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BROWN BULLETIN PUBLISHING ASSOCIATION

At the annual meeting of the Brown Bulletin Publishing Association held at the Berlin Young Men's Christian Association on December 7, the respective groups re-elected to three-year terms P. W. Churchill for the Upper Plants, A. L. Laferriere for Sulphite Mill, Jos. Hennessey for Cascade Mill, and W. L. Bennett for Brown Corporation. John A. Hayward was chosen by the Cascade Group for the one-year term arising from the resignation of Harry Hayden. W. B. Brockway has been re-elected to the one-year term allotted to the Portland Group.

Section 5 of Article 5 of the bylaws was so amended that the Board of Directors may elect a president outside of their own number.

Following the adjournment, the Board of Directors organized for the coming year as follows:

President, O. P. Cole; Clerk, A. L. Laferriere; Editor, G. L. Cave.

COVER PICTURE

The cover picture is from a photograph taken at Quebec City on December 6. The Mikula, one of the largest ice breakers, is shown towing a freighter through the ice in an endeavor to get into dock. Despite the fact that the actual distance to the dock from the ship in the picture is only a little over a mile, it was not possible to get the boat in until noon the following day. The ice conditions on the St. Lawrence are worse this year than have been known for years. The last ships of the season have all had to be escorted both up and down river by ice breakers.

AMERICAN FOREST WEEK

Plans to make American Forest Week an occasion which will be observed by the whole North American continent are in the making for 1927, according to the American Forestry Association. At a meeting of the Executive Committee of the American Forest Week Committee, held in Washington, it was decided not only to perfect closer cooperation with Canada in the observance of the Week, but to invite Mexico, which has just adopted a forest code, to participate by national observance of the Week. A formal invitation will therefore be extended to the President of Mexico to set apart by proclamation as American Forest Week the same week that will be observed by Canada and the United States.

The Committee recommended April 24 to 30 as American Forest Week for 1927, and it is expected that the heads of the three nations, Canada, Mexico, and the United States, will designate this week by official proclamation, thus making it in fact a North American Forest Week.
WHEN Mrs. Benjamin Jolicoeur came to Berlin Falls in 1866, the mountains were the first things that caught her eye. Instead of a populated town, like the one she had left, she came into a wilderness that filled her with awe. Berlin could then boast of eleven houses, five shacks and one store, in which could be found one barrel of salt pork, a keg of molasses, barrels of beans, and a few other things, such as tea, salt, and pepper. It was not much choice for a varied menu but sufficient to satisfy the hunger of the husky Canadian laborer. The smell of pork and beans baked in the ground still lingers in the minds of the few remaining pioneers.

Mrs. Jolicoeur's husband came to Berlin after the Civil War. The saw mill belonging to the Berlin Mills Co. employed a number of men and paid good wages, from $1.00 to $1.75. They worked from 7 till 6. As there were no houses to rent, Mrs. Jolicoeur remained on the farm with her year-old baby, and her uncle and aunt. After a year she decided to sell out and come to the States. Packing what personal belongings she wanted, she boarded the train for Berlin without notifying her husband.

As there were no amusements, the men would go to the station after supper to watch the train go by. The train stopped, and out came what looked like a little girl with a little sister. What was the men's surprise when they recognized Mr. Jolicoeur's wife? Mr. Jos. Dupill, who had not heard from his wife for a long time (He could not write and there was no one who could write in French among them) said, "Gosh, Ben, I'd give ten dollars to the poor, if my wife would only make up her mind to come, too."

Mr. Dupill took the valise on his shoulder, and Mr. Jolicoeur carried his baby, and they went to their boarding place. After partaking of a lunch, Mrs. Jolicoeur unpacked her valise. To the lookers-on, it was much of a surprise box, for from it emerged 10 lbs. flour, 5 lbs. butter, made by Mrs. Jolicoeur, 5 loaves of maple sugar, one dozen of fresh eggs, two lbs. of tobacco and last but not least, one qt. of good old-fashioned cherry wine. Mrs. Jolicoeur thus became a general favorite and has so remained to this day.

She was persuaded to remain in Berlin. She was soon made busy in teaching reading and writing to some of the children of friends. She gathered a certain kind of hay that grows in marshes, bleached it, then braided it and made summer hats for men, women and children. She also remodeled 100 army coats for Mr. Ira Mason, storekeeper.

After six months, the Jolicoeurs built their own home on the Gorham road. This was a landmark for 45 years. It was sold to the Northern Garage Co. twelve years ago. Mrs. Jolicoeur had one room fitted with long tables and benches and started the first Catholic school in Berlin. Mrs. Jolicoeur received her education in a private school for young ladies of English parentage. She was an exceptionally bright pupil, but could not remain in that school on account of her father's death, which forced her to go out and earn her living. She then hired out as cook on the ship Tedousak on the Saguenay River. The owners of the ship were the Messrs. Frank, William, and Thomas Price. She likes to relate one incident of an Indian who offered to sell her some blueberries. They were nice, large berries as only Saguenay can grow. The Indian told her he would sell her a bucketful for 25 cents. Mrs. Jolicoeur said that they were so large that it only took four to make a pie.

