The Commodore 128/64 POWER USER NEWSLETTER



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On the Cover:

In celebration of the 25th Anniversary of the Apollo 11 moon landing, the astronaut is Buzz Aldrin, the second human being to set foot upon another world; July 20th 1969. This image was scanned from a NASA photo taken by fellow astronaut Neil Armstrong the first man on the moon, using the HandyScanner 64 and converted to geoPaint format using Handy Import. It was then made into a paint scrap using Scrap Can from Nate Fiedler, available with geoCanvas 64 or 128 versions. Then the scrap was pasted into the geoPublish document used for the cover.

Whats Inside:

We have an introductory welcome editorial, a look at geoCanvas 128 v3.0, a look at the HandyScanner 64 and its use, several computing tips placed throughout the issue, a look at who is still supporting the Commodore 8-bit community, several Ads from those that are still supporting us, a column called Story Time which has nothing whatsoever to do with computers. It is here as a break time respite. The stories take place in the fantasy world of the Gondwanaland Frontiers in

Here are the names of some of magazines that are still supporting the Commodore user:

Commodore World, Loadstar 64, Loadstar 128, Diehard, Cee-64 Alivel, the Underground, TC128/64(although very sporadic, averaging about two issues a year seems to be going down hill while all the others are growing.) Gazette is gone for now but hopefully some of the things that made it worthwhile will find its way into one of these other publications. These are all that I am familiar with right now, if you know of anymore please let us know.

From the Back Room...

One year later....

Welcome to the premiere issue of the Commodore 128/64 Power User newsletter! The prime focus of Power User is to help you get the most out of your Commodore 128 or 64, and all of the great peripherals that are available for them!

Boy are Commodore user's experiencing a renaissance in computing specific literature today! The old timer's that have left us are being replaced by a new generation of publications. Publications such as the one you are holding in your hands right now; CMD's Commodore World magazine, Diehard, Twin Cities 128/64, Cee-64 Alive!, COIN, the UnderGround newsletter, Gazette disk magazine monthly, C= Hacking and others that I have no doubt missed. The old standbyes like Loadstar 64 monthly and Loadstar 128 quarterly are still with us, pumping out quality programs and articles every month.

So as you can see, there is still a lot of support out there for us. There are still programmers cranking out new software, be it GEOS related or game related or what have you. If you wish continued support for your computer then you must support those that support us. But I relent, lets move on.

Well it has been over a year since the inception of Power User magazine, for those of you who do not know. In other words I am that far behind schedule! A few changes have been made to the format, the price and the name. It is now as you can see called the Commodore 128/64 Power User newsletter. I was tossing around the idea of a disk based magazine to cut down on costs and time but then Gazette announced that it was going to cease publication and go totally disk based. I feel that advertisers and readers need a printed media to communicate. So for now it is so and in a newsletter format. Power User will still be targeted at the intermediate to advanced C=128/64 user, however even the novice will benefit from it. We will still provide advertising space to the companies that still support us. So Power User also doubles as a resource to keep the Commodore market functional.

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ENJOY!!

P.S. This first issue will concentrate mostly on the companies and individuals that are still supporting the Commodore market. Since this issue is basically a handout issue some people might be seeing an advertiser for the very first time. So expect to see a lot of Ads, names and addresses within in these pages. And by all means if you

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know someone who has a Commodore computer then feel free to show this to them.

Thomas R Gosser

power using: geoCANVAS 128

You know paint programs come and paint programs go, but the most endearing quality of geoPaint is the fact that it runs under the GEOS environment. What that means to a computer artist is that you have at your disposel the ability to use all of the various printers and input devices that GEOS supports. Geopaint for the 128 has always provided a few improvements over it's 40 column counterpart. Such as increased speed and higher resolution, you can see the whole page width. One thing that running geoPaint in 80 columns lacks is color. Until now that is, with the advent of geoCanvas 128 v3.0 full color in 80 columns is supported!

