

## Second Annual Barbecue Slated For June 25

The Precisioners second annual genuine pit barbecue will take place June 25 at Saxonia Park, Newhall. Savory barbecued beef will be served beginning at noon. For those working Saturday, June 25, don't hesitate to buy your tickets and attend. Dinners will be served until 8:00 p.m. and the barbecue committee has promised that plenty of food will be reserved for late coming ticket holders.

Here is an event the whole family will enjoy. While the kiddies romp in the playground, dad can loosen up a few muscles on the ball diamond. Mother's task will be lightened by a free baby bar provided with milk, baby foods, pans, etc. for baby's comfort.

Keith Watt and his orchestra will furnish the rhythm for dancing on the pavilion from 7:00 to 10:00 p.m. Door prizes will include barbecue sets, little brown jug coolers, and scotch coolers.

Committee members John Buckens, Jack Nelson, Carl Culver, Bob Jewett, John Delle Fave and Jim Tanner, are making plans for a real gala affair.

To promote the advance sale of tickets, the price up to June 25 will be \$1.25 for adults and 50 cents for children 6 to 12 years old. Tickets at the park will be sold for \$1.75 for adults and 75 cents for children. A Precisioner representative in your department will have tickets available.



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## Sports Car Owners Set for Poker Rally

The Precisioners are sponsoring a sports car poker rally in conjunction with the barbecue at Newhall on June 25. All foreign cars, custom sport cars, Thunderbirds, and Corvettes are eligible to enter. The entry fee is \$1.00 per car.

The cars will leave Librascope at five-minute intervals. Each driver will be given a map and instructions directing him to various locations along the route where playing cards have been planted by the committee. There will be a time limit of two and a half hours to uncover seven playing cards and reach the destination at Newhall, the location of the barbecue. The driver who reaches the destination in the allotted time with the best poker hand will win the prize. So, boys, here's where a rabbit's foot will be of more use than a lead foot if you hope to collect the loot.

The first place trophy has been donated by Economy Blueprint Company. The first place winner will also receive two sets of safety belts donated by the Ray Brown Automotive Company.

The second place winner will receive a trophy donated by Allied Bros., and two Lucas side mirrors donated by Coachcraft Sales Corp. The third place winner will receive \$10 in merchandise.

The fourth through ninth place winners will each receive \$5 in merchandise. The Precisioners donated \$25 to the rally.

All sports car enthusiasts interested in participating in the rally should register with Dean Fredericks, engineering.

Mr. Imm enjoyed his participation in Glendale's annual Days of the Verdugos celebration. He was one of the judges who selected the queen.

## Jr. Achievers Program A Success

The Modern Products Company, Junior Achievement group sponsored by Librascope, is out of business. Since the teen-age companies organized under the JA program are incorporated for one school year only, the company was liquidated at a stockholders' meeting in the engineering conference room on May 10.

Stockholders received their liquidation checks (100% on invested capital) and a 4% dividend. Officers of the company gave reports covering sales, manufacturing, and finance for the year.

During the meeting Mr. Imm presented Mike Shea with a plaque as the "Outstanding Librascope Achiever" of the year. President of the Modern Products Company, John Wanamaker, announced that they had received one of the few Achievement Awards given by the National Advisory Council at the Burbank Center. The teenage company also received the second place plaque in the Lockheed Management Club's Leadership contest. Mike Shea and Benno Ludwig, both outstanding members of the company, received Junior Executive Awards which were given to only 18 out of approximately 700 participating achievers in the Los Angeles area.

Librascope is proud to have sponsored this worthwhile and rewarding venture in the building of better citizens of tomorrow. A special vote of thanks goes to Norm Stevens, David DeHaas, and Lloyd Somerfield, who assisted and advised the youthful operators of the company during the 1954-1955 year.

## Fifteen Years for Skip



LIBRASCOPE PRESIDENT Lewis W. Imm presents 15-year service pin to Roy I. (Skip) Case (right) at the fourth annual Libravet buffet and dance. Jerry Snella also joined the 15-year ranks but was unable to attend. In background is Cesar Goldstein, a Precisioner director. (See page 2 for additional photos and story.)

## Blood Donors Sought To Top 200 Pint Goal

Blood donations to the Librascope employee group blood bank account will be taken June 24 when the Red Cross "Bloodmobile" will be in the park next to Librascope on Flower Street from 12:30 to 5:00 p.m.

