May 17-21 is Week for Blood Drive in City

The Red Cross Bloodmobile is once again visiting the North Adams area. Starting May 17, Monday, and continuing through Friday, May 21, the unit will be in the Masonic Temple on Church Street, where volunteers may call from 10:15 a.m. until 4:15 in the afternoons.

Persons are reminded that the demand for blood at the unit will still great, and that the success of the drive here depends entirely on them. The quota for the North Adams area is 770 pints. To meet this quota, nearly 900 people are required to visit at the unit to make up for the rejects.

Those persons who have already signed up are urged to appear, and those who have been hesitant, to make up their minds to volunteer. Walk-ins at the unit are gladly accepted.

Sprague Electric employees are reminded that the Company allows employees time off from work, according to policy, for the purpose of donating blood at the unit. Anyone in the plant wishing to do this and who does not have a card may contact William Stackpole, co-chairman of the drive, at the Marshall Street plant extension 545. It takes but a short time to donate this blood. You can never tell when you yourself may have need for a transfusion. Plan to visit the mobile during the coming week.

Berkshire Photo Contest Now Open

The annual Berkshire Photo Contest sponsored by the Company is now under way, and entries in the competition will be accepted until June 21.

The contest, carried out in cooperation with the Berkshire Hills Conference, offers these prizes of $50 for the best works submitted, plus a number of other cash awards.

Photographs judged as winners will appear in the 1955 version of the well-known Sprague Electric appointment calendar.

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The Savings Bond Way . . .

Both President Eisenhower and Secretary of the Treasury Humphrey have recently pointed out the importance of buying U.S. Savings Bonds.

By becoming shareholders in their government through the purchase of bonds, Americans lend a direct helping hand in sincere efforts to balance the national budget and give America a sound and honest dollar.

Some seven million employees of firms all over the country are participating in this excellent means of helping the nation—and at the same time making a valuable personal investment in their own futures.

These millions of Americans believe that it makes sense to save systematically in a way that piles up reserves for future security, retirement income, and the many other long-range personal and family objectives that we are all striving to attain.

The Sprague Electric Company is one of many business organizations which are cooperating with the Treasury in its efforts to increase the broad base of Savings Bond ownership.

The Company has for many years operated a Payroll Savings Plan of the convenience and benefit of its employees. The Plan is open to anyone in the Company who elects to use this patriotic and profitable—means for saving.

An individual can put away as little or as much as he wishes for his own family objectives that we are all striving to attain.

Carole Clarke

Know Your REPORTER . . .

Reporter Carole Clarke of the Field Engineering Office is as pert and refreshing as a breath of spring.

Carole started working for Sprague Electric on June 23, 1932. She first was employed in Building No. 7, in the Planning and Methods Department. Later she was transferred to Field Engineering to work for James Galbraith and Gilbert Devey.

In January of this year, Carole became secretary to John Sheridan, Coordinator of Government Liaison, her present position.

Born October 19, 1934, Carole has never regretted the "honor". Since October, 1953, Carole has been sporting her own car—a 1951 Plymouth club coupe, "The Blue Beetle", which she drives, with a called of passengers, to work every day. She loves to travel now that she has this car.

Carole enjoys swimming, dancing, and skiing, and is a member of the Thunderbird Ski Club in Adams. She is also interested in music, regularizes her physical development and, in January of this year, Carole became secretary to John Sheridan, Coordinator of Government Liaison, her present position.

Carole is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James F. Clarke and lives at 274 Main Street, Adams, Mass. She is also a member of the Hi-Tension, the school newspaper.

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Sports Reporter: Fran Brazeau

"Every Sprague Employee is a Reporter"

Published by SPRAUGE ELECTRIC CO., North Adams, Mass.
That’s a mighty fine looking walleyed pike that Foreman Lou Vincette is building—and he hopes it’s big enough to win a prize in the LOF fishing contest. Rosemarie Tobin, left, Assistant LOG editor, displayed a bronze plaque which will be given to the winner of each specie of fish. Rosemarie works closely with Dwinnell, Harkness & Hill to the end that the Tramway Authority will be to work remains to be done before the bonds may be brought upon the market for sale.

The future course of action of the Tramway Authority will be to work very closely with Dwinnell, Harkness & Hill to the end that the Tramway Authority has the last chance to avoid any serious troubles ahead.

The employees of the Can Shop and Fishing Department at Beaver Street have established an enviable and long safety record—having no lost time accident during a period extending from April 4, 1951, to April of this year.

We extend our congratulations to Ted Drisk, Foreman of the Can Shop and Fishing Department, and his crew.

Ted gives much credit to the alertness and cooperation of his employees in observing safety rules and carrying out the safety programs which were established for them.

