

HALINCO M-LIGHTS

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Things should be fairly quiet around the plant during the week of September 11 - 15, since Hallikainen, Waner, Schimbor, Pritchett and Breyer will all be in Los Angeles for the Instrument Society of America Conference. Norm Waner is giving a course in the maintenance clinic on viscometers, and he is also presenting a paper on calibration baths. Mr. Pritchett has been appointed to the committee on Electrical Measurement Standards where he will serve with the group that is working on low frequency standardization. The ISA expects about 15,000 attendance at this conference. Our company will have a display booth where they will have working for demonstration purposes an Initial Boiling Point Analyzer, an End Point Analyzer, an Ultraviolet Analyzer, a Color Analyzer and our new Electrocardiac Massage Machine. This equipment and the booth structure will be hauled to Los Angeles by Bill Breyer in the Hallikainen pickup. The rest of the men will be traveling in automobiles for the purpose of having return transportation for a group of our representatives from several eastern cities. On Monday, September 18, these people will be here at the plant for a sales meeting and some discussion of our instruments and the various aspects of plant operations, so you will probably see them around the plant looking things over.

A report from M.L. Bramson tells us that the Electrocardiac Massage Machine is now being tested in laboratories on dogs, and clinically in hospitals, and it is fulfilling our most optimistic hopes. It is being used in seven hospitals so far - in Boston, Louisville, Oklahoma City, Palo Alto and San Francisco.

If any of you besides Al Kell were watching the Blalock heart operation on Channel 4 on August 21st, you saw the Hallikainen Blood Oxygenator being used to help save a baby's life. There was a picture of the instrument in the TV Guide under the caption "Blue Baby."

The company picnic was attended by 71 people as nearly as we could count. Tom Hale was there early setting things up, hauling drinks and ice from the truck, digging holes for the poles for the volleyball net, and generally organizing the area. Rose Hendrickson spent the day supervising games for the children ages 1 to 6, and 6 to 60 and giving out prizes. The children spent the day sliding in the dirt, running, stirring up the fire, eating ice cream and making small volcanos with dry ice and water in ice cream cups. The volleyball game with ever shifting teams continued most of the day, so everybody managed to be on a winning team part of the time. All in all, we considered the day a big success. Next year - more fun! See you all there!

Kathie Lydon is the new cost accounting clerk who has been working with Steve the past couple of weeks. Her interesting background includes being born in Paris of Austrian parents, living most of her life in Spain and Mexico, coming to the US five years ago, graduating from Cal in Political Science in 1960, marrying an American and living in Berkeley currently. Her parents are still in Mexico. Besides speaking excellent English, Kathie knows French, Spanish and German. For fun, she swims, plays tennis and likes to meet new people. We're going to enjoy having Kathie with us.

The new system of tear apart time slips is enabling the accounting department to keep much more accurate records in a great deal less time than was formerly possible. Each entry on the original slip is entered on a separate carbon copy, so they can be torn apart and filed under job number. This eliminates all of the transferring of figures and hand tabulating and allows for greater speed and accuracy in the cost accounting process, so all of this shuffling of papers through the time stamp machine is accomplishing a real purpose.

The seventh of September will be Walt Wilson's last day here. He is flying to Panama City with his wife and daughter to accept a job with the police force of the Canal Zone Company. They won't be strangers in the area, because his wife's parents live there. Best of luck, Walt!

The Bowling League is finished except for the sweepstakes next Wednesday. Our team finished 6th out of ten in the league which we consider rather good for a group that has been together for such a short time. We hope that the boys can keep the team going, but night school classes seem to conflict. Anybody else interested? See Tom Hale.

In response to popular demand we now have a classified ad section. If you want to sell, buy or rent anything, send the information to Ann, and we'll put it in the paper. You are limited to two lines (about 16 words). The length of the section will be determined on a "space available" basis, ads accepted "first come, first serve" - no charge.

FOR SALE: Motor Scooter, 1959 Italian Iso Monlano, \$175, Herb Liske.

FOR SALE: Screen door, wood frame, 36"x80", \$5. Five reversed Volvo wheels, \$25. T Hale.