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CameraMan Screen Shots Fill Hard Disk (5/96)

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TOPIC-----

My school purchased HyperCard 2.3.x, which came bundled with Multimedia Utilities & ADDMotion II from Motion Tool Works. Ever since this package has been installed, I have noticed that our available hard drive space has been decreasing rapidly. I have also noticed a frequent clicking sound coming from the computers while the students are using them.

DISCUSSION-----

This is caused by an extension called CameraMan. The CamerMan extension is installed as part of the Multimedia Utilities & ADDMotion II bundle, which is bundled with HyperCard 2.3.x. CameraMan is a product of Motion Tool Works.

CamerMan provides function key shortcuts for features like taking screen shots. These functions would otherwise require more complicated key combinations to execute.

The screen shot feature produces a camera shutter sound as it makes a PICT file of what appears on your screen. Since it only takes one key, students will start pressing the key frequently to produce the sound.

The resulting PICT files will be saved automatically at the top (root) level of your hard drive directory and be labeled "Picture 1". If you keep taking screen shots, you will get "Picture 2", "Picture 3", and so on. These files will eventually take up a significant amount of hard disk space.

CamerMan adds function key shortcuts for other procedures, as well. The function key shortcuts are documented in the following table.

Function Key	Action
F12	take screen shot (PICT)
F13	start recording QT sequence
F14	pause QT recording
F15	top QT recording

The extension can be turned off using the Extensions Manager control panel. To turn off the CameraMan extension, follow these steps.

Step 1

Choose Control Panels from the Apple Menu.

Step 2

Double-click the Extensions Manager icon to open it.

Step 3

Click on the check next to the Cameraman extension to turn it off.

Step 4

Restart your computer.

For additional information on CameraMan or other Motion Tool Works products, contact Motion Tool Works.

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