

# From The Desk Of Jack Champaigne

One of our subscribers has asked us to pronounce the name of our city, Mishawaka. It is Mish-a-wa'-ka. The name is an Indian name meaning "thick woods rapids" or "swift flowing water."

Mishawaka area was once inhabited by the Elkhart and Potawatomi tribes and legend has it there was a Princess Mishawaka; thus, occasionally the town is called the "Princess City."

We incorrectly listed the phone number for Tri-Matic Equipment Company as a supplier of LD. Lances. The correct information is:  
Tri-Matic Equipment Company 7721 Jefferson St. Paramount, CA USA 90723 Phone: 213-634-6677 FAX: 213-408-1905

A reader from California inquired about the differences in the nine types of Almen Strips. Our response in summary was:

The difference in the (9) types of Almen strips is packaging and certification. All strips are manufactured to meet the MIL-S13165 specification. The shipment of strips from the manufacturer is packaged in plastic bags of 1,000 pcs. and soaked in lightweight oil. A certification is included that lists the material properties. Any strips determined to not comply will be replaced.

Electronics Incorporated buys strips in bulk, as described above. If we re-sell as Group III bulk package, we only place a new shipping label on the carton and re-ship it. We note the batch control number for tracing.

For a slight cost premium we will wipe off the oil, inspect for scratches, and package in groups of (50) and ship as Group II standard grade.

For an additional cost premium we check batch hardness and 100% inspect for flatness (both sides), thickness, length and width. We then issue a certification of compliance 73 which is dated, signed, and archived. The strips are identified by a batch control number, which gives us traceability back to the manufacturer.

LC FINISHING EQUIPMENT writes: "We are in search of a shot classifier. We need a system or closed-looped system to separate approximately 300# per day of S-230 steel shot. Should you have information on a small separator doing the above, please forward. Should you know of a company that makes a unit, we certainly would appreciate getting some info and price." (Ladd Yager, Sales Mgr., PO Box 3087, Redwood City CA 94064, PH:415-369-5010, FAX: 415-369-5649)

Editor: We know of two companies you should contact:  
Sweeco Contract Finishing      Rotex Inc.  
8029 U.S. Hwy. 25              1230 Knowlton St.  
Florence KY USA 41042      Cincinnati, OH USA 45223  
PH:606-371-4360              PH:513-541-1236

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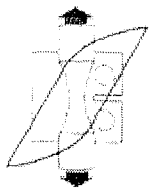
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