#### **Pointing for Championship**



**THE LIBRASCOPE** basketballers are making a determined bid for the league championship. At the start of second half play they had dropped only one close one. Shown above are (Back row, left to right) Ted Pike, Hank Fasola, Bill Richmond, Neil Hinton, Carl Frain, (Front row, left to right) Robert Laperle, Don Cady, Russ Boylan, Tony Nariega, and Phil Goodrich. See story on page 4.

## St. Paul Electronics Group to Join Librascope

The Minnesota Electronics Corporation, St. Paul, Minn., has been acquired as a subsidiary of Librascope, according to an announcement made by Lewis Imm, president.

## Co.'s Radio Show Gets Top Ratings

For the past three months Librascope has been sponsoring a very successful early morning radio program, heard over Station KABC from 6:55-7 a.m.

The series, entitled "You and Your Future," started early in November of last year by Gene Emmet Clark, has met with excellent response and has the unique appeal of talking to you about yourself.

Clark calls the theme of the program "human engineering," and has made available a pamphlet on, "Ten Steps to Success," as part of the plan of helping listeners find the way to happier, more successful living.

#### See Picture on Page 4

Hundreds of written requests for the pamphlet have been filled, and comments from businessmen, educators and workers concerning the program have been enthusiastic in their approval.

Clark tells of job opportunities at Librascope, and explains the policies and objectives of the company, with particular emphasis on opportunities and benefits offered employees of this growing organization.

Clark has been associated with radio broadcasting since 1930. He has been a speech consultant and writer for many years, and has taken charge of a number of radio and television broadcasts. About 40 people are employed in the company, which will remain at its present location and continue with its work in the field of magnetic decision elements as applied to digital computers.

Magnetic decision elements are completely basic, completely flexible building blocks. Using only two types—termed S and A—it is possible to build the entire arithmetic program, control and memory sections of any digital computer. This includes both serial and parallel systems—everything from simple flip-flops and binary counters to large-scale, general-purpose computers and digital analyzers.

The standard S and A elements are the same size, one cubic inch. They are designed with Hubbell interlock connectors for rapid cascading in any desired performance pattern.

Magnetic decision elements contain no electron tubes or transistors. All components are cast in an epoxy type of resin resulting in a rugged structure that operates reliably over the wide range of temperature, humidity, vibration and shock encountered in military applications.

Synchronization and power drive are derived from a central 200-kilocycle, two-phase clock pulse generator, and the rate of information flow is 100 kilocycles.

Static storage in each element makes it possible to turn the power completely off at any time with suitable clock switching facilities, and retain all information in the machine indefinitely, including dynamic arithmetic operations.

The fact that the S and A elements may be used as a complete foundation for digital computing (Continued on Page 4)

## New Photographs Taken for Badges

After acquiring new photographic and badge making materials, the company has started taking new photographs of all employees.

The new badges are in red, yellow and green, for salaried, manufacturing, and administrative employees, respectively. They are one size larger than the old ID badges, and are equipped with an alligator clip instead of the pin. They will carry name and company number.

The photographing schedule began January 27, and is expected to continue through February. Pictures are taken by the plant protection group between 9-11 a.m. each working day.

The schedule calls for groups to be taken in the following sequence: engineering, machine shop, assembly, model shop, toolroom, manufacturing, administrative, inspection, adjustment, design, methods, machine maintenance, production control, purchasing, building maintenance, stockroom, shipping and receiving, material control, accounting, and master scheduling.

Individual notices are being sent in advance to each employee, notifying him when to report to personnel for the picture taking.

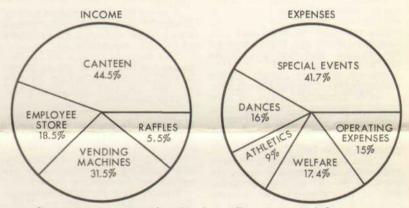


# **'54 Precisioneer Budget Allocated by Committees**

At a meeting early in January, Precisioneer officials sat down and allocated a budget for the coming year. Studies were made by the five committees, and with the aid of past records and estimates of events to come, the funds were apportioned.

The major portion of incoming money is derived from canteen sales, vending machines and employee purchases. Small additional amounts come from raffles and other special events.

