

# Adjustment's Andy Lee Wins Seventh Annual Golf Tournament

Andy Lee, adjustment, broke a hundred for the first time in his life a couple of Sundays ago. Normally such a feat would excite only Andy and would soon be forgotten.

But, the fact that Andy broke through the century barrier while competing in the 7th annual Librascope golf tournament and in so doing won the President's Cup, is news.

Andy's 99-36 stood up before the concerted assault of 75 fellow golfers who toured the Fox Hills course during the afternoon and early evening of August 7. The nineteen foursomes that competed in this year's event almost doubled the number that had teed off in previous years.

Business commitments forced Librascope President Lewis Imm to miss this year's tourney and awards dinner and Lindy Lindahl, Controller, presented the President's Cup to Lee in his absence.

In the interest of strict reportorial accuracy, we should state that Dick Hastings, personable general manager of Minnesota Electronics Corporation, actually copped low net honors in the tournament with a 93-31. Because MEC personnel were not eligible for the President's Cup or other Precisioneer trophies, Dick had to be content with first grab at the prize table. He did, however, walk off with the special trophy for MEC employees.

Another MEC employee, big Bob

Day, who looks as though he could have bulwarked one of those golden gopher lines of Bernie Bierman's, wound up a collector also, when he slammed a prize winning drive off the 10th tee. His prowess netted Bob six golf balls.

Kenny Gowan, waltzed off with the low gross trophy with a sizzling 78 that almost matched the weather. His closest challengers were Forrest McColl with an 82 and Ed Sullivan, next year's tourney chairman, with an 83.

Rounding out the trophy recipients was Art Curley, Art, who finished strong after a rather shaky start, shot a sparkling 100-36 to capture the Whiffer's trophy.

Blind bogey honors went to

Otto Gelormini, whose pretourney guess and tourney shooting added up to the number drawn just before dinner. (Ed. Note: To those benighted few to whom golf remains a mystery akin to those of Eleusis, we extend our sympathy together with a plea that you refrain from asking us to explain what a blind bogey is.)

The sky was clear and the sun warm as the first golfers teed off an hour or so before noon. It was just as clear and a good deal warmer when the last foursome teed off some two hours later.

When the final putt had dropped on the eighteenth green and the last alibi had echoed and re-echoed across the rims of the "19th," the golfers repaired to the

dining room. Never, we are pleased to report, has barbecued beef been so tender or coffee so fragrant as it was that night.

Following the dinner, the trophies and a variety of prizes gathered for the glory and gain of Librascope golfers by members of the purchasing department were awarded. Despite the large entry list, there were few golfers who left empty-handed.

Frank Copple, tournament chairman, and his entire committee, deserve a special vote of commendation for their conduct of the tournament and for the way they handled the multiplicity of details that are attendant on such an affair.

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**CONTRACT NEGOTIATIONS** ended last week with the signing of a one-year agreement between Librascope, Inc. and Precision Lodge 1600, IAM-AFL. The men responsible for the new contract are shown above as they met with Librascope President Lewis W. Imm. They are (l. to r.) union committee members Dick Ahrens, Maury Kimmel, Dan Fitzpatrick, Ed Grossman, and Charles Carroll; Mr. Imm; and management committee members Harlan Buseth, Sid Briggs, Mac McKeague, and Lloyd Somerfield.

## Wage Increase Granted As New Contract Signed

A new union contract has been negotiated between Librascope, Inc. and Precision Lodge 1600, IAM-AFL.

Union members voted overwhelmingly to accept the agreement at a mass meeting August 22 thus providing a new one-year contract well in advance of the expiration date of the old contract.

Major benefits provided for in the new agreement include an 8 to 12 cent an hour increase for employees covered by the contract and a substantially improved insurance program. Exact details of the insurance program have not yet been worked out, but the basic agreement provides that the company will pay for whatever increased coverages and benefits are decided on.

The company has also agreed to correct inequities in the present wage schedule. Details here will also be subject to further discussion.

Negotiations began June 30 and committees representing the union and management met 16 times before a contract agreeable to both parties was drawn up.

For the first time in several years management and union representatives were able to resolve their differences without recourse to the Federal Conciliation Service.

The objectivity of both committees and their refusal to let the negotiations bog down because of minor differences of opinion were felt throughout the seven weeks the negotiations continued.

Harlan Buseth, factory superintendent, served as management chairman at the bargaining sessions. Serving with Buseth on the management committee were Lloyd Somerfield, machine shop foreman; Mac McKeague, personnel manager; and Sid Briggs, director of employee relations.

The union committee, headed by Charles Carroll, chief steward, included Ed Grossman, Dick Ahrens, Maury Kimmel, and Dan Fitzpatrick, Business Agent for Lodge 1600.