Three years after, Mrs. Jolicoeur met and married her husband, with whom she lived 55 years. They had nine children, of whom are living: George, who is living out West; Mrs. McGarrigle, Brattleboro; Mrs. Demers, Woodland; Mrs. Thibault, Lewiston; Mrs. Henry Seguin, Berlin; and Mrs. Francis A. Seguin, with whom she has made her home for thirteen years.

Mrs. Jolicoeur kept her school open until the St. Regis Academy was started. Some of her pupils, both American and French, were Frank Paine, Harry Greene, George Preo, Alfred King, Louis Labrecque, George Porrell, Joe Porrell, Peter Dube, Napoleon Larochelle, Joseph Larochelle, Jane Desilet, Marie Fortier, Aline Dube, Alice Castonguay, Mary Larochelle, Olive Roi, Marie and Alice Dumont, Willie Paine, Nettie Mason, Fannie and Marie Mason, Napoleon Marchand, and Rosanna Marchand. Many of these are dead.

Through Mrs. Jolicoeur's influence can be traced the coming of the French in Berlin. Writing to the folks in her town, she convinced them they could make a
better living here. As soon as they could raise enough money to pay their fare, they would pick up and come. Mrs. Jolicoeur's home was always ready to receive them. Some had several children. However, they would stay until they found a place to live elsewhere. Among them were the Carreaus, Letartes, Nolans, Pouliottes, and several others who in turn persuaded others to come. The families became so numerous that a Catholic priest was demanded of the Bishop. Rev. Fr. L'Oiseau was sent to baptize the children, and give Holy Communion to these brave Canadians, who gave up their country, hoping to benefit, by the change, both themselves and their children. That it was a wise move is evident in their reluctance to go back to stay there. Many of the earlier families built their homes and brought up their families here.

The Farlardeau family was the largest in Berlin at that time. There were 27 children. Mr. Farlardeau had a life job, that of rocking the cradle. Farlardeau enjoyed it evidently, as he was never known to look for any other job. Next comes the King family, and it was done a la King, twelve boys and twelve girls. Mr. King kept the blueberry ledge for a number of years. That was the time one could get blueberries for eight cents a quart. Try and get them now. Then comes big, good-natured Michael Blais. Michael was not noted for his large family, although he did venture into matrimony three times, but no man ever loved the woods more than he. With his sawed-off army gun, Michael would spend days in the woods looking for a "beeg bair." Did he get one? Well, almost. You see, Michael was awfully good-natured, and did not want to hurt poor, defenseless Bruin, so he left his gun behind, and ran home.

The Carreau family had their home where the shoe shop used to be. Mr. Carreau was very fond of fiddling and would often forget to go to work. Undoubtedly the musical world lost a star there. Mrs. Carreau would have made him star in another line, could she have had him star in another line, could she have got him started, but, alas, it was hopeless, so she had to be the mainstay of the family, while Joe scratched away. Mrs. Carreau told her neighbors that they had not eaten a dozen eggs in fourteen years. When Joe was asked why he did not buy eggs for his family, he wisely replied, "They don't like eggs." Try and get them now.

A heroine of olden time was Mrs. Valliere, who was left alone with a family and a mortgaged farm. Mrs. Valliere, through sheer hard work paid off the mortgage, and brought up her family. All huts off to her.

There are many more, but space forbids. However, every family which came to Berlin, remained here, a proof that in Berlin these families found what they needed to make a good living, and educate their children.

The first priest who served the people regularly was the Rev. Fr. Charland. He stayed in Gorham, but would come every two weeks to Berlin. He would walk up from Gorham on Saturday, and on Sunday afternoon Tom Galvin, Ben Jolicoeur, and Gus Lemire would drive him back on the handcar. The Canadian element found in Berlin a safe, reliable place to live; and every year sees new families arrive from Canada. Berlin found in the Canadian a willing, obedient, and conscientious worker. The two combined are what has made Berlin what Berlin is today.

