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## COVER

*In the midst of the excitement of the third annual Precisioneers Easter Egg Hunt, two Librascope youngsters calmly pause to compare their plunder. Photos of the fun ... and some of the nearly 400 wide-eyed children who participated appear on pages 3-7.*

*Photographers contributing to the pictorial success of this issue include Jim Avera, Arthur Adams, Earl Erickson, Rex Fries, Bill Holst and Jim Norwood.*

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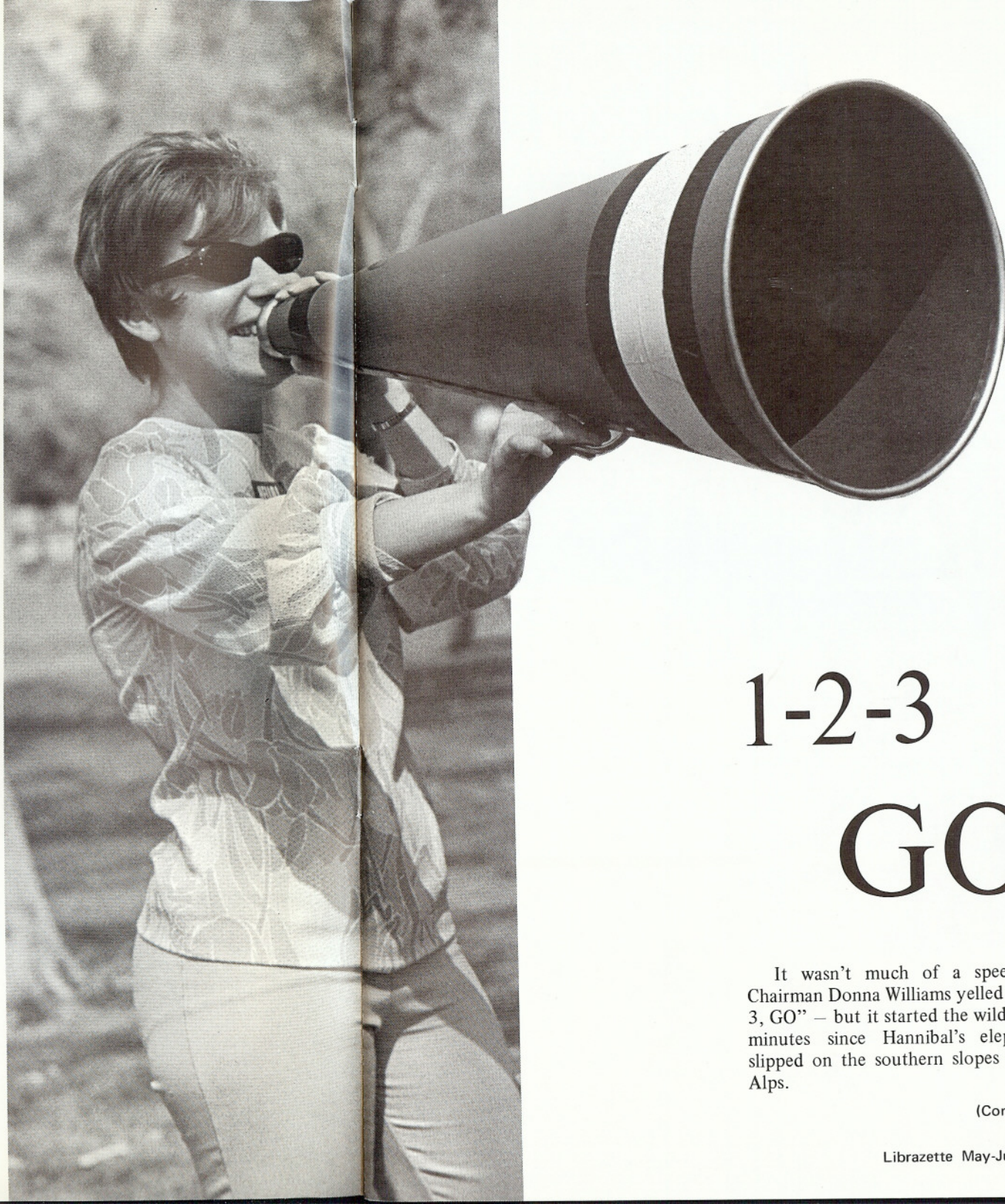
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# 1-2-3 GO!

It wasn't much of a speech — Chairman Donna Williams yelled "1, 2, 3, GO" — but it started the wildest 15 minutes since Hannibal's elephants slipped on the southern slopes of the Alps.

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## 1 - 2 - 3, GO!

The scene was the annual Precisioneers Easter Egg hunt at North Hollywood Park on March 29. The day was warm and sunny and until 9 in the morning was peaceful and serene.

The uniform for the day was shorts or slacks, with an occasionally frilly dress thrown in for good measure. The start was fair. The kids were in their right age bracket. The coaching by the parents (and grandparents) was according to long-established rules. The baskets were within the legal limits. And the kids had a ball.

Actually, the kids had an egg. Or to be more specific they had about 2500 of them; colored and hid by many employees who contributed to the success of the day. (Continued)







Games, Prizes, Refreshments and  
a visit by the Easter Bunny...  
help make the day a success

The hunt was divided into three groups and areas. One was for the 2 to 4 year-olds, another for 5-7 and then the "really big kids", 8-10. For each group there was a grand-prize winner (the finder of the golden egg) and silver eggs brought consolation prizes to a number of lucky winners.

The golden egg was found in the 2-4 age group by James Macon and silver eggs the bunny left were picked up by Gina Cortazer, Teresa Robledo, April Robledo, Tommy Gardner and Shelly Rae La Mountain. This group has more silver egg winners because they didn't have the variety of games the older groups had. Joanne Keithley was the Precisioneer chairman for this group.

