

## Precisioneers Plan Diversified 1955 Schedule

Plans are in formation by officers of the Precisioneers for a highly diversified schedule of events throughout 1955. One of these events was given an initial preview recently when questionnaires were passed out throughout the plant in an endeavor to fine hidden sources of talent that might be utilized in a forthcoming variety show.

The purposes of such a program, other than entertainment, are to raise money for charities and to establish a source of talent for future programs similar to the 1954 Christmas Party. A second performance of the talent exhibited at the Christmas Party was given for underprivileged children and was so well received that it has been decided to make

the "second party" an annual event.

It is hoped that this estimate of talent will also produce an orchestra for the various functions throughout the year. As yet, the response has not been tabulated but your reporter wagers that Librascope will come up with one of the most self-sufficient entertainment groups in Los Angeles County.

The proposed June "Variety Show" could be one of the best programs the Precisioneers has presented to date. Everyone is urged to contact your representative if you can participate or lend a helping hand to make the program a success.

The Precisioneers are also planning a combination barbeque and dance some time in June. If all those who enjoyed it last year

will support it again this year, it could very well be a sellout affair. Saxonia Park has tentatively been picked for the location which provides adequate facilities including a dance hall on the grounds.

Further previews of things to come include a request that all members "stand-by" for a turnout to the blood bank on June 24. Last year's turnout was excellent and we had reason to be glad that it was several times. No one can predict when an accident or a wound may necessitate a hurried, emergency call to the bank.

Plan for the Summer Dance to be held July 9 at the Breakfast Club, Los Feliz Blvd., with Carol Wax and his orchestra providing the music. This is a well attended and popular event of the year for Librascope.

The annual picnic is also in the

picture and August 20, at the Mountain Oaks Park, is a date worth reserving.

The year 1955 could well top last year's events by quite a margin. This year's Christmas Dinner Dance on December 23, should not lag behind with all the experience we will have amassed throughout the year. With professional entertainers and the music of Carol Wax and his orchestra to entertain us at the Ambassador Hotel's Embassy Room, it certainly should be the social high-light of this season.

In addition to all of the above-mentioned good times planned for the year, the Precisioneers are inaugurating a youth program which will feature many worth-while and wonderful events for the future for the youngsters of Librascope's employees. If this undertaking

proves successful, it will be carried through to next year and the program will be a regular feature on the calendar.

If all plans succeed, the youth program should become one of the most singular and most highly praised efforts in local industry. It will require the support of every parent if our objective is to become a realization. It will be designed to give the children a high goal to look forward to, each year and should be of inestimable value in building high moral character and sportsmanship among our youngsters.

A proposal has been made to purchase a Precisioneer camping grounds and build it up for a resort that all Precisioneer members may enjoy. This is, however, just a proposal and is still in the distant future.

The Toastmasters' Club is proving to be a very popular affair with all. There are now twelve members in this growing organization. John Delle Fave would like

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## Jewett, Delle Fave Represent Precisioneers at CR Conference

Bob Jewett, a past president of the Precisioneers and currently the president, Associated Industrial Recreation Council, and John Delle Fave, president of the Precisioneers, attended the Seventh Annual California Recreational Conference held at Santa Cruz, February 12 and 13.

The two top Precisioneer representatives attended sessions during both days of the conference. Dr. Floyd R. Eastwood, associate dean of students, Los Angeles College, summarized the theme of the conference in the following excerpt from his introductory speech:

"Recreation is a matter of emotions in motion, it is a psychological approach. In days past, our ancestors considered recreation as a 'handmaid of the devil.' Recreation is not a way to kill time, it is a way to make time live! It is not a substitute for bargaining, or for better working conditions; nor is it welfare. Recreation is self-satisfying, it is a distinct part of life. In industry, recreation means a better job done daily at work, the result of happy emotions on the part of employees."

### EMPLOYEE PROGRAM

Dr. Eastwood stressed that employees wish to feel that a recreation program is 'their' program not the management's program. Self-sufficiency on the part of the employees should be developed. The recreation program should be 'directed' and not 'run.'

Collectively, plans may include hobby shows and/or art exhibits, special excursions; and in sports, tournaments may be scheduled. Collectively, also in the future, a rifle range, bowling on the green, council symphony, trips to Europe, card parties, were a few of the suggested activities. Youth activities might be worked in with adult programs. Many programs are not possible individually but collectively might be provided.

## Walt Sertic Fills Top Training Position

Coming to Librascope after specializing for more than a decade in the field of industrial training, Walt Sertic's job in personnel is of interest to all of us. In one way or another his work, to some degree, will eventually affect most of our capabilities.



Walt Sertic

Briefly, Walt is to assist in the overall training and education of company employees. He will coordinate, organize, or conduct training as needs arise. A well-rounded and carefully planned employee training program has long been recognized as a vital function and a must for effective management.

With Walt's interest and background in industrial training to which he has devoted considerable time, research, and practice, we feel he will prove a definite asset to the firm. Welcome aboard, Walt!

## Golf Players Slow to Submit Bogey Cards

Frank Cople, chairman of the 1955 Librascope golf tourney, reports that the golfers seem a little apathetic toward the game this year as only 12 players have declared and turned in their blind bogey cards for determination of handicap and the prize of \$15.00.

The blind bogey is a player's guess as to what his handicap will be; in other words, he chooses his own handicap which is subtracted from his gross score to bring about a final figure approximating par.

