Eight Company Truck Drivers Honored For Safe Driving At Annual Dinner

The Annual Truck Driver's Dinner was held on Thursday evening, April 9, at Taconic Park Restaurant in Willimantic. Awards were made to the eight regular drivers who had maintained an accident-free record for an extended period of time.

During 1963 four minor accidents brought an end to the Company's accident-free record. Regular drivers had had an accident-free record for the past two years and spare drivers had not had an accident since 1958. Damage in all cases was very slight and occurred during the winter months when driving is considerably more hazardous for everyone.

The eleven regular drivers and five spare drivers average approximately 155,600 miles per year with 26,400 hours on the road. In the past eight years they have driven a total of 1,432,966 accident-free miles during 192,264 hours. The overall accident rate per 100,000 miles is 1.7. This is a one percent improvement over the 1.8 recorded in 1962.

Sprague Electric has had a good safety program, but who has com- pleted a very satisfactory record. Francis J. McCarthy, Section Head, Corporate Protection, Safety and Security, has been in charge of the truck driver's program for the past twelve years. He has considerable experience in the operation field and will be an invaluable asset in this phase of the Company's operations.

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He is married to the former Kath- lee N. Sacco, of Mount Lebanon, Pennsylvania, and they have three children.

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First Value Engineering Group Presents Findings Following Studies in 8 Areas

At graduation exercises held on April 16 in the Building 9 Conference Room, the Value Engineering Group of the Board of Chief Executive Officer, presented Value Engineering awards to 33 employees who completed a 30-hour Value Engineering Seminar. Mr. Sprague also congratulated the participants for their outstanding work in presenting a cost reduction program in all eight areas studied. He stated that it was one of the most productive studies in cost reduction which he had ever seen within the Company and, in addition, assured the group that the Value Engineering approach would be used for studies in many other product lines.

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27 Suggestion Awards Made During February And March Meetings

A total of $1,260.00 was awarded to twenty-seven employees for suggestions submitted to the February and March Suggestion Committee meetings. Robert Hamilton, of Filters, won the top award of $100.00 for a new suggestion. He devised an improved method of tinning core cups. Three employees were the recipients of $100.00 awards. They were: Albert Barbuto, of the Machine Shop, for his modification of guide pins in the lead benders in the copper winding area, which he had ever seen within the Company, and, in addition, assured the group that the Value Engineering approach would be used for studies in many other product lines. Lawrence LeBeau, of Pulse Transformers, won the second $100.00 award for a suggestion to implement the new method of machine winding in the copper winding department. The suggestions, described above, and the 24 other suggestions received by the Value Engineering Group during the February and March meetings, were: Albert Barbuto, of the Machine Shop, for his modification of guide pins in the lead benders in the copper winding area, which he had ever seen within the Company, and, in addition, assured the group that the Value Engineering approach would be used for studies in many other product lines. Lawrence LeBeau, of Pulse Transformers, won the second $100.00 award for a suggestion to implement the new method of machine winding in the copper winding department.

The seminar which was introduced by Donald Merklein, Joseph Morris and Louis Scammon, started on March 5 with a kick-off dinner at which time Ernest L. Ward, President, stressed the importance of the cost reduction program and management's support of value engineering. Mr. Ward was introduced by Edward Goldman, Department Head of Methods and Planning. Glenn Woodward, President of Value Engineering, Inc., also spoke and conducted the first two music sessions, followed by the Value Engineering seminar during the seminar were Louis Giovanni, Paul Netherwood, Alfred Roy and John Zapf. The 33 participants who were equal in number from Engineering, Production, Purchasing and Methods were: Philip A. Olive, William A. Karp, Maurice J. Lepeske, A. Kelley Hooks, Clinton E. Hutchins, deMarcken, Andrew J. Dequais, Francis J. Garmay, A. Edward Godek, Charles Wrigley, William A. Karo, Maurice J. Lepeske, Henry H. Malley, Eugene T. Maas, Arthur J. Meldlear and Lawrence E. Morris. Also Charles E. Mohnav, James C. Nicol, James A. Oldham, James E. O'Neill, Frank N. Patterson, John J. Phillips, E.R. Gomberg, Albert E. Rondeau, Jacob J. Schubnel, John R. Shields, Vincent A. Tassour, Paul L. Terple, Philip B. Thompson, Ernest N. Utz, Robert E. Welsh, and Harold T. White.

R. C. Sprague Named Delegate To Natl. Space Conference

Robert C. Sprague, Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer, served as a member of the Steering Committee of the 4th National Conference on the Peaceful Uses of Space which was held in Boston from April 20th to May 2nd. His appointment was announced by Joseph A. McCrossin, General Chairman of the Conference and Director of Sprague Electric. The Conference was co-sponsored by the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) and the New England Community and sought to enlighten the New England community on its role in the space age. Participating in the conference were principal NASA and Federal Government officials, leading space scientists and the New England Governors. In promoting the conference publication, a great deal of emphasis was given to products developed by industry for the space program. Several of the ideas have subsequently been applied in the consumer field. Sprague Electric submitted detailed descriptions of structures in this area which included blocking oscillator transformers and a high reliability capacitor.

