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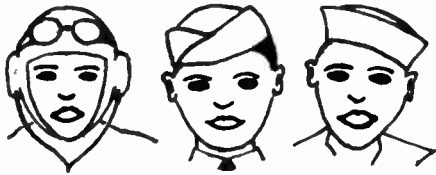
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Eimac "V" Mail



The following is a letter received from Cleve M. Woolley, CM 2/c, brother of Pat Woolley of the Eimac office force

June 24, 1944

Dear Editor:

This letter is written by an enthused member of the Navy C. B.'s. I have been receiving your Eimac News regularly for approximately six months. My sister, Patricia, is employed in the Accounting section of the San Bruno plant.

You have no doubt heard of the Seabees. We are a rather rugged group, but so far no job has been given to us that we were unable to complete in record time.

I have been following the results of your softball games and am keenly interested in finding out if you finally reach the top of the title peak.

We have softball games over here after a fashion. The fields are nothing fancy just a fairly flat place, leveled off by bulldozers and a crude backstop of cocoanut palms. Regardless of the surroundings, the old American sporting spirit is there. We play as though we were the Yankees or any other top notch team.

I am vitally interested in your inspection



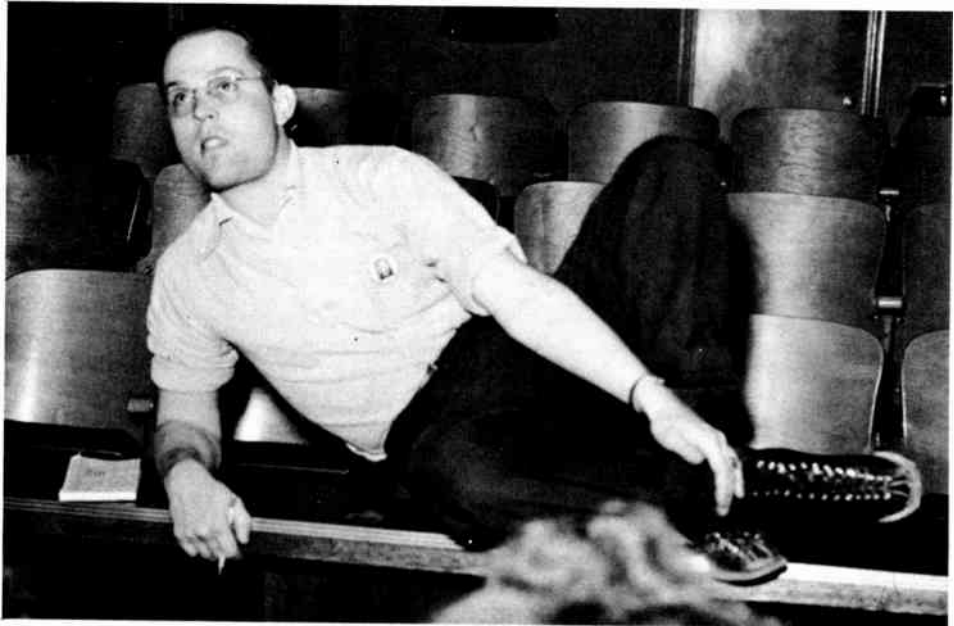
Cleve Woolley, Seabee in the Central Pacific theatre.

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Lloyd Walrath relaxes between rolls at the Burlingame Bowl.

tion procedure and the various gauges and tolerances used. Before entering the service I was Chief Inspector at the Utah Ordnance Plant in Salt Lake City. We manufactured small arms ammunition, but inspection policies are fundamentally the same. In fact, I noticed in one of your magazines that you use a federal dial indicator type gauge to measure the thickness of glass used in tube manufacturing. We used identical gauges for cartridge case wall thickness measuring.

I used to pass in front of your Salt Lake plant every morning on my way to work.

Hoping you reach all production goals, I remain,

An interested Seabee in the Central Pacific
C. M. Woolley, CM 2/c
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San Francisco, Calif.

An American Commando, charging an invasion beachhead, captured a German pillbox singlehanded despite being hit fifty different times on the way.

LOW ATTENDANCE AT 'MID-SUMMER FROLIC'

"Open spaces and stretches of sunny beaches" proved to be more than Eimackers could resist. "Mid-Summer Frolic" was a good name all right, but because of the unexpected extension of the week-end, most Eimackers frolicked at spots far from the Colonial Room of the St. Francis hotel.

