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Our War Record

It took 24,000,000,000 of good dollars and 3,000,000 of the best men on earth from the U. S. to take the germ out of the Germans and of the above the Burgess fellows put up 201,700 of the former and 215 of the latter.

On the face of it, it seems we did only a very small part, but consider it: 201,700 dollars means 144 dollars for every man in the plant, and 215 men means one man in seven.

To the Caustic Plant and Chemical Mill belongs the honor of first place in all drives, but the Wood Room and Barking Plant and the Electrical crew were right on their heels.

The showing made in all departments was very gratifying but the mark attained by the whole plant was most excellent and I doubt if every plant could show a better record.

The consistent high average made here shows patriotism of the truest type, and the kind of backing that helped Uncle Sam and his Sammies put over the punch that ended the war.

I want to take this opportunity to congratulate every man who bought bonds and to thank every man who assisted in selling them, for the success of our drives depended as well on one as on the other.

Keep these bonds until maturity, every one of you who can, for not only will they surely increase in value as time goes on, but also they will be a fine thing a few years from now to take out of the strong box to show to your children to inspire and to educate them in the kind of patriotism and love of country that their fathers had when the "Great War" was on and life and liberty of our own United States was endangered.

JAMES P. V. FAGAN,
Liberty Loan Committee.

Salvation Army

The Salvation Army Home Service Campaign has just closed and although the Committee did not realize here as much as was expected, they wish to thank each and everyone who contributed, solicited or in any way helped to promote such a worthy cause.

Fishermen Take Notice

Lo, the poor Indian, was a great fisherman and it was considered a Low-down trick to interfere with the number or size of the fish he caught.

The Indian fisherman is no more, but many of the mill men are fond of the sport.

It is understood that a man lieing Low, was able to interview several Brown Company men on Sunday and convince them, against their wills, that pond fish must be left to grow longer than brook fish. They also had an opportunity to give something to remedy the Low conditions of the fish department treasury.

A very prominent member of the Company found last fall that even if ducks fly Low, they are expensive when inspected in the Low corner of a boat house.

There is no question but that the possession of short trout should cause the holder to find he has a Low pocket-book, but we think it is pretty Low business to arrest a man sitting on a Low bank fishing for suckers, on account of having bait on two hooks.

The masons are finishing a very nice job of plastering in the Digester House monitors.

The painters are slinging red paint by the gallon. It is strange that the more Perkins paints, the more he finds that he wants to paint.

BURGESS SCREENINGS



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In one of our recent issues we extended an invitation to the men from the other Company branches to join with us in broadening the scope of the paper, by making it cover the interests of the Company employees as a whole, instead of merely the Sulphite Branch.

There has been a gratifying response to this suggestion and steps have been taken to form an association of which all employees can consider themselves members, the object being to publish a monthly paper of the Brown Co., and Brown Corporation, the paper to be called *The Brown Bulletin*.

An organization has been arranged as follows:

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The directors of the different branches will ask for articles and news items to be turned over to the editorial board and they expect to receive a hearty response to their calls.

To get out a publication worthy of the Company means the co-operation of all. We feel that the men of the Sulphite Mill are ready to do their part and ask you especially to send in all the mill news you can.

A statement of the purpose of one of these plant papers is expressed as follows:

"To promote co-operation between employer and employee and among employees, to strengthen the loyalty of the employees to the Company and to each other, and to create a stronger bond of union between the employees and the Company."

This expresses very clearly what should be our aim. Accomplishing this depends on you all, more than on your editorial board.

The paper should be used to bring important happenings, both within and without the plant, to

the attention of the employees. Space should be given to the various sporting and social news. Articles on subjects of general interest must be contributed, possibly some pictures and cartoons could be used.

Do not start in with the idea that we editors are going to do all the writing, as we do not expect to do any.

Our job is to get this material in shape for publication and get it published. You do not want the paper to consist merely of the thoughts of the editors, but rather of the varied talents that you men are expected to discover in the different plants. We, as editors, shall look to you to make contributions as needed yourselves, and also find others to write.

If you want the paper published regularly the material must be in our hands at a fixed time and we shall absolutely depend upon its being ready as promised.

Good-natured jokes or even poems will be acceptable, but we do not want any knocks or even a suspicion of a knock on the other fellow. Boost anybody you wish, but do not give us anything that might foster bad feeling.

In conclusion we are ready to do our best to give you a paper worthy of the Company, but don't sit back and expect us to get it out, without the help of you all.

New Watchman at Bleachery

Of course there are many things going on around the mill, especially at night, that you do not care to have the Super see, but to have your department guarded by a bulldog is a rather new scheme. Recently Jack Duggan, the night Super, upon entering the Bleachery was set upon by a savage bulldog and forced to beat as hasty a retreat as possible. For further details see Jack Duggan or Buckley.

