

# HALLIKAINEN *hi-lights*

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REPORT ON BUILDING PROGRESS Finishing touches are being taken care of in the new plant with installation of carpeting and floor tile in the office and partitioning and painting in the manufacturing building. The last report from the contractor is that we should be able to move to our new location in Galvin Park, Richmond at the end of January.

Mr. Hallikainen has tentatively scheduled ribbon cutting ceremonies for the last part of February. Mr. Fairbanks, representing Elliott Automation, is planning on coming from London, England to attend the ceremonies. For the occasion, Arthur Alston has volunteered to give all of us lessons in the Queen's English.

PRODUCTION SWEEPS SALES' DEPT. With Arlene Lee's announcement that she is expecting a baby in June it is statistically accurate to say Mr. Schimbor's familiar bark of 'Let's get busy and get some work done' has "produced" results. Mr. Schimbor's bark is worse than his bite though, and Arlene has decided to "grow" with the company until May.

SUCCESS FOR SANTA There wasn't a frown in the "house" on Tuesday night, December 15 during the Annual Children's Christmas Party. Of course anyone who doesn't like Santa, puppets, magic tricks, toys and hot dogs might have been disappointed. Santa's Elves were there (we couldn't see them - they're invisible, you know) and report they heard many whoops, hollers, oh boys and thank yous. Those are genuine sounds of success in their book.

Rose Hendrickson, Arlene Lee and Kathryn Miller feel their efforts in working to have a good party were well rewarded. And last of all to Ken Harris "THE SHOW STOPPER" a big Ho, Ho, Ho and thank you.

SMASHING GOOD PARTY Good cheer flowed freely during the adult Christmas party, and nobody even thought of heading for home until very close to 2:00 A.M.

Frank Sinatra and the Beatles (via recordings) and our Mr. Bramson (in person) topped the entertainment bill for the evening. (Special thanks to Shirley Ramacher for taking care of the musical arrangements.)

The fact is that we all enjoy each other's company so much under such conditions that the H.I.B.P.C. (Hallikainen Instruments Bimonthly Party Club), a newly formed progressive movement within the company, is not having a bit of difficulty recruiting supporters. Fortunately the club knows of a very fine group of people to go to for good tips on future party arrangements.

By the way, topping the list of that very fine group of people is Rose Hendrickson to whom we can credit the immense and well done job of planning and carrying out a large amount of the party plans. Without the assistance of those on the Food, Decorations, Invitation and Clean-up Committees Rose says she would have been snowed under, and she extends her appreciation to all those who lent their help.

One word of advise to the chairman of the H.I.B.P.C. The Christmas party's excellent "assistant bartender" Mr. Hallikainen is a must for all future "smashing good times".



Tom and Debbie Hale and Santa

**FAMILIAR FACES** Several familiar and very welcome faces appeared among us the last few weeks in December. Ann Fraley decided to temporarily help out in the front office with the mounds of year-end reports before she went hunting for new opportunities in the business world. Everyone was pleased to see Ann, and in a very short time it was as though she hadn't left us at all.

The impossible time of the year has arrived for Mr. Kaufmann and the accounting department. To keep Mary Kneisel and Flo Fields from being too loaded down Nancy Weber returned to her former position. Nancy is still going to Cal and was here just for the duration of the Christmas holidays. This is the second time she has come to our rescue; the first time was in June to fill in while Mr. Kaufmann was at summer camp.

Henry Scheutz was the handsome, uniformed fellow touring through office and plant the week before Christmas. Henry returned to say hello and see how we were getting along without him. At present he is enjoying a twenty-day leave and will then fly to Germany for an eighteen month tour of duty. What more could Henry ask for from kindly Uncle Sam.

**ALSTON STORMS THE SOUTH** Late in November Arthur Alston made a whistle stop tour, via jet, through several southern cities. First stop for Arthur was Texaco in Tulsa, Oklahoma where he had a "talk" with one of our end point analyzers. The analyzer got the message and Arthur flew on to Norco headquarters just outside New Orleans. Here Professor Alston conducted a one day training course for operators of our analyzers. Next stop Dow Chemical, Plaquemine, La. where he met with Thermotrol operators in connection with the Melt Index Test for plastics.

After finishing business in Plaquemine, with speed that would take your breath away, Arthur flew to San Francisco, landed and the next morning reported to 1341 Seventh bright eyed and smiling ready for another day's work.

Mr. Alston, don't you believe in the medieval quip, "All work and no play..." !



Suzanne Leuba and Santa



Melody Montgomery tells all !



Children's Christmas Party