Taking into consideration the opportunities of entertainment at far places, resorts and so forth, there was a good share of familiar faces dancing to the strains of Howard Frederick and his music.

"As good as he was before" was the statement commonly heard at the conclusion of the evening by the dancers about the music of the maestro, who was playing again by popular request.

As at previous dances, the dress was strictly as-you-like, with dressy street predominating, although the styles ranged from day-time casual to long skirts and up-sweep hair-dos.

Altar Echoes

By Betty Ulrich

Connie Is Engaged

A beautiful white sapphire ring from India on the third finger, left hand of Connie Sweeney this week revealed the good news that she will some day be the bride of Michael Workman, U.S.M.M.

Plans for the wedding are indefinite as the groom, who has served six months overseas and is now home on furlough, is planning to attend Midshipman's Academy in New York. Their romance started nine months ago when Michael was stationed at Coyote Point in San Mateo.

Connie is the popular gal employed in the Drafting department. She has been employed at Eimac for one year. She is a native of Needles, California, where she attended local schools.

Michael is from Stockton, where he received his elementary schooling. He is also a graduate of the College of the Pacific, where he was an outstanding football player.

Masterson-Alexander Tie Knot

At the last minute Janet decided she wanted to be a June bride, so instead of being married on Saturday, July 1, as they had planned, Don Masterson of the Pump department, swing, and Janet Alexander, of the same department and shift, became man and wife on Friday, June 30, at Redwood City.

It was not a great surprise to the Mastersons' colleagues that the pair would be married soon, but the unannounced wedding caught everyone by surprise.

Just where the couple spent the honeymoon is unknown at this writing.

Next week's Eimac will elaborate somewhat on the marriage.

COVER STORY

Shown on the cover of this week's Eimac are three 450's, in the process of being pumped.

Explanation

Two factors have caused the small size of this week's issue of the Eimac News. First, and the primary factor, is that the deadline for copy is Tuesday at noon. As the columnists could not gather news until Wednesday, it was necessary to omit the columns.

Secondary reason is the picture situation. The synchronization of the magazine's camera was off the beam, which resulted in pictures not qualified for publication in the Eimac News.



Connie Sweeney—is gonna marry a Merchant Mariner.



Janet and Don Masterson—surprised the guys and gals in Pump.

One Year Of Operation

CAFE TO HAVE
SURPRISE

It was a year ago today that the Eimac Cafeteria served its first meal! One year has passed during which time praise and thanks have been showered on the Cafeteria staffs of all three shifts.

During the year the Cafeteria has served over half a million meals. If the rest period service is included, the service would mount to one and a half million.

Twenty-four persons of the original staff are still working here and must be classed as "charter members," including Lee Woods, who is head of the Cafeteria, and Louis Bruggisser, Eimac's Swiss chef. Louis Bruggisser is the top man as far as the cooking is concerned. However, the specialists, to whom credit must go for the fine variety and flavor of the cuisine are little known to most Eimackers. John Gastori is the man responsible for the soups, stews and roasts. John is chef on swing shift and is primarily responsible for the cooking of the main course. Also on swing shift is Joe Barrios, whose abilities in the kitchen include the cooking of everything from "soup to nuts."

Fry cook is Emil Grosso. He holds sway as graveyard chef. Charles McBride performs all around duties as relief chef.

Margaret Scherwitz is the Eimac baker.



The above is a reproduction of the certificate of meritorious achievement awarded the Eimac cafeteria by the War Food Administration.

She and her assistant, Delta Smith do all the baking. Jenny Morrison is the lady to compliment if your breakfasts have been to your liking. Hot cakes, french toast and ham and eggs are the Morrison specialties.

Unsung members of the Cafeteria staff are the ladies who do the pot washing. The job is not one which gets much credit. Peeling and cleaning of vegetables are also duties of the girls in the "behind the scenes" location of the Cafeteria.

The Cafeteria has received citations from many industrial service organizations

in the nation for compliance with the ration program to the "unth" degree, the service of low-point, but nutritious meals, and the general all around goodness of a smooth and fine meal dispensing organization.

In celebration of the first year of successful operation, the Cafeteria has arranged a surprise for Eimackers. Some employees have partaken of the surprise already, but others will be delighted to see and eat what is presented today.

Happy birthday to the Cafeteria and may many more follow!