Employees in this department carry out important accident prevention work in dispatching and maintaining power presses which cover working conditions for persons employed. They find proper safety precautions in working on these power machines, an employer might lose a finger or two.

In the Fishing Department there are 100 employees who handle work on all aspects of fish culture. It is necessary to have an expert in their field to handle the work of raising and selling fish for the Tramway Authority.

Ted and his wife and their two boys make their home at 15 Richmond Lane, Adams.

We are proud of Ted and his fellow employees and wish them luck in continuing their good work in being "safety-conscious."
Flat Midget Assembly

by Carmie

Fishing season has opened again and our fishermen, Adrian Darling, Bobbie Johnson, Jimmy Blair and Bobbie Baldwin, have been busy trying to catch their limit. So far, no one has had any luck. Who is going to be the winner of the fishing championship? We're going to keep our fingers crossed.

Dobrueil is going to Utica, N.Y., and is doing some fishing.

Best of luck to John Blake, who has come to work in our department.

We want to say hello to Al Richards, Blue Room. By the way Joan, is that a new instrument? His first selection was "Secret Love."

Field Engineering Dept.

by Carole Clarke

Brelkes now has a beautiful new Chevrolet; and Ruth Edmonds just completed a very efficient test of the new Molle store.

We want to prove that the sun was really shining.

Small Order

by Nini and Chena

Our children, who are quite proud when they go to school, received a beautiful gift from their teacher. Their teacher, Mrs. Terry Tait, organized a little party for the girls. Terry had already arranged the visit. Claire Mancine and Estelle Gregory were the first to arrive. Claire brought a wonderful time. Claire Bond's daughter, Claire Jane, was recently a birthday girl. A surprise party is planned for her in the Girl Scouts. Claire is a member of Lance Troop 12, Adams.

Sympathy to John Burdick on the recent death of his grandmother.

Round Midget Assembly

by Isabel Jensen

Between recuperating from an operation and becoming a father, Mel Tierney must be a very busy man. Congratulations, and we hope to see you all very soon.

Fitter and Network Development Center

by Susan Debur

We wish a pleasant trip and vacation to Dorothy McKeen, who is to visit her son and daughter-in-law and family at Akron, Ohio. We hope Jean Wheeler likes her new job. We still would like to hear about your son's cute saying, Jean. Don't you forget to buy his favorite breakfast food! Mary County spent a New Year's Eve party at the City Club. We hope Mark and you had an enjoyable time. Here is a cute poem called, "Are you the girl who feeds the girls?" by Bertha Vaughan.

Irene Balice, Joan Antoon and Toot Brotton used Christmas decorations to decorate their homes. Next week we expect to have a lot of new displays, but our main attraction will be Happy birthday to Marceline Poirier, Theresa Baroo, Barton Davis, Jr., and Veronica Crossfull.

Building Offices

by Jean Paradis and Betty Bogus

Bill Kirley is spending the first week of his vacation at home, at Marlden, New York. He is enjoying his time. Jeanie Parry visited her family in New York. We hope you have a wonderful vacation in the Blackstone, and looking forward to the following on their anniversaries: Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Mahur, 55th; Mr. and Mrs. George Ross, 32nd; Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Valotta, 8th; Mr. and Mrs. Reginald Rossete, and Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Pracchia, 20th. We hope you have a wonderful time! Jeffrey Barone and his family were married on May 21st.

A tiny leather mat with "Welcome" was placed in the center of the table. We all thought that our forefathers were correct when they said that "Welcome" was friends and family. A spaghetti dinner was held at the home of Mary Matranga in honor of Ed Lampshire's birthday, and he was entertained by his family and friends. Dorothy Paula Brightly knew, when she made her debut into this grand gift, she was so surprised. Dorothy Paula Brightly is the Personal Equipment. Dorothy's father, David, forgot whether he got it for a girl or a boy. "What will be the result of this little girl's first birthday party?" asked a daughter along, and a daughter received her on Easter Sunday, April 18.

Sales Office

by The Snoopers

We hear Jeanne Trudel and Fran Maas are planning a little trip to Oregon. We wish Nancy Barber a speedy recovery after her appendectomy. We wish you a speedy recovery, Mrs. Terry Tait, former sales of the Sales office, who is the proud mother of a baby boy born April 28. A hearty welcome is extended to Joan Bissaloon and Linda Matranga, who have recently joined the Che.

Shower was held for Ginger Caron and Johnny Galloke. "Dad" fried a pot of beans for Ginger's crew, and my wife, Judy, back to college. Congratulations to Burton Richards, who works in the northwest, for his recent trip to Worcester. We wish Nancy Barber a speedy recovery after her appendectomy. We wish you a speedy recovery, Mrs. Terry Tait, former sales of the Sales office, who is the proud mother of a baby boy born April 28. A hearty welcome is extended to Joan Bissaloon and Linda Matranga, who have recently joined the Che.