Frank wishes to remind all golfers that unless they have turned in their blind bogey before March 31, they will not be eligible for the tournament.

In addition to this blind bogey, the golfer is required to declare and turn in three cards (18-hole course or two 9-hole cards from 18-hole courses) before July 31.

There will be three prizes for each month for the net score, with handicap, and also for the gross

score, without handicap. First low (net and gross) will be \$10.00; second low (net and gross) will be \$5.00; and third low will be \$2.50 cash. This means that a golfer can win a total of \$45.00 before the actual tournament.

This should result in a fine tournament this year with seventy-five people signed up including a number of new names. The tournament will be played at Fox Hills Country Club, August 7, to start with the first foursome teeing off at 10:36 a.m.

Just prior to press time, an announcement was made concerning the availability of the Wilson Course, Griffith Park, from April 26th to July 27th for Librascope foursomes. Sixteen participants or four foursomes, the first group teeing off at 4:36 p.m. each evening, may participate. Cost per person for the 18-hole round will be \$1.25. Employees desiring to participate should contact their golf representative.



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## Youth Summer Camp Contest Begins

### Libra Ski Club Initiates Snow Treks

The newly-formed Librascope Ski Club, comprised of both experienced skiers and sno-bunnies, have initiated bi-monthly meetings at the Glendale Sea Food Inn. Recent meetings, scheduled for the second and fourth Tuesdays of each month, have featured excellent movies on the art of skiing.

The Ski Club's first outing was a trip to Mt. Baldy in January. Many of the members, although inexperienced, received great assistance from the Mt. Baldy instructors. The club's officers, including Jack Raymond, president; Otto Gelomini, vice president; and June Davis, secretary-treasurer, are planning a few more skiing expeditions before the end of the season.

The club's membership includes Nancy Raymond, Ansel and Mary Berglund, Al Ladine, A. J. Pankrat, Vince Nahrstedt, Rick Girouard, Max Oserkis, Carolyn Geiger, Shirley McGillicuddy, Ed Warren, Anne Stiop, Trevor Hewson, Nancy Slike, Leona Jones, and Mary Robson.

Newcomers will be welcomed to the meetings and it isn't too late to join the club. The Ski Club guarantees every one a good time.

—By Kay Hodges

### Plan MEC Move

Plans are now underway for a West Coast move of the Minnesota Electronics Corporation, St. Paul, the midwest affiliate of Librascope Incorporated. According to company executives, tentative plans call for the re-location of MEC on a site formerly occupied by Librascope on Santa Anita Ave., Burbank. Former personnel manager, Richard Hastings, is MEC general manager.

### Medal Winners

The following Table Tennis Club members have won medals during recent competitions:

Chuck Ramba, 6 medals (will be given trophy)  
Jack Klosterman, 3 medals  
Parker Buzzell, 2 medals  
George Chianello, 2 medals  
Sam Leonardi, 1 medal  
Joe Rocha, 1 medal

Librascope check players who have copped medals include Joe Leonardi, 6 medals; Don Gustafson, 3 medals; and Gib Bahr, 2 medals. Joe Leonardi will be awarded a trophy for winning six medals.

### Barnett, Cole Give Troth In Chapel

A wedding of interest to many Librascope employees was the marriage of two of our engineering personnel, Donna Barnett and Carl Cole. They were married in Ivy Chapel, North Glendale Methodist Church.

Donna chose a ballerina length gown of white lace over pleated nylon net, fashioned with a V-neckline. A lace tiara held her fingertip veil. She carried a white orchid on a prayer book.

Donna's sister, Mrs. Charles Baumgard, was her matron of honor, wearing melon crystalline and carrying a yellow nosegay.

Wayne Cole served his brother as best man.

Soloists were Bob Garrett, Librascope, and Eurica Polese, a former Librascope employee.

Friends of the newlyweds honored them with a shower on February 4. They are at home at 12923 1/2 Moorpark, North Hollywood. We wish them the very best of luck!

—By Charlotte Hoskinson

### Catalina Visit Slated for Top Boy Essayists

The Precisioneer-sponsored Youth Program, which had its inception this year, is pleased to announce that it will be able to send four lucky boys and four lucky girls to summer camp this year at no expense to the young ones except, perhaps, a new set of jeans.

This is going to prove a bang-up vacation for the selected children: the boys will spend eight glorious days at Catalina's Camp Fox; the girls' camp has not been chosen definitely but will probably have a mountain setting.

The youth program committee has had a hard decision to make as to what method they would use to determine just who would be chosen to go. For budgetary reasons only the total of eight can be sent. It was decided that the only fair way to select was to let the children themselves make the choice. They will have to earn the privilege of attending the summer camps. The four boys and the four girls will be chosen by contest from the age groups of eleven to fourteen years, one from each age group.

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## Brannen Leads Round-Robin Chess Tourney

A field of twenty has entered the round-robin chess tournament in competition for the Precisioneer Trophy. Dave Brannen has gained a half-point advantage over Mark Kopper for an early lead in the tournament which promises a closely fought contest.

The tournament will be used to form a chess team which will represent Librascope against other leading industrial concerns in the Los Angeles area.

