

LYONS, SHERRY KAY. "Some Day--I'm Goin' Sing." A video tape of the dance is available for consultation at the Walter Clinton Jackson Library at The University of North Carolina at Greensboro. (1972) Directed by: Miss Virginia Moomaw. Pp. 17.

"Some Day--I'm Goin' Sing" is a dance concerning the struggle of the black people to gain their freedom and identity. The dance is based on the mood of hope. The choreographer wished to bring to the viewer a feeling of a transposed people, knowing bondage and servitude, who were also a people capable of having undying hope. It is really a mood dance in which hope is continued in a variety of conditions.

In the first section of the dance the motivation for movement came from the idea of struggling in hope that they may break free from bondage. Strong rotating and sustained movements are used in a compact group pattern.

Later in the dance a setting suggesting a church was constructed, using boxes and benches. The act of building is used as a sign of hope, and as an indication of an urge to seek a better life. Quiet susteined movements were used in the church as the congregation feels the ecstasy of faith and belief that a better life is coming. After the congregation leaves the church, the tempo increases suggesting the feeling of hope, of someday having complete freedom and rights.

The color purple, which is associated with church vestments was used for costumes to reinforce the idea of hope which they gained mainly through their religious beliefs.

The musical accompaniment consists of four pieces from the album entitled I'm Goin' To Sing by Robert Shaw.

"SOME DAY--I'M GOIN' SING"

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I'M GOIN' TO SING

Arranged by

Robert Shaw and Alice Parker

Section	I	-	Nobody Knows (Duh Trouble I See)
		-	Silence 15 seconds
Section	II	-	I Got a Key (To thuh Kingdom)
Section	III	-	That Lonesome Valley
Section	IV	-	John Saw duh Numbuh

Published by: Score unavailable Recorded by: RCA LSC 2580

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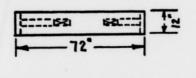
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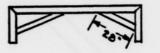






Props for "Some Day - I'm Goin' Sing" consisted of two benches, two boxes, and a rectangular structure.





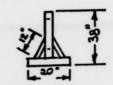
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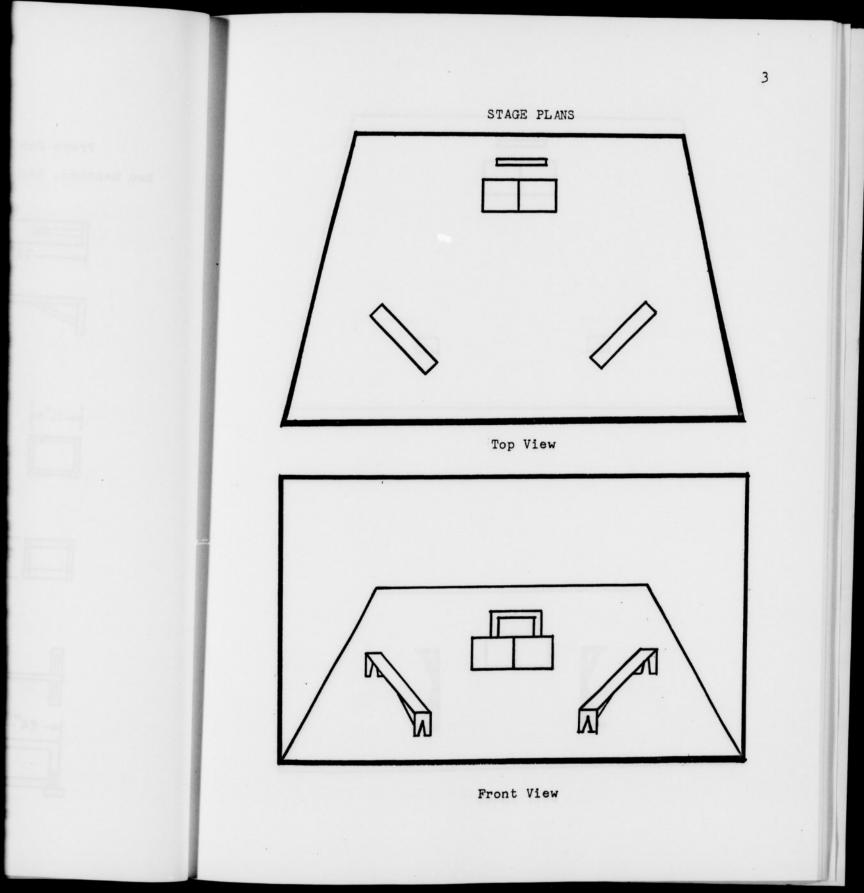


