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—Staff Photos by Albert Horsfall
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George Norman Named Coordinator In Computer Fields

George H. L. Norman has joined Sprague Electric as coordinator of the company’s activities in the field of electronic computer components. Mr. Norman, who will be at our North Adams offices, comes to the Company from the Cerning Glass Works, where he was general sales manager of the New Products Division.

Well known in the electronics industry, Mr. Norman previously has spent a total of 17 years with the Aerovox Corporation. He served as chief engineer and factory manager of Aerovox Canada, Ltd., at Hamilton, Ontario, and was also chief engineer of the Mica Divisions of the Aerovox Corporation at New Bedford, Mass.

During World War II, Mr. Norman spent five years with the Royal Canadian Air Force. He served as a Wing Commander and was deputy director of Airborne Radar Development.

Born on the Isle of Wight, England, Mr. Norman was educated at Forts-Nova Scotia Military College and the University of Michigan. With his wife, the former Margaret Garceau, he has four children.

Mr. Norman becomes the sixth member of his family to join the company, and is a graduate of Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute and member of Kappa Nu honorary society.

Howard Broverman
In Moduline Group

Howard L. Broverman has joined the Company’s Moduline Outage Monitor Development Group as a Field Engineer, it has been announced by Leon Podolsky, Technical Assistant to the President.

Mr. Broverman, formerly a first lieutenant in the U.S. Army Signal Corps, has served at the Ballistics Research Laboratories at the Aberdeen Proving Grounds in Maryland. A native of Pittsfield, Mr. Broverman is a graduate of Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute and a member ofEta Kappa Nu honorary society.

Ralph Hammann Winfo Top Prize In Photo Contest

Ralph Hammann, of Research and Engineering, has been named one of the top prize winners of the annual Berkshire Photo Contest sponsored by the Company in cooperation with the Berkshire Hills Conference.

Mr. Hammann was named for a $50 award cash for a color transparency shot which will be used as the back cover of the 1953 Sprague Electric calendar book.

Additionally, he will have two black-and-white photographs published in the calendar, which will each show a photo of Berkshire scenes and people for each week of the year.

The color transparency which brought him the award shows a small boy and his dog walking along a country road during the fall foliage season.

First prize among black-and-white photos this year is a picture of a snow-covered elm tree in Lanesboro which was submitted by William Tague of Pittsfield.

Announcement of the prize winners was made by Mr. Hammann, Advertising and Management Director for the Company.

Mr. Chortok said that the front cover $100 award picture is a color shot of Mount Greylock which was the entry of Clement Gardner of Adams.

Leo J. Dornbos
To Manage New Cleveland Office

Equinox, a company of Stanley Brunsik, has emerged Sprague Electric’s top golf team for the 1954 golf league season.

The winning aggregation, compiling a total of 58 1-2 points against 22 ½ in the loss column, edged Rockledge for the laurels.

Playing with the Equinox outfit, headed by Captain Bul文ski, are Jesse Brose, Harold Braun and Archie Laneu.

The league’s activities for the year will conclude this coming Saturday in September 30, at a banquet to be held in the Clarkberg Sportmen’s Club. Prizes for the winning teams and top individuals will be awarded at the affair.

Here is the final standing of teams at the windup of the weekly matches.

Team Won Lost

Equinox 58 1-2

Rockledge 57 2-4

Hershey 46 3-5

Wingfoot 46 3-5

Fine Valley 45 3-5

Staake Ridge 42 3-9

Indian Creek 31 4-9

Pebble Beach 30 4-9

Chesterfield 25 5-5

Oakmont 23 5-8

Below are the top twelve averages of those who had less than 50 for 9 holes:

Name Team Grace

B. J. Frese 1st Place Pine Valley 43.0

R. F. Schreiber 2nd Place Wing Foot 43.0

R. L. Cooper 3rd Place Begging 42.5

R. Bastien 4th Place Rockledge 43.5

J. J. O’Brien 5th Place Shaker Ridge 43.8

E. E. L. Lebeer 6th Place Pearl Beach 44.8

S. Bulwirk 7th Place Equinox 44.7

H. K. Felton 8th Place Oakmont 45.3

P. Sharrow 9th Place Oakmont 45.4

D. Peck 10th Place Hershey 45.7

F. Osterhoudt 11th Place Pine Valley 45.8

D. Garces 12th Place Hershey 46.2

Appointment of Leo J. Dornbos as Manager of the new Cleveland office, office of the Sprague Electric Company has been announced by Neil W. Welsh, Vice President in Charge of Sales.

