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ISA CONVENTION:

The Instrument Society of America held their National convention in Los Angeles which started on October 4th. Those attending from H.I. were K. E. Hallikainen, E. F. Schimbor, N. S. Waner, R. L. Ludlum, Arthur Alston and Forrest Watson.

H.I. shared their booth with E.A. Industrial. E.A. showed the Direct Digital Controller, which was very interesting, but our Gravitrol drew more interest and as a result of the show we have several inquiries to answer.

Forrest and Arthur drove the truck, loaded with instruments, booth, etc., down to the ISA convention. They traveled Hiway 101 and just before they got to Santa Barbara, the truck started to give them trouble. They stayed in Santa Barbara that night and the next morning as they were leaving, the engine stopped running as they started up an incline and the truck nearly rolled back into the motel. They struggled along until they arrived in L.A. and there they had the truck overhauled.

The excitement for Forrest and Arthur wasn't over. As they returned home they were driving along, trying to pass a car, when chug-chug-chug- the truck ran out of gasoline. Luckily they were within sight of a gas station. (But of course it wasn't the kind of gasoline station that they were carrying credit cards for.) In spite of it all, Forrest, being an avid golfer, discovered the golf course at Santa Barbara was near the motel, so he played a few holes of golf while there.

SALES MEETING:

When the ISA show closed, the various salesmen with their wives came to H.I. for a sales meeting. They all stayed at the Berkeley House. On Saturday morning at 8:30, the people from H.I. met the sales representa-

tives at the Berkeley House for breakfast. They then came to H.I. for a tour of the plant and started the meeting at 10:00 A.M. At noon they adjourned for lunch at Spengers. The meeting began again at 2:00 P.M.

The wives of the representatives were picked up by Mmes. Ludlum, Alston, Schimbor, and Watson for a tour of San Francisco, Golden Gate Park, Golden Gate Bridge, Sausalito and had lunch at the Alta Mira Hotel.

Everyone met at H.I. at 4:30 and journeyed to the Officers Club at the Alameda Naval Air Station for refreshments followed by dinner.

The sales meeting was very informative and is believed that most of our representatives learned quite a bit from it. Some new equipment was shown and the Cloud Point Analyzer was demonstrated. Technical discussions were lead by W. B. Milligan of Shell Development, Arthur Alston, Forrest Watson, and N. S. Waner. The success of the meeting was mainly due to Mr. Schimbor who conducted the meeting in general.

CHEMICAL INDUSTRIES CONVENTION:

Instruments are now being shipped to New York City for the 30th Chemical Industries Exposition which will be held for one week starting November 29 at the New York Coliseum. Forrest Watson and E. F. Schimbor will be attending from H.I.

UNITED CRUSADE:

Special thanks are extended to all who contributed during the drive for the United Crusade. This year we had an over all higher contribution than ever before.

A BIG SMILE: That big smile you see on Monty Montgomery's face is because the company has recently purchased a new Chevy $\frac{1}{2}$ ton pickup truck.

FIVE YEAR EMPLOYEE:

On September 12, 1960 Opal Taylor started to work at H.I. as the production and inventory clerk working with Mr. Stairs. Because of her competent performance, ability and previous experience in purchasing, she soon started to help with the buying. Today she is our purchasing agent.

Opal was born and raised in Harrisonville, Missouri. She attended school there and is a graduate of Adrian High School. After graduating, she went to work; but having seen a movie about the Golden Gate bridge and this area and thinking it would be a beautiful place to live, she decided to move out here. Friends of the family lived in Oakland, so she boarded the train and to California she came. She enrolled at Merritt College and attended for one year.

Opal's first job in California was at the Berkeley Tea House and it lasted one night. She decided she was not meant to be a waitress. Before coming to H.I., Opal worked as the assistant purchasing agent at Thaler Pipe and Supply in Emeryville and in the Mail Order Department at Montgomery Wards.

Fishing, water skiing and camping are enjoyed by Opal and her husband, Marion, usually called "Taylor". Opal first met Taylor in 1940. She was working at that time with his sister.

An interesting item about Opal, is the fact that she was a "Rosie, the Riveter" during World War II. She made practice bombs.

Opal and Taylor have no children, but much of their time is devoted to their nephews, whom they take along on their outdoor trips.