The two pies pictured below were sliced up so you can see where the money comes from, and where it is going.



A reserve was maintained to finance special events not yet scheduled, for operating funds for the employee store, and for contingencies.

The athletic committee will sink its share of the money into various sports and other events throughout the year.

The dance committee began early in January to make arrangements for two big dances. The best location and entertainment possible has been promised.

The picnic committee is now working on plans for a picnic late this summer, after most employees are back from vacations.

A special committee was organized to handle the employee store, vending machines, and plans for special events not yet scheduled.

The personnel committee, a liaison group working closely with Dick Hastings, personnel director, in the defining of policy, is at present studying a revised constitution and an iimproved audit system.

The Precisioneer officials have tried to estimate how the employees want their money spent. Now it is up to you to tell committee members your sugestions, and to take full advantage of Precisioneer services.

The names of section chairmen throughout the plant will soon be posted on the bulletin boards. They will answer your questions and help to promote special events from time to time.

#### **New Building Contracts Awarded**

The firm of Bibb, Remmen and Bibb, general contractors of Glendale, was successful bidder on the contract to erect Librascope's new administration-engineering building, it has been announced by Cliff Dahl, building engineer.

The same firm constructed building one in 1949. The new building will be of

masonry construction, with windows along a small section of the north side only. It will be insulated and "comfort air conditioned" by York Refrigeration units. The air conditioning contract was awarded to the Commercial Refrigeration Company of Los Angeles. The architects and engineers on the job will be Claud Beelman and Associates of Los Angeles. At press time, work on the parking lot was scheduled to start within a week with building construction to follow shortly. (Continued on Page 4)

## Board of Directors Is Named Chicken Chetter Bowling, Football, Baseball For Librascope Credit Union

The new Credit Union board of directors for 1954 has been elected, and will handle all activities of the union for the year. Those named are Herb Darby, assembly; Mildred Huggins, ac-counting; Lloyd Somerfield, ma-chine shop; Cesar Goldstein, tool-room: Marian Parker percented

chine shop; Cesar Goldstein, tool-room; Marian Parker, personnel; Ray Setty, machine shop; and Dave Harrison, engineering. The Credit Union is operated and controlled by all members, but because it is impractical for them all to guide the entire opera-tion, members delegate responsi-bility to a group chosen by the bility to a group chosen by the entire membership. In addition to the directors, two

committees are elected to handle various special duties. They are the supervisory and credit committhe supervisory and credit commit-tees. Named to the supervisory committee were Dana Nixon, ac-counting; Al Sharpe, accounting; John Delle Fave, tool design. Serv-ing on the credit committee will be Dick Hastings, personnel; Mildred Huggins, accounting; and Herb Darby, assembly. Many of those elected to this year's committees already have

year's committees already have served for a year, and bring with year's them this experience.

Among recent changes to credit union policies is the limiting of withdrawals to four per year. This ruling was made to make sure that members would use their accounts

Members would use their accounts for saving, and not simply as checking accounts. Marian Parker, Credit Union treasurer, recently announced that it takes from two days to two weeks to process a loan, depending upon the time until the next meet-ing of the credit committee, and any difficulties encountered in

processing the loan. If you desire a loan, and have been with Librascope three to six months, it will be necessary for you to put up your car or real

source of the security, in addition to having a co-signer. Employees who have been with the company six to 12 months are not required to have a co-signer. Appliances and home furnishings may be used as county for those may be used as security for those who have been with Librascope a year or more.

It should be pointed out, how-ever, officials say, that the ap-praisal value of such items will in all probability be only a fraction of what you paid for them originally.

### **Safety Record**

The plant safety committee re-ports that the day shift in the ma-chine shop ended the year in a blaze of glory, with no accidents for the last three months of the vear.

We retained first place for safety again in January. If this keeps up we will be in line for a safety award.

on his part with an automobile. He was lowered carefully into a box and placed on one of the work

benches inside the plant. He needed immediate medical care, but was one of those un-fortunates who scorned to carry group insurance.