The 5-7 group met under the direction of Ora Lee Price. Little Monica Gain found the golden egg with Jimmy Avera the silver egg champion. Mike Minson found the prize egg in the "big kid" group but the silver egg was never located. (there is a suspicion a Librazette photographer stepped on it)

Each of the groups played games, and received punch, cookies and favors. Prizes for the games included: kites, bolo bats, bunny banks, chocolate stuffed rabbits, hop-scotch games and jack sets.

"I want to thank all the employees who worked so hard to prepare the eggs, run the games, handle the punch and cookies or just generally made themselves useful", Chairman Donna Williams said. "but most of all I'd like to thank the parents who brought their children. They really made it a big success. The Easter bunny was delighted with the day, and so was I."

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**UNITED CRUSADE**—Paul Glass, right, chairman of the Librascope Aid Club, presents a check for \$10,000 (first quarter payment of the 1969 employee pledge) to United Crusade representative Captain Walter Wycoff, commanding officer of the Salvation Army Burbank Corps. Looking on, left, is Dennis Murphy, director of the Crusade's Commerce & Industry campaign. The donation is part of an annual pledge of \$32,000 made by Librascope employees during last year's campaign. The money will be used to support the Salvation Army and some 255 other United Crusade organizations.

**New Junior Achievement Program Needs Advisors**

As a successful Junior Achievement year is drawing to a close and Wize Enterprize, the Librascope-sponsored JA firm, prepares to liquidate its assets, Mrs. Nancy Laughlin, Junior Achievement program coordinator, is already looking ahead to next year.

"We are seeking a staff of new advisors for the 1969-70 program," she said.

The function of a Junior Achievement advisor is to help teenage Achievers organize their business firms, solve any problems that may develop and, in general, learn the lessons of the free enterprise system.

Three primary advisors (Management Advisor, Sales Advisor and Production Advisor) and three alternates are needed. The JA program begins in October, 1969 and runs through May, 1970.

Advisors undergo three two-hour training sessions prior to the start of the program, then counsel the Achievers two hours, one evening a week.

Employees interested in becoming a JA Advisor are invited to contact Mrs. Laughlin at extension 1225.

**O'Connell Joins Librascope As Sub Systems Manager**

Edward J. O'Connell has joined Librascope's Systems Division as marketing manager of Submarine Systems.

According to R. O. Vaughan, vice president-Marketing, O'Connell will be active in existing and advanced antisubmarine warfare systems, reporting to C. C. Buterbaugh, manager of Advanced Submarine Programs.



O'Connell

Prior to joining Librascope, O'Connell was a senior applications engineer for Northrop Nortronics, Anaheim, specializing in checkout equipment for Polaris/Poseidon Missile systems. Before that he was with ITT Gilfillan, Los Angeles, as marketing manager for air traffic control radars.

He has extensive experience in underwater fire-control systems and submarine detection systems with the Arma Division of the American Bosch Arma Corporation, Garden City, New York. O'Connell was also active in torpedo fire control, torpedo countermeasures, and sonar systems with the Sperry Gyroscope Company, Great Neck, Long Island.

O'Connell is a former Captain in the U.S. Marine Corps and an Operations Officer with a Terrier guided missile battalion. He is a veteran of World War II and of the Korean conflict.

A graduate of the U.S. Naval Academy, O'Connell has a B. S. degree in Naval Engineering. He has had additional technical training at five of the U.S. Navy's schools for officers and at the U.S. Army Artillery Officers School.

**Two Long Holiday Weekends Ahead**

Two three-day weekends are in store for Librascope employees as both Memorial Day (May 30), and Independence Day (July 4), fall on Fridays this year.

According to Ray R. McDonald, manager of Industrial Relations, employees will not be scheduled for work on the holidays except on an emergency basis.



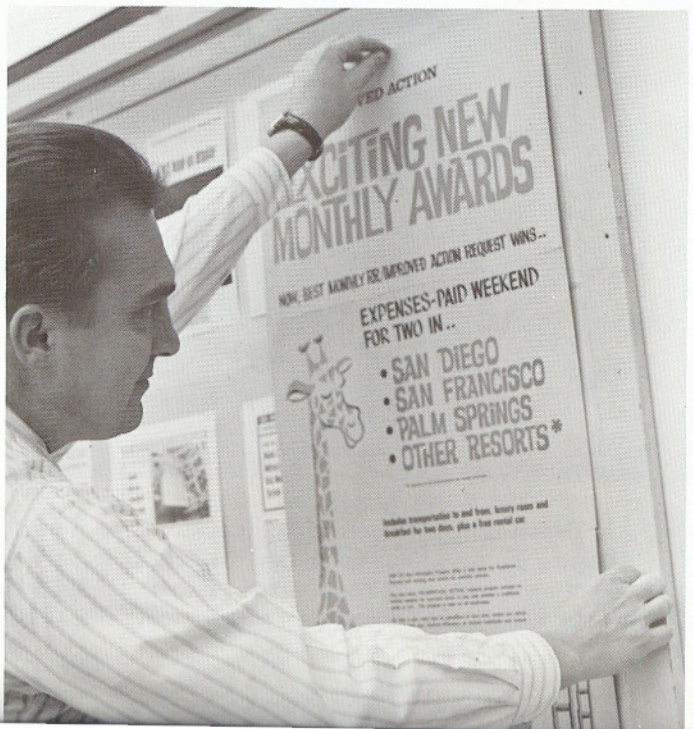
Art Department cartoonist John Erickson spends part of his time each day dreaming up ways to communicate the Zero Defects Program at Librascope, and one of his dreams — a pint-sized cartoon character — has been telling the ZD story here since early 1965. Please turn page for more about . . .



