

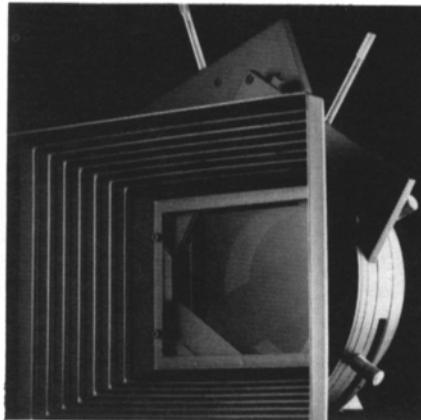


Alta Centaurus still store

been designed to interface with the S-VHS component video recording format, but can also process composite video from the Betacam and U-matic formats. The Centaurus stores up to 140 pictures, logos, slides, and titles on a Winchester hard disk. It is capable of performing special effects, A/B roll video switching, stereo audio mixing, time-base correction, and frame synchronization. The Centaurus has a comb filter that provides improved resolution and reduces chroma/luminance crosstalk.

A time-base corrector has been placed on the market by FOR-A Corp. of America, 320 Nevada St., Newton, MA 02160. The compact, lightweight FA-021 corrects time-base errors from both 1/2-in. and 3/4-in. VTRs, and produces a standard NTSC

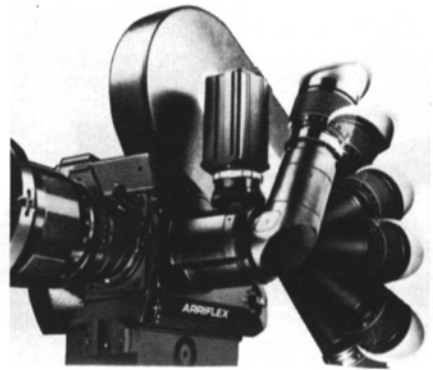
signal output from both V-lock and non-V-lock type recorders. It provides full-color or freeze field or frame functions along with built-in RS-170A standard sync pulse generator with genlock. A remote-control unit is optional on the FA-200.



Geocam matte box

A 4X4 matte box has been introduced by Geocam Corp., P.O. Box 704, Orange, NJ 07050. Referred to by the company as the Universal Production matte box, the system accepts lenses up to 4 5/8 in. in diameter. It fits most ENG, EFP, and 16mm cameras and lenses without special modifications. An adjustable undercarriage permits the matte box to shift left to right

and back to front, and modular construction permits filter stages to be added or removed in the field as required. Other design features of the matte box include safety stops and a locking mechanism.



CSC video door

An orientable video door for the Arriflex 35-3 35mm camera has been made available by Camera Service Center (CSC), 625 W. 54th St., New York, NY 10019. Designed and manufactured by CSC, and approved by Arriflex Corp., the video door adapts to the ARRI 35-3 viewfinder, providing optimum brightness to the video tap and the eyepiece exit. The door does not interfere with the 210° rotation of the viewfinder.

An equipment rack has been made available to the audio industry by Solid State Industries, 2453 Chico Ave., South El Monte, CA 91733. The SR-8A is designed in eight rack-space modules. The modules are constructed of lightweight steel tubing and are designed to fit one on top of another for continuous rack spaces. The SR-8A has four casters (two locking), and a formica top is provided as an option. The unit is open at the back and sides, allowing easy access to connections.


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