

Henderson Shows Looped Toe Sangiacomo At Open House



What goes around comes around.

Henderson Machinery's recent open house introduced a new Sangiacomo knitting machine that would have amazed hosiery employees a generation ago who worked

as a looper. Today, the Sangiacomo 4100 closes a sock toe with a looping operation in a matter of seconds.

Loopers were highly-skilled personnel who could close a toe with a hand-driven operation. Efficient loopers could perhaps complete two a minute. But the new looped sock is



more comfortable and today is in demand for the healthcare market.

"We've come a long way with technology," said Earl Russell, Henderson general manager. He recalls when loopers preceded seamers in most hosiery operations.

The 4100 sells in the mid \$30,000 range and represents the Sangiacomo strategy into the market for top-quality products. It can be used from 84-needle to 200-needle orders.

With built-in motors, the new Sangiacomos are more sophisticated. For manufacturers looking to diversify, they can be programmed to make heels and pouches anywhere on the product – again important for the medical market.



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