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As I was half listening during the CBS Morning News (2/13/85), amid the financial news they had a one-liner about DEC having dropped the Rainbow pc line. Anybody know what's going on? Last thing I had heard was that DEC had big plans for the Rainbow for Vax workstations and stuff like that.

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Cheer up, it could be worse ... could be raining.

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According to the most recent Computerworld, DEC has dropped production of the Rainbow. The article stated that DEC has a large number of them in stock, and will try to run the stock out. The article also stated that while the production run of Rainbows has stopped, it could always be restarted.

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> Jeff Edelheit
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The "official" word that I got internally (within DEC, not intra-dermally) is that DEC has not dropped production of the Rainbow but is re-fitting the Rainbow production facility to produce something else. I also heard that DEC should be announcing new features and upgrades for the Rainbow within the next month. Where these things will be produced is what I don't know.

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Ken - The words I am now hearing indicate that the production of the "original" Rainbow has stopped, but a new version that is compatible with the IBM-PC will soon be announced (released, shipped?). The statement was that the new version would also support CP/M-86 and supposedly be compatible with the original machine.

I guess it goes to show that you can't trust Computerworld.

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