When the Creator had made all the good things, there was still some dirty work to do, so He made the beasts and reptiles and poisonous insects, and when he had finished He had some scraps left that were too bad to put into the rattle-snake, the hyena, the scorpion and the skunk, so He put all these together, covered it with suspicion, wrapped it with jealousy, marked it with a yellow streak and called it a "KNOCKER."

This product was so fearful to contemplate that he had to make something to counteract it, so He took a sunbeam and put in it the heart of a child, the brain of a man, wrapped these in civic pride, covered it with brotherly love, gave it a mask of velvet and grasp of steel and called it a "BOOSTER."

SO₂

In the last issue of *Screenings* a pound of coal and some mountain air was chased through the new Heine Boiler Plant; now that was very interesting and both coal and air had some funny experiences before the ashes made by the coal and carried by the air got through three thicknesses of boards on the machine room monitor and into the office samples of selected stock. Did you ever consider the journey a pound of sulphur has from the bowels of the state of Louisiana up the Atlantic Coast, through Portland and Berlin Mills yard, and the Acid Room and Digester House, where it chases itself round and round until it finally finds its way out in the waste liquor to the river.

This pound of sulphur gets a heated start in the melter, and when orders are good, it makes a flying trip through the acid room to the reclaimers tanks, however it has time enough to take up a little of the same mountain air that Mr. Coal uses in his journey.

Now Old Man Sulphur is quite a magician, so in order to make it as easy as possible for himself, and incidentally to uphold the tendency towards economy in the acid plant, he takes the air as a blind and thus becomes completely invisible. In this way he can easily get around the corners and through the pipes of the coolers and blowers into the acid system.

Here he takes on a little ballast in the shape of lime so that some fair wind will not land him on the heights in Charley Barton's garden, for he knows Barton has made a few remarks about his staying out late nights. When he gets up to about Jack Duggan's weight (400) he bids good-bye to the Acid Room and after many thanks for the courtesies and kind treatment he has received he slips away to the tanks to await the pleasure of Messrs. Myler, Duggan and Ellis.

He makes a rather weak entrance to the "top floor society" but not for long because he is soon strengthened by his allies Relief and SO₂.

While here he plans the attacks which he leads with great gusto against the hordes of chips in every Digester, and you may be sure he is always victorious.

Like all successful personages, while traveling through life he has collected a few treasures and trinkets and, as he is about to leave the Burgess atmosphere for good, he deposits these with his ally SO₂. SO₂ is very jealous of his treasures and, though he soon loses his identity he makes himself very strongly felt when he arrives at his destination, by the showing of a free 6.00.

Thus our pound of sulphur has made his circuit through life, wasting away a little at a time here and there till he arrives at the river's edge a mere shadow of his former weight.

Base Ball

You have all probably noticed Lon Willoughby and his faithful followers industriously smoothing off and filling in the Y. M. C. A. grounds. You have also probably seen Messrs. La Ferrier, Martin, Lovett, Atwood and several other baseball fans laying out a diamond and offering all kinds of suggestions as to how a baseball field should be made. These signs mean that there is going to be some *real live* baseball here this summer.

A Mill League has been organized, composed of three teams, Y. M. C. A., Berlin Mills and Burgess. Directors representing these teams have met and formed an organization with George Lovett as Pres., H. G. Spear, Vice Pres., George Atwood, Sec. Treas. The schedule is out and the first game of the season was played Friday, May 30th, between the Berlin Mills and Y. M. C. A.

The three teams are practicing hard and some very promising players are being developed so that we ought to have some very fast games and trust that everybody will turn out and back the teams. Mr. LaFerrier has offered to coach our team and with his experience ought to develop a fast team. Bill McGee has been elected captain and Harry Raeburn manager, and with some of the old timers, together with new talent, ought to put Burgess over the top.

As the team is not self-supporting it is necessary to raise funds for suits and equipment. A dance was held at the Gem, Monday, May 19th, where nearly \$40.00 was raised. On Monday night, June 9th, the young ladies are holding a subscription dance for the ball team and hope to realize enough to buy the ball suits.

The City has promised to build a grand stand and help all they can towards maintaining the ball field.

So with three good fast teams and a good field there is no reason why we can not have some of the best baseball ever held here. Let us all get out and root hard and show the boys we are behind them.

Mill Items

A race is on between our cleaning crews and the men of the Salvage Department, with the object of getting rid of all junk as soon as possible. By another month we hope to have the yard clean enough to pass inspection.

The CO₂ Plant men under the supervision of Mr. Viancour, are starting some grass plots and flower beds. They expect to fertilize with the waste gas.