PERFECT ATTENDANCE CONTEST ANNOUNCED

SPRAGUE COMPONENTS GO TO ALL THE WORLD!

SPRAGUE MEN WIN AWARDS

In Recognition of War Effort

Sponsored by the American Standards Association, four awards of merit were given to Sprague men in recognition of excellence in war work at a dinner held in Pittsfield on the anniversary of V-J Day. Mr. Leon Podolsky, Field Engineering Manager, accepted for himself, and in absentia of Mr. Julian Sprague, Vice President of the company; Walter W. Clark, Production Engineer; and Harry E. Rice, Application Engineer until August of last year. The awards were made in recognition of the work done in standardizing capacitors and resistors and other components.

Brig. Gen. Donald Armstrong in presenting the awards said that the war production record of American industry was made possible through the voluntary cooperation of all industry to accept industrial standards "to stay in tune with the idea of joint mass production." In peace-time, he stated, "standards will in-fluence our life in every phase, every moment."

23 Foreign Countries On Our Shipping List

Every Sprague worker will be interested to know that many of the capacitors, resistors and other components that they make are shipped to as many as 23 foreign countries—by boat and air express. These products go to their ultimate destinations by train, by horse and mule, and by human pack carriers over rough country and mountains.

In the photograph above, taken in our Shipping Department at Marshall Street there were 32 various shipments assembled and ready to be sent on their way to the following 23 countries: Alaska, Argentina, Australia, Brazil, British Columbia, Canada, Chile, Cuba, Egypt, England, India, Mexico, New Zealand, Nicaragua, Peru, Philippine Islands, Puerto Rico, South Africa, Southern Rhodesia, Sweden, Territory of Hawaii, Uruguay, and Venezuela.

Shipments for export are not sent out daily, like shipments to points in Alaska, Argentina, Australia, Brazil, British Columbia, Canada, Chile, Cuba, Egypt, England, India, Mexico, New Zealand, Nicaragua, Peru, Philippine Islands, Puerto Rico, South Africa, Southern Rhodesia, Sweden, Territory of Hawaii, Uruguay, and Venezuela. (Continued on page 3)

WANTED

FIFTY MEN AND GIRLS FOR THE ANNUAL REVIEW

Plans are underway to put on the Minstrel in the early fall. The Committee is looking forward to a Bang Up show under the direction of George Robinson of Williamstown.

Girls and boys will be needed for the chorus, as soloists and to assist with the stage properties . . . . in other words if you can or cannot sing, you still can do your part. Names are being taken at the Dispensaries . . . . Don't delay sign up today.

PhotoFlash Picture

You may be interested to learn that the very excellent photo-flash picture of the grounds and buildings at M.I.T. published in the last issue of the Log, was taken at an altitude of 5,000 feet. When this picture was taken, the War Department was photographing a number of various experiments.

WEEKLY WINNERS TO GET MODERN PORTABLE RADIO

CONTEST RUNS ELEVEN WEEKS
AUGUST 19TH TO NOVEMBER 2

Eleven happy Sprague Electric employees are going to be the proud possessors of the last word in portable radios when the attendance contest just announced by the Personnel Department comes to a grandstand finish on November 2.

This novel contest has the employees who usually have good to fair attendance records really up on their toes and stretching—making every possible effort to maintain their good records or to improve them. Many workers who from time to time have uneven records now have the opportunity to come through and get a portable radio by seeing to it that their attendance records are perfect from here in.

IT'S NEVER TOO LATE TO BEGIN

A Perfect Attendance Record
This Week Puts You in the Running

Not only that, the good record you set this week will help you next week, because your good attendance records pile up in your favor for four weeks in a row. It's worth going after, that portable radio! As the announcement on the bulletin boards in all the Plants so well said:—"it's a good one, the kind you plug into your home current, take on picnics, use in your car when driving, or parked somewhere watching the sunset, or with the moon coming up over the mountains?"

Remember, if you want a chance to win one of those handsomé portable radios, of latest design you can't be late or absent. So, don't say we didn't give you the word, and watch for the names of the winners and their pictures in the next issue of your Sprague LOG. Yours for perfect attendance.

