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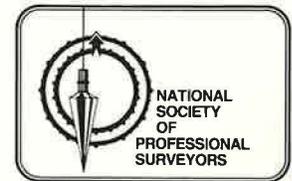


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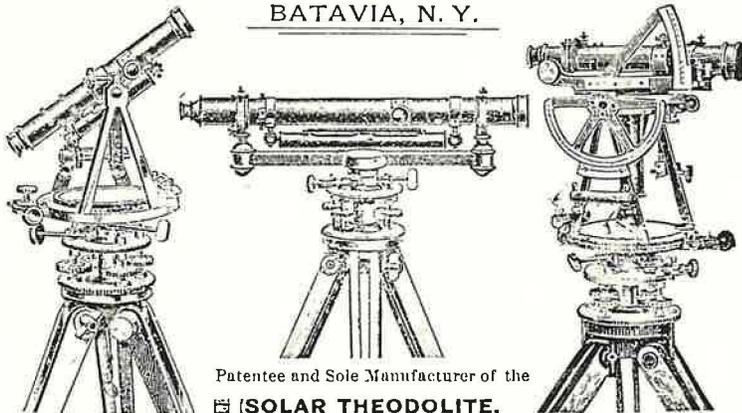


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Highlights of ISPLS Board of Director Meetings

March 26, 1987

Extensive discussion regarding the handling of complaints to the registration board resulted in a motion which was seconded and carried authorizing a letter to be written and sent to Gene Snowden.

Johnson County Surveyor Douglas Lechner addressed the board regarding a complaint and subsequent "Assurance of Voluntary Compliance" resulting from the complaint.

Discussion of a letter sent to the board by ISPLS member Michael Feldbusch regarding Fannie Mae form #1004 which requires residential appraisers to practice land surveying by issuing opinions on the location of property lines, easements and encroachments. As the ISPLS NSPS Governor, Gary Kent was directed to bring this matter to the attention of the NSPS Board of Governors at its meeting in Baltimore. (See other developments in this matter elsewhere in this issue).

April 25, 1987

Doug Herendeen, CIC-ISPLS President and Director of the 1989 ISPLS Convention, reported that the '89 convention committee has selected the Atkinson Hotel as the lead hotel for that convention. Numerous other hotels in the area will be available for sleeping rooms should attendees wish to stay elsewhere.

The ethics committee discussed several written complaints sent to the Board of Registration regarding violations of the registration act and board rules.

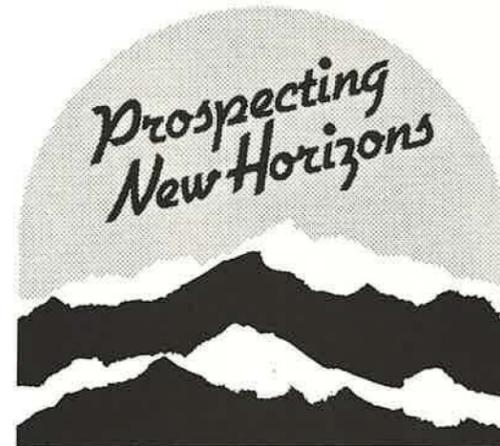
A motion was carried which reflected the decision to *not* renew ISPLS lobbyist Jack Ryan's contract.

The Membership Committee was authorized to prepare a new roster.

A motion was carried raising full membership dues to \$100.00 for the 1987-1988 fiscal year. All other classifications were held at the previous rate.

Jerry Carter of the Public Relations Committee reported that the committee is preparing a professionally produced brochure the purpose of which will be to explain the ISPLS Standards to the general public. This work is the result of a request/suggestion made by former ISPLS President Orwic Johnson at the annual meeting in West Lafayette.

