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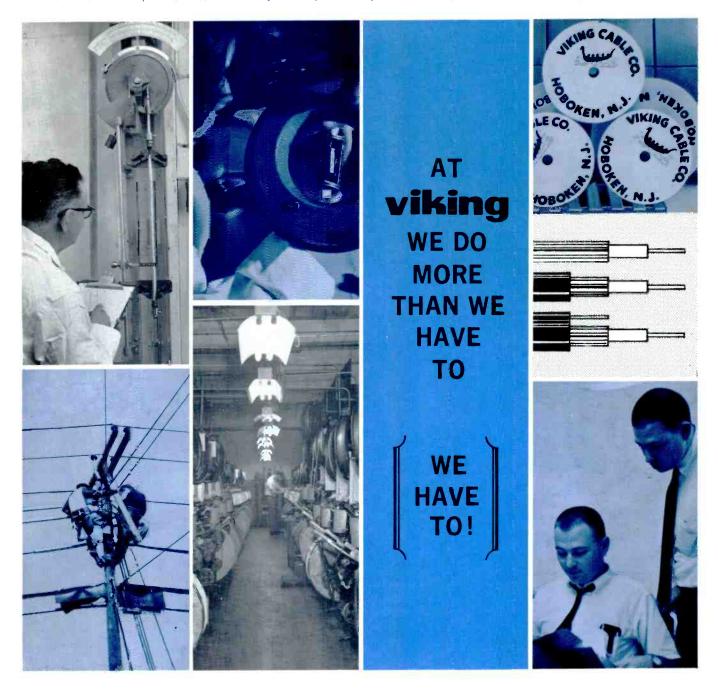




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#### **Foreword**

The 1966 NCTA Convention was a lively, businesslike meeting, focused on problems of obvious importance to the changing cable television industry. But neither the weight of the problems being pondered, nor the unseasonably damp weather kept the conventioneers from enjoying the lighter aspects of the convention. As they joked with old friends and got acquainted with new ones, the TV & Communications cameras endeavored to capture the "CATV people"

The staff of TV & Communications finds great pleasure in publishing these candid shots of so many people from our industry . . . and regrets that our cameras were unable to snap everyone. CATV'ers, across the nation and in Canada as well, have more common interests than individuals in most industries-including the broadcast industry. It is not surprising, therefore that ours is a close-knit business: one that is learning early the value of pulling together for mutual success. So it is to the healthy future of this alliance for public service that this Souvenir Photo Edition is dedicated.

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Our cover shows conventioneers enjoying the address by Commissioner Wadswoth (upper left); Ben Conroy receiving the Larry Boggs Award from Bill Daniels (upper right); Archie Taylor, one of the Pioneer Award winners, accepting the award from Stan Searle (lower left); and Al Stern, Pat Hughes, Ken Easton, and John Johnson, enjoying Chairman's reception (lower right).

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NCIA president Frederick W Ford plans changes in NCIA operations to mee thanging industry needs.



