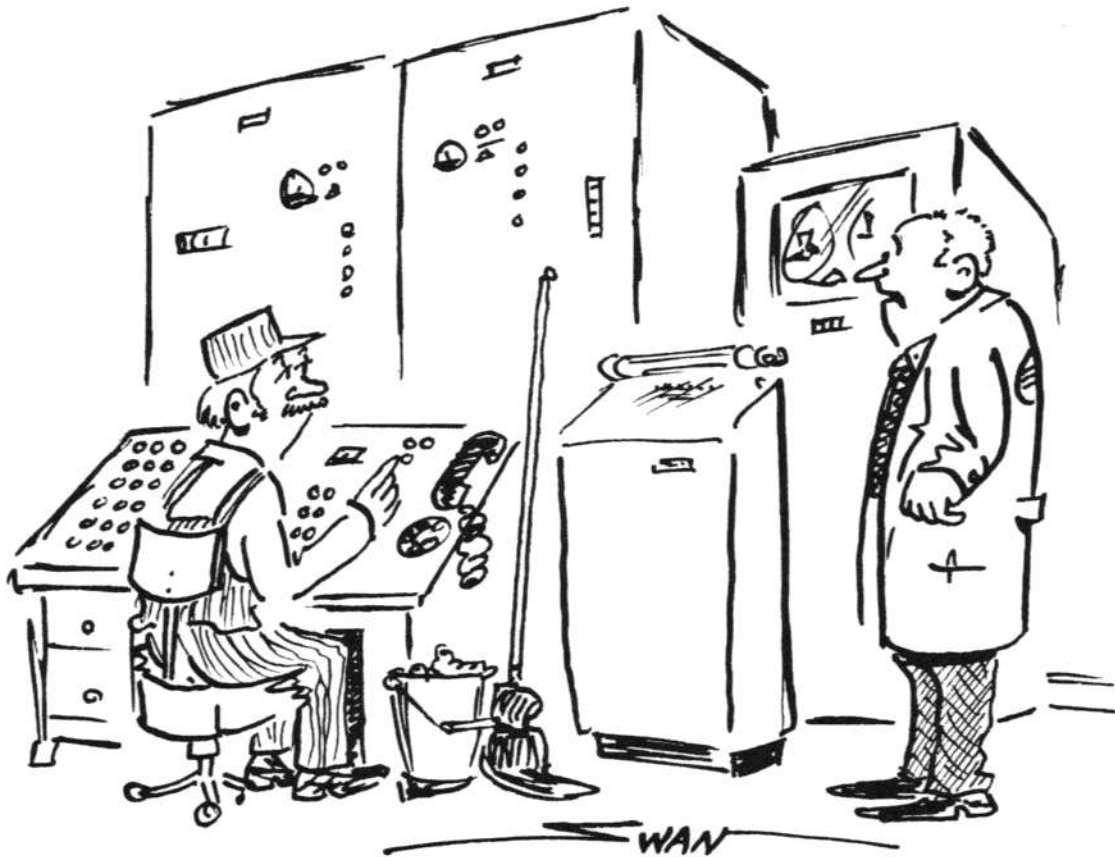




"And where were you when the FORTRAN hit the fan?"



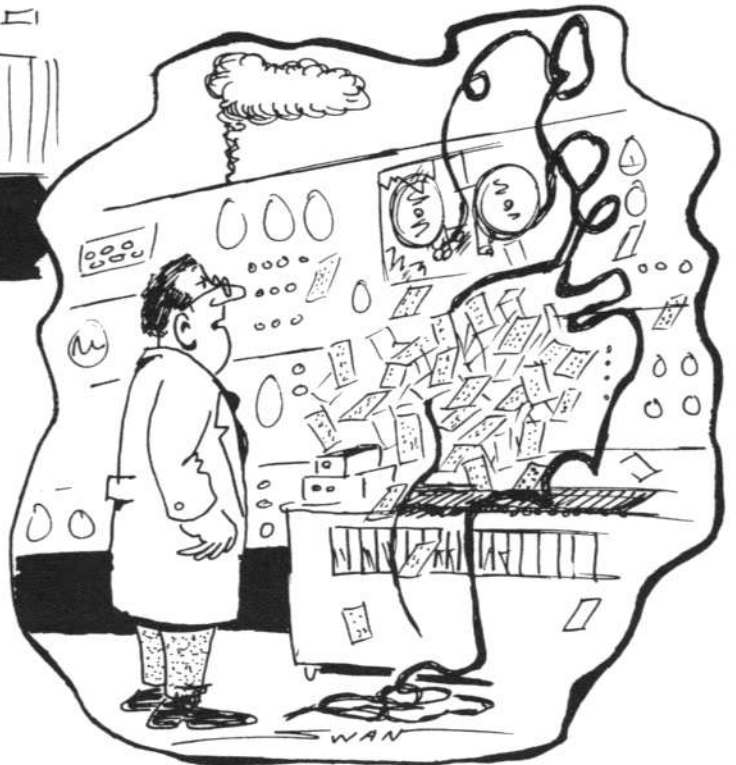
"You're a hard worker, punctual, dedicated and the computer can't figure your little game."



