



This was perhaps Nikola Tesla's most fantastic invention, a device for photographing thought. Tesla once said in 1933, when 78 years old, "I expect to photograph thoughts... In 1893, while engaged in certain investigations, I became convinced that a definite image formed in thought, must by reflex action, produce a corresponding image on the retina, which might be read by a suitable apparatus. This brought me to my system of television which I announced at that time... My idea was to employ an artificial retina receiving an object of the image seen, an optic nerve and another retina at the place of reproduction... both being fashioned somewhat like a checkerboard, with the optic nerve being a part of earth." Tesla made his transition before revealing too many details of his invention. The above were taken from a newspaper interview that was released to wire services on September 10, 1933.