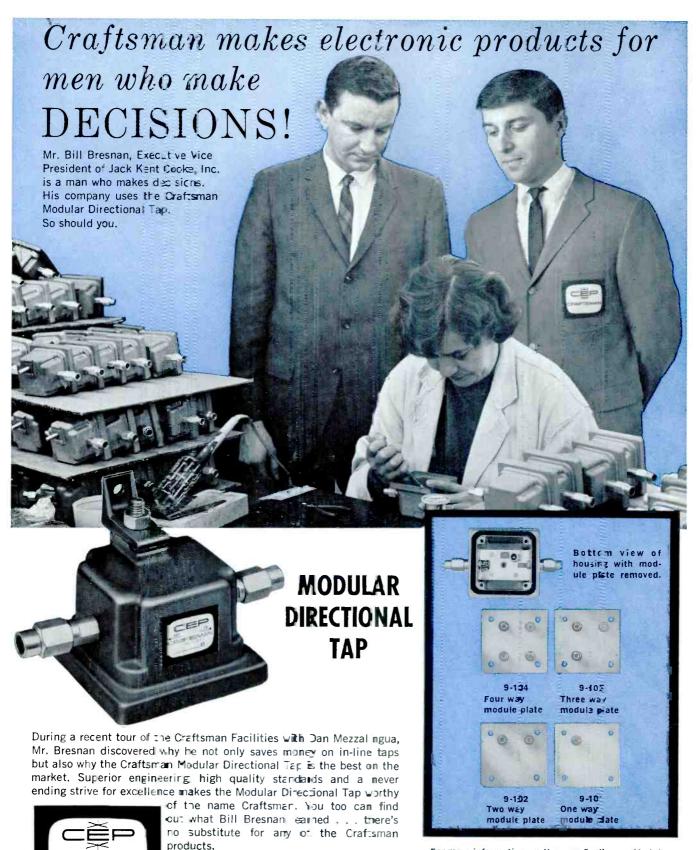


NCTA General Coursel Bob L'Eureux, used to dealing with slight-of-hand factice, confronts Black-stone Jr.



Wally Briscoe, adminis rative assistant and NCTA's jack of all trades, is shown with finite Bryant.





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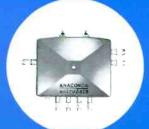
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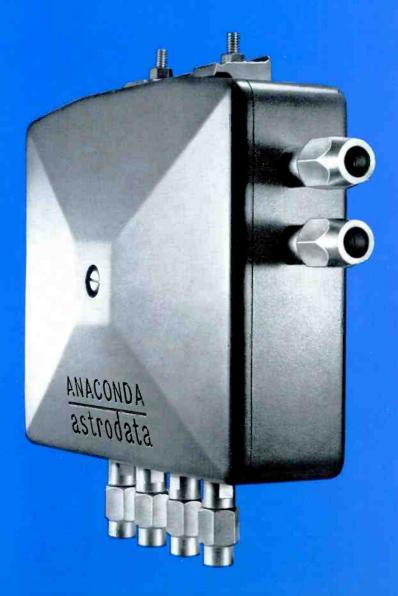
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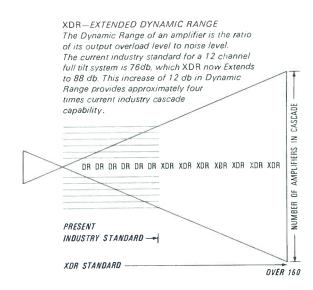
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# Here and There Around The Convention



Don Atwell (left) with Miss Marietta Haley and George Green of Spencer-Kennedy Labs.



Helmut Dieter is shown at convention registration center during opening day rush.



Jack and John Threadgill and Tommy Moore (center) at the Fort Worth Tower display.



Lyle Keys, Marty Malarkey, Wayne Wilson and Barry Crickmer are shown at the TeleMation exhibit.



Frank Thompson talks cable with Superior's Ben Hughes (left) and J. H. Bowman.



Elizabeth Wilkinson and Phil Glade are shown at the Viking Industries exhibit.



Bill Neal of Huntsville, Ala. and Ray Schneider of Leeder Consultants discuss the exhibits.

# Here and There Around The Convention



George Milner of Vumore (center) with Fred Stone (left) and Eric Winston of Jerrold.



Fred Ford is shown during interview by Wayne Wilson for the NCTA Convention Review.



Convention pages Mike Lewis, Fred Kelly, Jr., Frank Morrissey, Andy Siegenthaller and Fred Fields. Not shown is page Larry Brilliante.



Bob Taylor (left) and Allen McDonald are shown discussing equipment at the Entron display.