## Mathilda Garrett Dies Suddenly

Friends and co-workers of Bob Garrett, design draftsman, were shocked and saddened by the news of the sudden death of his wife, Mathilda K. Garrett, 33, on August 9.

### THANK YOU

To all my dear friends at Librascope:

There are no words that can express my deep feelings and appreciation for your kindness and generosity. I wish to extend my sincere thanks for the inspiring way you came to our aid and helped in whatever way you could to relieve our grief over the recent loss of my wife.

The contributions, the beautiful flowers, and the comforting words of encouragement and concern that you so generously offered, truly reflect the spirit, love and consideration that combine to make this the wonderful company it is. God bless all of you.

Sincerely,  
Bob Garrett  
and Daughters

Bob said his wife had not been ill prior to her collapse. A preliminary examination by the County Coroner failed to reveal an apparent cause of death.

Besides her husband, Mrs. Garrett is survived by two children, Susan Lee, 7, and Bonnie Lou, 3. She also leaves four sisters and a brother.

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## Librascope Display to Highlight GPE Exhibit At Instrument Society of America Show

## Suggest Philanthropy Replace Card Sending

A suggestion to replace the company-wide exchange of Christmas cards with a Yuletide program of aid-to-the-needy has been made by Precisioneers.

The trend to substitute philanthropy for the sending of cards within an organization as large as Librascope is growing in industry, employe group leaders report.

It is estimated that upwards of 10,000 cards were exchanged by Librascope employees during the last holiday season.

Precisioneers spokesmen said they do not wish to lessen the unusually-high feeling of friendship which is found among employees at Librascope throughout the year and especially at Christmas, but would like to extend the sentiment to those who face a grim holiday.

To further make the holiday spirit continue to be felt throughout the company, John Delle Fave, Precisioneer's president, said he would like to see as many employees as possible personally assist in whatever program might be adopted.

Opinions on the idea, as well as suggestions of which charity or charities should be supported, will be welcome by Precisioneers' officers Delle Fave, Russ Hazeltine, Cesar Goldstein, Chuck White, Jack Nelson, and Bob Garrett.

In other industries, similar programs have been built on providing food-and-gift baskets to needy families, names of which are obtained through approved community agencies; parties for children from needy homes and in generally low-economic areas; and parties for children in hospitals, orphanage and detention homes.

Librazette readers will be kept fully informed on progress of the proposed Yuletide program in future editions.

## Remind Employees Of Claim Procedure In Sickness Cases

State law provides that any employee unable to work because of sickness is entitled to disability insurance benefits after the third day of illness if he is under a doctor's care.

Although the coverage is under state provisions, Librascope employees enrolled in the Voluntary Package Plan with Aetna Life Insurance Co. should file claims with the personnel department, NOT WITH THE STATE.

Helen Piroli, personnel, will accept claims and forward them to Aetna.

A claim will not be honored by both the State and the insurance carrier and it is to the advantage of the employee to file with his carrier because benefits are greater.

Under the Voluntary Plan of Aetna, employees in the average hourly wage bracket would receive \$10 a week more in benefits than the state coverage provides.

When a plan such as that offered Librascope employees is better than state coverage, the State authorizes the company to pay the disability insurance deductions to the carrier.

The deduction is the same as that required by state law—1 percent of the first \$3,000 earned during each calendar year. On beginning employment with Librascope the employee may voluntarily subscribe the 1 percent to Aetna Life Insurance Co.

Employees not signed up for the Voluntary Package Plan may wish to investigate the added features offered by it. Questions may be directed to Helen Piroli, personnel.

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

Librascope electronics equipment developed for industry will go on display before thousands of spectators September 12.

The occasion is the annual show sponsored by the Instrument Society of America (ISA) which will be held at the Shrine Auditorium, September 12-16.



Librascope Flowmeter

Librascope employees will have the opportunity not only of acquainting themselves with some of the company's latest developments for industry but also of learning something about other companies operating under the General Precision Equipment corporation banner.

Sharing space with Librascope products in the largest single display of the show will be representative products of Askania Regulator, Kearfott, General Precision Laboratory, and Link.

Serving as coordinator for the entire GPE exhibit is Librascope sales engineer Ed Couleur. Ken Slee, sales manager, will head the Librascope contingent that will man the booths during the show. Assisting Ken will be Dave De Haas and Wilbur Silvertooth, sales engineers, as well as members of the design and project engineering staffs.

Among the Librascope products on display will be a pressure-compensated totalizing flowmeter for gases, designed to operate directly from differential and static pressure elements.

