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** OF THE EMPLOYEES **

BY THE EMPLOYEES **

FOR THE EMPLOYEES **

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“Let Quantity Plus Quality Our War Production Motto Be”

Rear Admiral Cochrane Praises Sprague Workers For War Effort

BUREAU OF SHIPS
NAVY DEPARTMENT
WASHINGTON, D.C.

TO THE MEN AND WOMEN OF SPRAGUE SPECIALTIES COMPANY
NORTH ADAMS, MASS.

THE BUREAU OF SHIPS.COMMENDS YOU FOR YOUR PARTICULARLY FINE PERFORMANCE IN SURPASSING THE SCHEDULED OUTPUT OF PULSE LINES DURING THE MONTH OF MAY. AS SUBCONTRACTOR FOR ELECTRONIC EQUIPMENT MANUFACTURERS YOU ARE PRODUCING COMPONENTS WHICH ARE URGENTLY NEEDED IN LARGE QUANTITIES TO MEET THE REQUIREMENTS OF OUR GREATLY EXPANDED FLEET. THE SCOPE OF PRESENT NAVAL OPERATIONS LENDS EM-PHASIS TO THE IMPORTANCE OF ALL COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT. YOU MAY BE JUSTLY PROUD OF YOUR CONTRIBUTION TO THE WAR EFFORT. KEEP UP THE GOOD WORK.

E. L. COCHRANE, REAR ADMIRAL, USN
CHIEF OF THE BUREAU OF SHIPS

Reply to Rear Admiral Cochrane

12 June 1944

Rear Admiral E. L. Cochrane, U.S.N.
Chief of the Bureau of Ships
Navy Department
Washington, D.C.

Dear Admiral Cochrane:

I wish to acknowledge and thank you for your speedletter of June 7th, (R.S.AL (8) (251) addressed to the Men and Women of the Sprague Specialties Company, (now Sprague Electric Company) congratulating them on their fine performance in surpassing the scheduled output of pulse lines for the month of May.

I am passing this speedletter on to all of our personnel involved in the production of pulse lines, and I am sure that your generous expression of apprecia-tion will spur them on to establish an even finer record in the coming months.

Cordially yours,

Sprague Electric Company


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Sprague Electric Company


Penny For A Picture

P.C. William Denisio's mother tells us she had a letter from her son today, just as we go to press, saying he is in Italy and would like the Log sent to his new address there. Up to now he has been reading the Log of some other former Sprague workers he has met there, but has had to walk quite a way to read about his friends back here at Sprague's. Now that we have Bill's latest address, we hope we can send the Log through to him. Pvt. Denisio formerly worked in Gas Mask.

In Action On Invasion Fronts

Sprague Products in these machines play vital part on Invasion Fronts

“BUY MORE THAN BEFORE” IS WAR BOND SLOGAN

Sprague Committees Now at Work

On 5th War Loan Campaign

Every time you buy a War Bond you buy another share in the United States of America. Each of us has a stake in this country and its future. This investment in America, this savings feature of Government Bonds is important to remember. So many people act as though they were having something taken away from them, instead of saved up for them for that rainy day.

We can’t see the faces on our boys as they punch their big bombers through the ack-ack . . . but we know this . . . that they ask us . . . all of us . . . to back up their attack with at least one more bond than before. Can we do less and look them in the face on that coming Victory Day?

Kitty of Check Inspection, stationed in India. Pictured with native girl.

Sprague Electric Company has issued a catalog covering the Dry Electrolytic Capacitors which we manufacture. The Sprague Company is the first manufacturing Company to publish data on low temperature applications. The catalog is designed to aid our customers in selecting high quality capacitors for their particular applications.

The catalog is published by Harry Bridge of Philadelphia. From engineering information furnished by Sprague, our field representative Mr. Axel Ostrand of Chicago edited and arranged the material in close collaboration with Sprague Sales and Engineering Departments.
"The Employees—by the Employees—for the Employees."

We will accept nothing less than full victory.

The free men of the world are marching together to victory. I have declared war on the German war machine, and you will bring about the destruction of the German war machine, and you will bring about the destruction of the German war machine.

The United Nations have inflicted upon the Germans great defeats and losses. The Germans have lost millions of men and have destroyed their war machine.

