**FISHING CONTEST OPENS WITH THE SEASON**

All Sprague Fishermen Eligible For Numerous Prizes

To Be Awarded In October

It’s the same contest but not the same fish! So get out your rods and reels and hec yourselves away to the ponds and streams for the biggest catch of the year. Enter your record with your plant judge and capture one of the many prizes offered in the LOG Fishing Contest for 1950.

The contest opens with the fishing season on the morrow. The prizes will be poles, reels, line, landing nets and other fishing equipment which will be awarded at the end of the season to the winners in each class.

The classes of fish eligible for competition are:

- Trout — brook or native, brown and rainbow.
- Bass — large mouth, small mouth.
- Pickerel
- Northern Pike
- Perch
- Bullheads

The rules of the contest are the same as last year, but we repeat them for the newcomers who may not be familiar with them:

- Weight means dressed, leaving on head and tail.
- All fish must be weighed on official scales, at your respective plant, in the presence of the judge.
- Length will be the determining factor if two entries weigh the same.
- Fish caught in states other than Massachusetts will be eligible.

To enter the catch, see the judge in your plant and fill out the official entry blank which he will give you.

The judges will be: Fred Powers at Brown, Bob Boyer at Marshall, and Bill Brundige at Beaver.

GOOD LUCK! GOOD FISHING!

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**Can We See Straight?**

Art Mathews, our Safety Engineer, has asked our cooperation in enforcing the parking situation at the Beaver Street Plant. Because of the increased number of cars, we are going to have to “straighten up” a bit to make room for everybody. Park STRAIGHT and fairly close to the car next to you so the next man looking for a parking space will find one. If you are tempted to take one of the numbered spaces, DON’T unless you have the matching number which has been issued to the man who is supposed to park in that space. If we are careful to observe these two rules, we will not waste time looking for a spot to park and we will all arrive at work in a good mood.

Easier parking — better work!

**Water Safety Course**

Anyone wishing to be a senior lifesaver or a water safety instructor is eligible for enrollment in the Water Safety Course which will open at the Williams College pool, Williamstown, on April 26 at 7 p.m. The course is sponsored by the Red Cross and will be under the direction of Edmund J. Mongeon, Director of Safety at Williams College. For further information, get in touch with Peter Mancuso at the Brown Street Plant.

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And anything you tell a woman goes in one ear and over the back fence.

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**Sprague Electric Exhibit at the annual Radio Engineering Institute which was held at Grand Central Palace, New York City, from March 6 - 9.**

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**Gary George, son of Arthur George of Formation, says “nice kitty” as he pets the wildcat his father shot in Vermont.**

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**For ages, Arthur George of Formation has been on the trail of a wild cat which was roaming the Woodford area in Vermont where Arthur did some hunting. Two weeks ago, with a single shot, Arthur killed the cat which proved to be a sizeable reward for his persistence and determination.**

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**This particular “feline of the genus Lynx” weighed thirty-five pounds and measured five and one-half feet from the forward shoulders to launch. Game Warden Jesse Watson of Bennington, from whom Arthur collected the ten-dollar bounty, said it was the largest cat he had seen in years.**

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**“Doc” Estes caught these thirteen beauties twelve years ago in five hours. The smallest is 12” and the largest 19”, a record catch which still stands.**
WHAT IS A BOY?

Between the innocence of childhood and the dignity of manhood we find a delightful creature called a boy. Boys come in assorted sizes, weights, and colors, but all boys have the same creed. To enjoy every second of every minute of every hour of every day and to protest with noise (their only weapon) when their last minute is finished and the adult males pack them off to bed at night.

Boys are found everywhere — on top of, underneath, inside of, climbing over, running around, or jumping to. Mothers love them, little girls hale them, older sisters and brothers tolerate them, adults ignore them, and Heaven protects them. A boy is truth with dirt on his face. Beauty with a few freckles. Wisdom with bubble gum in his hair, and the Hope of the future with a frog in his pocket.

When you are busy, a boy is an inconsiderate, bothersome, intruding nuisance. When you want him to make a good impression, his brain turns to jelly or else he becomes a savage, sadistic, juvenile jailer bent on destroying the world and himself with it.

Boys are a composite of tree, dog, breeze, pine, dirt, Frisbee, hose, the digestion of a word-swell, the energy of a pocket-size atomic bomb, the curiosity of a cat, the lungs of a dictator, the imagination of a Paul Bunyan, the shyness of a violet, the audacity of a steel trap, the enthusiasm of a firecracker, and when he makes something he has five thumbs on each hand.