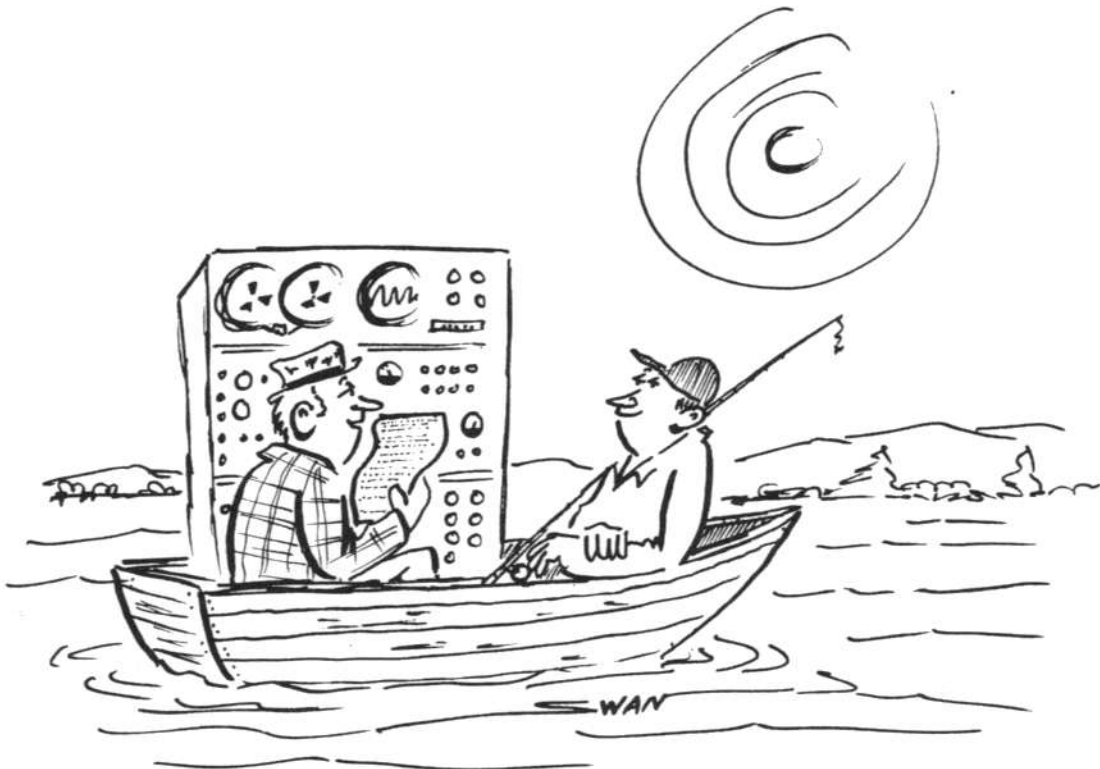
"Turning off all the switches before you lock up doesn't include the LSI circuits!"



"We usually take the rubber bands off the bundles before we process them, Miss Bagwell."



"I take it this means you're leaving the firm?"



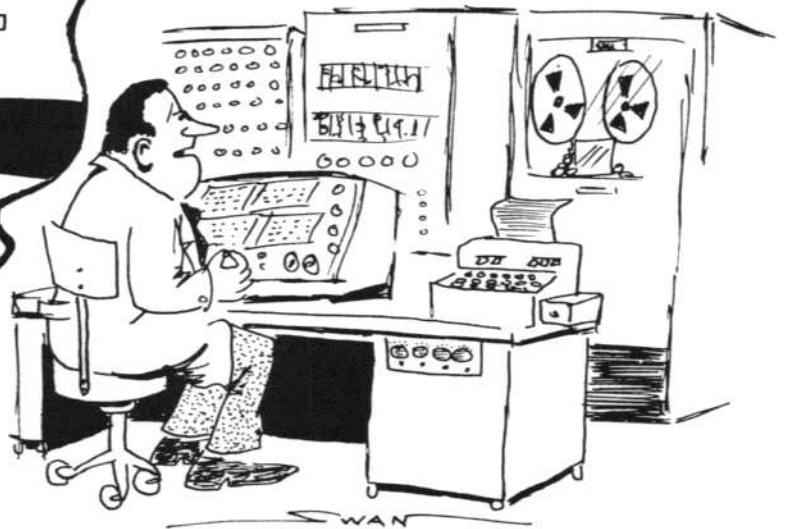
"It recommends a Royal Coachman."



"I think that's what's called a Thermal Runaway."



"Where's the clown that set up this program?"



"We don't seem to communicate anymore."



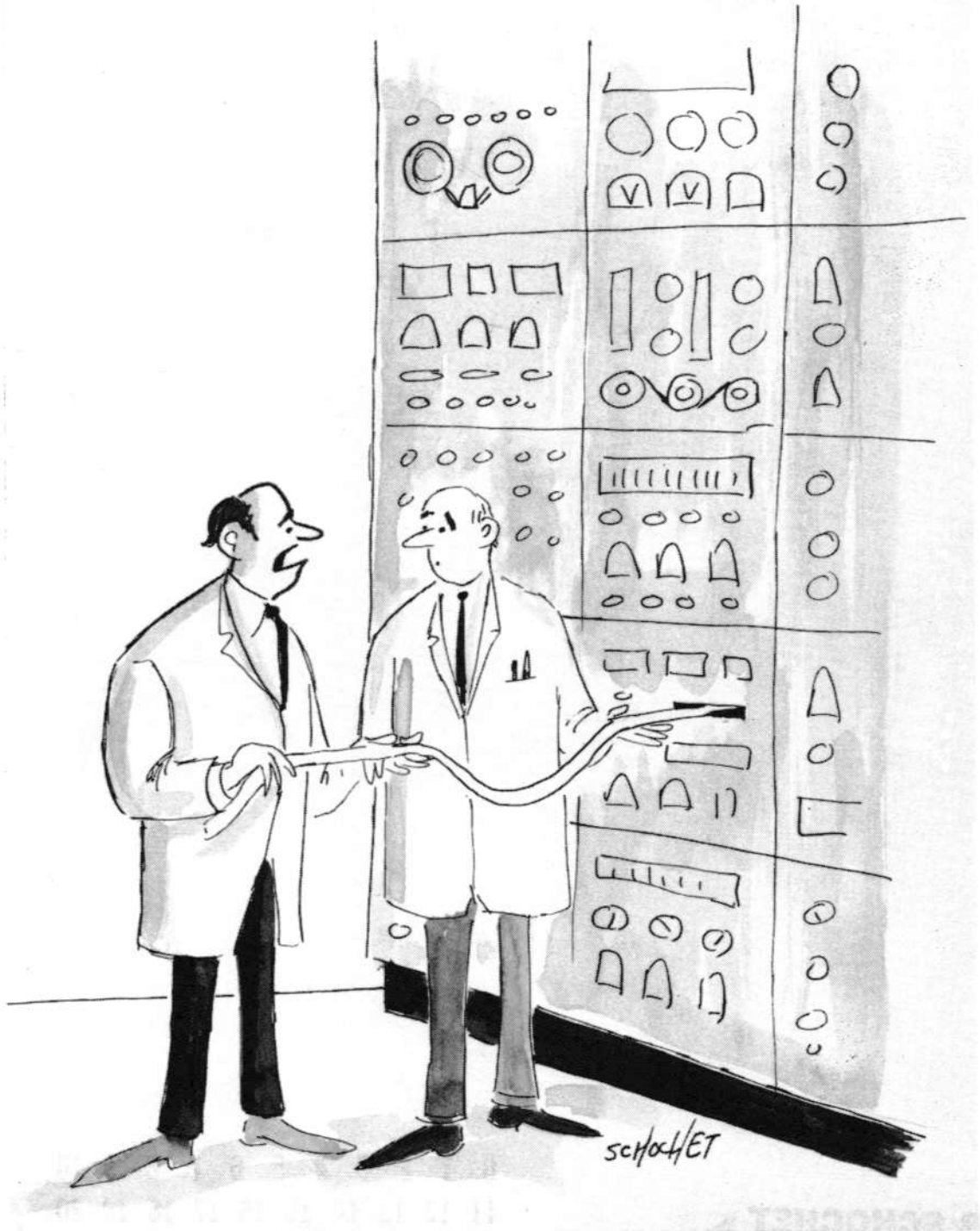
"You can't quit right in the middle of an operational stress analysis!"