Geroulo Joins SPD Marketing Group

David B. Peck, Vice President of the Special Products Department, recently announced that Michael J. Geroulo to the SPD Marketing Department as a Product Specialist. He has served as QAR Manager at Union Street since 1961. The Geroulo joined Sprague Electric in 1952 as a Section Head in Research and Engineering. In 1958 he transferred to the Union Street for a Product Engineer Department and in 1961 was named QAR Manager.

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Area High School Students Gain Scientific Knowledge At Weekly Research Center Forum

The Youth Science Forum held on Friday evenings at the Research Center has proved to be an outstanding success with area high school students. One of the students is shown here as he discusses his project with the Research Center scientists. A voluntary and experimental youth science forum for boys and girls of high school age is being conducted each Friday evening at the Sprague Research Center. The forum is started by members of the Student Research Department who act as advisors and include Joseph Lindmayer, Department Head and Physiology; Charles Wrigley and William Schneider, Physics; and Paul Rugh, Physical Chemistry.

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Gilbert Devey Transfers To Rockville As Operations Manager, Washington Area

Appointment of Gilbert B. Devey to the new position of Operations Manager, Washington Area, for the Special Products Division has been announced by David B. Peck, Vice President, Special Products. Mr. Devey will make his headquarters at the Rockville, Maryland plant of the division. In his new position, Mr. Devey will be responsible for broadening the product lines manufactured at Rockville, according to Mr. Peck.

Robert L. Vollmer, Plant Manager at Rockville, who has been responsible for both the engineering and manufacturing of Dynacor products, will have similar responsibility for new product lines.

A market study of the Middle-Atlantic States last fall, which was conducted by Mours, Devey and Vollmer, and members of the Sprague Electric Engineering, D. C. sales office, indicated that there were attractive possibilities in new products for a manufacturing and engineering facility, such as Rockville, which was located in close proximity to the large and growing government and industrial complex centered on the Washing-

dom, D. C. area and extending into Northern Virginia and nearby areas of Maryland, Delaware and Penn-
sylvania. It was found, for example, that certain Washington area govern-
ment laboratories limited awarded contracts to firms located within 30-
50 miles of the area. Since Rock-
vilie is only 20 miles from downtown Washington, it would have easy access to many customers.

As the result of this, the Sprague Electric Special Products Division outlined a small developmental lab-

oratory at the Rockville plant and a new product program was launched this past January. Engineering and manufacturing is already in existence.

By working closely with customers' engineers on a day-to-day basis, Rock-
vilie engineers are now offering a quick reaction capability in sampling and prototype production service on pulse transformers and magnetic shift registers. Production quantities of these products can then be manufactured in the more extensive Union Street facility of SPD. An important aspect of Mr. Devey's new respons-
bility is to act in order to account for the greater interest of the total SPD marketing program, channeling proj-
ects between the Rockville and Union Street plants.

The sales engineering staff in the Sprague Washington Sales Office is working closely with Mr. Devey and other Rockville personnel, bringing in new sales opportunities not only

Charles Sutfil Honored On Retirement

Charles Sutfil (3rd right), veteran Sprague Foreman, was honored on his retirement with a party held at Green Acres Restaurant, Cheshire. Shown with him are Mrs. Sutfil, Roy Cook, supervisor, and Irene Pratt, Relations Manager, Eastern Area. Mr. Sutfil served as master of ceremonies for the retirement party held for Mr. Sutfil.

Company Sponsorship Aids Student

Walter Cwalinski, a Draftsman Layout B in Factory Engineering, received his ICS diploma from Earl Burks, Head Department, for completion of a course in Electronic Drafting. Mr. Cwalinski completed the two year course in five months with straight A's, the only one to receive this award.

High School Students Selected For Special Products Division At Union Street

Several high school students have been chosen to participate in the Special Products Division at Union Street. The program is entirely informal, and the guidance is conducted by the students themselves. Each Friday they decide what will be discussed the following week. Topics have con-

sisted mainly of the general science subjects, such as chemistry, physics and biology, but the advisors have, in general, that questions are answered, not discussed, such as in the field of atomic theory. Although most of the time is spent in discussing such subjects, experiments are performed both by the students and by the advisors. Some examples of these experiments are liquid nitrogen, demonstrations of broadcasting principles, properties of liquid nitrogen, demonstrations of broadcasting principles, properties of

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Organizational Changes Announced For Special Products Division At Union Street

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Recent changes in the Special Products Division have necessitated a considerable number of organizational changes at the Union Street Plant. In a recent announcement by Robert D. Smith, President, it was announced that Mr. Nicol to Plant Superinten-
dent, the position he held until his present promotion.