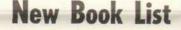
The possibility was explored to declare him a hardship case through the Libra Aid Club, but



Plans for the big 1954 golf tour-nament are well underway, according to Carl Culver, golf chairman for the year. Reservations have been made at the Fox Hills Country Club for July 25, with 10:42 a.m. slated as the starting time. "We expect to have a grand ime, as usual," Culver said, "with prizes galore and a banquet after the long day's battle with the little white pill." Pre-tournament monthly compe-tition rounds are set up to get everybody in shape for the big day. Starting date for the competition rounds is February 15. Rules for entering the big match are simple. You must compete in four of the five month's rounds, playing on any qualified 18-hole course, with at least one other em-ployee. . ployee.

Culver notes, "That's only four out of 150 days, so let's all try and make it."

make it." A fee of 50 cents a month will be charged to cover cost of the prizes, and will be collected by members of the golf committee. "We hope to have a lot of fun; so get out and get in shape. If you haven't already signed up, be sure and see the 1954 golf chairman," Culver concluded.



During the month of January the following new books were re-ceived for the lending library: Fiction: The Foolish Immortals, Tidefall, The Southerners, Rain-bow on the Road, The Host Rock, \*In the Castle of My Skin. Non Fiction: \*The Atomic Sub-marine and Admiral Rickoner. Mystery: The Golden Spider, A Kiss Before Dying. \*Waiting lists.

\*Waiting lists. The book, In the Castle of My Skin, was donated by Max Aserkis. This is his second donation to the library.

#### In Case of Fire In the event of fire at Libra-

scope, the person discovering the flames should immediately instruct the nearest person to call the section foreman and the fire marshal for the area, and use means available to fight the blaze. Caution should be exercised in the use of fire extinguishers. The

liquid type of extinguishers. The liquid type of extinguisher should not be used on electrical fires, or in areas where electrical appara-tus, outlets, etc., are close to the fire.

pany With a Future.)

His diagnosis, however, was that Thomas' argument was not with a car, but with another mangy old moth-eaten Felis libyca domestica, (cat, to you) which had severely raked his posterior, causing an abscess which had paralyzed his rear leg.

The LIBRAZETTE

The chicks did it again. And are the mens' faces red? The bowling match between the "sexes" re-

sulted in a tremendous victory for the gals. The competition was really tough, too—with pros like Clem Abbot, Don Cady, Percy Roberts, Fred Russell and Bill

Carnahan, who aren't accustomed to defeat. But, they had to eat crow when they came up against Jeannette Calley, Edie Wrobel, Kay Small, Jennie Sedita and June Davis. Tough luck, fellows.

Another item of interest to all of us women is the fact that we

have another in our midst who has recently become the owner of an automobile. Doris Appleby was

very happy with her purchase, until she took the Motor Vehicle Dept. inspector on a driving test

tour. Everything went well until she was asked to park. Because of her difficulty the inspector dis-

qualified her and invited her back another time. That darn inspector. It was all his fault, says Doris.

BRIEFS!!

It looks very much as if the year will be another double or nothing year for Marjorie Grey. The month of January presented her with twin grandchildren—a boy and girl. Congratulations,

Eddie Dobstaff, assistant fore-

Louise Morton and Anne Strip

Louise Morton and Anne Strip joined the newly formed ice skat-ing group here at Librascope. For Louise, who is strictly a Dixie gal, it was her first attempt at ice skating. She came home with a bruised finger and a bruised— ouch. About a dozen attended the first skating party on January 26.

Anyone for badminton? Pat wope has a new court, and is

Rosemary Phillips and Jessie Ferris have taken to square danc-

Carl Van Hove, machine shop, is quite mum about it, but we have learned that he got married around New Years to Sally. Carl has been with us for more than 10 ween with us for more than

really out there swinging.

ing in a big way.

man in the inspector department, was on our absentee list for a week due to illness. The flu bug

Marge

snatched him.

Swope

10 years.

His many friends will be happy to know that the "kitty" not only covered his medical expenses, but will allow him an invalid's fare of a fresh fish on occasion while recuperating.

# **Spice Up Life for Clem Abbott**



Captain of the "5 Marks" bowling team, Libravet, and leadman of raw stocks, Clem Abbott is our well known profile for this month.

Clem was born in Honey Grove, Texas, in July 1897. He was one of five children and attended school in Honey Grove, where he gained quite a reputation as a pitcher on the high school baseball team.