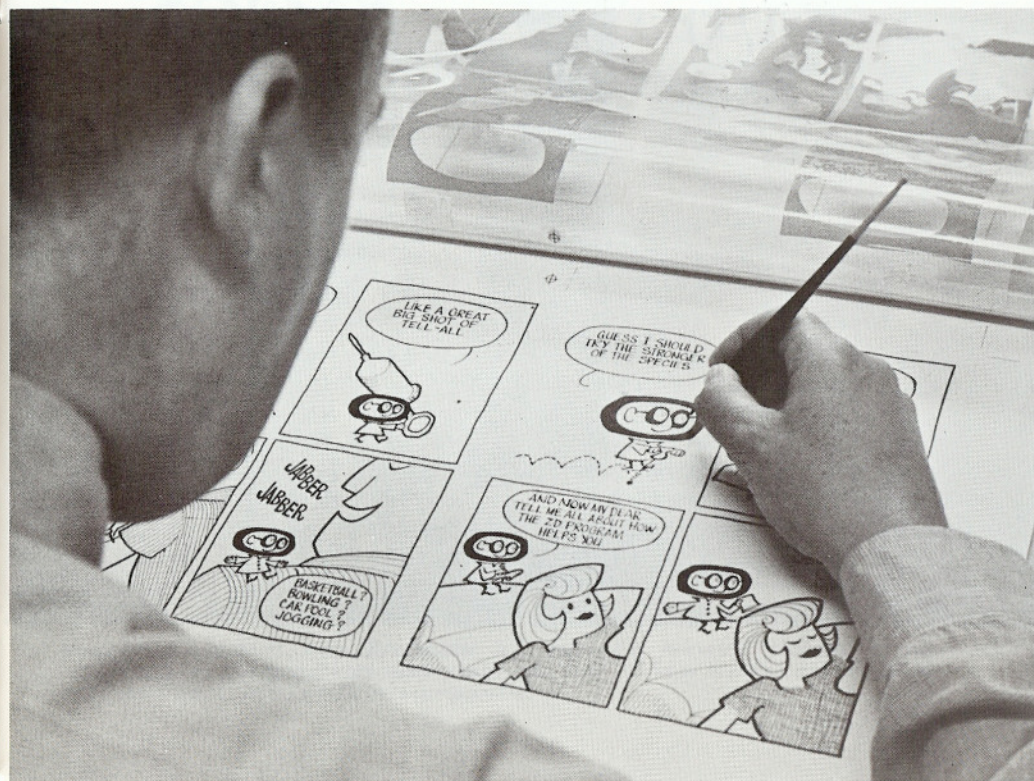


## Double-O Zero, John Erickson's “Child of the Magic Pen”

*John hangs a poster recently completed to publicize the new monthly awards for RR/Improved Action winning suggestions.*



*The finishing touches on a set of original drawings for the comic book to be used to promote the new ZD competition, are drawn in by the skillful hands of John Erickson – “father” of a very precocious young son, Double-O Zero.*



Most employees have to leave their children at home or at school when they come to work each day but commercial artist John Erickson has a “child” right here in the plant—a young fellow with a fairly square head, wears large horn-rimmed glasses, has spindly legs, mostly wears a trench coat (even when not raining), and is going on five years old.

From first doodle to finished conception “Double-O Zero” is John Erickson’s “on the job” baby.

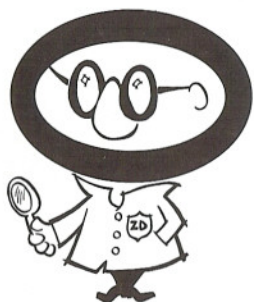
Born in 1965 as the symbol of the Zero Defects program young “Double

O” can truthfully be called a stepson of James Bond. “I guess everything that was done that year lacked a certain amount of originality”, John remembers. “That was the year the whole world was caught up in the world of agent 007”.

John is now fond of reminiscing about the birth of “Double-O” and recalls the assignment to create the ZD symbol came accompanied by an armload of reference material from different companies around the nation who were also engaged in the new program.

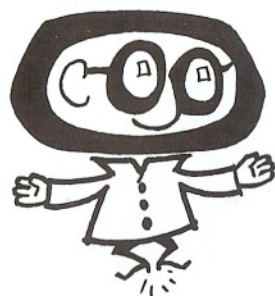
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#### Original "Double-O" —

Created early in 1965, Erickson's original "Agent Double-O Zero" had an elliptical head and oval shaped horn-rimmed glasses. "The head actually was the 'zero' and the glasses provided the 'Double-O'," the cartoonist explained.



#### 1969 Version —

Clearly showing the evolution of his character is today's "Double-O Zero." Note the squared head and bold, heavier rims on the glasses. And, while the original cartoon character often was seen standing around with a magnifier (looking for defects), the 1969 version is pictured in more active poses.

## Double-O: "a fairly easy birth"

"I remember some material especially from Litton", John adds, "They had a character patterned after 'Zorro' that I thought was pretty well done, and I remember my first thoughts were along somewhat the same line."

How then did "Double-O" finally materialize?

"Well actually I just took a piece of paper and a pencil and started doodling", John says. "I took the word 'zero' and naturally a big circle appeared. The head actually is the symbol — the 'Zero' part of the ZD tag if you will, and then I added a touch of James Bond and all of a sudden there he was. The horn-rimmed

glasses became, obviously, the "Double-O" and before the day was over, he was born. A fairly easy birth, as I recall, and not a particularly long gestation period. I refined him a little as the days went by — I remember the squared head was a change I made later — but basically he was about the same in the end as the beginning."

John is a nine-year veteran of Librascope, and claims to be a 10-year resident of the Golden State. He's a native of Massachusetts and a graduate of the Massachusetts College of Fine Arts where he received his Bachelor of Fine Arts degree. He later studied at

USC "where I went intending to become an architect."

What are the chances of "Double O" growing up and becoming like the "big kids"?

"Pretty good," John says. "As a matter of fact we've just finished a comic book starring the little guy. The idea will be to promote a new Zero Defects contest, just now getting under way."

"Sometimes I have the feeling that 'Double-O' is going to turn out to be another 'Skeezix' or 'Orphan Annie'; just keep getting older and older but never changing". □



Manager of Contracts Jerry Beushausen, left, joins Jim Norwood, chairman of the communications and awards committee, center, and John Erickson in a final approval of the entry blank for the new Zero Defects competition.