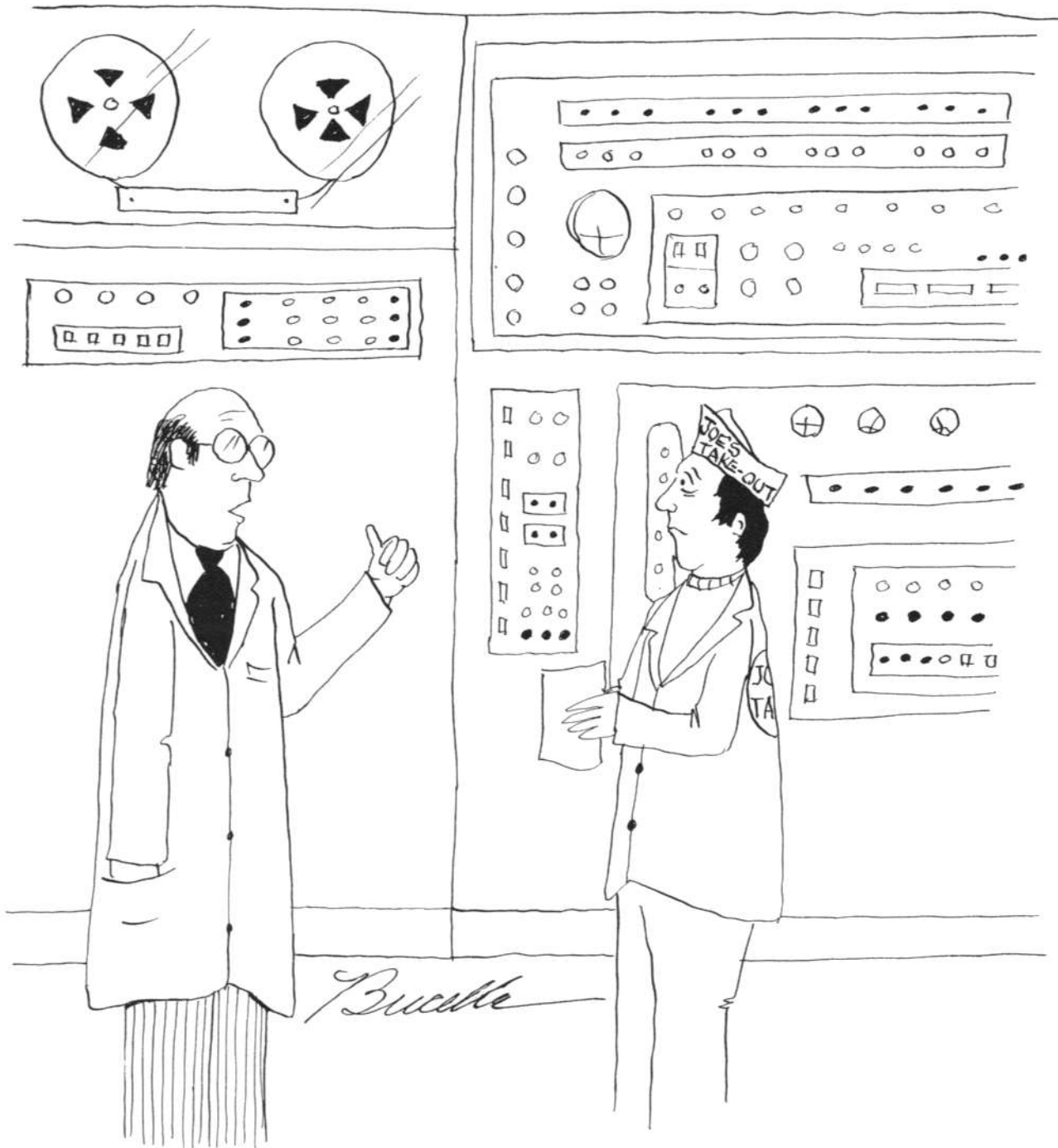
"You've got to stop asking it moot questions, Harry."



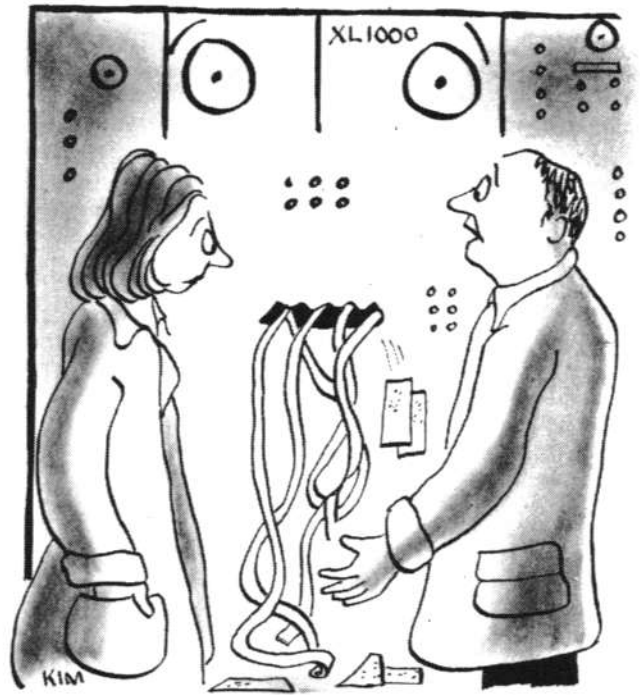
IT'S ONLY HUMAN!



"So, it made a mistake. It's only human!"



"I'll have a ham on rye, and he'll have an incremental plotter with all the input options."