He graduated from school in 1915, then served in the Army from 1916 to 1919. He served overseas in France on two fronts—The Meuse-Argonne and Champagne.

Meuse-Argonne and Champagne. Abbott returned to Texas fol-lowing World War I, and went to work for the Clem Lumber and Oil Company as yardman in 1919. He continued to pitch semi-pro baseball during this time, winning quite a bit of fame. In 1920 he switched to the Rhebold Lumber Co. as assistant manager. He next went to the Ridenour Bakery in went to the Ridenour Bakery in Ardmore, Okla., and from 1925 to 1930 was with the Texas Furni-ture Company in Dallas as a salesman

Clem then bought a bowling alley in Chickacha, Okla., and dur-ing the next few years added two more, one in Shawnee and another in Duncan. He managed the bowl-ing alleys—thus being closely con-nected with his favorite sport and pastime—for 10 years. In 1941 Abbott sold his business

moved West to California, and soon was married. He bought a home in Glendale and worked for the Aluminum Company of Ameri-ca for about a year. Clem then went to Cal-Ship as

clem then went to Cal-Ship as assistant chief of a surveying party. As transit man he helped lay out the entire Cal-Ship yards at Terminal Island. He remained with the shipyards throughout the war. In 1946 he worked at Pacific Encipted Lines can a checker of in

War. In 1946 he worked at Pacific Freight Lines as a checker of in-coming freight. Abbott came to Librascope in 1947, starting as a stockroom clerk. He was promoted to the position of raw stock leadman in 1951.

**Clem is a real** sports fan, and says baseball, football and boxing are his favorite spectator sports. He is Civil Defense warden in zone 8, district 24, Glendale, a position he has held for several vears.

Alphabetically, Clem is the first Librascope employee, and all who know him think of him as a num-ber "one" fellow. His smiling face and cheery "hello" are no longer seen or heard in building one. For Clem has recently been moved out to his shiny new raw stock build-ing in the back.

It is hoped Clem won't think his fellow workers have forgotten him since he has been isolated in his new quarters.

### **Stamp Clubbers Seek Members**

The Librascope Stamp Club, with a total of 11 members at present, is in the midst of a drive to recruit all company employees in-terested in this popular hobby.

The club is in the process of affiliating with the Southern California Philatelic Association, and hopes to have speakers and exhibits programmed for future meetings.

Joe Leonardi, methods, was host at the last meeting of the club. Bud Roberts, machine shop, Sam Galindez, machine maintenance, and Mable Steiner, personnel, were welcomed as new members.

All interested in joining this hobby group are urged to watch the Precisioner bulletin boards for date, place and time of the next meeting.

the fact that collections are taboo.) Others followed, furtively tossing in coins and hurrying away.

In coins and hurrying away. By noon of the same day there was enough in the "kitty" for Thomas to be placed in the best suite in the veterinary hospital. The veterinarian was properly im-

pressed on being informed that his patient was affiliated with Libra-scope, Incorporated. (The Com-

The payroll department was looking forward to the early re-turn of Dorothy Willard and Nellie Cox at presstime. Both were ab-sent because of illness.

The Sad Tale of Thomas, the Cat, Has Happy Ending the idea was hastily discarded. There happened to be a glass container for screws near his bed of pain, and someone stealthily tossed in a coin. (Fully aware of Early one Monday morning Thomas, the Librascope cat, was picked up from the street with one leg paralyzed as a result of what was purported to be an argument

## Varied Collection of Skills and Talent Is Gathered In Engineering Services

Step into the small Third Street office in Burbank and you'll find as varied a collection of skills, talents and background as you're ever likely to run across.

You'll rub shoulders with elec-trical and mechanical engineers, artists, professional writers, news-paper editors, college professors, Naval officers, radio and advertising experts—you name it; they've got it.

This is Librascope's engineering services section, now employing 37 persons and planning expansion to 52 during 1954, which provides a host of essential services to both the engineering department and the company as a whole.

