When Fire Chief John E. Saulnier retired from public life on March 8, after heading the city's fire department for almost a quarter of a century, he received tribute from hundreds of friends and colleagues in this area. We at Sprague Electric wish to add our appreciation and good wishes to the man who has never seen a fire too small to interest him.

Chief Saulnier drew his first pay from the City of North Adams in 1908 as a call firefighter. On December 1, 1914, he was named permanent fireman and became head of the department when Chief Montgomery retired in 1925. He has witnessed the change from horse drawn fire apparatus to a fleet of modern gasoline-propelled trucks. These modern trucks have had much to do with the evolution in fire-fighting methods.

Chief Saulnier goes back to our settling in the Berkshires. A native of Massachusetts, he was brought up in North Adams and has since spread from coast to coast in the United States. More than 160 Hostels in the nation make it possible for hostlers to travel independently, or in groups in the White Mountains, the Berkshires, historic lower New England, the West from the Smokies to the Great Lakes area, and the Northwest, from the Puget Sound region of Washington and in other countries.

The one-week bicycle trip to Cape Cod and Martha's Vineyard, planned annually, is a Boston Council trip. The one-week bicycle trip to Martha's Vineyard, where one of the most popular hostelers in the country is located. motherboard setups and advised on precautions to be used in storing and using inflammable liquids and materials.

Throughout these years of service, the Chief has been a frequent visitor to our offices and plants. His many friends at Sprague Electric wish him luck in the fishing he is going to catch down in spite of mechanical improvements.

Dr. Saulnier has been a frequent visitor to our offices and plants. His many friends at Sprague Electric wish him luck in the fishing he is going to catch down in spite of mechanical improvements.

Chiefs Saulnier and John E. Saulnier who retired from the North Adams Fire Department on March 8.

REPORT OF COMPANY'S OPERATIONS FOR 1949

Successful Year Just Past Puts Us In Sound Position To Meet Competition In 1950

It is a very good idea once a year to look back and observe how we have been doing. Are we sick or are we healthy? How can we be healthier in 1950? Of course, it is a function of our management to do this. But all on our Sprague team can do it, too. Indeed, our top management would like to have foremen, supervisors, and employees do this. The stockholders are receiving a report just now. So are you. We are simplifying your report by giving you round figures.

On the whole, it looks as if our team is in good health. Of course, we have to thank the fast-rising purchases of television sets by the public for our return to good health last summer, just when we were curtailing for want of other business. But much of the credit goes to you and your teammates... Why did so much of this new television business come to us? Because all our team has been persistently putting the customers' interest first for several years. When television manufacturers had to expand quickly we were ready and could expand quickly, too. Not only this but there are a large number of capacitors in every television set. Makers of good and durable television sets, therefore, require capacitors of exceptional quality. Our products were already meeting high standards in this respect.

Our customers liked our team and bought from us in 1949 15 million dollars worth of our products. This is 20% more than they bought from us in 1948. We are very glad our good customers are in such good health. It is a pleasure to serve them.

Millions To People

But, of course, the Sprague Company didn't keep that 15 million dollars. Its duty is to parcel it out to different groups of people, to all the groups who make this business tick. For instance, to the players on our team, you and your fellow employees, went more than 61 million dollars. This was our largest item. It was 48 cents of each dollar received. Most of this 61 million is spent with hometown merchants or deposited in the local savings banks. You may be interested to know that our employees' share was sixteen times as large as our stockholders' share. The 1270 stockholders received only 2.7 cents of each dollar which came to the Company.

Almost as much goes to the merchants and manufacturers who supply us with materials and supplies. They drew 39.3 cents of each dollar of company income for a total of 6 million dollars. Since 1947 these suppliers have taken a greatly increased share of our dollar. No doubt, the suppliers' rising taxes and payrolls have forced some of them to charge more.

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Statistics.
The People Who Got This Money
years ago, according to the United States Bureau of Labor
dollars for such long-lasting and costly things as the new power-
plants, particularly in making ready additional space at the
Marshall Street Plant. We reduced this debt about 7% in 1949.
We also built a new steam plant at Marshall Street which can
deliver more than 75,000 lbs. of steam per hour and serves both
and plastic molded tubular capacitors, as well as other products.

Baker Street, New York 16, N. Y.

