Vacationists To Have Good Season

Scheduled Tours and Cruises Offer Reasonable Travel

According to the experts, this may really be the biggest travel season since the war, in the total number of Americans who will take vacations. But the dollar volume is expected to fall short of the past three years. The prophecy is for better accommodations, better sports facilities and better service all the way around for less money than we have been accustomed to paying.

The forecast for automobile travel estimates that at least 23,000,000 autos will take to the highways during the vacation period and that $6,000,000,000 will be spent by motorists on vacation — about the same as last year. At least a third of motorists are expected to average 2,500 miles on their "trip".

Many scheduled tours have been announced or are being planned in various parts of the country. Some of the events scheduled for the next few weeks are:

NEW ENGLAND


Fishing Derby, Camden, Me., June 26. Contest hours 8 A.M. to 6 P.M.

MID- ATLANTIC

Open House, New Hope, Pa., May 14. Ten old houses, series' studios open to visitors 11 A.M.-5 P.M.


Dutch Barnum, Kingston, N. Y., May 18-20. Old Dutch Church is scene of annual tulip festival. Wooden shoe dancing.


Memorial Day Services, Easton and Gettysburg, Pa., May 29. Flower ships set afoul on the Delaware at Easton; battleground service at Gettysburg.

Dairyland Festival, Watertown, N. Y., June 5-10. Street parade, pageant depicting dairy industry, milking contests.

Wayneburg College Centennial, Wayneburg, Pa., June 11. Historical pageant, parade.


CERAMIC CAPACITORS NEWEST COMPANY PRODUCT AVAILABLE TO CONSUMERS

Ceramic capacitors, utilizing extremely thin ceramic discs and plates of high dielectric constant, are the newest product of the Sprague Electric Company and its wholly-owned subsidiary, the Herlec Corporation of Milwaukee, Wis.

Both the disc capacitors, identified as Disc Type 29C and 36C, and the Bulplate Type 34C multisection capacitors are ideal for bypass and coupling applications in standard and FM radio, television, and military and industrial electronics.

The new Sprague-Herlec designs are not only extremely small in size, but have much higher self-resonant frequencies than conventional capacitors of equivalent electrical rating. The capacitors are covered with a tough, moisture-proof coating, which protects against short-circuiting to other components and assures satisfactory performance under severe conditions of humidity, temperature, and vibration. Sprague-Herlec Discs are available as both single and dual capacitors. Sprague-Herlec Bulplates are furnished with multiple capacitor sections alone or in combination with printed wiring, shielding, and other printed circuit details. One ceramic bulplate may combine all the capacitors in one or more stages of radio circuits into a single, compact integral assembly, resulting in a marked saving in chassis space and in wiring and soldering operations by the set manufacturer.

Proof of the inherent quality of the Sprague-Herlec construction and of the effectiveness of manufacturing control is found in the uniform excellence of insulation resistance under both service and test conditions.

From the standpoint of the capacitor user, the Sprague Electric Company is in a unique position among suppliers of ceramic capacitors. It is the only manufacturer of a complete line of fixed capacitors — ceramic, mica, paper, and electrolytic. For this reason, its interest is to provide its customers with that type of capacitor best adapted to their particular requirements of performance, space limitation, and economics, rather than to present a new type of capacitor as a replacement for others.

A constant and reliable supply of Sprague ceramic capacitors is assured by operation of two manufacturing plants in two widely separated locations.

Ceramic capacitors are not new. The first ceramic capacitor was the Leyden jar of 1745, the original man-made means for storing electrical energy. The glass-plate capacitors of the early "wireless" days were a more modern development of the Leyden jar.

The first attempts at manufacturing sufficiently thin ceramics for the capacitor industry were unsuccessful in competition with films of mica, a natural crystal. Later, the industry successfully developed other thin film dielectrics, such as paper; and then came electrolytic capacitors, whose construction exploits the advantage of very thin films.