A medical doctor will be on hand to examine each donor for physical fitness before blood is taken. Coffee or fruit juice is served both before and after, and a brief rest is provided after the blood is taken.

Those who would like to volunteer may register with their Precisioner section representative or with Mary Snyder, plant nurse.

The blood which is donated will be used to reach our goal of 200 pints of blood in our account at the Glendale Red Cross blood bank. This account enables any employee or his immediate family to use blood from the bank at any time at no charge. None of us can foresee the future or our possible need for a blood transfusion; so let's make sure it is there when we need it!

## Fasola Engaged!

Well, he finally did it! Yep, Hank Fasola, engineering, popped the question to Phyllis Bobyk. Phyllis is originally from Canada but is now living in Hollywood where she teaches swimming and ice skating. The wedding will take place sometime in July in Canada. Congratulations, Hank!

Deadline for the July issue of The Librazette is July 1, 1955.

## Apprenticeship Ended



FOUR YEARS OF working days and studying nights ended for Fred Jensen (left) and Ted Smith when they were presented certificates acknowledging their advancement to Journeyman machinists by Mr. Imm in a brief shop ceremony recently.

## Apprentice Program Grads Honored at Ceremony

School is finally out for two Librascope apprentice machinists. Their advance to Journeyman status was noted at a May 6 ceremony held in the Machine Shop. At that time Librascope President Lewis Imm presented certificates acknowledging the successful completion of four years' apprenticeship to Fred Jensen and Ted Smith. These certificates of completion were the first to be granted at Librascope since the company entered into the Apprenticeship Program in May 1951.

Both Jensen, who came to work at Librascope February 27, 1952, and Smith, who began April 4, 1952, were in the Apprenticeship Program prior to joining the company.

At the ceremony commemorating the advancement of the two men, President Imm spoke briefly of his own experiences as a machinist during the early days of the company. After congratulating Jensen and Smith on their accomplishment, Mr. Imm pledged his continued interest in and support of the program.

Following the presentation of the Completion Certificates, Dan Fitzpatrick, Business Agent for Lodge 1600, IAM-AFL, presented Union Journeyman cards to the two new machinists on behalf of the Lodge.

Others present at the ceremony included Bill Bratton, Librascope vice-president; Louis Finke, area supervisor, State Department of Industrial Relations, Division of Apprentice Standards; Clifford Dobson, Supervisor of Industrial Education, Burbank Unified School District; William Munter, Field Representative, State Department of Industrial Relations, Division of Apprentice Standards; and members of the Librascope Joint Apprenticeship Committee.

Much credit for the success of the Apprenticeship Program at Librascope belongs to the Joint Apprenticeship committee under the able chairmanship of Roy Dimon, tool design. Committee members are Lloyd Somerfield, general shop foreman, and Ray McDonald, employment manager, representing management; and Jesse Brown, toolroom, and Roy Dimon, representing Lodge 1600. Mr. Munter and Mr. Dobson serve as ex-officio members.

The Apprenticeship Program through which Jensen and Smith qualified for Journeyman standing is sponsored by the State of California in cooperation with labor organizations, industry, and local school districts. In addition to the regular working hours spent in the shop, the two men were required to take a minimum of 144 hours a year in related class instruction at Burbank Evening High School. This related course work program was set up by Mr. Dobson and consists of a variety of subjects ranging from shop mathematics to industrial economics. Revisions to the program are constantly being made by Mr. Dobson to better meet the needs of local industry and the apprentices.



Robert G. Settles

## Settles Killed, Cardea Injured In Auto Mishap

Friends and co-workers of Robert (Bob) Settles, Librascope engineer, were shocked and saddened to learn of his death in an automobile accident near Ensenada, Mexico, on May 14. Charles Cardea, field services, who was with Mr. Settles at the time of the accident, was hospitalized when their small foreign sports car overturned. Charles has since recovered and is back on the job.

Mr. Settles, born in Richmond, Kentucky, September 20, 1925, attended Centre College, Danville, Kentucky, and was a graduate of the University of Southern California, class of '51. He is survived by his mother, Mrs. Margaret Settles, and a sister, both of Lexington, Kentucky.

An electronics engineer in Analysis, Mr. Settles would have completed three years at Librascope in July. Prior to entering company employment, he spent five years in the Navy and worked a year for Shell Oil Company.

## Summer Dance

The Precisioners' summer dance will be held at the Los Angeles Breakfast Club on Saturday, July 9. Dancing will start at 9:00 p.m. with Carroll Wax and his 13-piece orchestra, along with vocalist Betty Perry, providing the music until about 1:00 a.m.

