Four Appointments Announced To VeFac Programming Staff

David N. Hibbard and Frederick H. Whitham have been appointed Control Managers for VeFac Programming in North Adams. It was announced by Robert D. Smith, Corporate Manager of VeFac Programming. Mr. Hibbard will be assisted by William Manson as Program Analyst while Mr. Whitham's assistant will be David Lay, Jr.

Mr. Hibbard will be responsible for working with all corporate office and plant personnel and the WOFAC staff in reviewing, coordinating, implementing and controlling the VeFac program in the following North Adams areas: Sales-Marketing, Research and Development, Finance, Purchasing, Industrial Relations, Research and Development, Sprague Products, and Beaver and Marshall Street production.

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Robert C. Sprague, Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer, second from right, chatted with some present Quarter Century Club members prior to the dinner held at Baxter Hall, Williamstown. They are, left to right, Howard Sherman, Leon Pike, Howard Sprague, and Peter Mancuso.

Presentation of Service Awards to new Quarter Century Club members was made jointly by Mr. Sprague, right, and Ernest L. Ward, President, left. Receiving congratulations from Mr. Sprague is David B. Peck, Vice President, Engineering. George Bateman, North Adams I R Manager, is in background.

77 New Members Welcomed To Quarter Century Club As Total Membership Passes 500 Mark For First Time

Seventy-seven Sprague Electric employees were welcomed as new members of the Quarter Century Club at ceremonies held at the 1896 House, Williamstown on September 13. Present members held their yearly get-together the previous week at Baxter Hall on the campus of Williams College.

Membership in the Club, including active and retired employees, now totals 543 or approximately five percent of Sprague Electric's total employment.

At the new members dinner each recipient was presented an engraved watch, a Quarter Century pin and a membership certificate. The presentations were made by Robert C. Sprague, Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer, and Ernest L. Ward, President, assisted by John H. Winant, Vice President of Industrial Relations and George H. Bateman, Industrial Relations Manager.

Following each dinner, Mr. Sprague spoke to the group and noted that this year's recipients can look back over a series of exciting and interesting years as members of the Sprague Electric team. He said, "You joined us during a year which was an extraordinarily busy one and which marked the turning point of World War II. It was the year (1943) when Sprague Electric received two Army-Navy 'E' awards, one in April and the second in October."

In 1943 the Company purchased the Brown Street Plant and leased space at Marshall Street. The first large scale undertaking at Brown Street was the gas mask program which was a joint effort between Wall Street Shoe Company and Sprague Electric.

Continuing, Mr. Sprague mentioned that in August of 1943 the Boston Herald published a story commenting on Sprague Electric's war effort and noting the large number of older employees in the work force—evidence that many younger persons were in the armed forces and those at home were doing their share by taking jobs in industry

For the current year, Mr. Sprague remarked that Sprague Electric was facing many challenges and a number of problems but that in the months ahead it was expected that the Company would again resume the kind of growth which has been the historical pattern at Sprague Electric.

E. L. Ward Reelected To Conference Board

Ernest L. Ward, President, was recently reelected a board member of the National Industrial Conference Board for a term of two years.

The Conference Board, founded in 1916, is an independent and nonprofit institution for business and industrial fact finding through scientific research. In terms of everyday usefulness, the Board is a source of facts and figures bearing on all aspects of economic life and business operation. The work of the Board is made possible through the support of its subscribing associates, including business organizations, trade associations, government bureaus, labor unions, libraries, individuals and colleges and universities.
Jogging

By DR. THOMAS V. URMY
Corporate Medical Director

I have been asked to write something about “jogging”, a sport (you might call it that) which has been taken up during the last year or two by a great many people, not excluding a substantial nationwide group from the Sprague Electric Company. Doctors have endorsed it enthusiastically but there have also been some words of caution. What does jogging really have to offer?

No one will deny that in this latter half of the 20th century the great proliferation of labor-saving machines, especially our automobiles, but also a great many others, such as electric-powered golf carts, riding mowers, outboard motors, escalators and elevators, is greatly reducing the physical exercise which used to be incidental to our work days and to many of our leisure hours as well. All of us realize that this results in significant loss of muscle strength and endurance, but most of us have been indifferent, or at least have not done much about it, because we are too busy and have preferred to take a chance on some possible unusual—or emergency—situation in which lack of physical strength might be a serious handicap.