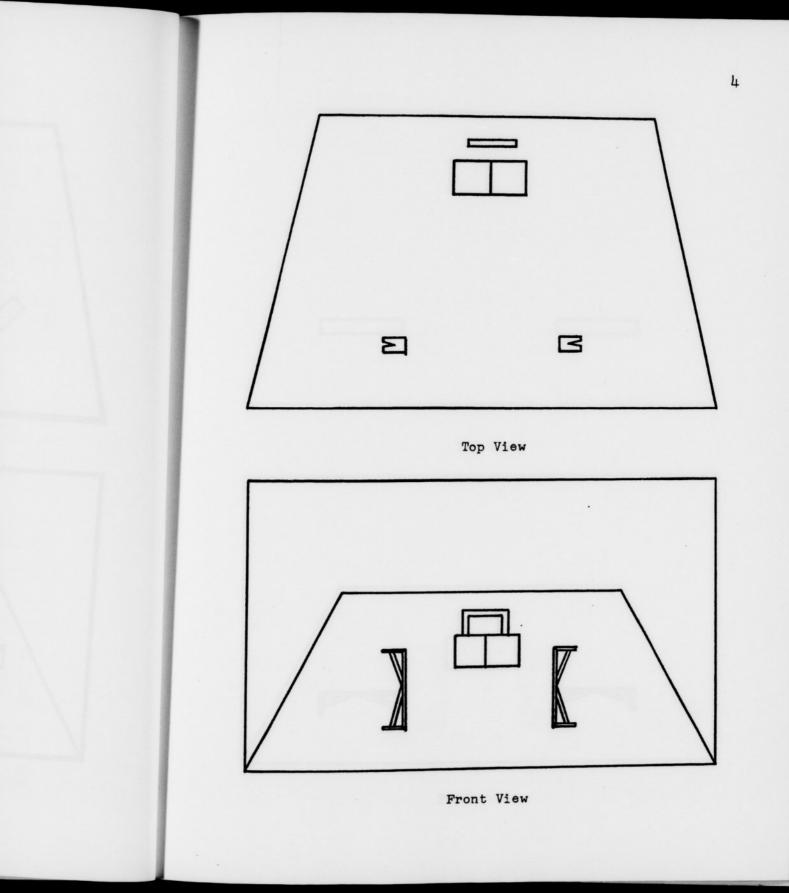


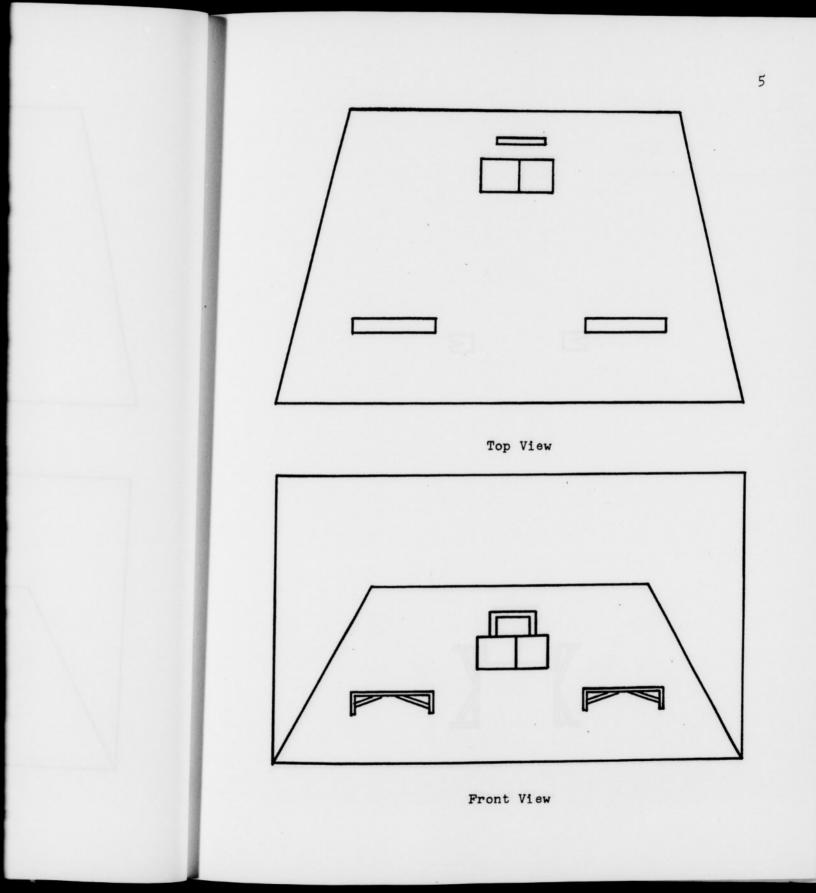