THE CRISIS OF THE NATIONAL CONSUMER
THE YOUTH HOSTELS PROGRAM

BUDDY HOVETT

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Facts... about Cancer

Strange as it may seem, many people still believe that cancer is incurable — that it is contagious and hereditary. What is more, a discouraging number of people listen to and repeat the superstitions and misconceptions associated with this disease. There is no sure way of telling how many people have died because of careless, ignorant, and fear-based misconceptions and rumors. The facts of biology; the finding that it is possible for capable research scientists already hard at work; your job is to help save the thousands who are now dying needlessly from cancer.

How You Can Help

Do your part to stamp out the old-fashioned ideas; expose all the false notions! At present there is no evidence to indicate that cancer is caused by a single severe injury, or by the use of certain foods or combinations of foods, or by any particular persons or persons and animals — to name just a few of the unfounded ideas.

Cancer is not contagious. You do not get it by being around someone who has it. It is a cancer hereditary. It is possible that the tendency to develop cancer is greater in some families than in others. Of course we cannot assume, however, that children will die of cancer because one or both parents died of the same disease. There is no reason to assume, however, that children will die of cancer because one or both parents died of the same disease.

While it is true that cancer strikes more people in the older age groups, there are older persons who are living longer, which range from the size of a postage stamp to the size of a large suitcase. They make industrial condensers which are used primarily in radar equipment, motors and so on. They make industrial condensers which are used primarily in radar equipment, motors and so on. They make industrial condensers which are used primarily in radar equipment, motors and so on. They make industrial condensers which are used primarily in radar equipment, motors and so on. They make industrial condensers which are used primarily in radar equipment, motors and so on. They make industrial condensers which are used primarily in radar equipment, motors and so on. They make industrial condensers which are used primarily in radar equipment, motors and so on. They make industrial condensers which are used primarily in radar equipment, motors and so on. They make industrial condensers which are used primarily in radar equipment, motors and so on. They make industrial condensers which are used primarily in radar equipment, motors and so on. They make industrial condensers which are used primarily in radar equipment, motors and so on. They make industrial condensers which are used primarily in radar equipment, motors and so on. They make industrial condensers which are used primarily in radar equipment, motors and so on. They make industrial condensers which are used primarily in radar equipment, motors and so on. They make industrial condensers which are used primarily in radar equipment, motors and so on. They make industrial condensers which are used primarily in radar equipment, motors and so on. They make industrial condensers which are used primarily in radar equipment, motors and so on. They make industrial condensers which are used primarily in radar equipment, motors and so on. They make industrial condensers which are used primarily in radar equipment, motors and so on. They make industrial condensers which are used primarily in radar equipment, motors and so on. They make industrial condensers which are used primarily in radar equipment, motors and so on. They make industrial condensers which are used primarily in radar equipment, motors and so on. They make industrial condensers which are used primarily in radar equipment, motors and so on. They make industrial condensers which are used primarily in radar equipment, motors and so on. They make industrial condensers which are used primarily in radar equipment, motors and so on. They make industrial condensers which are used primarily in radar equipment, motors and so on. They make industrial condensers which are used primarily in radar equipment, motors and so on. They make industrial condensers which are used primarily in radar equipment, motors and so on. They make industrial condensers which are used primarily in radar equipment, motors and so on. They make industrial condensers which are used primarily in radar equipment, motors and so on. They make industrial condensers which are used primarily in radar equipment, motors and so on. They make industrial condensers which are used primarily in radar equipment, motors and so on. They make industrial condensers which are used primarily in radar equipment, motors and so on. They make industrial condensers which are used primarily in radar equipment, motors and so on. They make industrial condensers which are used primarily in radar equipment, motors and so on. They make industrial condensers which are used primarily in radar equipment, motors and so on. They make industrial condensers which are used primarily in radar equipment, motors and so on. They make industrial condensers which are used primarily in radar equipment, motors and so on. They make industrial condensers which are used primarily in radar equipment, motors and so on. They make industrial condensers which are used primarily in radar equipment, motors and so on. They make industrial condensers which are used primarily in radar equipment, motors and so on. They make industrial condensers which are used primarily in radar equipment, motors and so on. They make industrial condensers which are used primarily in radar equipment, motors and so on. They make industrial condensers which are used primarily in radar equipment, motors and so on. They make industrial condensers which are used primarily in radar equipment, motors...
Honey Buns to Make at Home

Warm honey buns, luscious, with plump raisins, are the most popular in many a busy kitchen. But you no longer need to envy the complicated baker’s process that turns out these sweet-smelling favorites of the busy family. Here’s a recipe easy and quick enough that you can have hot buns for breakfast. As a matter of fact, if you combine the Hour, baking powder, salt and shortening, they can be stored in the refrigerator for the night and it’ll take a matter of minutes to add the bran, raisins, milk and honey before baking. But you’ll want to split them or not as your street may demand.