The Sprague Electric Company, early in its manufacture of electrolytic capacitors, realized that they were basically ceramic capacitors with an electrolytically produced dielectric of aluminum oxide. In 1935 the Sprague research organization started an intensive investigation of ceramic dielectrics and of means of producing them in thin films.

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I. J. KAHAN AT MEETING

Irving J. Kahan, our Chicago representative, acted as chairman of the evening for the Chicago representatives at the recent "Town Meeting of Radio Technicians" which was held in Chicago on April 11, 12, 13. This three day meeting was sponsored by the Radio Parts Industry Coordinating Committee and Chicago Distributors. Approximately fifteen hundred radio technicians from that area attended each of the three sessions which were devoted almost exclusively to Television.

The new Sprague-Herlec Disc Ceramic Capacitors. Type 36C on left, and Type 29C on right.
Ceramic Capacitors

This was not merely a unidirectional research and its development took several forms. The earliest product was not a capacitor at all, but a resistor. As resistance wire, ceramic techniques were an important industry as ceramics are presently actual manufacturing operations. The Sprague Electric Company secured their search for a substitute for mica in World War I had developed the ceramic capacitor art to a high degree.

The Germans in World War II and even as early as World War I had developed the ceramic capacitor art to a high degree. To obtain the advantage of this knowledge Sprague's director of research visited Germany, where he made a comprehensive study of advanced ceramic techniques.

The Sprague Electric Company acquired the Herklee Corporation as a wholly owned subsidiary for the purpose of expediting its entry into actual manufacturing operations. The Herklee Corporation was founded in 1946 by a group of long experienced and highly talented individuals. The Herklee Corporation, the Sprague Electric Company, and the Herklee Corporation, are producing many-man-years of engineering experience in ceramic capacitors, as well as advanced manufacturing facilities. These facilities have since been considerably expanded.

To Serve on Committee

Peter Monroe and Lars N. Anderson will serve on the Committee for the 28th annual convention of the Credit Union League of Massachusetts to be held at the Hotel Sheraton in Pittsfield, June 10-12. More than 500 members and guests will be represented at the convention, the first to be held in Berkshire County.

BARGAIN COUNTER


"My wife talks to herself." "So does mine, but she doesn't know it. She thinks I'm listening."

SPRAGUE ELECTRIC LOG

May 14, 1949

How Spring Clean-Up Helps

CUTS DOWNS ON FIRES

WEEDS

No Place for My Germs in This Neighborhood

HELP KIDS

AIDS PUBLIC HEALTH

WEDDINGS

SLEEMAN-SAMIA

Miss Mary Louise Siemens and Joseph Sternman were married on April 18 in St. Francis' Church. After a wedding trip to Mexico and New Mexico, Mr. and Mrs. Gigliotti will be at home in 137 Braswell Terrace. The bride is employed in the office at Sprague Products.

GIGLIOTTI-QUIRK

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MIGNAULT-BOUCHER

Miss Patricia Rollande Boucher and George William Mignault were married on April 21 in Notre Dame Church. The couple will be at home at 873 Cardy Street. The bride is employed in Dry Rolling at Beaver Street.

DURKEE-PRATT

Miss Marie L. Pratt became the bride of Richard E. Durkee on April 23 in St. Francis' Church. They are living at 36 Maple Street, Bennington, Vermont. The bride is employed in Sales and Service, Burkhart O.S.K. Inc.

CHOQUETTE-PINSONNEAULT

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ARTHUR-QUICK

Miss Margaret Wittig.

Three 17th Century Dutch Times...

Tickets available from H. O. Barischdorf or Pebbles Jewell Shop.

Warning Issued

A recent warning has been issued concerning the disposal of burned out fluorescent lamps. The inside coating of one of these lamps is reported to contain beryllium, a toxic substance. If this dust gets into a skin cut or is inhaled into the lungs a serious condition may result.

When these lamps are burned out the following precautions should be taken in disposing of them:

1. Keep discarded tubes away from children.
2. Never place tubes in open containers in the street.
3. Deliver tubes directly to refuse trucks.
4. Should a tube be broken, damper the pieces to prevent the powder from becoming dust. Wrap the pieces in heavy paper.

