10 Entertained with Feast, Fun at Log Banquet

Almost 110 LOG reporters, staff members and special guests attended the LOG’s annual banquet which was held Thursday evening, November 12.

This gala affair took place at the Clarkburg Sportsmen’s Club, where guests enjoyed a social hour and a choice dinner. Each guest was presented with a white gabardine sailor hat with the imprint of “Sprague LOG” on it.

Harold Carson, our master of ceremonies as well as an Assistant Editor, kept the party sailing smoothly. Kit did a fine job and we enjoyed his humor. We introduced our guest speakers of the evening, who included Messrs. Robert C. Sprague, Jr., Fredrick H. Whittam and William J. Nolan. Messrs. Robert C. Sprague and Julian K. Sprague sent regrets that they were unable to attend the banquet.


All enjoyed dancing to the music of Jimmy Vocatta and his boys, from new till twelve midnight.

Eleven LOG reporters, under the direction of Mrs. Anne Hoski and Kenneth Rauscher printed the “Sprague Electric LOG Amateur Show.”

Reporter Martha Clark was the pianist throughout the show.

The show opened with an amateur singing “Anchors Aweigh,” and Alma Pratt dressed in a sailor suit, tap dancing.

Kenny Russell was our announcer, introducing the show with a brief history of how our LOG ship, “Progress,” and the crew made its success.

A slate of new club officers headed by Charles Dean, was installed Wednesday, November 4, at Sprague Electric Management Club dinner at Fort Massachusetts restaurant.

The ceremony of installation was preceded over by Bernie Macker of Independent Lock Company, who is regional president of the National Association of Foremen.

The Company’s Management Club is an affiliate of the association. Installed with Mr. Dean, who is now president, were Harold E. Brafman, vice-president; Richard F. Trottier, secretary; and Louis R. Larsen, treasurer.

The club also paid tribute to its outstanding president, Kenneth W. Russell, foreman in Industrial Oils. Other retiring officers included Mr. Dean, vice-president, Raymond Brown, foreman of Metalized Paper, secretary, and James Fitzgerald, Sales Office head, treasurer.

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SPRAGUE ELECTRIC LOG

Our ‘Know Your Foreman’ spot-light this month is focused on Bernie Fitzpatrick, thegenialforemanof IndustrialOM FinalAssemblyat the Beatervill plant.

Mr. Fitzpatrick joined the Sprague team in 1940 and first went to work in the Paper Rolling Department on Beaver Street. He left the Company for a short time after this and entered the service.

When he returned, Bernie was in the Industrial Oil Rolling Department and there became a supervisor. In 1951 he was transferred to Paper Rolling, Brown Street, and while there, was made a foreman. Last year your Bernie came to Industrial OM Final Assembly department he is presently in.

Bernie Fitzpatrick

He was born in and has always lived in North Adams, and was graduated from Joseph’s High School. Bernie is a member of the Management Club and is one of the directors of the Employ-ees Benefit Fund of the Sprague Electric Company. When asked about his hobbies, he explained that his hobby for the past two years has been painting his house. He formerly spent much time sking and took an active part in other sports.

Mr. Fitzpatrick is married to the former Claire Anderson, who works in the Beaver Street Paper Rolling Department. They have two children, Bruce, who is three and one half years old, and Jean Ann, who is four months old. The Fitzpatrick family resides at 117 River Street.

Bernie’s hobbies include bowling, soccer, and other sports. He has been a member of the company girls league for the past two years.

Know Your Foreman at Log Banquet

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Our master of ceremonies, Kit, suggested that Kenny contribute his talent and Kenny responded with “With a Song in My Heart.”

Throughout the program we had certain “interruptions” by Frank San- tollo of K.V.A., who really tried to contribute his talent. Fran was dressed as the “women of today”. We didn’t consider his talent but he sur- prised us when he appeared, “ready, willing and able.” He tried but they ended up dragging him off stage with a net, to the tune of “Dragnet”.

As the saying goes, “if you wish to use it on a double bed, you must be something men and women and young people frankly try to live by.

“I believe there are many indications in American life today that faith is reviving. Faced as we are with difficult times, con- fronted with much uncertainty, we are beginning to recognize that we are no more self-sufficient than our forbears were. More frankly perhaps than in less disturbed times, we are beginning to acknowledge that, like them, we need God’s help.

That, I believe, is why our churches today are more crowded: why religion is more frequently talked about; why faith seems, more and more, to be something men and women and young people frankly try to live by.