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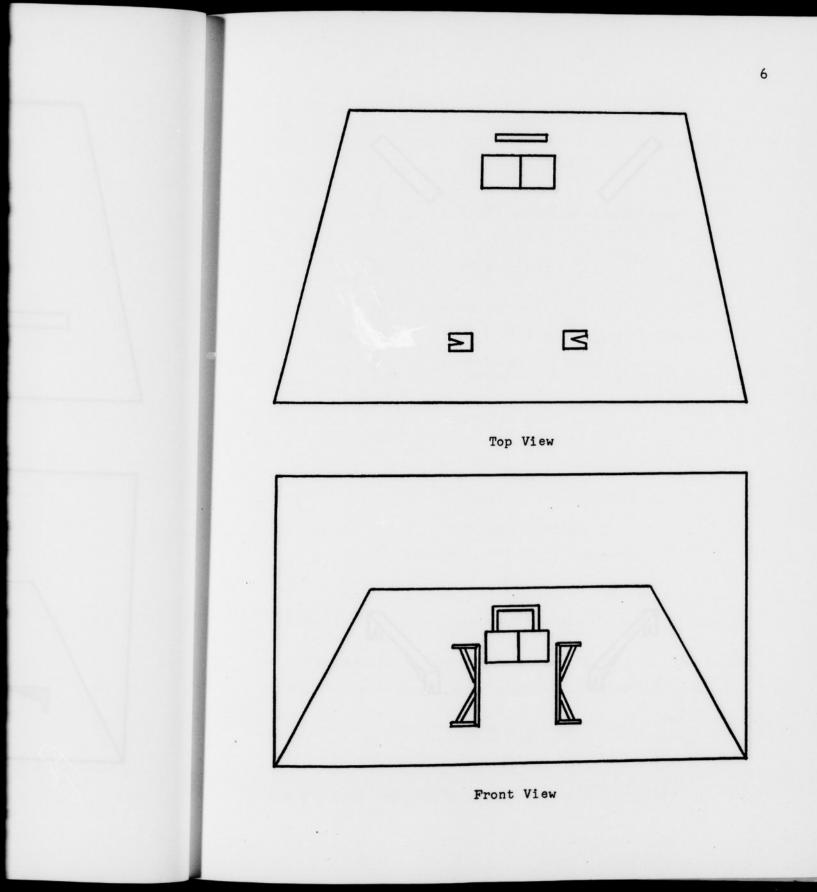