Retiree Lois Cain is surrounded by friends at the party held in her honor prior to her retirement from Librascope service.

### Mrs. Lois Cain Ends 12-Year Service Career

Lois Cain, circuit board lead, has retired following a 12-year service career at Librascope.

Born in Aurora, Illinois, she moved to California at an early age, growing up in the Glendale area and graduating from Glendale High School.

Mrs. Cain began her Librascope career in 1957 working on the line for Jerry Henshaw. She has the distinction of having helped introduce dip soldering here.

Lois and her husband, Jack, have one son (just returned from service in Viet Nam), one daughter and a grandson.

An avid gardener, she especially likes to take care of her flowers; roses are the Lois Cain specialty. The family enjoys backyard barbecues.

Following retirement, Lois and Jack plan some short trips to various locations in California and then will drive back to Vermont for a visit. The Cains may move to Santa Barbara in the fall and establish a home there.

### Avera Elected President Of Precisioneers Board

Jim Avera, senior photographer in Photo Service and 1969 vice president of the Precisioneers, has been named president of the employee organization. His appointment was necessary because of the departure from company service of former president, Paul Lough.

Lee Frederick, secretary in the Publications Department, was elected vice president by the Precisioneers Board of Directors.

### General Counsel Lassagne Enters Private Practice

General Counsel Theodore H. "Ted" Lassagne is a recent Librascope retiree following 15 years of valued service.

Lassagne joined Librascope in 1954 after practicing law with the private law firm of Naylor and Lassagne in San Francisco for 19 years.

He attended George Washington Law School and the University of Illinois, and has been admitted to practice before the U.S. Patent Office, the state Bar of California, and the U.S. Supreme Court. In 1937 he filed the patent application for the original Librascope.

Since his retirement from Librascope, Lassagne has been associated with the Glendale law firm of Huebner and Worrel, and will continue to serve Librascope in a consultant capacity.



Lassagne

### Cost Savings Lag But Chairman is Optimistic

March-end figures on the cost reduction program for both the month and the first quarter of 1969 continued to lag according to a report from Buzz Newman, Librascope group coordinator.

The March target of \$128,000 was not approached as the actual savings showed a figure of \$90,978. The quarterly figures indicate \$20,000 under-target with a savings of \$364,000 against a target figure of \$384,000.

Newman reminds all employees that the 1969 figure for cost reduction savings is \$1,525,000.

Early inputs for April indicated that Librascope cost-savers were getting back on the monthly target, Newman said.

"This is due in part to incentives in the RR/Improved Action program. Every RR/IA submission is screened for cost savings potential," he added.

### Take Care This Summer

Accidents in the United States annually kill 12,000 children, permanently maim 50,000 and temporarily injure another million. Studies show that 65 percent of serious accidents to children occur between May and September. June and July are peak months. The peak time is 5 p.m.

### R. C. Dartnell Named New Chief Engineer at OTC

ROCKVILLE, Md. — Robert C. Dartnell has been appointed Chief Engineer of the Librascope Optics Technology Center, according to Harold A. Timken, Jr., manager of OTC.

Dartnell has a background of fourteen years in engineering and design supervision covering optical, mechanical and electronic systems.



Dartnell

He was formerly with Bausch & Lomb, Inc., Rochester, New York, in the Photogrammetry Department of the Research & Development Division. Prior to his Bausch & Lomb affiliation, Dartnell was with the Canadian aviation Electronics Ltd., Montreal, Canada, working on electromechanical systems and associated instrumentation. Before that he was a section leader and senior engineer in the Industrial Instruments Division of S. Smith & Sons, Ltd., London, England.

Dartnell is a graduate of the Willesden College of Technology with Higher National Certificates in Metallurgy, Applied Heat, Electronics, and Industrial Administration. He is a British Chartered Engineer and an Associate Member of the British Institution of Mechanical Engineers.

He, his wife, Patricia, and their children, Peter and Kimberly, live in Glenhill, Maryland.

### 2nd Annual Precisioneers Luau Scheduled June 21

The annual Precisioneers Luau will again be held at the Tikis, in Monterey Park, according to an announcement by Mrs. Jeri Tichenor, chairman of the event this year.

The date selected by the committee is June 21, a Saturday evening, with dinner from 7 to 10 and dancing on to 1 in the morning.

Tickets are available at \$5.50 each which will include an Hawaiian buffet, floor show and dancing to the fine music of three bands. Tickets will go on sale May 26. No reservations can be taken before this date.

Approximately 200 employees attended the luau last year and Chairman Tichenor estimates a like number for the event this year.



SKI RESORT—Mammoth Mountain, the "Mecca" of Southern California's skiing set provided an appropriate backdrop for the LibraSkiers final weekend ski trip of the season.

### Mammoth Provides Snow For Libra Skiers Finale

When an unusual late "snow flurry" in early May presented the LibraSkiers with a "ski bonus", the group responded with a weekend at Mammoth Mountain which turned out to be a fitting culmination to the ski year.

The group found that there was indeed still "snow in them thar hills" and classified the slopes as "excellent". The result was a full two-days of activity.

Lodging was at the Mammoth Mountain Inn.

The crowd found six inches of new snow on a 15 foot base which proved to be just what the "ski" doctor ordered.

At the end of the trip the LibraSkiers had logged an even 100 man-days of skiing with no casualties on the slopes or on the highways. The season included two trips to the facilities at Mammoth Mountain and one to June Mountain.

The club wrapped up its first ski season with a dinner party at the Round Robin Restaurant in Glendale on May 10. Guests of the club were John O'Neill, founder and past president of the "Buddys Angels" ski club who showed a film, and Ken Krause, president of Litton's "Minaret" ski club who will make their ski trip to Innsbruck, Austria available to Librascope skiers.





