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Since people have been asking about what machines one can buy OS-9/68000 for, I post the following list of stuff observed at this past weekend's OS-9 conference in Des Moines...

Smoke Signal Broadcasting: is selling a 68008 SS-50 board which will run OS-9/68000 Level One. They're selling it at a low price (\$500) through the end of this year.

Hazelwood: is selling a 68000 board for their 14-pin extension of the SS-50 bus, and running OS-9/68000 Level One. Dunno about prices.

Mizar: is selling VME bus 68010 boards, running OS-9/68000; they also make various memory and I/O boards, disk controller boards, and and a NEC 7220-based graphics controller board. I didn't get prices; they're not on the Mizar blurbs I picked up.

(BTW, I think Level Two is still under development, so anything that's running OS-9/68000 is thus running Level One.)

Microboards: is selling Multibus 68000 boxes. They sell one such with a 10MHz 68000, 1.25Mbyte RAM, 135Mbyte (formatted) hard disk, one 8" floppy, and 10 serial ports, for \$12.5K. Dunno if that price includes OS-9/68000. (The box can hold up to 8Mbytes RAM.)

These are the folks who were exhibiting at the conference who had 68000 (or 68008, 68010, etc.) hardware to sell. All had working machines there, up and running under OS-9/68000. Gimix was making noises about VME bus 68000 boards, but that was all (so far as the 68000 was concerned).

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