**Honey Raisin Buns**

- 1 cup Kellogg’s All-Bran
- 1 cup raisins
- 1 cup milk
- 1 cup honey
- 4 teaspoons baking powder
- 1 teaspoon salt
- 1 cup shortening

Combine bran, raisins, milk, and honey. Allow to stand 15 minutes. Stir flour, bulling powder, and salt together; cut in shortening until mixture resembles coarse cornmeal. Add the mixture, stirring until a soft dough is formed. Turn onto floured board, flour lightly and shape into a roll. Divide into 12 equal pieces. Shape into balls, flatten out to 1/2 inch thickness. Place on greased pan and bake in moderately hot oven (350°F.) about 20 minutes.

Yield: 12 buns (1 inch diameter)

Note: Buns may be brushed with a mixture of 1 tablespoon of honey and 1 tablespoon of melted butter before baking, or they may be lightly glazed with confectioners’ sugar icing as soon as removed from oven. To make this icing, mix together 1 cup confectioners’ sugar, 2 tablespoons milk and 1 teaspoon vanilla.

Thanks For the Tip

Add a pinch of cinnamon to your chocolate recipes. The cinnamon brings out the rich chocolate flavor. Roll well-seasoned cream cheese balls in crushed corn flakes for a crispy garnish.

To Look Your Best

There’s a lift in the air when you go out in the morning! Spring can’t be too far behind the melting snows that are dotting the landscape with cross-word puzzle answers. We begin to think about men clothes for the brief spring that’s on the way.

Most of us are quite aware of the pounds we’ve gained during the long winter months and wonder how on earth we’re ever going to get rid of them before bathing suit time. That’s a problem for our doctors to help solve. In the meantime, we can help ourselves to look more slender if we pay attention to the fabrics that go into our new spring clothes.

The wrong fabrics can add pounds to our appearance. The right fabrics can detract from our too loungey girth and stimulate the sleek sheen of our body.

Any stiff fabric will emphasize and increase our size. Taffeta, organdy, starched linens, add to the bulkiness of our appearance because they stand away from our figure. Only a thin girl can wear these materials to advantage.

On the other hand, pliant materials—the crepes, shantung, chiffons, sheer voiles, veiles, tulle—drape softly over the figure. They add nothing to our size and can even slendernize when designed in long lines. Color is important, too. The bright shades of green and red run out to meet the eye and call attention to every detail of the silhouette. Lighter colors make us look larger in the same way light points out a room look larger.

So choose a soft fabric if you want a pastel color unless you are very slim. We have everything to gain or lose by choosing the right material in the right color.

**Births**

**DAUGHTER, to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Boardon on March 15. The father works in Incoming Inspection and the mother in Industrial Oil Assembly.**

**SON, to Mr. and Mrs. Roy Cook on March 14. The father is employed in F. P. Drys.**

**Premier List**

Nationalwide Crochet Contest

**National Grand Prize: $500.00 (this includes classification first prize) plus a free trip to New York City or Chicago with all expenses paid.**

**Classifications:**

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**Shower**

Miss Leone Alderman of F. P. Assembly was the guest of honor at a shower given by twenty friends and relatives at the home of Mrs. Cannedy of Huntington Street on March 10. The rooms were decorated in St. Patrick’s color scheme, and Leone was presented a large decorated basket filled with gifts for her new home. She will be married to Robert L. Roach on April 15.

**For the Girls**

Miss Sadie Pinkham, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Pinkham, was the guest of honor at a shower held at the home of the Pinkhams on March 17. The rooms were decorated in pink and the girl was presented a large decorated basket filled with gifts for her new home. Miss Pinkham is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F. P. Pinkham of Huntington Street, and will be married to Mr. Pinkham on June 1.
Industrial Oils

By Anna Heath
We are all glad to see Eleanor DeNoto coming along. She has taken over the new job very well. Winnie Emery wants to thank everyone for the lovely flowers, cards and gifts during her illness. Winnie is feeling much better and will be back soon.