Although a tournament is underway, it is stressed that the club is open to all employees interested in playing regardless of their prowess. For future activities, lessons are being arranged for all persons desiring to learn the art of playing chess. Meetings are held the first and third Tuesdays of each month in the old conference room, Building One, at 4:30 p.m.

The standing of the players in the current tournament are:

	Pts.	G.P.
D. Brannen	3	3
M. Kopper	2 1/2	3
R. Delle Fave	1 1/2	2
F. Hill	1	1
J. Fingerett	1	1
C. Miller	1/2	2
J. Leonardi	1/2	3
G. Ounjian	0	1
G. Bahr	0	3
H. Sanders	0	1

### Now At Home

Friends of Mrs. Effie Boice, long-time Librascope employee, are very glad to learn that her hospital vigil is ended and that she is now at home under doctor's care. A Southern California resident since 1922 and a Librascope employee since 1945, Mrs. Boice resides at 361 E. Verdugo, Burbank. Indicative of the high esteem in which Mrs. Boice is held by executives and employees is the fact that she was among the first to be given a Librazette "Profile," January, 1953.



# OUT OF THE PAST



To the hundreds of Librazette readers who have but recently joined the company, it may come as a surprise that Librascope Incorporated has chalked off quite a number of years. Many of our employees, the blue-pinned Librascope Vets, who joined the firm back in the days when they were mere lads or lassies, may now find the past dead . . . but not forgotten. In fact, the past, as reviewed in yellowing pages of the "Libra-Scoop" and the "Precisioneer News," may even haunt them!

December 22, 1943, from the column "On the Inside," the following 'year's best contributions': Skippy Case — "I have the darndest time trying to find someone who's coming my way in the morning."

Dave Harrison — "I don't see how I can do such beautiful work."

Roy Pedigo — "And my name isn't petticoat!"

Willard Opecensky — "Why wasn't I a girl so I could use a pretty ribbon to tie up that stray lock of hair?"

Galen Mannan — The ideal husband.

Don Webster — "Come up to my new home and see my etchings."

Sentiments of the Engineering Division on Bob Dietrich's entry into military service: "Our loss but the Marine's gain. We have met all kinds of 'bosses'—some of us have had many varieties, but we claim that Bob has been a super-duper boss. Librascope won't be the same without you, but our best wishes will go right along with you."

Diary of engineering: June 16, 1943. Galen (Mannan) and Keith (Kinnaird) get orange juice, doughnuts, coffee, and blood donor pins.

## Library Adds List To Growing Shelf

The following is a list of books that have been added to the Precisioneer's Library according to Hilda Keesling, librarian.

### FICTION

Solomon and the Queen of Sheba, The Four Winds, The Silver Oar, Goodby My Lady, One White Star, The Closed Harbor, Catch the Gold Ring, High Water, A Handful of Silver, Sincerely Willis Wayde, and The Measure of the Years.

### MYSTERY

The Case of the Restless Red-head, The Last Straw, The Run-away Corpse, Born Killer, The Enemy, The Lady Killers, and Always Trust a Cop.

### NON-FICTION

My Zoo Family, The Arab World, Inspector Maigret and the Killers, Europe in Pictures, and The Sleeper.

### SCIENCE FICTION

Tomorrow is Already Here, Portals of Tomorrow, and West of the Sun.

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## Pilots Find Perils Aplenty in Soup

It was a dismal, overcast day at Grand Central but visibility wasn't zero and the tower gave two of our intrepid fliers, Bob Jewett and Glenn Seltzer, the green light to take off for home, home being Whiteman Field. They were only airborne for a short time, however, when things started to happen. First, the "little cloud that cried" puffed up into a first-rate mess: instead of crying, it shrouded the little plane.

What do you do in a case like this? Right. Turn on the radio. Results? They couldn't even get static. Next? Look for an open spot. Not even a peep-hole!

Bob looked at Glenn and Glenn looked at Bob and without hesitating each decided it was to get out of that area fast. Funny thing about flying blind: unless you are an expert, you can't tell whether you are turning upside down or not. These two boys are good fliers but . . . They looked down and could detect a road. San Fernando Road was hazy but at least it stayed put. Following along the road they came near Hansen Dam and decided to pull a "Corrigan." They used the top of the dam for a runway.

Glenn put the plane down on terra firma just as visibility became absolute zero.

The plane was carefully tied down, for future reference, to some handy rocks and a disinterested bush.

At the dam caretaker's (?) little house, the pair called for help in the form of a landlocked vehicle and notified the Civil Aeronautics Administration to let them know they were safe. They then started to discuss the situation. Glenn wanted to know why Bob had been so calm throughout the experience and Bob said that getting scared wouldn't have helped anything. Real cool, man!

By the way, the plane is now safe at home. The boys finally convinced Ed Hirt to fly the plane out of its emergency parking area.

## Idjits Lead Winter Bowling League Race

And awa-a-ay we go, into the last lap of the winter bowling league, with the top teams still fighting to gain or hold to their precarious standings for the trophies. Breaking a tie for first place, the Idjits are now leading the pack with 4 Jacks & a Jill and the Woodchoppers running a close second and third, respectively. Nancy Slike and Roy Gombert are at present hanging on to the sight of the high game trophies, but in a good-natured way, the competition is getting stronger each week as time begins to run out.

Due to illness and schoolwork, the 860 Traveling league has again been changed around. Carl Culver now is attending night school which lets him out of the team; and we are sorry to report that Sommy Somerfield was forced out of competition, much to his painful disgust, by the sudden onset of major surgery.