The theme of this year's dance is the Librascope Hit Parade, and all company personnel are invited to contribute their suggestions as to the music to be played.

Dress for this dance will be informal, so come along and enjoy yourself while dancing to the hits of yesterday, today, and tomorrow.



# Libravets Welcome New Members As 62 Awarded Five-Year Pins

The fourth annual Libravets buffet and dance was held at the Elk's Club in Burbank on Saturday, May 21. The fact that three times as many five-year pins were awarded this year as last year is evidence of the fact that Librascope is a congenial place to work. In addition to the 62 five-year pins awarded, 10 received ten-year pins and 2 received fifteen-year pins during the presentation ceremonies.

Recipients of the fifteen-year pins were Jerome Snella and Roy Case Jr.

Receiving ten-year pins were: Mildred Huggins, Maurice Forgey, Lester Bentley, Effie Boice, Marshall Cowan, David Pobst, Clarice Flynn, Loy Thompson,

Ernest Silvertooth, and Leon Newbanks.

Those awarded five-year pins were: Howard Applegate, Barry Kusnick, Carl DeHart, John Buckens, Maurice Kimmel, Donna Cole, Kathryn Small, George Poppa, Richard Bates, Joseph Kane, William Wichman, Kenneth Whetsel, William Cloniger, August Holt, Constance Callaghan, James Park, Ralph Johnston, and Richard Schmauss.

In addition, pin recipients included Carmen Parks, Ruth McKabney, Louise Morton, Glen Harrison, Ann Lovell, George Johnson, Vernon Mayclin, Frank Copple, George Pierner, Mary Barnes, William Bigby, Marion Ferguson, Anna Soper, Marietta Ripley, Wil-

liam Walker, Wallace Tyler, Rene Vadenais, Clinton Donley, Charles Blake, Lottie Van Nostrand, Margaret Baumgartner, Jack Nelson, Harold Newbanks, and William Roxbury.

Also Edwin Heminger, Donald Utic, Paul Wilson, Thole Isebrands, John Thompson, Carl Frain, Harry Garrison, Percy Roberts, Daniel Fitzpatrick, Joe Merchasin, Lorenzo Boido, Erich Stewart, Harold Hamilton, Harvey Lewis, James Walsh, Clarence Klosterman Jr., Frank Hiner Jr., David Conway, Eileen Moyna, and Mable Steiner.

## Zemblidge, Frain Win Opera Roles

Two of Librascope's more talented members, June Zemblidge, analysis, and Carl Frain, toolroom, will have major roles in the Burbank Civic Light Opera Company's production of Strauss' "Die Fledermaus." The Metropolitan Opera version of the three-act operetta will be presented in English on July 8 and 9. June will play the part of Adele and Carl will portray Frank, the warden of the jail.

June, a lyric coloratura soprano, has studied voice for ten years and has an extensive background in television, radio, the Bach Chorale, civic choruses, and church solo work. She has been a member of the Burbank Civic Light Opera Company for three years.

Carl, a baritone, has had varied vocal experience since his high school days and last year participated in "The Vagabond King," another presentation by the Burbank Civic group.

The main lead of Rosalinda is being done by Bonnie Murray, a lyric soprano, who is a professional singer from the San Francisco Opera Company and a student of Lotte Lehmann.

The setting is the outdoor Starlight Bowl in Stough Park, Burbank. Curtain time is 8:15 p.m. John Ellis will direct the 40-piece Burbank Symphony Orchestra. Admission is free.

## Mason's 122 Hot To Win

Eddie Mason, shipping and receiving, has been driving in the Jalopy Derby at Gardena on Sundays. On May 30 he won the third heat race, thereby qualifying for the main event. Eddie was in second place for about 10 laps in the 50-lap main event and was still very much in contention when a mechanical failure forced him to drop out in the 42nd lap. Eddie, his jalopy No. 122 back in action, is all set to give it another whirl in a week or two; so if you get to Gardena or watch the Derby on your TV set, root for car number 122.

# Golfers Try for Annual Tourney; Monthly Meets Show Good Field

Librascope divot diggers have hewed and hacked their separate ways through the first two of four monthly golf tourneys in preparation for their mass assault on par in the Annual tournament. The field currently includes 80 potential champions with the prospects that even more will tee off at Fox Hills on August 7. Frank Copple intimates, however, that the field will be trimmed if some of the entrants don't hurry and turn in their cards.