## Ted and Fay Meyers are modern day prospectors on the trail of a Bottle Bonanza

The scene is always the same. The old "Forty-Niner" throws the last of his poke on the bar and shuffles off into the night with a whiskey bottle clutched in his hand. Soon the contents are gone and the bottle is cast into the night, never to be seen again.

Not quite. Now, a century later, collectors are following in that old gold miner's footsteps. Patiently searching for that bottle thrown away so casually so long ago.

Ted Meyers, maintenance supervisor in the Products Division, not only looks for the old whiskey bottles—he's an avid collector of relatively new ones. Not just any old bottle, but very special, and very rare, Jim Beam "Regal Chinas".

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*Collector Ted Meyers and  
some of his rare "China"  
bottles.*





*Above: The wanderings of the Meyers family results in many valuable finds. Here Ted arranges some lanterns, lamps and relics of by-gone prospector days he has found during his travels around the southland. Right: Fay Meyer finds that even a hobby needs dusting – and guess who draws that household assignment.*

## The Best Diggings Are Getting Scarce

Ted and wife Fay (who worked on encoder assembly for 11 years until last August) are a couple of a strange new breed criss-crossing the California landscape. They are among the 50,000 "bottle bugs" in California alone, and the total swells each year, while at the same time the best "digs" are becoming more scarce.

It's possible of course, that you're standing on a rare "cobalt blue" right now—worth \$50. Most bottles, discarded over 100 years ago, are still found within a couple of feet of the surface. Those were the days before machines took all the character out of bottles. And a surprising lot of history is wrapped up in bottles of all shapes and sizes. They contained sauces and pills, pickles and potions, whiskey and

molasses, perfume and poison.

"We've sort of concentrated on the 'Shangri-La' of the antique bottle business", Ted says. "Whether we got started late, or whether my wife just happened to read the right book, I just don't know.

"Fay and I are both really avid when it comes to fishing and camping and a couple of years ago we realized we were going a lot of places most people never got to, so we started looking around. We found a number of old mine cabins that obviously hadn't been visited for years and found a lot of interesting objects in them. Our best find was an old pot-bellied stove—unfortunately too heavy to move but we still know where it is.

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*Ted and Fay still have the book that really got them started on the "Jim Beam craze" and they find it a ready reference in determining the \$ value of their latest discovery.*

## To find a rare Jim Beam "China" is a real Bonanza

"We picked up a lot of old shovels and picks and a couple of old wagon wheel jacks, and in the process started picking up old—and interesting—bottles. Then Fay read the book about the 'Jim Beam' craze".

In 1955 the famous Jim Beam company started making a special bottle for the Christmas trade, a bottle known as the "China bottle". A very special bottle, the "China" is a ceramic bottle that's baked and glazed, then hand decorated. The rarest of all was made especially for the First National Bank of Chicago a number of years ago. Total number of bottles made that year for this select customer—100.

This was the story Fay read one

day last year as she was catching up on her reading, and the next week Ted and Fay were out in the hills again—this time looking for rare bottles, and, hopefully, Jim Beam bottles, circa 1955-68.

So far Ted has found one—in a neighbors living room. Made for Harold's Club of Reno, Nevada, the bottle had a price value of \$150. It now has a special place of honor in Ted and Fay Meyer's Sylmar trailer home—value is now \$225.

If the old gold miners who stormed the "diggings" from Sutter's Mill to the Barbary Coast had only known what they were throwing away. Not to mention the modern-day drinkers who cast off "the empty Christmas gift". □



**GOLF WINNERS**—Jim Drugan, center, the newest "Doctor" in town, won top honors in the Precisioners 1969 Kickoff Golf Tourney held recently at Ontario National, with a gross 78. Dan Mason, second from right, won low net with a 66 and Charlie Ha'o, second from left, followed with a net 69. Others in the photo are club president Mark Ferry, right, and secretary Dick Regan.

## Drugan Wins Golf Tourney Despite Double-Bogey Five

by Dick Regan

Precisioners Golf Club's 1969 season started with its annual Good Friday Kickoff Tournament at the Ontario National Golf Course. Low Gross Honors went to Dr. Jim Drugan for his very respectable 78. The "Doctor" 4-putted the par 3 third hole for a double-bogey five from 30 feet and still managed to remain calm.

Dan Mason won Low Net Honors with a 82-16-66. In the tournament winner's circle for the first time were Charlie Ha'o and Jerry Mundy. Charlie carded an 89-20-69 for Second Low Net, and Jerry a 99-28-71 for Third Low Net.

A total of 56 golfers toured the course and the highest recorded score for the days play was Dick Hanahan's 126-34-92.

The club's next outing will be their Summer Tournament, June 14, at Valencia. All golfers, members and non-members, are invited to participate. June 4 is the deadline for Summer tourney registrations.

## Tailgaters Beware . . .

One of the three most frequent driving faults involved in highway and freeway accidents is "tailgating," following the car ahead too closely. And, over one-third of the accidents involving this fault result in death and injury.

## Engineer Earns Cash for Technical Presentation

Herbert G. Jacks, staff engineer in Systems Reliability Assurance, delivered a paper, "The Reliability of Long Life Repairable Equipment," at the 10th Annual West Coast Reliability Symposium held recently at the Century Plaza Hotel in Los Angeles.

The paper also was published in the proceedings of the Symposium, earning for Jacks two awards (totaling \$150) under Librascope's Employee Writing Incentive Program (EWIP).

For information about EWIP and how you may earn cash awards for technical presentations and papers, contact F. R. "Mac" McCarthy, Public Relations, extension 1483.

## Ice Capades Trip Rates High With Employees

The recent Precisioners bus trip to the Ice Capades was acclaimed a huge success by all who attended, according to a report by Charles B. Ha'o, chairman of the event.

The 50 available tickets were snapped up soon after the announcement of the trip was made, Ha'o said.

The group had dinner at the Blarney Stone restaurant and then the bus took them to the Los Angeles Sports Arena where the world-famous ice show was performing.



