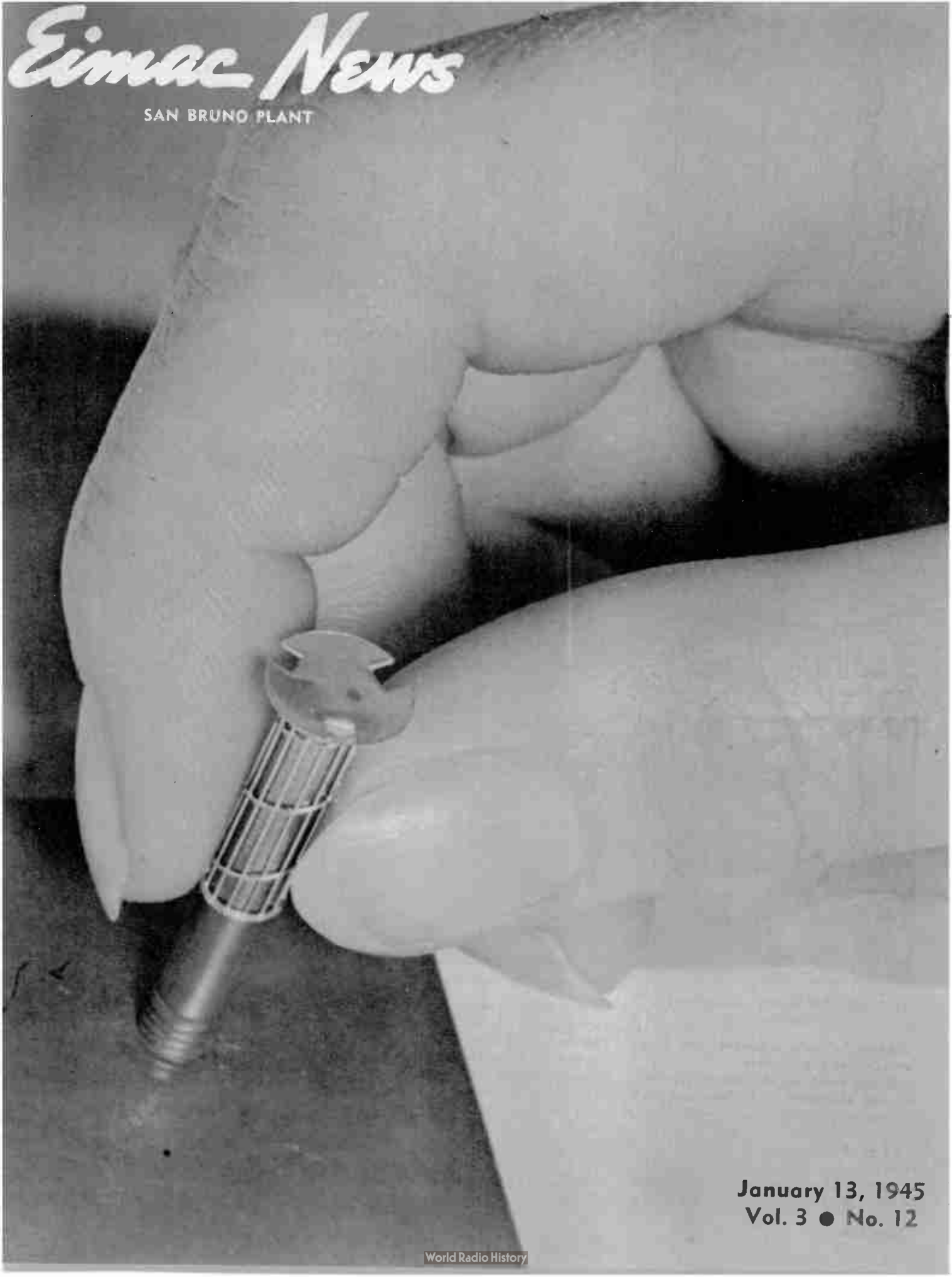
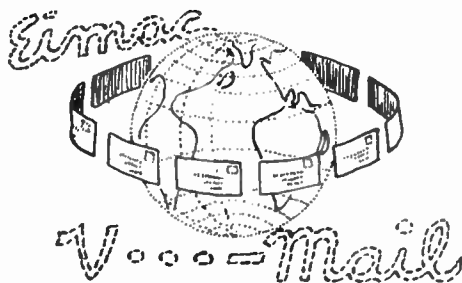


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(Cleve Woolley, CM 2/C, who wields a hammer with the Seabees somewhere out in the South Pacific, wrote to the editor recently. Pat Woolley of the Office is Cleve's sister.)

Dear Johnnie:

I received your latest Eimac News and as always enjoyed it all the way through. It gets here a month and half after the date of issue, but every item in it is just the same as if it had happened yesterday. I certainly want to go through the plant and see comparable working procedures as evidenced by the similarity to our gauging and visual inspection. Ammunition and radio tubes are a far cry from one another, but generalities are similar. Naturally, I'm not too up-to-the-minute on news from the home front but I was sort of perturbed by reports of shortages of vital materials.

If the folks at home realize the tremendous amounts of supplies that are necessary to consummate this war I know each and every one would dig a shade deeper to help the boys out. It's a real sacrifice to the boys over here to be away from all the luxuries of home in



Cleve Woolley, a Seabee hammer man

addition to being separated from wives, sweethearts and families.

If you could see the energy put forth by the thousands of Seabees and their unceasing, round-the-clock operation, you would realize that they are making history by their construction magic. Various groups are always making new record performances on the construction time of some type of building or air strip laying.