One measure of the success of the program is the experience gained by the students to continue through the summer. So far no time limitation of the program is planned.

W. Lanoue Graduates From Machine Shop Apprentice Course

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Filter Division Conducts Electromagnetic Compatibility Schools For Customer Engineering Representatives

Since the first of the year the Filter Division has conducted two Electromagnetic Compatibility Schools and graduated 27 customer engineering representatives from the two-week courses.

In each session the students gathered on a Monday morning and met each day for the following two weeks. Lectures were given in the morning and laboratory work in the afternoon. Studies were concluded with a final examination and a tour of our local facilities.

The seminars are held as a customer service and are expensive to a need for a wider understanding of the factors involved in electromagnetic compatibility. The programs were organized by Frank E. Garlington, Chief Engineer of the Filter Division, who also conducted many of the classes. He was assisted by Lawrence Beard, Systems Engineering Department, Section Head for the Eastern United States, and by Michael J. Plevay, Filter Engineering Specialist, at the first seminar, and by John Masley, Interference Control Specialist, and Mr. Plevay at the second session.

The course was designed to provide established engineers with a specialized background in the art and science of the several aspects of interference and susceptibility control, a technical problem of increasing importance to electrical and electronic manufacturers who provide the complex military and space systems to government, military, and civilian agencies. Electromagnetic compatibility is a diverse field and aeronautical equipment in general has become so diverse that the problem of solving wartime antenna congestion and the operations of separate electronic equipments is an increasingly vital one.

The Sprague Filter Division has played an increasingly active role in this special field of engineering as well as in the component lines which are used in reaching solutions to this problem.

Following each session a dinner was held at the 1896 House in Williamsport.

Sprague Booth At IEEE Show

Here is a view of part of the main floor at the New York Coliseum during the recent Annual Convention of the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers showing the biggest long Sprague Electric display in the foreground. More than 61,000 visitors attended the Show this year, helping to make it the largest trade show in the United States.
Plating

by Joe Pilling

It must be spring. Loren Estes is trying to raise his own tomato plants. Someone else must be going to have a raise his own tomato plants. Some of us. They are: Jean Ferris, Rita Stimson, Evelyn Muldowney, Meditation Kaczowski, Bernadette Vacheron, Laurette Lyons and Marion Senecal. Spring vacations are being taken also. Virginia MacDonald took a week while her children were on vacation.... Alice Lavariere spent 10 days in Florida and is ready to go back any time. She drove down with her son and his family. Stacia Sikorski spent a week at home as did Eillian Gainer.

Clara Wilk spent a few days in the hospital due to a broken wrist. Yvonne Miller has a beautiful brand new Buick. She drives it around in our department since the last issue. Alice Carpenter looks very nice in her new hairdo.... I would like to congratulate Claire Roberts and her husband on their recent wedding anniversary.... I have been trying to find out what kind of a cake Carolyn Chalfiaux would like to teach.

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FOR SALE

5. BEDROOM HOUSE in Stamford. (2) full baths, living room with fireplace, large dining room, large kitchen with electric stove, laundry room, screened porch, charming brook, large plot of land, separate barn with new roof. Asking $18,000. Call OX 4-1248.

1959 SKYLINE MOBILEHOME (10' x 12') – Rear kitchen with washer; (2) bedrooms. Set on rented lot in Adams. $3,700. Call 743-3860 or 743-3297 after 6 P.M.

GOLD SEAL MOBILEHOME with silver top awning and utility shed. Must sell. No reasonable offer refused. Call 743-3581.

7. ROOM HOME – on 2 bus routes; landscaped; garage. Near shopping center. Has extra building lot. Call MO 2-2988.

1958 THUNDERBIRD HARDTOP – has power brakes, steering & windows; air conditioning. Excellent condition. Call MO 3-9900 after 5 P.M.

1961 MGA CONVERTIBLE (Light Blue); radio & heater. 12,000 miles – original owner. Best offer. Call MO 3-3658.


1961 FORD FALCON – 4-dr. sedan; automatic transmission. Radio & heater. (4) good tires. Call Marshall St. Ext. 2356 or HI 7-9729.

UTILITY BOX TRAILER (App. 4' x 7' x 2') – 3" welded angle iron frame. Good tires. Mounted space tarp furnished. Can be seen at 20 Murray Ave. or call MO 3-9671 after 5 P.M.

DELUXE CAR TOP CARRIER – Call MO 2-2707.

2. BUICK RIMS – $5. Call 743-3860 or 743-3297 after 6 P.M.

4. 6-70 x 15 TUBELESS TIRES – run 2,000 miles. $80 or best offer. Call MO 3-7536.

2. COMPLETE BEDROOM SETS. Also (2) Pr. Girl’s Skates, size 7. Good condition. (1) 3-speed phonograph; upright piano – good for beginner. Call MO 2-2988.

14” SPEEDBOAT – 40 hp motor; convertible top; trailer. Also water skis & tow rope. Almost like new. Call MO 2-2843 after 5 P.M.

