IN ALL IT DOES — RED CROSS DEPENDS ON YOU!

Load And Unload Your Passengers In Parking Lot

Because of the congestion on the road mornings and evenings as employees are coming to work or departing from work, coupled with the icy conditions which prevail at the present time, all drivers are urged to take their passengers directly into the parking lot before unloading. Take your passengers directly to your allotted parking space when ready to leave in the evening.

In this way, you will avoid much confusion, you and your passengers will expedite departure from the Plant, and — most important of all — you will insure yourself and passengers from possible accidents which are bound to happen when there is so much congestion and confusion in loading and unloading.

WILL THEY MAKE IT?

Mr. Venoe Goodwin, a student of Pittsfield High, enjoys skiing at Sheep Hill.

—Photo, Al Horlful

SPRING, AH SPRING!

Just about this time of year, our thoughts turn to Spring. There's handy-swelling on the trees — and who knows, just when they may burst open! There's the January thaw, which came in February this year — so everyone is going around saying, "Oh, well, with this mild weather, there can't be much more of winter . . ." There's blue skies overhead, and sloppy walking underfoot . . . and one very important item, this month . . . It is Leap Year, with February having 29 days instead of 28 . . . so - o - o - o all of you eligible males better sharpen up your resistance to the fairer (but not weaker) sex, or you will find yourselves caught!

Snow, Beautiful Snow

It seems a bit absurd to even think about snow with warm clear sunshine's but . . . all the store windows show the latest in spring bonnets, not to mention those dresses with the "new look." . . . And a very elaborate Style Show slated for our fair city, with several of our own employees modeling the latest in spring bonnets and clothes.

Radio Is Growing Up!

The Federal Communications Commission has just issued a public primer on radio, in which it lists nineteen different types of radio services. These include regular AM broadcastings, FM, television, facsimile, marine, airmail, police, fire, forestry, railroad, geological, mobile, industrial, citizens, utilities, radio-telephone and radio-teletypewriter.

The present scope of the Commission is far broader than when it was originally established in the early 1920's to regulate a brand new type of service —

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Jottings from the Application Engineering Dept.

Mr. P. B. Alger and Mr. C. G. Killen are very busy making arrangements for the Sprague display at the I.R.E. show which will be staged this year at the Grand Central Palace in New York from March 22 to 25. Mr. Robert Peters has been visiting his regular accounts in upper New England.

Mr. C. G. Kilien has been calling on the trade at Red Bank and Easton, New Jersey.

Mr. L. S. Shuey now has offices at 922 Broad Street in Newark, N. J.

Mr. J. M. Allison, representing the Power Factor Capacitator Division, has opened offices at 2601 N. Broad Street, Philadelphia, Penna.

Mr. P. H. Crane was a visitor at the Sprague Company, recently. Mr. Crane is from New York City.

Annual Red Cross Drive During March

Plant Safety Engineer Elected Chairman for Industrial Division

We, as Americans, can be proud of the work accomplished by the Red Cross with its broad concepts which include plans for better health campaigns, accident prevention, nutrition services and services to veterans. In the local drive, conducted during March, Mr. Robert Wall will act as Chairman for the Northern Berkshire Division; Mr. Richard A. Humor is City Chairman; and Mr. Arthur Matthews of Sprague Electric Company, was appointed Chairman for the Industrial Division of this area.

In bringing to the Log readers the story of the Red Cross, we can do it no more effectively than by quoting a letter by its President, Mr. Basil O'Connor.

In All It Does, the Red Cross Depends On YOU!

"The Red Cross story is simple, easy to understand. It is the story of tremendous teamwork — of sharing and giving. It is a graphic demonstration of neighborhood helping neighbor. It is the story of men, women, and children who know that a stronger America emerges as the cares of the needy and distressed are relieved. "Hot food is served to hurricane sufferers in southern coastal states . . . Blood is rushed to victims of a hotel fire in the Midwest . . . Red Cross trained life savers plunge toward youngsters who have ventured into the water beyond their depth . . . Nurses are recruited for new outbreaks of polio . . . Practical skills are taught to patients in veteran hospitals.

"When you support the Red Cross, you help in all these things. You are there — because the Red Cross, which represents you, is there. You are one of the many, many neighbors united in a common cause, united by the one banner "under which all men may serve" — the Red Cross!"

And in Disaster

More specifically, nearly 100,000 persons received emergency help following disasters during 1947. In disasters such as mine explosions, tornados, train wrecks, earthquakes, there is little or no advance warning. Immediate assistance is important, as it often means the difference between life and death. First led the disaster list with 161, with the forest fires in New England last fall the worst in that area's history. Equally spectacular were the 32 tornadoes, including the savage twister in Woodward, Oklahoma, which flattened scores of city blocks, killed 95 persons and damaged or destroyed 1,000 homes. 70 per cent of Red Cross disaster funds are spent

—Electrical Worker Pays For Home With Ideas

Selling ideas about his job—to reduce costs and increase production—has paid off to the tune of a new home for Mike Defino, employee of an electrical manufacturing company. Cashing in on his 300th idea at the age of 42, after submitting more than 600 in twenty years, Mike estimates that he has received at least $10,000 from the company's suggestion plan—"more than enough to pay for my home. It's all just a sideline."