Because of these drops, Robbie Roberts was named to complete a straight five-man team. At the time we go to press, the team holds fifth place, with only 6½ points separating them from first place, so anything can happen in that league, too.

Also due to unexpected illness, the Women's City Tournament team had to have a quick make-up job. Jennie Sedita was stricken with appendicitis and a few days later Jeanette Calley was sent to the hospital for some intricate surgery on her right foot. We were sorry to lose these girls, but extend our sincere thanks to Nancy Slike and Charlotte Howe for filling in on such short notice. The team also consists of Kay Small, Cleo Moore and Edie Wrobel. They took two of the three games by comfortable margins, but unfortunately did not take the first places. Didn't get last place, either, but hope to take the high honors next year.

—By Edie Wrobel

## Sea-going Ike Waltons Reap Heavy Harvest

The fishing trip, sponsored by the Precisioneers on February 20 from Port Hueneme, was a huge success. Over 200 fish of many varieties were taken by the 23 persons on board the good ship, "Linda Lee."

The boat left the dock at 7:40 a.m. and reached the fishing grounds at approximately nine o'clock. Jerry Sikora, model shop, made the first hook-up and actually landed a triple (three fish at once!) During the course of the day, several others using multiple hookrigs landed doubles.

A Penn 250 "Surfmaster" reel was awarded to James Kay, production services, for the largest fish caught, an eleven-pound ling cod. Don Margis, engineering, and Jerry Sikora, model shop, tied for the most fish caught with 17 each. Margis won on a toss, a Penn 200 "Surfmaster" reel. In addition to the above prizes, a jackpot was established on the boat. This was won by Barry Kuznick, engineering, with a ten-pound rock fish.

A large variety of rock and bottom fish were taken, including bright orange-red "chili-peppers" or red snappers; rock "bass" and sugar "bass"; sheepshead, and many others. The rock-fish family are bass-like in conformation, hence many of the common names, and are probably the finest food fish available in local waters.

Due to the success of this first trip of the year, another fishing party has been arranged for March 27 from the same port. For reservations, see John Delle Fave, tool design; John Buckens, machine shop, days; Mack Williamson, model shop, nights; Jesse Pemberton, assembly; or Carl Miller, engineering.

—By Carl Miller

### Plans —

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to point out that the membership must be limited to thirty so if you have a yen for expressing yourself and would like to be a member, contact John at your earliest convenience.

A request has been made and several volunteer teachers have consented to help out in the formation of Bible Study Classes as an activity. Northrop Aviation has adopted this type of class and it has proven to be surprisingly popular. Give your opinion to your representative.

## DeHaas Addresses Jay Cee Meeting

David DeHaas, commercial sales engineer, was a speaker at a Junior Chamber of Commerce luncheon held at the Glendale Y.W.C.A. on February 25th.

Dave's subject was "Modern Computers and Their Application to the Business Office." He illustrated his talk with computer components manufactured here at Librascope. Frank Copple, methods, was chairman for the luncheon meeting.

Betty Jewett and Juanita Delle Fave accompanied their husbands on a two-day trip to Santa Cruz recently in connection with the California Recreational Conference meeting.

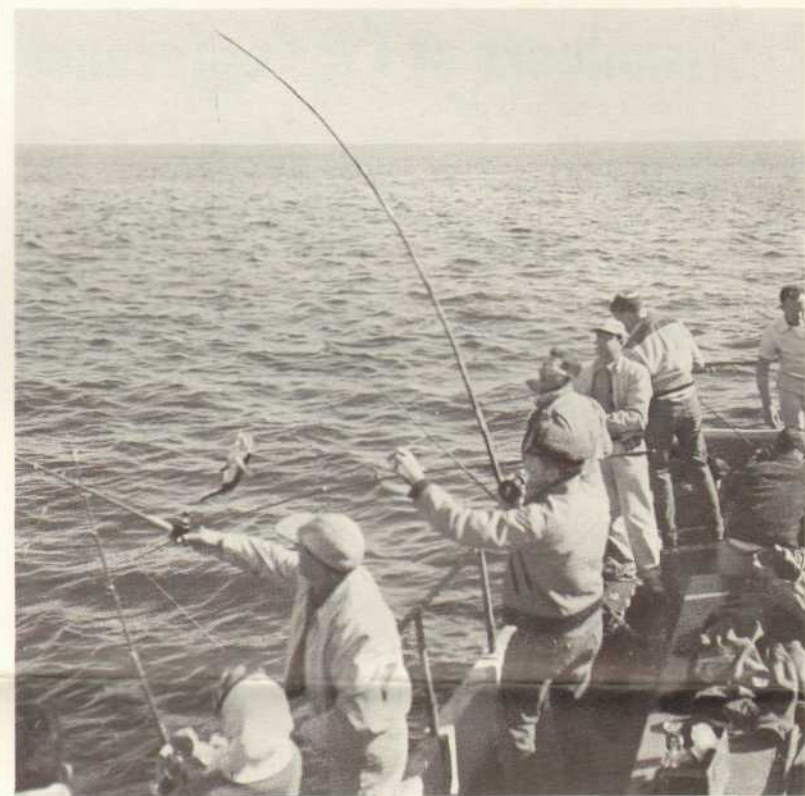
## Morrison Named Libra Community Chest Rep

An innovation is in the process of development whereby the Aid Club will be closely affiliated with the Glendale chapter of the Community Chest.