The photos accompanying this article were taken on November 8, 1926. One shows Mrs. Jolicoeur at the age of 82 at her spinning wheel. During the summer she spun 8 lbs. of wool made with human hair. The rugs are her handiwork also. She is the champion rug maker of the North Country. She made and sold 115 in two years. She has a shop for her own use in the summer season, and can be seen at 5.30 every morning, rain or shine, to unlock the door and start hooking at a rug. Some of her rugs have been sold in New York, Philadelphia, and Boston. The lace apron which she has on was made by herself. The lace is a knitted pattern, and is made with size 90 thread. The slippers were made by her also. They are made on canvas, and the sampler in the frame was designed and worked by her. For 50 years she was the only maker of hair work in Berlin. Her daughter, Mrs. Frank Seguin, succeeded her two years ago. One photo shows her reading a letter without glasses. Mrs. Jolicoeur never wore glasses, and reads the daily papers, English and French. She is posted on all that is going on in this country, and has a wonderful memory. She does all her own corresponding. This is large, and would tire many younger people, and she never neglects it. As soon as she gets a letter she answers it. We Berlinites are glad to have this grand old lady among us, and although she has seen many Christmasses, we all join in wishing her many more.
BOSTON OFFICE

Mr. and Mrs. H. J. Brown, Norman Brown and Paul Brown were recent visitors at the office.

Several others have visited us during the past few weeks, including Walter B. Brockway, Messrs. Spring, Chase, and Stack. During the visit of Mr. Brockway, the waste-baskets received a thorough inspection.

Norman Brown and Edmund Burke stopped in recently on their way to Chicago.

Mr. Gilman has returned after visiting several customers during the past week. He was accompanied by Mr. Nourse on his recent trip.

John Sherman favored us with a two-day visit recently, and with his usual versatility helped us service a Brown pump. We hope he will come often for his fund of information enriches us.

W. B. VanArsdel, D. W. Linton, and W. F. Everding called on us for a few hours. Mr. VanArsdel's services helped fill a need on conduit.

Mr. Leo returned from a few days at Berlin with a wealth of information. We appreciate the splendid spirit of helpfulness displayed by our friends at the mill.

Miss Margaret Allen is a welcome addition to our force.

Mr. Dupont is back with us again after relieving Mr. Clough at the Portland office.

Word has reached this office that D. P. Brown has been in town twice recently, but has not paid us a visit.

We wish to extend our most sincere wishes for a Happy New Year to all connected with the company.

NEW YORK

We wish all a very Happy New Year.

Among our visitors were J. A. Fogarty, Thomas Estabrook, Norman Brown, and Edmund Burke.

Francis Smith is on a business trip through New York State.

Charles Fogarty will spend the Christmas holidays at the home of his parents in Manville, R. I.

M. S. Flint visited the Portland office recently.

Charles Cowley is at the mill getting some pointers on Fibre Conduit.

We are pleased to welcome to our sales force H. L. Slauson, Jr., who will work on Fibre Conduit.

PITTSBURGH

This office extends to the personnel of all the other offices and mills its heartiest wishes for a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

On December 11th, this office moved from 335 Fifth Avenue to Room 417, Oliver Building. The Oliver Building is the largest and finest office building in Pittsburgh, and we are all delighted with the change.

Norman Brown, Edmund Burke, and G. N. Merry, all of the Home Office, spent a day with us in November. The greater part of the day was consumed by a trip through one of the cleaners, or rather less dirty, coal mines near Pittsburgh.

J. M. Kimball spent the latter part of December with our towel jobbers in northern New York introducing the Company's latest products, Nibroc Crepe.

CHICAGO

Among the visitors to the Chicago office in December were Norman Brown, Edmund Burke, and Glenn Merry of the Portland Office, and Mr. McIntire of our Minneapolis Office. Hope they come again and often. We enjoyed their visit.

The 1926 Army and Navy football scrimmage is now history. It was held on Soldiers Field, Chicago, and one hundred and eleven thousand people saw it and were thrilled by it. The game was a tie, 21 to 21. The Navy started off with a 14 to 0 lead and looked like an easy winner. Then the Army came through with 21 points only to be tied a little later when the Navy ran up another 7 points. It was no place for anyone with a weak heart. Chicago saw more of its Army and Navy than ever before and liked them both. We hope they will come again and often.

Many nice things were said about how Chicago received and entertained them. Chicago wishes all interested to know that no other body of men have ever conducted themselves with quite the dignity and decorum as did these future admirals and generals.

Hockey—once only a northern sport—has now invaded Chicago with a whoop. While most games are played by professionals they nevertheless cause Chicago to sit up and take notice. The games are fast and extremely well played and well attended by people who admire pluck and skill. Berlin and Chicago are drawing nearer every year.

MINNEAPOLIS

Hard luck still pursues our towel salesman, C. D. Johnson, who reports a freeze-up on his Hudson which broke his car as well as his pocket-book. We have advised Clarence that denatured alcohol is still procurable in Minneapolis.

Work on our new 3-million dollar City Auditorium is nearing completion, and the doors will soon be thrown open to the public for a general inspection. An actual visit through this massive structure is necessary to fully appreciate its beauty, of which we are so justly proud.