AROUND THE PLANT AFTER A LONG WEEK-END

A great number of things were accomplished by day shift Eimackers during the extended week-end. From house-cleaning to riding, swimming, loafing, sleeping, eating and more loafing, but not a single soul found the time undesirable.

Visits around the town, or into the forlorn corner of the closet were probably the procedures in most cases, but others did other things, such as:

A trio of femmes took in a wedding. It seems that Muff Facchini's brother got married, so Kem Kids Larry DeMartini, Bruna Pera, Flo Cox, and but naturally, Muff, saw the "tying of the knot." Not alone in attending "knot ties" however, were the Kids, 'cause Elizabeth Kimball of Pre-Inspection attended such a feature during her respite.

Santa Cruz, being the most accessible away-from-home spot, attracted more than a fair share of day-time Eimackers. Ruth Garcia of Plate enjoyed a week-end sojourn there and was sur-

prised to see so many Eimac colleagues. Mayme Thiewes and Lucille Johnson, both of Pump, put in an appearance at the spot. A branch Eimac office could easily have been opened at the seaside resort because seen there were: Bill Dixon, undoubtedly trying to catch or buy some fish, Aileen Weppener, Agnes Unterein, Dottie Arana and Charlotte Hawkins. You might assume that the complexions were from embarrassment.

Keith Maynard's red face was acquired in Santa Cruz and Berle Larson, although not coated like Keith, was at S. C. too.

Mike Stack decided to be a wayfarer or rover. A moment or few at Russian River was followed by a trek to Santa Cruz.

Feature of the week for a great many were the shores and waters of Searsville Lake. Ethel Canole, one of Chem's cover girls, was there, as were: Violet Dietri, who returned with a burning com-

plexion, Bette Ferreira, who enjoyed boating along with the swimming, Don McMillan and his wife, Marie Yoest and her husband and thousands of others. Not all from Eimac, however. Don Wright and April Brockway were there. Of the Office force, Janet Lewis, Clara Wheatley, Anne Cameron and Bette Lewis obtained that healthy look that comes with lying in the sun.

Speaking of the office! Eleanor Geddes returned from a "super" week vacation at Yosemite Park on Monday. But, she, Hank Brown, Alan (with one "L" please) Skellenger and Flick Crowthers, of Salt Lake City fame, spent the remaining days of the week-end—working!

Ed Wilkes, the gay old guy of Chem, really had a time for himself, and the rest of the Wilkes family for that matter. Saturday night he and his missus spent adancin' at the Eimac dance. Sunday, daughter Linda went for her first

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swim, and on the Fourth the junior miss went pony-back riding. Little William Charles is still too young for such things.

Also from Chem, Howard Duhamel gave the family a ride out to the San Francisco beach. His tinted texture is ample proof.

People of the Glass department went various ways. Elsie Stevens went fishing at Pescadero, Vera Schlechter journeyed to Russian River. Eloise Smith, Marion Goodrich and Lupe Terrazas were very conventional. Shopping! Jean Dailey finished up her vacation with her family at Burnt Ranch, California.

That character of the Beading section, Joseph Curran, has decided to watch the Fleas play softball rather than see the S. F. Seals baseball team commit errors all over the field. He says, "The Fleas don't make errors all over the field, except when the ball is hit to the short-stop." Oh, featured event was a baseball game.

Wilma Reed, Margie Hester and Velma Shoemaker caught up on domestic situations. Canning fruit, canning fruit and cleaning house were their chores, respectively.

Beth Ludwig found the tunes of Lake Tahoe cowboys very interesting! No, the cowboys weren't down this-a-way, she went up to the "6,250 feet-above-sea-level" lake.

Mr. Dixon of the Office and Barney Flori of the Stockroom should collaborate on fishing abilities. Barney snared two dozen Kingfish while throwing his line into the ocean at Half Moon Bay. Is that good?

Leave it to Bob Griffin and Gene Gallagher to be different—a dance and sleep, supplemented by some old fashioned loafing.

Fruit picking shared the spotlight for a number of Eimackers. Gladys Davis of Reclamation, Hank Rideout of Plate and Evy Edwards of the Beading girls were helping reap the harvests of California farmers.

Dottie Smith of Plate had a hectic time as she worried, first if the '29 model vehicle would make it to Monterey, then if her "A" coupons would hold out.

