

HALINCO h-LIGHTS

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Shop Shift. The grand shifting of machinery in the shop is for the purpose of making room for a new drill press and three lathes. The drill press, a Swedish-made Solberga, is already installed and working, and it has been placed in such a way as to cut out much of the lifting previously required in completing our explosion-proof boxes. A 15 inch lathe and two 13 inch lathes manufactured by Regal Le Blonde are scheduled for delivery late in April. This new equipment will make it possible to eliminate the night shift as there will be enough machines for all of the men to work days.

Sales Department. Bill Breyer is off again! He has been gone two weeks and will be gone another two weeks on an extended business trip. He is installing new equipment in our boiling point analyzers for several of our customers.

Life Saved. M. L. Bramson reports delightfully that we now have a case on record of a life having been saved by the heart massage machine at San Francisco General Hospital. In previous cases they have been able to prolong life by means of the machine, but this is the first case in which the patient has recovered completely.

Personality Sketch. John Chin came to work for the company in January of 1954 as a machinist, but after three months he left to work as a draftsman for the Radiation Laboratory. Then, in November of 1955 we lured him back with his present job of engineering design draftsman, which was more to his liking as he had attended Cogswell College in San Francisco and received his Associate of Engineering degree in preparation for this type of work. His unfailing even temper, meticulous work and engineering competence have gained for him the respect and confidence of everyone in the company. M. L. Bramson's design and drafting work on our medical instruments is assigned exclusively to him along with all other jobs that need especially expert draftsmanship and attention to details. As Norm Waner's assistant, John takes care of the details of assigning jobs and expediting the work-flow through the engineering department. He and his wife spend their spare time growing cactus, flowers, vegetables and fruit in the yard of their home in Richmond. They have a son 2½ and a baby daughter three months old.

Secretary to the Chief Engineer. Sun Yung Kim, with her natural aversion to ammonia fumes, has partially solved the problem that has baffled all of the high powered brains in the engineering department for several years by simply installing a bit of naphthalene in the vent of the Ozalid machine. She is now doing Norm Waner's secretarial work and writing job orders. Mrs. Kim grew up in Seoul, Korea where she spent her early years reading and studying piano. When she was in high school she was advised to get some exercise for her health, so she learned to swim and from 1948 to 1950 was women's national champion. She attended Chosun Christian University where she received her bachelor's degree in Chemical Engineering before coming to the U.S. for two years of graduate work at the U. of Texas. When she came to Berkeley in 1960 she married Yongyop Kim who is a student at Cal, and they are now living in Berkeley. Their baby daughter, Alison, is just three months old.

New Employee. That girl who comes to work every day with two quarts of coffee in her picnic kit is Alice Gibbons. She is now in charge of the billing and report typing, and she and Kay have divided the responsibility for wearing a smile for the sales department. Having had five years experience in the billing department at General Electric, she knows billing procedures well. Her past accomplishments include completing her schooling at San Francisco City College as a science major and serving three years in the Marines. She now lives in Albany.

Blood Donors. Gerry Stanke is holding his own on just two pints of blood a week. For this we are grateful. Gerry is grateful for the 22 pints of blood that have already been donated in his name by his fellow employees and doesn't like to mention that he still needs more, but we are willing to mention it. Donations will be sincerely appreciated from any of you who have not yet given or from those of you who may be able to go the second time. Our irrepressible Henry has already donated three times.

Monty Montgomery is back on the job again completely recovered after three weeks in the hospital and another three weeks of complete rest at home. Welcome back!

New Baby. On St. Patrick's Day, baby Eloise was born to Roger and Charlene Lewis.

February Issue. You may have wondered why you didn't get a copy of our paper for last month. We didn't put one out. With Donetta Reese leaving and the resulting shift in duties, time was just too short.

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