

Bits and Pieces

By Dorman L. Bullard

Free Adobe Type Manger Version

First we had the Apple Mode 32 giveaway, and now here's another giveaway announcement. What's going on here? The following announcement from an Apple Representative should be of interest to many:

"Apple Computer, Inc. and Adobe Systems announced last month that Apple will support Adobe Type 1 Fonts in a future version of System 7. As an interim step towards that goal, Adobe Systems is making a special version of Adobe Type Manager available free to Apple customers for a nominal shipping and handling charge.

This special package, consisting of Adobe Type Manager version 2.0.2 and four Adobe Garamond typefaces, allows System 7 users to use both TrueType* and Adobe Type 1 fonts in all their documents and applications.

The new System 7-based products to be announced this month, as well as the new LaserWriter IIx and IIg printers, come with a coupon for this free version of ATM. Customers may obtain the software by completing the coupon and remitting \$7.50 (US dollars) via check or credit card to cover postage and handling. There is an 800 number for immediate ordering.

Existing Macintosh owners and new purchasers who do not receive a coupon can request the free version of ATM and Adobe Garamond fonts by calling 1-800-521-1976, extension 4400, and supplying a Visa, MasterCard, or American Express number. Customers will be charged \$7.50 for postage and handling. This offer is valid in the USA and Canada only. Customers should allow 6 to 8 weeks for delivery and this offer is not valid in combination with any other offer.

SPECIAL NOTE: Adobe Type Manager 2.0.2 is a system extension (INIT) that consumes approximately 200K of system memory. Customers with 2MB Macintosh Classic and Macintosh LC systems will not have enough memory space to use ATM with most major applications. To use System 7 with system extensions like ATM, Macintosh Classic and LC users should upgrade the memory in their computers." Eric Apgar , Apgar@Apple.com

SuperBoomerang 3.0 Conflicts

Here are a couple of SuperBoomerang 3.0 problems as reported by the author, Hiro Yamamoto. I hope I can explain the first well enough. It involves SuperBoomerang, DiskDoubler and the clipboard. If DiskDoubler is *NOT* active, SuperBoomerang may put some garbage into the clipboard. Usually, programs don't care if they cannot recognize the content in the clipboard. But some of the editors in ResEdit 2.1.1 do care, and try to handle it. The fix is to copy anything into the clipboard so the ResEdit 2.1.1 editors will be happy.

The second involves Adobe Type Manager (ATM) and SuperBoomerang. If you have Startup Manager, SB and ATM, and these are loaded in this order, whenever you try to launch an application, you will get a system error. If you have something between SB and ATM or if

you use Extension Manager, or SB is loaded after ATM, there is no

problem. Both problems will reportedly be fixed in the next upgrade, not too far away according to the author.

Since writing the above, a fixer for the Now Utilities has been issued that upgrades them to version 3.0.1. This fixer has been made available on our BBS and will I'm sure wind its way to our Library. Virtually all of the Now Utilities are affected.

Icon Rename Patch

One thing that confused me when I first started using System 7.0 was (of all things) trying to change the name of an icon. I had read that to do this you could select the icon, then press return. Then a box would appear around the icon's name to show it was now editable. Well, I couldn't get that to work. I could change the icon's name by placing the cursor in the name. But pressing return after selecting the icon didn't seem to work. Later, I found out what was happening. To select the icon I was putting the cursor into the icon's name. Now this will cause the name to become editable. But, there is a delay. So when I placed the cursor into the name it would not immediately become editable. However, by the time I reached for the return key it would become editable as indicated by the box around the name. Then when I pressed return, the box would disappear, since that signals that you are through editing!! If I had just selected the icon by clicking on the icon itself, not the name, then a return would do the job, i.e. select the icon name for editing. Now unless you had this problem, you might think this is a lot of space to be devoted to such a small problem. But, the delay after selecting the icon's name, which seems to be the best part of a full second, is annoying to others not just me. Leave it to some hacker to ferret out the fix.