Recently, George Morrison, secretary, and Roy Dimon, chairman of the Aid Club, met with officials of the Glendale Community Chest. During the meeting George Morrison was appointed an official of the Glendale organization, thereby giving Librascope personnel direct representation in the event of an emergency need.

Deadline for the April 1955 issue of The Librazette: March 31.

## Here He Comes!



BUSY HAULING IN THE FISH off Port Hueneme are a group of Librascope anglers braced along the rail of the "Linda Lee." In view are the following deep sea fishermen: Mac Williamson (lower left), Shirley Ann Williamson, Andy Anderson, Ray McDonald (landing fish), Bob Berg, Bob Rowen, Ozzie Osborn, and Don Margis. Kneeling in the center, far right, is a "Linda Lee" deck hand.

## 1955 Pistol Champions



CHAMPIONS OF THE THIRD ANNUAL Pistol Championship, held recently at Melcher's Shooting Range included Willard Mather, fourth place bronze medal winner; Paul Litvinoff, third place green bronze medalist; Charles Parker, second place, silver medal; and Roy "Skip" Case, first place winner of the gold pistol championship trophy. Precisioneer president John Delle Fave is shown presenting the coveted trophy to the 1955 champion, Skip Case.



## Tool Designers At Work



**TOOL DESIGNERS AT WORK** at their desks in Building One include, from the left, John Delle Fave, leadman; Roy Dimon; Bernie Myers; and Jo Ann Greaves talking with tool design supervisor, Charles Cole. The tool design department strives to produce tooling satisfactory for low cost production requirements as well as to meet Librascope's high quality standards.

## Highest Quality Tools Is Department Goal

In bringing to you a view of the part Tool Design and Tool making Departments play in Librascope's operation, it would be well to differentiate between mass production and commercial mass production.

Mass production is no more than the ability to produce an item in quantity; while commercial mass production differs significantly in that the ability to produce an item in quantity is modified by the fact that it must be done on the basis of a minimal unit cost. One of the major problems of the tool design and toolmaking departments is to produce tooling satisfactory to the requirements for low cost production, commensurate with Librascope's standards of high quality workmanship.

A request for the making of a tool comes to the tool design department from the methods department in the form of a "work order card."

Methods, after careful study, suggests to the tool design department the type of tool or tooling required to facilitate the manufac-

ture of the work under consideration.

The work order card then goes to tool design supervisor Charlie Cole, or one of his designers, Bernie Myers, Roy Dimon, or leadman John Delle Fave. They in turn study the blueprint and work order sheet accompanying the card and part.

A design or sketch is then submitted for approval and when OK'd, and duly processed, the tooling blueprint and order are released to Jack Perry, tool control. It is his duty to maintain records on all tools, whether in fabrication or in stock on permanent records. He is ably aided and abetted in controlling tools in fabrication by Jim Tanner, tool room dispatcher.

Tool control, after recording the receipt of the order, releases it to the tool room.

Under the guidance of Cesar Goldstein, tool room supervisor, and Loy Thompson and Marion Williamson, leadmen, the tool room complement consists of Jesse Brown, Elmer Lehman, Joseph Wilson, Ted Donley, Max Men-

nen, Orville Murray, Ralph Riley, Pat Lombardi, Ole Linsley, Walter Bradley, William Valentine, and Tom Corbitt.

Herein begins the creation of an instrument of art, for a toolmaker may well be considered an artist. Not only must he be capable of operating each machine, have a working knowledge of metalurgy, and many other skills, but must be capable of working to the extremely close tolerances called for on the blueprints.

After the parts for a tool have been fabricated, they are assembled and then proven by the man who made them. They are then submitted to the inspection department and when "bought by Inspection," they are placed in the tool crib ready for use.

According to Ivan Franklin, tooling supervisor, Librascope has some of the most efficient, skilled craftsmen among its tool designers and toolmakers that he has ever seen, another important reason why we are one of the leaders in our field.

—By Bob McCollum

## Toolmaking Department



**THE COMPLEMENT OF THE LIBRASCOPE** tool room includes the following personnel: (back row, from left) Orville Murray, Ralph Riley, Art Rodocker, Elmer Lehman; Jack Perry, tool control; and Walter Bradley. (Middle row, from left) includes Walden Small, Nick Hahn, Art Olson, Jesse Brown, Max Mennen, and Ole Linsley. In the front row are Mark Kopper, Max Goshkin, Ted Donley, Joseph Wilson; Mac Williamson and Loy Thompson, leadmen; Pat Lombardi; Jim Tanner, tool room dispatcher; and Cesar Goldstein, tool room supervisor.

### Librazette Editor

In December, the functions of editor of the Librazette were assigned to Bill Tracey, supervisor of Engineering Services' editorial group.

An honor graduate of Butler University and a graduate student of Northwestern University's Medill School of Journalism, majoring in magazine editing, Bill comes well qualified to his newest assign-

ment. Bill has had several years of like duties under his belt, including the managing editorship of two successful house-organ sponsored papers that were made self-supporting through advertising; three years newspaper editorial and reportorial service; and make up and production experience gained by being an advertising agency production manager and chief copywriter. He has also been a frequent contributor to the Lib-

razette since its inception at Librascope in 1952.