PHILCO TV – good condition. $35. Also Jalousie Door (App. size 6’6” x 3’2” x 13¼”) – wood frame. $20. Call MO 4-9898 after 5 P.M.

SEAL POINT SIAMESE KITTENS. Call MO 3-9900 after 5 P.M.

ROOM DIVIDER – Black Metal with Brass Trim. $20. Call MO 3-3066 after 5:15 P.M.

2. TWO-TIER END TABLES – both for $16. Also (1) Coffee Table with Glass Tray – $5; (1) Large Dresser with mirror – $10; (1) White Bureau – has 4 drawers – $8. Call MO 2-2967 or may be seen at 11½ Leonard St. after 5 P.M.


30 GAL. AUTOMATIC GAS HOT WATER HEATER. Excellent condition. Call 743-3525.

PORTABLE SEWING MACHINE with attachments, including buttonhole attachment. Like new. $35. Call MO 3-5446.

30 GAL. PENFIELD AUTOMATIC GAS HOT WATER HEATER. Good condition. Call MO 3-3227 after 5 P.M.

NORELCO "CONTINENTAL 401" STEREO 4 TRACK TAPE RECORD-ER. Model No. 3534. 1 yr. old. Completely transistorized - 4-speeds from 7½ I.P.S. to 15/16 I.P.S. Multiplex feature for recording sound on sound. Integrated public address system. Plays up to 32 hours on one 7’ tape. Stereo includes microphone & associated connectors. Will sell for $250. Call Marshall St. Ext. 2507 or GL 8-3874.

K.L.H. MODEL 5 FM RECEIVING SYSTEM – walnut cabinets. Excellent condition. $150 value for $80. Call MO 3-8808.

GOLF CLUBS – Full set Wilson’s topnotch irons and wedge. Call MO 3-3360 after 4 P.M.
Spring is finally here. We’ve all looked forward to it for so long. Goodbye to shorts and swallows for seven months at least. When we look back we realize that winter really wasn’t that bad – no snowstorms to report from this office. All the girls here got the thrill of shopping for an Easter bonnet even though Easter was early this year.

We would like to congratulate Carol Scott on her engagement to Kurt Halder. The wedding will take place on June 7th. Renovating an old house isn’t as much fun as you thought it would be if it is! We would like to welcome two new inspectors to our office, John Freleigh and Margaret Preite, who are employed by the Sandia Corporation.

Will Johnson and his wife spent an entire week in their home in New York City recently. The big talk in our office is the World’s Fair in New York. Everyone is talking about it. All that’s for this year I don’t forget the sulphur compounds for that case of Spring fever!

**Machine Shop**

This was a busy month for the Machinists. Our new addition, the Heartswell Lodge for John Garner by the Sch enzymes 1794 of the I.A.M. Charles Kelly served as toastmaster and presented John a purse from his fellow workers. John Gifford expressed the feeling of all present that we will miss John.

Another party was held on March 12 at the Four Aces Restaurant in honor of William Lanoue on his graduation from New London Apprentice program. Courtesy Flanders, master of ceremonies, presented Bill with the Sprague and J.C.S certificates. John Orman presented the Sprague Apprentice certificate, and Ken Brown presented Bill a set of precision tools from the Company. Bill and his fellow Apprentice Representative of the I.A.M. gave a talk on the importance of apprentice programs. Industry today.

Wedding bells rang on April 25th for Susan Hardman and Harold Boh: in St. John the Baptist Church on Congress Street.

**Sprocoo Inventory Control**

By Peggy Brule

On St. Patrick’s Day we had a party during break time to celebrate the four years we have been in this office in Building 11. The office was set up in honor of Susan McKeever, our Sprague Products main office in Building 3 adopted the IBM system and who needed for the new machines. Now after all this time we will have a computerized system because of the new 1440 Computer which will be arriving soon. We will always remember our friend, Pat Davis, Mary Daniels, and all the people we have become acquainted with during our stay here. Bill Cone is now in charge of programming and Bob Barshak becomes him as inventory controller. Best wishes to both of you in your new positions.

We are looking forward to warmer weather. It was a pretty tough winter for most of us. At least one of us had a cold every week. Barb Babcock says she would rather run his snowblower than his lawnmower. If he had her he would cover his lawn with green cement. How about that, Bob? Congratulation to Bill Cone who is the proud owner of a new home on Chorsche Road in Pinfield... Nan Kosasah is getting right in the swing for spring by redecorating her apartment and also helping her parents to get theirs done too. Nice going, Nan. Marg Lasher went to Burlington, Vermont to visit her daughter, Mary, and her new son-in-law. Marg tells us her little granddaughter, Julie Ann George, is two years old already. It doesn’t seem possible, does it? Peggy Brule is still slightly snow blind from watching her son and daughter ski all winter... The LOG Banquet was held at Taconic Park Restaurant on April 2nd. All of us who took part in the entertainment, “The Train Act”, had a wonderful time. Especially the fireworks. We laughed so much. We only expect you to enjoy what we have enjoyed... We enjoyed putting it on. Thanks to Arlene Fellers for her patience and efforts in directing it.

