BONDS NOW! - GIVE ADDED MEANING TO LIBERTY

MORE BONDS MEAN MORE BOMBS!

Kenneth Muggle In Tarawa Battle; Receives Purple Heart

Word has been received that Kenneth Muggle, formerly of the Plating Dept., was wounded in the battle of "Tarawa," and since then, was awarded the "Purple Heart." He is recuperating at a Base Hospital in the Pacific and expects to go back into action before long, according to his latest letter.

Evening School and Trade School Feature of Jan. 11 Radio Log

The January 11th program featured talks by Mr. John Durnin and Mr. Chas. H. McCann of Drury High School, concerning the work the high schools are accomplishing in the community. This information was extremely interesting. Our hostess for the day was Miss Cyrilla Chaperon, who introduced the invited guests for the program with charm and dignity.

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Sprague Log Dinner Sparkles With Fun

As we go to press we are able to give a brief preview of some of the highlights of the Log Annual Dinner to be held on Tuesday, January 25th at the Blue Room of the Richmond Hotel. During the past few months the Log has grown from a staff of two or three to one of over sixty members.

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**Praise From Member of Five Star Club**

The following letter was received in response to Mr. Merrigan’s receipt of his Five Star Membership Card:

_Dear Sir,_

I will accept your card with thanks, as a member of your Five Star Club. I do not deserve this honor, but am most interested in the Sprague Specialties Company and would do much if necessary for their continued success, if it were in my power.

Though speaking in public is not in my line, I did make a short announcement at the post office concerning facilities and take this occasion to thank you for that opportunity.

It is a great satisfaction to me to know that your Company has taken up much of the slack in labor of New Adams, and have become a great asset to this community.

Respectfully,

A. M. Merrigan

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**Chemical Warfare Display**

_During the week of January 18th to 25th, a display of incendiary bombs, gas masks and other chemical warfare equipment was exhibited in the windows of Brackley’s News store. This was of especial interest to North Adams people, since a portion of it was manufactured by the Marshall street plant of Sprague Specialties Company._

_Gas masks of many types are developed, including a peculiar one for the use of old Doblin. Included with it was the equipment for protection against war gas, the Chemical Warfare Service supplies smoke bombs for screening purposes, incendiary bombs and grenades. These smoke screens have already been used by invading armies from Salerno to Tarawa._

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**Sprague Log Dinner**

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A pleasant house party was given by Mr. Crosier and Mr. Saulnier at their residence, with Mr. Crossier’s Photomaster and Mr. Saulnier’s Photomaster, both being well attended.

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**Bonds Now!**

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Another source which it is expected will swell the Sprague totals is the allotment checks being received by working wives of husbands in the services. A number of them have already pledged their February allotment for the Fourth War Loan, and it is expected that many more will do so in the next few days.

However, probably all the bank accounts withdraw, "mat-tress" money, and allotment checks will not completely fulfill the obligation of Sprague workers to the men in services. The balance expected will swell the Sprague payroll.

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**Warming House—At top of slope**

_eas and warm at all times._

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**Sprague Log**

_To the Editor of the Sprague Log—_
**NEWS and VIEWS from Sprague Workers In Service**

From Joe Spagnola

Dear Miss Owen:

You may be surprised, but I have been receiving the "Sprague Log" regularly, but through a round about way. I am now stationed at Turner Field, Georgia.

I was transferred here from George Field, Illinois on October 15, 1943. The Four French Cadets are training here and I am working as an Instructor and French Interpreter in the General School here at Turner Field.

I appreciate very much being on the "Log" mailing list, and hope that the necessary changes will be made in my address so that I will not miss any of the editions. Please give my best regards to the Personnel of the Cost Department where I was formerly employed before my entrance into the Service.

Very sincerely yours,

Raymond C. Duquette
Sgt., Air Corps
French Interpreter

From Pvt. Arlene Greene:

Dear Friends:

I will hate to leave the navy when I get my wed dress. Let me know when you get this and if they censor any of it.

I received the cigarettes and thanks you for the Christmas cards you sent. I've seen whales, flying fish and everything. Those flying fish go by so fast that when the wind blows they go up about 40 miles an hour by the looks.

Give my address to any one who wants it.

Will not worry about us and don't feel bad 'cause we are having the time of our lives anyway. This is better than staying around during hard-times like we had before anyway.