Recently, however, the picture has changed because we are learning that lack of this exercise for which our bodies are designed not only results in loss of muscle strength but much more importantly may produce deleterious effects on our arteries, and in turn on the vital organs, such as the brain and the heart, which they serve. As the distinguished cardiologist, Dr. Paul Dudley White says in his preface to Warren R. Guild’s How to Keep Fit and Enjoy It, “We doctors can now state from our experience with people, both sick and well, and from a growing series of scientific researches that keeping fit does pay richly in dividends of health and longevity...” “...keeping fit... delays in all probability the onset of crippling resting of the arteries themselves, which we call arteriosclerosis, the great epidemic of today.”

In these days of appallingly high death rates from heart disease and strokes this new knowledge puts the whole matter of getting adequate exercise in an entirely different light. Though insufficient physical exercise is not the only factor which may predispose to those catastrophes certainly no one can deny regular exercises’ importance to normal life expectancy.

Still, many may ask, “Why choose jogging?” There are certainly a lot of active sports which appear to be more fun or seem to offer more excitement than perhaps even “in place” in one’s home. Without claiming it to be the only method for welding electrodes on the automatic cover machine. This suggestion was also date filed for three months.

Three Brown Street suggestions were rejected, one was date filed for six months and one was date filed until the next full Committee meeting.

At the August meeting of the Marshall Street Suggestion Committee three suggestions were recipients of $25 awards. Dolphis Dupuis, Department 0231, suggested using wear plates of flat stock tack welded to each ear on the doors of dryers and impregnators. Doris Harvey’s, Department 1330, idea was to use a wooden cabinet with individual slots to store reports and envelopes, and Andrew Blinn, Machine Shop, had a suggestion to machine 1/4" keys to fit in the die frame and change the size of the pins and screws.

Six suggestions were rejected on the basis that they were not original or would not result in a cost savings of either labor or material. One idea was date filed for one month for further study.

Worcester Suggestion Awards Total $379

September Suggestion Awards at Worcester totaled some $379, according to Bob Arena, Assistant Industrial Relations Manager. Madeline Johnson of Hybrid Circuits showed the way with an award of $179 for her idea for modifying the Lid Seal operation.

Other award winners were Walter Clarke, Jr., (Maintenance) $55; David Andrew (Batch Process) $50; William Yannas (Batch Process) $50; Alway Clark and Darlene Kelly (both of Batch Process) $25 each; and Veronica Montiverdi (Hybrid Circuits) $15.

Congratulations to these alert winners!

Bloodmobile Visits Wichita Falls Plant

Employees of the Wichita Falls plant donated 62 pints of blood at a recent in-plant visit of the Red Cross Bloodmobile. The donations exceeded the quota of 40 by 60 percent. Rupert Jarboe, Plant Manager, and a regular donor himself, praised employees for their generous participation.

This was the first time the Red River Red Cross Blood Center had conducted a bloodmobile anywhere in the 20 county region which they cover.

The Blood Center plans to construct a new Red River Red Cross Blood Center in the area including the latest in laboratory facilities to accommodate the advanced developments in blood banking.

Ashe County Suggestion Winners

Five employees at the Ashe County plant recently received Suggestion Awards totaling $105. Shown above, left to right, are: Richard Fletcher, $25; Tommy B. Phillips, $15; and Elmer Price, $15. Others receiving awards were: John A. McNeil, $25; and Grady Potter, $25.
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Charles Edward Ulrich has recently been transferred to the Visalia Plant as Product Specialist in Marketing SCD for the West Coast. Charles comes to Visalia from North Adams. In his new capacity, Charles will be responsible for the Marketing Sales SCD on the West Coast. Although Charles is new to Sprague Visalia, he is not new to the Sprague Electric Company as he has been with the Company since July, 1959.

A graduate of the Brooklyn Tech High School, Charles received his BS in electrical engineering from Clarkson University. He served in the United States Navy from 1946 to 1948 as a member of a submarine crew. While in the Navy, he toured the Great Lake Region, Washington, D.C., New London, Connecticut, and Key West, Florida.

Among sports of interest, Chuck enjoys skiing, golfing, and hunting. He brings to Visalia his wife, Loretta, and children Brian, 15; Paul, 14; Tracey, 13; John, 10; Joan, 7; and David, 3.

