

Company Newspaper - Vol. 5, No. 1 January - February, 1965 Kathryn Miller, Editor

A DREAM COME TRUE: Ribbon cutting ceremonies and the reception that followed on the 26th of February marked the official opening of our new facilities. Mr. Fairbanks of Elliott-Automation, England, and his wife were present for the ceremonies as well as many other distinguished guests. Among those honoring us with their attendance were Mayor Carroll of Richmond along with other members of the Richmond City Council.

Tours were conducted by members of the engineering, purchasing, sales, systems division and accounting staffs. After the tour guests were invited to enjoy champagne, hors d'oeuvres and the music of the Polecats.



Ribbon Cutting, Feb. 26, 1965

COMPANY ADDS SYSTEMS DIVISION: Mr. Hallikainen has announced the formation of a Systems Division. This division of the company, under the management of Bob Ludlum, will engage in the engineering, installation and servicing of analyzers, including those of other manufacturers, as may be required for the continuous stream analyses of refineries and other process industries. Whereas the company previously has sold only individual instruments, the division will enable H.I. to supply complete automated systems of control instruments to

monitor a particular refinery process from start to finish, including the central controls coordinated lines and layout details.

The Systems Division's first contract involves most of the analyzers for the expansion at Shell Oil Co. refinery, Martinez.

#### BITS ABOUT 'EM:

Monopoly in Sales Dept.: Tom Hale's smile is an inch broader these days because he expects to be a "Daddy" for the second time in late summer.

Union Contract: A new three year contract between the Tool and Die Craftsmen Union and H.I. has been signed.

It's a Boy: Eero Vasankari is the proud father of a son, Eric, born on Feb. 21.

New Horizons: Ann Fraley has left for New York City where she plans to live and attend Columbia University Graduate School.

Introducing: Four new employees have joined forces in the manufacturing building, Frank Inerbichler, Ernest Shanks, Ralph Hayes, and Joe Ursini. In the office Freda Swan is busy learning the ropes of Paula Brown's job. (More about them next issue)

Employees' Reception: Friday evening, Feb. 19th employees and spouses attended a reception tour through the new offices and manufacturing building. Pride was "bustin" out all over and as usual when we are all together socially nobody was ready to go home when the time came.

Get Well Wish: A speedy recovery to Fumiko Takeshita who is hospitalized with a foot infection.

Down South: Arthur Alston and Forrest Watson participated in the American Chemical Eng. Exposition in Houston, Texas the first week of February.

Girls Night Out: The Ladies of the Company thoroughly enjoyed themselves on the night of Feb. 25 at Jewella Deffebach's home. The occasion was a double surprise baby shower for Arlene Lee and Paula Brown. The gal's babies will be surprised too when they arrive and find all the adorable gifts waiting for them.

**NOTING A GOODE START:** Ever since Barbara Goode started with H.I. in August, 1959 she has done the work of five people. The title of "Girl Friday" would hardly have done Barbara justice when she first arrived on the scene. More accurately she could have been titled "Girl Sunday through Saturday" as she competently performed the duties of switch board operator, receptionist, billing clerk, accounting clerk, bookkeeper, secretary to Mr. Hallikainen and personnel director. (Gasp)

Today Barbara contributes to the success of the company as corporate secretary and director of personnel. She also contributes to the bright side of each of us who has daily contact with her.

Barbara has lived all her life in the Bay Area. She graduated from Berkeley Highschool and attended San Jose State for a year where she majored in education. Prior to working for H.I. she was employed in San Francisco.

Leisure time for Barbara revolves around her husband Don and their 6 year old son Greg. Much to her family's delight she is a gourmet cook. Barbara is also an avid and accomplished water skier.

**TEN YEAR MARK FOR WANER:** January 1, 1965 marked ten years that Norman Waner has been with H.I. Mr. Waner gave up partnership and the position as general manager for Specialized Laboratory Apparatus Company, a company which designed and manufactured lab apparatus for biomedical and biochemical lab applications for the position of Chief Engineer with H.I. when the two aforementioned companies merged.

As chief engineer Norm manages the Engineering Dept. He also serves on the Board of Directors for the Company.

Mr. Waner was born in Savaran, Odessa, Russia but has been in the States since he was three. He spent his youth on the East Coast and came to the Bay Area in 1947.