Nate Fiedler the author of geoCanvas, has really outdone himself with the release of geoCanvas 128. At first it was a project that He had abandoned after starting it but eventually came back to it. I for one am glad he did! I had the privilage of beta-testing geoCanvas 128 3.0 and the 64 version for Nate and can attest to the fact that these are pretty solid programs. So what does geoCanvas have to offer over geoPaint your asking? Well read on my friend and become enlightened!

To me the full color support in 80 columns is the biggest boon, but there are several other advantages that geoCanvas offers over geoPaint. First off you must have an REU or other RAM device that geoCanvas can use. For without one you cannot run geoCanvas! Multiple documents, geoCanvas can have up to three (3) documents opened at the same time. Of course only one (1) is active at any given moment. This allows you to switch back and forth and paste photo scraps between the opened documents without closing and reopening them. Which brings us to another feature, windows. The geoCanvas window is

resizable and relocatable anywhere on the screen and there can be up to three (3). To make an opened document the active one all you have to do is click on its window and geoCanvas will put it in front of the other windows making it the currently active one.

The geocanvas tool box is modular. Which means you add the tools that you want to have in your tool box. You can delete tools or add new ones as your needs change. The modular concept allows programmers to easily design their own tools for inclusion in the tool box.

On the subject of tools, geocanvas does not allow for the pasting of text scraps into your paint document. A feature that I use frequently in geopaint. Hopefully this will be changing soon.

Writing text in geocanvas has been improved over geopaint. Geocanvas has a larger font buffer, thus allowing the use of larger point size fonts. The text can be moved and edited easily with geocanvas' improved tools.

Other tool improvements include the ability to measure with the measuring tool and leave tick marks at two points. The benefits of this allow more accurate alignments. More patterns have been added. A higher resolution preview function, you choose the threshold value! There are other tool improvements but the biggest advantage to purchasing geocanvas is the addition of some applications that are not even part of the geocanvas program. These are seperate unto themselves and only require GEOS to run.

The first and greatest is **ScrapCan.** ScrapCan allows you to cut and paste full size paint documents. Yes you can make a photo scrap out of a full size page. And you can paste these into a photo album if you wish. ScrapCan allows you to access all three drives if need be.

PaintCan allows you to change your paint documents created with geopaint so that when you double click on that file geocanvas will load it up instead of geopaint. The file is still geopaint compatible.

FontCan will add the delete character to a font, thus allowing it to work with geocanvas.

This overview, not review has touched upon some of the features of **geoCanvas** but is by no means complete. If you are into graphics with GEOS be it 128 or 64 there is a geocanvas version for you. And at \$28 it is a real bargain for a high quality program like geocanvas. **geoCanvas** 128 is VERY impressive! But dont take my word for it check it out for yourself. **geoCanvas** can be ordered from: Nathan Fiedler, 5711 Mt. Pleasant Road, Bernville, PA. 19506

GEOS TIP-Gateway will not make SubDir on HD- use FCOPY+ to do this!

Story Time

TRIAL AND ERROR

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In the land of Nod, the Barbarian kingdoms which lie about 100 leagues northwest of the towne of Ot, there dwelt a man by the name of Samson. Samson was the son of Iquarted the Defiant. Sole heir to the Barbarian kingdoms of Nod.

Samson's interests did not abound in the rulership of the clans. He wanted adventure, and to see the rest of the land around the kingdoms! Legend has it that he was as mighty as a Hill giant, and as bold as a Minotaur.

Now it came to pass that during the season of the Worgs that the clans gathered there mightiest warriors to combat this plague of devastation that always led to substantial casualties among the clans. Samson was of course the first to volunteer to help fight off the Worgs. But as in times past his father the king, forbade him to put his life in danger.

This time however Samson set off on his own to stop the annual attacks of these vicious creatures. Samson knew that the Worgs would be following the semi-dry bed of the Pi'son river. What water there was flowing was covered by ice and snow from the previous nights storm. It was cold, and the air bit bitterly at Samsons beard covered cheeks. His breath steamed forth out of his cavernous chest and trailed behind him as he made his way down the riverbed.