Attends Safety Meeting

Miss Ethel Lowe, R.N., of the Brown Street Dispensary and Miss Etta Owen, R.N., of the Beaver Street Dispensary attended a meeting of the Berkshire County Safety Council in Pittsfield on May 4. Mrs. Emma Tuttle and Miss Ethel Lowe, R.N., of the Industrial Accident Board spoke on "Compensation."

Sixty percent of all persons killed in automobile accidents meet death during the hours of darkness.
BANQUETS END BASKETBALL - BOWLING SEASON
Resistors - "Navy Line"
By Blanche Tatroe
Now that the fishing season is here, our Isaac Walton, Tom Demarco, has caught his usual fish without the usual amount of other things around (I'm afraid hearing about big ones, how about letting us see a few.)
Jennie King has taken to the streams, too. Jennie says she is going to enter the LDF 10-Mile Club this year if she has a little luck.
Charlie Commons is certainly worried about the weather's reason in his Tidiabah isn't up yet.
When Art Bissonhall-sheds his cotton skin (now he's looking rather like a duck), we know spring is here. Regardless of what your calendar may say, spring arrived Monday, April 4 at 6 a.m.
Emily Wylie spent a week end in Boston recently. While there, she saw "Plato's Daughter" (world's oldest passion play) and "The Ice Chips of 1989," featuring Barbara Ann Scott, the world's champion skater.

Industrial Oils Rolling Into Lebanon
Dear Colleagues:
I thought it was about time we came forth with an important statement about what we are doing. If you're writing a line or two, or that the notes on your daily's leave its place at the bottom of the shelf, neither dead nor dearished. How about it, gang? If you can think of any news, let me know.
Our friend, Lena Nicks, came back from her two-week vacation in Florida last week. She tells us she saw a parrot and they gave her the keys to Bermuda. (That's a pin, the Florida Keys.) It's looking like spring so I thought I'd get the corn in first.
Welcome back to the department, Helen Unis and Marie Sweeney. We were as incomplete without you as ham is without the eggs, if you will forgive the comparison.
We certainly are proud of the girls' bowling team. They have come through in first place for the second consecutive year. Congratulations on the good job, girls.

Glady Homer, it won't do you any good to see the notes on your eyes this time. We are sorry, but you won't be able to remove particles of starfruit. It looks attractive anyway. Keep them for us, Glady.
Everybody's eyes-ahone when Bernice Fitzpatrick marks the rounds to see what they can find. This is a nice preview of a coming attraction.
No mini choker for now as we have to catch that last stagewear for Stanford. Your bestest reporter, P.S. We certainly appreciate the many times you've included us in your column, Ann Heath. We'll have fun writing together.

Prokar
By Carol Bellard
We are happy to see Eloise Lewis back to work after a month's leave. I'm glad to hear that Dolly and Yelena leave us; they have been such fun. Good luck to both, Dolly.
Dolly Patriots surely is getting nervous about being married on May 28. The best of luck, Dolly.
We welcome Agnes Vidal back to work in our department. We hope you enjoy your vacation, Agnes.
Rusty St. Pierre has a smile on her face since she has moved into her new house.

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Best of luck, Tony Locic, with your new job. We will all miss you. Well come to Guide Elizabeth who took Tony's place on Networks.
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Dry Rolling

By Ruth Keller

Flash! That is your new reporter with up-to-the-minute news from Dry Rolling. We shall be the eyes and ears of this department from here on in.

Do you know that our Rolling Department is one of the most important operations in the manufacturing of composed? Let's represent it a little more often in our Log.

We are running full speed right here at present; girls are rushing to the lockers, calling, and counter, and we hear the ever-familiar names of Art and Betty constantly all the way across the room.

We have two bridges back from their honeymoon's. They are the former Lorraine Tremblay and Pat Bouche.