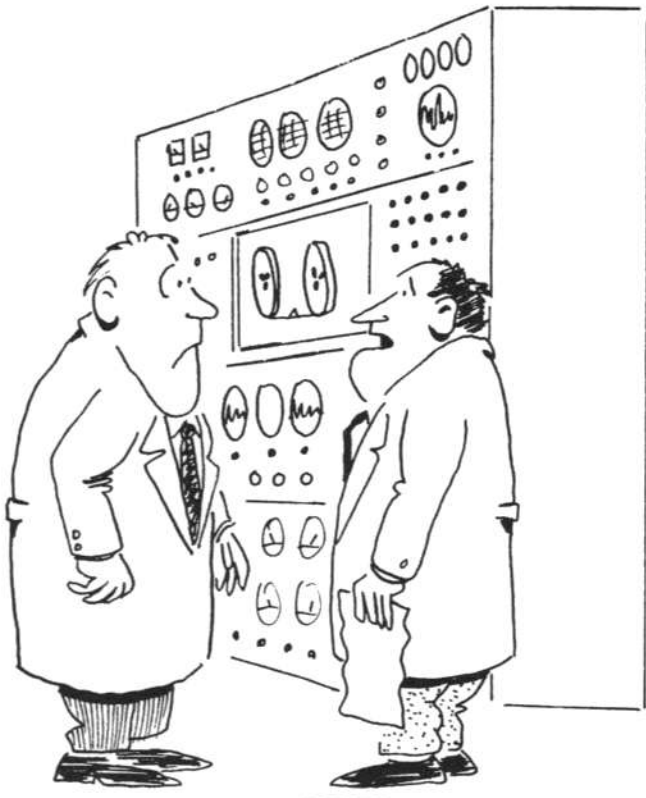


"It threw up when I programmed it to select the most honest political candidate."

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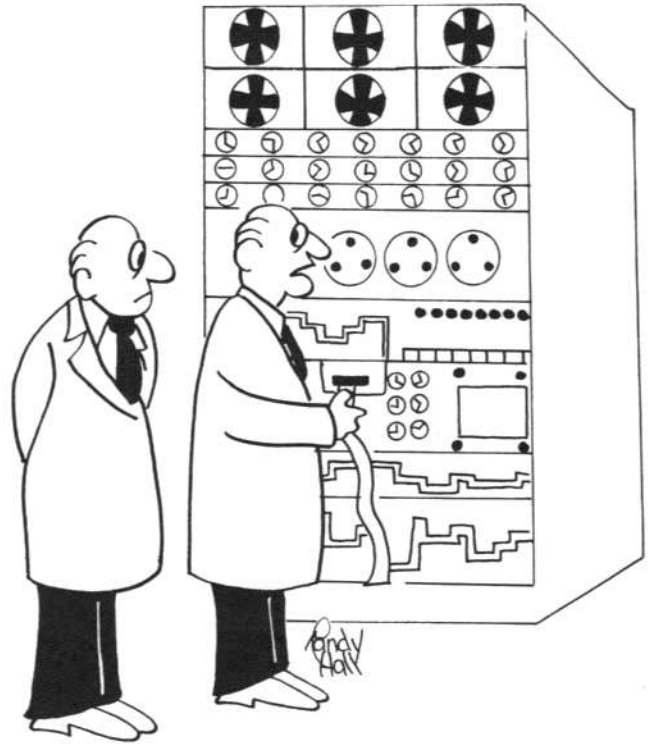


"I fed our 'Delicacy Supreme' recipe into the computer ... and he ate it!"



"It says we forgot to say 'May I!'"

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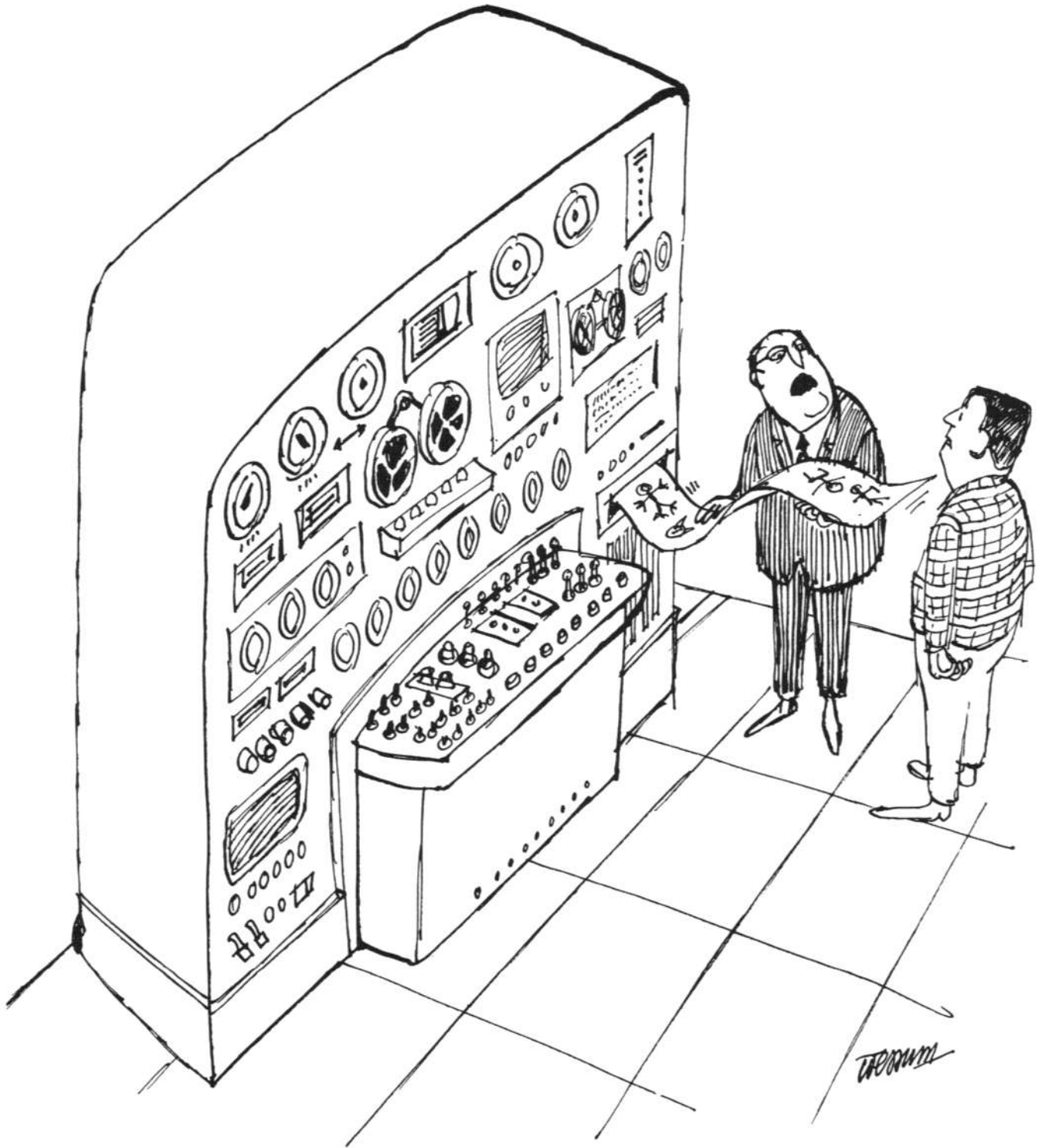
"It wants us to call in another computer for a consultation."