It was with deep regret that we learned of the death of Yvonne Lamoureaux. She was one of our co-workers during the war. We extend our sincere sympathy to the Lamoureaux family.

Jack Shields must have thought he was in the Shumeck Room on March 17. The green buttons and bows showed the real spirit of St. Patrick. Bernie Stackpole and Anna Heath had quite a discussion about where the shamrock grows. Bernie swear they grow in Williamson. Anna says, “Sure, and I bet they have the harney stone there, too.” That’s Williams-town, County Kerry!

Paul Bouchard has seen so many Irish programs on TV that now he wants to join the Friendly Sons of St. Patrick.

For a half hour of good entertainment, listen to the mixed quartette from 8 to 9, Tuesday nights on WMNB — under the direction of Dr. Charles Ross. His new Grandaughter’s name was St. Patrick’s Day but Chuck Donovan was bedecked in green.

Nick Fulginiti and Aldo Sartori are glad to be on the second shift. Jim Flagg is back from his holiday in Italy.

Joie Rowe has just purchased a new home on Phelps Avenue in Graylock. Allie Board and Leon Richards are getting ready for the trout season which will open soon.

A speedy recovery to Marie Baldassarri’s husband who is in the North Adams Hospital.

And a speedy recovery to Lucy Sackemiller’s father, who is a patient at the hospital.

Bill Campedelli got first billing instead of the clams.

Gloria Moresi—Arrived at work in the morning with her eyes wide open. Marion Pinsonnault—Didn’t get home on time instead of a day late.

Bill Neuman is back with us after a weekend in New York visiting his store. Several members of the Holyoke High School in Springfield are planning to travel to Boston for the final games.

Making a Date!

By Eddie O’Neil
Mary Zaja came to the morning in a sleepy state. She couldn’t find the key to her new car, but finally found it when she went out to the parking lot. Anybody wanting to steal a car had better see Mary.

On St. Patrick’s Day almost everybody in the room who isn’t Irish was wearing the green. Flash Racette was just as green as a dollar bill. I agreed that the only way to tell a true Irishman is by his red nose. That’s something you can’t take away from us.

Wanda and her husband, Don, are two welcome faces in our department. Bill Stans looks to us to keep on being such a help to us.

Our best wishes to Marie DelMarino whose engagement to “Bing” Crosby was announced recently. Don’t be confused—it’s not the Bing of movie fame but our own George (Bing) Crosby from Westover Field, who is stationed in the Naval Air Corps. They plan to be married on May 6th.

Our wishes to Mary DeSanty back and looking so well.

We are glad to have Rose Coyne back with us after her speedy recovery from the operation the other day. We are happy this time for Rose Yard we hope it’s the last.

New Bride: “I cooked my first meal last night and it was a huge success.” Friend: “It was? Tell me about it.”

New Bride: “Yes, my husband is going to get us a cook.”
**SPORTS**

**SPRAGUE LASSIES DEFEAT BERNARDSTON**

Local Girls Score Victory With Points to Spare in Hoop Contest.

The Sprague Lassies defeated the Bernardston Bombettes, 39-29, in their contest last evening. The local team led all the way, the score at half time being 26-17. At the three-quarter mark, the Sprague Lassies were in front, 38-29. Miss Winiowski hooped seven baskets for the winners, while Miss Mizzatti scored 10 points. Miss Sheld caged 16 for the Bombettes.

The summary:

Sprague Lassies

Bernardston Bombettes

V. Winiowski, cf. 7 0 11
D. Arcangelo, II 0 3 1
J. Lemere. II 0 1 1
L. Mrazit, cf. 1 4 10
M. Gordon, cf. 2 1 1
L. Toteo, ug. 0 0 0
S. Perenic, ug. 1 0 3
M. Winger, ug. 1 2 2
L. Darnes, ug. 1 2 4
J. Roy, kg. 0 0 0

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**ADAMS HIGH VICTORIOUS IN DEFEAT**

Wins Northern Berkshire, Berkshire, and Western Massachusetts Titles.