A second company-developed product which will be featured is a magnetically gated transistorized servo amplifier of high efficiency, (Continued on Page 2)



## Rip Van Walton



**SHOWN VIGOROUSLY** pursuing the sport of game fishing is Librascope's chief engineer, D. C. Webster. Note the eagerness and alertness displayed by this master of deep-sea fishing. The occasion was an excursion by several front office people, and the outing will go down in history as the most piscatorially humane ever undertaken. Although hooks were baited and rebaited with regularity, the day's sole success was encountered by Bill Bratton, who managed to land a rare species of *Macrocyttis pyrifera* (kelp to you), with some assistance from the entangled line of MECCA's Jule Harrah. (Ed. Note: We are indebted to a Mr. Anonymous of Burbank for the foregoing information.)

## Navy Security Informed in Disappearance

By Horace Jacobs

There is still no encouraging word about Herman Schulteis' disappearance in the Peten jungle in Guatemala on May 21.

However, in the absence of proof of his death, it is not impossible that Herman might have been detained against his will by elements interested in Navy ordinance, and his disappearance therefore has been reported to the Industrial Security Office of the Inspector of Naval Material as a possible breach of security.

A police report from Guatemala City has indicated that all hotel and boarding house registers in the city were searched and no trace of Herman or of his baggage has been found. The Guatemala immigration authorities have proof, however, that he entered the country at El Carmen on May 17 bearing tourist card number 82213.

A final police report from Flores, Peten, reads as follows:

"Ciudad Flores, Peten  
July 13, 1955

Of. N. 1030  
Director of the  
National Police  
Guatemala

Regarding our message No. Of. M. MMB, 2135 dated July 11, I have the honor to inform you, that United States citizen, tourist, Herman J. Schulteis, was lost at the Ruins of "Tikal" on Saturday, May 21, of the present year, having arrived at the ruins landing strip on the mentioned day in the A.K.A. plane, piloted by Captain Cobar and his copilot Alvarez. The Police Inspector in Uxactun states that said tourist was lost, and that on May 23, an Aviatega mission left for the mentioned place of Tikal in search of him, coming back the same day.

On the 24th of the same month, the Uxactun Police Inspector and his Agents, accompanied by 16 men, left for the above-mentioned ruins, which are situated at 32 kilometers from this place. They were unable to continue the search, because of the lack of food and water, and returned on the 30th, without finding any trace of the archeologist.

On May 31st from the Departmental Capital, the Second Chief of Police, Jorge Quezada Izeppi, left accompanied by the Agents, Francisco Paz Leonardo, Cruz Pinelo Pacheco, Manuel G. Gon-

gora, Arnoldo Ligorria R., and the Inspector Onofre Quijada Mayorga. This mission left that same day at 3:00 p.m. by land, arriving at Tikal next day, June 1, about 3:00 p.m., starting the search June 2, because they arrived very tired. They searched the ruins, which occupy an extension of four square kilometers of dense jungle, going into all the caves, climbing the towers, etc., and as they did not find any trace they searched for him in the mountains, taking different directions in groups of three. They came back the same day to Tikal, where they slept.

After four days of useless search in the mountains, firing guns, and doing all that was humanly possible, they returned to the Departmental Capital on June 7th.

I have the honor of informing you of this, assuring you of my submission and respect. "DIOS PATRIA LIBERTAD" God Country Liberty Manual A. Fernandez Valdez Chief of the Departmental National Police"

Continued efforts are being made to locate Herman's baggage and an offer of reward in the amount of \$500 for proof of his death or for information leading to his whereabouts has been posted in Guatemala.

## ISA Display

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fast response, low heat dissipation and small size.

Designed for use in the arithmetic and memory sections of computers or as a test facility for computer components and read-record heads, a third Librascope item on display is a precision lab-

The Woodland Hills Sunset Little League Bulldog Minors are decked-out in their new team T-shirts, thanks to the annual contribution of the Precisioneers.

Manager Don W. Cress wrote the Precisioneers a letter expressing the gratitude of the team, the total weight of which is less than half a ton. Cress also sent a baseball on which will be inscribed the name of the team and the year. The ball will be kept in a trophy case at Librascope.

The league consists of four teams, the Cardinals, who won first place this year; the Bulldogs, who finished in second place; the Indians; and the Tigers.