The fix was reported in Ric Ford's column of the 09/17/91 MacWEEK. Open a *COPY* of the Finder in ResEdit. Open the CODE resource 11. Do a Hex search for E388 or for Offset A28 highlighting the original value of E388 at that Offset and replacing it with one of the following:

- One-half normal delay: 4E71
- One-quarter normal delay : E288
- One-eighth normal delay: E488
- To get rid of the delay entirely, change the value at Offset A5A from 5DC0 to 50C0.

I have made the change to one-eighth of the normal delay and have had no problems. After writing this, I noticed there is now a file that does this for you automatically. The file is called "Rename Delay Editor" and comes with two other utilities in a file called "7Pack.cpt."

Quark XPress Extensions

One interesting concept (not new with Quark XPress) is that of adding functionality to a program, or in some cases fixing bugs, buy an "extension." These are modules added to the Quark Folder which automatically install themselves on startup. Extensions for Quark XPress range from giveaways (such as the one that enables Pagemaker documents to be imported into XPress documents up to ones, costing thousands of dollars (such as those whose purpose is to streamline and automate the production of large publications). Now there is a company set up to deal just with extensions. For more information write to XCHANGE, at: 2215-R Market

St., San Francisco, CA 94114,

FAX (407) 321-4724. Voice number: (800) 788-7557. They offer a \$99 "XTension of the month" service, which does just what the name suggests - provides subscribers with a Disk of the Month, containing a free XTension and maybe other software as well sometimes.

Yet Another Suitcase II Patch

When using System 7.0, you will find yourself using Suitcase II primarily for Fonts, not Desk Accessories (DAs). Although Suitcase will handle DAs it is easier, and more efficient in some ways just to let System 7 take care of installing DAs. The reasons for using Suitcases for fonts remains the same: To keep the gross size of the System file down, and to better control fonts such as Type One without having them loose in the System Folder. However, when you call up Suitcase, the default mode is to handle DAs. Well, the author of Suitcase (Steve Brecher) has provided a fix for those handy with ResEdit.

This patch will cause the Suitcase II 1.2.11 DA to come up with the "Fonts" radio button (instead of the "DAs" radio button). With ResEdit, open a copy of Suitcase II that is not currently in use. Double click on the INIT resource type; in the ensuing window double-click on INIT 128 (the only item). Choose Find Hex from the Find menu. In the Change Hex dialog box, *carefully* type the following values (ResEdit will not echo the spaces if you type them they are shown here for readability). Then click the Find Next button. (If ResEdit beeps in response, there has been an error.) Then click the Change button. Quit, confirming that changes are to be saved.

Find Hex: 1F7A 1A58

Change to: 1F7C 0001

PLEASE NOTE: This patch should only be applied to Suitcase II 1.2.11 unless you are prepared for experimentation. I know (from experience) that a patch intended for version 1.2 will not work on version 1.2.11. That indicates separate patches might be needed for different versions.

New Version of Suitcase

Speaking of Suitcase, a new version is due out "within a month or so.". So sayeth Steve Brecher, Suitcase's author. According to Steve: "...the new features of 2.0 are not by and large 7-specific -- i.e., they will be available to 6.0 users as well. There are a few exceptions related to taking advantage of 7.0 features such as the Alias Manager.

MacTools Deluxe Upgrade

Users of MacTools Deluxe should have received postcards announcing an upgrade in July. If you didn't get that, you can log onto Central Point's own BBS, and get an encrypted version of all the updated software, a download of over an hour. You need to use their Secure DA from the utility to decrypt it of course. If you want the manual and fresh disks, call Central Point customer service for the information. It's \$14 plus \$5 postage for a full package. Everything was updated for system 7.

Norton Utilities Heads-up

Make sure that FileSaver is also turned on on the Emergency Disk! If you only have

Filesaver on in your hard disk's system folder, but turned off on the copy on the

emergency disk, then what happens is this: When speed disk finishes, the filesaver files are not updated, and point to the old locations of the files. Thus, when you're back running from the real system, Filesaver doesn't point to the right place and recovery fails miserably!

Nortons DiskLight

With regard to DiskLight, Norton admits there are problems. The "copybits" call is not the best way to go about doing this type of utility. According to programmer Andrew Welch there are number of incompatibilities, such as with the new Canvas 3.0. Norton promises a fi