Guess what? Marge Wittig started working for us last week! She is constantly called the counter, and we stockroom, rushing to make sure that all the necessary materials are there.

We are now in the midst of a big changeover, and we need a bell plus suspenders as he is so inclined! Our Check inspector, Mrs. LaLumme, is Solly of the Owens.

We congratulate, too, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest LaLumme on the birth of a son recently. Mrs. LaLumme is Solly of the Owens.

Congratulations! Paul Terpe came back recently from a week in Florida. Such a fun!

Don't be late for us. The shoes were three sizes too big, and in the grand finale, she stood there in her stocking feet.

That's all this time. Here's hoping we will have oodles of news for the next issue.

Dry Tuffinish

By M. Hauptlieblik and M. Faustini

We welcome Alice Brown to our department.

Are you sure, Lee Lemoine, that the stillness in your voice was from washing ceilings, as you said?

Francis Livsey, our check inspector, needs a lift plus suspenders as she doesn't seem to know what suspenders are for.

We didn't even hear a fish story from Philip Roberts on his first day out. What happened, Phil, were the fish not hitting?

A good time was had by all in our department at a supper held recently at the Maplehurst Stadium Club. Philip Roberts and Francis Livsey arrived late for supper because they were busy in the Engineering Department calling way.

Rita Johnson has returned from a spending spree in New York City with four new dresses and two new pairs of shoes.

Engineering Dept.

By Frances Melito

The girls from the Engineering Department attended a buffet supper at Ft. Massachusetts on Monday, May 2. Barbara Carpenter will be twenty-one on May 10. How does it feel to be old enough to vote, Barb?

Speaking of birthdays, Rita Slade celebrated her birthday on May 2. It was her eighteenth. There wasn't it? Rita?

Spring is here at last— with cotton dresses, leg make-up and fishing. And speaking of fishing, Doris Langer went fishing the other day and caught two bass. Maybe it was because she didn't bother to use any worms. When she does use worms, she just lets the fish eat the worms and doesn't bother to pull the fish out of the water.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard Sherman celebrated their anniversary on May 2. Congratulations!

F. P. Drys

By Florence Harris

A friendly rivalry is now going on between Doretta Blanchard and Alice Sweeney. Alice seems to hold the lead right now, but it should be an interesting contest.

It seems good to see all the familiar faces returning. Welcome back.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Ernest LaLumme on the birth of a son recently. Mrs. LaLumme is Solly of the Owens.

We congratulate, too, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Tinkly, Nealson on the birth of a new Vivian Delisle, vacationed at home. Romance is certainly in the air in this department with four prospective brides around. They are Claire Monoe, Genevieve Morin, Phyllis Dollin and Rita Cote.

F. P. Assembly

By Pat and Slim

Warning again to all motorists: Lulu Ducharme is now taking driving lessons. Keep your cars locked in the garage.

Edith Fields, how can you keep track of your scissors if you can't even remember what they look like?

Wanted by Mrs. Cody: one pair of suspenders.

Don't cross your bridges yet because you come to them.

Misc. Paper Assembly

By Ruth Hawkins

Spring is here at last. It seems good to see the joy of our fishing enthusiasts. The day before the season opened, Lloyd Ballett brought our Foreman, found a gift on his desk.

It was a beautiful big fishing book with a sturdy rope attached. Lloyd says it's a deep sea book and that one could catch at least a tuna with it. What are you waiting for, Lloyd? Of course, Lloyd made the most of opening day by getting his full limit before noon.

His son, Lloyd, Jr., pulled out seven and his youngest son, Douglas, age four, caught a seven and one-half inch beauty. Chips off the old block all right?

Pauline Currie, who also loves fishing, has fished the Deerfield River three times this year. On one occasion she started before daylight and caught two good ones.

We all miss Helen Jespo who is on leave.

Jane Ciepela enjoyed a trip to New York on her vacation. Before she left, Jane brought in a muzzle which she intended to use on Cassie Gliwski. Cassie says Jane is the one who needs it. The consensus of opinion is that we need two muzzle, when those two get going.