“One of the undertakings dedicated to such revival of faith is the non-sectarian movement known as Religion In American Life. Through each November this movement calls our attention to our religious institutions and their essential place in the life of every one of us. I am happy to have a part in that undertaking.

“I should like to feel that, in every American family, some place is made for an expression of our gratitude to Almighty God, and for a frank acknowledgment of our faith that He can supply that additional strength which, for these trying times, is so sorely needed.”
Robert C. Sprague Retires as AIM President Oct. 22

Robert C. Sprague, founder and Chairman of the Board, retired from his two-year tenure as president of the American Institute of Metal Clad Tubular Finish at the group's annual meeting October 22 in Boston.

Mr. Sprague served as chairman of all sessions of the AIM’s meetings, which were conducted at the Hotel Statler and the auditorium of the John Hancock building.

Speakers at the various sessions and the group's banquet included Norman Vincent Peale, noted author and writer, Harold Staunton, Mutual Security Administrator, Gov. Christian Herter, and Chiliford Hood, president of U.S. Steel Corporation.

The Misteletoe

In ancient times, before the Christian era, misteletoe was gathered during the winter solstice, symbol of future hope and peace. Enemies, meeting beneath a spray of it, would drop their weapons and embrace in a gesture of friendship. Thus day's custom that a maid under the misteletoe must kiss?

Sprague Electric's Advertising Department gave a lift to North Adams! United Fund-Red Cross drive last month by designing these posters for distribution to contributing merchants for store-window display. Printed in colorful red, white and blue motif, the posters were designed by Sidney L. Chertok, Advertising Manager, and Charles Wacher of the department. H. Lindauer, New York commercial artist, did the final art finish work.

Departmental News

Busy Beaver News

Metal Clad Tubular Finish by Rita Johnson

Christmas party plans are under way in the Metal Clad Department. A dinner is to be served at Pete's Dink's December 9. A gala holiday dinner will follow with dancing and group singing.

Music will be furnished by the Royal Harmoniers. Those attending may bring their wives or husbands provided reservations are made in time.

Merr. Paper Finish by Gert Noel

A party was held October 14 in Miscellaneous Paper Assembly in honor of Lorraine Galli, who was married October 11. A beehive was served under the direction of Rose Hely, Pearl Walker and Ida Scala. Lorraine was presented a set of dishes and an electric toaster on behalf of her singing. Music will be furnished by Lefebvre, who has undergone a minor operation. October 3. A spaghetti dinner was provided reservations are made in time.

Lorraine was presented a set of dishes by Agnes Fitzgerald. She was accompanied by Alcide and Ralph arguing. Want a

BELLO FULPER

by Al Finkle

Belated birthday wishes to Jack Capra and Mike Stefanik. They were presented with a birthday cake and a purse of money. Many happy returns to both of you. July Marion went to New York City on her vacation and spent a few days at a convention there. Los Perros spent a weekend in New York City with friends and saw a Red Sox Yankee game.

Our deepest sympathy is extended to Mike Stefanik on the death of his wife.

Paper Impregnation by Agnes Fitzgerald

Mr. Henry Thibodeau was a guest at the Service Award Dinner where his wife, Eva, became the proud owner of a 20-year pin. They are also proud grandparents of a little girl, Deborah Ann, born to their son, Kenneth, and wife, Irene. Margaret Bridgman attended the Centenary of Christian Doctrine in Springfield. Frances Bennett spent a weekend in Albany.

Company Opens New St. Louis Sales Office

The Sprague Electric Company has opened a new sales office in St. Louis, Missouri.

Announcement of the new office, which will supplement Sprague Electric sales branches in Washington, New York, Chicago, Dayton and Los Angeles, was made by Neil W. Welch, Vice President in charge of sales.

George W. King is manager of the new office, which is located at 9190 Lindell Boulevard, St. Louis, 8.

The Christmas Card

The sending of Christmas cards seems to have begun in England about the sixteenth century. Members of the nobility who didn't get around much. The idea was taken up by the King and Queen to display commissioned fanned leaders to decorate their missives of greetings. The custom came on down to us and we've made much of it—ask any mailman!

A Shock for Santa

Then there's the modern-day story about the department store Santa who fell on his face. A sight of a long line of moppets who had sat on his waxy knee that day—whispered in his ear: 'I love you, Santa, and we hope you have a Merry Christmas!'