With this issue, ye Ed is initiating a column titled "Out of the Past," purloined from the morgue of past Librascope newsletters and papers. Anyone who has yarns from "out of the past" or copies of any publications originated during the company aborning years, are asked to contact the editor, extension 270.

## Shutter Clique At "The Natales" Guest With Cooley Show

Members and guests of the Librascope camera club, the Shutter Clique, turned out en masse on Sunday, January 30, for a trip to the Los Angeles Arboretum, Arcadia, and the Henry E. Huntington Estate (library and art gallery) San Marino.

Of the many subjects considered from a photographer's viewpoint, one of the most outstanding was the Oriental Gardens at the Huntington estate. Many shots, both in color and black and white, were made with the thought of capturing the beauty as a permanent record of this venture to one of the country's renowned art galleries.

The regular monthly meeting was held on Wednesday, February 9, at the home of R. Mersman in San Fernando (roughly 96 miles from Bakersfield, according to ace reporter Bob McCollum). Much was done in the line of future program scheduling for the club, and, due to the fabulous success of the previous "Fotoramic" excursions, another was planned for February 27 to the snowbound reaches of Mt. Wilson.

The various lenses used in Vitavision, Cinemascope, and Three-D were discussed. Following the discussion period, photos of Tri-X film, known for its working properties due to high speed, were shown by Corey Davis. The remainder of the evening was spent projecting color slides of various places of scenic beauty along the Pacific coastline from California to Canada.

Marking their television debut, Ricky Gottlieb of the grinding department and his partner Bob Libonati, an employee of the Lockheed Corporation, did a guest appearance on the Spade Cooley Show, KTLA, channel 5, on a recent Sunday telecast.

Appearing under the name "The Natales," the act was accepted so well that Mr. Cooley requested a "double spot," so that the performers appeared two separate times on the same billing. This is better appreciated when one realizes that they were before the television cameras for a total of twelve minutes on a one-hour show, which is equivalent to one-fourth of the show counting the commercial breaks.

The Natales will also make a kinescope film with Spade Cooley which will be sent to the East Coast, presumably New York. During February, they appeared with the Cooley show at the Mission Beach ballroom in San Diego.

The name Natales was selected for its uniqueness and means Christmas in Italian. It is actually Bob's first name. This comedy, acrobatic, dancing, and musical act is the result of many years' work on the part of two young men destined to meet and merge their talents in order to form a great combination in the entertainment field. We may well expect to hear and see a lot of this duo in the future!

## Gem Collectors Form "Rockhound" Club

Got rocks in your head? Recently we saw this most personal question on the bulletin boards below the sketch of a men's rock-filled head and thought that, perhaps, some guy was cracking wise. However, after reading the fine print, we found that we were not being backhanded but were being invited to become an active member in the most recent Librascope employee endeavor, the "Rockhounds," a group interested in gem-cutting, gem-mounting, fossil collecting, and mineral searching (other than uranium, that is!).

The first meeting of the Rockhounds Society was held at the Roy Dimon home on the evening of February 7. Roy previewed his collection of precious stones, rare rocks, and fossils with a running commentary on the different specimens. Items of particular interest were his prehistoric jade hammer,

a thousand year old Indian artifact, and several prehistoric animal fossils dating back millions of years.

Plans were made for future meetings of the society to be held on the second Monday of each month. Films of interest are to be shown, techniques discussed and studied plus field trips which are to be made. The second meeting was to be held on March 14 at the Charlie Parker residence, 1112 Kenwood St., Burbank. The technique of stone polishing and cutting plus the exhibition of Charlie's collection were to be the main points of interest at this meeting.

Any persons interested in this newest participation group may contact Charlie Parker, gear cutting; Ansel Berglund, electronics; Roy Dimon, tool design; or Irv Leff, model shop.

—By Bob McCollum

## Summer Camp Essay Contest Starts

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### WRITTEN CONTEST

A written contest will be given to all children of Librascope employees, falling into the above-mentioned age groups, to begin March 15 and end April 15. It will be judged by prominent members of school staffs and community leaders in youth organizations in order to give equality to all. The written contest will be in the form of an essay to be written by the child. The age group will dictate the subject matter and it is up to the contestant as to originality of the essay, its neatness, continuity, and its grammar.

The placement of school personnel on the judging staff will negate the possibility of parents writing the essays as teachers are more conscious of children's average abilities than any other group.

The youth program, the purpose of which is to promote fellowship, good moral character, and sportsmanship among our children, is attempting to line up a program that every child will have an opportunity to participate in and from which every child will gain. It is hoped that the program will give every contestant a lesson in fair play and engender the spirit of accomplishment, plus the chance to work and play in a cooperative spirit.

### SIMILAR GROUPS

The Precisioner program is fashioned somewhat on the order of similar groups in other local industrial plants and will be governed by a selected group of Lib-

rascope employees. This year's committee consists of George Henderhan, dust free room; Burt Haber, engineering; James Kay, production services; Charles Baumgard, engineering, the secretary of the committee; and Charles Snell, production services, committee chairman. If there are any questions or suggestions concerning the youth program, any one of the committee members will be happy to discuss it with you.