"If winter comes, can Spring be far behind?" . . . The north branch of the Housatonic River blanketed in snow, just a short distance above the Beaver Street Plant.

—Photo by Ken Russell
SPRAGUE ELECTRIC LOG

WELCOME TO OUR IRISH COLLEEN

Miss Theresa Sheehan, our pretty blue-eyed Colleen of Industrial Oil Stacking, flashed a beautiful smile when we asked how she likes America. "Oh, I just love the United States," she said, "there is so much of it... and people have been so nice to me, especially my co-workers at Sprague's. I have been here twelve months now, and I love my work."

"Terry" came to the United States in July, from County Kerry, Ireland, and is making her home with an aunt, Laurence Haskins.

When asked about the climate in Ireland, she said it is mild, and just about this time of year, Spring puts flowers everywhere. In fact, the country looks like one great flower bed. The Irish are still rationed, Terry explained, with sugar, flour and clothing the most difficult items to obtain. 

"Most beautiful sight in her estimation, is our own picturesque Berkshire Hills. "They are beautiful," she exclaimed in her delightful Irish brogue, "much beauty of Ireland can hardly be described... one just has to see it! The countryside is a mass of color with flowers everywhere. In fact, the country looks like one great flower bed."

They have been fascinated with our winter scenes, the abundance of snow, our Christmas lights and decorations. There is some snow in Ireland, she explained, but nothing to compare with the Berkshires.

"Biggest Thrill" Her biggest thrill of course, was the sight of the Statue of Liberty as she approached New York harbor. The Stacking, flashed a beautiful smile.

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Almost everyone in the room received a comic valentine — and each person kissed, girls?

Welcome back, Winnie Emery, Carol Bellard and Kenneth Russell Marshall Street: Cecile Trudeau

Mrs. Potter is Dorothy, of the F. P. Department.

"Bosco" — 11 year old Boston terrier belonging to Jesika Pike of Resistors.

Industrial Oil Stock

By John Heath

Welcome back, Winnie Emery, Carolyn Zolgo, and Lydia Lewis. The place looks brighter since all of you got back. Al Fileno was in to see us the other day. He looks fine after a recent operation. He, and we were glad to see him.

We extend a hearty welcome to the new girls — but know the name of the walking man . . . and proves how effective an Irish smile may be.

Charles LeFlore, son of Angie, of Resistors—night shift.

Resistors - Midget Tubulars

By Della Keating

Margaret Cooper has added a new member to her family, her new daughter-in-law. Alma Stackpole seems to be doing just as much as her "new girl" does. She keeps herself busy with many household chores, and is a help to her mother, whose work has been very heavy.

Dona Marie Roy, daughter of Laura, of PAA Rolling, night shift.

Molded Tubulars—Day Shift

By "Jo" Campedelli

Jeffreys, Al, and son, are back at work full of pep and rarin' to go.

The next time that "Izzy" goes out working, better take off your shoes and stockings.

We miss Lorraine Baker, Betty Roy, Pauline Mason and Florence Clement who were transferred to the Finishing Line.

TIMES THAT WE HAVE SEEN

The wrecking crew really went to town a week ago, and to fully get things messed up, they sent down Hotshot Bill. Need say more?

Theresa Sheehan, our Irish Colleen, hails from County Kerry, Ireland, and...
Dry Rolling
By L. Rotta and M. Critella
Three cheers to our girls for playing such a swell game — losing only 1 point. This is their fourth game with Professional Drivers having won 2 and lost 2. Keep up the good work, girls. We were lucky to have Charlie Balfouard sprain her ankle while playing basketball!! That's something — when some one can make Joe Morack forget what day of the week is it!

We welcome back: Marie Marcoux, Bossie Zito and Florence Danforth Me, to our girls and hope they like working here. We're sorry Florence has been ill. It's not the usual kind of eddy, Boucher, without you. Hurry back. When Kathleen Mulcahy comes back to work, ask her about the cherry pie she made for "Chick." A shower was given for Kathleen Mulcahy with a group of her co-working attending. Hostesses were Kay Darling and Esther Berms. A good time was enjoyed by everyone.

Engineering Spec
By I. Hansen and H. Goodeall
We extend our deepest sympathy to Harold Farram, whose mother passed away recently.

Congratulations to Jane Zobek who was married recently.

Congratulations to our "boss," Walter Clark, on his re-election as Foreman.

They say to the "man a the heart is to give him Argyle socks." Does it work? Well, it seems they've been making a lot of boy ones lately.

Jack Wilson has returned after a week's vacation, in which he enjoyed "lots of cold weather and some good rolling at Big Beeleyon, N. H."

Do you recognize them? Each member of the Vincellette family shown here, has been (or still is) a Sprague worker. Front row: Louis, Roger and Gloria. Second row: Dorseta, Laura, Claude and Armand. Top row: Olias biddning Bernette, and Beatrice, as they looked nineteen years ago.