Every golfer, in order to qualify for the annual tournament, must turn in by July 31 four 18-hole cards or their equivalent as specified in the instructions handed out earlier in the year. If you are still in doubt as to what is required, contact Frank.

As of the first week in June, the starting times arranged at Griffith Park for after work golfing were proving extremely popular. Those who have signed up for the Monday and Wednesday reserved times are requested, however, to pick up their reservations or to make provision for a substitute to avoid cancellation of some of the times in the future.

Winners of the first two monthly tournaments were:

### APRIL

Low Gross: First, K. Gowan; second, T. Ryder; third, Bert Haber.

Low Net: First, V. Sipes; second, F. McColl; third, M. L. Cowan.

### MAY

Low Gross: First, K. Gowan; second, E. Sullivan; third, C. Culver.

Low Net: First, B. Bratton; second, A. Isaacson and F. Copple tied.

## Library To Up Rental Charge

Hilda Keesling, librarian, advises the Precisioneer Library book rental charges will change from 5 cents per week to 1 cent per day, effective July 1. Even at this slightly higher rate, the rental charges are still lower than those offered by other rental libraries. The following is a list of the books that have recently been added to the library.

### FICTION

The Hidden River, Oklahoma Run, Black William, The Scots-woman, Something of Value, Bonjour Trieste, Three Lives of Elizabeth, The Conquest of Don Pedro, The Quicksilver Pool, Forbidden City, and Emma.

### NON-FICTION

A Man Called Peter, Tumult and the Shouting, Struggle for Africa, The American Frontier, Gertrude Lawrence as Mrs. A, The View from Pompeii Head, Sincerely, Willis Wayne, No Time for Sergeants, Love Is Eternal, Trial, Katherine, Not As a Stranger, and Coromandel.



Things must be pretty bad when one gets up in the morning and puts a brown shoe on the left foot and a black shoe on the right and doesn't discover it until arriving at work. This was the embarrassing situation Mary Robson of Payroll had.

If Hal Hamilton looked a little "down in the dumps" after Memorial Day weekend, this is the reason why. Poor Hal lost his wallet containing \$70 and all his personal data when he was making like a fisherman. Guess he figured his life was more valuable than the wallet with all those sharks swimming around.

Doris Hirsch Gaertner, a former Librascope employee now a New York resident, has returned for a month's visit with her mother. Many of Doris' friends at Librascope have enjoyed visiting with her again.

Walt Leibert and his wife, Kay, flew to New York for a visit with his mother. . . Dave Harrison is out of the plant for a month on jury duty. . . The menace of the highways, Bud Linsley, is now a menace of the airways. He received his pilot's license in May.

Jean Ball is on an extended leave of absence due to an emergency operation. We hope you will be back with us soon, Jean, and in the very best of health.

The summer bowling season is off to a flying start with 14 teams vying for the top position. The standings at the present time are close with only five games separating the first place team and the last place team.

The Libratones are planning a Broadway-type stage show to be presented later in the year. Auditions will be held for the variety of parts. Further details will be announced following the next Libratone meeting.

## Libravet Closeups





## Their Motto Is Service



COOPERATIVE STAFF of the Technical Library smile pleasantly for the Librazette photographer as they take time out from their many duties to pose. Nate Schmuckler, librarian, and his two assistants, Myrtle Gross (left) and Judy McDonald, supply a continuous flow of technical information to Librascope engineers and technicians.

## Tech Library Offers Personalized Service

YOU are a very important person the moment you enter the Engineering Library. Serving YOU is their watchword. The Library, headed by Nate Schmuckler, is a small but active place across the hall from Publications... the walls of its one room lined with loaded bookshelves and filing cabinets... its narrow aisleway filled with information seekers.

Here are housed the technical books, reports, handbooks, engineering texts, and periodicals so vital to the engineer and technician. Assisting Nate in handling the large volume of material that moves through the library is Judy McDonald. Myrtle Gross, located across the hall in the Publications office, handles specifications and standards.

Organized to serve everyone at Librascope, the library is a section of Engineering Services. Its objective is to keep as many of its publications in circulation as possible, providing information quickly, efficiently, and accurately.

The library provides three major services. The first is reference and research, the second is cataloging, indexing, and storing, and the third is specifications and standards.

The reference and research service provides the technical publications required by the engineer and the technician. These publications may be borrowed for study. If specific information is wanted from the library, it may be requested in person, by phone, or through the mail service. If the information is not available in our library, Nate will obtain it from other sources. Interlibrary loan privileges have been established and, if necessary, bibliographic searches will be made to locate the information, and appropriate sources queried.