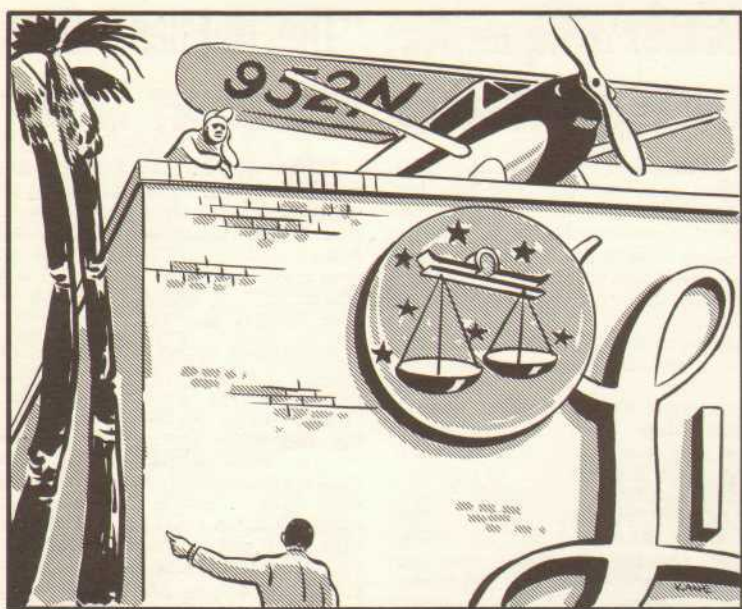
Forms for the essay and the contest rules will be made available and parents should not fail to contact one of the committeemen as soon as possible in order to give the children as much time as possible to complete their entries. There will be no judging until all essays are in; no credit will be given to those entries turned in early in the contest.

### JUDGED ON MERIT

The judges, non-Librascope employees, will not know whose essay they will be judging at any time and will judge on merits of the essays alone. Age groups will not be competing against each other but rather individuals will be competing against those of their own age level. Decisions will be final; only one essay will be considered from each child.

This will not be the only activity that the Precisioner youth program will sponsor. It is hoped that a crafts and handicraft exhibit will be possible at a later date. The Christmas Party will remain as the year's end highlight for all Librascope children.





"Yeah, I know, but think of the parking fees we save..."

—Kane & Tracey

## Designer Delle Fave Active In Job, Club, Fraternal Work

John Delle Fave, president of the Precisioneers and well-liked member of the tool design department, was born in Rochester, New York. His parents, Ralph and Josephine, owned and operated a large clothing manufacturing plant.

He attended Rochester's Concord Elementary School, Jefferson Junior and Senior High Schools. Later came a two-year session at the Rochester Institute of Technology where he studied the machine trade.

His apprenticeship was served with Liberty Tool and Die, Incorporated, a large job shop which

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friend's sister, Juanita. That is why we now enjoy the pleasant company of John's wife, Juanita, in the Librascope engineering department.

It was in 1951 that he told Librascope he would go to work for them in the tool design department and soon his ability showed itself in his promotion to leadman.

John's private life is as full as his public life. He is a very respected member of the Knights of Columbus and was recently honored into the fourth, and highest, degree in that organization at an Exemplification Ceremony held in San Bernardino, February 20. The fourth degree is the highest order in this Catholic organization and is attendant with the color guard attire and sword. John told this reporter that of all the events in his busy life, that this was the biggest thrill he had ever experienced.

Incidentally, John was the lovable old tramp at the Christmas party whose antics so amused the children and, by the way, brought him a very painful injury to his back. He was forced to wear a brace for some time following the party. Did he mind? Not on your life: he says he'd do it all over again for the kids!

John is also a member in good standing of the American Society of Tooling Engineers.

Some of his hobbies include traveling, fishing, bowling, and the sports-car craze. John also raises prize-winning Dachshunds and will tell you all about his "family" at the drop of a hat.

John's diminutive size is more than offset by his friendly nature and sincere interest in his fellow men. Anyone who has known him, likes and respects his wonderful outlook on life, his sparkling sense of humor, and his ready wit. We know him also for his fairness to all and tact in every situation.

### KINDLING, CHIPS AND FIREWOOD



#### Engineering Services

All of engineering services has been working to the tune of the samba, mambo, and tango, plus the Mexican "Hat Dance." This past month Nancy Slike and Leona Jones had been bubbling over with talk of their (far in the distant future) trip to South America. The girls were planning to be gone about a year and work their way up and down the coast of South America. They even went so far as to start taking Spanish lessons during the lunch hour, but it seems that someone has told them that there are banditos in our neighboring continent. We are now beginning to hear soft strains of a Hawaiian guitar. What's next, girls?

Speaking of Espanol, evening classes are on the agenda for Jake Jacobs and his wife. Both Mr. and Mrs. Jacobs have enrolled in Los Angeles City College and are taking second semester Spanish. Jake already has a Ph.D. in languages and can speak fluent French and German, has taken some Italian, and now wants to master the romantic language of Spain. Jake is turning into a real Latin lover.

Martha Seeman, technical illustrator, surprised all the girls of the section with lovely camellias for St. Valentine's Day. The giver kept her identity a secret until late in the afternoon.

Not only does engineering services, enjoy ice skating but we also have some rollerskaters among us. Nancy Slike, Martha Seeman, Ida Sigal, Leona Jones, Patt Richards and her husband, and Kay Hodges and her spouse went to the North Hollywood Rollerade recently for an enjoyable evening. After a long and almost unsuccessful struggle to rent skates, they were starting to enjoy themselves on the rink when it closed. The moral of the story: the early bird gets to rent the skates!