It may not be news to publish a story and photo of a family taking some nineteen years ago. But it is, when every person in that picture is, or has been, an employee of the Sprague Electric Company. All the Vincellettes in the picture above, were at some time, employed here — and in fact, five of them are still working in the Sprague Electric, and have long records of service, too.

Front row, sitting: Louis, employed for the last 15 years, is also a World War II veteran, now employed in the Molded Tubulars. No, the other toddler is not a boy, but a baby girl. Second row: Dorseta, formerly of Bovina Woolen, Laura, employed all on and for the last 12 years, is now working on Rilling 2nd shift; then Claude, better known as "Chick," a war veteran with 7 years' service during and before World War II, is now in PAA, Way Pointing, Armand, better known as "Peanuts" has been with the Company for the past 15 years, is now working in Molded Tubulars. Back row: Olias, or "Bud" was formerly employed in Paper Rolling. In Bud's arms is Berriet, formerly of PAA. Steve Soldering. Last, is Beatrice, wife of Cede Solari, who formerly worked in the Rolling Department. To cap the climax, Rosalie, the mother of these 10 Vincellettes, who is also a Sprague worker, having been employed in the KVA's. She is now the proud grandmother of 13 grandchildren. Laura has four children; Arnaud, two; Olias, two; Louis, one; and Beatrice, seven.

A grand record — and we challenge any family at Sprague's or elsewhere, to show an equal large group of their relatives employed in any one company. — L. Finidale

Red Cross Drive . . .

in rehabilitation, which includes re-building of homes, providing furniture, long-term nursing and medical care.

National Blood Program
Sprague workers are familiar with the Red Cross Blood services. The Red Cross Blood Bank program for 1948 will be most comprehensive. It will make whole blood derivatives available without cost for the products, to the nation's entire population through physicians and hospitals. It is estimated that 3,500,000 pints of whole blood will be collected this year.

Some of the most successful projects are those operated in Massachusetts, Michigan and North Dakota; six new collection centers are under way at Rochester, N. Y., Washington, D. C., Atlanta, Ga., Louisville, Ky., and Omaha, Neb. Eventually, major centers will number 140 with secondary units in smaller communities and mobile units for rural areas.

Ad to Veterans
This nation now has 18,000,000 war veterans, who with their families compose 32 per cent of our population. The varied services of the Red Cross are helping these families — it may take the form of a luncheon for a baby born in a campus cafeteria; hospital appointment for a veteran; a layette for a newborn, the husband of a disabled soldier; for a veteran and dependents assisted last year in the Home Service Department, 2,029,907 veterans and dependents received $4,411,883 in financial aid from Red Cross Services.

Other Services
The Red Cross has broadened its scope of service to include accident prevention, water safety which includes training and certification of lifeguards and "Learn-to-swim" campaigns; health education in the schools and the National Foundation for Infantile Paralysis; nutrition classes for mothers in hospitals and home, and an International Activities program.

Events of the year 1948 are unimportant, and unpredictable, yet, standing by, ready for any emergency, is the Red Cross with its coordinated activities, to carry out its program of relief and aid.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Miller will be guests of Mr. and Mrs. Miller, Jr. They are employed in Improving Dept.

Formation
By R. BUGUS and J. SHE

The Department welcomes: Benjamin Mountford, Dobie Tarbo, Robert Lundin, Robert Macalvain, Thomas Apgar, and Walt Davis. We hope you will continue working with us. We hear Art Konig is still trying to learn how to run his machine — cheer up, Art. Rome wasn't built in a day.

Sonny Williams has left us — and we hope you like your new work, Sonny.
A. C. Assembly

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one regret — that Danny was not there
appeared on his freckled face, you had
mobile accident, will soon be up and
piH in he "mile"

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to walk away with another title. But
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work and think they are fine. Mary,
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Gagne, who suffered with frozen ears
workers, Al Harvey and Donald

F. P. Assembly

out front in every race. In closing this
One of our former co-workers gave his
killed in Action, February 25, 1945

The cold spell we had recently got
The Department takes this oppor-
Two years ago, Damn- Mahoney,

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SPRAGUE ELECTRIC LOG

Girls Win First Game - Western Mass. AAU Tournament - Score 59-30

PLAYED AGAINST AMHERST ACRETERS TO PLAY PITTSFIELD PROF. DRUGS - Thursday

The Sprague Girls' Basketball Team

NR10TH BERKSHIRE ALL-TEAM

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At this time, we submit our selec-

Sprague Girls' Basketball Team

at this time, when they accepted an invitation to play in the Western Massachusetts AAU Tournament held during February 23 to 26, at Hadleyville, Mass.

The winner and runner-up in this

North American Championships

at Pittsfield in 1948

Pittsfield will play host to the

The Berkshire Hills Speed Skating

Chairman for the 1947-48 season.

Men's Inter-plant Basketball Standings

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In Basketball -- Bennington

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