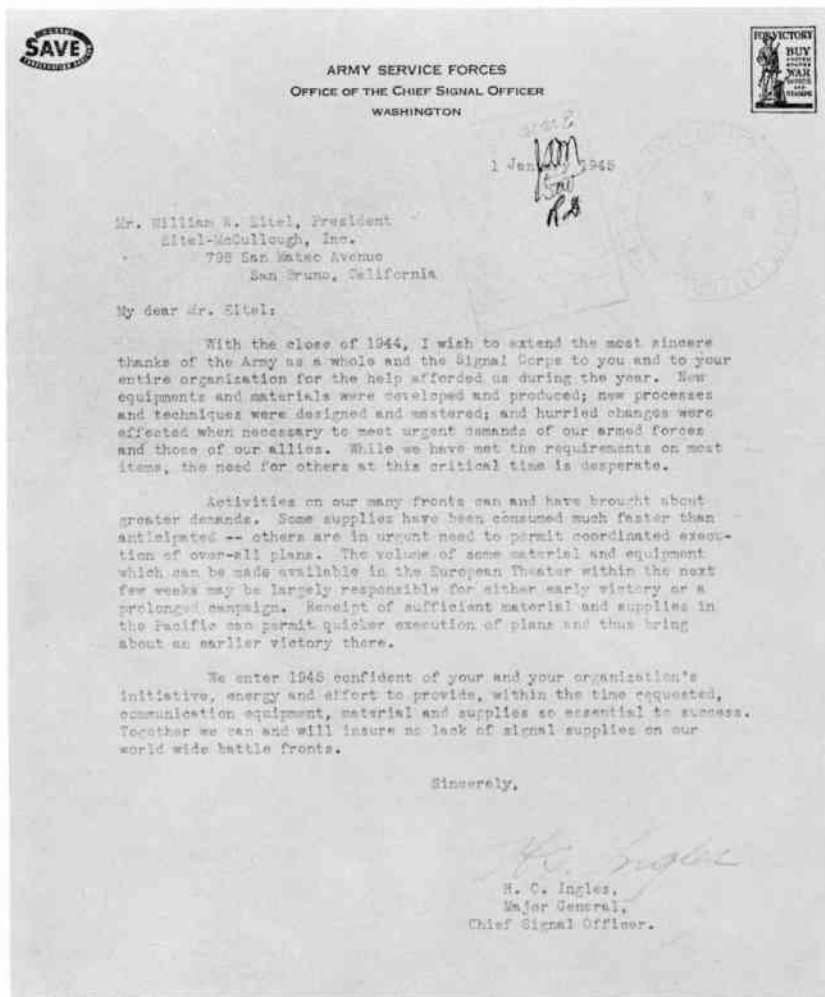
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There is no vacation or time off unless the limit of human endurance has been reached. Most of us don't enjoy the satisfaction of doing the actual fighting, but we are fighting a different sort of battle. The battle against time, weather, disease and the deadlines set down for us. The motto of our grand bunch is, "Can Do"—that pertains to anything.

I hope to hear from you folks occasionally and remain an avid reader of the News,
CLEVE.

The man that loves and laughs must sure do well.

—Pope

THIS WEEK'S COVER

The operation depicted on this week's cover is performed in the Grid department. The photo shows a 15E grid being checked on a jig—to make certain that the diameter of the grid meets specifications.

MORE WORK FOR BUSY TRIO



Art Arrigoni

With the departure this week of Don Furgason, Glass department head and veteran Eimacker, a number of departmental changes were announced.

Fran Migge, head of Straight Filament, takes over Don's duties with the exception of the beading, flare spinning, glass cracking, tubulation bending and stem machine sections, which go under Bill Tallmon's jurisdiction. Tallmon retains his Inspection department under the new setup.

Migge's Straight Filament department is combined with Spiral Filament, both under Art Arrigoni, with the exception of the condenser section, which goes to Plate, under George Currier. The combined filament departments will be known simply as the Filament department.

These changes all became effective this week. Administrative details are being worked out in the various departments.



Don Furgason



Bill Tallmon



Fran Migge

'Twill BE A SOCIAL '45 FOR SWINGSTERS

Plans for 1945 was the topic of discussion at the first meeting of the new year held by the swing shift social committee late last week. Neither the combined social committee nor the day shift committee has met as yet to plan a tentative schedule of events.

Swing members agreed upon a program of varied projects. First on the agenda was the juke-box dance situation. The conclusion reached was that such dances will be held every other Tuesday night, at the usual place, with the usual midnight door-closing.

The first juke dance of '45 was held last Tuesday evening and attracted a good number of dancers. A new floor, recently laid in the American Legion hall, was the comment-creating thing about the first dance.

Bowling, aside from the regular swing league on Fridays, will take place every other Wednesday. Swingsters who wish to participate will inform their social committee representative who will contact the proper person to reserve the necessary number of alleys.

Once each month a motion picture will be shown in the Cafeteria. However, this event's success will depend upon the attendance at the first few showings.

A questionnaire is being prepared for distribution to swingsters to find out how many are interested in holding card parties, and if so, on what night. Whist, bridge, rummy and pinochle (no poker) are set for discussion.

When summer comes picnics, barbecues, possibly sporting nights and other warm-weather pastimes will take a spot on the calendar of events for swingsters.

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WAREHOUSE WANDERINGS by Sig

Due to inventory and the year end holidays your reporter was unable to write a column for the last issue of the old year, but now I will try to make up for lost time. Please accept my apologies, gang.

Although it is a little late, I will mention that Pre-Inspection had their annual Christmas party. It was held in the warehouse and gifts were exchanged.

Grace Mattox from the Chemical department has been with us for the past week helping us on base inspection. Gracie was a former Warehouse member and we are glad to have her back. It is just like old times.

A New Year's Eve party was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Sig Johnson.

Among those present from the plant were: Ed Costa, Karl "Buzz" Krohn and their wives along with Grace Mattox and her husband. Dancing was the main event of the evening.

Nadine Scott says that she received a fur coat for Christmas. How about modeling it for us sometime, babe?

Ed Costa and his family traveled to Antioch last week end and visited relatives. They were to go fishing but a dense fog made it impossible, so Ed assisted in butchering a couple of hogs.

We haven't seen much of George MacKender, the warehouse handyman, since the new year rolled around. He has been busy remodeling his glass cracking machine.



Jeanne Bost

JEANNE BOST TAKES OVER COUNSELING

Jeanne Bost of the Service Bureau moved into the counselor's office Thursday to replace Fran Purtell, counselor since last October.

Fran left the company Wednesday and will move to Los Angeles Monday as her husband has been transferred south. Fran began working at Eimac in April, 1943, as interviewer of prospective employees, transferring to the training center in the same capacity when it opened late in 1943, and then returned to the plant as counselor.

Jeanne was first employed in the Service Bureau in July, 1943, later becoming secretary to the counselor. In her new position she will interview certain prospective employees, administer leaves of absence, terminations and various other problems associated with the job.

The new counselor will be on duty from 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Swing shift employees should contact her during those hours.

Birthdays Coming Up

SUN.	Juanita Redmond	Glass
	Doris Malstrom	Pump
	Georgia Winnegar	Glass
	Bruna Pera	Chemical
MON.	Calvin Coover	Stds. C'ntrl
TUES.	Ella Mae Chandler	Grid
	Barbara Matthai	Lab
	Bill Eitel	Never heard of him.
WED.	Georgia Savini	St. Fil.
THURS.	Stan Johnson	Constr.
	Don Miller	Constr.
FRI.	Dave Atkins	Lab
	Rosa Barnett	Cafeteria
	Marie Fiddler	Office

What's Cookin'

By Verna and Irene

Recipe of The Week Candied Sweet Potatoes

Steam cook or boil six medium sweet potatoes until almost done. Peel and cut in half. Place in a shallow pan slightly oiled. Cover with sauce being sure each potato is coated with sauce. Bake at 450 degrees F. until potatoes are tender.

Sauce

2 cups apricot nectar 1/3 cup brown sugar
3 tablespoons corn starch 2 tablespoons butter

Blend brown sugar, cornstarch with cold nectar, stir constantly and cook until thick and transparent. Then add butter and pour over sweet potatoes. If not thick enough add more corn starch. If too thick add more nectar.