So it happened that a few leagues down the river Samson came to an area where the riverbed dropped at an noticable angle and great stones jutted out of the ice. Steep fragile walls climbed higher to the sky the farther he went down stream. Samson began to realize that he could rid the clans once and for all of this annual menace to His people.

Searching around for the right spot he soon found what he was looking for, a stone balancing precariously on a pinnacle just above some narrows in the river. "The Gods are smiling upon me thus far", he breathed to himself as he started ascending the stone wall. He was glad he had pursued climbing as a recreational choice as a youth. He knew it would come in handy someday. He had lost his older brother to the sport when they were but children, and that is why his father is so protective.

Darkness came quickly and he knew he would not make it to the top before all sunlight was gone. As luck would have it he found a ledge on which to spend the night, but there was an unwilling resident that did not want to share its perch! The hideous beast screeched at Samson from its nest but did not attack. Samson peered at it from over the ledge, he could tell that it was a Pteranodon, a large bat-like reptile with a razor sharp beak, the likes of which have been known to carry off unattended children.

As He moved ever closer to the the nest of the avian lizard the beast became more aggressive and agitated. Suddenly it lept into the empty air and went into a dive and then banked hard right around the pinnacle of rock. Once it reached the base and just before colliding with the ground it pulled back and the momentum of it's decent sent it on a trajectory that shot the creature straight up the side of the rock pinnacle toward the back of Samson. With wings swept back to decrease drag and razor sharp talons poised for prey just inches from the rock wall the Pteranodon arced over the ledge and raked it's talons in a backward motion at it's target, but the target was no longer there!

As soon as the reptilian avian caught sight of its prey a blade of cold sharpe steel fell across it's neck, severing the head cleanly and completely from the rest of the body. As it did so the body of the beast rolled violently into Samson knocking him off balance; the sword fell and so did Samson, over the edge

To be Continued

Power Using: Handyscanner 64

The Handyscanner 64 is a unique innovation when it comes to Commodore peripherals. It lets you scan in printed text or artwork from a variety of sources into the computer, that can then be manipulated with the enclosed software. Or you can convert the images to Geopaint format and really have a powerful means of graphics manipulation at your disposel.

If you want to manipulate the image even further then you can use the Fun Graphics Machine, available from the FGM Connection to grab the converted Geopaint image. Then alteration is just a matter of procedure.

The Handyscanner 64 comes from Germany and is imported by Parsec, Inc. and RIO Datel computers. The scanner proper is just a standard IBM compatible type scanner. In fact it will work on an IBM and Amiga type computers. So knowing this and knowing that the little connector at the end of the cord is the same as the 4.13 inch scanners that you can get for the aforementioned computers. I deduced that a 4.13 inch scanner would plug into the interface that comes with the Handyscanner 64.

The only real unknown at this point was how the software would react to a scan window 4.13 inches wide as compared 2.5 inches wide. What happened was this; the righthand side of the image overlapped the lefthand side of the scanned image on the screen. But the over all scanned area was still larger than the handyscanner's. The screen is still the same size, what happens is there is more image in the same amount of area so the subject size is actually smaller. With some minute editing an acceptable graphic can be had while using a large window scanner.

As with anything of this nature, a lot of experimentation is necessary in order to achieve

satisfying results. I am currently red faced, I found out after having started this article that the Handyscanner 64 was being shipped with the four inch scanner engine now. The smaller scanner was apparantly discontinued.

But it is good to know that there is a replacement for the scanner engine. And with some of the compatible scanners falling way below the \$100.00 mark, it makes it more affordable to replace. The handscanner is a great product. It really enhances the Commodore 8 bit computers. I would like to see more software that supports it. Directly scanning into geopaint would be a great boon. I understand that **FINALLY!** by Maurice Randall will have a handyscanner driver. At least that is what Maurice told me.