Andy Hart



"The attendance at Sunday's game will be 64,837 ... but that's only a ballpark figure!"

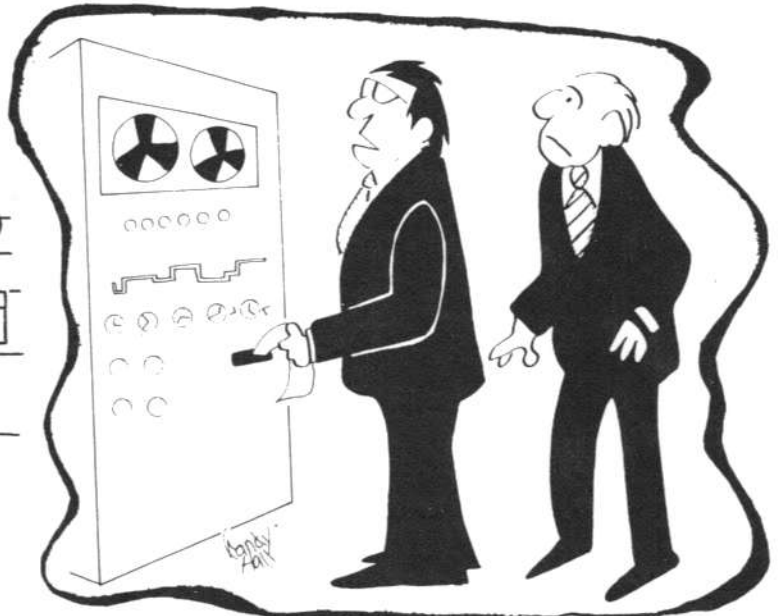
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"It's very impatient ... between questions, it doodles."



"I've found the trouble. The other computers are passing the work to number 12."



"About our prospects for that merger, it says: 'You have a snowball's chance in ...'"



"If I asked it the wrong question, why did it answer?"



"There seems to be a mix-up in the tapes. I keep getting Guy Lombardo."



"It gives the answer as 12,621,859.007. But, it says it's just a hunch."

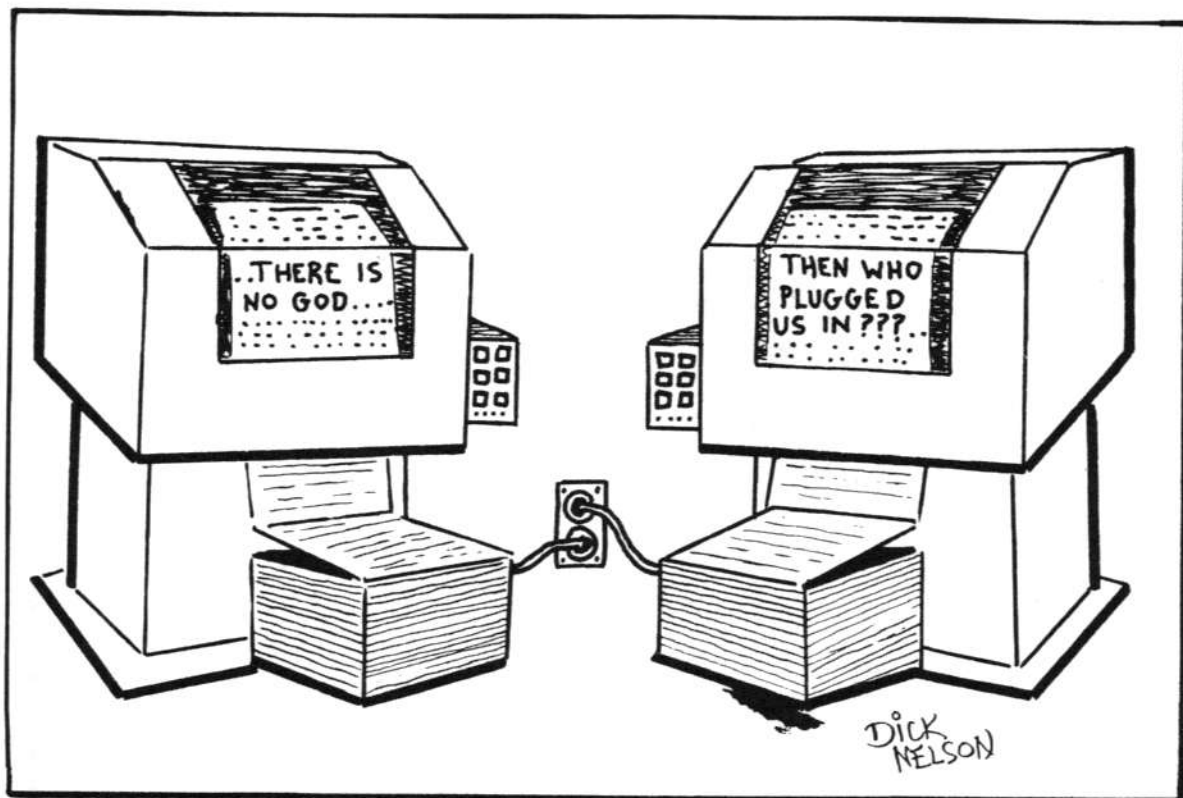
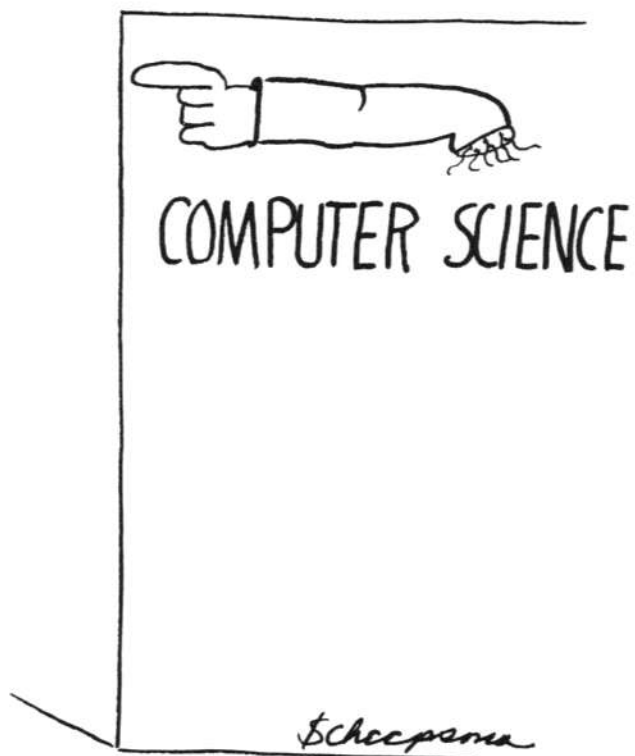