Joe Barrios recently had a birthday and it was celebrated by the swing shift with a large cake and a card and handkerchief shower. Joe seemed to be really surprised. You will get older, will you?

Quite a few of the gang have had the flu. Ella Adams, Irene Rich and Aldina Barbieri have been off due to the bug. Sorry, ladies, that you had to be sick to get a day off. While Aldina was off, Elizabeth Bandy did the baking.

Short Orders

Catherine Plush was off Sunday for a church holiday. According to the Gregorian Calendar, it was Christmas time . . . Deena Dodd was a recent visitor in Stockton, where she visited the skating rink there.

Altar Echoes

By Kaye Anderson

Alberta Harris of the swing shift Reclamation department left Eimac on December 26 with the intentions of spending a quiet vacation—so she says.

She returned January 2 with a brand new name, Mrs. Carol Ellingson. So the story goes—Carol, who hails from North Dakota, came down to San Francisco for a few days and the couple, being of the same mind, took a stroll down to the City Hall. On December 29 at 4:30 p.m. Judge Golden officiated at the ceremony which made them Mr. and Mrs. Alberta was dressed in navy blue and wore matching accessories.

Alberta came to Eimac in October, 1943. For 11 months she was employed in the Grid department on swing shift before being transferred to the Reclamation department. Future plans for the couple are indefinite.

The Voice of Swing



ARLINE RENARD is the gal who possesses the voice which has been heard drifting from the P. A. on swing shift for nearly a month now.

P.B.X. work is not something new and uncommon to her as she has been working at such a job for fifteen years. Before coming to Eimac she was telephone operator for the Cleveland Shopping News and the well-known Hotel Auditorium in Cleveland, Ohio.

Two years ago she received an honorable discharge from the W.A.C.—where she had also served as a P.B.X. operator.

When you hear the call, "Joe Blow, you are wanted in the guard-house," spoken with that Boston accent, it's Arline!



Alberta Harris returned with a new name—Ellingson

THREE STAFF CHANGES

Three changes on the Eimac News staff have taken place—two because former contributors have left the company, one because of added responsibilities.

Dave Jackson, who has written up sports articles and personality sketches for the past six months, will replace Alice



Elinore Rockwell



Dave Jackson

Underhill as feature editor. Alice just recently undertook a new name (formerly Motto), and feels that she can no longer serve as feature editor. She will, however, remain on the staff to contribute from time to time.

Elinore Rockwell, better known as "Rocky," who began writing personality stories a few weeks ago, will assume the feature writer position—a spot held until now by Clara Wheatley. Clara is leaving Eimac to return to her home in Oklahoma with her husband who will soon return from overseas duty.



The return of another serviceman, Hazel Tomlinson's husband, left the Grid Gossip column half-staffed. Angela Zitelli has come to the rescue to take over where Hazel left off.

Angela Zitelli She will co-author with Dot Pigott, their first offering appearing in this week's issue.

Beaders' Buzz

By Beth and Leila

Back from sick leave comes Vestalee Jones. She spent a week recuperating from a bad cold at the home of her parents in Sunnyvale. Glad to see you back, Vestalee

Lela Watkins is in her familiar place at the glass cutting machine after her vacation. She spent the week at home with her three little girls

Joe Curran, who is still on the sick list, is certainly being missed by his Beading gals. The old department just isn't the same without Joe

Two birthdays were celebrated in the Beading department last week—that of Leila Mingledorff and Joe Curran

"Jeep" Gatter, a former Bearer, gave birth to a baby girl on January 7. Congratulations from the Beaders to you and your husband.

J. Williams Joins Merchant Marine

Jack Williams, who has been an Eimacker now for almost four years, became a "snap-out" the middle of this week in order to join the Merchant Marine.

Since beginning his career at Eimac back in '41, Jack has worked on relay parts, been a supervisor of relays and sealing, done almost every Glass department operation at one time or other and ended up most recently as a glass lathe technician.

Jack has always taken a very active part in social activities. He has served on the social committee constantly and was chairman for a term. He bowled with the "450's" bowling team and was a member of the Eimac chorus during its short life and was usually among those present at Eimac gatherings.

Although Jack has worked in a machine shop and a butcher shop, radio has been his chief interest since the very old days when he went to work at "Wunderlich's Radio Shop"—which was run by George Wunderlich at that time. By going into the Merchant Marine, Jack has the hope that he may get into some sort of radio work, and continue to increase his know-



Jack Williams

ledge and experience in the radio line.

Jack is to report to Catalina Island where, he hears, the training is quite rugged. When asked what he'd be after going through all that stiff training, Jack simply answered, "An able-bodied seaman." Whether an able-bodied seaman or Admiral, the wish of his friends at Eimac is still "good luck," and don't forget to write.



The "before and askew" view of Eimacs un-bound depicted above as against the "open and shut" case alongside of issues all-bound should scream to all who can see—"get your collection bound!"

NITRITING---DOES A CLEANING JOB



Gertrude Huggenberger, Marge Lage and Marge Hunt (foreground) perform the nitriting operation at one of the many rows of nitrite pots located in the Chemical department

Nitriting, one of the many operations performed in the Chemical department, is another of the unsung but vital steps in the production of Eimac's high-quality tubes.

Each day thousands of leads are cleaned in the Chemical department and nitriting, or electrolyzing, is one of the methods by which they are cleaned. There is a great deal more to nitriting than just dipping leads into a pot.

Leads must first be nitrited (actually, electrolyzed) to remove foreign matter from the metal to allow perfect fusing of the glass bead to the metal. During the beading operation, an oxide, which must be removed electrolytically before welding operations can be performed, is formed on the lead.

Another job that nitriting does is reduce the diameter of the metal. Some of the leads used in spiral filament type tubes must be reduced because the filaments are wound to the one-thousandths of an inch and the leads to which they are welded must conform to the diameter.

A four-gallon clay crock, a metal plate, a copper clip and a caustic solution are the materials necessary to create the electrolytic action, together with an electrical power supply.

To perform the operation the operator places the article to be cleaned in the clip which is connected to one side of an alternating current source, immerses the part in the solution, steps on a foot pedal switch which starts the electrical flow and electrolysis takes place.

The oxide which must be removed from the leads is soluble

in the caustic solution alone, but by running electrical current through the lead, and placing it in the solution which is charged through the metal plate immersed in the solution and connected to the other side of the power supply, the dissolving action is speeded up. Whereas dissolving of the oxide in the caustic without use of electrolysis might take from a week to six months, electrolysis does the job in a matter of seconds.

The electrical action heats the solution immediately surrounding the article to be nitrited at the same time minute bubbles created by the electrical action are "knocking off" the oxide. The same principle applies in reducing the diameter of a lead as the metal is dissolved by the hot solution immediately surrounding the article.

The amount of foreign matter or oxide to be removed from the article, or the reduction necessary, determines the length of time the article is to be nitrited.

One of two solutions may be found in the nitrite pots. One, used for cleaning large type filament stems, is composed of a caustic dissolved in water, while the other, used for the majority of nitriting operations, composed of two caustics also dissolved in water, is a milder solution. The life of each solution varies depending upon its use.