New Assignments For T. Sawyer & F. Houmiel

Two changes of Industrial Relations personnel at branch locations were recently announced by John D. Wadhams, Corporate Director of Industrial Relations. Tom G. Sawyer, formerly Associate IR Manager at Nashua, has transferred to Sprague Wisconsin to head Industrial Relations activities there and Frank R. Houmiel, Associate IR Manager at Concord, is dividing his time between Nashua and Concord.

Mr. Sawyer originally joined the Company in 1965 at the Sprague Wisconsin plant. In April 1966 he transferred to Nashua and has remained there until his recent transfer. A native of Racine, Wisconsin and a graduate of the University of Wisconsin, he was employed by the Diamond Transportation System of Racine prior to joining Sprague Electric.

He also was associated with the United States Gypsum Company in Waukesha, Indiana and Red Wing, Minnesota.

Mr. Houmiel is a native of Ogdensburg, New York and a graduate of St. Lawrence University, Canton, New York. Following graduation he entered the U.S. Navy where he served as Fire Control Officer on the USS Forrestal and as Assistant Director of the Naval Reserve Division.

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Bernard A. Stackpoole  Frank A. Stawarz  Dorothy H. Stein  Julia M. Sullivan  Rita T. Sullivan  Edward F. Suthers

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Sprague Sanford Bicentennial Belles, left to right: Barbara Klyszeiko, Arline Pepin, Linda Cochin, Eleanot Dinardo, and Nancy Hunt grace the Sprague train prior to beginning of the Sanford Bicentennial Parade.

The Sprague Electric "Choo Choo" traveled to Sanford to participate in a gigantic Bicentennial parade, wrapping up a Summer-long celebration in observance of the two hundredth anniversary of the incorporation of the Town of Sanford. Complete with bells, sirens, smoke, and six engineers passing treats among the small fry, the Sprague train was a definite crowd pleaser from among the 150 parade units which covered the crowded 2 1/2 mile route.

A repeat performance, no less enthusiastically received, was staged the following week when the train appeared at Rockland Maine's annual Lobster Festival Parade.

Visalia Employes - Sports Enthusiasts

A deep-sea fishing vessel chartered by about 20 enthusiastic Sprague sailors embarked from Morro Bay recently for an adventurous May of fishing. Unfortunately sea sickness overtook the majority of the anglers, many of whom spent a great deal of time from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. occupying a bunk in "sick bay".

Coy Sanders, Visalia Quality Control Engineer, was first place winner in the Central California Weight-Lifting Championships. He took the light heavyweight class with lifts of 350 pounds in the bench press, 475 in deep-knee bends and 500 pounds dead lift.

Robert O'Blenis, Foreman of Miscellaneous Production, recently registered his first hole-in-one in six years of golf at the Riverside Golf Course. He aced the 145-yard 11th hole with a nine iron.

Visalia's Softball team, captained by Bob Gomez of Product Engineering, placed second in the Men's Overhand Softball League.

Some ninety Worcester employes attended training sessions in mid-September on the selection and use of proper fire fighting equipment. Meetings were conducted by Stuart Pead, Fire Prevention Engineer, and included individual use of extinguishers to put out a live fire.

In photo, Roy Blanchard, Batch Process Foreman, demonstrates proper fire-fighting technique with CO₂ extinguisher.

Emmanuel Barris shows his citizenship certificate to Ted Jasiewicz, Micro Tech General Manager (left), and Harry Thorne, Production Manager (right).

Company Sponsorship Aids Concord Employes

Last June Concord employe Samuel DeMeritt was the proud recipient of a bachelor of science degree in mathematics from the University of New Hampshire. He is now enrolled in the masters degree program at the University and will reach his goal while also working a full second shift as a Test Equipment Technician.

When Sam joined the Concord operation in early 1965 he had three years of college to his credit and also a stint in the U.S. Army. Through Sprague sponsorship he completed his college requirements for a B.S. degree and will now continue his advanced studies. Sprague educational sponsorship has proven of invaluable assistance to many students who are willing to devote themselves to long hours of study while still working a full shift.

Sam is married to the former Deanna Perry, of Candia, New Hampshire and they have a son.