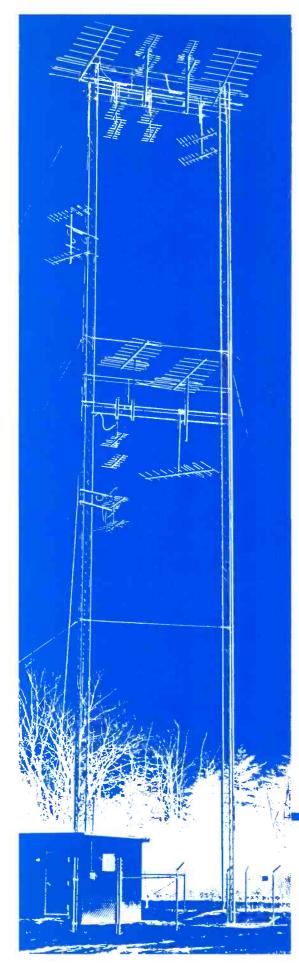
The Ted Smiths inspect the Scientific-Atlanta display before convention opening.



Publisher Stan Searle (left) interviews FCC Commissioner James J. Wadsworth.



George Green, Terry Lee, Charles Wright and A.C.R. Stone in discussion at SKL exhibit.



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# Here and There Around The Convention



Benjamin J. Conroy, Jr. (left) with Mr. and Mrs. Morton Flom, Mr. and Mrs. Ken Easton, and Mrs. Conroy.



Ralph "Bud" Weir (left) and Ben Conroy are shown exchanging greetings.



C. A. Wright, Wayne Wilson and R. H. Tyler are shown at the TV & Communications booth,



Bill Daniels (left) talks with Los Angeles banker Court Hawkins in the Americana lobby.



Jean Welch gives Bob Tarlton an early look at new Kaiser-Cox equipment to be displayed.



Glenn Flinn, Holland Meachum and Harold Philips talk over industry politics.



Jack Bradshaw, Jack Pruzan and Fred Weber are shown at the Pruzan Company booth.

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William Adler

#### CATV PIONEER AWARDS

Shown on these pages are the recipients of the first "CATV Pioneer Awards." The awards are sponsored by the NCTA and TV & Communications, and were presented to 21 outstanding industry veterans by publisher Stanley M. Searle, originator of the awards. Basis for selection of the pioneers, made by a "blue ribbon" panel of NCTA members, is service to the CATV industry — as well as at least ten year's activity in cable television. Additional pioneer awards will be presented at each year's convention. The award plaque is inscribed, "In appreciation of his outstanding contributions to the development of the great Cable Television Industry (pioneer's name) has been recognized by the National Community Television Association and TV & Communications Magazine as a CATV Pioneer."



Charles E. Clements



Bill Daniels



Pioneer Award plaques are custom designed and crafted with hardwood base and photo-etched printing on black background.



Benjamin J. Conroy, Jr.



Glenn H. Flinn



Albin J. Malin



Jack R. Crosby



Martin Malarkey



Bruce Merrill





Robert J. Tarlton

#### Pioneers pictured above are (left to right):

Front Row

Charles E. Clements Benjamin J. Conroy Frank P. Thompson Gene Schneider Albin J. Malin Albert J. Ricci Jack R. Crosby Robert J. Tarlton

Standing

Fred J. Stevenson Bill Daniels William Adler Glenn H. Flinn Bruce Merrill Martin Malarkey E. Stratford Smith Archer S. Taylor Edward P. Whitney Sanford F. Randolph

Not Shown

George J. Barco Fred Lieberman Milton J. Shapp



Gene Schneider



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Frank P. Thompson



Albert J. Ricci

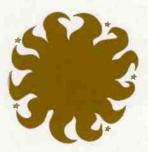


Fred J. Stevenson



Edward P. Whitney

# **Featured Speakers**









NCTA President Frederick W. Ford



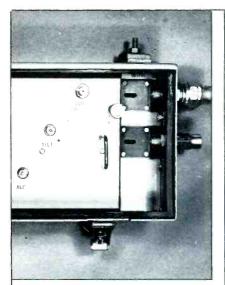
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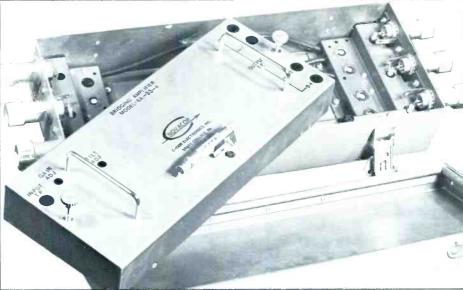