Safety equipment is also a vital part of nitriting. The maze of "Rube Goldberg chimneys" in Chem is the ventilating system used to carry off fumes which rise from the solu-

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KEM KITTIES by Leona

Avast there me mates, and what's in the wind today? Come on me hearties and le's drop anchor in one o' the Chemical department lye pots and set out for our loot o' treasure—News!



Getting on with some of the older stuff first, I guess you've all noticed John Iverson thumping his chest a la Tarzan style. He's managed to add another department to his withholding tax record—a seven-pound heir named Kenneth. Congrats, Mr. and Mrs. Iverson!



Seems like 'long about last week we welcomed back "bad penny, etc."—Flo Cox. Everybody surely was glad to see Eleanor Cunha back, too. What! She hasn't been anywhere? Oh, well, we missed her anyway.



Having "lost and found" problems with that pooch of hers, Marge Hunt is ready to donate her crying towel to somebody else—for "found again Mickey" is again residing at the Hunt household. Mickey seems to be going off on two or three day tours, apparently searching for his master, Waldo.



Everybody seems to be coming or going! Going this week, are Polly Thimgan, tak-

ing a jaunt down L. A. way to be with hubby, Dave, before he's sent overseas; and Isabelle Corrigan, who's headin' for Arizona to do a heap o' visitin' with relatives and friends and such. Beulah Ragland "breezed down to San Diego and back again" during the week to welcome her sea-goin' husband back to the States.



Out of voice this week, but still a-singin' her theme song of the week, is Helen Clark. Her song? "Flu-bug, What Is You Got That Gets Me?"



Who Went and Came Where:

Flo Cox's husband, Riley, came home. . . . Larry DeMartini's "Joe" had a birthday plus a birthday present—"bottled for flavor," and Irene Bianchina's escort did the honors by carrying Joe's present for him. This double trio made the rounds 'roun' and 'roun' and celebrated every occasion imaginable . . . Eleanor Cunha graced the newly opened "Columbo" night-spot in San Francisco on Saturday night . . . Lillian Miller took a motorcycle ride for herself. Take any spills for thrills, Lil? . . . Hard telling where Grace Mattox is going to be from day to day. Yesterday it was Pre-Inspection, today it's Chem, tomorrow, the Lab, then maybe on the next day it'll be Chem again. Say kiddo, "Where is you is or is you ain't?"

PRISONER OF WAR



ROY MICHELLI, formerly employed at Eimac as a glass lathe operator, is now a prisoner of war, having been captured while taking part in a U. S. drive against the Germans.

First news heard here at the plant was that Roy was missing in action somewhere in Germany. However, Louis Micheli, Roy's father, stated that the War department sent a telegram informing him that Ray was missing in action, and shortly thereafter received word from the International Red Cross to the effect that Roy was a prisoner of the Germans.

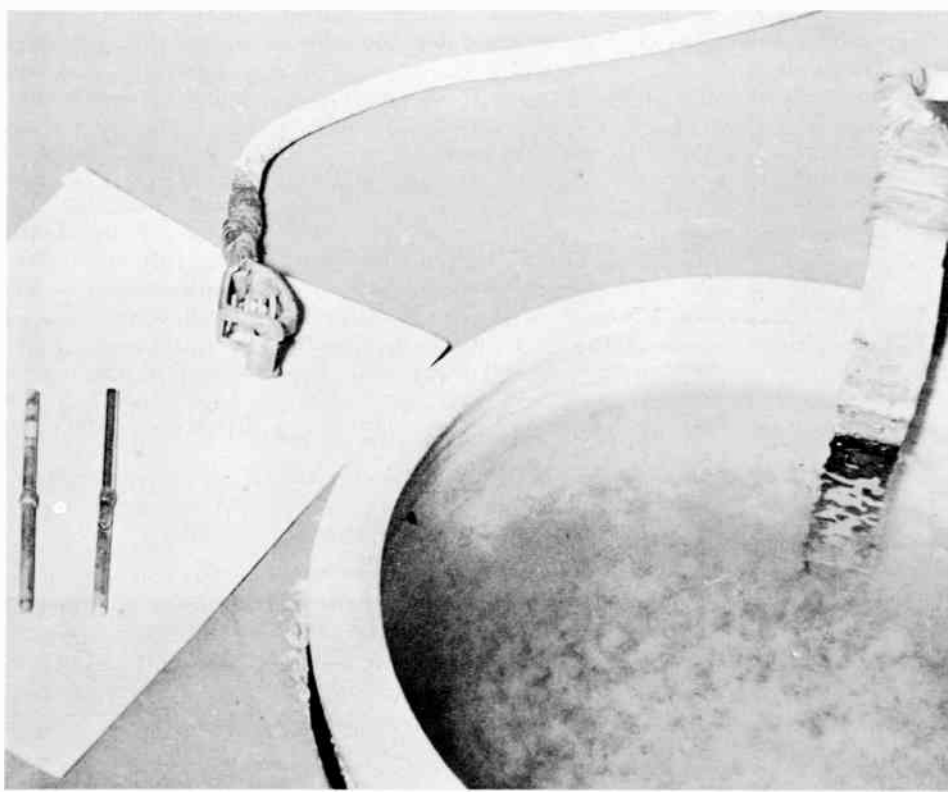
While employed at Eimac Roy was well known as he took part in practically all social activities and was an outstanding member of the Eimac softball team.

More About Nitriting
(Continued)

tions as they become heated. The vapor which stems from the pot, while not toxic, might cause the operator to cough due to a mild irritating or ticklish sensation were it not for the strong fans which pull the fumes up and away from the operator's face.

A drip pan placed under the crock also protects many a pair of slacks or stockings from being stained. Rubber aprons, gloves and safety glasses eliminate the possibility of lye burns.

A good nitrite operator, or "nitriter" as they are called, is one with a good memory. She must learn what parts of the many leads are to be nitrited and in reducing leads must remember how long to electrolyze each type of lead to get the proper reduction. Also, extreme care must be exercised in connecting the clip to the kulgrid or filastrand in nitriting stems, since accidental short circuits to the kulgrid might burn it.



This is a close-up of a nitrite pot. At right are two leads—showing the appearance before and after nitriting



LOOKING

In line with the rest of the world, Eimac underwent many changes, both important and insignificant, during 1944. Events of the year ranged from personnel changes on down to the inception of dart throwing as a new lunch-period sport.

Starting the year off with a bang, Eimac's busiest organization, the social committee, sponsored a New Year's dance at the Fairmont hotel, and followed with many other gala affairs, the biggest of which was a free dance at the Millbrae Country Club celebrating Eimac's tenth anniversary.

Included in the social committee's activities were bond raffles, picnics, barbecues, juke box dances and the regular hotel dances. Skating parties, which enjoyed a great deal of popularity previously, fell by the wayside when the roller rink was closed and many other activities were curtailed because of transportation difficulties.