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THE COOK’S TOUR

To aid North Adams Hospital

We are compiling a Cookbook to be put on sale in 1947. Net proceeds from the sale of this book are to be used to purchase equipment for the North Adams Hospital. The material for the book is being contributed by the women of the city and surrounding communities. All recipes are to be submitted to a Home-Economic for approval. Recipes accepted and printed will carry the personal signature of the contributor. To the Women of the Sprague Electric Company: The committee especially invites you to submit your favorite recipes. It is hoped that this cookbook will contain many signatures belonging to the Sprague women employees.

Recipes may be left with one of the following:
Ms. M. Accetta, R.N., Miss A. Costello, R.N., Miss E. Lowry, Economic Manager, the Sprague Electric Company.

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HERE ARE THE RULES AND REGULATIONS
Of the Perfect Attendance Contest

1. Who is eligible? Everyone who punches a time clock.

2. How does it work? Names of all eligible people will be put in a box and on the Monday following each work week, five names will be drawn. If your name is drawn first and you have not been late for work in excess of five minutes during each scheduled work week, five names will be drawn. If the first name drawn does not have a perfect record, the second name drawn will win if the records show perfection in lateness and absenteeism. It is possible that all five could be from the same corner of the same department. Five names drawn, two radios will be drawn for the next week.

As the contest progresses, each work week will be added, until for example, at the end of the year, the first week added will be dropped and the last week added, so that a period of four weeks will be used as the period on which the determining lateness and absenteeism is to be figured. In other words, you may win the contest the first week if your record, as a result of the activity during the one work period, two weeks the next, etc., until a four week period is established.

3. On Vacation does it count? If you are out on vacation you will be considered as having worked a perfect week.

4. Lateness — means you didn’t punch in on or before the hour your department is scheduled to begin. Your card must be punched by the time clock, write in time spoils the record.

5. Absence — irrespective of reason or circumstances is counted as an absence.

6. Scheduled work week — means the number of days the department is scheduled to work, including the number of holidays scheduled in each day. If your department is scheduled to work five-hour and six days on Saturdays, that is the regular schedule week.

“OBSERVE SAFETY RULES AT ALL TIMES”

Safety in industry has so many angles to it that I would need to write a long article to cover them all. To name a few will help however. They are:

1. The well-being and happiness of the individual. The worker.
2. The well-being and happiness of the other worker or her family.
3. The well-being and happiness of the worker’s family.
4. The well-being and happiness of the community.

It is the responsibility of the Department and the Company.

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What We Do After 5 O’Clock

Of course, when we started to interview Al Horsfall for his favorite hobby, or what he does after five o’clock, we thought of course he might mention his photography. It is his profession. He takes pictures of the camera, and has turned in some very excellent shots to the Log desk in the last two years. "Put me down for woodworking," said Al, when approached — and we did. But like so many of our Sprague workers, Al is versatile. He hunts, fishes, is an ancient car fan but most of all, is proud of his shop which he has built over the course of ten years, and which is beautifully equipped, with power tools. "How did you become interested in woodworking shop?" we asked. "Oh, I flirted with it as a boy, it's in my blood, I suppose," he answered. "I renovated all my tools, and hammer things together. I guess when I went at it in real earnest was when the jig saw puzzle rage hit the country. It was then that I bought a power jig saw to cut out my own puzzles. This proved very profitable and I was cutting out puzzles for more customers than I could handle. Since then I have added other power equipment. I have a drill press, lathes, double grinders, molding machine, and all cutters that I can lay my hands on, and I can do just about anything.

As an example of the thoroughness with which Al has equipped the shop, here are just a few items of which Al keeps his saws. There are at least 8 or 9 of them, and the best that he can get. With the keen sense of the salesman, Al believes in, and takes pride in, good tools. He also believes in neatness — "a place for everything and everything in its place." And in his shop, Al has to his credit, cabinets and drawers along the length of the shop (which is 38 ft. long) above the work benches.

Al first became interested in woodworking equipment brought to him for repair. As an independent consultant. Al has been assigned Manager of the Field Sales Department, and provides technical information which the Sales Department may need.