At the time of this writing no one in the USA distributes the Handyscanner 64 anymore. Creative Micro Designs has indicated that they may become a US distributor. Also the handyscanner may becoming obselete as you read this. Maurice Randall, that ever prolific GEOS programmer has announced the release of GeoFax. With GeoFax and a Fax machine Maurice proports that you will have the ability to scan in a full page at a time into GEOS! Most impressive indeed! I for one cant wait to get my copy of GeoFax.

GeoFax should be available by the time you read this and can be ordered from CMD or Maurice directly. To order from Maurice send \$39.95+\$4.00s/h to: Maurice Randall, PO Bx 606, Charlotte, MI. 48813

CMD's address can be found elsewhere in this issue. Next issue we will look at some scanning techniques that will improve your overall results.

The geoPublish Compendium!!

The best \$4** the serious "geoPublisher" will ever spend!

This ten page pamphlet--and supplement sheets--includes:

- * How to find someone to do your laser printing, locally or by mail!
- * How to set up your document for laser printing!
- * Pitfalls and problems to look out for!
- * Tips and tricks to create professional laser printed documents!
- * Sample sheets of laser printed fonts!
- * A laser printing resource guide!
- * Tips on using Jim Collette's new Landscape Combo Disk!
- * Much More!!!
- ** (U.S. funds only. CA residents add sales tax. Overseas add 15%.)

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Call: **360-427-1083** to connect anytime. This is a free access BBS.

The Power User HELP Box

Here are some undocumented JiffyDOS command shortcuts. At least I discovered these on my own and have never seen them documented anywhere. So if I am not the first to document these I apologize to those that are.

Here is a shortcut to read the Real Time Clock(RTC) in ASCII format:

@"T-RA":@ The currently active drive must have an RTC installed for this to work or syntax error will occur.

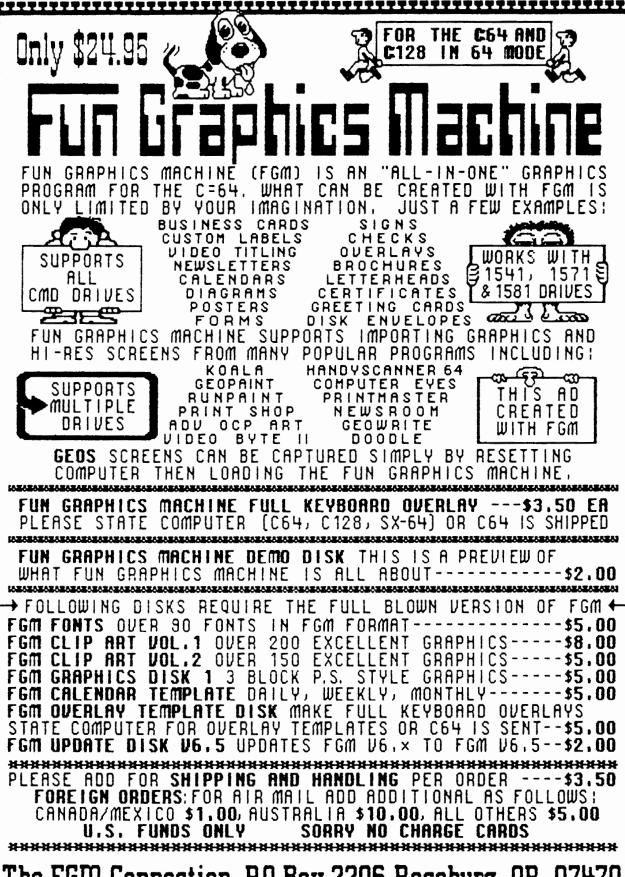
Change 1571 to 1541 mode:

@"U0>M0"

To change back to 1571 mode:

@"U0>M1"

Also here is a tip for converting Koala graphics to Ipaint using Iport from Rick Kane. When a Koala file name is less than the number of spaces available for a name Iport will list the files in the directory but will give a file not found error when you type in the file name for the file to be converted. The solution is this: Say for example there are three blank spaces left at the end of the file name. Type in the file name and then hit CTRL RVS ON and then SPACE the number of blank spaces then hit RETURN. Iport will then load in the file for conversion. Also be sure and use the * wildcard to avoid having to type in the long file names. The wildcard cannot be used in place of the above mentioned blank spaces, they must be typed in.