The many "dress as you wish" hotel dances were all deemed great successes by those who attended and much credit should go to the social committee for its selection of locale and orchestras. A total of eight hotel dances, approximately one every six weeks, was arranged for Eimackers' enjoyment.

The big event of the year was Eimac's tenth anniversary celebration. The company held open house for friends of employees, 500 being shown through the plant.

The tour included a glimpse into each department (with military secrets hidden from view by temporary partitions) and brief explanations of operations were made by guides stationed throughout the plant. Following the tour each visitor was ushered into the Cafeteria where a snack prepared by the Cafeteria staff was enjoyed.

The grand climax of the day was the dance held at the Millbrae country club honoring Bill Eitel and Jack McCullough for their 10 years of successful enterprise. Guns were presented to Bill and Jack from their employees on the occasion.

Along the sports fr variety of events from most popular and became completed with M Grid Kids becoming ch

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An article in the Sa Cafeteria as one of the





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Employees were given a wide choice. Bowling was the round affair. Three leagues up, the Carpenters and the of their respective leagues. The League, the Eimac Fleas ed recreation to many of irls also formed a softball tion on the Peninsula as

were encouraged and en- naments, tennis and bad- g, swimming, shuffleboard, shoe pitching.

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News featured Eimac's ssful in the nation.

Long since closed, one of the busiest parts of Eimac at the outset of the year, was the Training Center. There new employees were given an extensive training course under the supervision of Dee Moseley, now of the Salt Lake plant. When the manpower problem was overcome, the Training Center's activities declined.

Major personnel changes at Eitel-McCullough's San Bruno plant played the most important role for '44 with the climax coming at the year's end.

George Wunderlich was upped to general manager of the firm, including the Salt Lake City plant, and his production manager position was assumed by Louie Pierri who transferred from Salt Lake.

A personnel change which took effect on the first day of 1945 was announced late in the year. O. H. "Hank" Brown moved from his job as personnel director to become sales manager, with Eleanor Geddes as his successor. John Young moved from Personnel to Sales as public relations chief and Leigh Norton of the Lab became co-editor of the industrial edition of the Eimac News, aside from his regular Lab job.

Herb Becker, former liaison engineer, returned to field work on the West Coast as a result of increasing needs for sales coverage. Last, but not least, Palmer Evarts became head of the new Safety and Welfare department.

Throughout the entire year there were numerous changes in the plant itself as far as foremen and department heads were concerned. Increasing pressure from draft boards made many changes necessary in plant supervision.

Many other happenings, too numerous to mention, were sponsored, enjoyed and endured by Eimackers in 1944.

There were hamfests and banquets and electronic exhibits and what have you. People came and people went and records show that many babies were born to Eimackers! What will the 1945 production schedule bring?



She'll Never Live It Down

A little girl from Eimac's Chemical department, Lorraine DeMartini, arose from her little bed one morning last week with no particular enthusiasm.

This little gal got one eye open and stirred enough of her reflexes to assume a standing position beside her bed. She stood there for a few moments—then in a frenzy of activity, rushed from room to room. Within a matter of four minutes and 37 seconds she had brushed her teeth, combed her hair, jumped into her garments, to say nothing of having dropped the coffee into the proper place, got it to perk, poured it into a glass (maybe it was a cup) and swallowed within one minute and 84 seconds.

Then, roaring out of the house, dragging her coat, purse and badge with her, she streaked up the street and came to an abrupt halt at the street corner where she awaited her usual ride to work. At this point the usual conditions came to an end.

The usual traffic seemed most unusually missing, house-lights seemed to be most unusually off and Larry began to feel most unusually uncomfortable.

The feeling of strangeness and uneasiness persisted and overwhelmed her so much that she took off again, galloping up the street to home. Bursting into the house, nearly wide-awake by this time and deeply disconcerted still, she had no more than gotten over the threshold when there, staring her in the face, was the awful truth!

The clock said 2:15 a.m.

GRID GOSSIP . . . by Dot Pigott

Dot sez:

Happy New Year Kids! I'll bet you broke at least one of your resolutions before the first day was over—me too!

Pearl Chambers and her hubby celebrated their 18th wedding anniversary by having dinner and a tour of the night spots in S. F. Congratulations from all of us, Pearl.

We received a New Year's greeting from Toni Artal, a former "Grid Kid" from graveyard shift. She is now employed in the "V" mail postal department in San Francisco.

Ethel Bates and Jean Ikleberry tell us the reason they were late New Year's morning was not because of too much New Year's Eve, but because the train they got on didn't stop at San Bruno. They had to hitch-hike back to Eimac from Butler Road in South San Francisco. A likely story, gals!

Do you know that we have a fancy roller-skater in our midst? Julie Boskey used to be a "humdinger" on skates. Since coming to Eimac she hasn't been able to keep up too much with it, but she got the thrill of seeing some of her old associates in the "Skating Vanities" now at Civic Auditorium. Who would ever think that our little Julie used to do the "aeroplane twirl" and "Flying Dutchman" and she looks like such a quiet little girl!

Angela Zitelli, new Grid scribe reports:

Hazel Tomlinson's departure several weeks ago to join her husband (lucky gal) left us with two vacancies. One—the supervisor spot which is being very ably filled by Lee Bartoli. Now, it seems I (Angela Zitelli) have been drafted as your new reporter, so here goes.

"Who says there's a cigarette shortage?" might well have been the words of one Ralph Downey last Thursday. Reason, every girl in the department presented him with a package of those now very rare smokes for his birthday. How are they holding out, Ralph?

Back from holiday vacations are Virginia Davis, Claire Smith and Inez Mollack. To put it briefly, a good time was had by all.

Surprise of the week: Florence Allen's husband, who returned from overseas about a month ago, rang her door bell early one morning last week. See, Florence, that's why the mail man neglected you those few days.

Verna Ramos said goodbye to us last Friday. We certainly hate to see you go but we understand. Be sure to let us know if it's a boy or a girl, won't you?

Extra, extra! A near riot at the Burlingame Bowl, when the "amateur" Shipping gang walked off with three games from the "professional" Five Spares. For shame, girls. I guess you had better stick to the big league from now on.



A Year Ago This Week

A new system of issuing identification badges was inaugurated in the guardhouse. Special badges for government visitors and contractors' employees were issued, and all new employees were given badges before they began working here.

Eimac's chorus group was temporarily discontinued after the Christmas and New Year's holidays and plans were immediately underway for reorganization. (See picture.)

The Eimac Blues basketball team nosed out a tall San Mateo high school quintet by a 39-37 score. Eimac ran up a terrific lead in the first half, only to have the high school kids pour it on in the second half to make it a very close contest.

An upset took place on the gridiron when the Office took the Plant footballers into camp by a 6-0 count. A 40-yard pass completion, thrown by Mendel Rabinowitz, accounted for the only score.