The Sprague Excursion to New York City will be on May 30 and 31. For information call your office, Margaret Preite. Your friend, phone Kave Lija or Peggy Brule, M02457 or 3-6876.

**Sprague**

By Carolyn Mullin

Oh, dear, another three months have passed already. I don’t know where the time flies. Every day you hear people say, ‘Gee, I wish it was 5/00/’ “Boy, I can’t wait to get out of here.” Well, we have one girl who is glad to get back to work and that’s Carol Perrin. We’re glad to have you with us again, Carol... I think everyone at Sprague Products has spring fever. What else could it be?... The book are singing high at Spruden - is that Joe Davis whistling? Ken Charron went on vacation for several months. He claims he is at IBM School. I wish I had been there with him. Nancy Ryz is taking up bowling. Keep it up, Nancy, and next year you can bowled them all out of the Ring at Lefevort... Archie LePaasto has been really working at home, painting and planning his new people. Pretty rough, huh, Archie, when you have to pay for your groceries. Well, it’s all worth it in the end.

Al Bascom welcomes the spring so he Lincoln start painting his garden. He hope you won’t miss the ten pounds you expect to lose. Rita Dowler and her friends, Joe, are starting the season by riding in Big Mike’s new car. You can’t catch hay fever while out on your Sunday ride. I hope they have fun and get a spring fever. What a flashy color – red! Did you think it was Christmas, Al, in April?

Carolyn Mullin has had spring fever for about three weeks. She just wish what falls on that day? I’m glad it falls on a Saturday. Well, I like the bowling seats the leftovers really must have spring fever all year round. The place did place end up, in girls, Don’t bother to tell me. Just wait until next year.

It’s on Champion Drive at least! Eileen Conley and Pat Scott have been taking guitar lessons. How can you play without a guitar. You must be nuts. Oh, I’m sure the guitar is not the thing. What else could it be?. . .The birds are singing here at Sprodco - sun, birds and flowers. Well that’s all the difference in the world.

Another of your happy youngsters are Bob, Vivian, and Pauline Smith got our spring fever. She said she walked into a door but that doesn’t mean at all. She said he was at the party too. All kidd... She said she walked into a door but that doesn’t mean at all. She said he was at the party too. All kidd... She said she walked into a door but that doesn’t mean at all. She said he was at the party too. All kidd... She said she walked into a door but that doesn’t mean at all. She said he was at the party too. All kidd... She said she walked into a door but that doesn’t mean at all. She said he was at the party too. All kidd... She said she walked into a door but that doesn’t mean at all. She said he was at the party too. All kidd... She said she walked into a door but that doesn’t mean at all. She said he was at the party too. All kidd...
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winter is only about seven months
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Elaine Pierce's
Williamstown Lion's Club Spring
Show on April 25th at Mt. Greylock
are glad to see spring arrive, but Jack
and Howard Chesbro will tie the knot
and Miles' green shirt. We're glad
to move and settle her new home.

There is a new addition to the Sears
family - it's Mimi, a lovable beagle
vacation at home.... Lorraine Tow-
nes had an unexpected vacation with
Eva's grandchildren.

Grandma Pisano is quite busy
for another year is St. Patrick's Day
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sented with an electric mixer, towels, and many miscellaneous kitchen articles. The party was arranged and planned by Cynthia Mills and Cynthia Rodowicz and was quite a success.

BROWN STREET BRIEFS

REPORTERS...

Lillian Re合一are, North Clark, Florence Clough, Dolores Duran, Irene Drozdik, Al "Tony" Dunipas, Ann Heath, Evelyn Jones, Alice Smithe, Frank Santelli, Adeline Segolo, and Brinna Swarren.

Industrial Oils Office by Florence Clough

A number of people have been in lately. I was too busy to write about them all. We would like to welcome them back. Marion Dagrie spent a week there and then a few weeks repairing at home - likewise Edna Aulino and Florence Clough. Marguerite Libardi, who was visiting us, almost had to call it a trip but she is now feeling much better and back to work too.

A farewell party was held for Elizabeth King at the Springs. Elizabeth left Sprague Electric for a position nearer her home in Cheshire. We would like to extend our greetings to Claire Libardi who replaced her. We hope you will like working with us, Claire.

High Quality Coolers

Here it is spring again. A very welcome sight after a long cold winter. There Nedkirk was an early victim of spring fever. She was among the missing for a few weeks. Jo Petrovitch got her dates mixed up, too.