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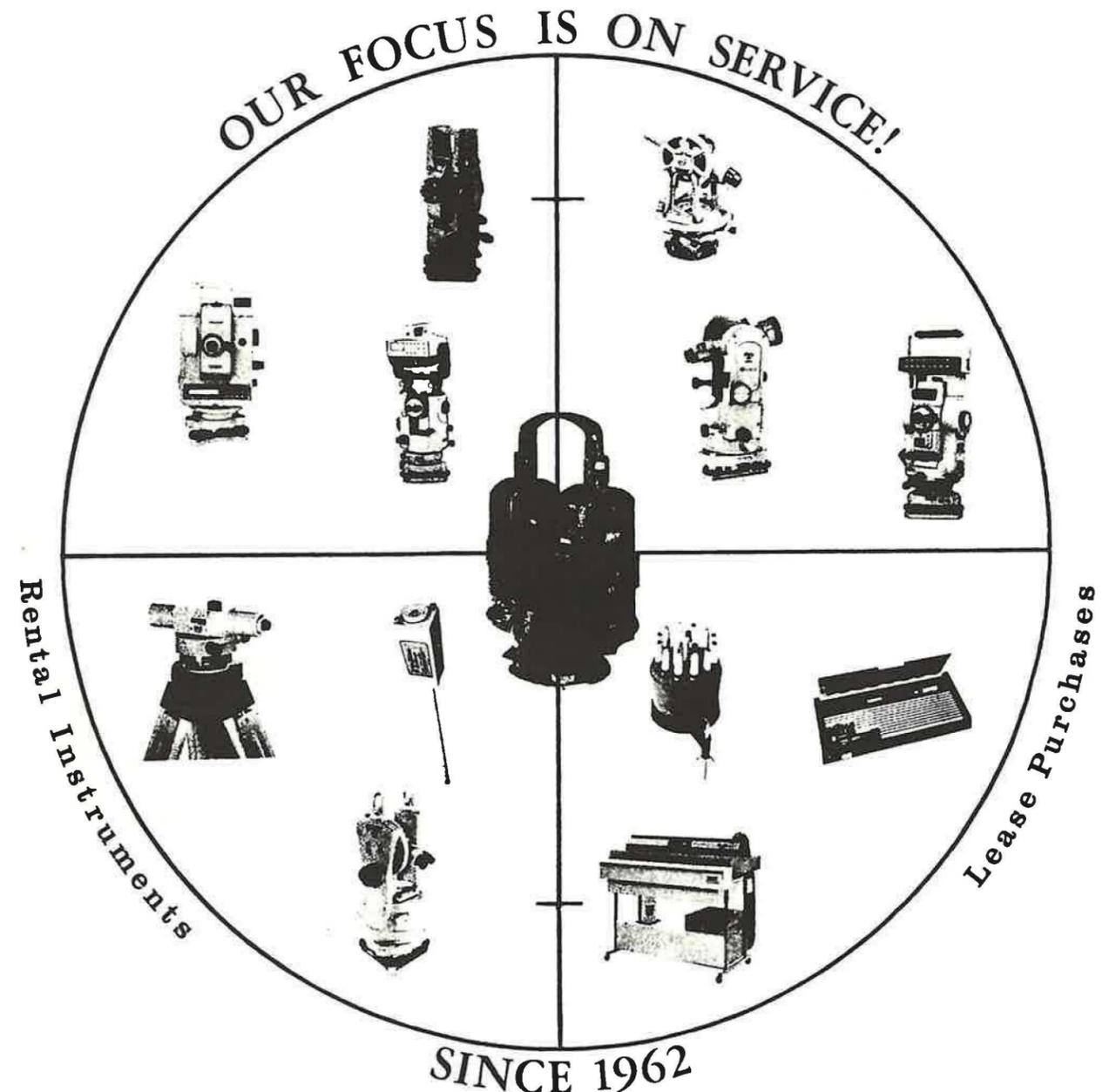


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Surveying Scholarships Awarded at Purdue and Vincennes Universities

In separate ceremonies in Lafayette and Vincennes this spring, numerous scholarships were awarded to well deserving students of both universities.

Vincennes Students Honored in Ceremonies

At the awards ceremony in Vincennes, three students were presented awards by professor Art Haase. As pictured on the following page, Brenda Steber and David Blackford were both awarded \$500 scholarships from the *Friends of the Surveying Technology School of Vincennes University* and Cheryl Johnson was awarded the Central Indiana Chapter's \$150 scholarship.

Each of these students wrote very gracious letters thanking ISPLS members and CIC for the donations to the scholarships.

Purdue Student Chapter Holds 15th Annual Recognition Dinner

On April 11th, the 15th annual recognition dinner for Purdue Land Surveying graduates was held at the Ramada Inn.

Comments from Civil Engineering Department head Harold Michael outlined the long range plans of Civil Engineering Department as related to the Surveying and Mapping area and new area head Edward Mikhail congratulated the graduates.