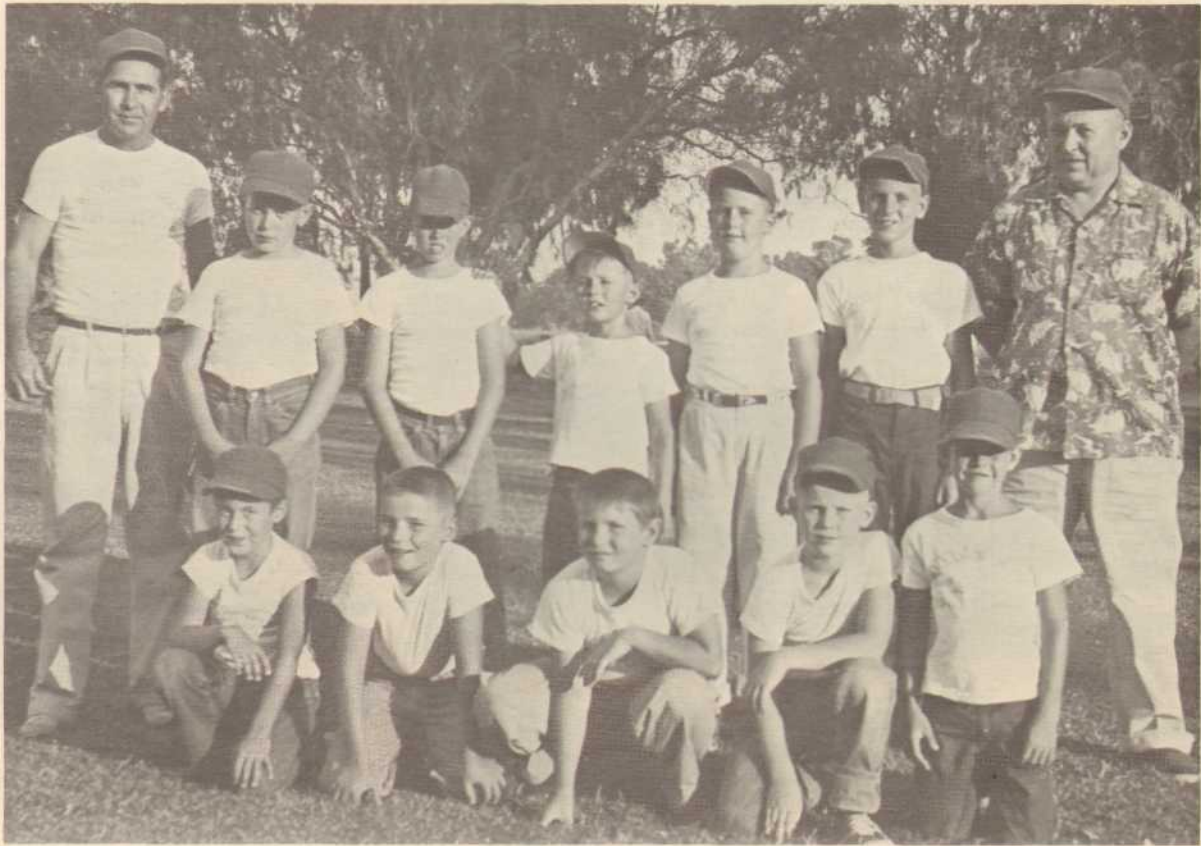
Joe Riddle, engineering, is coach of the team, and father of its shortstop-leftfielder, John Riddle. Joe reports a coaching schedule of about 25 hours per week, adding that the schedule interferes somewhat with grass cutting and car washing.

The objectives of the little leagues are to fight juvenile delinquency through proper direction of youthful energy, prevention of the dangerous practice of street ball, and the development in the youngsters of team spirit, self-development, and pride of achievement.

The goal of the little leagues is to be sponsored eventually by an

organization such as Precisioneers. Such an arrangement promotes loyalty and offers the sponsoring organization a further opportunity to become a part of a dynamic civic program.

The Precisioneers sponsor a little league team of the same name in the Central Altadena Little League. Jay Wiltsie, sales, is vice-president of the Central Altadena Little League and coordinator of one of the playing divisions called the "Coast League." The small "Precisioneers" currently hold first place in this league with one game remaining to be played. If victory is theirs, they will go on to playoffs to determine the league champions.



**MEMBERS OF** the Woodland Hills Bulldogs, second-place finishers in the Sunset little league, recently expressed their thanks to the Precisioneers for the financial support given them during the past season. The Bulldogs are shown above flanked by team manager Don Cress, left, and Joe Riddle, right.

oratory magnetic drum.

In addition, the company's X-Y Plotter and Recorder, types A and B, will be seen in action at the exhibit. The type A Plotter will feature the use of the punch tape converter and the decimal keyboard. The type B Plotter will plot transistor function curves.

Originally specializing in mechanical computers, the company and its two subsidiaries, Minnesota Electronic Corporation (MEC) and Minnesota Electronics Corporation California Associates (MECCA), now design and manufacture a wide range of computers, control systems, and navigational devices for both military and non-military applications.

Librascope products will be shown at yet another exhibition when the Western Electronic Show and Convention opens its doors in San Francisco for a three-day show, August 24-26.

## Elect Bob Jewett Aid Club Chairman

Bob Jewett, one of five new Aid Club members elevated to the 10-man executive committee by departmental designation, was named chairman of the group at its special meeting to open the new fiscal year.

The new chairman, a member of the production services department, succeeds Roy Dimon. Helene Whitt, purchasing, was elected secretary-treasurer.

Other new members beginning one year terms are Don Derrington, engineering; Reginald Moore, model shop; Don Panknin, assembly; and Ray McDonald, personnel.