# Singer- General Precision Notes

## Eisenhower Commemorative Film Strip is Released

Chicago, Ill.---Society For Visual Education, Inc., a Chicago-based subsidiary of The Singer Company, announces release of "Dwight David Eisenhower: 34th President of the United States," a commemorative sound filmstrip biography designed for intermediate and junior-senior high school social studies.

All photographs shown in this carefully-researched pictorial documentary are authentic. They were especially selected for the filmstrip from thousands supplied by news services and other photo archives.

Emphasizing the events that molded Eisenhower's character, the filmstrip traces his roles as soldier, patriot, educator and President, the retirement years, and the final funeral ceremonies in Abilene, Kansas.

SVE is currently celebrating its 50th anniversary as the leading producer and distributor of filmstrips, study prints and related instructional materials. The company is part of Singer's Education and Training Products Group.

## Dr. F. N. Gillette Named DSSG Technology Director

Dr. F. N. Gillette has been appointed Director of Technology of the Defense & Space Systems Group.

Dr. Gillette joined the GPL Division of General Precision in 1946 after a tour of duty at M.I.T.'s Radiation Laboratory.

He received a BS from Bradley Polytechnic Institute in 1938 and his Ph.D in Physics from the University of Illinois in 1942. He has most recently been Director of Research and Advanced Development of GPL Division.

## W. F. Schmied Appointed Kearfott Chief Executive

Little Falls, N.J.---Dr. Donal B. Duncan, President of Singer-General Precision, Inc., and Group Vice President of The Singer Company, announced today the appointment of William F. Schmied as Division Chief Executive and General Manager of the Singer-General Precision's Kearfott Division, head-



Schmied

quartered in Little Falls, N.J. Schmied also retains the title of Vice President of Singer-General Precision, Inc. Schmied was previously a Vice President and Director of Engineering at Litton Industries' Guidance and Control Systems Division. He was associated with Litton for ten years. Prior to that he was with the Autonetics Division of North American Rockwell Corp.

Kearfott Division has plants in New Jersey, New York, Ohio, North Carolina and California. It is one of the world's leading designers and producers of aircraft and missile navigation, guidance systems and airborne digital equipment. It employs more than 7,000 people, including over 2,500 engineering and technical support personnel.

## Satellite Communications Field Lures Tele-Signal

Woodbury, New York---Tele-Signal Corporation, a subsidiary of The Singer Company, has entered the satellite communications field with the development and introduction of a new circuit-control and switching subsystem to be used to semi-automate the service portions of world-wide Earth Station installations.

Described as the first of its kind, the subsystem has two principal parts. The telegraph portion is a combination of frequency division multiplex equipment and a new family of electronic time division switching equipment, while the telephone portion is an advanced-state, semiautomatic switchboard.

The subsystem, presently being supplied to Earth Station prime contractors, will be used to establish semiautomatic communication among operators, supervisors and managers who are monitoring, controlling and operating the satellite communication system, without interfering with or tying up commercial channels.

## Company Sales, Earnings and Employee Compensation Up in 1968; Singer President is Confident of Added Growth in Current Year

New York, N.Y.---Sales of The Singer Company increased 10 percent in 1968 to \$1.755 billion from \$1.595 billion in 1967 according to the Company's Annual Report which was mailed to shareholders on April 3.

Net income increased 8.9% to \$69.4 million from \$63.7 million. At the same time, payments to employees rose to \$741.4 million or 42% of sales.

The merger into Singer during the year of General Precision Equipment Corporation marked the completion of another major advance in the Company's evolution from a primarily single product firm to one with major operations in five broad business areas. The reported figures for both years include GPE results.

As a result of the merger, Singer is now a major technological company with annual

## Rome, Paris or London Awaits Sewing Queens

A fabulous one-week, all-expense-paid trip for two to swinging London, elegant Paris or glamorous Rome awaits the 1969 Queens of Sewing in the Seventeenth Annual Singer World Stylemaker Contest.

Winners will also receive "Touch & Sew" sewing machines, SINGER battery-operated phonographs and cash awards, all totalling more than \$120,000. The Contest opened April 7 and closes August 23.

Any girl, including employees of The Singer Company or any of its affiliates or advertising agencies, or members of the immediate family of Singer employees, between the ages of 10 and 18, can be one of the lucky winners by entering the World Stylemaker Contest.

To enter, a girl enrolls in an eight-lesson sewing course at a Singer store in the United States. During this course, the applicant creates the fashion she enters in the Contest. Judging is based on general appearance, fit, pattern and fabric selection, as well as on construction and sewing skill.

Entrants compete only with girls their own age. The three age groups are: Junior Miss Division (10 through 12); Sub Deb Division (13 through 15); and Deb Division (16 through 18). On the way to the top spot, entries will be judged at four levels; local, regional, national semi-final, and national. Finalists and their mothers will be flown to Los Angeles on October 26 for the national finals at the Century Plaza Hotel.

sales of more than one-half billion dollars in areas that are technically advanced.

The consumer products segment of the Company's business showed continued growth with sales increasing by \$50 million to \$767.6 million. Unit sales of household sewing machines reached 2,700,000, highest in the Company's history.

Sales of industrial products were up 6.2% with earnings increasing by an impressive 18.6%. Although sales of office equipment rose sharply, increased low-priced competition in the calculator field and increases in research and development and market support expenditures resulted in a 30.6% decline in earnings.

Sales volume in the defense and space systems field, largely attributable to former GPE activities, was somewhat lower than in 1967. However, the backlog of orders increased 43% to \$254 million. Sales of education and training products rose by an impressive 42.5% with a backlog in excess of \$109 million at year end.

Payments to employees directly as salaries and wages, or indirectly through Company or government benefit programs rose 10% to \$741.4 million. Remuneration of Directors and top Officers accounted for only four-tenths of one percent of this amount.

There are 54,229 shareholders of the Company's common stock. About 8800 employees are participating in the Employee Stock Purchase Plan.

