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I just got my developers kit, and so have at last started to play with my ST.  
A few bugs and annoyances have cropped up, so I thought I would share them with the net.

My hardware configuration is:

Vanilla 520ST (no 1meg upgrade, no TOS in ROM, ...)  
One Single-Sided and one Double-Sided floppy drive.  
Both B/W & RGB monitors (although only one at a time, sigh...)

- o Eight-Character folder names do not seem to work. I created B:\EXAMPLES\ and tried to move APSKEL.C and ACCSKEL.C into it. All I got was an error message saying "This application is unable to open the folder you named". Everything worked just fine if the folder name was B:\DOC\
- o BATCH.TTP gives up at once (with no error messages) if you supply less parameters than it expects. I had created a generic batch script to compile, load, and run a C program. As the C program took parameters I had a line in the batch script of the form "B:%1.PRG %2". When I tried to use this same batch script to test another C program which did not take parameters I only supplied the first parameter, and BATCH.TTP gave up after printing its banner line. Supplying a dummy second parameter made BATCH.TTP happy.
- \* o There is no easy way to make a double-sided bootable system disk. The only way I can see is to write a C program myself to create a boot sector on the disk.
- \* o It would be really nice if there was a simple application to display a source file. I know that MicroEmacs will let me look at a file, but I would really like to be able to scroll through a document using scroll bars!

If anybody has source code for either of the last two items (flagged with \*) I would love to hear from them. If not, then when I get round to writing them myself I will post the sources to the net.

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