Located at 41 North Main Street, Chagrin Falls, Ohio, a Cleveland suburb, the new Sprague office will serve the northern Ohio and western Pennsylvania territories.

Mr. Dornbos has been with the Sprague Electric offices in North Adams since 1950 as a Field Engineer. He previously was field and development engineer for the Sprague Company, Co., municipal lighting engineer with the city of Grand Rapids, Mich., and a district engineer in Lansing who supervised Power Company of Michigan.

A native of Grand Rapids, Mr. Dornbos is a graduate of the University of Michigan. He is married to the former Kathryn B. Hughes, and their two sons, Paul and William, Mr. Dornbos will reside at Chagrin Falls.

Julian K. Sprague
Northern Berkshire CAP Unit Formed

Organization of a Northern Berkshire Squadron of the Civil Air Patrol is now going on under the direction of Robert C. Sprague, Jr., Director of Employee and Community Relations, who is serving as Commanding Officer of the new unit.

Mr. Sprague has announced that the roster of the officer’s staff of the squadron has now been completely filled, and applications for senior memberships are now being taken.

General purpose of the CAP is to train, organize and control teams of reserve and civilian personnel for downed aircraft; and, secondly, it carries on an extensive training program for young men who are interested in aviation.

The Cadet training program includes boys and girls from 15 to 20 years of age. It is expected, Mr. Sprague said, that Cadet recruitment will begin locally as soon as the unit receives its official authorization.

A number of Sprague Electric employees have already joined the unit. Among them are Roland Dexter, who is a Fiscal Officer of the Squadron, Robert S. Petter, Training Officer; John H. Winsa, Personnel Officer, Adjoint and Press Information Officer; John Gumbles supply; and William J. Noll, Legal Officer.

Also Vassily de Sormonov, Operations officer; William G. Benetelli, Engineering Officer; and Kenneth E. Hamilton, Communications Officer.

Other members of the staff include Mrs. Dorothy W. Sprague, Coordinator of Women’s Activities, D.C. Poston, Medical Officer; Wilson Rob- ots, Assistant Operations Officer; Thomas Gilmer, Transportation Officer; John S. Beaver, Executive Officer; Philip S. Hart, Coordinator of Civil Defense; and The Rev. Dr. A. Grant Noble, Chaplain.

Several other Sprague employees have recently submitted approved applications for membership as senior members of the unit. They include the Misses Monica Nowak, Joan Broome, Mary Pat Riley, Rosemarie Tobin and Nancy Gould. Also joining are Fred W. Blackman and L. G. John L. Sprague, who is currently on active duty with the U.S. Navy.

Any interested and qualified persons who may wish to join the unit may contact Mr. Winant, who has a supply of membership application forms.

Northern Berkshire’s CAP Unit Formed

President Julian K. Sprague has been named Chairman of a vital advisory group which will coordinate research to develop electronic parts for the U.S. Department of Defense.

Announcement of Mr. Sprague’s appointment as head of the group was made recently in Washington by Donald A. Quarles, Assistant Secretary of Defense for Research and Development.

The advisory group, Mr. Quarles said, is being organized on a permanent basis, with a full-time secretariat. It will be a subcommittee of the Panel on Components of the former Research and Development Board of the Defense Department.

Mission of the group will be to achieve a sound, integrated research and development program in the fields of electronic parts and materials. These fields, it was pointed out, are the basic building blocks of the highly complicated electronic equipment upon which so much of our national defense depends, and in the air and under the sea.

The advisory group will continuously survey research and development activities in the fields of electronic parts and materials, both in commercial laboratories and in laboratories of the Department of Defense.

It will act as a clearing house for collating and distributing pertinent commercial and military data to those in need to know basis. It will also consider measures to improve the reliability of electronic parts and materials used in the expanding field of military electronics.

Responsibilities of the group include coordination of the various research and development programs and components and a continuing review of programs that are being sponsored by both defense and government and in private industry.