LCC Line by Ann Heath

Hi folks! It's good to be back reporting after a year out... Dick Clark was home to visit his mother and dad, Martha and Ray. Dick has two children, a boy and a girl. Two of those who remember Dick when he worked with us... It was nice to see Sam Dean back to work after a long leave of absence. He is still wearing a brace on his leg, but is doing fine on the job... We are proud of our bowling girls. They took all the honors at the Berkshire Bowl in Pittsfield recently. Phil Books, one of our co-workers, shared in the honors. Phil also took some honors on her own at the North Adams Hospital but is feeling much better now and is back to work. She has lost quite a few pounds. Good girl, Eileen. Keep up the good work... Mary Frances Vareschi, daughter of Rose Vareschi, made the Dean's list at St. Joseph's College in Bennington.

Dot Sherin has moved into a new apartment. Now I'm sure she won't freeze next winter. Dot has been having quite a time. She is nursing a new thorn and then she almost broke her toe. You had better be more careful, Dot... Eleanor King has moved into a new trailer at the Sprague. What a beautiful spot! I'm sure you and Lloyd will enjoy it... Guess what? Mel Picard finally broke down and got himself a new car. I hear he is so happy he rides up Main Street and around the Monument so people can see it. Well, I can't blame you, Mel. I wouldn't do if I had a new car.

The bowling season is almost at an end for another year and the Jarvis have done very well for their first year. We are looking forward to next year when we hope to be one of the top teams. I'm sure we can make it... Well, so long for now. I'll have some more news soon.

Networks...

By Dolores Davis

Mary Cook really enjoyed her day in Holyoke with her granddaughter, Rachel Winstead. They watched the Cardinals play the Dodgers in the World Series. They had a good time watching the games.

As you can guess, these boys are mighty proud of their baby sister, Josephine, 9, David, 5, and James, 4. Their sister is Virginia and their father is Ralph Boudinck of Brown Street.

We had a retirement in February in our department. Serila Charlbonneau has left us and we all wish her good health and lots of fun in the future. We also wish a speedy recovery for Steve Baldoz who has been in the hospital... Ed LaFleche also has been hospitalized recently. We hope you will both be back to work soon.

Kenneth and Diana Dourosiers sent this picture to their grand-daughter, Josephine, 9, David, 5, and James, 4. Their sister is Virginia and their father is Ralph Boudinck of Brown Street.

KVA Stockroom

We were all sorry to have Walt Kondej leave KVA. Hope you have success on your new job, Walt... Phyllis Santareti purchased a new house which is supposed to be furnishing. In when open house, Phillie... Harold Brown is sporting a new cap - a gift from his granddaughter. Penny sharp, Harold!... We all had a good time at the LOG Banquet. It was another enjoyable evening... Charlie Zoch is preparing his camp for the annual trek to Burlington, Vermont. There should be some hunting. It shouldn't be too long before the good weather sets in, Charlie.

Mica & Fabrica

By Anna Heath

We would like to welcome the following people to our group: Avita Esposito, Anna Crecenbichler, Mary McMahons, Peggy Zepka, Blanche Letalien, Mabel Theriault, and Ray Dickenson... Everyone in the department extends their deepest sympathy to Catherine Marland on the death of her father-in- law; to Helen Eanes on the death of her father; and to Stacia Mercycw on the death of her brother.

Dick Blair and Audrey Hallett have their first child on the way for them on May 2nd... Mary Lank's daughter, Lorelaine, visited us last week... Walt Tebbel is said to be recovering from his operation he had a few months ago... Larry Brotherton is Army bound... Mrs. Kathryn Dargie spent a week-end for another year and the Joettes were elected for another year and the Joettes were elected for another year and the Joettes were elected for another year and the Joettes were elected for another year and the Joettes were elected for another year and the Joettes were elected for another year and the Joettes were elected.

Small Order Department

REPORTERS...

Germard Nol, Horace Squerbi, Careen Ryan, and Veronica Oren.

Small Order Department by Gaye Nol

It's been quite some time since we've heard from you, Gaye. I will do my best to bring you up-to-date... With the closing of the Bennington Street School, Bennington Street is now on the brighter side. It's so nice to have Janet Haas,
Vandalia News...

by Donna Matiso & Edna Brown

Looks like spring was supposed to have sprung by now according to the calendar, however, the weather here just hasn't seemed to fit the occasion at yet. Funny lot are we, never very satisfied, always complaining! Let's see what's happened to us since we last had an issue with you?

We have three new crew members we'd like to welcome aboard: Ethel Elliott, Bob Kling, and Gary Eden. We also have a familiar face back on the scene once again after a brief hospital visit... it's good to have you back with us, Janet Brown.

Congratulations in store for those visiting for the following: our new grandmother, Mary Tucker, with double trouble; her second granddaughter, Maria Dawn was born on March 12 and her first grandson, Jon Scott was born on March 28. She also has an addition to her own household... yummy, a little personian. Can't imagine what she does in her spare time, can you? Linda and Bob Mueck became proud parents on April 10 when their special bundle of joy, 8 lb 13 oz. Donna Marie, made her debut into this mad, mad world of ours. Yums truly, Donna, has a surprise... she changed her foreground pin for a life hand spinner and will be with you until December when she's joining the Navy Flight School in Pensacola, Florida with her famous "Mr."