He likes ice cream, knives, saws, Christmas comic books, the box across the street, woods, water (in its natural habitat), large animals, bad training, playing hooky, King Kong, Mary Poppins, old nylon or silk stockings which he turns back to fool them. Today, I go on a strict diet in an attempt to lose weight.

George Senecal, Foreman of Formation at Beaver and Marshall Streets.

Presenting Foreman George Senecal with the opening of the fishing season was not intentional but it is a happy thought, nevertheless. George works where he works and fishes where he fishes and is successful at both ventures.

Back in 1948, George came to work in the Ansele Winding Department. He went along to the Laboratory and then to Formation of which he became foreman in 1942. The Formation Department has grown until now it operates in two plants, Beaver and Marshall, and employs eighty men.

The casual onlooker finds himself wondering just what does happen to all that feel that goes through the machines in Formation. The shortest way to clarify the question is to say that the machines put film on the fast which is used on condensers. The thickness of the film determines the capacity and operation voltage of the finished condenser. It is a critical operation which requires much attention.

The men who do this particular job have to be alert and mercurial workers. From Formation, the film goes to Rollover where it is rolled into sections of sizes needed.

Formation is now working three shifts in both plants. George says the men have to "sit pretty tight to home work" but they all like this particular job because it goes along smoothly.

George's favorite sports are fishing and hunting in Massachusetts and Vermont. The largest catch he can remember is a 32" northern pike which was caught before we began having the LOG Fishing Contest, so he didn't get a prize for it. Perhaps, this year, there will be another.

"In my day," says George, "I have done a lot of dancing, but now I dance and puff. Everyone calls me Chubby because I was a knotty pine living room and sports den.

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No, I didn't get lost in the hills of Stamford. I just took a little rest. Headlines are clumping up the place so I'll do a little spring cleaning in that department.

Grandmother Oakes is back to work after spending a week with her new grandson, Michael Lowe. From all I can say, she has started to spoil him sufficiently.

Chet Leonard got tired of our company in the Rolling Department and has transferred himself and his affections to KVA. Never mind, Chet, Ace Samk is just as big a smile as the girls would have.

Those Joneses are getting extravagant again. Ev and Dick have bought themselves a new Studebaker. Now we've all got to buy new cars as we want to keep up with the Joneses. I really don't think it is very nice of them to install that receiver in the department.

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**Kenny Russell**

**THE SQUARE RING**

Bruce Woodcock and Lee Savold who are in the heavyweight class are going to fight it out sometime in June. The club's Charles who holds the un

crowned heavyweight title will fight the winner. Lee Savold will be the man.

Joe Louis has called it quits. He has joined the circus where he is giving exhibitions of his training.

Harold Johnson, a light heavyweight, tried to enter the heavyweight class by taking on Joe Walcott who kayed out of his first. This defeat places Johnson in eighth position in the light heavyweight class; he had held fourth place.

Kiki Cavellon, by his defeat to Billy Hahkla, who dropped from past number one in the heavyweight class—he's now fourth.

Two brothers suffered injuries in the ring rating. Bernard Owens' defeat by Otto Graham in the welterweight class forced him out of third place to tenth place. His brother, Maxie, who was knocked out by Guinnesse was dropped out of the lightweight class.

Erik Biondo who was stopped by Art Agn, not rated sixth, also has been dropped from the lightweight division.

Denny Moore, and Bert Lytall went at it and Archie came up on top in a 20-round decision.

Steve Bellhouse rated fifth in the middleweight class stopped Anton Rankin in the seventh and won over Frank Conley in ten rounds.

Lee Sato, rated eighth, knocked out Sammy Summit in the fifth round.

Sunny Walker who has appeared in North Adams several times won over Leo Villenouve and Jimmy Taylor in ten rounds each and knocked out Leland few in the 12 rounds.

Sandy Suddick is anxious waiting to crack a lefty in Willie Peep. Sand lattnered Paul Jackson, Pedro Zipfel and Chuck Burton in the first round.

Can you blame Joe Louis for re-joining the circus where he will receive $1000 a day for ninety-four days?

Peter Memos

**THE LAST OF THE FOODIE'S EAGLES**

They are President, Orrie Giusti-organize the City Softball League. Softball Arbitrary Board designed to handle Secretary, Louis Vincellette, and Treas.

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**Bowling**

Final Standing for Sprague Elec-

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