Eleanor Durocher and Aims O'Neill also returned from a short trip recently. Linthorp may have been the first to flog the Atlantic but Cassie Gliwski says he got the first coke from our new machine. Well, congratulations, old boy!

Misc. Paper Finish

By Yelma Lincoln

Florence Lincoln, our Vermonter, has moved to North Adams. Doesn't it seem to you that the farm and that early morning walk, Florence? Henry Mezeywski is back after having been sick for a week. Oil those stones, Henry.

Mickey Stoziek, our deck girl, is no longer a bride, after a year. Well, what do you think?

Frank Major has a terrible cold and can't seem to shake it. Can anyone tell him a good remedy?

Vacations seem to be the main topic of conversation — when and when. The cafeteria sure looks tempting. The sweets are done up so pretty and the salads look good in their green cups of lettuce.
SPRAGUE ELECTRIC LOG
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SPORTS...

High School Baseball

Flash—Bill” —Bill—Babes outfits No. 5 tonight. Jim Duray, Bob Sprague, 7-4. Yes, fans, Adams suffered its first defeat in League play when they fell before the effective attacks of one Bill Babes. Adams picked this game to put on its worst exhibition in the field as they committed less than ten errors. This costly defeat by the Matherstown lads knocked them off the top rung where they were tied with Pittsfield.

The Pittsfield team will be hard to beat with the seasoned talent now on display. Drumy gave them a good battle but lost in the last inning 2-0. From here the battle for the runner-up spot foams as the time to watch as—Adams, Duray and Pittsfield Sue—and dark horse Dalton fight it out.

Moulding Room Hold


Mr. and Mrs. James Conant of West Summervile who started from home at two o’clock in the morning in order to be on time for the opening of the fishing season. The picture was taken at 6:30 a.m. by Al Horsfall.

Bernie Fitzpatrick and Bill Stackpole, representing the Union, spoke briefly and handed out a few well earned prizes.

“Tank” Wilson, manager of the Girl’s Basketball team, was present but did not comment.

“Lou” Vincelette was also there as a guest but did not take part in the speech making.

The Sprague Men’s Bowling League season came to a fitting close with the traditional banquet held at Wenonah Farm in Adams. About 20 men were in attendance and the nightly proceedings were well appreciated by an enthusiastic crowd.

Joe Lipa, President of the League, gave the opening speech welcoming the guests present and thinking the boys for the fine cooperation given them during the past season. He then turned the evening’s festivities over to Paul Fern who presided as Master of Ceremonies.

Psycho, a less than average heavy weight over came to a fitting close with the world champion, Marcel Cerdan. Cerdan had already over burdened officials.

Mr. R. C. Sprague was called on to make his annual address to the members of the Bowling League. Mr. Sprague said that the sprague team was in excellent form and that they expected to be competitive this season.

Mr. Washburn, President of the League, presented the winners’ trophies to the winners of the season’s operations. The Sprague Men’s Bowling League season came to a fitting close with the traditional banquet held at Wenonah Farm in Adams. About 20 men were in attendance and the nightly proceedings were well appreciated by an enthusiastic crowd.

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Belden Under, Captain of the Winning Industrial Oils, accepted the winner’s trophy on behalf of the team.

Prizes for the year were then distributed and when the next proceedings were announced of receiving new official and P.S. Turkey was the main dish.

The SQUARE RING

At the announcement of Tom Zbik’s retirement from the ring, a mud rash of prospects came up to fight the world champion. There was no way to get a return match with Cerdan this summer. Steve Roche, a lightweight, might be the choice.

Joe Louie has won a lot of fights by knockouts, but did you know that Jimmy Braddock, Tony Galento, Bud Schmelling and Jersey Joe Walcott have knocked him down? Is there any hope for Joe Louie? There are other heavy weight champions, Floody Mills, who will be through an elimination contest between Georges LeNoevel and Joe Mazin. Cerdan will be reinstated, and it is obvious that Tommy resolution.

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