Russian River addicts were not unfew as is not unknown. Dottie Chichester, Marge Hunt and Waldo Hunt, spent a couple days up that way. They, too, were not alone. Marion Gordon of Pump was also there.

Oh, Leona Fawcett was at Santa Cruz, with some of the other Eimackers.

From the Service Bureau came reports of activity on many fronts. Made-

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SHUFFLEBOARD TOURNNEY CREATING INTEREST

Eimac's most popular lunch period sport, shuffleboard, has reached such gigantic proportions that participants are now desiring competition on a large scale. Lastest in the way of activity suggestions is that of a shuffleboard tournament. It comes from the boys of the Lab.

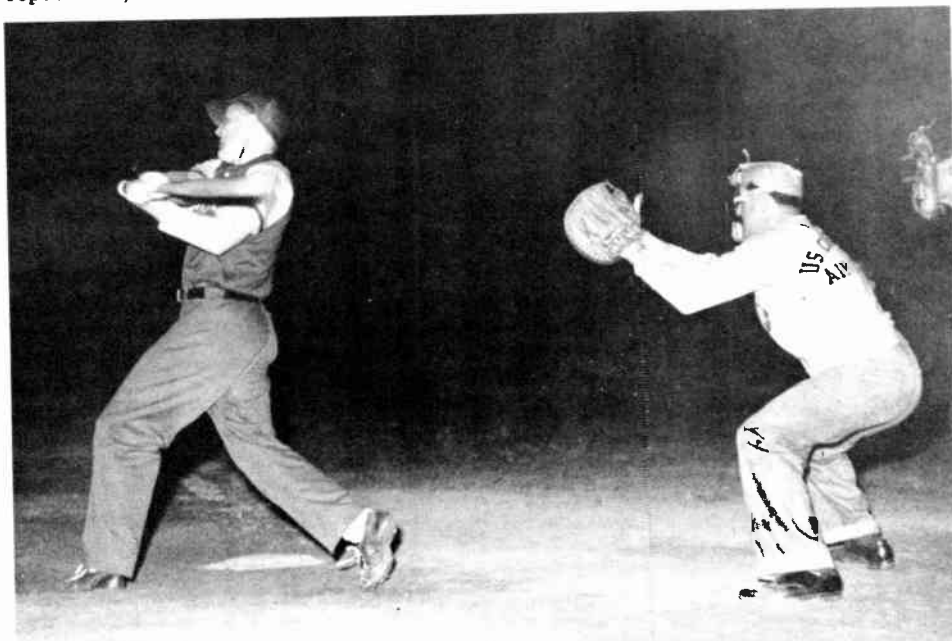
Plans have not been definitely made as to the date, rules and method of play, but entries, suggestions or what-have-you will be accepted with appreciation in the Service Bureau.

Naturally, after so many months of practise and competition, a few fellows and gals have built up "Star Shuffler" reputations, but that should make no dif-

ference to anyone who wishes to enter. Skill plays a good part in the ultimate outcome of a match, but luck is also quite prominent. You stand as good a chance as anyone of winning.

Probably the best way to handle the tourney would be by elimination. For instance, each entrant is eliminated when he loses a match. This goes on until but two fellows, or gals as the case may be, remain undefeated, at which time the final match for the championship would be "shuffled off."

The above is only an idea, however, so let your views on the situation be known in the Service Bureau.



Eimac's slugging centerfielder, Dave Jackson, who isn't slugging, slugs one on the nose.

Swings Gets Most Of Drawing Awards

Swing shift by five lengths! Graveyard placed and day shift didn't even leave the post! That sums up the situation on the Eimac Fifth War Loan Bond drawing, held on graveyard shift, July 5.

Gladys Souza did the honors and proceeded to make it a field day for swing shifters and the employees of Shipping and Grid. Al Silveira was at the P. A. microphone and gave a motion by motion description of the drawing, which was held in the Assembly section in front of the door to the P. A. room.

First name drawn was that of Florence Allen, Grid department, swing, and the number "401" netted her a \$100 war bond. Graveyard made its bid about this time, the name of Vera Bryant being next. A \$50 war bond was the reward.

Seven \$25 bonds were then drawn and were won by: Marguerite Heincelman, Shipping, swing; Mildred Moore, Grid, swing; Maurine Donaldson, Inspection, swing; Peggy Kenefick, Shipping, graveyard; Alberta Harris, Grid, swing; Joe Barios, Cafeteria, swing; and Lorraine Boyer, Glass, swing.

