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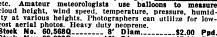
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Price: \$9.50 Amprobe Instrument 630 Merrick Rd. Lynbrook, N.Y. 11563

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Price: \$26.55 Morse Controls, Inc. Hudson, Ohio 44236

Extreme temperature tape

Designed for applications where control of environmental conditions is not feasible, this digital magnetic computer tape should find use in computers in aviation and aerospace. The tape which is ½-inch wide performs in temperature ranges from minus 55 degrees to plus (see p. 246)

THE GUAYMAN STORY. 16mm, color, sound, 27 min. A visit to the NASA tracking station at Guaymas, Mexico, and a study of the relationship between the community and the space facility. Audience: high school, adult. Free loan from NASA field libraries, or NASA Headquarters, Code FAD-2, Washington, D.C. 20546.

films of the week

Listing is for readers' information of new 16mm and 8mm films on science, engineering, medicine and agriculture for professional, student and general audiences. For further information on purchase, rental or free loan, write to distributor.

A BREATH OF AIR. 16mm, color, sound, 22 min. Demonstrates that cigarette smoking is "the greatest single preventable cause of death today." Shows a middle-aged victim of emphysema, a disease wherein inhaled cigarette smoke leads to a breakdown of the lung's ability to absorb oxygen, and how the disease limits his physical ability today. Audience: teenages. Free loan from local sections of the American Cancer Society.

DIAMANT. 16mm, color, sound 13 min. Shows the construction and functioning of the rocket Diamant which served to launch the French satellite at Hammaguir. Audience: general. Free loan with \$3 handling charge from Society for French American Cultural Services and Educational Air, 972 Fifth Avenue, New York, N.Y. 10021.

HEALTH ON WHEELS. 16mm, b&w, sound, 14 min. Depicts the basic principles applied in mobile multiphasic chronic disease screening. Prescreening organization, screening techniques, types of educational approaches, reporting systems, and follow-up are all discussed. Audience: professional personnel and lay audiences interested in health. Purchase \$95 from International Film Bureau, 322 S. Michigan Ave., Chicago, Ill. 60604 (Sponsored by the Oklahoma State Department of Health).

PEOPLE ARE DIFFERENT AND ALIKE. 16mm, color or b&w, sound, 11 min. By showing many kinds of people who, despite their seeming differences, are engaged in similar activities and have similar reactions, the film makes vividly clear that human beings are basically similar the world over. Audience: Grades 4-6. Purchase and rental information from Coronet Films, 65 E. South Water Street, Chicago, Ill. 60601.

TOTEMS. 16mm, color, sound, 14 min. Totems originated on America's Northwest Coast from Seattle through British Columbia and southeastern Alaska. Film explores the origin and meaning of totems, how they were made and now being made, and their past and present uses. Audience: upper elementary, high school, college, and adult. Purchase \$150 from Northern Films, Box 98, Main Office Station, Seattle 11, Wash.

WAVES ACROSS THE PACIFIC. 16mm, color, sound, 32 min. Account of a 3-month scientific expedition which follows the 10,000-mile journey of ocean waves across the Pacific, from generation in an Antarctic storm to attenuation in Alaska. Demonstrates methods used for wave study, and includes stop-motion and slow-motion photography of waves. Audience: high school, college. Purchase \$260 from McGraw-Hill Films, 330 West 42nd St., New York, N.Y. 10036.

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