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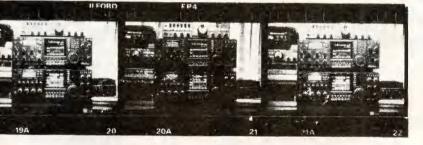
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Cover: We told our cover artist to "make it different" — so he did. How better to launch the biggest radio magazine contest ever? You won't need to be an Einstein to work out that Amateur Radio Action will soon be needing a far bigger mail box — just to hold all the entries in the IC-781 giveaway. Read our glowing report of this fabulous transceiver — then start collecting those coupons! You never know... **Above:** A \$20,000 collection. The Icom IC-781 is at the bottom of the picture, the new Icom IC-R9000 receiver above it, and the large Yaesu FT-767GX on the top. Looks kinda small in this company, doesn't it... Keep watching Amateur Radio Action for a full review of the new IC-R9000 very soon. You can even watch TV on the screen!

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