Shipping and Grid both had three winners to take top honors. Grid, however, reaped the greatest portion of the awards as they won \$150 worth of the bonds. The Shipping accounted for \$100 worth. Inspection, Glass and the Cafeteria were the only other departments to receive any awards.

Winners are now being notified of their good fortune and contacted to determine how the bonds should be made out.

SPORTS PARADE

Fleas Aren't Hitting

With the first half of the softball season practically over, and this week's game too late for the deadline, now is a good time to take a look at the statistics thus far.

The Fleas have participated in six contests in the Burlingame Softball league and have come out on top in five of them to grab a stranglehold on second place in the standings. The only time things went against them was in the Loewe & Zweirlein game when they were humiliated with a 4-0 shutout dished up by "Bullet Bob" Spiller.

Eimac has scored 30 runs to their opponents 21, and the majority of these came in the farce with the Merchant Marine ten when the Fleas came out on top 14-13 in the wierdest game imaginable.

When you look at the batting averages you commence to wonder why the Fleas have won five out of six ball games, for they can surely be called the "Hitless Wonders." The team average is a meek .200, but the boys are on the beam in the defensive department.

Leo Mahoney has flung two two-hitters, and chalked up one shutout, and has given up but eleven hits in four games. "Deacon" Brown also registered a shutout in thirteen innings when the Fleas scrapped their way to a 1-0 victory over Bourne's service.

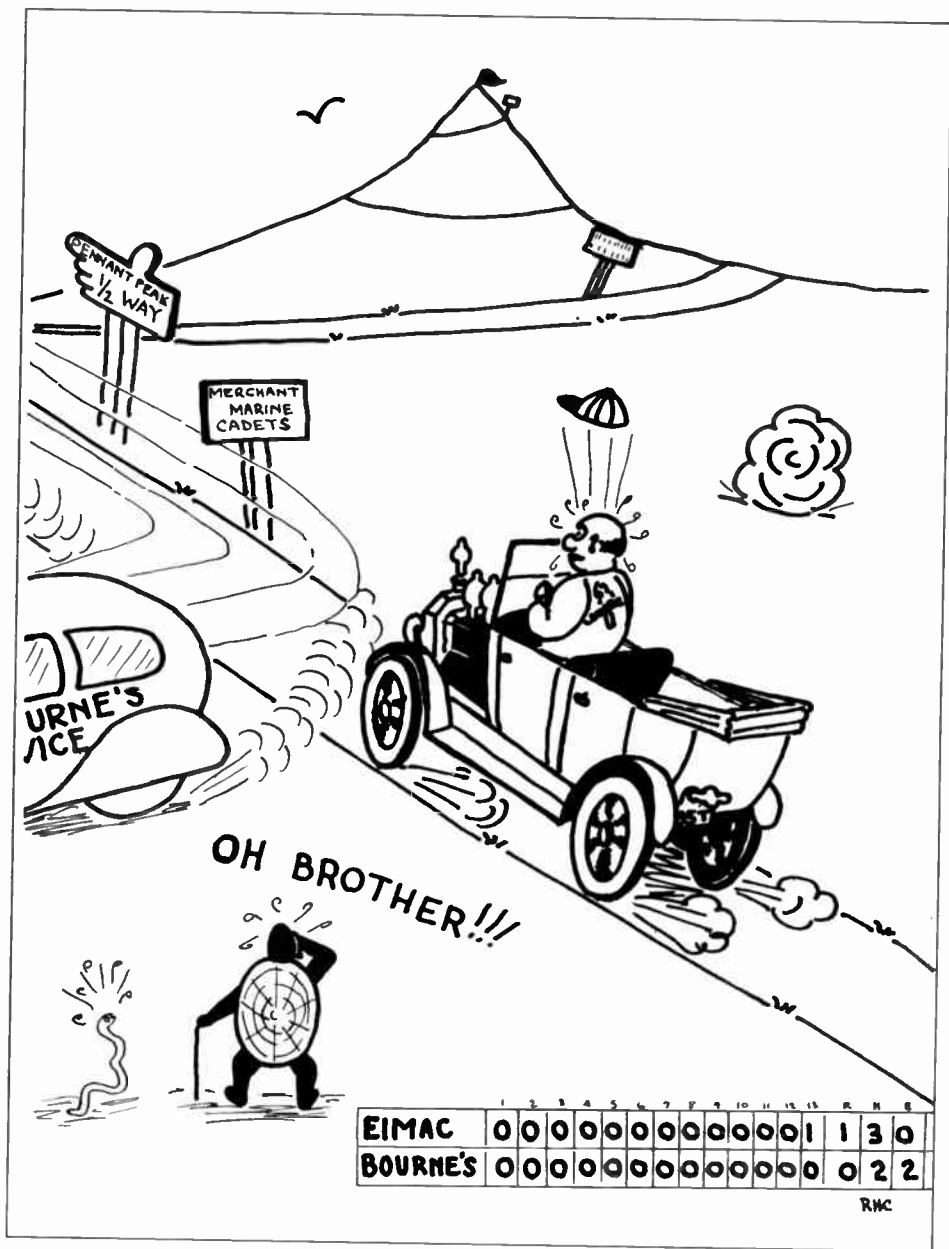
Ralph Downey, right fielder, leads the way in the hitting statistics with six hits in fifteen times at bat for a cool .400, and is followed by Catcher Pat Warrington with .353. Pat has a like number of hits to his credit, but has two more official times at bat, and is tied with "Shorty" Walrod with five runs batted in to share the lead in the RBI column.