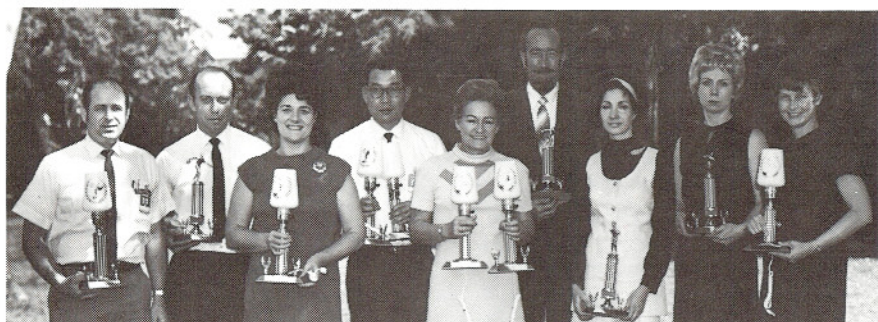
In his letter to shareholders in the Report, Mr. Kircher said: "The prospects for the total company in the current year are good and the Management is confident of increased sales and profits."

## Singer Board Again Declares Stock Dividend

NEW YORK, May 8 - The Board of Directors of The Singer Company today declared a quarterly dividend of 60 cents per share on common stock payable June 13, 1969, to shareholders of record May 16, 1969. The Board of Directors also declared a dividend of 87.5 cents per share for the second quarter on the \$3.50 preferred stock payable June 15, 1969, to shareholders of record May 16, 1969.

Singer has paid dividends without interruption since 1863. Payments have been on a quarterly basis since 1890.





**BOWLING WINNERS**—Winners in the Libra Mixed Doubles bowling league include (left to right): Marty Rudolph, Dick Kennerknecht, Marjorie Kelleher, Harry Okada, Jeanette Cady, Ed Veesart, Pat Korecky, Melba Puryear, and Georgine Archer. Not shown—Joe Schlegel. See story below.

### Jeanette Cady & Harry Okada Win Top Bowling Honors

Final results have been tabulated for the "Libra Mixed Doubles" bowling league which started way back last September and ended recently with the team of Jeanette Cady and Harry Okada carrying off the lions share of the awards.

Jeanette and Harry won the first place trophies for the first half of the season and took second place in the second half of the split schedule.

Georgine Archer and Joe Schlegel took

second place during the first half of the season and Marty Rudolph and Marjorie Kelleher beat out the team of Cady and Okada during the second half.

Other keglers who scored top honors during the season were Dick Kennerknecht who rolled a 522 series to win top honors among the men bowlers in that category while Pat Korecky led the ladies with a 492 series.

Ed Veesart rolled a sparkling 280 game to easily win that award while Melba Puryear paced the women with a nice 257 game.

The 22-team league bowled every Tuesday during the lunch hour at the Grand Central Bowl.

The league is anticipating another successful season during the summer months. Anyone interested in bowling in this league should contact Marty Rudolph on extension 1372.

### Engineer J. R. Drugan Now Called "Doctor Jim"

James R. Drugan, Sr., Staff Engineer, Department 21-123, Systems Analysis, has successfully completed all requirements for the degree of Doctor of Philosophy in Engineering.

The degree will be formally conferred in June by the University of California at Los Angeles.

Drugan also took his B.A. and M.A. degrees in Engineering at the Westwood campus. He began his Librascope career in 1958.

He lives in Lakeview Terrace with his wife, Janice, and their two sons and a daughter.

### Industrial Relations Adds Jim Klosterman

James W. Klosterman has joined Librascope as industrial relations representative of the Industrial Relations Department.



**Klosterman**

According to R. R. McDonald, manager of Industrial Relations, Klosterman will work in general technical recruiting, management training and development activities.

Klosterman attended the U.S. Fleet Sonar School, San Diego, while in the U.S. Coast Guard. He received a Bachelor's degree in Philosophy and Sociology from San Luis Rey College, San Luis, California. He also studied Radio Management and Television Production at Los Angeles City College, the University of Detroit, and the University of Southern California.

While in the Philippines, Klosterman planned, built and managed a 5000 watt broadcast station, and also produced television programs in Manila.

## "Operation Cookie Lift"



Volunteers pack box after box of "goodies" as part of the Precisioneers' "Operation Cookie Lift" project. Doris Perry, left, and Jayne Stanek, above left, pack and weigh boxes as Marvin Richie, of Shipping and Receiving seals and marks the packages for mailing to sons and husbands of Librascope employees who are serving in Viet Nam.

Work is under way to make "Operation Cookie Lift," a program announced last month, the success that all hope for, according to Mrs. Donna Williams, chairman of the program and Bldg. 3 Precisioneers representative.

"Operation Cookie Lift is an effort to show appreciation to the men fighting in the war zone in Viet Nam," Mrs. Williams said.

The effort will assure that employees and sons and husbands of employees are contacted every month with packages of cookies, books, letters, copies of the Librazette and other items of interest for young men serving their country in that far-off land.

Mrs. Williams reports that addresses for the following have been obtained and will be included in the first mailing: Lt. Fred C. Bisbey, (son of Edward Bisbey, Dept. 21-234); Sgt. William E. Bruning (employee on military leave of absence); Thomas M. Galloway, (son of Irma Galloway, Dept. 21-240); PFC Ron Hey, (son of Les Hey, Dept. 21-201); Robert L.

Linsley (son of Ole Linsley, Dept. 21-270); PFC T. S. McCorkle, (son of Geraldine McCorkle, Dept. 21-240); Sgt. Timothy McGee, (foster son of Helen Madden, Dept. 21-331); Sp. 4 James F. Packard (employee on military leave of absence); PFC Stephen L. Rasmussen, (son of Robert Rasmussen, Dept. 21-231); Leslie Spitz S.N. (son of Lucille Spitz, Dept. 21-265); and PFC Joseph R. Valerio, (son of Hazel Valerio, Dept. 21-265).