The new members join incumbents Louis Conetta, machine shop; Jim Johnson, machine shop (second shift); Eloy Barrios, accounting; Bill Reinholtz, electronics; and Helene Whitt.

The mission of the Librascope Aid Club is to provide for a systematic means of contribution to recognized charities and to take care of hardship cases among employees.

Two employees benefited from aid during the month of July. At the present time donations to several worthy causes are being considered. Before a donation is made, the charity is thoroughly investigated for their actual need, just as in an employee hardship case.

In addition, the committee is directing their attention to the Aid Club by-laws. Any additions or revisions will be posted by the Aid Club when they are approved by the committee.

## Stork Club

Charles Blake, machine shop, boy.

Ken Parker, machine shop, boy.

Gerald Morrow, production control, girl.

John Felts, engineering, boy.

Lee Simon, engineering, boy.

Bud Taylor, methods, girl.

John Becker, engineering, boy.

Don Panknin, assembly, boy.

Jim Dooley, production control, boy.

Joseph Solseng, machine shop, girl

For the benefit of all new Librascope parents, a baby blanket is given to each newborn child by the Precisioneers. Please contact Eileen Brown at the Precisioneers store to receive your blanket.



**NEW MEMBERS** of the Librascope Aid Club executive committee meet with the incumbents to consider the distribution of Aid Club funds to needy company employees and organized charities. Bob Jewett (third from left) newly elected chairman, heads the meeting. Left to right are Don Panknin, Helene Whitt, Jewett, Bill Reinholtz, Ray McDonald, Louis Conetta, Reginald Moore, and Eloy Barrios. Not present at the meeting were Don Derrington and Jim Johnson. (Photo by Duggan)



# Recreation Council Helps 21 Groups Plan Fun-Fare

Employee recreation groups such as Librascope's Precisioneers soon may find the business of arranging a party or outing greatly simplified.

The Associated Industrial Recreation Council, now in its first year, is proving its worth already through the compilation of a master card file of picnic areas and party halls suitable to employee groups.

## Changing Baby Complicates Name Changing

Nate (Schmuckler) Sands, technical librarian, is the proud possessor of both new name and namesake. Changing the first, however, was somewhat complicated by the necessity of changing the latter.

Seems that Nate and his wife Muriel were scheduled to make a 9:00 a.m. appearance in Superior Court to legalize the name change a couple of weeks ago. Since they didn't want to expose month-old Eliot Lee to the perils of downtown Los Angeles, they arranged to leave him with relatives.

Little Eliot, uncooperative as babies sometimes are, was himself in need of a change by the time they arrived at the baby sitter's. The situation grew even more hectic when Nate discovered that someone had neglected to bring the all-important rubber sheet.

He was just getting wound up on the subject of woman's inefficiency, when Muriel noticed that someone had forgotten the nipples for baby's bottle.

We're happy to report that everything came out for the best and that Nate is now officially Nathan J. Sands (we hope they spell this one right).

## Bowling Teams Tie for Top

A three-team battle for the top spot highlighted the recently completed summer bowling season. The trio wound up in a tie for first place in league standing and battled it out for the first place trophy sweepstakes night.

The Dunkers wound up in the winner's circle, the DoDo Birds placed second, and the Ramblers copped third place.

The winter league bowling season gets underway officially Sept. 8. Interested persons should sign up on the bulletin boards well in advance of the starting date.



ANDY LEE (left) accepts President's Cup, symbol of golfing supremacy among Librascope employees, from M. L. (Lindy) Lindahl. Andy had double reason to smile over his triumph as his winning 99-36 marked the first time he had broken 100. (Photo by Duggan)

## Welcome

Librascope welcomes the following new employees:

- Purchasing—William Knox
- Methods—Donald Knights
- Accounting—Arthur Levy, Roy McDonald
- Shipping and Receiving—Angelina Bologna
- Systems and Office Services—Beverly McCullick
- Inspection—Henry Warden
- Assembly—Fay Nelson, Juanita Robinson
- Machine Shop—Frank Murtha, William Gleason, Edward Gonzales, Lou Recheck, Herman Thies, David DeLoach, Chas. Brueuer

## Store's New Items Told

The items currently being featured at the Precisioneer's store include FM radios and a complete line of Morgan Tone and Bates bedspreads. A new line of 1847 Roger Bros. and Community Plate silverplate, and the new model Eureka vacuum cleaners are also available.

During September and October, Eileen Brown will have a complete line of Elgin American lighters and compacts on display and will take orders up to November for Christmas delivery.

## Golf Tourney

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Still on the golfing agenda, however, is the Calcutta tournament. This affair pits the sixteen low gross finishers in the annual tourney in match play. The contestants were purchased at the awards dinner for \$10 each. The money goes into a pool and owners of the first and succeeding round winners receive a pro rata share of the total. The further your man goes the more you win.