By Gene

For a whole year our boss, George Parks, works us down to a frazzle. We lose weight, work our fingers to the bone and become mental wrecks. Then through the forethought of Mrs. Parks, who knows her husband very well, we are nourished and returned to health, through Christmas week on home-made chocolate fudge, with nuts, yet. The candy is one of the things we always look forward to during the Yule season. Our thanks to you, Mrs. Parks.

Hollywood has its Goldwyn, literature has its *Mrs. Malaprop, and the Stockroom has its Don McMillan. A small painting job was to be done in the Stockroom the other day and that often used solvent, carbon-tet, was needed. George Parks asked Don to get some carbon-tetrachloride in a small bottle. "Carbon-tetrachloride," screamed Don, "in the same bottle? It'll explode."

Rivalling many of the departments that are predominately women, the Stockroom too has a harem. The harem is of the 1960 variety. In other words Georgia Young has a baby picture collection in the Stockroom office that could surpass any J. I.'s pin-ups. They range from the pin-ups (with safety pins) to the button-ups. One of our soon-to-be parents can be seen gazing and dreaming at them during the lunch period.

For over a year Dagmar Rosewood was bouncing tubes around the Stockroom. No doubt this was in preparation for the job she now holds at Standards Control. Dagmar is now officially giving the tubes the drop test, vibration test and the bump test. These things came natural to her after a year's instruction in the Stockroom.

"I'll be home for Christmas," was only a song that El Bingu sang on a wax disc, so Frances Crocker. Little did she think that her Merchant Mariner, Cliff Crocker, would be here at Santa Claus time. This theme is old, but it is still good news.

*Upon investigation, it was divulged by the writer that Mrs. Malaprop is a character in a book. Which book—far be it from Mr. Gallagher to remember, but he does remember that—this character, Mrs. Malaprop, was always getting things mixed up.—Ed.



Ray Lowmiller, sitting between Fred Schack and Loyd Harbin, had a birthday so the guys from the Machine Shop fixed him up with a "boithday cake"

PUMP PREVARICATIONS . . . by Shorty

Instead of the usual gossip that is relayed to you in this column, this week I'd like to devote the entire column to former Pump department employees who have gone into the service—where they are now, what they are doing and things that have happened to them since they left Eimac.

Wade Mattier, a former member of the graveyard shift Basing gang, is now in the Army, stationed in Louisiana, learning how to cook. Remember how Wade used to love to eat! He ought to be in his glory now. Oh yes, and on January 3 he became the father of a son. (Men usually turn out to be fathers, don't they?)

Harry Smith, an ex-graveyarder from the Carbonizers, is also in the Army. He's in the Signal Corps attached to the Air Force. At his last writing (two months ago) he was in India.

Cleave Amendt, another once graveyarder, is in the Army and has just finished his basic training. He is now at Fort Knox awaiting assignment.

George Balderson (well, we finally got away from the graveyard shift) was formerly of the Pumps on swing shift. He is now in the Army somewhere. If you see this, George, I would like to hear from you, and so would some of the other guys in Pump.

Lyle DuCray and Dave Haugh are two former Pumpers who are now in the Navy, and that is all we know about these two. We would like very much to hear

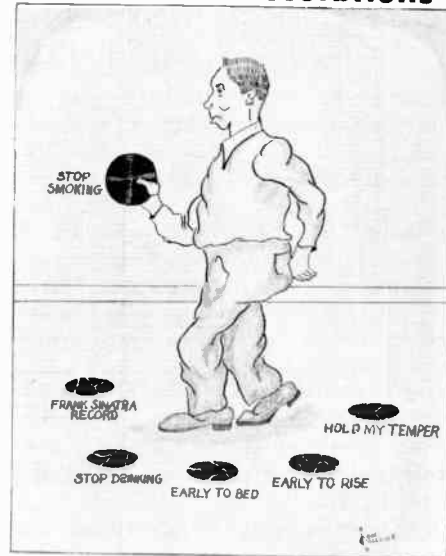
from you two, also. Another fella falling in this category is Jack Plomteaux.

Lambert Dianda, the daddy of the Carbonizers, is in the Navy and is now at Del Monte studying radar.

Ray Hefner, ex-swing shift foreman, is also a bell-bottom boy and is now in Washington.

The last two to leave the Pump department were Roger Walrod and Rich Lawton. Rich has just finished boot camp and is now home on leave. He expects to go to a radio material school. Roger is still in boot camp at Farragut. He expects to finish boot this week and from there he doesn't know where he is going.

New Year Resolutions



"Here's one I won't break"



Members of the day shift fire crew gathered in a neighborhood lot to witness a demonstration of various fire extinguishers under fire. At left, a Co2 type is used to smother the flame, while a pyrene type is used at right. The Co2 is used chiefly to combat electrical fires—the pyrene for any type fire

Locates Friend Thru The Eimac News

It has been five years since Dave Jackson last heard from his friend, Al Henderson, now of the U. S. Army. Late last week Dave received a V-mail letter which stated:

"Hello Dave: You are perhaps no more surprised at this than I was in seeing the Jackson profile in the 'Eimac News.' (Yep, that mag really gets around—even to Hitler's doorstep.)"

Apparently someone in the same unit as Henderson is on the Eimac News mailing list and passed the copy around for general perusal. The issue in which Henderson saw Dave's photo must have been read plenty for it was dated December 11, 1943. His letter was dated December 12, one year later.

SO THE PICTURE ISN'T A PICTURE

Although the poll conducted among Eimac employees to find out which photograph printed in 1944 was considered the most impressive was supposed to be limited to actual photographs, it seems that the sketch of the San Bruno plant, drawn by Barbara Matthai of Drafting, created more comment than any picture. Therefore, the back cover consists of the "comment-creatingest" article published in the Eimac News of 1944.

Gag shots took second place, while various full-page photos received honorable mention. Even an unprinted picture was mentioned, but the person submitting the suggestion probably was prejudiced.

A number of people mentioned pictures as a group, but did not specify a particular picture.

CONSTRUCTION SCRAPS . . . by Kay

A few of the boys had their chance this week to play "fireman" and man the water pumps at the former Training Center when the basement flooded. Didn't get too many details but you can rest assured they enjoyed it lots considering the ear-to-ear grins when the story was being told.

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Calling Bill Baker, calling Bill Baker—where, oh where, did you get those fancy shirts? No foolin', we think they're spiffy and hope that in the cleaning or washing they shrink to about our size. Of course, if they shrink enough not to fit you and a little roomy for us'n, out of something big you can always make something small and we haven't forgotten how to sew. O. K. ?

—O—

Bert Eaves from the Lab really acted as though a straight jacket was in order

Landscaping Underway

Come Spring, there'll be some changes to greet the eye around and about Eimac. Almost any time now, shrubs and even a lawn will be sprouting here and there—for landscaping has come to Eimac.