K V A Stockroom

Hear you! Hear you! After three full matches the KVA Stockroom bowling team has finally capped its first point. Keep it up, boys, and you will wind up where the Yorkies are. Frank O'Connell is one of America's best bowlers. He plays a men's game, and has won numerous trophies. Harold Brown went fishing off Cape Cod, but we still don't understand how he could mistake a turtle for a crab. Enough of sports, we will direct our attention to Russell's columnist. Birthday greetings to Julia Dolle and Marie Dunbarre. What's the recipe for looking so young and healthy, even on Monday morning? We hope Marie Dargue will soon be back with us. Fran merely looks lost. Is it because Al Guisti will soon be driving a new car? If anyone wants his personality analyzed, he should see Angelo Righi. The short and the tall of it, that's Alcide Guasti and Ralph Burdick walking down the aisle. If you think Martin and Lewis are funny, you ought to see Alcide and Ralph arguing. Want a

Ind. Oils Final Assembly by Belle Fuller

Welcome to our new co-workers, Sterling Hewitt and Gordon Langley. Glad to have Les Adams back at work. Loez has been out on a leave of absence.

We're all wondering what Mr. Perkins is up to. He is quiet, thinking of going to visit his folks in Greensville, South Carolina, for the holidays. But what Donald Jones has to do, Donald Jones has to do. The girls of the shipping department of the Industrial Oils held a Christmas party at the home of Edson Shipton, in honor of Edson and Cecilia Maximillian. Both girls moved into their new homes recently. They received many beautiful gifts.

Get well wishes are extended to Frank Linchberry, who was operated on recently and is recovering at home. Clementine Daniels is just bursting with joy. She is a grandmother faster than the first time and the little one is a boy.

Pilot Plant by Della Smith


Blue Heaven"—Laz Lamer. "Lucky"—Dickie. "The Best of Both Worlds"—Dee and May Colo. Our song throat answered our request and learned a new song. Now that the Series is over, all is quiet in the Pilot Plant. Dot was very happy when the Yankees took it again. Della had only one comment. "Wait till next year!"

Industrial Oils Cover Assembly by Patricia and Isabell Witherow

This has been a "giving and getting" month in our department. It all started when Carolyn Caullia's "Yankee" coat came on down to us today and surprised us by really being surprised! Sheriff May Colo and Mrs. Patricia Bontemps received her 20-year service pin and Mrs. Kelly her 10. Congratulations Mrs. Tampa both of you. Jimmy Knights buys a hearty welcome to the gang. Nice having Jim working with us again. Daisy Meland has a dreamy new sports model blue and two-tone guitar. We're all very pleased that she was honored by being made a charter member of her club. Isabell Witherow is giving her Rose Petal perfume away. It seems a bit too much for her, but she is recovering from the sting...
Smiling Alana Marie Kelly is the two-year-old daughter of Barbara M. Kelly of the Retail Sales Department. Alana is also the granddaughter of Mabel and Leonard "Red" Lowitt, foreman at the Brown Street plant.

Private First Class Donald I. Suprenant, now serving in Korea, formerly was employed in FP Drys, and is the brother of Mrs. Ruth Fountain, FP Drys, and Kenneth Suprenant, Western Electric. Donald entered service at Fort Devens, serving later at Fort Dix, New Jersey, and in Washington before being sent to Korea last March.

Walter Maynard spent some time hunting and working around his house. He formerly was employed in FP Suprenant, now serving in Korea, and family, Mrs. Henry Havens of New Jersey, and in Washington before being sent to Korea last March.

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Lorraine Ann Mazza is the four-months-old daughter of Alleen Mazza, Flat Midget Assembly, and Pat Mazza, Automatic Rolling.

Dicky Lussier, two, is the son of Davis Lussier, Bath tub Assembly, and Ernest Lussier, formerly of the Plating Department, and now employed at Cornish Wire.

Leader Viola M. Broussard, center, is shown with two of her WAC recruits during basic training. Viola, formerly at Fort Lee, Va., has been transferred recently to Finance School, Fort Knox, Kentucky. Viola formerly worked in PAA Rolling, and is the daughter of Marguerite Walsh, Industrial Oil Rolling.