We will not accept anything less than full victory.

Good luck, and let us all beseech the blessing of Almighty God upon this great and noble undertaking.
**Letters and News from the Armed Forces**

**Tells of India**

Sgt. John Turner, whose picture appears on this page, writes interestingly about India. He says that the little native Indian girl posed for him, when he gave her four annas. The natives will not pose unless you give them something. "Everything they do, even if they sell you something, they ask more for it than they expect to get. Everyone has a hand out for money!"

**Receives Sprague Gas Mask**

Bernard Payne, stationed in Fortland, and former manager of the Mahock Theatre writes that he has been issued a gas mask made by the Sprague Electric Company.

**The Foxholes of Bataan**

I'm just a private soldier, Converted to the faith; I fear no foe, no enemy — I fear not even death. I'm glad I joined the Army To fight for Uncle Sam! For I have learned of my God, In the foxholes of Bataan. I thought I was an atheist, And had none of the same, And rifled my buddies When they spoke the Holy Name. Even now, "If there's a God, Where is He, and how can He look upon such misery?" In the foxholes of Bataan! And when my comrades raised their prayer, And asked that God above Would spare them for their family And everyone they love; When bombs fell all around Us, from the demons of Japan, I wondered why there was such faith In the foxholes of Bataan.

For many a weary day and night I heard my buddy pray, And soon I was repeating The words that he would say. I took him by the hand And said, "There are no atheists In the foxholes of Bataan." Oh, mortal man, how canst thou say, There is no God of love Who made the earth, the sun, the moon And stars that shine above, Who keeps the mighty ocean From flooding over the land? Don't say, like me, to find Him In the foxholes of Bataan! —B. Henry, May 24 44

**To the Can Shop**

Somewhere in Sicily, May 28, 1944

Hello Gang:

I received the packages and the cigarettes that you sent me. They came in handy, because you know, cigarettes are hard to get here — they do give us a few packs a week — I mean, we can get them, but we are always short at the end of the week.

I am receiving the best of luck and God bless you all!

Your friend,

Johnny Janska

**From the Hawaiians**

Editor of the Log:

I am writing this letter with my change of address. Now, I am in the Hawaiian Islands — on the island of Oahu, pronounced "o wa hu". On the whole, the scenery here is beautiful. There are plenty of places also, where a fellow can spend his money in no time. I have been to the city of Honolulu and I have also seen the Pearl. There is a legend about the Pearl, but so far, I haven't had the chance to see it. I have also been to Waikiki Beach. In my opinion, it is just like any other ocean beach — the only difference is in the buildings lining the beach. This will be all for now — keep up the good work.

A friend,

Johnny Janska

**Seventh Member of Family In Service**

John F. Whitney of the Production Engineering department will leave June 23rd for the Navy. He is the seventh member of his family in service. His sister Jean, formerly in the payroll department, Marshall Street joined the Women's Marine Corps in April. Four of the brothers are in the Navy and one brother in the Army. John says the rest of the family are still too young to enlist!
Payroll Office
By Priscilla Winodver

Janet Gregalis, who was inducted into the Women's Army Corps recently, was given a party a short time ago by her co-workers and many friends. The party was held at Florida's Italian Gardens. Janet received a gift and a cοrageous from her department.

We missed Ida Lovett the week of June 5. But it isn't unusual, you know.

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ENGINEERING SPECS
By Haazi Goodale

All of our good wishes go with Helen Husband who leaves to join the Cadet Nurses Corps at Keuka College in Keuka Park, N. Y. and to John Whitney who leaves to enter the Navy.

Helen was presented with a gift of jewelry and a few of her co-workers were present with him with a "belt" that floats in a tin tray, and with the title of "Miss America" as seems of good luck. "Admiral" Whitney was "piped on deck" with a new Raykowald, also a farewell gift. Our good wishes to Mary Pregenzer—that is a beautiful dinner you have, Mary.

"Carbohydrate," the Lab's eight inches of glue that were given the kitten paid us a visit. He seemed to like the elevation of our desk tops and the spices in our way. He took it as an introduction to the committee of comfort that lounge. We haven't seen "Curby" lately—he is still about.

For information concerning the latest and best in Albany—in consult Betty and Mary—they know they're there—and we like the "samples" you girls brought back.