Al Horsfall and his well-equipped woodworking shop. Al says it's a family affair, since all members take a hand in turning out articles made here.

Appointed Field Engineering Manager

Mr. Leon Podolsky, widely known for his outstanding wartime development work on the Sprague Koolohm and other resistor components, has been appointed Manager of the Field Engineering Department of the Sprague Electric Company. He assumes his duties with a splendid engineering background, and under his supervision, his department will be responsible for all Sprague Electric engineering contracts with our customers and will provide technical information which the Sales Department may need.

Mr. Podolsky came to North Adams from Philadelphia, where he was in charge of the field engineering work of the Sprague Products Company, and is a new permanent move to the Sprague Electric Company.
Miss Gina Poggi to Gerard M. Sauve. The marriage was celebrated at St. Anthony's church. Mrs. Sauve is employed in the Payroll Department, Beaver Street.

Jr. - DiDonna Miss Mary Elinor DiDonna was married August 17th to Joseph M. Jr. of St. Anthony's church. Mrs. DiDonna is employed in the P.A.A. Payroll Department.

Dress: Miss Victoria Mary Poggi and Mr. Wilfred Martin Poggi exchanged their wedding vows August 17th at St. Joseph's church at a double ring ceremony. The bride is employed in the Banking Department.

Miss Ruth Emma Seagle was married August 17th to Mr. Louis Henry Point at St. Anthony's church. Both are employes of the Company — Ruth in P.A.A. Payroll Department while Louis is employed in the Beaver Street Department.

Miss Mary Elinor DiDonna, born to them on Thursday, August 8th.

Born: Miss Gina Poggi to Gerard M. Sauve, on August 2nd. A reception was held at the bride's house.

Miss Martha Ouellette is employed in the Paper Department. Miss Marguerite Miller of the Dry Test Department became the bride of Eric Francis Ouellette on August 17th. Mrs. Ouellette is employed in the Paper Rolling Department.

Mr. and Mrs. Burton Mollo are the parents of a daughter, born August 8th. The father is employed in the Etching Department. See: A son Bernard Jerome was born Monday, August 5th to Mr. and Mrs. Jerome A. LaRochelle. The father is employed in the F. D. Pry Department.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Dustin are the parents of a baby girl born Wednesday, July 31st. The dad is employed in the Machine Shop and the mother formerly worked in the Inspector Department.

Miss and Mrs. George Roy are now a happy family of three. A baby boy was born to them on Thursday, August 7th. Daddy George is Foreman of the Display Department.

Miss Marlene Astorino, who was sent to travel is by plane. Her mother and father are Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Astorino.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward McConnell are the parents of a baby boy born Tuesday, August 6th. Mother was formerly Cecile Geviner of the Inspector Department.

A wedding has been announced. The wedding is on August 26th.

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The Upper Offices

By "ths" and "Fno"

A cordial welcome is extended to new employees and those who have joined our family group as secretary to Mr. Leon Podolsky. We are also very proud that Mr. Podolsky selected this office floor for his office quarters.

We hope noticed the absence of our live wire (Doris Roy) the past two weeks? "Do" is enjoying her vacation at Windham, N.H. (say). Are you happy the way we are: Donald Devine our plant mail man, that you always liked to do a job. Is that all or are we? John Mancini to Miss Phyllis Maynard of Adams. They both believe in getting plenty of "parle francaise". Claims he picked it up in France.

Mayne Douglas is enjoying her vacation visiting her sister in Philadelphia. At this time we would like to welcome three back, back and say we are happy, and they are also of one: Donald Devine our plant mail man, that you always liked to do a job. Is that all or are we? John Mancini to Miss Phyllis Maynard of Adams. They both believe in getting plenty of "parle francaise". Claims he picked it up in France.

Formation and Centrifuge

By James Shea

Vacation—Leonard Bourrie spent his vacation at Lake Champlain. Edward Drigge is back after vacationing in New York City. George Beverly has left for California to make his fortune. They both believe in getting plenty of "parle francaise". Claims he picked it up in France.