Industrial Oil Rolling
(Small Orders)

by Marg Greene

Congratulations to Grace Felix for becoming a grandmother for the first time. (It's a boy.) Steffie Melillo is recovering very nicely from her recent operation and expects to be back with us soon. Anyone interested in rumba lessons may contact Mary Corrallo. She entertains us at a get-together with her dances, but she misses that she never before was able to dance. Incidentally, Dor DeGraff and Yvonne Knights offered some close competition. The latest of our newcomers have returned from their honeymoon. Carrie Ritchie Broussard went to Rhode Island and Edie Clark, Niagara Falls. Mary Potter's husband has returned to camp after enjoying his first leave since entering military service. The new figure seen in our department is none other than the same Milly Connery of yesteryear, strikingly wearing her new look. Al Baldino has been obliging his friends and adding to his motion picture hobby by taking pictures of various group activities. Al has a terrific set-up and enjoys showing his movies to the gang.

These handsome youngsters are Larry Bendza, four, on the left, and his brother, Danny, five. They are the children of Helen Bendza, formerly employed in FP Drys. The boys are also the nephews of Evelyn Davis, KVA, and Emily Gardzins, FP Ovens and Assembly.

Industrial Oil Rolling

by Erminia Sweeney

Welcome to the new girls in our department. Bernice Brown was given a dinner and store lunch in the Fireside Room at Green Acres in Cheshire by the girls of the Industrial Oil Rolling Department. Kate Patterson spent her two weeks vacation house cleaning at Liz Skattery in New York and Connecticut. This is one department where the song "There'll Be Some Changes Made," fits very nicely. Frankie Kols is enjoying a week's competition. The latest of our new arrivals are Helen St. Pierre and Mary Theriault. These handsome youngsters are Larry Bendza, four, on the left, and his brother, Danny, five. They are the children of Helen Bendza, formerly employed in FP Drys. The boys are also the nephews of Evelyn Davis, KVA, and Emily Gardzins, FP Ovens and Assembly.

Paper Rolling and Prokar Soldering

by M & M

October vacations were enjoyed by our foreman, Jim Zubek, Ellen McCarth, Laura Cantoni and Dorothy Mckibben, all of whom relaxed at home. Marie Basuillon traveled to New York and New Jersey. Gertrude Bohl, at home. Other vacationers this month are Helen St. Pierre, and Mary and Anna Simonelli. Esther Moretti spent her vacation nursing her husband back to health. Glad to hear that he is much improved. Happy to have Mr. Jammals back after an extended sick leave. Belated congratulations to Helen Baker upon the arrival of a baby girl, Linda Joan. Helen Kordik spent an enjoyable weekend in New York and brought back a very nifty magazine as a gift to Helen Cutler. Ann Maddon swapped her car in for a newer model, a 1951 with no dents in it as yet. Mabel Theriault believes that after a certain age one should not expect gifts for a birthday—so to prove her belief she brought in a large box of home-made cookies.
fudge, which was passed around to cele-
brate her day. Our girl Mabel can make the most attractive earrings out of ordinary buttons. She has quite a collection of them. "Chet" Lemkis
found that it is much cheaper and easier to make than buy. Last day an orchard in Bennington proved to be too much for him. A warm wel-
com to Florence L. Hawley, Roy, Ruth Lawrence, Alice Dupuis, Miriam Buzell and Mary Gazz. Hope you enjoy working with us.

Misc. Resister Assembly
by Jean Levy and Rita Brooks
Blanche Tatou and Irene O'Heen have been working to make sure the next year's
class leave. Yours truly and Laura Roy visited Rose Denault recently, who had some shrewd scores at the Central
Building. The two Joans are taking the Filter and Network
Development Center
by Dorothy DePaoli, Frances Rocca and Dorothy McKean have enjoyed their annual vacations.
They left for the island of Tahiti, where they will boating and fishing. They also have some days off school when they get home. The weather has been
too bad to see much of Tahiti. They hope to see more next year.

Joan Russell also has some mighty creaky bones on Monday nights. Incidentally, it's
"Y", Eh? We shall soon have four
teachers in our midst. Henia, Carole Clarke, Frances Rocca and Dorothy McKean have
earned their five-year service pins. We all miss
Eileen Viles who has been transferred to Sprague Products.

"Weak-Seat Section"
by Anna Jackie
Anna (Jackie) Powers was presented a gift by her co-workers at a supper held
by Jean Levy and Rita Brooks.

Ceramics Department
by Emma Marquis
Thomas Quinn is enjoying his vaca-
tion in New York City. He told us all about his vacation. He has been to
many of the great museums. He has been to the Metropolitan Museum of Art. He has also been to the Museum of Modern Art. He has been to the Museum of Natural History. He has been to the Library of Congress. He has been to the United Nations.