Norm holds a Bachelor of Machanical Engineering Degree from Polytechnic Institute of Brooklyn, a Master of Science Degree in

M.E. from the U. of Pennsylvania and a Professional Engineers Degree in M.E. from Cal. He also attended Brooklyn College and College of the City of New York during the evenings where he studied Business Administration. Mr. Waner is a registered Professional Engineer in the State of Calif.

When Norm is not on the job as Chief Engineer he actively pursues his work as Vice President of the Northern Calif. Section of ISA. Further, in connection with his engineering background, he has been engaged for the past 14 years by the U. of Calif., Engineering and Sciences, Extension Division to teach an evening course in the Review of Engineering Fundamentals.

Norm, his wife Frances and their two children reside in Berkeley. When at home Norm enjoys drawing with charcoals and pastels. Currently, however, he is working on a battery car for his son Jonathan. Away from home relaxation and sport come in the form of water, a boat and fishing tackle.

**...AND FOUR TO GO:** We have our own Richmond, Calif. version of Pygmalion and the curtain went up on Feb. 1 when we began exodus from Berkeley. Three weeks later we were one big family again and all that remained was the settling down and enjoyment of our new facilities.

Everyone can't help but still be somewhat overcome by the monumental change in the physical surroundings they now occupy. Sunlight and fresh air in all offices, two kinds of telephones at most desks, carpets on the floors, piped music, a spacious and handsome lobby, lunchroom facilities, a bright, clean and modern shop with plenty of work room around machines, ample parking and the real touch of class a visitor's register.

In such comfortable and pleasant surroundings production from all departments should soar.



Mr. Schimbor and Hugh O'Neil, Architect

NEW FACES: The character and situations described in this article are fact. Any resemblance to a fictional character or events is coincidental.

Forrest Watson is a man whose friendly conversation, smile and enthusiasm gives only a small clue to his interesting and unique private life. This is his story.

Forrest came west from Iowa at age 6 in the family Model "T" touring car. The trip in 1920 was a rugged one but filled with adventure for a small boy. He remembers camping out along the rock bed "new" roads and the use of the 22 gauge to shoot rabbits for an occasional stew dinner. He also recalls the last leg of the journey from L.A. to San Francisco in four days of hard driving.

When college years came Mr. Watson enrolled in the U. of Calif. and graduated with honors in Chemistry. Interest and knowledge in his field resulted in the invention and co-invention of 18 U.S. Patents in the areas related to specialty lubricants.

To say Forrest is an active man during leisure hours would be a gross understatement. Mr. & Mrs. Watson were members of the Oakland Symphony in its early days. Now accompanied by their daughters they share their musical interest and talents by making up a family orchestra. Mr. & Mrs. Watson and daughter also sing in their church choirs.

Raising vegetables is another hobby of Forrest's. Both he and his son enjoy working in the several gardens at their home. In fact when Forrest ran out of garden space in his yard he sodded the roof of his garage and climbed a ladder each day to care for the plants growing there.

Somehow, beside the above hobbies, Mr. Watson finds time for a side business called GOLF! He plays an average of 25 times a month and has kept this pace for the past 10 years. Proudly he admits to a hole in one in 1958, honest, there were witnesses, and a second hole in one in 1959...no witnesses this time but we believe him. His Berkeley home displays several trophies in evidence of his fine game. An unusual fact is that he manages to break even on the sport's expenses by selling used golf balls. There's no overhead in this enterprise as Forrest finds all the golf balls he sells. In the past two years he has found 12,400 balls! Since he often tees off from the first hole before dawn (he uses a flashlight and his

good sense of hearing to keep track of his drive) it isn't being facetious to say it's the early bird who gets the balls!

Shortly before taking the position of application's engineer at H.I. Mr. Watson retired after 28 years with Shell Development Company, Emeryville.



Forrest Watson  
Applications Engineer

FROM THE EDITOR: Sori abot the earors in Desemembors' nooze lether. I've spokin to my tipist and proffreeder conserning the inscidant and thay asur me that thay conot promase tat it would't happin agin. All I can say is, "What a way to start the new yaer"!!



" Look at all the people, somebody must be giving something away."



" Looks like a good strong vault, but where are the goodies that are supposed to be in it!"

Messrs. Fairbanks, Waner and Kaufmann



" What do you say we ask the decorator for a color TV & portable bar to make the the lobby nice and homey like".

Foreground Left to Right: R. Benghiat, G. Fairbanks, A. Alston, N. Waner, K. E. Hallikainen; Background: Decorator, Yvonne Kirchenbauer



Mr. Fairbanks and Mayor Carroll Reception, Plant Dedication.