"Keep off the grass" and "Don't mutilate shrubs" signs may likewise meet the eye—for a patch of lawn is to be planted on both sides of the Office doorway with appropriate border shrubs surrounding it. Four different kinds of evergreen shrubs will take root around the parking lot and sidewalks on all sides of the plant. Trimming, watering and care of these new additions, as well as the planting, will be handled by a local nursery.

when Stan Johnson tried to convince him that a certain off-brand of cigarettes wasn't fit to smoke. Bert was proudly displaying his full pack when Stan took them away and threw them into the waste basket, handing Bert a full package of a well known brand. Bert retrieved the discarded cigarettes and quicker than a flash Stan took them and ran them through the band saw, disposing of them in the scrap can. Can't swear to it but we're almost willing to bet we saw a few tears in Bert's eyes.

—O—

Al Huebner is back at work again and looks as good as new. Glad to have you back Al and here's hoping that your hospital days are over for keeps.

—O—

Lou Osborne paid us a visit this week and didn't appear quite up to snuff, but a few more weeks of rest should bring Ozzie back with the pep and zip he displayed a couple of weeks ago.

—O—

Stuff and Things: Maury Martin still gives forth with the best solos . . . Fred Steffen's favorite smoke is the corn cob pipe—smells good too! . . . Tom Hall's tobacco locker is filled with pipe tobacco and he still smokes cigarettes . . . Frank Novello is still taking all the heckling and coming right back for more . . . "Erl" Eustace is still in the erl business with the rubber stamp business running a close second . . . That's about all for today except that there are now seven for sure readers of this column. Business is sure picking up???

Over One Hundred Motor Registrations

More than one hundred Eimackers have already registered their autos for 1945 in the Service Bureau. The Service Bureau will continue to serve Eimackers in this capacity by taking their money and white registration slips until 5 o'clock, the afternoon of February 4—one day prior to the deadline for the State, which is February 5.

This year automobile owners will receive through the mail not only a new white slip but also one license plate for the rear of their cars.

Profile of An Eimacker

The second woman to be employed at Eimac, back in 1940, was Lola Greer, who came here in August of that year. She was hired to be Ruth Duncan's assistant in the days when the plant was very small and the office was located at the rear of the present plant site.

Lola was born in Redrock, Oklahoma, and lived on a farm during her childhood days. When it was time for her to attend high school she left home and resided in Perry, Oklahoma, during the school months.

While most girls usually attend college first and then settle down to have a home and children, Lola reversed the procedure. She was married the same year she finished high school and a year later her son, Edwin, was born. She first attended Oklahoma A. & M. College at Stillwater, Oklahoma, after securing a divorce, and then concluded her college days at the State Teachers College in Edmund, Oklahoma, where she received a B.S. degree.

For the next twelve years Lola taught school at various places in Oklahoma. Part of that time was spent coaching girls basketball teams—several of which won many trophies and tournaments.

Travel took up a good deal of time during her teaching career. In her travels she spent one summer in New York, another in San Diego and still another in San Bruno where she visited her sister.

On a second vacation trip to San Bruno, Lola heard of an opening at Eimac and applied for the job. So began her career at Eimac. She now is in the Credit department as supervisor of billing for both plants.

Lola remembers the days at Eimac when there were only 25 time cards to be checked and when Louie Pierri's constant whistling could be heard while he worked.

CHATTERBOX . . .

Charlotte Hodges is back again with smiles, after a leave of three weeks to be with her husband who just returned after being overseas for over two years. We are all happy for you, "Shorty."

Tuesday was Vi Smith's birthday and we all wished her a happy one. The same goes to Helene West who had one last week. Better late than never, kids.

Ada Lacey is back after being on the sick list with the flu. Glad to see you back and well again, Ada.

Naida Holmes had her vacation last week and is back with us again. Judging

by Vicky & Midge

from her rested look she must have spent it sensibly.

Seen dining at the "Derby" in San Francisco Saturday night was Mary Ciano—and who was the good-looking guy with her????

Edith Carvalho, Vi Smith and Vicky Burch went dancing at the "El Patio" Saturday night.

On New Year's Eve Ada Lacey received a telegram from her son, who is now stationed in Anchorage, Alaska. She'll be hearing from him more often now.



Lola Greer—has the darndest accidents!

The atmosphere then was even more informal than it is now and Lola says that the Pump department employees wore abbreviated work clothes—some of the men appearing in shorts.

While in college, Lola became interested in oil painting and still pursues painting as a hobby during her spare time. Her favorite subjects are landscapes, flowers and animals. She presents the pictures to her friends upon occasions.

Another hobby which she enjoys is that of cooking "whenever I get a chance." The members of the Credit department all state that her cookies are the best they've eaten and urge her to continue bringing in samples.

She is a member of the Office bowling team and a charter member of the S.W.A.C.'s. Although she says she is not very active, she reads a great deal of fiction and historical novels, in addition to spending many hours cooking, painting

and working. Lola's main interest, though, is her son, Corporal Edwin Wimer, who is now stationed in England with an Air Force Operations Office.

Amusing incidents or "accidents" always happen to Lola—such as the time she appeared at a SWAC meeting all dressed up only to find that under her dress was the skirt of the suit she had worn to work that day. Another time, while demonstrating exercises in the Credit office during rest period, she lost her balance and somersaulted out into the main Office, much to the amusement of the Office personnel.

Although four years is not long in ordinary times, in these times it puts Lola in the Eimac "old-timer" bracket. Her years at Eimac stack pretty high compared to most Eimackers and her ability and friendly nature stack high with all who know her.

—Elinore Rockwell

Inspection Notes

Helen and Ginny

Visiting the plant last week was Mary Allison's soldier husband, PFC "Pal." "Pal" was home on furlough from San Bernadino just in time to share Mary's vacation.

Fran Murray had an especially nice Christmas since her two brothers were home to take part in it. Brother Ray was on leave from Farragut, Idaho, and brother Bob of the Navy Air Corps was home from Fort Lauderdale, Florida. It's no wonder the Murray family is partial to the Navy.

Just before Christmas, LaDonna Dienstberger was hostess at a birthday party given in honor of Dan Daniels. Present at the affair were: The newly-weds, Irma and Frank Enochs, Dagmar Rosewood, Imelda Tracey, Ralph Conant and Roberta Blowers, a former Eimacker.

Jack Stanton wishes to thank everyone for the swell albums of records. They helped a great deal toward his speedy recovery.

New Year's Events

Myrtle Merkel and Henry Eichman saw the New Year in at Monaco's where they enjoyed a swell dinner . . . Wanda Batinovich, Mae and June Jordheim, and your two reporters celebrated by having dinner at Omar Khayyam's. Then said goodbye to 1944 at the St. Francis Hotel, and as usual started out '45 by bowling. And what scores! . . . Mary and "Pal" Allison "danced in" 1945 at the Claremont hotel in Berkeley . . . Mel Tracey, Ethel Dunbar and Ruby Erickson decided that getting up to work day shift was just a little too much. As a result, they slept the New Year in.