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Geos file edit options fonts

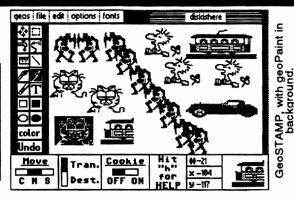
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One of our beta-testers said it best about this new geoPaint Desk Accessory: "This is one program you have to use to appreciate, and once you use it, you'll LOVE IT!" With all of the things GeoSTAMP can do for your geoPaint masterpieces, it is probably the most underpriced program we have ever sold! Stamp out multiple copies of small, geoPaint graphics with the speed and accuracy that cut-and-paste just doesn't have. Making mazes and floor plans is fast and fun! With GeoSTAMP your kids can enjoy the fun of stamp-pads without the mess! Create beautiful borders around your geoPaint works with ease!

*Each <u>GeoSTAMP</u> file holds up to 30 stamp images which you pick up, carry around the screen, and place anywhere you want with a simple press of a button. You can even layer stamp images to create new, intricate designs. And since <u>GeoSTAMP</u> displays your position on the screen, you can fine place your image <u>exactly</u> where you want it! Invert it, flip it left-right or top-bottom, make it into a "cookie cutter", even "paint" with it! <u>GeoSTAMP</u> is so versatile, you'll think of a "bizillion" ways to use it!!

In addition to the main program, The GeoSTAMP Disk comes with two utility programs to help you create and edit stamp sets:

- * <u>StampCollect</u> is our favorite. With this Desk Accessory you can lift graphics right from a geoPaint screen! Use geoPaint's drawing tools to create stamps to add to your collection. Work with <u>GeoSTAMP</u> and <u>StampCollect</u> to build new stamp sets! Or "borrow" graphics from other geoPaint sources.
- * <u>StampEdit</u> is a fast, easy-to-use pixel editor for creating new stamps or for editing existing stamp sets. This is the Application the "real" GEOS artists will use.
- *Also on The <u>GeoSTAMP</u> Disk are as many stamp sets as we could fit, including borders, chess sets, a special puzzle game, and more!! You can go crazy building a maze with the maze sets; then let the Bach in you show thru with the two sets of music score-writing stamps!! Or throw together a quick monthly or weekly calendar!!! With the <u>GeoSTAMP</u> sets included, it's a snap!!!!

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But that's not all you get on <u>DweezilDisk 1</u>. You get all of these great tools also:

- *Marker, a GEOS measuring tool Desk Accessory that lets you make fine "pencil" marks to locate your measurements.
- *CreatePatt, a new GEOS Desk Accessory that lets you create and save fill pattern sets using geoPaint.
- *PattDA, a GEOS Desk Accessory that loads fill pattern sets.
- *AutoPattA and AutoPattB, two Auto-Exec Applications which load fill pattern sets during GEOS boot-up or from the DeskTop.
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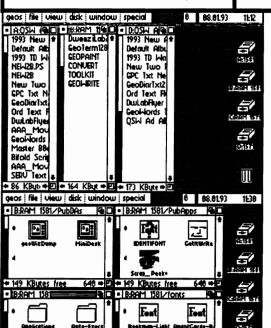
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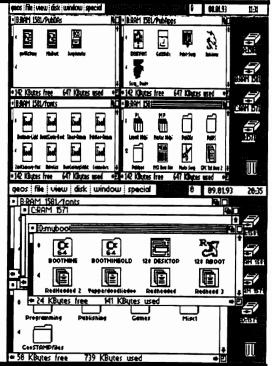
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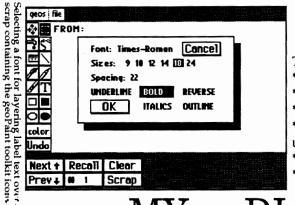
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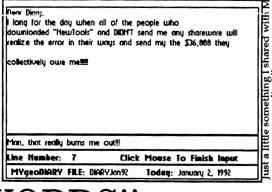
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GeoWORDS I found this word. Did anyone else? AHL YES NO ILLEGAL WORD T C K My Hord Count: 1652