The special guest speaker was ACSM President Alberta Auringer Wood who spoke on her role as the first women president of ACSM and the relationship of her field - cartography - to land surveying.

In the awards ceremony, Bryan K. Foust was awarded both the \$800 ISPLS Scholarship and the \$150 Central Indiana Chapter Scholarship. Daniel J. Neumann and Daniel G.

Kovert were awarded 1 year paid-up memberships in the *National Society of Professional Surveyors*, a member organization of the *American Congress on Surveying and Mapping*.

The eight 1987 BS graduates were joined by thirteen former Purdue Land Surveying graduates at the dinner. Also in attendance were ISPLS President Don Bengel, President-Elect John Schneider and many friends and family members.

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Vincennes University Surveying Scholarship Winners (shown with Professor Art Haase)

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I appreciate the encouragement I feel the Society has given me by awarding me this scholarship to continue my education. I am looking forward to entering the land surveying field upon graduation.

Again, I would like to thank you for your donations.

Sincerely yours,

Brenda L. Steber

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Dear Sirs:

I would like to thank the members of the Society who have donated to the Vincennes University Scholarship Program. The money you have donated is greatly appreciated. The money you have awarded me will help me progress in my education.

The Society members that I have met have encouraged me to meet my goals. Their encouragement has helped to confirm my decision on entering the land surveying profession. I am looking forward to graduating and entering the land surveying field.

Again I would like to thank you for your donations.

Sincerely Yours,

David W. Blackford

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May 4, 1987

Central Indiana Chapter
of the ISPLS

Gentlemen,

As a student of Land Surveying at Vincennes University, I was recently chosen to be the recipient of the \$150.00 scholarship sponsored by your chapter.

I would like to take this opportunity to publicly thank all those persons who made the award possible. Also, I would like to express my appreciation for the moral support which accompanies your interest in the next generation of Land Surveyors.

Thank you all so much.

Sincerely,
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ISPLS Member News

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William Mamelson, an ISPLS Life Member from Merrillville, passed away recently.

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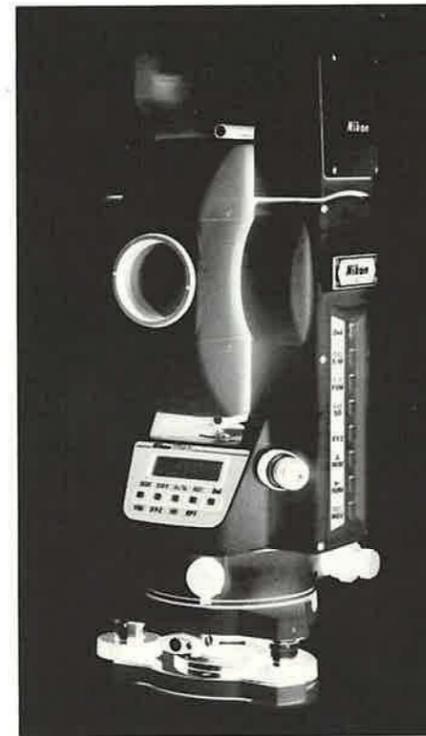
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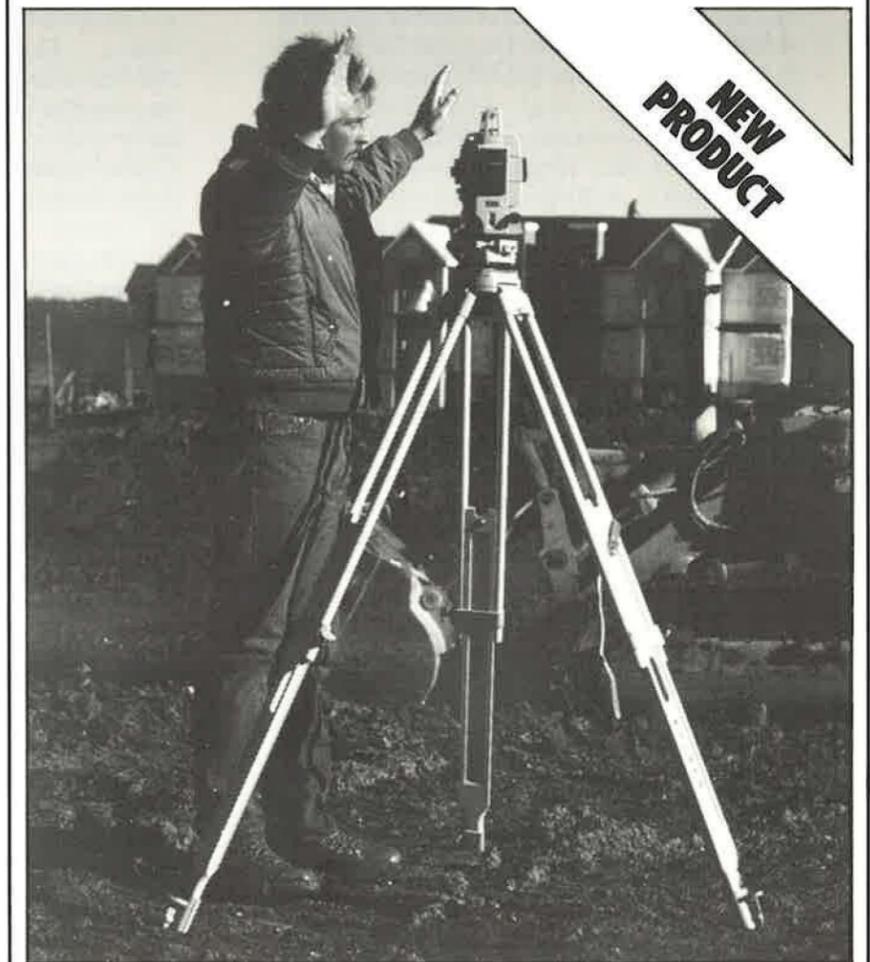
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ISPLS and Registration Board Hold Joint Meeting to Discuss and Resolve Differences