Ida Sigal certainly is having difficulties with her car and traffic tickets.

We were all sorry to hear that Paul Kane's father had passed away.

#### Machine Shop

Amos Scott, drill press, nights, has moved to his new home in Reseda. He says it is so nice out there that he doesn't even mind the extra miles he has to drive.

Jennie Sedita, jig bore room, is recovering rapidly from an appendectomy and we are glad she will soon be back with us.

Doris Appleby, assembly, spent the week-end of February 26 in Las Vegas, the object to make more than a nodding acquaintance with a one-armed bandit. She reports that she had too much fun



IT'S A CIGAR HAVE A BABY!!

Lyman Wells, model shop—Girl  
Beverly Knoll, receiving—Girl  
Walt Rodriguez, machine shop—Boy

Betty Robbie, engineering—Girl  
Bill Richmond, production control—Girl

Bob Gunderson, machine shop—Boy  
Larry Lemery, machine shop—Girl

James Johnson, machine shop—Girl  
A. J. Pankratz, electronics—Boy

## Irishmen, Take Heed!



"SURE, ME NAME IS MacNAMARA..." Well, not quite, but sure and it might be. The colleen above is Miss Shirley McGillicuddy, a fine broth of a lass, and one of Librascope's own. She is decked out for a grand reason, St. Patrick's Day (March 17 to the outlanders) and the wearing of the green. Shirley is a member of the telephone operator-receptionist team that graces the lobby of Building Three.

## Store Manager Announces New Summer Merchandise Bargains

From the Precisioneer Store, Eileen Brown announces new summer merchandising contacts for your vacation items. These include:

Coleman lanterns and stoves  
Fishing rods and reels  
Photographic equipment and film  
Guns and ammunition  
Revere ware  
Desco ware  
Ampro tape recorders  
Bushnell binoculars  
Kalash vitamins

Eileen also announces that three brands of vacuum cleaners are now available for immediate delivery: Lewytt, Eureka, and Hoover.

Free discount tickets for the Hollywood Palladium, Friday, April 20, are also available at the Precisioneer Store. Eddie Howard and his orchestra are booked into the Palladium for that date and Eileen hopes for a large turnout so that we will be able to receive discount tickets for later performances.

During February, fifteen hospitalized employees were remembered with flowers, gifts from the Precisioneers. Eileen also announced that a total of ten St. Mary's crib blankets were given to employees with new babies in their households.

Robert Greer passed out cigars with a big smile, being a proud father of a son born February 15th.

Dusty Oesdean, production, and his wife adopted a baby girl, Susan Elizabeth, on February 14th.

#### Engineering

Several of Dave Harrison's friends surprised him on February 12 with a housewarming in his new home. From the reports, a hot time was had by all.

Question: did Bill Singleton really put peanut butter in the thumb-hole of Anne Stiop's bowling ball?

Myrtle Gross, blueprint files, became a grandmother on February 17th when her daughter presented her with a young lady to be named Marlene Judith.

#### Accounting

Accounting welcomes Marg Dillon back into the fold after her extended absence due to illness and surgery. . . . First day back seemed rather long, but she'll be back in the wing of it again before this is read. . . . Don Barnes took his family and drove to Palm Springs for a most enjoyable day last week. . . . Doris Tasker also back in the swing of it again because of an accident to her finger. . . . Ann Swarthout, formerly of master scheduling, now the proud mother of a baby boy.

### Enter Playoffs

The evening of St. Valentine's Day saw the Librascope basketball team fight Collins Radio to a most welcome victory of 33-31 at John Burroughs High School gym.

Bill Richmond was greatly responsible for our success by his brilliant playing. He scored a grand total of eighteen points for us in the game.

Looking down the month's basketball calendar, your sportswriter finds that although the Librascope quintet copped five out of the last seven games, they still are bracketed in the fourth spot in the Burbank Industrial League. They are a cinch, however, to play in the Shaughnessy playoffs for the league championship due during the third week of March. Let's turn out for the playoffs and give the hard-working squad some first class moral support when it really counts!

Don't miss Librascope's "You and Your Future," broadcast Monday through Friday at 6:55 a.m. over radio station KABC.



John Delle Fave

employed one thousand workers at its peak season. Johnny soon became a tool designer and remained seven years, becoming the assistant purchasing agent before his departure.

John, being the typical vagabond as most toolmakers and designers are, and having a great curiosity about the rest of the world, decided that seven years was long enough and so next he took a position establishing the McCaskey System in tool cribs around town. (This system improved the perishable tool loan-out system.) Johnny made a success of this, too, but again the wanderer in him came out and he decided to try his hand at business for himself. He opened a store dealing in new appliances and appliance repair. His business abilities didn't hold a candle to his apparent aptitude for making friends for soon he was forced to sell out. In his own words he "lost his shirt!"

It was about this time that his doctor advised a warmer clime and Johnny got out the maps and portfolios on sunny California. In 1947, we find Johnny in the land of oranges (and lemons) with a new car and just seven dollars, American money, in his pocket.

Johnny's uncle, a top-hand at making pizzas, owned a restaurant here, so John went to work for him. Now this uncle had a cook who really knew his stuff: he not only taught Johnny the finer things about the pizza business but also introduced him to his girl-