A farewell staw was held for John Whitney by his co-workers at the Hub restaurant. He was presented with a purse of money and a most worthy gift good luck.

SALES OFFICE
The Watchhirdock

Marion Gillissey: Bet your boy can't run short of mail Oil packaged!

Ann Carey: Did U-No That Miriam Kaplan won 'key down to the Main Office WITHOUT YOURE

Eziah Garrett: Which do you want a pair of roller skates or a portable telephone?

Millie Salley: Where DHD you that little yellow hat? We want one!

What ever will Pee Dee do when June leaves? We all hope that she will keep on the movies!

Factory Engineering
By "Edith" Lee

We missed "Andy"—hearty laughter and bright sense of humor for a week. "Andy" had a vacation and spent the time resting. Now, everything is running smoothly after his return.

Milton Spencer is enjoying (?) his vacation at his camp up on the Trail. Make the most of it, Mill. You only have a week to get all that work done.

"Hey! Wanna buy a ticket?"

For about two days those words were heard in various departments. There was no great or quiet until everyone had purchased at least two tickets for that "Great Field Day" at Noel Field. All clicking aside, Berri, we know it's a good cause and we're backing you 100%.

Andrea Prystas had a short leave so as to be with her husband who came home unexpectedly on a five day tour.

John really does get his exercise! Not only does he run around and deliver the mail every morning, but now he plays the role of the chair. One or more of Sprague's felines use the second, you know. He was presented with a whiskey and a smoke and then begins to brush until every trace of "animal" is gone.

George Fallon, our genial cribman, played his first game last week on one of Bernie's soft-ball teams. Even this addition to the line-up didn't fail to raise its rating; the team still occupies the place second from the bottom. Better luck next time, George.

Bill doesn't get enough exercise at work during the day so one can imagine how his little son for an evening stroll. I wonder who benefits when she met Miss Let-her-fly.

Florence Southgate is endowed with so many charms that her boy friend will have a hard time losing his heart.

If there doesn't seem to be any shortage of work here, and I guess we will be here for some time. Tell John Welsh that I received the cigarettes and I thank the gang a million! Say bells to Bernie for me. Take care of yourself and I'll be seeing you in the near future—I hope.

By Hazel Goodale

By Jane Dawson

Our reporter, Edgar Remillard bought a car recently from John Mulocky. On a trip back from Adams, the car balked. He played with all the gadgets, but still, it refused to go. Finally, seeing Ray Maguire passing by, he backed him and begged for a push. Ray obliged and pushed him to a gas station. The trouble was soon located—all the car needed was a little gas. Of course, being a new car owner, Remillard can be excused—he did not know that it takes gas to make a car go!

With fitting ceremony and verses, the members of Western Electric present Mr. Mendell with a special prize—"Admiral" to left to right, Mary Monroe, Dorothy Moore, Mildred Reynolds, Emma Mongi, Pat Pianello, Estilo Callahan and the "Admiral!"

With Letter of Credit for a wreath.

ADMIRAL OF CHESHIRE HARBOR RECEIVES HIS HAT

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**Sample Department**

By The Shadow

We were greatly disappointed in not seeing you, Cell. Here is wishing you a speedy recovery.

Miss Evans, Bowling lodge in Pittsfield, Mass. Hope you have an enjoyable time!

Gin Detweiler has been transferred to Check Inspection, Brown Street. We wish her luck.

**Block Test**

By Barbara Bailey

**Perfect Attendance in Block Test**

Block Test is also proud of its attendance. The whole test was completed in the month of May holding perfect attendance. This test was completed at the following places: Harry Arloun, Harry Carpenter, Fred Landry, Victor Pedrin, Theodore Raymond, Fred O'Leary, Maurice Phillips, Albert Vachos, Dolores Bailey, Lucille Beaudry, Ruth Blueguard, Arlene Chalibs, and Lena M. Mezmawi.

Also Rita Dang, Josephine DeFry, Myrtle Dion and Myra L. Lewandowski.

**Round Robin to Jo**

Some of the girls in this department got together and wrote to Joe Caudill our former co-worker who is now in the Army. We wish them all our way of telling him "hello" and that he is missed by everyone.