These services are so numerous and varied that most Librascope workers, including many of the old timers, are unaware of their scope

Heading the section is Larry Moore, whose engineering train-ing and 11 years of expreience in fire control as a Naval officer make him well qualified to supermake him well qualified to super-vise the section's work. For two years Larry served as liaison offi-cer for fire control design on the staff of the Advanced Technical Service Schools, Washington, D.C. This job required an intimate knowledge of advanced fire con-trol thought and development.

Heading up the technical writ-ing group is Phil Hiner. In addi-tion to his regular duties at Libra-scope, during the past five years he has sold radio scripts to CBS, along with fiction, technical and semi-technical articles to national popular magazines popular magazines.

popular magazines. One of the best known person-alities in the engineering services section is Keith Kinnaird, super-visor of the art group. Keith, who has been with the company 11 years, has been an artist for most of his life. He has done excellent work in oils and water colors, as well as in commercial art and cer-amics. amics.

The engineering services section consists of the blueprint files, blueprint reproduction, p h o t o – graphic lab, publication and speci-fication files, and the publications section.

Charlotte Hoskinson and Donna Charlotte Hoskinson and Donna Barnett are the best known and perhaps most "depended on" mem-bers of the blueprint group, hav-ing been with the company six and four years, respectively. Responsi-bilities of this group are too num-erous to mention in a single art-icle. They include maintaining a erous to mention in a single art-icle. They include maintaining a numerical file of engineering prints and a drawing record card file, tagging prints "out for re-vision," maintaining a vault file of released drawings, and reproduc-ing drawings for draftsmen, en-gineers, production control, and when required, for other compan-ies or the Bureau of Ordnance. Lee Duggan, plant photographer, and his assistant keep things hum-ming in the photographic lab. sup-

ming in the photographic lab, sup-plying original pictures, prints, and plying original pictures, prints, and photocopies for the publications section, personnel, the company's advertising program, and for the use of engineers in their develop-ment work. This lab is better equipped than many professional photographic studios. Lee main-tains a complete, up-to-date nega-tive file of every photo ever snapped by a Librascope photog-rapher. rapher.

rapher. The publications and specifica-tion file is maintained by Bob Fossler, with the help of one part-time assistant. Copies of most specifications and publications in the company's possession are cata-logued and much be becked out logued and may be checked out here, while required documents not in company possession may be ordered. Bob is also the Navy



stock coordinator and assists the

stock coordinator and assists the engineers on any problems associ-ated with Navy stock numbers. **Twenty-five people** work in the Burbank p u b l i c a t i o n section, which is divided into three groups —technical writing, technical editing, and art.

The writing group has responsi-bility for preparing instrument in-struction manuals, fire control sysstruction manuals, fire control sys-tem operating procedures and checks, instrument specifications, inspection data (RID's and OCD's) for new equipment, type approval tests, manufacturer's instruction data for commercial jobs, and cus-tomer progress reports. In prepar-ing this work the group works very closely with project and de-velopment engineers. The editorial group is headed by

The editorial group is headed by Horace Jacobs, who has his doc-tor's degree in languages. This group checks all publications for text and illustration consistency, text and illustration consistency, errors, and language usage; it pre-pares the copy for typesetting and does the book make-up for the publisher. The editorial group is also responsible for publication of the Librazette. Stan Bibbero, a technical editor as well as editor of our Librazette, has a back-ground of six years newspaper ex-perience before coming to Libra-scope. scope.

The art group, with a staff of nine people, prepares all the re-touched photos and the line drawtouched photos and the line draw-ings required in the work of the publications section. Most of the photo retouching is done by Low-ell Eisenhower, a Libravet and one of the best airbrush men in the business. In addition to publi-cation art, the art group does a great deal of work for other de-partments. This includes brochure illustrative material, art for the company's advertising p r o g r a m, art for project progress reports. and much miscellaneous work, such as dials, decals, and graphs for the engineering department.

#### Vacation Plans

A recent announcement advised all Librascope employees that va-cations in 1954 would be conducted on a staggered basis.

Details are not yet available, but the personnel department hopes the plan will work to everyone's advantage, and permit em-ployees considerably more latitude in selecting vacation dates.

As soon as vacation credits and As soon as vacation credits and details are worked out they will be announced. However, it was stated that no vacations will be taken before May 1.