First round pairings are as follows:

- K. Gowan vs C. Godwin
- C. Culver vs B. Bratton
- E. Sullivan vs B. Singleton
- C. Krone vs T. Ryder
- F. McColl vs W. Jobe
- G. Seltzer vs O. Gelormini
- B. McAboy vs B. Brown
- F. Copple vs D. Hastings

These members are able to integrate the recreation activities and facilities of the various companies and communities.

The AIRC was organized for the benefit of the employees of member firms. It functions only through the enthusiastic cooperation and initiative of the representatives. Through these representatives, the employees of the member firm can gain a great deal in improved employee recreation.



Harlan Buseth

## Neighbor's Suggestion Pays Off for Buseth

A neighbor's suggestion in August 1942 that he seek employment at a then little-known Burbank firm specializing in computing devices led Harlan Buseth to Librascope's door.

An old time machinist who saw something more in Harlan than his application revealed (and hired him on the spot) got the rest of the story.

The man who suggested Librascope as a place of employment was Dave Harrison, today supervisor of mechanical design. The man who hired him was Ross Smith, then shop foreman. Neither has ever had cause to regret what he did.

Nor has Buseth, although a telegram asking him to report to work at a major local airframe manufacturer was being delivered to his Burbank home almost at the moment he was applying at Librascope.

Harlan cast his lot with the small (and not always lusty) company. And events have proven his choice a wise one. Today, Harlan's position as factory superintendent is established, his ability is unquestioned, and his future promises even greater successes.

The path Buseth has trod in the forty years of his life would make familiar reading to a good many American men. He was born in a little town in southwestern Min-

nesota (a town so exclusively Norwegian that Harlan had to learn English when he first started to school). The Buseth family moved to North Dakota in 1921 and Harlan's formal education began in a tiny two-room country school house. He was graduated in 1933 from the Velva, N. D. high school and spent the next two years working at a variety of jobs around his home town.

In the summer of 1935 Harlan joined thousands of other young men in the ranks of the Civilian Conservation Corps and spent the next three years working and studying. It was during his stint in the CCC that he met his wife-to-be and in 1938 Harlan and Mae were married.

Upon leaving the Corps, Harlan migrated to Oregon where he worked as cook, manager, and ultimately part owner of a restaurant on the Klamath Indian reservation. His partner in the business was Ray Setty, whom Harlan first met in the CCC.

The partnership was dissolved in 1941 when Ray came south to California. Harlan soon followed and late in 1941 enrolled in a local training school for wouldbe aircraft workers. Following completion of his course, Buseth spent three months at Consolidated in San Diego.

He was forced to return to Burbank, however, when his wife and two daughters returned from a short stay in North Dakota and decided that the Los Angeles area was the place to live.

Turned down at Lockheed when he applied for work because of a "no labor pirating" agreement then in force among the big aircraft manufacturers, made it necessary for Harlan to seek temporary employment elsewhere. After a couple of months at Lockheed Air Terminal, the suggestion that he apply at Librascope was made and in August 1942, Harlan Buseth began his association with the company.

He worked as a drill press and lathe operator during his early days with Librascope and then was made a floor inspector. Later he was promoted to lead man and from there was advanced to foreman of the machine shop (then located on Santa Anita Street in Burbank).

He became supervisor of the methods department in the general reorganization that occurred when the company moved to its present

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WHIFFER'S TROPHY WINNER Art Curley gives out with a sheepish grin as he accepts his prize from tourney chairman Frank Copple. Despite his 36 handicap and the not-so-subtle heckling of his golfing buddies, Art shot a fine 100 to gain his trophy. (Photo by Duggan)



## Will Mather Finally Wins Rifle Crown

Willard Mather, adjusting department, finally did it. He dethroned Paul Litvinoff, two-year champion of the Big-Bore Rifle at the third annual shoot.

Feeling something like the bridesmaid that never made the charmed circle, Mather always had seen his fine shooting bettered by the finer shooting of Litvinoff in the Big-Bore Rifle Championship.

But when the scores were tallied on July 31, at Melcher's Old Homestead Rifle Range in Topanga, Mather led the 14-man field.

When Ross Hazeltine, vice-president of Precisioners, presented him with the beautiful Championship Trophy, Mather couldn't hide his enthusiasm.