This year the Taylors made a trip back home to Missouri. Opal's mother is still living there and 5 sisters and 3 brothers. She also has one brother living out here.

Opal enjoys conversation and when H.I. needs someone to help with a project or serve on a committee, we can always depend on her for her assistance. The Taylors live in Oakland.

NEW EMPLOYEE:

Peter Schwarzbach is another machinist who has recently started to work for Hallikainen Instruments. Peter was born and raised in Germany. He attended school there.

Peter learned his trade as a machinist in a German airplane factory. Then he was drafted into the German Army and was taken prisoner by the Allied Forces for 8 months. After the war was over and he was released he stayed in West Germany and worked as a machinist for a year for the American Occupational Army. The part of Germany where his home was at had been taken over by Communist Poland and he did not want to go back there. His father had died and his mother had been killed in a bombing raid. Peter then worked for a Scientific Instrument Company while he was waiting to come to the U.S. as an immigrant. In September of 1956, Peter and his wife, Rosemarie, arrived in the United States. He came directly to this area, settling in San Pablo and still lives there.

Rosemarie was a waitress in her father's restaurant when Peter met her. The Schwarzbachs have two sons, Marion - 17 and Henry - 14, born in Germany and two sons, Kenneth - 8 and Frank - 7, born in the U.S.

One of Peter's hobbies is Physics. He studied physics two years at the University of Frankfurt Germany. He is now attending night school at Contra Costa Jr. College. He has a small experimental shop at his home. Peter also likes all kinds of outdoor living (camping, picnicing, fishing and hunting). In the U.S. his favorite sports are baseball and basketball. In Europe he played soccer.

For their vacations, the Schwarzbachs like to see as much of the U.S. as they can. Peter says he would never want to go back to Germany to live as he is very happy in the U.S. Sometime in the future, however, he would like to take his children there for a visit.

Since Peter's arrival in the U.S. he has worked at Pacific Coast Engineering, Atomic Laboratories, Inc., St. Regis Paper Co.-Machine & Engineering Division and now at H.I.

MORE NEW EMPLOYEES:

Pete Radovich, one of our new machinists, was born and raised in Oakland. At a very young age, Pete ran away from home and joined a band group. He came back home and finished school, graduating from Emmerlyville High School.

The first instrument that Pete played was the guitar. He now teaches and plays the guitar, oboe, base, saxophone and piano. Pete's first instrumental group, under his leadership, was started in 1931. He traveled around alot with his group in the central and mid-west states. His group was called Chuck Richards and The Texas Maniacs. The size of their group ranged from 9 to 12 pieces. He now has a smaller group and the name of this group is Pete Raddo.

Besides his music, Pete has been a machinist, flooring contractor and had 2 T. V. shops. Before coming to Hallikainen Instruments he had worked as a machinist in several job shops.

For his hobbies besides music, he now likes to repair T.V.s, wood work, anything connected with food, and sports - especially baseball and football.

Pete met his wife Maria in Santa Rosa. They have a son and daughter; both are married and he & his wife have 8 grandchildren. The Radovichs live in Richmond.

Don McAfee, our new shipping clerk, came to work for H.I. on September 8th. Don was born and raised in Richmond and graduated from Richmond High School. He attended Northwestern University at Evanston, Illinois for 18 months.

Four years of his life from 1959 through 1963 were spent in the Air Force as a recruiting sergeant.

Don and his wife, Freda, were married in Reno. They have three children: David, age 5; Pamela, age 4; and a new baby, Chase, born October 25th.

Just before coming to work for H.I., Don was working in a lumber mill at Forrest Hills and before that he was employed as a

bookkeeper for the J. I. Case Company.

For relaxation Don likes to go to the mountains on week ends. He owns property at Iowa Hill (which has a population of 6 people). Last year Don went to Hawaii for his vacation.

The McAfees live in San Pablo.

The pleasant smile seen in the Engineering Department lately belongs to Helen Van Slyke, who has recently become a new member of the Engineering Department at Hallikainen Instruments.

Helen is a native Californian and she has the unique distinction of being born in Berkeley, raised in Berkeley, graduated from Berkeley High School, was married in Berkeley and still lives in Berkeley. Helen's grandfather was born in Berkeley and his parents were the first white settlers outside of the Spanish people to homestead in Berkeley.