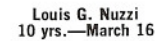
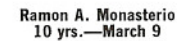
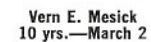
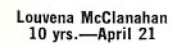
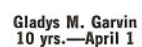
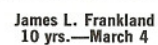
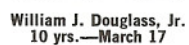
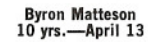
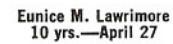
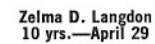
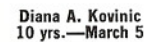
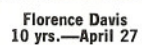
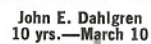
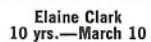
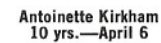
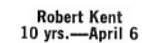
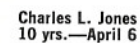
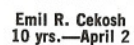
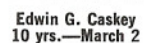
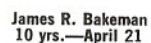
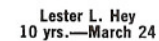
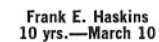
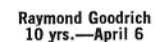
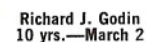
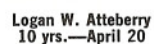
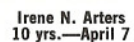
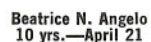
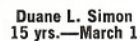
The committee is also very anxious to obtain the addresses of the following employees currently on military leave: Ronald Brannon, Don Cavanaugh, Thomas Danson, Jim De Moss, Joseph Fonte, Don Graham, Lawrence Grenon, Richard Guffey, William F. Miller, Paul Morin and Omar Rodriguez.

Anyone having information relative to the whereabouts of these young men are encouraged to contact Mrs. Williams at extension 1646.


"By the way", Mrs. Williams says, "we can still use some more volunteers to bake cookies".



# **LIBRAVETS**





A black and white portrait of a man with short, dark hair, smiling slightly. He is wearing a plaid shirt. The background is dark and out of focus.A black and white portrait of a woman with short, dark, wavy hair, smiling. She is wearing a dark top and small earrings.

Earl G. Rearley  
20 yrs.—March 7  
Leo E. Akers  
10 yrs.—March 31  
Gale L. Gieseke  
10 yrs.—March 2  
John R. Hayden  
10 yrs.—March 16  
Suikei Mataga  
10 yrs.—April 8  
Donald G. Olson

Ora Lee Price  
10 yrs.—April 20

Cora J. Rehill  
10 yrs.—March 9

Henry J. Welp  
10 yrs.—March 9


E. L. Eiser, Jr.  
5 yrs.—March 2

Frank Getzewich  
5 yrs.—April 22

G. Mangerson



Dr. Robert A. Hargrave, a man with glasses and a suit, is shown in a black and white portrait.



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Dear Librascope Employees;  
 Your Contribution to United Crusade  
 really help the Boys' Club of Hollywood.  
 I have been a member of the Boys' Club  
 for 2 years.  
 Some of the things I like to do are, Oil,  
 Painting, boats made out of wood and to work  
 on lapidary.  
 Mimi said, that me and my friends did a good  
 job making Christmas decorations, and I really  
 liked them too.  
 Some times I like to go to the games room and the  
 Gym, and or swim when the weather is good.  
 Among the staff I have very good friends  
 who are kind of tough sometimes and  
 mostly when they should.  
 We hope that you can come and visit us  
 some times

your friend  
 Richard.



Richard is but one of the many Los Angeles area youngsters helped by your Aid Club/United Crusade contributions. If you would like to visit him at the Boys Club of Hollywood ... to see your charitable donations at work ... contact Employee Services, ext. 1225. A tour can be arranged.

## The Last Page

### Planning Your Vacation?

Vacations are around the corner and the Librazette offers the following tips to help make your holiday safer, more enjoyable:

- \* Get your car in perfect shape — check your brakes, lights, steering and windshield wipers;
- \* Plan your itinerary for reasonable mileage in one day and write ahead for lodgings. Call it quits fairly early since nighttime driving is riskier;
- \* Call for frequent intermissions and take a break for a stretch and refreshments;
- \* Finally, have a pleasant, relaxed vacation. Traffic accidents are the number one threat so drive to get there safely and back.

### The Great Cookie Bake . . .

When the call went out for homemade cookies for "Operation Cookie Lift," a dozen Librascope ladies responded with six-dozen each.

The bakers included Mrs. Jim Avera, Olivia Ballesteros and Elissa Benak, Bldg. 17; Margaret Brown, Bldg. 16; Cathy Buchanan, Bldg. 3; Lil Houchin, Bldg. 17; Nancy Laughlin, Bldg. 3; Loraine Nelson, Bldg. 17; Grace Pawluk and Dolores Olsen, Bldg. 3; Kay Small, Bldg. 17, and Elsie Stefurak, Bldg. 1.

### New Technical Journal . . .

The Instrumentation Division of The Singer Company announces the availability of a new technical journal . . . Singer Instrumentation Review, to be published quarterly.

Free copies of the Review can be obtained by writing directly to:

The Singer Company  
 Instrumentation Division  
 915 Penbroke Street  
 Bridgeport, Connecticut 06608



**AWARD WINNERS** — Proudly showing copies of the 1969 Librascope calendar are the men who produced the award-winning job. From left, Ruben A. Martinez, group leader; James E. Young, pressman, and Kenneth R. Mandeville, supervisor of Printing and Reproduction. See story below.

### Librascope Printers Win Honors for Creative Work

Ken Mandeville's Printing and Reproduction department, Systems Division Logistics, has received another honor with the announcement that their recent entry has been acclaimed "Best of Class" by the judges in the recent Annual Competition for Creative In-Plant Printing.

According to Mandeville, credit for the award-winning printing job goes to Group Leader Ruben A. Martinez and Pressman James E. Young. "They did the work," he said.

The winning entry was the two-color illustrated 1969 calendar produced last fall. Illustrations were reproductions of original paintings in Librascope's collection on "The History of ASW."

"We entered the Commemorative, Seasonal and Special Occasion Material category and are very pleased with the award," Mandeville said.

Competition was sponsored by "In-Plant Printer," a magazine serving company, institutional and government printing departments. Winning entries were featured in the April issue of the magazine.

This marks the third year that Librascope's Printing and Reproduction department has been an award winner in creative printing competition.



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