Help! Police! 1948 Vacationists To Enjoy Buyer's Market

Attractive Spots Numerous

The good news for vacationists this year is that, for the first time since the war, the tourist in America will enjoy a buyer's market. Hotel and inn keepers anticipate a good season but they say they expect "to have to work for business." In most places rates are being held at 1947 levels despite the sharp rise in food and operating costs. This is a cheering thought with which to start our vacation planning.

The inquiries coming in to the Log Travel Service indicate that practically everyone wants to go to Old Orchard or some other beach in Maine. It looks as if Fred Allen has done a good job of impressing the public with the wonders of Old Orchard.

Maine is prepared to take care of one million vacationists this summer. They recommend that those coming to the state for the first time and those driving to the beaches at the Yorks, the Kennebunks, Ogunquit and Old Orchard, take Route I for a better view and for access to many communities along the way. Rates at hotels and camps average $3.50, American Plan, and up to $15. Overnight cabins and tourist homes run about $21 a person and up. Food costs in Maine, always a little higher than in the rest of the country, according to government statistics, are holding their usual level except for lobster which is expected to be a little higher than usual. The reason for this is the great demand in the cities plus the fact that airplane transportation makes shipping easier so that more lobster goes out of the state than heretofore.

Packard Heights, property of Victor Papinou, near Athol, Massachusetts where Al Horriffall and others from North Adams spend their vacations.

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BY SPRAGUE EMPLOYEES and FOR SPRAGUE EMPLOYEES

SOCIAL SECURITY EARNED INCOME

Would you walk into a grocery store, order a goodly supply of groceries, pay for them and then walk out without them? Of course you wouldn't. Why? Because those groceries were yours. You had bought and paid for them with your own money. Most of the time we take our money pretty seriously. We always try our best to get full value for the dollars we spend. We count our dollars. We count the loaf of bread or hat or anything else you purchase with your money. There- whether it be repairing a tiny wire or moving huge condensers like this one at the Heaver Street Plant, the Maintenance crowd is always in action.

Whether it be repairing a tiny wire or moving huge condensers like this one at the Beaver Street Plant, the Maintenance crowd is always ready. Here we take our responsibilities to fulfill. In a previous issue of the Log, emphasis was given to the duties incumbent upon each worker on a covered job regarding his account number and what he should do to protect his rights to Federal old-age and survivors insurance. There is another duty which is also deserving of our emphasis. To discourage unfair competition, the groups are divided into junior and senior divisions to enable children to compete with their own age levels. Last year prizes amounting to more than $700, ranging from cameras to less expensive items, were given to the competitors.

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A man is tickled pink when he hears his boy say "I want to be like my Dad." We fathers, do we ever think as we pause, that the lad who watches every move is building a set of laws? He's molding a life we can't unbuild, and, with the kind of example set to the boy who would be like his Dad, would have him everywhere we go, have him do just the things we do, see everything that we see, absorb our gods we owe? When we see the worship that shines in the eyes of that grand little lad — can we rest content if he gets his wish and grows to be like his Dad? It's a job that none but ourselves can fill. When we do our job, we are the model of the boy who wishes to be like his father. Amen.

Travel

cycle Rod Race at Belltop Mountain Recreation Area on June 19-20. The New Hampshire Sportsmen's Show will be held at the Sunnhurst Pavilion in the N.H. State Fairgrounds. Good days for fishing and lake trips make this a desirable state for the ambitious vacationer.

Marshall Street Reporters

"Tons" Callahan, Roy Cray, Phyllis Chartrand. Josephine Convery, Mary Davis, Edith McIver, Liona and Eugene Rumney.

Brown Street Reporters


"Every Sprague Worker an Assistant Reporter." By Nick Richardello

Fathers' Day Celebration. Beaverton, June 14. There is fishing of beaches stretching around the Cape. Rates run from $2. to $2.50. Housekeeping American Plan, is $8. Rooming places are rare at this time for the ambitious vacationer. Belknap cycle Road Rare at Mountain Short, Florence Southgate, Shirley Thoros, Constance Urbano, Roseann Vigna and John Wahl.

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"I wear a dollar and always make sure I pay my way!" By Vi Short

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**Industrial Oil**

By Ann Heath

The welcome mat is out to all the new girls in our department. We are glad to have you with us.

The question in our department is: Will Enmeier going in for black market meat? Won't you know that meat has to be inspected by the proper authorities. So!

We girls carry our mirrors in our hand bags, but Charlie Slade has to be attended to the family of Victoria Phaneuf, Pittsfield have announced the engagement of their daughter, Betty, to Arthur M. Russell, son of Mr. and Mrs. William E. Russell of 150 Prospect Street, North Adams. The wedding will take place in September in New York City.

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HOT WEATHER HINTS

Up, up, goes the thermometer and down, down goes our pep, energy and enthusiasm. And with feeding the family becomes a real challenge. If the food doesn’t look good, taste good and good the folks will dilly-dally with it instead of eating it. And before we all eat less during hot weather every dish should be crowded as with many nutrients as possible.

One way to add new interest and variety at the same time include important nutrients in food is to use molasses — flavored, from New Orleans molasses. A spoonful added to the French dressing, you serve with fruit salad or to gravies that put touch of adventure into eating that summer menu need. As for desserts the molasses ones are always favorites, so molasses ones are menus need. As lor desserts the important the same lime include possible.

Electric-Eye Window for Exclusive Black Cat

William K. Kursky of Schenectady, N. Y., inventor of the electrically-heated automatic blanket, also created an electrically-operated hospital bed, an automatic “face” for testing rabe’s, and an automatic device. Which is not to mention his “cat selector”, an electric eye application to permit his black cat to enter and leave his house through a special opening in a collar with an electronic eye barred of lighter color.