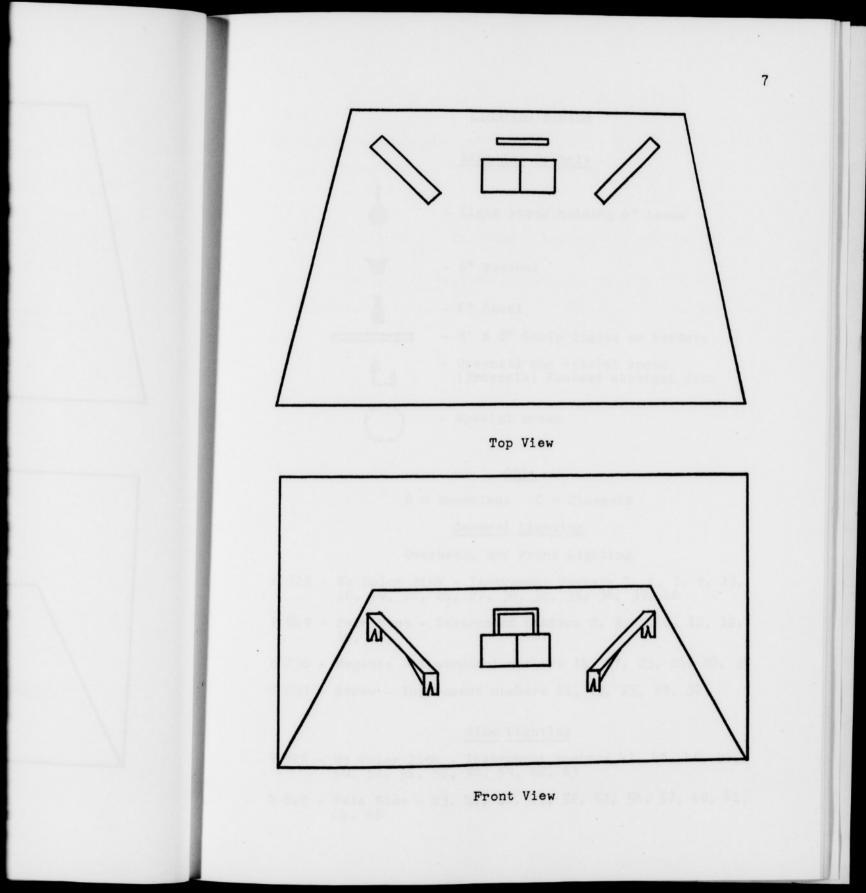


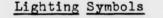












- Light stand holding 6" Lecos

- 6" Fresnel

- 6" Lecol

- 8' x 8" Strip lights or borders

- Overhead and special spots (Fresnels) focused straight down

- Special areas

Gels

R = Roscelene C = Cinemoid

General Lighting

Overhead, and Front Lighting

R 825 - No Color Pink - Instrument numbers 1, 4, 7, 9, 13, 16, 19, 22, 24, 27, 30, 34, 35, 36, 39, 40

- R 849 Pale Blue Instrument numbers 2, 3, 5, 8, 10, 12, 15, 20
- R 236 Magenta Instrument numbers 14, 17, 23, 26, 28, 31
- C 805 Straw Instrument numbers 21, 23, 25, 29, 32

Side Lighting

- R 825 No Color Pink Instrument numbers 41, 42, 45, 46, 50, 51, 54, 55, 58, 59, 62, 63
- R 849 Pale Blue 43, 44, 48, 49, 52, 53, 56, 57, 60, 61, 64, 65