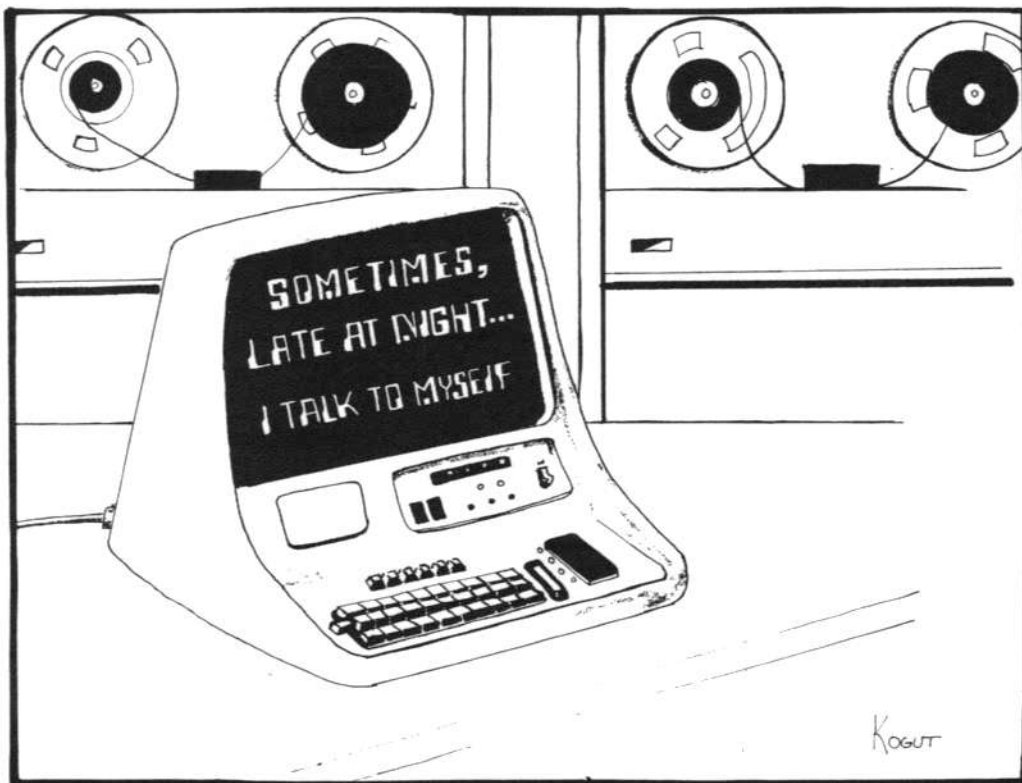
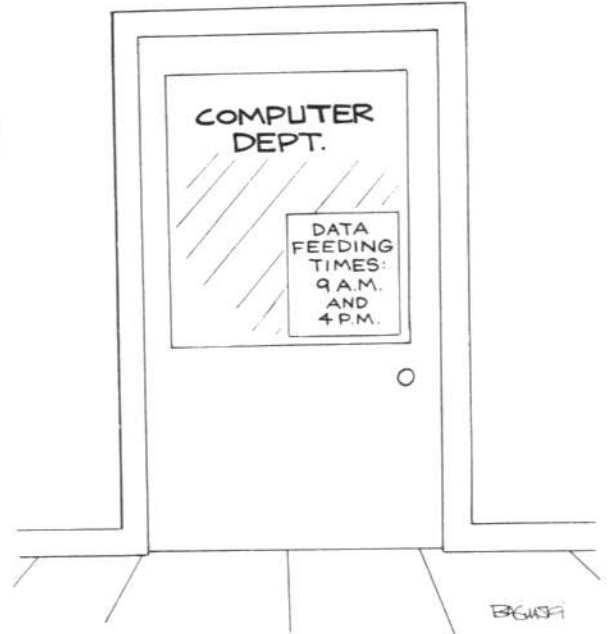
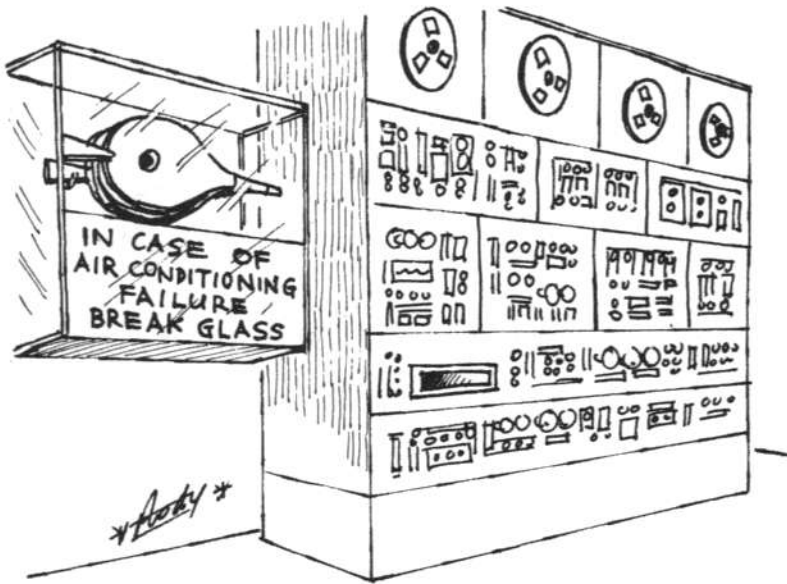
"... And when I hit 'Gently Down the Stream,' you come in with 'Row, Row, Row your Boat.'"