Seems we have a few employers who are smiling regardless of our unusual spring weather... Shirley Heedrick has spent all winter fading away to nothing for her new spring wardrobe. Don't we all wish we had power like that; but how can we when we wear our favorite Old Navy blue jeans? Ann Roller made over 200 pounds of chocolate cream over Valentine's Day and enjoyed it... It wasn't too good for the waistlines, but it was very yummy. Then, there's Bertha Smith wearing an exceptionally big smile... "Fuss up now and be happy later." Nothing beats that.

Our baseball team is really eager to take the ball rolling, so let's wish them a victorious season. Happy Birthday to Karl Brown on April 7 and a Belated Birthday to Margaret Smith (April 10). That's all for now.

New Arrivals

MARCH
1, Mr. & Mrs. James O'Sullivan, son
2, Mrs. & Mr. John Robare, daughter
7, Mr. & Mrs. James Flanagan
8, Mrs. & Mr. Milton Perman
10, Mrs. & Mr. Edward Langenick
11, Mr. & Mrs. David Stever
20, Mr. & Mrs. Francis Stevens
21, Mr. & Mrs. Robert Goggin
23, Mr. & Mrs. Milton Hattan
24, Mr. & Mrs. George Bonney
25, Mr. & Mrs. Harry Mills
25, Mr. & Mrs. Charles Kali
28, Mr. & Mrs. Donald Bellow
28, Mr. & Mrs. Thomas McRae
30, Mr. & Mrs. Thaddar Daiekiek
APRIL
1, Mr. & Mrs. Walter O'Neill, son
2, Mr. & Mrs. James Mazzu
3, Mr. & Mrs. Robert Markland
7, Mr. & Mrs. Charles Kelly, daughter
10, Tracy Leu

"What's going on?" asks little Glas Choinard, grandson of Irene Chouinard of Payroll, Brown Street.

W. Lanoue

Personnel: Courtney W. Flanders, Lewis Willbrant, Machine Shop Superintendents; Shirley H. Stever, President of the IAM; and IAM members John Gifford and James Williams.

Refund Committee: Ray Rice is sporting around in a new Volswagen. . . . Elaine Girard has left us once again to run Roto Corporettes; Lorraine Demo with the Development lab, and Florence Wilcox has been added to the group.

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This is Todd Eugene Young, son of Loring Young, Design Drafts- man of Rockville. Age: 14 months.

We at Rockville are happy to wel- come to Sprague Donald N. Cox, Electrical Engineer. Mr. Cox was formerly employed by the Sprague and has a new office in Sarasota, Florida. We are also happy to welcome to our staff, Gilbert David, formerly employed by North Adams. Mrs. Devey visited Rock- ville on the 13th and 14th of April to select the interior decorating scheme for the Devey's new home at 11065 Magnolia Lane in Rockville. Also included among our new employees is Engin King, employed February 13 in Plant Contention. Congratulations go to Miles Wick- man, our Washington, D.C. office on the birth of his first child, a daughter.

Suggestions

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models and the painting of twins, Dominick Papas, of Tamiami, re- ceived an additional $1500 for his presentation to increase his platinized silver for a platinum solution for use. His total award is now $4000. Congrats. From April 11 to 15, Union Street also received an additional award of $800 at the Sunglasses Sale. Suggestion Meeting over the Fourth of July was originally awarded to her during the February meeting. She worked on some im- proved methods of coil winding in the winding operation area.

Seventy-five dollars richer is Marg- aret Cook, of Magnetic Coil Winders, for her suggestion to increase the turns count chart to read numbers in the turn test operation. Clarence Richard, of Upper Union Street, received a $400 initial award for an improve- ment on micro orbit switches on automatic machines. His suggestion will be reviewed at a later date for a possible second award.

In the $35.00 category there are three employees presenting winning ideas. Louis Furst, of Industrial Oil Special Quali- ty, worked out the use of tin foil copper tube into a strip to prevent wire chipping in a final weld op- eration. Also Bernard Stockpile, of Newcoo, for his idea to do sand blasting with an air gun. His suggestion was forwarded to Ray Cook, of UP Assembly, for an improved method of gapping any printed circuit.

Three employees won in the $25.00 category. Tony Hall, of Electronics, re- ceived his check for an improved packing method using Pipingon; and Oliver Morse, of Magnetic and Assembly and Parts Preparation, for an improved gasket sealing for sealing operations. Edward Moloney, of Carbons, suggested methods of re- ducing porosity loss and powder blanding. He also received a $150.00 award for an improved method of handling gaskets while improving the milling operation in Carbons.