Sprague Electric

by Shen and Lee

Dorothy Matranga attended her girl scout banquet last week and, as usual, we had a very enjoyable time. She also visited her Alma Mater, the Venerini Academy for Girls. "The Venerini girls are the best," she said. Dorothy visited her brother, Bertha Richards, who works in the hospital. Hurry and get better, Mariam. Henia Orsowski and family have moved into their newly-built home in Adams. It sounds wonderful, Henia. Joan Southgate spent two years in Italy and is coming back on Thursday to our Junior Chamber of Commerce Banquet in the Richmond Hall.

The table decorations of one girl were decorated. No calories were counted in this meal. We hope you all enjoyed it.

We are canvassing the school students participating in the Challenge anyone over 13 or 14 years of age. We hope you all join us all about the old country. Bertha Decoteau has been invited to go to Italy, and Bertha is going to enjoy it. We hope you enjoy it, Larry!"
...its employees got around. Incidentally we weren’t there, but we are still hearing about the wonderful dinner given Mrs. Charles E. Lewis last week at Le Gascaugus of the Paper Rolling Department at Beaver Street. Eva was made a ‘fairy’ of the company. See you in the next issue.

Filters

by Ginger and Richer

Your rover reporters have finally figured out how to scratch up the inside of the paper to make a column. We were glad to hear that Roger Brown made his usual high score in the annual May 4th celebration at the State Street late. We understand that you saw the baby trout that John Davis caught in Vermont, we’d like to see his Daddy get that away. He must have been a whopper! We had quite a time at Tony Falco’s stag and shower last Wednesday. Possibly there will be another funny event happened when lunch was served. Tony, who loves to eat, apparently had his fill of the food, everyone kept pushing him back to the end of the line. A party ended, he was still at the end of the line, we hope. Come Ray Belding into our midst. We hope he will enjoy working with us.

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Prizes Galore, Good Food Keynote Big Banquet of Sprague Bowlers April 29

After eating a delicious steak dinner, President Ken Bancroft introduced Paul Fern as Master of Ceremonies before a gathering of about 100 bowlers and guests.

The setting was the annual Sprague Men's Bowling Banquet, held at the Clarksburg Sportmen's Club April 27.

President Bancroft took time to load all for the cooperation given over the past year and thanked Alper's Sporting Goods for their support.

Paul Fern once more handled the evening's festivities in his own delightfully humorous style. Now we know why he works in the Sales Office!

The first guest speaker on the program was John Washburn, left, Director of Personnel Services, who presented the awards plaque to the FP dry team, top aggregators in the 1953-54 Sprague Men's Bowling League. Left to right the winners are Rudolph Drobiak, Leroy Vivaldi, George Shaker, Jimmy Valotta, John Murray and Mike Morin.

Shine 'em up, George! To the second-places Food Service team went the task of shining up the shoes of the winners, the FP Drys. George Giroux is really putting his muscle into the job.

To the winners go the laurels and top honors went to Roger Bastian, who rolled up an impressive 195.6 for the entire season. J.D. Washburn makes the award.

William G. Phelps, Manager of Personnel Services, standing left, gives Louis Vallier his trophy for the high single game honors of the league.

Paper Impregnatation by Agnis Fitzgerald

Everyone seems to have spring fever. Eva Thibodeau took one week of her vacation and wentost part of it putting her new home in order, but managed to extend a few days in the country. She has some lovely gladoli on her table, a gift from Marg Bennet. Chuck Roy spent the weekend cleaning his yard and putting up a swing for his children. Chuck's idea is to fence them in, so that you would know where the swings are. Joe Downey is spending all his time in his garden. Harry stock, Joe, and bring in some of the results of your hard work. Then we have Carnels working in her flower garden. Now that Lent is over, all the good intentions have grown out of the window. Joe Downey and Marge ared Birdgman are seen again smoking.

Paper Rolling (Day Shift)

If you wonder why, it's because her short haircuts and cute cotton skirts and sheevedly blue. Sylvia Morawiec and Theresa Thomas gave up chewing gum for Lent. Good Friday, they each collected a stick of gum (or a penny to buy one) from everyone in the department so they could chew to their hearts' content. When Lent was over, they started work at 5 by first putting a jaw breaker bubble gum in their mouths and chewed away. Jeannette Beebe is back at work again after a short stay in the hospital. Nice to have you back, Jeanette.