History was made on Thursday June 11th when the Registration Board for Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors held a special session specifically for purposes of meeting with the Board of Directors of the Indiana Society of Professional Land Surveyors.

Deteriorating Relations

Over the past few months, relations between the two groups had been deteriorating for a variety of reasons. The June meeting helped alleviate some problems and clarified Registration Board, Consumer Protection Agency and Professional Licensing Agency activities.

Board Appointment Questioned

Last Fall, Governor Orr named a new Board member, David Wells, to the Registration Board. In January, then ISPLS President Pat Cunningham sent a letter to the Governor noting that Mr. Wells was neither under government employ nor a Registered Land Surveyor as required by law to make a legally constituted Board. The letter made reference to the fact that it was ISPLS' opinion that activities of an illegally constituted board were open to litigation. No official response to President Cunningham's letter was ever received, although word had it that the Governor's office was attempting to rectify the problem.

Indianapolis Star Reports Developments

In an article in the May 8th issue of the *Indianapolis Star*, the developments in this matter were reported, although unfortunately, the tone of the interview with now past president Cunningham came off as abrasive and threatening.

As might be expected, the Registration Board, Governor's Office and the Professional Licensing Agency were extremely upset at the *Star* article and at a subsequent blurb in the "*Behind Closed Doors*" feature in the Sunday June 11th issue of the *Star*.

The June 11th article reported that the Governor had accepted Mr. Well's resignation and that the Licensing Agency had solicited ISPLS for possible replacements. The *Star* reported that Licensing Agency Director Alan K. Updike, who attended the June 11th Joint Board meeting, had written ISPLS expressing dismay that "our agency and the board were, however, disappointed in the fact that your organization chose to go to the Indianapolis newspaper to plead your case, rather than give us a chance to correct the situation."

In a June 11 response to Mr. Updike's letter, ISPLS President Don Bengel wrote that ISPLS also considered it unfortunate that the newspaper publicized that matter, but also noted that no official response had been received from the Governor's Office in over five months.

Joint Meeting Arranged

As a result of the newspaper revelations and a variety of other ISPLS complaints regarding Registration Board and Consumer Protection Agency activities, the joint meeting was set for June 11th.

All members of the Registration Board, including Chairman James Bradley, Ruthann Sumpter, Gerald Waltz, William Hill and Luther Condre were in attendance along with Mr. Updike of the Professional Licensing Agency. The entire ISPLS Board of Directors, except Roger Woodfill who had a previous commitment as NSPS Area Director, attended. ISPLS/Registration Board Liaison Committee Chairman Wes Day also participated.