Worcester Sports

Softball and golf activities at Worcester give way to the weather and bowling enthusiasm as September arrived. No fewer than four plant leagues are rolling in addition to the Sprague entry in the Worcester County Industrial Bowling League. But from May to September the spring and summer sport enthusiasts held the spotlight swinging either bats or clubs, and, in the case of the latter, probably too many times to suit one's game.

Golfers culminated their play with the annual Open House Golf Tournament at the picturesque Heritage Country Club in Charlton. The Club was also the setting for the annual Golf Field Day when Jerry Shapiro (Process Engineering) took home the lion's share of the prizes by winning the putting contest and scoring the only double for the day.

On the bascpaths, the intramural softball league met with more rain than success. The Worcester girls' softball team, however, went undefeated in their initial try in the Mac-Ren Industrial Slo-Pitch League run into the sophomore jinx this year and could manage only a 9-12 slate.

Away from the plant, the Sprague Little League team in the Iris Speaker League won the championship, whipping defending City Champion R. H. White's.
RPI Group Constructs Moving Letter Sign With Parts Donated By Electronics Firms

Sprague Electric Company helped to make the Grand Marshall Week at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute a little more sophisticated and interesting this Spring by donating ceramic capacitors for a student display.

The innovation for G.M. (Grand Marshall) Week was a sign with moving letters which consisted of 560 blinking Christmas tree lights. In a "Times Building" aura, the phrases that were spelled out were always catchy and sometimes risque.

Few people realized that behind the brilliant facade were ingenuity, creativity, and many hours of hard, sometimes frustrating, work that began over a year ago, plus miles of electrical wire and thousands of electronic components. In the Spring of 1967, two RPI students from the TKE fraternity dreamed up what they considered a wild gimmick. Ric Jeltrup, a 1967 RPI graduate, re-arranged circuits, and generally giving any necessary advice and counsel.

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THE SUPERBOARD IN ACTION

Galeb Maher, Engineer at the R&D Center in North Adams, has made extensive use of the Company's scientific laboratory facilities. Under Company sponsorship, Galeb completed the requirements for a B.S. degree from North Adams State College, an M.S. degree in physics from Williams College and is presently enrolled at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute as a PhD candidate.

Sprague Student Completes Studies For Masters And Enrolls In Doctorate Program

The appointment of Theodore Sprague as Foreman of the Filter Division was announced by Benedict Rosen, Assistant Manager of the Division.

Mr. Sprague will be in charge of the Filter Model Shop which produces engineering prototypes and production units.

A native of North Adams and a graduate of Drury High School, Mr. Sprague joined the Company in 1957 following four years of service in the U.S. Navy where he was assigned to an oceanographic survey ship. From 1957-1960 he was employed in Check Inspection and from 1960-1966 served as a Technician in the Engineering Laboratories. In 1966 he joined the Filter Division as a Production Technician, the position he held until his present promotion.

While employed at Sprague Electric, Mr. Sprague has taken advantage of the Company's educational sponsorship program and presently has 18 credits toward his B.S. degree.

College in their degree program, and three years later received his B.S. degree, having also been named a member of the college's Frank Fuller Murdock Honor Society.

With his bachelor's degree in hand, a promotion to engineer at Sprague Electric, Galeb launched the next phase on his educational climb in the Fall of 1962 when he enrolled in Williams College to study for a master's degree in physics. He recently completed this work and is now attending Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute as a PhD candidate. That he will accomplish his goal is almost a certainty, and when he does he will also have the distinction of being the first Sprague employee to be sponsored from a bachelor's degree straight through to a doctorate.

A native of Lebanon, Galeb received his elementary and secondary education in his homeland. He joined Sprague Electric shortly after coming to the United States. Galeb is married to the former Christine Aureen, of North Adams, and they are the parents of a daughter, Amal.

Dearborn Employe "Bowler Of The Year"

Harry Pentecost, Dearborn Design Department Head, is one of the best, if not THE, best bowler in Seminole County, Florida. He has been voted "Bowler of the Year" twice by fellow bowlers. He has served as President of the Sanford, Florida Men's Bowling Association three times since its inception in 1960 and has had much to do with making the Association an excellent and enthusiastic group of men bowlers.

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PLMOUTH PICNIC—Plymouth employes and their families enjoyed the annual Plant Picnic at the Pemigewasset Valley Fish and Game Club in North Holderness, New Hampshire. After a delicious barbecued dinner and door prize drawing, various activities were enjoyed by the group, including shoe shuffle, sack races, and pie-eating contests, as well as pony cart rides, shown above.