${f geoWORDS!!}$

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TOPDESK!!

The "Windows" DeskTop Alternative Is Finally Here!!!

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Yesiree, Bob!! <u>TOPDESK</u> is here at last!! In English!! And even in 80 columns (if you have a 128)!! Yes, little friends, Dave and Dweezil have searched the world over to bring you this exciting import from Germany. They've been using it and loving it on their side of the ocean, and now it's time that we got a chance to enjoy this "windows" DeskTop alternative. What does it do, Dave? What features does it have? Features? You want features?? Boy, have we got features for you!!

**** Replaces DeskTop completely.

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**** View directories of all four drives at one time, with up to 16 files per window!!

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**** Copy files between all four drives without drive swapping!!

**** Automatically swaps drives when needed for starting applications from drives C and D!!

**** Supports sub-directories (folders) on all disks!!

**** Supports 95% of original GEOS DeskTop functions including menus and keyboard shortcuts!!

**** C-64 and C-128 versions both included on one disk; 128 version supports 40 or 80 columns!!

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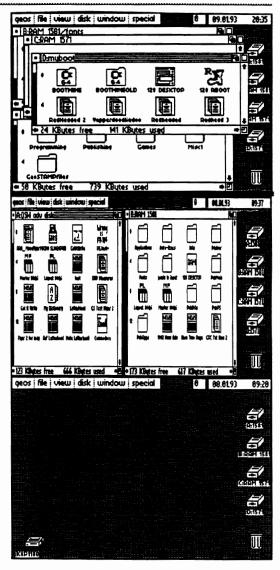
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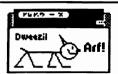
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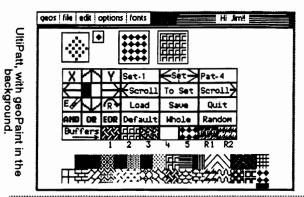
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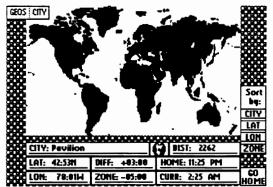
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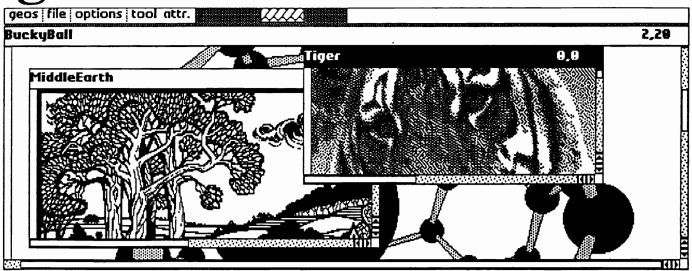
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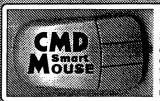
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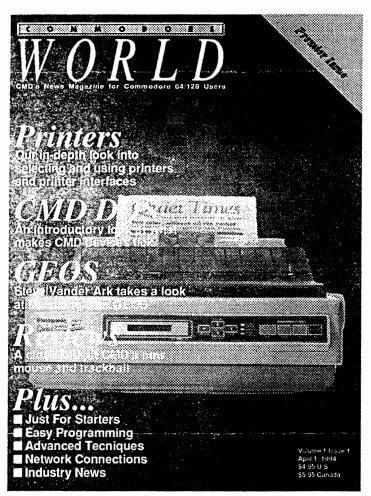
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