"Opie" Taylor is the only other batter who can speak of his batting average without hanging his head as he lands in third place with a .333 average.

Leadoff man Walrod holds an undisputed lead in the number of runs scored with five to his credit, the balance being strung out fairly evenly.

The first half ended this week with the Merchant Marine Cadets furnishing the opposition to our sturdy lads, who despite a poor practice record have come through remarkably well in league competition. Next week will be open as the eight clubs comprising the B. S. L. take it easy in preparation for the second half campaign.

Eimac will probably engage in a practice game during the week which will be announced later.



CLAIMS MUST HAVE SIGNATURE OF M. D.

A number of months ago cases of influenza were quite prevalent around the Bay area. Because of the shortage of medical men Eimackers with insurance claims were allowed to turn in claim blanks with the signature of a registered nurse being sufficient.

That, however, was only during the period of weeks that flu cases were so common. Many Eimackers have apparently misconstrued the statement and are now filing claims with only the nurses signa-

HARDEST DAYS TO COME

President Roosevelt recently warned the American people of its "complacency," and high-ranking Army and Navy officers have expressed the conviction that the bloodiest and hardest days of the war are ahead of us. The "danger" signal is sounded on the production line. Let's send our fighting men all the weapons of war we can build—as quickly as we can. They may save the life of someone near and dear to you.

ture. It is imperative, if you wish to collect on your claim, to have the signature of a physician.

line Johansen went someplace, Verna Avery saw a horse show, Palmer Evarts stayed home, Phyllis Johnson went someplace—with Madeline, Jean Bost enjoyed the quiet of home, and Pat Whitfield fumed because she didn't go to any of the places she could have gone.

Graveyarders almost universally answered the inquiring reporter with, "Did something I've wanted to do for a long time. I stayed home and slept. It was wonderful!"

The desire to commune with nature and get out in the wide open spaces caused "Skip" Fernandes, Virginia Cranston, Barbara Amendt and Bette Webb, all of graveyard Pump, to take off on what was called a "rugged" camping trip in the Santa Cruz mountains.

A wet vacation was spent by Tom Alford. His week-end was almost entirely devoted to swimming at Searsville Lake.

Also seen at Searsville were Georgia Savina and Jo Damia of swing Straight Filament. The lucky gals barbecued steaks. Current question is where did they get them, and who saw them last?

The metropolis on the tip of the peninsula, San Francisco, drew many Eimackers. If the local shows noticed an increase in gate takes, much of it can be attributed to swing shifters. Among the many seeing the big city were Larry Headrick, Irma Deistenberger, to name a couple . . . Maurine Donaldson of Inspection broke some kind of a record when, in two days, she saw seven shows.

"Pennies from Heaven" was the unexpected release from toil, especially to vacationers of the week before. Among them, Kay Garibaldi and Ann Peruch both claim "Just what I needed to recover from my vacation."

If anyone with an inquiring mind were to stand outside the First Aid room and watch the broiled and par-boiled victims of "old sol" go blushing by, the count would, without a doubt, be interesting. . . . Among the band of Eimac untouchables were Edith Thylin, who painted the outside of her house—all of it! At least, she's suffering now for a good cause.