When a specific book is needed and its acquisition is authorized, the library will procure it. Reprints and Varifax copies of library materials can also be obtained. In addition, the library is eligible to receive reports from the Armed Services Technical Information Agency (ASTIA). Even a telephone number service is offered—for business purposes, of course—through which any phone number in the United States can be obtained. When requested information arrives in the library, the person desiring it is notified of its arrival after which it is delivered to him. Incoming magazines are scanned for pertinent articles, and the magazines routed to the interested parties.

The cataloging and indexing service provides an identification and filing system whereby every publication can be located by author, title, and subject. Security regulations for classified matter are complied with by the use of padlocked filing cabinets and a safe for secret security information.

The specifications and standards service offers complete files of all

government and military specifications pertaining to work being done at Librascope. These specifications are made available to the engineers and the design activities. Librascope standards are prepared by engineers and processed by Myrtle Gross who maintains a complete file on the subject including its whereabouts.

Hundreds of publications pass through the library every week, including everything from the Sears Roebuck Catalog to Methods of Theoretical Physics. Nate Schmuckler estimates that there are some ten thousand items in the library.

To facilitate the handling of such a volume, cooperation is needed between the borrower and the lender. In order to make the library as convenient as possible for its users, there are very few restrictions on its use. However, borrowing books without signing for them is frowned upon. This causes the library to lose track of the book and the next person who needs it may be out of luck. Another problem that tends to tint the temples with silver is the sly maneuver known as magazine shanghai: the magazine is temporarily borrowed from the desk of the person to whom it was routed. He doesn't know where it is when needed. The magazine usually turns up later—much later—too late!

For important periodicals, a controlled circulation list is used to expedite the periodical to the interested people. To get it to the proper people before it is outdated, the route members are urged to read it quickly. When the route is completed, the magazine is on file for reborrowing and study.

In spite of the space limitations, the library has publications in such fields as computers, magnetics, mechanical and electrical engineering, management, mathematics, physics, and optics.

Benjamin Franklin had an adage: "Neither a borrower nor a lender be." This is still good advice unless you use the Engineering Library. You are the borrower and lending is their business.

— By Bob Duff

## STORK CLUB

Bill Wichman, engineering, girl.  
Richard Moore, procedures, girl.  
William Delaney, machine shop, boy.  
Bernard Geneth, mills, girl.

## Contest Offers Vacation and Cash Prizes

Artists, hobbyists, and craftsmen will have a chance to express their creative talents, with cash and a vacation as additional incentives, in an unusual contest being sponsored by the West Coast Electronics Manufacturers Association.

The contest, titled "Art in Electronics," is aimed at stimulating an awareness of electronics materials, components, and equipment as source materials for art and decoration. Entries will be divided into four classifications: photography, painting and sculpture, decorative accessories, and jewelry. Contestants are thus offered wide latitude in exercising their abilities limited only by the stipulation that entries have a motif, design, or choice of subject matter relating to the field of electronics.

Entries in the contest will be sold at auction during the Western Electronics Show and Convention to be held in San Francisco, August 24 through 26. Proceeds from the auction will go into the WCEMA Scholarship Fund to further education in electronics for deserving young people.

A \$250 prize will be awarded to the person whose entry receives the highest bid. In addition, a two-day vacation for two at a popular resort will be awarded the winner in each classification. The contest is open to employees and members of their immediate families of any company engaged in research, manufacture, or distribution of electronic products.

Contest rules specify that no "classified" materials or components can be used and that company permission for use of its products must be obtained by the entrant before submission. Those interested in representing Librascope at the show may obtain additional information concerning the contest from Charlie Krill, Electronics.

— By Donna Snyder

## Bargain Mart Sports Variety

The specials this month at the Precisioneer store operated by Eileen Brown are GE electric blankets and Universal Coffee Makers. A forty percent discount can be obtained on most makes of sewing machines.

Two new lines have been added—the International Harvester refrigerator and Sylvania television. Eileen reports that she has a good supply of General Electric fans on hand. Better get one while they last.

Advance orders are being taken on St. Mary's blankets at a special price. A \$1 deposit will hold the color you desire until September 15.

Lovely Swedish modern stainless steel tableware is available by place settings or complete sets. Why not put away a place setting each month and you will soon have the complete set. A good idea for the bride-to-be.

