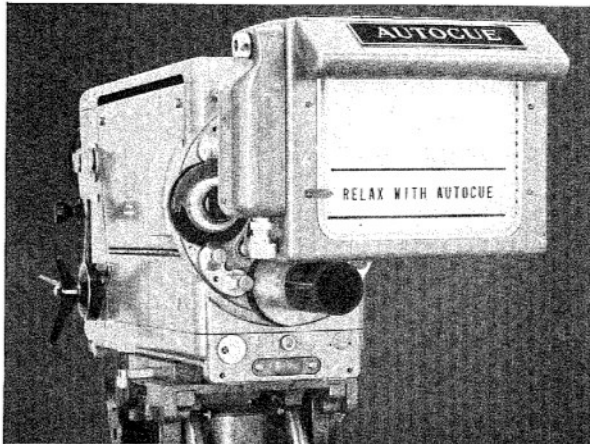


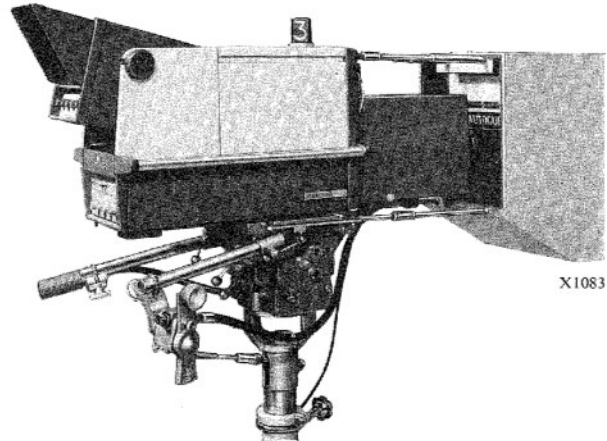


Television Prompting Devices



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A Mark IV Image-orthicon Camera with 'Autocue' attachment.



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A Mark V Image-orthicon Camera with 'Autocue' attachment.

'Autocue'

THE 'AUTOCUE' prompting device assists and assures artists to be word perfect, accurate and precise. It reduces the costs of production. The Standard 'AUTOCUE' Viewer can be mounted and counterbalanced on all Marconi television cameras, and can hold up to 45 minutes of script. Four viewers can operate in perfect synchronization from one master.

For complete 'eye-to-eye' contact the Direct Cueing (DVC) unit is by far the best method. The DVC has coated optical glass at an angle of 45°, and reflects the script image actually in front of the taking lens; the artist is therefore reading the script and automatically looking into the lens. This gives eye-to-eye contact, without the artists being aware of the 'taking lens'. The DVC equipment allows free movement of turret swing, and in no way hinders maintenance of cameras, even during transmission.

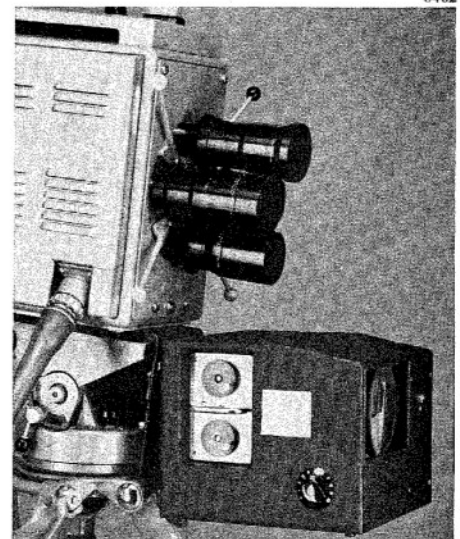
Under normal studio conditions, Autocue can be read easily from distances of 25 ft. Scripts are specially typed on yellow paper to eliminate eye-dazzle, the typeface being ½ in. block lettering for clarity, and the paper can be 3, 4 or 5 part (giving required number of carbon copies). The complete 'AUTOCUE' equipment consists of a master unit with 1, 2, 3 or 4 slave

viewers, power unit and set of inter-connecting cables. All forms of brackets for mounting are available including the Marconi Mark V.

'Minicue'

MINICUE is a portable lightweight precision-built prompting unit. It is invaluable for continuity and presentation for news readers, announcers, lecturers and all forms of production where budgets are limited. MINICUE is designed for operation either by the artist or an operator, using hand or foot control. A viewing distance of 6 ft (2 metres) is quite practicable.

MINICUE can be mounted below or as with 'AUTOCUE' by using the direct vision cueing (DVC) equipment, reflected in front of the taking lens. It also allows free movement of turret swing, and access to cameras for maintenance. Unlike 'AUTOCUE', a special typewriter is not required; all scripts are typed on standard typewriters, using 4 in. wide paper rolls. Loading is a simple and speedy process. By means of magazines (spares are obtainable), scripts are interchangeable even during transmission each magazine holding approximately 25 minutes dialogue. The equipment consists of transit case speed control and cables. All forms of brackets are available.



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A Type B 3095 Broadcast Vidicon Camera with 'Minicue' attachment.

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