We wish to say farewell to Helen Rettig, who leaves to get married. She will live in Poquon, Vt. Good fortune to you! We hope you will go with Ruth Arihigini has taken a leave of absence for the summer, who is married, stationed in Texas.

Yvonne Choquette spent the week in Hoosick Falls and attended the wedding of her son, Alfred.

Helen Leasure also went to a wedding this week at her brother Flurry's, where her Bath Falls, Vt. It was "a wonderful trip," said Helen, "except we ran out of gas on our way just to be late.

So Dan had the good (goat). Must be carrying one around on your foot all day.

So you turned out to be a Hula dancer, Nee way going, Jo?

**Paper Rolling News**

By A. Brian and M. Lamberti

Happy birthday to Theresa Mar- coni. And we hope all your gifts are manifold. Keep Those Bottles Quiet!“ and guess? Of course proms banquets exercises of Whitingham High, in which relatives of Eva's.

Better luck, and our good wishes go with you.

**Boxing Department**

By Connie Urbano

Farewell to Mary Roberts — we wish you well, and Bernadette Bordwin.

Our little dutenthe Dickie will take Nassau or Hamilton this time, either. Manhattan — or, and will Helen go with you?

We wish you all welcome back to: Anna Denoyer, Irene Caron, Peggy Roy and Bernadette Bordwin.

William Devorey is soon to join the Navy. We wish you all the luck, Bill. Arlene Chalibs spent a weekend in Vermont at a cran ram Lake-Champlain.

**Boys' Day**

By Blanche Woodsie

Mary DelPonte has just returned from a enjoyable trip in New Jersey, visiting Lt. and Mrs. Wallace Brown. Capt. Charles Pedrin, stationed at Brown Street. We wish him luck.

**SPORTS**

**Northern Berkshire High School**

Baseball officially ended Saturday when Dalton won the playoff for the Berkshire League title. The playoff game was close until the fourth, when Dalton won 4-3 in Black Annes.

We are sorry to hear of the recent accident to Mrs. Bridge Shoa, the mother of Celia, of Tubular Check Inspection.

**Softball Leagues Complete First Round**

The Northern Berkshire Soft Ball League has just completed the first Round, with all teams playing five games.

At tops is Adams Laundry and the "V" which start with victories and one loss. On the third night of games, the Yankees outlasted the Marshall A. C., 17-5 and the Less Market fell victim to a run uprising in the sixth inning, with the Sprague Products — score 7-3. The round was completed on Monday night when the Adams Laundry edged out the Electrics. The "V" Yankees, who have completed pre-flight training at the Hill Chapel, N.H., are now facing Lee High for the Berkshire title. The playoff game was close until the fourth, when Dalton won 4-3 in Black Annes.

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**Tubular Assembly**

By E. Stay and G. Gentle

Maude Waske goes around singing "Casey Jones" now that he is on the railroad. We all miss Jack's familiar face, since he left. Good luck, Bob.

Teddy Full — what's the low-down on your hand? We want to know!

The first Check Inspection of Whitingham High, in which relatives of Eva's.

It's still new, and you wished to thank Miss Caron, who moved in recently.

Our best wishes go to Elizabeth Martin and to the Sprague Products — score 7-3. The round was completed on Monday night when the Adams Laundry edged out the Electrics. The "V" Yankees, who have completed pre-flight training at the Hill Chapel, N.H., are now facing Lee High for the Berkshire title. The playoff game was close until the fourth, when Dalton won 4-3 in Black Annes.
Invasion News

The word "Invasion" expresses a powerful meaning. Before my very eyes I see destruction of peaceful and cultured nations. Such a sight is quite unforgivable. A better and new world will arise from this terrible chaos.

I am very glad that I have been so proud to be an American—and to be able to play "a little part" in order to help our armed forces defeat the foe. I deeply admire their splendid spirit, which makes me want to do everything in my power to strength the work of our armed forces.

President Roosevelt's invitation Party, a masterpiece of splendid and beautiful thoughts, will help us all to face the Invasion. May this inspiring speech carry on—and on!

The girls on the day shift miss you, Henry—Sprague soldiers of production! They carry on—and on!

To all Rice's! We enjoyed the songs and making everyone feel at home.

We are all glad to have you — Sprague soldiers of production!—Betty Bonnard.