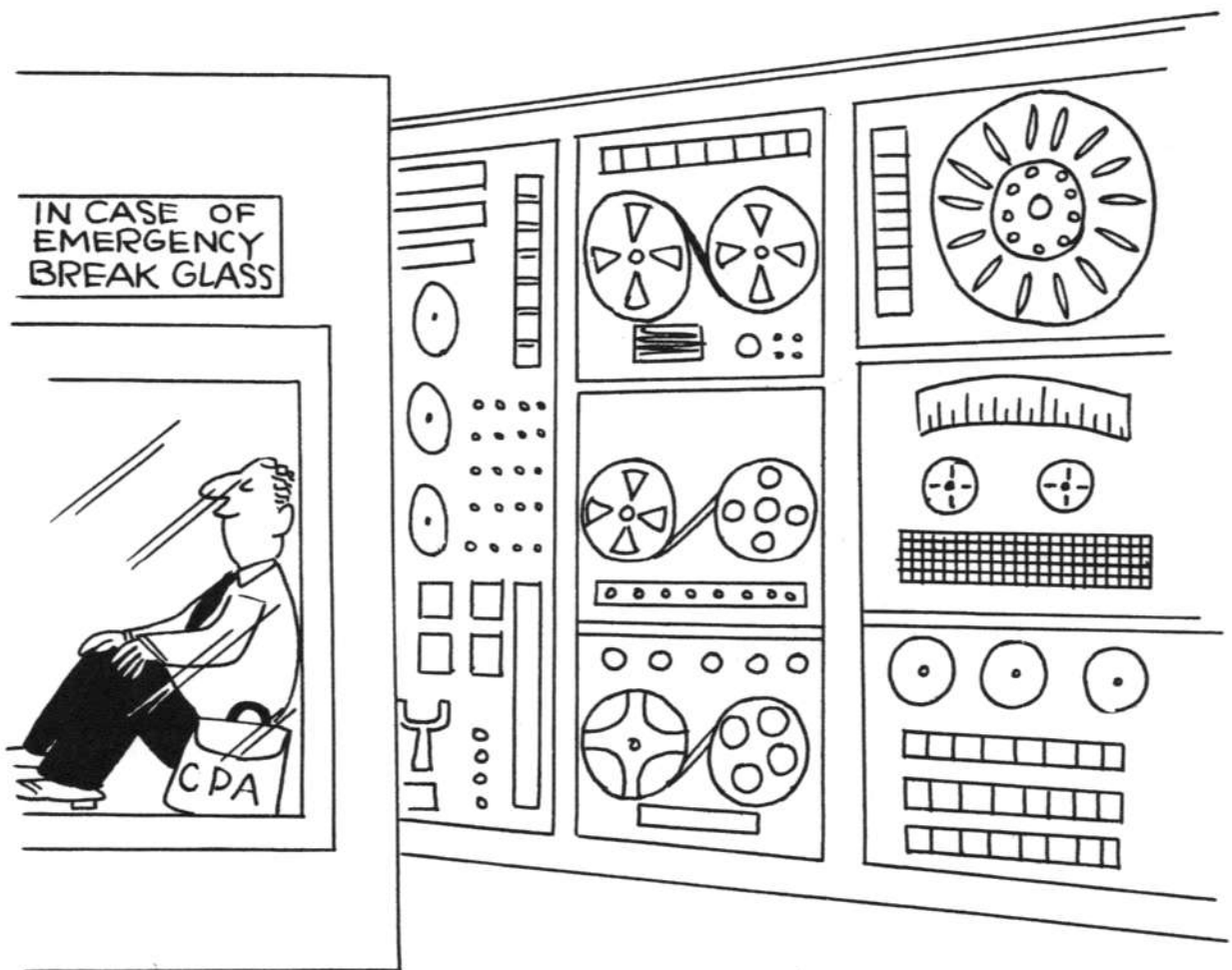
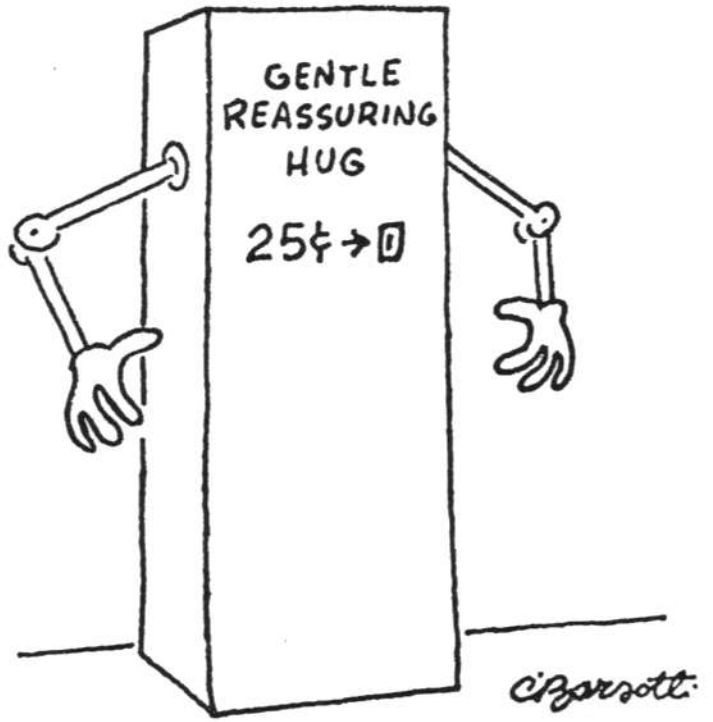


"Some of these modern machines can do anything."

SOLO CIRCUITRY







JOHNS' JOKES



"Uh ... about this loaner you sent us while our computer is being repaired..."



"Will everyone quiet down, please? We have a rather lengthy agenda."



"How'd the production manager take it when you brought in all those specification changes, Burt?"



"I'll have that computer's hide for this!"



"Now, who are you going to believe ... a forty year old mathematician or a two year old computer?"



"Let me begin by saying the computer was old and probably due to be replaced anyway."



"Our next speaker will talk on the subject of 'the pitfalls of electronic funds transfer systems'."



JOHNS

"C.J., find B.W. on the P.D.Q. and tell him two V.I.P.'s from I.B.M. and N.C.R. want to discuss the D.P.M.A. on the Q.T. with the E.D.P. and E.A.M. managers ... O.K.?"



JOHNS

"That's the third paragraph you've started with 'according to our computer'."



JOHNS

"Johnson, I hear you don't trust our new computer-based environmental control system."