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Tantalum Department

Mary Odell

Addie Pintoe enjoyed her vacation in Rhode Island the week of the 13th of July. Also vacations were enjoyed by Louise Desdred, “F. 1. SECURITY and Lake George; Viola Zepas at home; Rita Allard the week of July 16th. They traveled to home; Rita Allard the week of July 16th. They traveled to Atlantic City, Maryland and Wash- Lake George, Atlantic City and Stamford, Vermont. We welcome the room is beginning to perk up with the Tantalum Department.

Elaines M. Morin and George W. Matrigali were married June 24th. Pictured left to right are: Brides- maid: Berenice Morin, Joan Morin, George and Elaine, MaJor of husband, Alice Burdick. Prior to his enlist- ment in the Air Force, George was living at home and Mrs. Matrigali are residing in El Paso, Texas.

Round Midget Assembly by Frances K. Kordana

Here’s a big welcome back to each and everyone of you that have returned back to work after a short lay off day of the summer. The room is beginning to perk up with the Tantalum Department.

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Filter and Network Development Center by Julia Desrosiers

Leo Mullin is back from a vacation which he won’t forget for a long time. Leo was in Lowell during the hurricane. Gene Wheeler, Ray Ve- nues and Mary Cook also enjoyed their vacation. We all wish Martin Hamilton, Ivan Ruben, Jeanneke Konsopka a speedy recovery. Hurry back, we all miss you. We are happy to hear Gayle Dube’s son Dickie is back from the hospital. We wish Ethel Murphy’s son, Noel, who has joined the Navy, loads of luck.

Frankie Cassucelli, 3 years; Eddie Lenzor, 14 months and Kathy Nasiff, the five year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Angelo Nasiff of the Metal Clad Department.

You are all missed very much by all and we hope you enjoy the last part of your vacation which we are sure you are enjoying to the fullest.

Congratulations to Lois Buckley who is now Secretary to Mr. William J. Suhan. We all miss Lois and wish her the best of luck in her new position.

Employee and Community Relations by Mary Pat Eley

We wish a speedy recovery to Mrs. B. John Gambleton who was injured in a fall at home. A barbecue for our de- partment was held at the home of Mr. W. and Mrs. Courtney Flanders on Sep- tember 1st. Many thanks to our host and hosts for the wonderful time en- joyed by all. Pat Marsh became Mrs. Paul Decker the week of St. Thomas Church in Adams. Pat certainly was a lovely bride and a nice addition to our group.

This is a “guess who” for the Industrial Oil’s final Assembly em- ployee. They are all married and wish to have both the wedding and the reception which was held at the American Legion Home in Adams. Nancy Potter will be leaving us soon as she will be enter- ting Katharine Gibbs in Boston in the near future.

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Delphin Roeschluz is shown with her son, Lindy, who is stationed at the Sampson Air Force Base in Germany. Mrs. Roeskluz arrived in town last Friday with twenty-five of her co-workers. The table was prettily decorated with lighted taper and individual nap cups, and the center piece was a miniature bride and groom and bridal portrait. Gloria Blundon was in charge of arrangements and all agreed she did an excellent job. Carden was presented a clock radio. Carden was married Saturday, September 11th to Robert Moulton. Vacationers: Lillian Adams at Windsor Pond, Savoy, Mass.; Dot Boutwell, Boston and vicinity; Pat Blundon at home resting; Stacia Duje trips at Saratoga Springs and resting at home; Ruth Graves at her camp at Windsor Pond, South Lee; John and Elizabeth Peters at home; Susan Hurlbut is pictured at Stanford Bridge, I. Page 5

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Test Equipment

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One of the gay spots he visited was the Stork Club. He said it had pictures taken regardless of cost. Bill Chapman enjoyed his vacation, as his household in the home run backwards. From Minks to Mushrooms! Quite a difference, one man from墙上 another, and one man in a man's role. As they built he is building this long, long run education up from 6 in 1953 to 27 in 1954. Unfortunately his own notes are not as many that he had so many that he did not have to sell some. The demand was very high and the company is now planning a new manufacturing line which may grow into a bigger business than he realized. September 26th, Princeton, New Jersey. Adams and Pete Jeffers spent their vacation at Cape Cod and Labor day week-end at Presque Isle, Maine. Mr. and Mrs. Len Pake are flying this week-end to Long Beach, California. They plan to visit our son in Pasadena.