ISPLS Outlines Grievances

In an opening statement read by Wes Day, the ISPLS outlined its grievances. The primary complaint described revolves around a perception in ISPLS and in the surveying community as a whole of a complete lack of commitment to the enforcement of the surveying Registration Act and board rules. A variety of recent cases was described. The statement read that ISPLS believes "the current system of enforcement is not working" and asked for greater enforcement of the Act and more active investigations on the part of the Consumer Protection Agency. Examples of the enforcement activities of numerous other states, including Florida, Kentucky, and Washington were provided.

Responsible Direction and Supervision Definition

The ISPLS statement also questioned the opinion of the Attorney General's representative regarding *Responsible Direction and Supervision*. Although the law requires that the practice of land surveying must be "carried on under the responsible direction and supervision of a . . . registered land surveyor", the Board has refused to define responsible direction and supervision. The Board Attorney's opinion is that since the passing of the registration exam identifies a registrant as having the qualifications to carry out the responsible direction and supervision of land surveying, it is automatically assumed that all registrants are practicing in that manner and the Board cannot make any other presumption or accusation in conflict with that. ISPLS disagrees with this assessment and presented definitions from other states to the Board for consideration.

Complaints and Investigations

ISPLS also questioned the commitment to the carrying out of meaningful

investigations on the part of the Board or the Consumer Protection Agency. Examples of valid complaints which were apparently ignored, dropped or which resulted in hand slapping measures were cited. One case was mentioned in which the "resolution" involved an assurance of "voluntary compliance" with the law on the part of the accused, and yet several months later, the violation is apparently still occurring!

The Board and Mr. Updike outlined the complaint procedure. Before a complaint can even be considered, it must be received by the Licensing Agency on the appropriate state form. The Board then has 30 days in which to attempt to resolve the complaint through negotiation. If a resolution is not achieved, the Consumer Protection Agency will notify the parties in writing and request whatever information is deemed appropriate to the case. The investigations run into a serious problem in this phase.

Attorney General's Office Understaffed and Overworked

The Consumer Protection Agency investigation staff consists of about 15 law clerks with a reported 150 cases each to investigate. They are forbidden to go into the field to conduct their investigations. As a result, all action must be taken by letter with the necessary response times allowed for. The Licensing Agency and the Board indicated a very serious problem with the current investigation procedure.

In addition to the "normal" bureaucratic roadblocks, at least one complaint filed by ISPLS has shown evidence of political pressures having been applied to the investigating agencies to drop the investigation.

Mr. Updike reported that a new route in enforcement is being tested. The Consumer Protection Agency now has a field investigator cooperating with the

Land Surveying Certificates Awarded

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Registration Board Members participating in the program included Chairman James Bradley, Ruthann Sumpter, William Hill, David Wells and Gerald Waltz. ISPLS President Don Bengel and ISPE President Steven Weintraut also addressed the new registrants.



Above, Don Bengel, President of ISPLS addresses the new Professional Land Surveyors and Engineers.

Left, Jeffrey D. Souder, Kevin Michel and Joel Hoehn, left to right, were the new Land Surveying Registrants in attendance. Unable to attend were Steven W. Archer, J. Steve Campbell, Perry Dee Cloyd, E.H. Doyle, Mark Gardner, James K. Gorman, Charles Helton and William A. Schmidt.