A limited number of Glen Miller's Anniversary Album No. 2, in 45 and 78 speed, are available at \$16.50, a regular \$29.95 value.

The Precisioneers sent flowers to eight hospitalized and sick employees; four baby blankets were given to the new arrivals.

## AIRC Meet Sees Slides

Aero-Coupling hosted the regular monthly meeting of the Associated Industrial Recreation Council in the banquet room of the Rafter's Restaurant on May 2. Following a delicious dinner, Norman Phillips, sportswriter for the Valley Times, took the members on a fishing trip through the medium of a slide projector. Both fresh water and salt water fishing scenes were shown, with Phillips furnishing the narration. These were followed by a series of slides titled "The Colorado River Story." A short business meeting was held after Mr. Phillips concluded his presentation.

## You're Out!



FLYING FEET of this Precisioneer opponent were of no avail in a recent softball game as a fast throw from our shortstop cut him down with feet to spare. Such scenes are a common occurrence at Precisioneer games.

## Softball Season Promises Action

Facing a twenty-game league series, the Precisioneer Softball Team began another season on May 23.

Assigned to the "AA Minor League," our boys will face competition from Hydroaire, Alexander's Market, Dick and Hank's Service Station, General Controls Sports Club, and The Bendix Rockets.

Bulwarked by a strong pitching staff consisting of Don Cady, Al Akins, and Sam Houchin, the roster includes: Wren Ensminger (Captain), Jim Fallet, George Henderhan, Ed Forgey, Tony Noriega, Ed Baker, Walt Newcomer, Howard Henderhan, Jerry Saffell, Geo. Pope, Jim Cawthorne, and Jim Harris.

The game schedules are posted on the bulletin boards.

Manager Ralph Barnett is assisted by Business Manager Jack Nelson. Both agree that while the boys got off to a slow start, it's a long season and plenty of good ball playing and fast action are in store for the fans.

## MEC News

Newly elected officers of MEC Decisioneers are Lou Steffen, president; Sally McCoy, secretary; Clarence Krech, treasurer; and Alice Masternak, financial secretary. Our officers are anticipating an eventful year and are already making plans for some very special activities.

Out on the links, six of our most promising golf players are "shaving par" for the forthcoming Blind Bogey Tournament. Wally Jobe almost hit the jack pot recently when his tee shot stopped inches away from the cup on a 200-yard hole on one of the local courses.

Many MEC employees took advantage of the recent three-day holiday to look up old friends and relatives in other parts of the state. In addition to renewing old friendships, the vacationers had an opportunity to add color slides to their growing collection of Western scenic beauty.

— By Bob Day

## Handicap Tourney Held

The first handicap table tennis tournament was held at the California Table Tennis Center in Hollywood on Monday, May 9. Competition was keen since the handicap system employed gives the beginner a chance against the more experienced players.

Though the turnout of players was very good, it is hoped that the handicap feature will attract many more. All employees and their families are welcome to witness or to participate in the matches which will be held at the Center on the second Monday of every month. This is the time and place for YOU to win your table tennis trophy.

## Welcome to Librascope!

We wish to welcome the following people to Librascope:

**Purchasing** — Margaret Hilberg, Frank Stanfield

**Accounting** — James Goodrich

**Sales** — Jeannine Caton

**Manufacturing Planning** — Arthur Taylor

**Toolroom** — William Newman

**Inspection** — Irene James

**Engineering** — Julia McDonald, James Owens, Betty Mehr, Sherman Davis, Marvin Alberda

**Stockroom** — Clifford Minton, Bill Everitt

**Assembly** — Julia Burgess, Virginia Whitson, Vesta Alverson, Dorothy Schafer, Caroline Pollina, Thelma Rainey, Margaret LaHaie, Charlie Ruth Martin, Ana Fontanez

**Model Shop** — Kilmer Moe

**Machine Shop** — Robert Doyle, Mark O'Shea, Harry Scott, Maurice Kline, Gayle Hinton, Robert Wyatt, Frank DeRenzis, John Shoemaker, Edwin Tigges, William Haney, Jerrold Gordon, Dale Talant, Arthur Criege, Edward O'Tremba, Gavin Mathie, Harold Smith, Bernard Geneth, Carlo Silverii, Neal Schlomer, Marion Blackwood

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

## Calendar of Events

Here are the Precisioneers activity dates for 1955. Watch your bulletin board and future editions of the Librazette for further news and instructions.