Eight additional employees received awards in the $50.00 category, Law- rence LaPasse, of Check Inspection, was the happy recipient of two a- wards—one for an improved method to flash ceramic slugs used in Freon, and the second for an automatic exci- tion of field emission flash in the slush operation. Also receiving two awards are Louie Young, of Overseas Cerami- cs. He was given a Safety Award for five years of accident free service in overseas Ceramics, and second award for an improved method of placing empty cans on the rack in the milling opera- tion and filling them directly from the rack.

Julia Desrosiers, of Filter Sample and Small Orders, received a Special award for his successful color change terminals on certain units to insure better soldering connection; Francis Boucher, of Ceramics, suggested an improved method of blending slab powder; Lawrence Charron, of Small Orders, received a $80.00 initial award for an im- proved method of paper slitting in his department; and Annie Marion, of Pulse Transformers, suggested an im- proved method of soldering covers to unit in their department.

Also receiving $150.00 awards were Theresa Planes, of Glaziol, who sug- gested the use of Pro-Tek cream to remove dope from hands; and Joseph Morin, of Industrial Oils, who devised the use of a hand set of cleaning spinaders on rolling machines.

Union Street

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American Institute of Chemists.

Mr. Buijls is a graduate of Brooklyn Technical High School and Chadwick High School with a B.A.E. Prior to joining Sprague Electric in 1959 he was employed by Union Carbide Corporation in Bennington and had served in the U. S. Navy submarine Service from 1946 to 1948.

His first assignment with the Com- pany was as Quality Control Head at Bingham. In 1962 he transferred to Bennington as QA Manager, the position he held until his present promotion.

Mr. Ulrich is a member of the American Society for Quality Control.
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**Bowling League Standings**

With the season running fast into the spring final tallies are not available at the present time, but we will have them for you next issue. At that time we will also have pictures from the Men’s and Women’s Bowling Ragers which are to be held on May 27 and May 14 respectively.

Enthusiasm has remained high in the bowling leagues as usual. It continues to be our most popular participation sport and plans are being formulated for next season.

**INDEPENDENT LEAGUE**

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**SPRAGUE PRODUCTS LEAGUE**

Standings as of April 10

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**WOMEN’S TEN PIN LEAGUE**

Standings as of April 15

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**DRAwing Will Be Held on Friday, May 29th**

Check please: [ ] I am a Sprague Electric employee.

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Entries should be mailed to:

Sprague Log of the Air

Box 707


or

Within Sprague Plants to:

Log Desk

Marshall St.

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**SPRAGUE BASKETBALL LEAGUE END SEASON**

The Sprague Basketball League recently completed a successful season which saw the Union Street team heading the League. They successfully captured the title in both the first and second halves and so emerged heading the League. They successfully captured the title in both the first and second halves and so emerged the undisputed leaders.

**Final Standings**

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Top Averages: D. Daniels - 25.4; B. Robinson - 19.3; J. Cantoni - 19.1.

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**Men's Golf League**

The Men's Golf League will officially open their season on Tuesday, May 5. Officers for the coming year are: President - Robert McDonough; Executive Secretary - Carl Walker; Personnel Chairman - John Barry; Executive Board Members - James Boner, Robert McPherson, Jerry Pessolano, Adam Novak and Oz Tisdale. Tournament Chairman - James Boner. Booking Consultants - Dick Vannasa for Taconic and Joe Donough; Executive Secretary - Cal Sprague.

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Gas That Puzzled Science Now Vital to Space Probing

Helium, the gas whose use had scientists puzzled for years, is now fulfilling a major job in the exploration of the oceans depths, the upper atmosphere and distant space.

Little more than a scientific curiosity up until 1937, helium got its first break on the American market when its inert, colorless, odorless, non-flammable and nearly weightless properties were found to be just the thing needed by the military for filling balloons and dirigibles. Weather forecasters also found a use for it, filling their atmosphere-probing weather balloons with it. During the Second World War, helium again proved itself. Navy blimps, using helium, distinguished as antiaircraft weapons, escorted 89,000 surface vessels with its low-cost in enemy submarines.

As technology advanced, new tasks were found for helium. Today it is used to maintain internal pressure in missiles and rockets when fuel becomes expended in flight. Because of its high stability and resistance to radioactivity, helium is being considered as a coolant for nuclear reactors. It is already in use as a leak detector in reactor vessels.

Medical research has added a mixture of oxygen and helium helpful in treating asthma and other respiratory diseases. The same mixture is breathed by divers to reduce the danger of bends.

Helium conducts heat a thousand times better than copper at room temperature and has contributed significantly to cryogenics - the science of the supercold.

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**RICHARD BUSSEY**

(Center) son of Ralph Bussey, was the recipient of the first Martin T. Mullen Memorial Award given for outstanding character and sportsmanship. M. John Mullen (left) made the presentation as Richard’s father looked on. Richard was an outstanding basketball player with the 1962-63 St. Joseph’s Basketball team and is now a fresh- man at St. Anselm’s College. The citation reads in part: "To a senior man at St. Anselm’s College. The citation reads in part: "To a senior..."