Metal Clad Finish by Veronica Sobon

Harold Norcross, supervisor on the assembly line, was pleasantly surprised on his birthday, April 29, when his girls presented him a two-tiered birthday cake, lighted with 36 candles. Harold doesn't mind who knows his age and he's happy about it. He also received a pair of bedroom slippers to rest his weary feet, plus some argyle socks and handskerchiefs. All the girls agree he's a swell guy to work for. Theresa Zappone, Norma Jamez, Gloria Ungella and Grace Sherry allred their birthdays recently. Each one was remembered with a birthday song first thing in the morning. This was due to Mrs. Mary Lepa, who has a way of finding out the birthday dates and leading with the singing. Lilian Gainer is spending her two week vacation at home giving herself a much-needed rest. Dot Lalonde's smile doesn't show the same idea as she used to. If you wonder why, it's because her boyfriend has gone into the service. Don't worry, Dot, he'll be back before you know it.
FOR SALE:
Glenwood stove, black and white. Dial MO 3-3098.
Mallory UHF converter. Will sell cheap. Dial MO 3-3187.
1940—4 door Chevrolet—running condition. Any offer will be considered. Dial Marshall St. plant, extension 364.
Free for taking away! Stones for fill, road beds or walls. Dial MO i 7267.
Oil stove, white with black trim, four burners. In very good condition and a good baking oven. Would be convenient for summer camp. Call Impregnation Department at Beaver St. and ask for Francis Benner.
Pressure Cooker (12 qt.) in good condition: ALSO telephone stand. Dial MO 4-0662 after 4 pm.

WANTED:
Girls bicycle 20-inch, in good condition and reasonably priced. Call Adams 986-W1 or Blanche Gwozdz, Metal Clad Tubular Assembly, Beaver St. 5 to 11 shift.
Typewriter wanted, reasonably priced. Call Adams 986-W1 or Blanche Gwozdz, Metal Clad Tubular Assembly, Beaver St. 5 to 11 shift.

Miss Mary Markulin of the Bureau of Business Practice, New London, Connecticut, held an Executive Secretarial Training Course April 20-23 under auspices of the Employ. and Community Relations Department. Those sitting in on the first class were left: Dorothy Stein, Margaret Sweeney, Myrna Harvey, Marion Pinonseault, Margaret Slater, Jeannie Grasela and Judith Carey. Right: Francis Therrien, Henrietta Orlovski, Dorothy Rosset, Dolores Crosier, Kay Ghidotti, Hazel Sherman and Shirley Choquette.

Mary Lou and Buster are the children of Gwen Galligan of Paper Rolling, Beaver Street and the grandchildren of Mary of Accounting, and Art Matthews, Safety Director, both at Marshall Street.


Many an old-fashioned clinging vine now has a granddaughter who’s a rambler. —Dan Bennett
When a man has to change his mind as often as a woman, he’s probably married to her. —Franklin P. Jones
The only thing more dangerous to a bachelor than a jealous husband is a single girl. —Gordon Andrews

The five girls who are enjoying themselves at a party held at Pamela Christophers’s house are, Pam, Rosemarie Tobin, Lois Buckley, Joan West and Mary Pat Riley. All five girls work in the Employe and Community Relations Department.

Cpl. Antonio W. Bellard is the brother of Dot Desanty of KVA Final Assembly, Brown Street. Cpl. Bellard has been in Korea since June, 1953. He is serving with the 48th Division. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Antonio Bellard of the Curran Highway in North Adams.
Sports

by KENNY RUSSELL

"Foul" Line and "Lob" Line - - - What Are They?

Note: that the bowling season is over, let's talk a little about some of the bowling rules that should be observed and followed for the best interest of the sport. We will speak mainly about the "FOUL LINE" and the "LOB LINE." We will try to make it clear where and how the foul line is marked on the bowling floor, either painted or rubberized where the bowler comes to a stop and releases the ball on the alley.

The "FOUL LINE" is the line beyond the foul zone and is there for a purpose. No ball shall be thrown beyond this line unless it first come in contact with the alley floor. It seems that many bowlers would not maintain averages of 95 or 100 and hit a 3 string total of 295 or over if these rules were strictly observed and enforced.

Some bowlers step over the foul line nearly a foot and where there is no rubber pad to stop them, this foot can be enlarged to a yard.

Other bowlers should be pitching a shot between the butt line and the deep in certain schemes, and the ball sits completely over the lob line.

This particular abuse of the rules on the alley is dangerous, especially to the junior bowlers and to the handicapped. If one of these long-swinging type bowlers steps on the alley it is not a foul but one will be caused if the bowler gets tired, she can lie down...

Our congenial janitor, also, is active in the LOG about janitors.

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On April 24, this year, we saw 28 of these beauties weighing between 3 and 5 pounds pulled in.

On April 11 in Adams, a similar banquet was held by the Williamstown Fish and Game Protective Association.

The Williamstown Fish and Game Protective Association held a trout supper, April 9, at the Williamstown Grange. The supper was put on by members of the club.

Approximately 150 people attended the affair from Williamstown and surrounding towns. Proceeds from the supper will be set aside for a trout raising project which will begin in the near future.