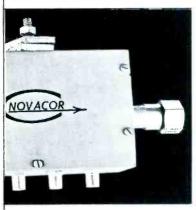
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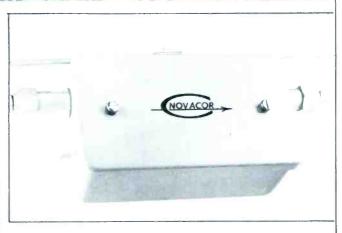












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Monday morning speakers (left to right) Dr. Ralph C. Hook, Jr., Alfred R. Stern, Fred Gregg, Edward Shafer, and George Leibowitz.



J. Tennent Hoey



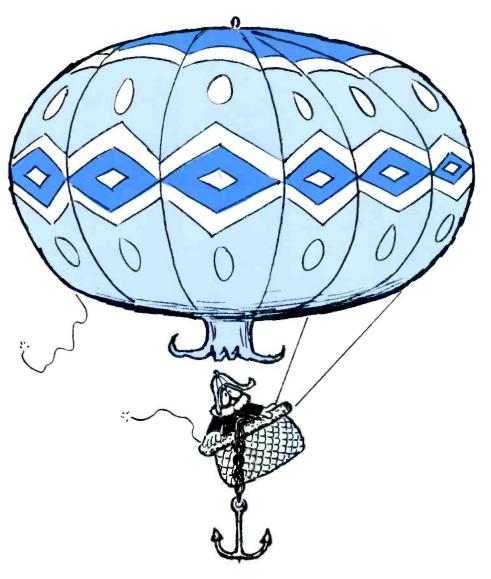
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Robert J. Tarlton



Kenneth J. Easton



Milton J. Shapp

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#### **TECHNICAL SESSIONS**



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Monday tech panel Bates, Blonder, Switzer, Taylor and Schlafly,



Tuesday tech speakers Palmer, Bridgett, Rheinfelder and Weston



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## Miscellany



Stan Searle, Dr. Norman Peterson, Harold Goodman and Irving Kahn at announcement of Theta-Com Corp. formation.



Richard Cox (left) winner of the public relations award, and Robert Pace, advertising award winner.



Mr. and Mrs. George Acker (Aberdeen Company) are pictured in Nassau following the convention.



Preparing for the TeleMation cruise are (kneeling) Leo Hoarty, Wm. McKnight, W.D. Savoy and Fred McElroy; (Standing) Ray Unrath, Dorothy Hoarty, Betty McKnight, Paula Unrath, George Milner, David McKnight, Hassie Milner, John Jacobs, Martha Jacobs, Micheal McKnight, Gay Kleykamso, John and Millie Frost, Martha and Mort Flom, Carol Brewer, Jane McGeehan, Lynn Wolfe, Bob McGeehan, Micheal McGeehan, Sherry McKnight, Kay McGeehan and Ken Knight.













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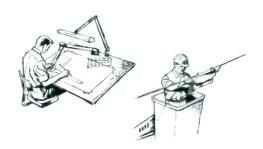
#### The Larry Boggs Award

Shown below is the presentation of the NCTA's Larry Boggs Award at the Wednesday evening convention banquet. Awarded this year to Benjamin J. Conroy, Jr., of Uvalde, Texas. The Boggs Award is presented annually "to that person who has made the greatest contribution to the CATV industry during the preceeding year." The presentation was made by Bill Daniels, last year's winner of the Boggs Award.









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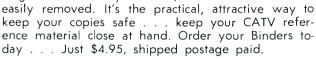
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