Report of the Month

The IO-360 engine in this Piper Arrow had a problem. Can you tell what it was?

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Sample Date	5/31/2020	AVERAGES	1/30/2020	A 10 / 10 / 10 / 10 / 10 / 10 / 10 / 10	VE RA GE
Make Up Oil Added	5 qts		9 qts	The second secon	
	100				
ALUMINUM CHROMIUM IRON	16	19	21		
CHROMIUM	7	10	13		
IRON	26	36	45		
	3	4	5		
LEAD TIN	2893	3398	3902		4.
	1	3	4		
MOLYBDENUM NICKEL MANGANESE	1	1	0		
NICKEL	1	2	2	111	
MANGANESE	0	0	0	11.11.	
SILVER	0	0	0		
TITANIIIM	0	0	0		
POTASSIUM	1	1	0	Holes	
BORON	0	1	1		
POTASSIUM BORON SILICON SODIUM	15	22	29		
SODIUM	1	1	1		
CALCIUM	52	50	48		
MAGNESIUM	2	4	5		
PHOSPHORUS	186	117	48		
ZINC	4	7	9		
BARIUM	0	0	0		
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=,a	500	Should Be*		A2 PJ A24 M	
SUS Viscosity @ 210°F	94.2	86-105	76.7		
cSt Viscosity@100°C	18.99	17.0-21.8	14.68		
Flashpoint in °F	470	>430	455		
Fuel %	<0.5	<1.0	<0.5		
Antifreeze %	-		-		
vVater %	0.0	0.0	0.0		
Insolubles %	0.2	<0.6	0.3		
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*THIS COLUMN APPLIES ONLY TO THE CURRENT SAMPLE

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The first sample was the owner's initial analysis after he bought the airplane. That sample indicated high silicon. he changed the air filter element and found some leaks in the filter housing, repairing everything he could find. That helped. But when he did the second sample, silicon had improved, but it was still elevated. And we were still seeing metal. At that point the owner pulled the SCEET air duct off. It's not easy to see in the picture, but the duct had many holes in the walls. That should take care of the lingering dirt contamination issues, and help improve wear quite a bit.

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