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Marcon's Orchestra Plays at Dance

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In the foreground are, Marjorie Cole and Josephine Torchia. Back of them we find Grace McConnell, Ethel McLagan, Mary Rogge and Maude Roy; then, Mary Bureau, Gertrude Gentile (standing) Anna Vigna, Angie Catimicioni, and Frances Kousha,—just a few of the girls in P.A.A. Solidering Department.

NOW IT IS "ELECTRONIC" PRINTING

The wiring circuit of a radio set can be "printed" on a ceramic plate, thus making it possible to manufacture a truly vast pocket radio, or hearing aid. Such a set is capable of giving reception equal to the present hand-wound disk radio 20 times larger, as well as putting down on costs and increasing usefulness.

On a ceramic plate, is laid a silk mask with a pattern cut in it. Over this, is drawn a plastic bar, like the rollers in a printing press, "inked" with blueish silver. The impression left on the plate is like the wiring of the circuit, but instead of copper wires, we have silver lines. Then, another mask is placed over the plate, sprayed with a carbon solution. When the mask is removed, there are all the resistors neatly assembled in a circuit. Thin condensers are next attached to the circuit— and the wiring is completed— all on a flat plate minus the third dimension. The result is an orderly arrangement printed or stencilled, just like a sign, using silver ink for leads and carbon ink for resistors. To this, add tubes, loud speaker, some coils— and there is your radio! Tubes used are similar to those used in the proximity fuse. With a midget loud speaker, this radio may be assembled into a case the size of a cigarette package.

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Sprague Company Issues Two New Catalogs

The Sprague Electric Company has issued two new catalogues that are receiving much favorable comment from the trade. The first is entitled Sprague Low-Voltage Capacitors for Power Factor Correction and covers the production known in plants as K.V.A., which means literally kilovolt-ampere. Photographs taken in the K.V.A. department at Brown Street were shown in February 9, 1946 issue of the Log.

The other new catalog is devoted to Sprague Fixed Mica-Di-electric Capitors,—from the tiny .0001 mfd, 500 volt DC, molded case unit less than two inches long, up to the 67 inch ceramic case type, rated at 30,000 volt AC peak.
Jottings at Rehearsals

Our leading drummer, Gene Peke, at a recent rehearsal, tossed it a number—searched and searched, but couldn’t find it. Finally Harry Burschdorf, assistant who’s a violinist, fished Gene’s drum and sent out the time for him.

“Sniiit” Denonay, orchestra director, has been seen in the Sprague offices without his coat. But at the last rehearsal, he became so enthused that he not only shed his coat but his vest, and, we understand, broke his baton as well.

Gene Peke in setting up that Abravanel, was dawed with questions from all sides. “Gene, can that be a snare drum?”

The enthusiasm and optimism of Frank Gordon for the orchestra is something worth writing about. Food of this is manifest in his actions. Does Frank just take ten or twelve orchestra tickets to sell? Not at all, he is asked for a cool hundred—says he can sell them in no time!

If you don’t know it, today, is a critical time for the orchestra and has been erroneously nicknamed “the sound effects man.”

Bernard Lepera, playing first trumpet, possesses an extremely tempora mentum horn. Says he’ll trade it any day for—well, what have you?

Last but not least, we must not forget to mention Harry Burschdorf, who arranges and executes the music for the various instruments. His untiring efforts have been a great asset to the orchestra.

SPRAGUE ORCHESTRA

(Continued from page 1)

With proper public support and the steady addition of new talent this orchestra can become a real civic asset. That is the view of many of the members who truly believe in and who love music good for its own sake.

You are earnestly urged to encourage this effort and attend the concert on March 21. You will have an evening of enjoyable music and will be contributing to a worthwhile postwar effort of great community value.

Annual Log Dinner

(Continued from page 2)

belong to any one person. They are not the result of any one person’s effort. Everyone at Sprague’s is interested in making the company as successful as possible; in putting out the best possible products at the lowest possible cost, so that the business will flourish and the community and nation with it.

“We have 40 competitors in our field,” said Mr. Sprague. “You can readily see why this becomes of vital interest to each worker. All our jobs and future depend on how well and successfully we all meet it. In this all-out postwar effort I believe the Log plays an important part. So let me thank you one and all for your personal help the past year in making your Log an outstanding employee publication. Keep up the good work.”

Mary Mathews, Banquet Chairman reported for the social committee that: “We have 20 employees for a nursing school at North Adams Hospital would be used to buy some useful equipment for the hospital very soon. The nursing school has been postponed two or three times. Editor Whitson issued verbal bouquets to the reporters for their efforts. The Log was opened Monday, February 2, 1946, and continued through March 2. They all claim its the rubbers. We have girls “Waiting for the Train to Come” in the best part of Amherst. It’s watching Homer Brosow and the best waiting for the gas mask to come in! Every morning, we hear: “Did they come in yet, Homer”? They claim every kid in town will want one. Who is “Dagwood of Carton Stock Room”? No one but one personality but Emma Mustard—you should see her fly to work when she misses the coal truck.