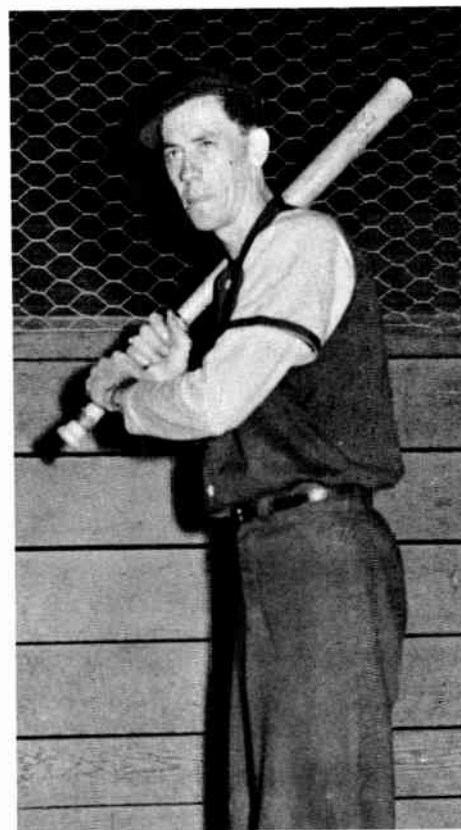
Lee Woods of the Cafe, discovered that sunburns easily acquired at local beaches can be just as painful as those received far from home.

Sports minded males at Eimac took advantage of the holiday to indulge in an orgy of fishing. Whether the catch was big or small the claim is "a won-

derful time" . . . Bob Dunckel of Straight Filament went fishing at Carson Pass. He said luck was with him. A trio of Inspectionites went out in Harry Muehlman's boat. The fishermen three, were Harry, Jimmy Malone and Norm Anderson. Some luck was with Harry and Norm, but Jimmie's day proved expensive. He lost his watch in the briny deep. To add insult to injury he didn't even get a little one. Louis Bruggisser of the Cafe also got out his rod and reel. Rumor has it that he caught but two small ones.

Wynn Dudley invited Jo Stumbaugh, Marge Sommerfield, Helen Langer, Virginia Damberger and her small son, Gary, to absorb their quota of vitamin D at her cabin in Ben Lomond. Each did what she liked best, a situation which worked out very well. Wynn and Marge were cooks, Helen and Jo, scullery maids, while Ginny and her young Gary kept house.

To be more specific and to tell where everyone went would take more volumes than this magazine could publish in three years, so be patient and maybe your columnist will inform you to a greater degree of satisfaction, accuracy, and specification.



Ralph Downey, the Fleas leading sticker with an even .400 average.

EIMAC FLEAS BATTING STATISTICS

Player	Games	At Bat	Runs	Hits	R.B.I.	Avg.
Downey, rf	6	15	3	6	3	.400
Warrington, c	6	17	3	6	5	.353
Taylor, lf	5	12	3	4	3	.333
Walrod, sf	6	20	5	5	5	.250
Nelin, ss	6	18	4	4	3	.222
Ranahan, 1b	6	20	2	4	2	.200
Wilkes, 3b	6	19	3	3	3	.158
Jackson, cf	5	15	3	2	3	.133
Hoetzel, 2b	6	20	3	2	1	.100
Mahoney, p	4	10	1	1	2	.100
Munholand, uo	2	0	0	0	0	.000
Brown, p	1	4	0	0	0	.000
Provancha, uo	1	1	0	0	0	.000
Rideout, ui	0	0	0	0	0	.000
Stoddard, ui	0	0	0	0	0	.000
Roddy, u	0	0	0	0	0	.000
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B. S. L. Standings

Team	Won	Lost
L. & Z.	6	0
EIMAC FLEAS	5	1
M. M. Enlisted	4	2
Bourne's	3	3
American Legion	3	3
M. M. Cadets	2	4
Coast Guard	1	5
Hammond	0	6

Swing Bowling Standings

Team	Won	Lost
Holy Bowlers	3	0
Vac-a-teers	3	0
Grid Kids	2	1
Fillies	2	1
Chem Tones	1	2
Glass	1	2
Plate	0	3
Zombies	0	3

We need that run! Ed Wilkes, manager of the Eimac Fleas, rounds the third sack and moves toward home as Ed Sekins, American Legion hot corner guardian, waits for the ball to be thrown in. Yep, Wilkes scored!