Says Bob Carter of Engineering Drafting, as he proudly displays this catch of trout at Crooked Lake, St. Come, Que. 

Plating

By Lilie Little

Will someone ask Missie Tates why she carries piles wherever she goes?

Congratulations to Jerry LaRoche on the arrival of his new son. Time for a promotion?

The co-workers of Esther Bartholomew feted her at a farewell party recently at Pete's Dunks and to wish her success and happiness in her new home. Congratulations to Bernie LaCasse and best wishes to Marge Miller LaCasse, who were recently married.

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**A. C. Line**

By Yi Short

special to the Log

while vacationing at Hampton Beach the week of August 5 th attended a show similar to the "Sea Pop." Evie Layton asked a question and answered correctly. The prize was a round trip to Florida with all expenses paid. Jack and his wife went via plane to Miami where they spent three glorious days visiting places of interest and having a wonderful time. This must be what is called the "thrill of a lifetime."

**A Friend Indeed**

Pat Lesage asked Roy Trottier if he would deliver two barrels to his house before work one night recently. When Roy went to get the barrels he found Pat was drunk in his car, so with the assistance of Ray Quaillie he took the barrels apart.

Now Pat was waiting patiently for the arrival of the boys and the barrels at home. When Roy and Ray arrived and Pat saw the condition of his barrels, well, my friends, the swarming of the busy-bodies after listening to Sinatra crooned was nothing to the swoon of Pat.

**Maintenance**

By Umbriago

News from this reporter will be short since many of our boys are working now at the Marshall Street plant — "Noisy Baxter" Sherman, "Study" Caron and "Farmer" Bea Russell of the Carpenter Gang, Andrew Gengen, Wally Daniels and Florist McLain, Jr., of the Millwrights, and Joe Schneider, of the Electrical Gang. Keep on moving, boys.

George Forges, Henry Richard, Harold Chibon, and our office clerk, Doris Benedetti, are on the vacation list this time.

We welcome back to work, Adrian Poirier after an absence of four weeks.

**Car Trouble**

By Ruth Haskins

Vacationers: Frances Schnieder, Sr. is having his troubles with his car. He accuses Bill of kicking his tail. "Thrill of the trip to Florida with little Harry and Charlie behind the wheel, he worries what they will do if I leave him."

**Caron Department**

Trying to make the semi finals any day. Beachard, George, well, his wife said, "May and June."

**Maynard-Roberts Wedding**

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Roberts (center) married on May 25, 1946. Leland is impossible to get them in, but his bride, the former Helen Maynard was from the F. P. Department. Their attendants, left to right: her brother, Richard Maynard of Dry Rolling, and Bernadette Chiquette, her sister, (right) Mary Zinia, of Wire, Drys, and Robert Newell.

**Block Annex**

By Esther Driscoll

Vacationers: Charles Destournes at home, Alice Allard at Springfield, Mass., and Bennington, Vt., Margaret Perrault at home, Marion Scott at Windsor Pond, Plainfield, Melva Hovel at New Hampshire, Jimmy Dean at home, Florence Moreau went to Canada, Alice Lavoie journeyed to Boston and Alphoso LeFountain spent his, in Springfield and Holyoke. (Holyoke seems to hold quite a fascination for him.)

We are glad to see Ernie Barcomb back with us.

Rose Simon has a beautiful diamond from a certain boy in Adams. We wish you the best of luck, Rosie.

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**Recipe of the Month**

**CONSERVE WHEAT**

Putting Every Last Crumb of Bread to Good Use is an everyday way to aid the other nations of the world, some now existing on fewer calories a day than we like for dinner. Simple as a nursery rhyme, when there's stale bread in the box, a delicious Mother Goose Pudding.

**MOTHER GOOSE PUDDING**

2 cups old bread

3 eggs well beaten

1 small loaf stale bread

Grated rind of 2 lemon

4 slices buttered bread

1 cup raisins

2 cups New Orleans molasses

1 cup sugar

2 cups powdered sugar

Cut bread in cubes. Heat molasses and raisins to the boiling point, add lemon rind, and pour over the bread. Form all together lightly, and serve hot or cold, with whipped cream. (Four portions.)