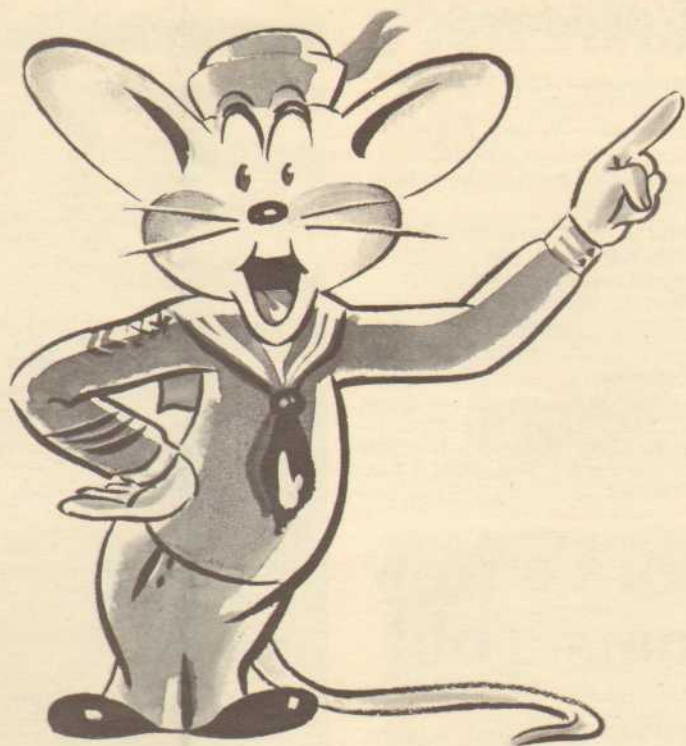
"Man, will my boy be proud when he sees his Daddy bring this home, yeah man, sure-nuff!" Mather exclaimed.

Runner-up and winner of the Silver Medal was Glen Reyman, foreman of the dust-free room. Third place and the Gold Bronze Medal went to Eric Stewart of the inspection department. Stewart's son, Billy, age 10, nearly cheered his Dad to the championship.

Len Soper, inspection (electrical), was the fourth place winner and was presented the Bronze Medal. Others in the finals were Litvinoff, Ed Dobstaff, Ralph Metz, Charlie Parker, Wally Robinson, Paul Mathews, Flo Swaine, Hazeltine, Art Johnson and Maurice Trull.

The shoot was at 200 yards, off hand, with metallic sights.

"Pop" Melcher complimented the riflemen from Librascope on their keen competitive spirit and fine sportsmanship and their well-run tournament which was witnessed by an unusually large turnout.



Now hear this" . . . Lippy's returned.

## Lippy Fulfills Mission; Returns to Librascope

Lippy, the lovable little safety character, is back with his Librascope pals to gently tap them on the shoulder and caution them on everyday safety factors.

For those of you who have not met Lippy, we would like to introduce the little fellow above.

Lippy first appeared as a regular feature in the Librazette annals in the January 1953 issue and is back after a leave of absence which enabled him to train his helpers in the important field of promoting safety among industrial workers.

Lippy first heard of Librascope when he was doing his stint in the Navy (hence, the Navy uniform). Lippy then made his nest in a Librascope Mark 4 and it was such a comfortable, neat little place—he lived in the dripproof section on the first floor—that he decided to look up Librascope.

Lippy is well versed on the subject of safety with experience ranging from being chased by alley cats in Brooklyn to sacred cats in Cairo.

This crusader for safety will come to you each month with pointers on avoiding the pitfalls of carelessness and hopes that he will help you to keep Librascope's safety record at the top.

## Novel Incorporated Air Group Seeks Members

One of the more novel non-profit corporations in the state is the "Wanderaires," which at the present time is nearly composed of Librascope employees exclusively.

Although the status may change after the current membership drive, seven of the present eight members in the unusual group are company workers.

And what do they do? Well, the group's name is very appropriate. These fellows own an airplane and make use of it regularly.

The plane, a Luscombe Silhouette, was paid for through corporate members shares, currently valued at \$200, and associate members shares which cost \$50. Bob Jewett, an active member, explains that corporate members have voting rights in addition to all privileges. Associate shares carry no voting power and are not returnable, but may be applied to a corporate membership.

The group would like to expand its membership sufficiently to enable immediate purchase of a four-place plane.

Despite the multiple ownership, members report that no serious scheduling difficulties have occurred yet.

Flight instruction is available and new members must either be "checked out" to the satisfaction of the instructor, or, if a student, have 12 or more hours in an Aeronca or similar trainer.

Each member is covered by a \$50,000/\$100,000 P.L. and P.D. insurance policy.

Monthly dues for corporate members are \$5 and flying time costs \$4 per hour, payable monthly. Associate members pay no dues, but must fly a minimum of 1½ hours per month at the rate of \$6 per hour.

In addition to Jewett, Librascope employees holding membership are Bud Linsley, Glen Seltzer, Dave Pickens, Ed Hirt, Hank Fasola, and Carroll Schramling.

## MEC News

By Bob Day

Congratulations to Clarence Krech and Audrey Willett (both of MEC) who were married on July 16. Most everyone in the company had been expecting these two to take the "fatal step," but when we arrived at work Monday morning, July 18, and discovered that Clarence and Audrey had become Mr. and Mrs. over the weekend, we were all surprised (and very pleased).