Well so long for now. Write when you get my address. Let me know when you get this and if they censor any of it.

Robert

From Anthony Gammons

Dear Miss Owen:

I have completed my basic training and have graduated from the Administration Specialist School and now am ready to go out on the field. I love the army life just as much as I ever did and I wouldn't change it for anything in the world.

Wishing you all a happy New Year,

Sincerely,

Arlene

From Robert Souliot:

Just a line to let you know that I'm feeling fine and having a good time.

Yesterday was Thanksgiving and we had a big Turkey dinner and all the trimmings. "Course it wasn't like being home but the fellows sure worked hard and made a swell dinner.

I was only seasick a few hours and then I didn't feel bad at all. I just lost a few cups of coffee that I drank before going on watch. Some of the fellows felt quite bad but I was O.K.

We get darn good food but the salt air makes us hungry just as soon as we eat. "In peace time I would have given anything to make this trip. Even now it is fun except we have to be on the alert.

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From Johnnie Weitas

Hi Gang!

Received the cartons of cigs! Thanks a million for them, as you know they always come in handy. (a guy runs out quite often in this outfit.)

It sure was good to see all of you again. The old days at the shop sure did pass through my mind on my recent visit there. Some of the boys have gone, but with the help of God and all we'll all be back in the near future.

How is "Frank Sinatra" these days? I hope he is "swooning" many girls? My regards to each and every one of you.

Happy New Year!

Johnnie

From Norman Tatro

somewhere in the Pacific

Dear Jack

How are you feeling? I sincerely hope this letter finds you in the best of health. We have been very busy getting ready for a trip—even Christmas and New Year's are not Holidays as far as this Company was concerned. I received the cigarettes from the boys and certainly do appreciate them thinking of me. If I had time I would write to each one and thank him. If you do not mind, I shall appoint you on my gratitude committee and let you do it for me.

I have changed my mind about being South for the winter. It has rained so frequently here, that I am developing webbed feet. We have been issued new clothing and have had them checked so often that they are being worn out by being handled,—they are supposed to be oversized clothes. As far as my health goes, I have no complaint. The army is keeping me shipshape. Once again, many thanks to all for the smokes. Give my best regards to all. Take care of yourself. Best of luck, health and happiness.

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From Merchant Seaman J. C. Beaver:

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**Basketball Notes**

At the State Armory, January 18th, it was decided to form a basketball league for the Berkshire area. There were four teams represented at the meeting as follows: Academy State team, Lincoln Academy, North Adams, and the St. Stanislaus Armory from Adams. The newly formed league will be called the Northern Berkshire Amateur Basketball League, and the managers will meet Sunday, January 9th, to draw up the schedules and by-laws. All the games will be played at the State Armory on Wednesday evenings and basketball fans will have a chance to see the high school players take to the court again. There will be no admission for any games, the sub- bauds were signed by Managers to announce for local teams, and recreation for the players themselves.

The standouts in the new league, besides those of the St. Stanislaus Armories but I am just voicing my own opinion, so don’t let me on this point. The clubs have benefited so far from their efforts. The basketball fans will be happy to see the new league take shape. The managers and players are in their sights now and it is up to them to build up a following for the new and good clean brand of basketball. Wishing all of them the best of luck and success with their new league, I remain,

Yours in sports,

Walter Carpenter

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**How Far Could You Carry One?**

This is a good one — John “Red” Garner says he never wins anything. Well, one fine day before Christmas, he took a chance on a pig “in a bag” and sure enough, he won it. And what did he do? He carried it home in his arms. He was asked if he wanted to sell it and was offered $100.00 for it. “No sale,” said Red. He carried it further, and was offered $800. “No sale,” again said Red. Finally, he was offered $500. “No sale,” said Red, with great relief.

(Would have been too!)

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**Notice**

A close-up of the steel mats which are laid in constructing new air fields in the island-to-island campaign of the South Pacific.