**June 25 — Saturday**  
Bar-B-Que and Dance—Saxonia Park, Newhall  
Sports Car Rally—End at Saxonia Park, Newhall

**July 9 — Saturday**  
Summer Dance—Los Angeles  
Breakfast Club

**July 30 — Saturday**  
Fishing—Ensenada, Mexico (tentative)

**August 7 — Sunday**  
Golf Tournament—Fox Hill Country Club

**August 20 — Saturday**  
Annual Picnic—Mountain Oak Lodge Park

**September**  
Genuine Hawaiian Luau—Huntington-Sherton Hotel, Pasadena (tentative)

**September 8 — Thursday**  
Bowling Season Starts

**October 9 — Sunday**  
Fishing—San Clemente (tentative)

**October 29 — Saturday**  
Hard Times Dance (tentative)

**November 17 — Sunday**  
Fishing—Port Hueneme (tentative)

**November 13 — Sunday**  
Kids Christmas Party—Hoover High School (afternoon)

**December 23 — Friday**  
Christmas Dinner Dance—Embassy Room, Ambassador Hotel



# Activity Is Keynote of Barnett Success

Ralph Barnett, a well-known and well-liked figure around Librascope, has come up the ladder of success quite rapidly.

Born in Idaho, Ralph spent his early childhood on ranches which accounts for that easy, soft-spoken nature so typical of western folk. The Barnett family moved to Colorado in 1917 and then to Kansas City, Kansas, in 1924. Ralph was educated in Kansas rural, elementary, and high schools and attended Washburn College in Topeka, Kansas.



Ralph V. Barnett

In the spring of 1937, Ralph moved to California and went to work at Lockheed where he remained as a member of the production control department for one and a half years. His leadership ability was early recognized and he was promoted to the engineering group as a supervisor of the P-38 parts listing group in 1939.

By 1942 Ralph was established in engineering systems and procedures at Lockheed handling administrative analysis and procedures. From this group he moved to a staff position with the engineering manager and then with the Chief Engineer where he remained through the end of World War II and the post war reorganization. His main functions during this period were operating procedures, coordination, and organization.

The desire for a business of his own led Ralph to invest some of his hard-earned savings in the Pioneer Escrow Company in Burbank which he organized in 1946. Unfortunately, 1947 proved to be a hard year for new businesses and Ralph was forced to give up. His next position was with his brother

who owned a prefabricated steel construction business, and he remained there until the Fall of 1948.

Ralph began at Librascope as a technical writer in September 1948 and in March 1949 was promoted to Supervisor of Publications with a staff of six. In 1950 he was named Engineering Manager and had a staff of 30 under his direction. During his administration he instituted the forerunner of the planning and scheduling department which now plays an important part in Librascope.

Ralph was next given the task of organizing the master scheduling department in 1953, and after successfully fulfilling this objective, he was assigned to the position of Military Planning Manager. This function has the objective of long range planning directed at various fields of military activities and short range coordination with military customers on problems relating to production contracts. In addition he supervises military sales.

Ralph has a charming wife, Laura, and two good looking children. He is an avid fisherman and hunter. His wife shares his enthusiasm of his fishing excursions but he is alone when it comes to the hunting.

Gunsmithing and woodworking absorb a lot of Ralph's time, and golfers will see him on the fairways in the tournament again this year.

In addition, Ralph still finds time to manage the Librascope softball team.

Perhaps you aspirants for success could take a lesson from Ralph: his magic words to the door of success have not been "Open Sesame" but "Keep Busy!"

— By C. A. Snell

## Was He Pushed Or Did He Slip?

Question of the day left over from the May 15 fishing trip seems to be: Was Carl Miller's descent into the briny deep accidental or was he sabotaged?

Many rumors implying the latter have been floating around and it is our wish to dispel such idle gossip.

There is no element of truth in the tale that Ray McDonald tripped Carl as Wayne Kirby pushed him over the side. Nor were Mac and Wayne, equipped with the gaff handle and a long reach respectively, trying to hold Carl under as he floundered in the sea. Eyewitness accounts to the contrary, the two were only trying to rescue the poor guy.

Calling on hitherto unrevealed strength, our doughty heroes were finally able to haul Carl (225 pounds soaking) aboard and end the excitement.

We suggest that should Carl again desire to engage a fish in hand to hand combat, he pick on the market variety — it's much drier that way!

## Little Leaguers



NEWLY ORGANIZED Little League baseball team is all set to bear the Librascope banner into the Central Altadena Coast Division title race. Pictured above with the team are John Delle Fave, Precisioneer president; Jay Wiltsie, Division vice-president; and Team Manager Paul Leman.