A courageous band of hooperettes, united together under the able guidance of Coach Bill Boehm, left the Boston Garden floor at the conclusion of their semi-final bout with Somerville convinced that they were as good as any team that was competing for the New England Crown. They were on the short end of a 46-45 count, but the officiating in the eyes of the press and spectators alike was very tainted.

Until the departure of Big Joe Kocozla, the Adams club was in the van and controlling the boards. But the loss of a key man for nine and one-half minutes spelled disaster even though the Adams lads displayed a fine spirit and never once let down.

The Adams team entered the Massachusetts Tourney after annexing the Berkshire crown by downing the Lee Wildcats in two straight contests. Their first opponent in the Tourney was West Springfield who scared the daylight out of the Boch men who finally won 32-28.

Their next contest was with Holyoke. The Red and White were underdogs but played a fine defensive game and soon—to enter the finals.

The finals will long be remembered. It was Springfield Tech vs Adams, and again the under dog was the Mother Town entry. Adams opened in spectacular fashion and rolled in a 17-6 first quarter lead. The rest of the game was not so easy, but the Adams lads clung tenaciously to the ball in the last moments of the game and won 23-15.

A confident, but not cocky, outfit, went on to Boston to represent Western Massachusetts. Never before have so many Berkshire fans shown interest in a high school team.

In the opening round at Boston, Adams drew De LaSalle, Rhode Island State Champions. This game was a closely fought affair from the beginning which lasted to the final gun. The two teams were tied 31 all in the last quarter, and there were tense moments as Joe Kocozla’s foul swished through the air to put Adams in the lead. This was a triumphant start for this Cinderella team as they were called throughout the tournaments.

In the semi-finals Adams faced Somerville, the defending champions. From the opening play, it was apparent that the highly rated Somerville team was going to have its hands full. At half time, Adams was leading by four points. With the aid of some poor officiating, however, the Adams quintet lost Big Joe Kocozla, and Chet Bury played with four personals against him. These minutes before the end of the contest, Bill Carlson, star guard, was also lost to the team via the foul route.

The Adams team proved to be great sports throughout the entire affair and offered no alibi. Yes, Fans, they were even greater in defeat than in victory.

We pay tribute to Coach Bill Boehm who came to Adams under a severe handicap and who has won the confidence of the players and fans of Adams. We are proud of the fact that Bill Boehm has proven beyond a doubt that he can turn out winning clubs if given half a chance. Orchestra to you, Coach, and to your splendid team in giving us a group of lads who made us proud to hail from the Berkshires.

**SPRAGUE ELECTRIC LOG**

**BERNARDSTON DEFEAT**

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**SHINING BLADES**

Bobby Dunn III, showing the best form of his career and earning runner-up honors at the Hudson Valley Speed Skating Championship Meet at Troy, N. Y., in the junior class.

The 12-year-old grandson of Louis Felts, Sprague watchman at Brown Street, showed his heels to some of the best speedsters in the East in the indoor meet. Dunn scored thirty points in the two events in the Junior Class. He finished second in the 140-yard dash and third in the 200-yard event. He was awarded two medals for his showing. Dicky Simard, a cousin of Bobby's, made a good showing, too, and came back with a third place track medal for placing third in the 440-yard dash; he also finished fourth in the 230-yard event.

In the recent meet at Lake Placid, N. Y., Dunn placed fourth in both the 230 and the 440-yard finals. Simard was fourth in the 300-yard event on the same program.

A local girl discovered that you don’t have to put on a pair of skates to win a prize at a skating meet. The winner of the television set given away at the North American Championship, held in Pittsfield recently was won by Yvonne Griffin of 107 Ashbon Avenue, North Adams.

Over a century ago the worker was economically muscle-bound. The volume of his output was limited by his muscular strength. In 1908, before the automobile industry was highly mechanized, it took one man eight hours to shape the top half of a gasoline tank.

Today one man—and one machine—do the same job in the minute. Hence, more gasoline tanks, more cars, and more and more jobs in the auto industry.

Two old ladies were enjoying music in the park.

"I think that is a minuet from Mignon," said one.

"I thought it was a waltz from Faust," said the other.

The first went on to say what she thought was a bound announcing the numbers.

"We're both wrong," she said when she got back. "It's a refrain from spitting."