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**Sports**

by KENNY RUSSELL

**Men's Bowling League News...**

With the season now in full swing at the Olympic Bowling Alleys, our league will undoubtedly have better attendance. Many members of the league have already indicated their intention of bowling more often, and we all hope will be a more successful season than ever before.

The league consists of two sections: the National League (Wednesday nights), and the American League (Thursday nights). The season, for each league, is split into halves consisting of three rounds each.

Winners of each half of each league will bowl off for the championship. Every team’s goal, of course, is the championship, but every week each individual is aiming at winning a shirt and trophy, given by Alonzo Shaw of the Eagle Street for the highest weekly three string total.

A pair of quality weeks is also given each week by the proprietor of the alleys for the low-three string total — in memory of the week when people forget that the punches are handed out. According to rules, a member can only have one of each prize during the season. Now that all the equipment has been squared up, we are ready for a ball game. Here are the team standings at the end of six weeks:

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**P. F. Drys**

by Cora Ryan

We were sorry to hear that Porg Descoutin’s mother fell and broke her wrist. We wish her a speedy recovery.

Joan Giroux and Rachel Herzog are on vacation and expect to spend some time there. We wish her a speedy recovery.

At our table, we are glad to have by Betty Barcomb

**Softball Banquet**

**Climaxes Season**

The recent Sprague softball league banquets, which were held on Saturday night, were a very successful season. As you already know, the Sprague boys copped the City Independent Loop and became the first Sprague team to bring home the trophy in the sport.

The evening’s festivities were in the hands of William Phelps, Manager of Personnel Services. Bill kept the program moving with his usual humor.

The following people either spoke or were called upon for the evening: Bill Darnell, President of the Independent League; Alie McPherson, Captain of the league, (he presented gifts to the two coaches — Sam Dean and Frank Santilli); statistician Fud Ammon; Manager Ase Ama: Jerry Levine, coach and manager of the Sprague Products team; Kenny Iman; assistant secretary of the league, umpire of the game; Joe Virili, Kipper Gentile, and Eddie Rizzo, members of the league; John Kavanagh, Tom McShane, who does a great job as sports editor of the Transcript, and yours truly. Buddy Balliet, sports announcer for station WMNB, sent us his regards but was unable to attend.

The affair came to an end with a presentation of colorful jackets to each member of the team, to wear for the coming battle with Red Harris. Red had a grin extend from ear to ear when he was called up to the head table to pin on his jacket, which had his name on it.

Our congratulations to the team and the management for a fine season.

**Letter from Korea**

Corporal William Bowen, a North Adams resident now stationed in Korea, has sent his parents a letter expressing appeal for Christmas gifts for a group of children here. The L. F. L. party to be given by American service- men for Korean children next month.

Cpl. Bowen writes "it is hard to put in a print a child's expression when he is cold because he has no clothes, and it is hard too to package gifts, for you know the task that confronts all the American soldiers stationed here."

He asks for all interested to mail in Christmas gifts for a special “G.I.” who can soldiers stationed here."

Here are the highest averages for each league:

**NATIONAL LEAGUE**

- Lamphier, Power Pack
- Volpi, Inspectors
- Wood, Western Electric
- Bancroft, Inspectors
- Fehr, Shift 3
- Sharp, Power Shift
- Toursyg, Inspectors
- Murray, FP Drs
- Marlin, FP Drs
- Shaker, FP Drs

**AMERICAN LEAGUE**

- Benson, Food Service
- Eates, Food Service
- Fortini, Food Service
- Mazza, Playing
- McDonough, Sp. Products
- Lourey, F. and N
- Lewis, Food Service
- Brouse, Playing

The Inspector currently holds the high three-string total mark with 1523. This same team also holds the team single string mark, 547.

Fleck of the Holders holds high in the single string almost total of 332. Single string individual honors go to Leasure, of F. and N Development, with 117.

- by Ken Bancroft

**Mica Butterings**

Kitty Mariani has been out of work for a few months now due to the illness of her son, Ralph. We’re hoping Ralph will return to work at his usual job. 

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**Riders wanted from lower Ashland to Brown Street plant or Marshall Street plant from 7-4:15 shift. Call Adams 60.”**

**Wanted Apartment**

- 1 or 5 rooms wanted permanent, responsible couple with 4-months old baby.
- 5-6 room tenement for 3 adults.
- A portable typewriter, needed for young man entering engineering college; must be reasonable.
- A good home for a pomeranian dog. Edith Fields, MO 3-6932.