## Precisioneers Back Future Stars

In keeping with a long term interest in youth activities, the Precisioneers are sponsoring one Little League baseball team and contributing to another during the current season.

The Precisioneers of the Central Altadena Coast Division, natty in gold and black jerseys and gold caps, are pictured above. Jay Wiltsie, Military Liaison, acting as vice-president in charge of Central Altadena's Coast Division, reports a total of 150 boys evenly divided among the six teams in this division, an increase of 2 teams and approximately 40 boys over the preceding year. Games will be played at John Muir High School and at the Little League park at Loma Alta and Lincoln Ave. Schedules may be obtained from Johnny Delle Fave, Precisioneer's president, or from Jay Wiltsie.

The Woodland Hills Bulldogs in the Sunset League, also a "minor" division, are partially supported by Precisioneer funds and Coach Joe Riddle, Design Engineering, predicts great things. Besides Joe, there is son, Johnny Riddle, at short stop and the lovely Placerita Pansy (a bulldog type) Riddle as mascot. Coach Riddle reports a 15 to 9 victory in the Bulldogs' first game, while the Central Altadena Precisioneers were not scheduled to play until after press deadline for this issue. However, manager Paul Leman, in an exclusive interview

for the Librazette, states that he expects to field a strong Precisioneer team and feels that the pennant race will be hotly contested all the way.

Little League is a national organization which establishes rules and issues charters to any area conforming to basic requirements and desiring to participate. Areas are established on a basis of population and participating boys must be between 8 and 12 years of age, inclusive. The basic Little League is composed of four teams, fully uniformed and equipped. Each team is limited to 15 boys with a maximum of 5 boys 12 years of age, 5 boys 11 years of age, and a minimum of 5 boys 10 years old or younger. In addition to the basic Little League, an area may support as many "form" or "minor" teams as is desired and more than 60 boys are thus enabled to play in each area.

Central Altadena with a total of 3 leagues comprised of 14 teams and nearly 300 boys is reported to be the largest in the nation in terms of number of participants.

— By Jay Wiltsie

## Anglers Frolic On Fish Jaunt

Deep sea anglers of the Precisioneers boarded the boats "Mustang" and "Bess Too" at the San Clemente pier May 15 for a day of fun and fishing. While rough water made fishing somewhat spotty, it failed to dampen (with one major exception) the enthusiasm of the anglers.

Prizes to the fortunate few who came up with something on the end of their lines besides a hook were awarded as follows:

First Grand Prize — Glen Reyman — 4½ lb. Spanish mackerel  
Second Grand Prize — Neil Hinton — 4½ lb. Sea bass

First Prize, Bess Too — Dare Smith — 4 lb. Spanish mackerel  
Second Prize, Bess Too — George Poppa — Most fish

First Prize, Mustang — Earl Reary — 4 lb. Halibut

Second Prize, Mustang — Ozzie Osborne — Most fish

Next scheduled outing for the salt water addicts is an overnight jaunt to Ensenada to take place July 29 and 30. Details of the trip will be posted on the bulletin boards. Additional information may be had by contacting John Buckens, Machine Shop; Jerry Sikora, Model Shop; or Carl Miller, Engineering.

Many inquiries have been received by the fishing committee concerning additional fishing trips from local as well as out-of-town piers. Charter arrangements will be made by the committee if sufficient requests in writing are received to warrant such a trip.

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## New Maintenance Equipment



NOT ALL NEW TOOLS go into the company's machine and engineering departments as proven by the new electric mover and edger being demonstrated above by Michael Andruchowski of the maintenance section. The new equipment features a part of our maintenance activities, ably supervised by Clifford Dahl, that sometimes becomes apparent only when it is lacking. Michael resides at 1618 Flower Street, Glendale, and has been employed at Librascope since June 25, 1952.

## Precisioneer Softballers



LINING UP to bring softball fans another season of topnotch sporting entertainment are members of the Precisioneers Softball team. Ably managed by Ralph Barnett, the team includes: (back row, from left) Jim Fallet, Jim Harris, Sam Houchin, Ralph Barnett, Jerry Saffell, and Jack Nelson, business manager. (Front row, from left) Al Akens, Wren Ensminger, captain, Tony Noriega, Ed Forgey, and George Henderhan. Not shown are Don Cady, Ed Baker, Walt Newcomer, Howard Henderhan, George Pope, and Jim Cawthorne. (See story on page 3.)