OUR SAFETY CORNER

Horseplay is not fair play. Another worker threw a wet towel rolled into a ball and struck this man in the eye. Besides causing him considerable pain, this injury slowed down production in the plant, affecting employees and employer alike. Many serious accidents result from horseplay—accidents which cause serious injuries and even death. Sensible employees do not indulge in that sort of sport. It doesn’t pay off!

Log Banquet

Plans are underway for the Log Banquet on June 24 at the Charlton Sportsmen’s Club. We hope that all members of the Log Stirling will be present for a good evening of fun and relaxation. We hear there is a $500 prize master which is enough to assure of an entertaining time. We’ll see you there!

New Golf Ball

A new golf ball, recently announced as having a silicon “bouncing party” heart that gives it greater distance and is impervious to any club head, is now made possible by still another of a score of applications for the all-seeing electric eyes of the electrical manufacturing industry point out.

The eye, they say, is the key part of an electronic device, perfected after six years of experiments, which provides precise control of the tension of the thread wound around the ball’s center, thus insuring uniformity in performance.

The new ball is described as one of the most important contributions in golf since the birth of the “royal and ancient” game in Scotland more than 500 years ago. St. Andrews had been pondering the ancient game” in Scotland more than 500 years ago.

The type of ball played in these minor leagues is great to see. It may be that the baseball and the big leagues, but stars in the making along with a good brand of ball is always on display.

At this time I would like to say that our local paper does not give enough of its sport section to those clubs that are so much closer to us than some Major League Club. Schedules of the coming games with some of the results and occasional standings would be greatly appreciated I know. Sometimes these things are taken care of through radio facilities but there are times when this is also left out in the cold.

Once more I say to all our baseball fans in this section — take in some of these games and you will be back to see many more.

Semi-Pro

It well looks like the Northern Berkshire League this season will have four teams under way with four teams participating. They are Greylock, St. Anthony, Cranberries, Koskas of Adams and the Williamsburg American Legion.

We at Sprague’s especially those who participate in sports, feel deep the keen loss of their fellow helper, back up half-year player and general all around sport, Ann Blais. Her complete team play, her will to win and her loyalty made Ann an important cog in whatever sport she participated in. She was a lover of sport as well as indoor sports, and we think the end game as she might say “is the future” — actively engaged in one of her favorite recreational past times.

SPORTS . . . .

Kenny Russell

Softball - Baseball Open Season

The Inter-Plant soft-ball league is now underway with 4 teams participating. The Brown Street, Beaver Street, Marshall Street and Maintenance. Games are played every Monday and Wednesday afternoon playing at the Widen Field (formerly the Inman Field) in Earlhamton. Tank’ Wilson and his volunteer helpers have done a grand job in getting the field in such fine shape that even the most fastidious wordsmith would say of any of the above mentioned teams can do as well as an equivalent team on any field on the night scheduled and making your intentions known. Remember, once you sign to play you are expected to be present with your team on the night scheduled. If a group wish to play they should get in touch with Tank’ Wilson and have the field held open for their game. This gives everyone an opportunity to play on nights that do not conflict with the League game.

By the time this issue is off the press the Girls’ Softball League should be organized and underway. On Friess, June 11, the first session should be history.

In the opening two games the Main-Street Club has two close encounters with a perch weighing 10 ounces and measuring 11 1/2 inches in length, caught May 28 at 8 p.m. in South Pond.

Come on, you fishermen with your catch! The prizes are waiting for you.

The real problem of your leisure is to keep other people from using it, they were — Bennington at Bennington; 6 Pittsfield St. Joseph in Pittsfield and Pittsfield in North Adams. Drury had received excellent pitching this year; 1 from Bill “Red” Bakas and Bill’ Chilson, “Red” shut out Pittsfield 2, Bill Chilson shut out Adams by the same score and pitch- ed a 2 hitter.

Minor League Baseball

The local sports enthusiast in this area has had the opportunity to see a fine brand of baseball and players who in the near future will undoubtedly be seen in league uniform in the big leagues.

Let’s break it down this way — To the South of us just 22 miles to be exactWorks Wachanook Park, home of the Pittsfield Electricians, who are members of the Canadian-American League. This is the most popular team move about 40 miles south-east of Pittsfield and we find the home of another minor league ball club about 45 miles away in North Adams, Massachusetts. The Southfield Club, who hold forth at Pynchon Field in Springfield and they are in the New England League. Back to the North of us, Duke Long, a former Adams High star, is the regular 1st baseman of the league leading Lin Red Sox of the same New England Loop. And we still have another on the semi-pro level about 45 miles to the west and this one is the Albany Senators of the Eastern League.

Baseball fans who cannot get to one of the Major League ball parks that is a big disappointment to the small town den.

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Summer bags are fetching this year and many of them can be made easily and inexpensively if you happen to know the new directions for making this “snazzy” number may get from Miss Owen in the Beaver Street Dis- pensary. The League has many pretty things in her catalog such as beach bags, hats and sun suits. You may be surprised at how much you can do for very little money and in very little time.

High School Baseball

The High School baseball season is about to close and as yet the 1948 owl is too young to be crowned. The favored Pittsfield “Purple” with the title all but in the pocket but keep a sharp eye on the Minnetonka. Bennington and an unexpected defeat 8-5. This was followed with a game of baseball in the local park in the Semi-Pro League. The stand- ings at this writing show Pittsfield St. Joseph out in front by half a game over Pittsfield and Drury. Drury has suffered 3 defeats so far this season and