**Many Types of Service** 

SHOWN ABOVE are various sections of Librascope'sengineering services section. Housed both in the main-plant and in separate offices in Burbank, this group is responsible for many different services to the com-pany. Upper left is the writing group, moved since this picture was taken to an office next door in Bur-bank. Upper right is the vault file, looking toward the Ozalid machines. Lower left is blueprint files. Lower right is the editorial and art group, also located in Burbank. Photo at far left is of Larry Moore, publica-tions supervisor. Photo by Dugan

#### Analog-Digital Converter Is Adapted to Many Uses

The increased use of digital computation techniques has developed a need for the conversion of mechanical analog quantities into digital form without intermediate electrical analog steps.

analog steps. Librascope's An alog - Digital Converter, along with its associat-ed electronic circuitry satisfies these requirements. With this equipment analog-to-digital or digital-to-analog conversions are possible, with the quantities being converted at speeds up to one ten thousandth of a second. The heart of this converter con-sists of several etched circuit code discs mounted to rotating shafts. It is possible to adapt this basic de-sign to various numerical codes,

sign to various numerical codes, and is therefore useful for many applications.



The Analog-Digital Converter has a capacity of 19 binary digits with an accuracy up to one part in 520,000. By using only three dif-ferent parts it is possible to make 13, 17, or 19 binary digit converters

ers. The converter was developed by Pete Retzinger, Henry Norris, and Carl Miller, of engineering, along with assistance from many special-ists throughout the plant. Important design features of the converter include its small size. The 17 and 19 binary digit units are two inches in diameter and

are two inches in diameter and five inches in length; the 13 binand five inches in length; the 13 bin-ary digit units are two inches in diameter and four inches in length. The weight of this equip-ment has been kept as low as pos-sible, to make it usable in air-borne applications. By providing for synchro mounting and a miniaturized elec-trical connector, the unit can be

installed and aligned conveniently. This converter, or modifications of this equipment, have numerous applications in the fields of digital

applications in the fields of digital computing and high speed data re-duction equipment. The unit is being designed into several computers which Libra-scope will build for the govern-ment and industry in the coming year

#### **Ping Pong Meets** Set for Employees

The first Saturday of each month, starting February 6, table month, starting February 6, table tennis tournaments for Librascope employees and members of their immediate families will be held at the California Table Tennis Center, 831 N. Highland Ave., Hollywood, it has been announced. Tournaments will start at 8:30 p.m., and it is suggested you ar-rive in time for at least a 30-minute warmup. The winner of each monthly tourney will earn two points, and the runner-up one point. Semi-annually, a trophy will be awarded the player who accumulates the most points. Arrangements have been made

most points. Arrangements have been made for the total cost to be one dollar per player. This includes playing in the tournament and any other time during that night from 7:15 until midnight. Management will furnish balls and bats. furnish balls and bats.

#### **Bulletin Boards**

As part of the new policy of keeping the bulletin boards up to date and neat, all notices are changed weekly. Typewritten three by five cards are used for most notices.

Nearly all bulletin boards have been covered, and only approved items are posted. Keys to the Pre-cisioneer boards are kept by Bob Jewett for building one, and Carl Culver for building two. Company board items are posted by the personnel office, with the keys went by Helen Piroli Union notice kept by Helen Piroli. Union notic-es are posted by Morrie Kimmel, chief steward for IAM No. 1600.

#### **Merchandise Clubs** Are Proving Popular

The three merchandise clubs be-gun recently were filled almost as soon as they were announced, ac-cording to Eileen Brown, Precisioneer secretary.

These popular clubs were for a deep fryer or automatic coffee maker, clock radio or electric mixer, and electric blanket.

It is planned to start an auto-It is planned to start an auto-matic toaster or waffle iron club, and a steam iron club during February, Eileen said. The easy time payment pay plan is a feature of these clubs, as well as the op-portunity for early delivery of merchandise — if you're lucky.

There have been price reduc-tions on many of the new 1954 model TV sets. In fact, if you haven't seen the 1954 line of name brand appliances on display at the Precisioneer Store, drop in and take a look.

#### Verifax Is Latest **Duplicating Unit**

Verifax is Librascope's The latest addition in duplicating equipment, and now gives the company eight different ways of duplicating typed or written papers.