Specials

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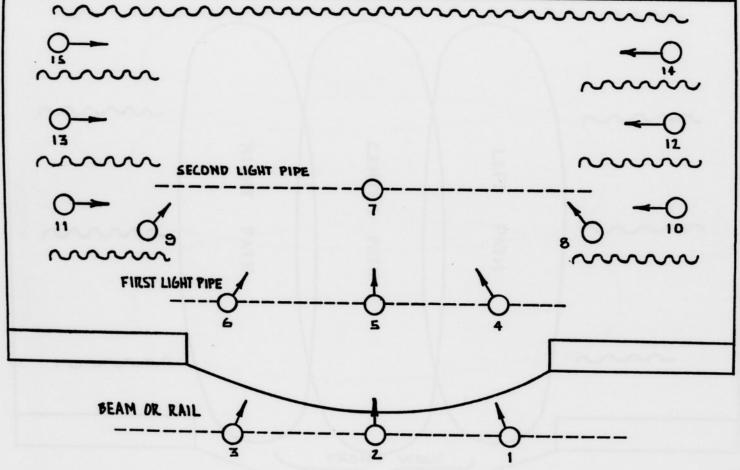
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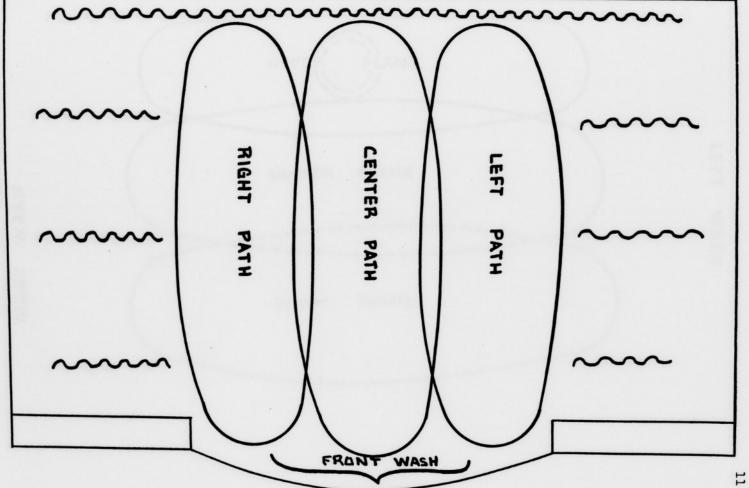
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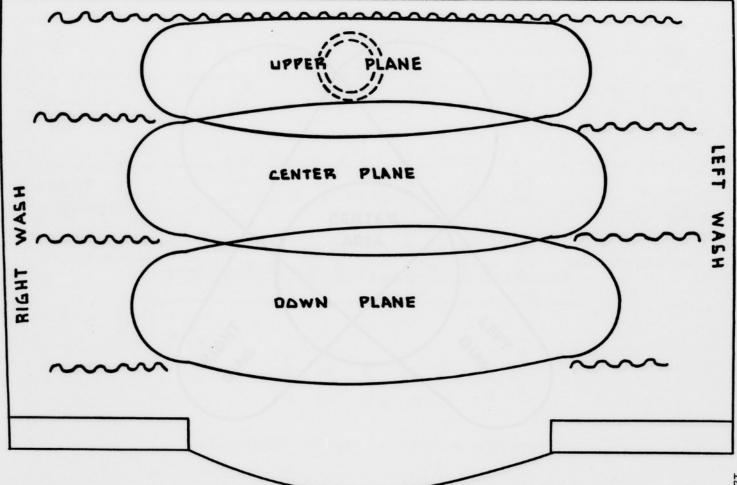
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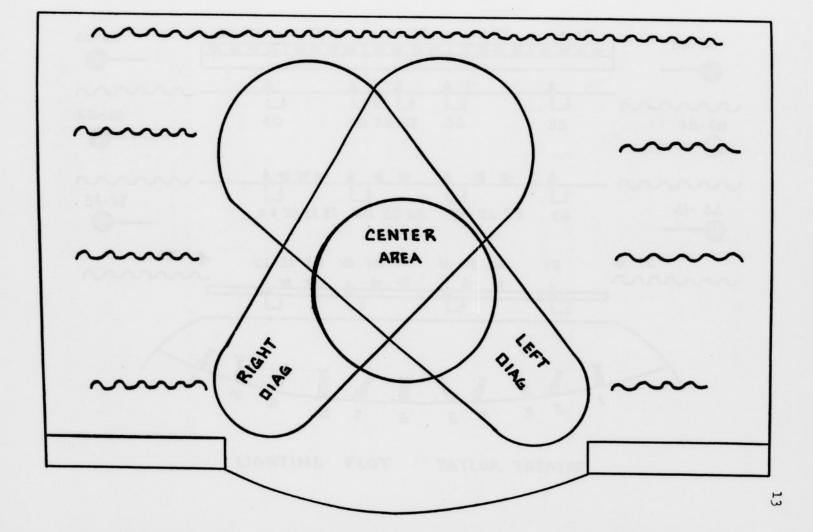
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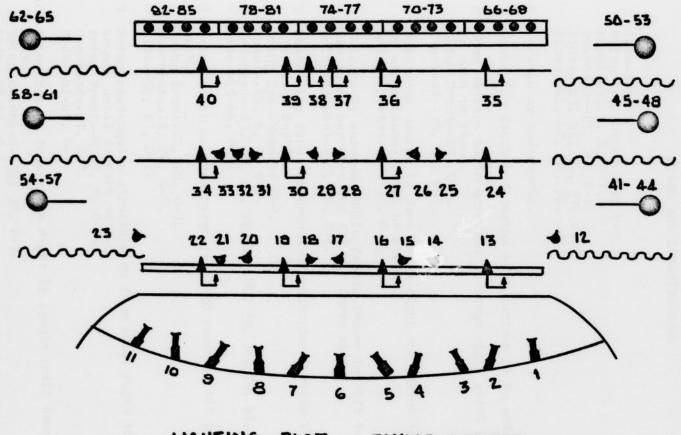
R Magenta - Instrument numbers 69, 70, 73, 75, 80, 84