Four Navy men who have seen a lot of action in the Southwest Pacific toured the plant last week to see where some of their fighting material originates. They were August Maniscalco, SC/1, and Harry Syvertsen, EM/3C, who were on the carrier Gambia Bay when she was torpedoed in the Leyte action; Arthur D. Waters, MM/1, who was captured on Bataan and held prisoner by the Japs for 28 months, escaping when a Jap prison ship was sunk by the U. S. Navy; and Lieut. W. J.



Two members of the Salt Lake Lab, Ed Frost and Wendell Hans, were here at San Bruno early this week comparing notes with members of our Lab and various fellas around the plant.

Ellsworth, USNR, now on shore duty, after more than two years with the Navy's Armed Guard on board a merchant ship.

RECLAMATION RAVINGS . . . by Donna & Ruth

Subbing for Bette and Al

A party was given recently for Bette Ferreira's nephew, Pvt. Hector Garcia, who was home on delayed orders. Bette claims that when the young people started playing "spin the bottle" she decided to call it an evening. Her age was telling on her.

Ernie Loewy turned carpenter over the week end. He says he created something. After further questioning he admitted making a cabinet.

Mel Provancha believes in getting well, all right—but fast! After he got a sick leave, the gang in our department was

on the way to present him with a gift and a "hurry and get well" card, when Mel walked in and reported for work. It's really nice seeing you back, Mel. No fooling!

Marie Yoest shocked the town by appearing at a local movie to find out whether or not the song, "Don't Fence Me In," was featured in the movie, "The Cowboy and the Lady." Well, was it?

Even the word "ambition" kills us, but not so, Evelyn Tunzi. She returned this week after her recent illness—ambitious and feeling like new.

Tillie Ribera is leaving us today and to say we'll miss her is putting it mildly! A stork is hovering over Tillie's home so she is leaving us in order to await his call. Good luck, Tillie, and may all your troubles be "small ones."

That squeak, squeak heard around the department these days isn't mice . . . just Bob Nourse's new shoes.

Vacations! Well, Ina Burns won't tell us why she wants her vacation in such a hurry and Betty Marin will vacation this week and return as a member of the day shift gang.

On the Bowling Front

By Beau Linalli

I got an envelope last night from the editor of this rag which informed me that space was at a premium and I should go easy with the copy. There's a lot to say, but no place to say it.

At the end of the split week of bowling, Pump, Stockroom and the 450's were in a three-way tie for first place, but with the conclusion of this week's pin-knocking, the Stockroom had undisputed position of the top spot.

You may recall that the 450's were quite the up-and-down team last year and it seems that they are doing the same in this league. Three times did they bow to the Traffic Koppettes to get pushed down to a fourth-place tie. Unadulterated saltiness was the reason for the 450's trouncings. Jack Perry showed his team-mates the way with a 462 series.

Lotsa keglers complained "the alleys are too fast, my curve won't break" and used that as a reason for low games. The Cream Puffs, Assembly, Mac's Outlaws, Construction and, of course, the 450's all had terrific trouble. Those teams are considered fairly good clubs, but all lost this week.

To give you an idea what I mean: The B.B.B.'s took a pair from Mac's Outlaws, Marion Goodrich and Lela Watkins doing the dirty work; the Office gals plastered three losses on Construction's record as Ruth Duncan and Shirley Lawrenz topped the team; Assembly had the worst night in its history as a bowling team and wound up with three smashing losses at the hands of the Pill Rollers and once again Louie Bruggisser forgot his average and rolled a 201 game; Purchasing showered the Cream Puffs with nothing but zeros to walk out of the bowling alley with three more wins to its credit.

The poor Cream Puffs were a sad bunch of characters as they staggered out after losing one of the games 887-855.

Pump and the Carpenters had a rousing time, the Carpenters taking it on the chin for two losses. There was really no excitement in the match because of the "fast alleys" and Pump's highest series was registered by Russ Luckhardt with a 514.

What else happened? Shucks, I only write the junk, I don't see it! It's all strictly hearsay.

Speaking of hearing things I heard that the Stack-a-hots won three games. You know how rumors get around! Someone told me that they bowled against Northbrae grammar school, but that wouldn't be legal would it? First Nighters or something was the name of the team they beat. Oh, well, if the opposition was bowling for the first night, the Hots should have won.

I usually give with the guff on who hits



Hal Boak is ready, willing and aiming to bowl

high series and stuff, but rarely any low stuff (take it either way). Best low series of the week was sad sack Johnnie Nelin's series, 140 pins under his average. No wonder Assembly got trounced! (Note to editor: If you cut this, I'll quit!)

Say, I've used up my ration points for this issue, so until next week when more bowling is certain to be done, enuff said! (Another note to the editor: Need more space. Had no room to write about Karl Krohn's 101 game—or Shirley Lawrenz's 198 of last week.)

SWING BOWLING STANDINGS

(Does not include games of last week)

Team	Won	Lost
Vac-a-teers	7	2
Eimac Rebels	6	3
Spiral	6	3
Plate Swingers	6	3
Grid Kids	6	3
Five Spares	5	4
Holy Bowlers	4	5
Krums	4	5
Straight Shooters	3	6
Chem Tones	3	6
Fillies	2	7
Lucky Strikers	2	7

Singles or Doubles, How D'Ya Want It?

Several remarks heard in Eimac bowling circles of late indicate that many bowlers would like to participate in a singles or doubles bowling tournament.

Suggestions on both types of tournaments have been brought to the attention of the Activities division of the Service Bureau. From this article it is hoped that sufficient reports may be received in Activities to organize such an event or events.

The doubles event was submitted as a means of forming a bowling ladder, similar to the system used by the Eimac Tennis Club. Bowlers would choose a partner and according to averages would be placed on the ladder. Then, in order to move up the ladder, each duo would challenge and roll a match against a pair in a position above them.

Singles, as originally mentioned, would be rolled off during one week end or possibly two. Entries would bowl five games, receive a two-thirds of 200 handicap. Bowlers entered would bowl in squads of four, the estimated time involved being about an hour and a half.

No mention has been made of prizes, but they can be decided upon when the necessary number of interested bowlers present their views.

By using a handicap system it is believed that women would have an equal chance of winning such a tournament, and by rolling on week ends swing shift keglers could also take part.

Interested bowlers are urged to submit their ideas to the Service Bureau. Just a note addressed to: "Activities, Service Bureau" denoting interest in the plan will be enough.

DAY BOWLING STANDINGS

Team	Won	Lost
Stockroom	16	5
Pump	15	6
Office	14	7
450's	13	8
Platers	13	8
Punch Press	13	8
Pill Rollers	13	8
Pushovers	13	8
Mac's Outlaws	12	9
Purchasing	12	9
Fog Cutters	11	10
Carpenters	11	10
B.B.B.'s	11	10
Construction	10	11
Dilly Fillies	10	11
Traffic Koppettes	9	12
Cream Puffs	8	13
Assembly	8	13
Lab	6	15
Stack-a-hots	6	15
Hyper-100	5	16
First Nighters	2	19

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