The eight methods now being used are Ditto, Mimeograph, Oza-lid, Addressograph, Blueprint, Photostat and Verifax.

The Verifax printer is produced by Eastman Kodak Co., and photo-graphically prints copies of typed or written materials rapidly. The original is printed onto a matrix, which is the negative. Several copies can be produced from the same matrix, which is an improvement over the old copying processes which required separate sensitized paper for each copy.

With the Verifax process, no drying is necessary. Copies can be handled and filed immediately.

## **Report of Directors Shows** Steady Credit Union Growth

The first annual meeting of the Credit Union was held in January. The board of directors' report given by Dick Hastings welcomed members to the meeting and re-viewed the brief history of the Credit Union.

Hastings pointed out that the first deduction for the Credit Union was on 4 June 1953. Since that time the Credit Union has increased to a membership of 460 increased to a membership of 460 with deductions up 60 percent over the initial period. Assets at 31 De-cember 1953 totaled \$63,494.98. Growth has been steady but we should be able to increase mem-bership to over 700. Members were urged to remind others of the convenience which the Credit Union offers.

The board of directors has voted The board of directors has voted to omit dividend payments for the first six month period, but Hast-ings pointed out that progress is excellent and the Credit Union is earning money, with the possibility of a dividend in July.

It was also pointed out that in those cases where it takes a week or longer to obtain a loan or a share withdrawal the reason is that Credit Union officials are at-tempting to keep all money out

Following the report Mildred Huggins gave the report of the credit committee. Two hundred thirty-two loans were submitted to the committee between June 4 and December 31, 1953, said Mrs. Huggins. Of these, 227 were approved and five rejected due to insufficient collateral. As of December 31 there were no losses due to bad loans.

Ralph Barnett then gave his report on the supervisory committee. Pointing out that the supervisory committee is a "watchdog" and that members may not be board or credit committee members, Barnett declared that supervisory investigations showed the Credit Union to be in excellent shape and being conducted in accordance with State and Federal regulations. Audits have showed only minor mistakes or incorrect applications, said Barnett.

### Wiltsie Real Cool **About Hot Joke**

This is a funny story.

This is a funny story. Thursday, January 14, Jay Wilt-sie's car was detected burning briskly in the parking lot. Volun-teers, plus the local fire depart-ment, succeeded in extinguishing the blaze before extensive damage was done.

Wiltsie, master scheduling, re-ports the fire was confined to the rear seat of the car, a 1946 Chevy, covered by insurance.

The funny angle? Well, take your pick. Perhaps it was the fire company trying to go through the front door of the plant to the parking lot. Or, maybe it was be-cause Wiltsie happens to be one of the plant's volunteer fire marshals.

But, the angle I like best is that Dick Bartlett, personnel, asked me to write a funny story about the fire.

In case you didn't know it, that was MY car that burned, brother. by Jay Wiltsie

## This Guy Sounds **Like Hot Prospect**

The following newspaper appli-cation recently was turned over to the Librascope personnel office. Company officials are still unde-cided whether or not to hire the man as the first completely honest applicant applicant.

Here is the notice, as it ap-peared in the want ad columns of a paper:

IRRESPONSIBLE, unreliable, lazy deadbeat—a parasite on so-ciety for the 33 years of his life— a stinker who hates people, work, kids and parakeets; smokes, drinks and gambles; desires responsible, high-paying job with short hours. Contact Box 1, H240-Post. Give references.

#### **Basketballers Are Hot On Championship Trail**

After bagging six victories in a row, the Precisioneer basketball team finally dropped one to Weber Aircraft, which also was unde-feated before the contest.

And, the game was a thriller. Our boys were ahead, 28-27 with only three seconds to go, when a Weber man broke loose and dropped one neatly through the hoop. Final score was 29-28, favor of Weber hoop. Fina of Weber.

Russ Boylan, Librascope team captain, was high scorer with nine points, followed by Bill Richmond and Ted Pike, at seven points each.

The second round was scheduled to start February 10, and will con-tinue through March 10. Watch the bulletin boards for schedules and locations.

Players include Boylan, Pike, Richmond, Neil Hinton, Tony No-riega, Phil Goodrich, Carl Frain, Hank Fasola, Bob Laperle, Bob Bible and Don Cady.