LIGHTING PLOT TAYLOR THEATRE

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STAGE AND LIGHTING CUES

1 (Pre-Set) Bring Cyc-Steel Blue 0-7. Front--3, 5, 8, 0-7. Overhead--27, 30, 0-5. Sides--43, 45, 56, 57, 0-7. Sides--41, 42, 54, 55, 0-4.

2 Curtain up moderately.

- 3 Music for Section I begins when curtain is up and still.
- 4 When dancers begin movement to stage right until dancers go down to floor. Bring Front--10, 0-7. Overhead--19, 22, 0-7.
- 5 When male dancer is down stage right and begins to move up stage center until he kneels. Bring Special--37, 38, 0-8.
- 6 Silence 15 seconds, while female dancer in lift is placed on her feet and all but three exit. Bring Special--37, 38, 8-0.
- 7 Begin with first 16 counts of music for Section II ("I Got a Key"). Bring Cyc--Magenta 0-7. Front--14, 6, 7, 0-7. Overhead--13, 16, 19, 22, 24, 34, 35, 36, 39, 40, 0-6. Side--45-65, 0-5.
- 8 Bring bench on from stage right 20 counts until dancers exit. Bring Front--7, 10, 0-7. Overhead--19, 22, 0-7. Side--54, 47, 0-7.
- 9 Bring rectangular structure on from stage right 18 counts until dancers exit. Bring Front--2, 5, 9, 0-7. Overhead--27, 0-7. Side--45-49, 0-7.
- 10 Bring box on from stage right 16 counts until dancers exit. Bring Overhead--34, 30, 0-7. Side--58-61, 0-7.

- 11 Box on from stage left 16 counts until dancer exits. Bring Front--41, 0-7. Overhead--35, 36, 0-7. Side--50-53, 0-7.
- 12 Bring bench on from stage left 16 counts until bench is placed down. Bring Overhead--13, 16, 0-7. Side--41-45, 0-7.
- 13 When dancers begin to move after bench is down, 16 counts.
 Bring-41, 42, 45, 46, 1, 4, 9, 19, 22, 50, 51, 54, 55, 13, 16, 27, 34, 35, 58, 59, 62, 63, 7-0.
- 14 For the first 16 counts of music for Section III
 ("That Lonesome Valley").
 Bring Cyc-Blue 0-7.
 Overhead--13, 16, 19, 22, 30, 27, 36, 39, 0-7.
- 15 During first 16 counts of music for Section IV ("John Saw duh Numbuh"). Bring Cyc-Straw 0-10. Overhead--13, 16, 19, 22, 24, 34, 35, 36, 39, 40, 0-10. Front--1, 4, 6, 7, 9, 2, 3, 5, 8, 10, 0-8. Side--45-65, 0-10.
- 16 Music ends, all lights slowly to--O.
- 17 General lights up with curtain for bows.
- 18 General lights to -- 0 with curtain.

PHOTOGRAPHIC DATA

Distance of camera to stage: Forty-seven feet.

Lighting: Regular studio lighting with additional studio stage lights.

Camera Make and Number: Sony Video Camera AVC 3200

Lens: Sony Television Zoom Lens 16-64 m., 1: 2.8 with aperture set to the Full Position.

Process: Stationary placement of camera supported on a tripod.

Tape Size: Sony Video Tape V-31, 380 m., 1240 feet long, 1/2 inch wide.

Videocorder (deck) Make and Number: Sony Videocorder AV 3600, CV 2000.

Sound Process: Microphone placed fifteen feet from tape recorder.

Copy Process: Two copies video taped individually.