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**Electronics and Radio Tie For First Place In Race For Post War Positions**

We recently ran across an interesting survey made by Gustavus J. Eschen, Inc., Consulting Chemicals and Chemical Engineers, in their house organ, The Research Viewpoint. In this survey the readers of that publication were invited to ballott on what industries will, in the next decade, contribute most to the progress, employment and general welath of America. Answers come from a broad group including top executives, professors, scientists, and college undergraduates. Out of thirty-nine industries listed the ten most frequently mentioned were:

- Aviation
- Radio and Electronics
- Automobile
- Plastic
- Synthetic Drugs
- Chemical Engineering
- Chemicals
- Food Preparations
- Synthetic Fibers
- Medical

*Ben Franklin Said:*

“The eyes of Christendom are upon us, and our honor as a people is become a matter of the utmost consequence to be taken care of. If we give up our rights in this contest, a century to come will not restore us to the opinion of the world. Present inconveniences are, therefore, to be borne with fortitude, and better times expected.”

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**What We Think About**

If I were a professional, I’d write a lovely verse. But since I’m just an amateur, and couldn’t do much worse, I’ll tell you what we think about as we write this column.

We dream about that happy day,—
when we’ll come marching home.

We think about how gay you were,
and all the fun we had.

We wonder if you’re happy, if you are.
And while you’re working just so hard,
we’re thinking of the day that you will come home.

We don’t think much of you today,
for the second time we can’t see
what’s in the boxes you bring home.

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**Sprague Specialties Victory Log**

**Sprague Cigarette Fund Totals 1,500,000**

The totals by January 8th in the Sprague Cigarette Fund had reached such proportions that it has been possible to send 72,500 packs, or 1,500,000 cigarettes to soldiers on the fighting fronts. We have shipped packs to 56 different countries, and have made repeat shipments to 19 countries.

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**four Areas Plants Contribute to Invasion Plans**

When the forthcoming invasion comes, four of our local plants will have contributed to the offensive through production of parts and supplies for the Navy’s huge fleet of landing craft; upon which this offensive depends, was stated by James Forestal, Under-Secretary of the Navy.

Among the plants mentioned in the Berkshire area, are Sprague Specialties Company, the Roadside Chair Company of Roxbury, Vt., the Green- feld Tap and Die Co., and Threedback Tap and Die Co., both of Greenfield.
USE THIS "NEW" BALLOT TODAY!

It takes the place of the ballot printed in our last LOG

Choose your five ballots that you like best — USE NEW BALLOT — In making up last log, 25 slogans were omitted

All Sprague Employees Eligible - - - Voting Closes February 5

VOTE! ★ ★ ★ FOLLOW INSTRUCTIONS ★ ★ ★

PRINTED BELOW ARE THE 125 BEST SLOGANS FOR AUG., SEPT., OCT., NOV., DEC.

SPRAGUE SLOGAN BALLOT

My choices for the five best slogans are entered in the boxes A, B, C, D, and E at the right. In A, I have put the number of the slogan which is my choice for first place; in B my choice for second place, and so on.

NAME:

Date: Your Identification Number (Badge)

INSTRUCTIONS ON VOTING

Decide which five slogans you like best. List the number of each, in the proper order, in the squares in the BALLOT at the right.

Clip out the BALLOT, properly signed, with your badge number and date. Leave with the guards at the entrance. If you put your ballot in an envelope be sure to mark it for The Log Editor.

Important: the ballots which are not used for your vote must be returned.

The contestant with the highest total will be awarded a special prize.

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The judges will announce the winners on February 8 and announce winners of the first 15 places. Cash prizes will be awarded as follows: $15, $10, $5, $4, and $3, and ten prizes of $2 each — 15 in all. So get busy — make it a winner.

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Dear Ralph,

Just received your air-mail, and glad to hear you are well. I know you must be very busy these days. We at Sprague’s are very busy, too, working every day helping to make the things you men need so vitally “over there”.

There are hundreds of “service wives” at Sprague’s, giving our jobs the love we have, just as we gave Uncle Sam our husbands, with victory as our goal.

An honor roll of attendance is posted in each department and you’d be surprised how closely each girl watches her record. There are hundreds of titles.