ASHE COUNTY PICNIC—Winners of the women’s softball games at the Ashe County Plant Picnic were, left to right: Pat McGrady, Doris Perry, Alberta Poe, Judy Neaves, Wylene Barker, Ardie Little, Janis DeBard and Anna Belle Cox. Nearly 2000 employes and their families enjoyed the day. Activities included games and races for all ages, music, provided by two bands—the Virginia Carolina Boys and the Carolina Troubadours—a barbecued chicken dinner, and door prizes which were awarded to five lucky employes.

SANFORD PICNIC—Over 500 Sanford employes and guests attended the Second Annual Family Picnic at Spring Hill in South Berwick, Maine. The activity filled day included a barbecue luncheon, swimming, miniature golf, softball, horseshoes, volley ball, and organized games for children and adults which were enjoyed under ideal late summer weather. 

Winners at the gate prize drawing which wrapped up the day-long outing were Gladys White and Chris Hess.

Concord Plant Picnic

The 1968 Annual Concord Sprague Picnic was held at Bear Brook State Park, Allenstown, New Hampshire, on Saturday, August 24, 1968 from 10:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Approximately 900 people enjoyed a rain-free and fun-filled day including three-legged races, horse races, a barbecued chicken lunch, baseball games, pony rides, and a blueberry pie eating contest. Sam DeMeritt, a Technician, in Department 4736, was the lucky winner of a transistor radio donated by Servomation; and Bob Dandy, HSD Production Manager, carried away a Polaroid Swinger camera, the Company door prize.

VeFAC Staff Appointments

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should be directed to Messrs. Hibbard and Whitham.

Prior to his recent appointment Mr. Hibbard served as Administrative Assistant to Carroll G. Killen, Vice President of Marketing and Sales. A seven year employe of Sprague Electric, Mr. Hibbard joined the Company in the Los Angeles, California operation as a Sales Engineer. In early 1967 he transferred to North Adams where he undertook a special Marketing assignment prior to being named Administrative Assistant.

A native of California, Mr. Hibbard is a graduate of Oregon State University. He served as a pilot in the U. S. Air Force from 1954-1957 and following the service joined North American Aviation Corporation, Downey, California. In 1959 he moved to United Corporation, Monrovia, California where he was a Sales Engineer untiljoining Sprague Electric in 1961.

Frederick Whitham was Technical Assistant to the Vice President of Engineering prior to assuming his new duties with VeFAC Programming. He joined the Company in 1951 as an Executive Pilot and later assumed the responsibilities of Manager of Publications. In 1953 he joined Wage and Salary Administration and from 1957-1967 served as Corporate Manager of that group.

Mr. Whitham is a native of Pittsfield, Massachusetts and a graduate of the University of New Hampshire. He served in the U. S. Air Force from 1942-1945 as a bomber pilot and was discharged with the rank of Captain.

David Lay joined Sprague Electric in 1965 as a Technician and in September of that year was named a Group Leader. From May 1966 until December 1967 he participated in the Management Training Program. Upon completion of the program he was named a Foreman in the Special Components Division, the position he held until joining the VeFAC group.

A native of New York City, Mr. Lay attended high school in New Haven, Connecticut. Following graduation he joined the U. S. Navy where he served on a destroyer for four years. Prior to joining Sprague Electric he was associated with Lycoming Division of Aveo Corporation.

He is presently enrolled in the degree program at North Adams State College under Company sponsorship.

Mr. Manson is a native of North Adams and a graduate of Drury High School. Following graduation he was employed by the Hoosac Mills Corporation in North Adams prior to joining Sprague Electric in 1961 as a Technician. In 1963 he served for a short time as a Patrolman with the Williamstown Police Department but returned to Sprague Electric as an Assistant Engineer.

In 1967, Mr. Manson joined the Sprague Management Training Program and upon completion of his training accepted the position he now holds with VeFAC Programming. He is also enrolled in the State College degree program under Company sponsorship.

Apollo-Saturn Models

Raymond Calvi, Assistant Manager, Quality Assurance Engineering Services, demonstrates how three American astronauts will make their landing on the moon in 1970. The mock-up, breakaway models of the Saturn V Launch Vehicle, Apollo capsule, LM module and space suit have been on display at various locations throughout the Company.