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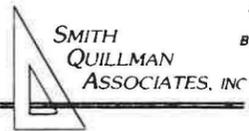
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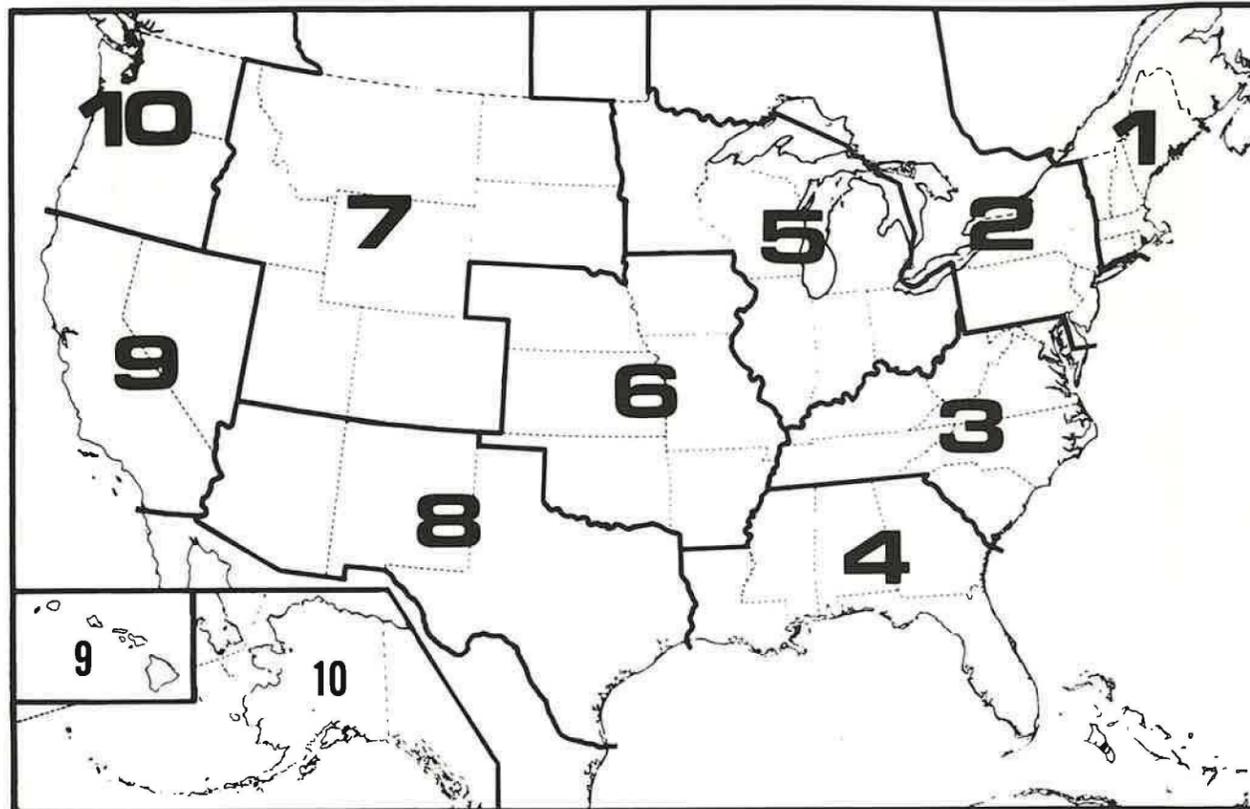
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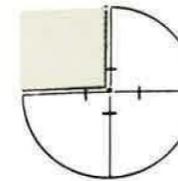
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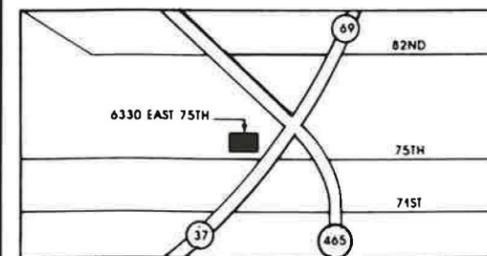
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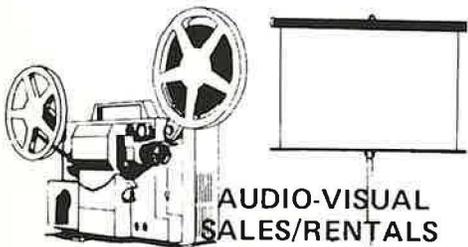
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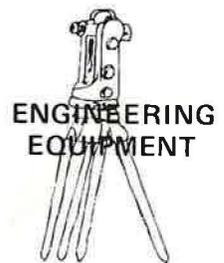
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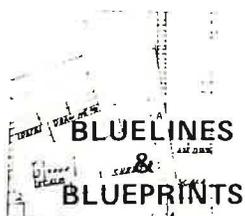
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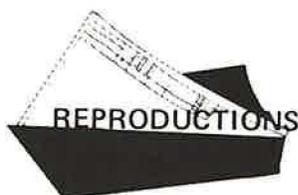
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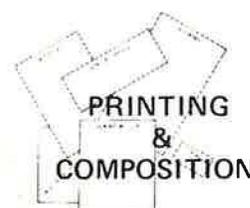
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