Small Order

by Nino Sacco and Chenia Bushika

We all wish Claire Hurlbut and Don Schulze; August 27th, Selma Sabin; by Nora Christie

by Rob McPherson

September 1954

SPRAGUE ELECTRIC LOG

on the Machine Shop.

by Joan Brye & Mary Mathews

Carole Cicchetti was feted at a supper in the Machine Shop.

by Joan Paradis and Betty Bogus

Some news or some interesting events during the month of August in our company. We are especially sorry to observe a number of our Lab members leaving us for vacations. They include Laurence Hurlbut is pictured with his two children, Steven and Barbara, at Saratoga where she was a little luckier than others. She has been too strong for Nassif Dahrouge. We are glad to see Bob Callahan spent a week touring Canada. We wish you stayed a couple more days in the center piece was a miniature bride and groom and bridal portrait. Gloria Blundon was in charge of arrangements and all agreed she did an excellent job. Carden was presented a clock radio. Carden was married Saturday, September 11th to Robert Moulton. Vacationers: Lillian Adams at Windsor Pond, Savoy, Mass.; Dot Boutwell, Boston and vicinity; Pat Blundon at home resting; Stacia Duje trips at Saratoga Springs and resting at home; Ruth Graves at her camp at Windsor Pond, South Lee; John and Elizabeth Peters at home; Susan Hurlbut is pictured at Stanford Bridge, I. Page 5

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Some news or some interesting events during the month of August in our company. We are especially sorry to observe a number of our Lab members leaving us for vacations. They include Laurence Hurlbut is pictured with his two children, Steven and Barbara, at Saratoga where she was a little luckier than others. She has been too strong for Nassif Dahrouge. We are glad to see Bob Callahan spent a week touring Canada. We wish you stayed a couple more days in the center piece was a miniature bride and groom and bridal portrait. Gloria Blundon was in charge of arrangements and all agreed she did an excellent job. Carden was presented a clock radio. Carden was married Saturday, September 11th to Robert Moulton. Vacationers: Lillian Adams at Windsor Pond, Savoy, Mass.; Dot Boutwell, Boston and vicinity; Pat Blundon at home resting; Stacia Duje trips at Saratoga Springs and resting at home; Ruth Graves at her camp at Windsor Pond, South Lee; John and Elizabeth Peters at home; Susan Hurlbut is pictured at Stanford Bridge, I. Page 5

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Test Equipment

by Mary Cantoni

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Joke of the Month

A couple of sailors lying over for a day or two in a Swedish port decided to go to church. Knowing to Swedish, they figured to play safe by picking out a dignified-looking gentleman sitting in front of them and doing whatever he did.

During the service the pastor made a special announcement of some kind, and the man in front of them started to rise. The two sailors quickly get to their feet, to be met by roars of laughter from the whole congregation.

A pastor at service was over, and they were greeted by the pastor at the door, they discovered he spoke English and naturally asked what the cause of the merriment had been.

"Oh," said the pastor, "I was announcing a baptism, and asked the father of the child to stand."
Winter Travel Story: coal or wood? Excellent condition. Call Francis Delbe, Industrial Oil Rolling, Brown St. extension 40.

Wire Coating by Corina Tate

We were shocked and sad when we received the news of the death of Pauline Cudworth, who was 78 years old. She passed away at a time like this means nothing but it is nice to know her family's love and support. We are truly sorry to lose her.

My apologies for not having more information about the events you mentioned. I will do my best to provide the necessary context and details.

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The Sprague Electric Co. is located in Westfield, Massachusetts. They have a large workforce and are known for their focus on quality and customer satisfaction. The company has been recognized for its commitment to sustainability and has implemented various initiatives to reduce their environmental impact.

In addition to their traditional products, Sprague Electric Co. also offers custom solutions and services to meet the specific needs of their customers. They have a strong track record of innovation, and their products are used in a variety of industries around the world.

We are very sorry to hear about the passing of Pauline Cudworth. We extend our sympathies to her family and friends during this difficult time. We hope that they find comfort in knowing that she lived a full and meaningful life.