The powers of ten would then follow, to show how our system of numbers operates. Since we could also have chosen the 12 as the basis for our numerals there will be a
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For simplicity's sake we now repeat the picture, showing the planets marked by their symbols. And then comes the identification: the symbol of earth, an arrow and the symbol of Mars.
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Radio englneer Grote Reber stands beside an intricate radio with recording device, similar to one he uses in an attempt to pick up interplanetary messages.

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