#### **Stenos**, Typists **Get Style Manual**

Stenographers and typists of all departments and sections are being furnished a style manual to pro-vide them with a reference guide on general clerical details.

The 20-page manual contains in-formation on various types of correspondence, including sample letter formats, rules for prepara-tion and distribution of correspondence, and security regulations.

The primary purpose of the manual is to describe the standards to be followed in preparing out-going Librascope correspondence and the performance of general office functions in all Librascope and offices.

The manual is part of the clerical training course prepared by the training section of the personnel department. The objective of the course is to standardize our clerical methods and practices, and to review information concerning company policies, procedures and facilities.

### **New Gun Club Elects Officers**

The Librashots, the sharpshootre club of Librashots, the sharpshoot-er gun club of Librascope, got into full swing last month and elected club officers as follows: Paul Lit-vinoff, president; Glen Raymond, vice-president; Pat Lombardi, sec-retary-treasurer; Paul Lively,

range master. During the first three meetings of the year several interesting talks were given on competitive match target shooting in pistol as held in the United States and in Inter-

in the United States and in Inter-national Olympic matches. Club members decided to hold their first competitive pistol match on the first Sunday in February. Paul Lively secured reservations at the Burbank Legion Shooting Range. Medals were to be awarded the first four winners.

The Librascope Camera Club met January 29 at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Cory Davis. Top top-ic for conversation was methods of convincing Librascope employ-ces to become aware of the club ees to become aware of the club.

Six apprentices are currently working at the plant under the Librascope joint apprenticeship committee.



**Lippy Says** 

#### **Club Members Will Be Elected** Aid

Elections of five new employee

Elections of five new employee representatives to serve on the Aid Club will be held this month. Three members from the ma-chine shop have completed their six-month service. They are Steve Jackman, Roy Setty and Norman Giuffre. Dana Nixon, account-ing, and Tom Bryant, analysis, have also served in office for six months. Elections will be held to months. Elections will be held to replace representatives from these departments.

Since the beginning of the year the Aid Club has donated or set aside for donation the following amounts: Heart Fund, \$1750; March, of Dimes, Polio Fund \$947.63; Sister Kenny Foundation, Polio, \$750; Tuberculosis Fund, \$25

\$25. During the past six months the Aid Club has donated more than \$600 to needy Librascope employ-ees. It is evident to all employees that the Aid Club is playing an important part in handling our community obligations and assist-ing those fellow employees who are qualified hardship cases.

#### **Contracts** Let For New Bldg.

(Continued from Page 1) There will be approximately 750 Incre will be approximately 750 lined and bumpered parking spac-es. The area will be completely fenced and black topped, and will extend north as far as the rail-road tracks. Officials warn that during the

construction period , employees will have to put up with certain inconveniences in the parking area, and the cooperation of all in keeping the traffic flowing as smoothly as possible was requested.

Dahl furnished this information with the comment that he hoped it would eliminate the standard question these days, "When are we going to break ground on the new building?" Incidentally, Librascope's new address will be 808 Western. This

already appears on the new I.D.

## **Busy President**

Librascope's busiest commuter these days is President Lewis W. Imm. Since December 1 better than half of Mr. Imm's time has been spent traveling to the East or in business conferences there or in business conferences there.

#### **Electronics Group Joins Librascope**

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system designs is one of the principal reasons that they were chos-en for initial production. Where absolute minimums in weight and volume are of primary importance, various complex magnetic decision elements are also produced on special order for production applications.

In addition to their application In addition to their application for end-use equipment, the S and A elements are invaluable in re-search, design and development work involving empiric evaluation of systems. The cycle of design, use, redesign and re-use in ac-cordance with laboratory or field test techniques can be shortened to weeks, days, or hours instead of years, with no waste or obsol-escence of equipment. The work of this group was

The work of this group was featured in a special article and color picture in the national Mc-Graw-Hill magazine, Electronics, in January, 1954. The cover picture showed the latest plugboard of 1000 magnetic decision elements, and the production set-up for testing three types of basic potted plug-in elements.

The Librazette wishes to welcome this skilled and highly competent group of engineers and technicians into our computing family.

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