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**Main Office**

by Helene Meacham

Hello everyone! Here we are back again and glad to see you once again. As if we ever were away! First of all, we attended a party January 15th at the Blue Room in the Holland Hotel for Phyllis Davis (Purchasing) who has been transferred to Layn's Bay, Jacksonville. Don't be selfish with your dates — there's a shortage of such things around. Now, I say, how about say "Share and share alike?" Tut, tut, the non-participation of Blanche Filet, caused by the long-awaited furlough of her husband, Pete, 1st Class Free Dinner. Oh, oh, they're here again!!! The AUDITORS, Mr. King and Mr. Gibson. Sgt. Ralph Uberti of 1st Coat Tucker, Almaha, spent a ten-day furlough with his family, Mrs. Carla and Yera. Dorothy has a daughter that patriotic feeling has gone as far as the Blue Room. Mrs. Mildred Mack, the pet parrot of Marion Bissaillon, is doing well and is now in a 100 lb. bag of potatoes each week. Mrs. Rose Gravel and her husband Peters working with us. Mrs. Mary Cozzaglio, of the Employment Department is "Which came first, the chicken or the egg?" You go ahead and ask her yourself. She's been accepted in the new- bouncing boy. Mrs. Russ, Buddy and Ted — many more. Mrs. Thelma Boulerice spent February 3rd. Mrs. Thelma Boulerice visited the oldest, it was the water! Page her Mr.3000. Mrs. Doris Contois just returned from New York where she spent some time with her husband stationed there. Mrs. Robert Beall attended the Daily Report on January 14, Dot Rie found a picture of her son, matching with other Marines stationed on Honolulu. Mrs. Doris Rondeau has returned to the Whitney Farm. The boys from the Machine Shop are wearing recently? Have you noticed the new sales and on time? How come so many of the B.T.A., are taking swimming. It must be that they do not intend to walk back from any boat rides, or they have serious intentions of joining the Graves. What is your opinion, Ida and Lucy? They enjoyed her vacation when her husband, Mr. Bernard Horrigan of the Midcal her former co-workers there. Mrs. Rose Gravel and her husband journeyed to New York and Washington, visiting their son Paul, who is stationed at Ft. Meade, Md.

**BUY BONDS - SAVE LIVES**

Betty enjoyed her vacation when her husband, Mr. Bernard Horrigan of the Mill her former co-workers there. And Lucy continues to keep up the spirit of both departments — are you doing this?? The liver dinner was so peaceful here in Payroll — now he can catch up with some of his sking. What is causing that sparkle in Gladys Cotton's eyes? Edith Russell went home last night and found that all she had left in her fish bowl was the water! Page her happy new — that would like to take me that New Year's Day. Mrs. Thelma Boulerice made her debut at Christmas doing a polka hop. You are OK, folks! There is no longer considered an amateur at skating, after his episode at Pea Rock. He was well on the road to recovering. Nice seeing you, Dorie! John Figan recently made his debut at Christmas doing a polka hop. Congratulations! Bertha Lee, now stationed at the Naval Air Station, now has her birdie a recent visitor here. Congratulations to "Peggy" on her engagement. Mr. Emmett Rie spent a week-end in Alaska. Mrs. Mildred Mack, the pet parrot of Marion Bissaillon, is doing well and is now in a 100 lb. bag of potatoes each week. Mrs. Rose Gravel and her husband journeyed to New York and Washington, visiting their son Paul, who is stationed at Ft. Meade, Md.

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Best wishes to Mrs. Edna Lathbourne, better known as Lucy. Everyone but Red Wadsworth knows that beans smell. At a Holiday party, she cooked enough beans to feed all the Seabees on that particular festive giving has gone as far as the Blue Room. Mrs. Mildred Mack, the pet parrot of Marion Bissaillon, is doing well and is now in a 100 lb. bag of potatoes each week. Mrs. Rose Gravel and her husband journeyed to New York and Washington, visiting their son Paul, who is stationed at Ft. Meade, Md.

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Mack, the pet parrot of Marlon Wohlgemuth of Dry Rolling Department.

**Big News**

by Angie Lamper

We are wondering who Paul keeps crossing to all day. Is it the bunny across the way, or is he just trying to give Frank Smata a little competition. And Norma, she is a sweet boy. Eddie has his troubles. Since the new arrival came home from the hospital, Eddie just can't make his connections.

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**Sleigh Riders**

Girls from the Production and Material Control, Sample and Cost Departments took advantage of the perfect weather when they went on a sleigh ride to the Whitney Farm in Philadelphia where her husband, Dick, stationed. Dick, formerly of Being a Fireman 6 to a destroy some of the machines and tools which Henry used in his engraving business. He shop here January 11th. The boys extend their sympathy, and are sure that things are going better today. Dick understands fully, how scarce, and how valuable tools are today.

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by Vi Short

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