**WE KITCHEN ENGINEERS KNOW** that the flour and fruit products we get nowadays "ain't what they used to be" in the flour extraction rate having gone up from 72 to 30 per cent. Until things are normal again, here are a few more tips, straight from the home economics experts in Washington, on how to get the most out of "stale" flour and bread. First, heat your flour in a 250° oven, to kill off infestation and keep flour from going bad. Work your bread and cake boxes with vintage, dry thoroughly, and air in hot sun, to assure molding of baked products stored in them. Of course, bread stows best under refrigeration, if you're room to keep it cold. Either way, don't neglect to twist shut the end of that bread wrapping.

**Hold That Pose!**

Boys wanted

He pared along the corridor his heart suffused with dread. At length a sniffling nurse emerged. "A nine pound girl," she said.

The year ended he held the ball his beard was in a whirl; when came the nurse and softly said: "A plump and lovely girl."

The third would surely be a boy, they thought to call him Earl. But when the tidings reached his ears the name was changed to Pearl.

And when the fourth one was assured, they talked of John or Bill. But when the baby came along they compromised on Jill.

In fifth and last place came the twins. He acted like a boor.

Instead of Earl or John or Will. His wife said, "May and June."

Hugh Ballantyne

(Circle of Thora Williams of Black Text)

Zoo Visitor: "Where are the monkeys?"

Keeper: "They're in the back, making love."

Visitor: "Will they come out for some pounds?"

Keeper: "Would you?"

**Brown Street BrieFS**

Maintenance and Machine Shop

By "Little Luke"

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Though our Machinists have nothing to report that's new, we still have our miscellaneous Maintenance Crew.

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Resistors

We are glad to have Marianne Hanft back with us again after having been abroad a few months.

Vacancies: Larry Mais, Atlantic City. Jean Dunnlo, Lake Bom- 

ton. V. Mandle, Boston. M. R. Helen Julin, camping. In 

this Atlantic, camping (let her call her father to come back 

for her. "Pa, I'm awesome!"

P. A. A. Rolling

By Brenda and Combma

We have several new girls with us and wish to extend them a 

Most of the girls here are afraid of storms and would 

If you can't find them look under the tab..."Just Like This" ---

Larry Wels says how he can test to get those big ones, at Lake

Bees in your bonnet, 

Drink manhattans, martinis, and

Corner Cafe's new pitcher, lost his 

Sprague workers will recognize 

Sprague Baseball Team Holds Banquet

While the Sprague Baseball Team has not officially closed its season, members are looking forward to a baseball banquet at the "1966 Home", Williamstown, on Tuesday evening, April 2. Every member of the team was to receive a "cheer" 

Manager Frank Santelli with his Williamstown American Legion 

If you have enough.. just around the corner -- why?

Softball League Nearinn Finali

As the Northern Berkshire Softball League goes into its final round of the second half, it appears that Adams will have the playoffs all to themselves. This year, McGinley Square, which won the first half, is currently tied with the Kostkas for first place, each having suffered only one defeat. Meanwhile, the Corner Cafe and Sprague Elec- 

D. S. neeck

Pilots Team to Victory in First Hal

Softball Notes

The Sprague Electric team suffered the loss of one of their key men when Ted Roe, their shortstop, turned his ankle recently. Roy has been a bring all around player all season. Cabot 

The mother is "Peanut", who formerly

P. A. A. Waxing

By Rita Samia

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. 

Terry Tate, who were presented with 

A hearty welcome to Eddie Macksey, 

Vacations were all over now and 

Back to Fort Snelling and the troops 

This writer knows of, that has no 

North Adams is the only city which 

North Adams is the winners of the first half for 

Softball League

All eyes on bat-up, in the 

Sprague baseball team is staging a tournament for 

What's up in the Sports World

Baseball

The Boston Red Sox have now played to 

At this writing--they are playing a 13 game lead over 

As winner of the first prize blue ribbon.

Softball League "Open" for 

Sprague's and the local industrial plants engage in 

industry. This matter should be given considerable thought, 

is winner of the first half. The League banquet fund... New back-

Ken Russell