

## Lens Computer



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Describing the scientist as probably the only woman lens computer in the world, a company official said that Dr. Glancy, formerly an astronomer at the University of California and the Argentine National Observatory, returned to the U. S. in 1918 to offer her services in the first World War and was promptly employed by the optical company, then engaged in producing military optical equipment requiring complete mathematical computations.

Dr. Glancy's long optical career, he said, is highlighted by years of monumental mathematical work in connection with the development of modern corrected-curve spectacle lenses which provide a maximum field of clear, comfortable vision. She has also computed many special lenses for eye-examining instruments, television receivers, cameras, telescopes and military optical instruments utilized in World War II.

Born in Waltham, Dr. Glancy was graduated from Wellesley college and received a Ph. D. in astronomy from the University of California.

When asked in an interview whether she liked astronomy or optics better, Dr. Glancy replied: "There is a certain pleasure in studying the splendor of the skies through a powerful telescope, but there's far greater satisfaction in computing lenses that help people see better."