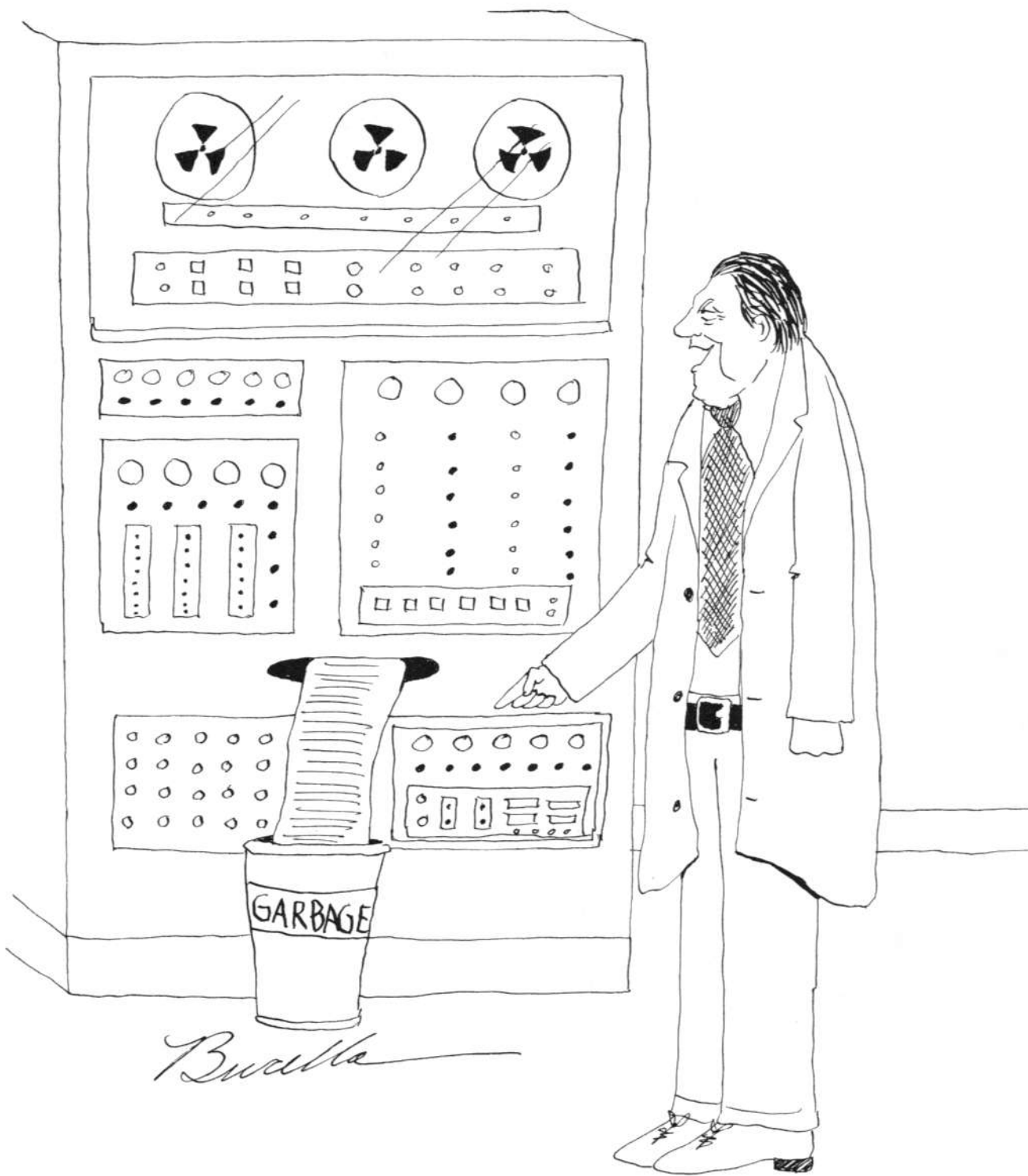
JOHN

"Well, let's see if the front office thinks THIS one is simple enough to operate!"



JOHN

"What's wrong with his asking you for a date?...
He's only thirty-four."



"What do you think of that, Mr. Genius?!"

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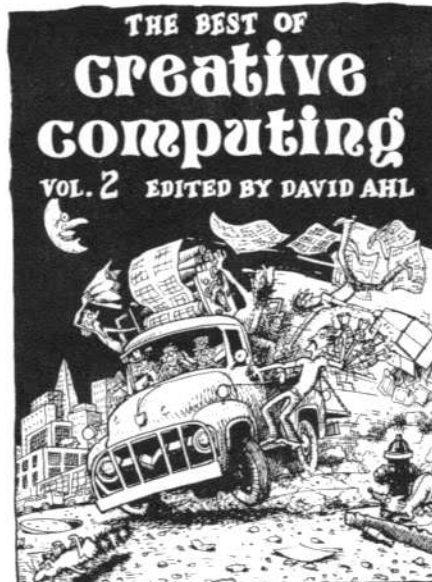
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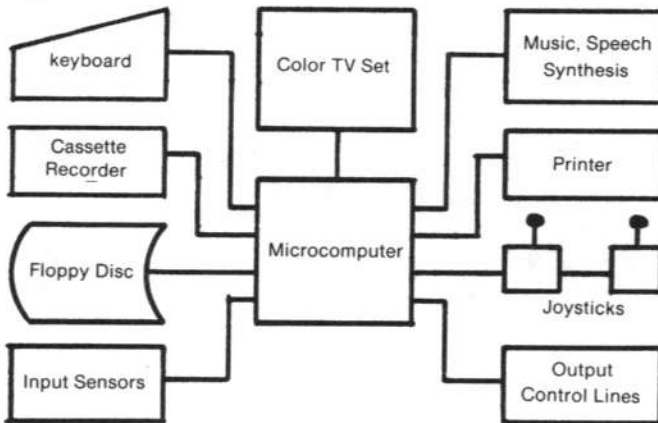


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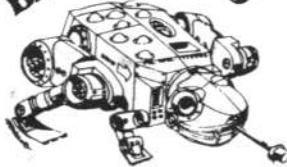
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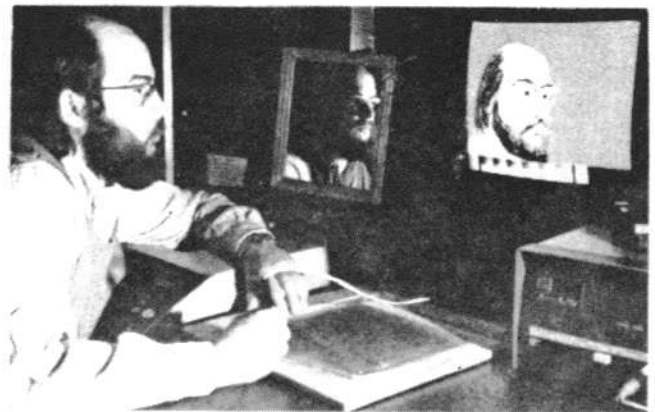


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