Did anyone ever see Rita Zanet’s trunks in the snow? Oh, Brother! Alice Marie Blasi, in the Chemical Department, has the best ones I have seen belong to Bertha Alice Malloy’s are good, also. But the better looks like something worth writing about. Proof of Marion Rondeau. She received a blouse and a birthday cake. Many happy returns from the gang, Marion. Why are fire trucks painted red? Harry Guntar has the answer to that.

Harry back, Theresa Catrambone, we all miss you.

Shipping and Cancellation

For the future of business. Regulation to the proposition was by registration only and was limited to a number that technical and operating men employed in the chemical and chemically-controlled industries.

with the big appetite — could not eat for five days, and then — what she didn’t do to that pepper steak.

Attends Expositions

Mayor M. C. Sprague house on Park Street, Williamstown. Mr. and Mrs. Ward have a daughter, Priscilla, eight years old, and a younger daughter, Sally, five years old, both of whom will attend the First Federal School.

It is a pleasure for the Log Staff to welcome Mr. Ward and his family to the Berkshire Electric Co. ward.

Mr. Ernest L. Ward, formerly a partner of the Boston investment banking firm of F. S. Mosley & Company, has recently joined the executive staff of the Sprague Electric Company, North Adams, Massachusetts.

Mr. Ward, who is one of the partners in Mosley’s Chicago office, is actively engaged in connection with the setting up, purchase and sale of ancient issues of industrial securities. His widespread experience will add considerable strength to the Sprague organization, and admirably fit him for a variety of executive duties.

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Williamstown  
Ray Goddard R.G.  
Pittsfield  
Bay Gagnon C  
Adams  
Gene Kasuba G  
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Bruno DiMaggio R.F.  
Pittsfield  

SECOND TEAM  
Eddie Scolozzo R.G.  
Williamstown  
Ray Lavallee  
Adams  
Tommy DiMaggio R.G.  
Williamstown  

Honorable Mention: Callahan, Minnaugh,  
Albert Soule, Wiiy, Doy, Peavy, Dory—fowards;  
Kasuba, Pittsfield; Drury, Pittsfield;  
Rogers, Adams; Quadrupi, Pittsfield;  
Lenierus, Bennington.

Once again it is time for followers of the basketball teams in the various sections of the Berkshires to take time to pay tribute to their respective All Star Team. The Sprague Log, continuing its practice of several years ago, again lists its Mythical All Northern Berkshire Team for 1946. No doubt, these selections may cause a few controversies among you who have seen their favorite teams in action, and taken part in the basketball game yourselves. We point out that these selections were made only after several weeks of conversation, and by writers and officials, and were made "with malice toward none.

Here are the choices and the runners-up.

At the forward positions we placed Bill Danaher of Williamstown, and Norman Minnaugh of Danville. Danville and Danville. Danville. These lads were outstanding stars. Danville's positional change at floor work played an important part in Williamstown's success this season, while Danville's excellent choice at forward proved invaluable. Between the 120 yards and 150 points while playing with the League's cellar dwellers. On the second team, we had pick our selections.

Center was the toughest position for us, with the possibility of several capable players representing the so-called "Big Three" schools. Gagnon of Adams, Kasuba of Williamstown, and Kasuba of Pittsfield, were all better than average hooper. The nod, after careful thought, went to Ray Gagnon of Adams. He displayed more defensive ability in crucial games than his opponents and was also a good floor hooper, but was overshadowed slightly by the scoring ability of Zink. Gabriel, off to a fast start with the weak St. Joe's Pittsfield was second and Peter Koch third.  

Moving Around the Sports World  
Local Sports  

Berkshire County School Basketball Tournaments, held Sunday, Feb. 17 at the Huntington St. Rink before a crowd of 600. Kately C Drury made of Harry Martin's birthday...  

Ovens Department  

Winner — Bernard Augie is present on the skating trophy in the City Championship Races, by Claire Handel.

Engineering Drafting  
By Bob Garner  

Dare devils of St. Joe's Pittsfield, now, George Labendah has found his Beaver traps  

Factory Engineering

Doris Roy  

The welcome home message for "Skeets" wasiowski an ex-serviceman who re-joined us after serving two years and seven months in the Navy at Camp Carroll.  

Block Test  
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Pearl, Robert Norton, formerly of Easton Community School Camp Lee, Va. He is the son of Mary, of Block Test.
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