ideas and products

OF THE WEEK

An editorial service to readers; more information on items can be secured from the manufacturers. Prices are sometimes changed without notice.

Soldering iron cleaner

Soldering tip life is extended by this tip cleaner, $2\frac{1}{2} \times 2\frac{3}{4} \times 3\frac{1}{2}$ inches, consisting of four cellulose sponges held upright in a plastic case. The iron is passed through the nonscratching sponges, which are beveled on both sides and kept wet by a water well.

Price: \$2.00 Macdonald and Company 213 S. Brand Blvd. Glendale, Calif. 91204

Scattering chamber

Designed to cut the cost of measuring nuclear reactions, this 6x4-inch scattering chamber for use with solid-state detectors can be connected to existing beam lines and supported on standard beam mounts.

Price: \$2,900 High Voltage Engineering Corp. Burlington, Mass.

Micro-mixer

Fast, convenient mixing of solutions in micro-tubes is provided by this 5x5-inch instrument weighing only four pounds. The mixing head, which has depressions on its surface to prevent

sliding of glassware, acts as a self-contained switch. Useful to clinics, hospitals and chemical laboratories, the aluminum unit operates on 120 volts. Rubber feet prevent creeping.

Price: \$43.00 Lab-Line Instruments Inc. 15th and Bloomingdale Aves. Melrose Park, III. 60160

Stereoscopic microscopes

Finding application in biology, medicine, metallography and many industries, these stereoscopic binocular microscopes have tubes rotatable through 360 degrees and provide upright unreversed images at magnifications from 10 to 200 times. The microscopes have a field view of 13 millimeters diameter and can accommodate specimens up to 75 millimeters in height.

Price: Available from manufacturer William J. Hacker & Co. Inc. P. O. Box 646 West Caldwell, N. J. 07006

New balance

No separate weights are necessary with this time-saving balance that weighs materials up to 200 grams by means of beam and sliding poise. Equipped with magnetic damping and an easy-to-read scale, the unit is provided with a stain resistant polypropylene weighing pan 35% x½-inch deep with handle and pouring spouts.

Price: \$39.50 Ohaus Scale Corp. 1050 Commerce Ave. Union, N.J. 07083

Marine culture system

An air-injection pump utilizing no seals or moving parts in the wet area enhances oxygen absorption, water circulation and dissipation of carbon dioxide in this 25-gallon aquarium useful to research laboratories, biology departments and oceanographic institutes. The observation panel of the thermostatically controlled unit is made of thermopane glass and provides fog-free visibility.

Price: \$585.00 Aquarium Systems, Inc. 1450 East 289th St. Wickliffe, Ohio 44092

Image-shearing eyepiece

Fitting most standard microscopes, this image-shearing eyepiece permits fast and accurate particle-size analysis and measurement of small objects, such as transistor components, fibers and bacteriological specimens. Normally, red and green filters are not necessary. A clear and accurate read-out is attached to the counter and drum of the setting head.

Price: \$425.00 William J. Hacker & Co., Inc. P. O. Box 646 West Caldwell, N.J. 17006

Water still

Service problems are said to be reduced by this new laboratory water still. The still produces up to 1.4 liters of distilled water an hour. The unit, 24 inches high, 15 inches long and 9 inches deep, can be used on a benchtop or may be wall-mounted.

Price: \$249.50 Corning Scientific Instruments Corning Glass Works Medfield, Mass. 02052

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