It seems that Cupid is really working overtime as far as MEC employees are concerned. Not only did we have a surprise wedding, but two of our young ladies are now flashing their diamond rings around the office. Congratulations to Sally McCoy, secretary, and Virginia Hurley, bookkeeper, upon their engagements.

We have welcomed three new employees into the MEC family. They are: Jack Dean, who will be working in our Accounting Dept.; Hedy Galyon and Mabel Kuhlmeier, both of whom will be working in our Potentiometer Dept.

Our congratulations to Mr. Hastings and his high handicap in winning the choice of first prize at the golf tourney.

Pickwick Pool was the chosen recreation spot for a few of MEC's best waders and swimmers recently. Those attending were quite disappointed when the loud-speaker announced that the pool was closing an hour earlier that evening. The management had reduced the admittance fee and changed their schedule for the season that day. Requests for a repeat with more time at the pool are being honored.

## Buseth Story

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location. He was upped to the factory superintendent's position in late 1952 and today heads the machine shop, assembly and adjustment departments, and factory maintenance.

Buseth, as head of a committee representing management, has a key role in the contract negotiations which are currently underway between the Company and Lodge 1600 IAM-AFL.

## Miss Geiger Will Marry In Glendale

Holy Family Catholic Church in Glendale will be the scene of the nuptials uniting Carolyn Geiger, accounting, and Larry Foley in marriage. The ceremony will take place at 11:30 a.m., August 27.

The bride's gown will be of white silk shantung, fashioned ballerina length with a round sequined lace yolk, long tapered sleeves, fitted torso, and a full sweeping skirt. Her finger-tip veil was made by Violet Tarbell, also from accounting.

Maid of Honor will be Carol Geiger, twin sister of the bride, of Denver, Colo. Shirley McGillicuddy, Librascope receptionist, will be the bridesmaid.

A wedding reception will be held in the Continental Room of Glendale's California Hotel, immediately following the ceremony.

The groom, a graduate of the University of Oklahoma, was recently commissioned and is awaiting orders to report to Ft. Sill, Okla. Carolyn will continue her employment with Librascope until that time.

The couple, who are both natives of Wellington, Kansas, are planning a week's honeymoon in Las Vegas and northern California.

A group of Librascope friends honored Carolyn at a bridal shower earlier this month given by Violet Tarbell, Lorraine Thompson, and Shirley McGillicuddy.

## MEC Product Put On Market

Another company product has reached the general market after a long period of service to the military forces.

The Mutual Inductance Micrometer, originally manufactured for the U. S. Navy, is now available to industry, according to an announcement by Minnesota Electronic Corporation of Burbank, Librascope Inc. subsidiary.

Tested and approved by the National Bureau of Standards, the instrument measures the dynamic clearance of a rotating shaft, indicating its eccentricities.

The micrometer, which has a measurement range up to a speed of 6000 rpm, gives a highly satisfactory performance for turbines, marine engines and other land and shipboard installations.

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**UNDAUNTED BY DEFEAT**, members of the Librascope girls' softball team pose for the roving cameraman prior to going into action against the Thrift-D-Lux sirens. Standing (l. to r.) Doris Reay, Joan Claunch, Donna Von Schritzt, Reba Dement, Vesta Alverson, Lois Biggie, and manager Jack Nelson. Seated (l. to r.) Jean Calley, Diane Lewis, Dolores Harris, Anita Wieler, Marie Andresino, Mary Hauchin, and Dottie Gifford. (Photo by Duggan)

## Practice Pays for Girl Softballers

Librascope's girl softballers received proof positive that if practice doesn't make them perfect it may ruin them completely.

Stung by the 55 to 6 shellacking handed them by a team of young amazons from Burbank, our doughty girls challenged the Old English Cleaners team of Montrose. The scene of action was Verdugo Park and when the dust of battle had finally cleared away our girls were once more on the short end of the score.

Not only did they lose the game,

they lost the services of one of their stars for the remainder of the season. Marie Andresino fractured a bone in her foot sliding into second base. Her crutches, parked beside her desk, remain a symbol of team spirit.

The improvement shown by the team in this and subsequent practice sessions prompted manager Jack Nelson to re-schedule a game with the Thrift-D-Lux Cleaners aggregation, the team that had humiliated our girls in their initial outing.

Our girls, still outclassed but

never outfought, showed such tremendous improvement over their first game that their opponents believed they were facing a different Librascope team. The final score of 24 to 4 was but a partial indication of how good the Libragals looked.

Sparked by the inspired hurling of Vesta Alverson and Dottie Gifford, the girls made a battle of it in the early innings only to weaken in the late stages of the game. Jean Calley, Helen Perez, and Joan Claunch shared the catching duties.