A sorority initiation at Berkeley High was the setting for the introduction of Helen and her husband, James. They have three girls, Kathy, Claudia and Libette and one granddaughter.

For enjoyment, Helen likes to go camping. They camp at Lake Tahoe and Teneya Lake at Yosemite. Helen has always had a love for horses. As she said, she lived on a horse as a child, but she hurt her back and now has to settle for watching rodeos and such.

Before coming to work at Hallikainen Instruments, Helen worked for Guys Drug Store and Hinks.

BITS ABOUT 'EM:

VISIT FROM FORMER EMPLOYEES: Rose Hendrickson came in to have coffee with the girls and to report the progress of her son's wedding. Arlene Lee came in to show everyone how her son, Mike, had grown. Mark Schimbor stopped by one afternoon when he didn't have a class at the University of California to say "hi" to everyone. It was very nice seeing them again.

HAPPY THANKSGIVING

CHRISTMAS PARTY:

Saturday, December 18 is the date of the Christmas party, so mark your calendar and plan to come. The dance will be held at the Bermuda Room at the Richmond Civic Center Auditorium. Plans are now in the making and the contract for an orchestra has been signed. There will be no charge for employees, but all guests, other than the employees spouse, girlfriend or boyfriend will cost \$4.00 per person.

Further details will be given to all employees at a later date by the committee.

CHILDREN' CHRISTMAS PARTY:

The Children's Christmas Party will be held this year in the office building of Hallikainen Instruments on Sunday, December 19th at 2:30 P.M. Arrangements for the party are being planned by Shirley Ramacher and Melba Strickland. The sign up sheet will be posted during the week of Thanksgiving. The party is being planned for children through the ages of 12, but all children are welcome to come. The committee would like to have all employees sign up as soon as possible.

There will be entertainment for the children, refreshments for everyone and Santa Clause will make an appearance.

Make your plans now to bring your children.

BITS ABOUT 'EM:

CRADLE ROLL: A baby boy named Chase McAfee was born October 25 to Mr. & Mrs. Don McAfee. Chase weighed 9 lbs. 4 ozs. at birth. His proud father, Don, is our new shipping clerk.

TRAVELER: During the week of October 17th, Forrest Watson flew to Washington, D.C. The Osmometer at the National Bureau of Standards was not functioning properly, so (Dr.) Watson went there to get everything back into tip-top shape.

VISITOR: Paula Brown brought her daughter, Lisa, in to visit one noon recently. Paula is a former H.I. employee.

ABSENCE: It will be very quiet at H.I. for awhile as Mr. Schimbor is leaving on the 15th of November on a combined vacation and business trip. Mr. & Mrs. Schimbor will fly to New York and then travel to Connecticut, where Mrs. Schimbor will stay while Mr. Schimbor goes to Philadelphia on business, then back to Connecticut for Thanksgiving with their relatives, and back to New York on the 29th for the Chemical Show. He is due back at his desk on December 7th or 8th.

UNION STEWARD: Neal Mulkey, the union steward, resigned recently and thus an election was held in the shop. George Kuehn, a machinist, was elected the new shop steward.

INTRODUCING: New employees in the manufacturing building are Kenneth Weagant, Jr. and Hans Graetsch; in the office building are Rollene Phillips, John Meade and Marlene Templeton. (More about them in the next issue).

RETURNED: Stan Alter, Ralph Schramm and Pui Leung have recovered from their illnesses and are back at their respective jobs.

A SPECIAL GET-WELL WISH is extended to Jerry Stanke, who is on the sick list again.

INTERPRETER: Fumiko Takeshita's husband, Ben, was an interpreter for the delegates from Richmond's sister city, Shimada City, Japan, when they were visiting in Richmond.

FAREWELL: Jewella Deffebach has resigned from the Production Department to stay home with her children for awhile. We will all miss her cheerful smile. A farewell party was held in her honor at Louie's restaurant in El Cerrito on November 10th.

DO YOU LIKE SNAKES OR MICE? It seems the Sales Dept. has an over abundance of them. Just ask Rollene Phillips if she likes snakes. You could hear her scream from most parts of the office building as Norm Waner brought the snake out of Mr. Schimbor's office. Arthur Alston has a pet mouse in his file drawer and Melba Strickland is supplying candy for it or one of its friends.