We are pleased to welcome W. K. Gerbrick of the Central Paper Co., Menasha, Wis., who was a recent visitor at our office.

S. F. McIntire made a business trip to Chicago during the early part of December.

Shh! Shh! "Mac" forgot he was Scotch—and a new rug, which has been sadly needed, now decorates the floor.

The traditional University of Michigan-Minnesota football game here November 20th brought to a close the 1926 Big Ten Football season. This contest was fiercely fought and the score of 7 to 6 in Michigan's favor is no vindication of the comparative strength of the two teams—
Minnesota outplaying their rivals by a wide margin only to fall victim to a costly fumble. Incidentally, the work of Herbert Joesting, Minnesota fullback, in this game, stamped him definitely as being worthy of the All-American selection recently bestowed upon him by Grantland Rice in Collier's magazine.

PACIFIC COAST
During the past month we had the pleasure of calls from the following: O. W. Meilke, President Blake, McFall Company, Portland, Oregon; E. A. Dorn, Manager Coarse Paper Department, Blake, Moffitt & Towne, Los Angeles; Ralph K. Erlandson, director of purchases, Fine Paper Department, Blake, Moffitt & Towne, Los Angeles; F. D. Barnhill, President Charles R. Hadley Company, Los Angeles; Fred Shaw, Zellerbach Paper Company, Los Angeles.

Earl Van Pool had a very successful business trip to Los Angeles during the week of November 1st.

Miss Mary C. Morris of our office, gave us a surprise when she announced her engagement to George B. Fink. As far as we can find out, wedding bells will probably ring sometime in February, but Miss Morris has promised that she will remain with us indefinitely. We all wish her much happiness.

Just to make our eastern offices a bit envious, we might state that we have been having perfect weather on the Pacific Coast all this fall. We observe from the papers that Father Time has presented the East with a sample of real winter.

Chemical Mill Explosions

Joe Paradis is practicing the gentle art of curling and is seen sweeping every day.

George Frost has put in a good supply of deer meat for the season.

Baldy Sanschagrin is known as the stingiest man in the cell house. He won’t even give anyone a pleasant look.

Owing to the slight error in last month’s news, we would like to apologize to “Fatty.”

Denis Driscoll has put his auto up for the winter and will not be able to shake a leg up at Success until next summer.

Hed Parker was seen climbing Mt. Forist with his washing under his arm. We wonder whether the Old Man or Old Woman of the Mountain is doing his washing.

Joe Gobeil visited Sherbrooke over Christmas and indulged in the vin blanc every day, this being the second month in three weeks. Doc. Merrigan is at a loss what to do now. He has already bought an alarm clock for Chummy, but feels he will have to hire a call boy in order to get Chummy to work in time.

Doc. Merrigan has laid poor Chivering Chev up for the winter and Suzanne’s place is safe for another six months.

Bill Hove is all set for a Bright and Happy New Year.

The firemen in the boiler house will have to depend on the Northern Lights very soon in order to see, if George “Going to” Gale does not put those lights up.

Joe Roy was called to Sherbrooke and went in his auto. Cost of trip: Gas $2.70, oil $3.00, two overcoats $55.00, two pairs mittens $5.00, four robes $40.00, and almost froze to death coming home.

John Becotte has ordered a super six radio and expects to get Chile and all other near-by stations. In fact he expects to get almost as much as Squeaky Santy dreams about.

Al Watt was in Lincoln on business for a few days in December.

Sheik Lafleur is playing hockey for the K. C.’s this year.

E. Chauvette has put his super Ford away and kissed her good-bye until the merry month of May, when he expects to visit Milan again.

Boals Rolls Hall is going to change his coat this week. Evidently very cold weather is about due.

Squeaky is now a broker on the stock exchange. All he does now is inquire about the quotations.

Duke Manton seems to be quite put out because they have taken the curtains off the doorways at the Royal Rest. We wonder why.

Card of Thanks


Dear Fellow Workers:

Your beautiful expression and sympathy shown us at the death of our son and brother, William Mason, is gratefully acknowledged.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Mason,
Mr. Eniar Mason,
Mr. and Mrs. John W. Pulsifer, Jr.

November Accidents

Upper Plants

Serious accidents ........................................... 0
Minor accidents ............................................. 35
Without loss of time ........................................ 45
Total .......................................................... 80

Sulphite Mill

Serious accidents ........................................... 0
Minor accidents ............................................. 9
Without loss of time ......................................... 54
Total .......................................................... 63

Cascade Mill

Serious accidents ........................................... 0
Minor accidents ............................................. 11
Without loss of time ......................................... 43
Total .......................................................... 54

The men of the Chemical Mill, through the courtesy of the Brown Bulletin, wish to extend their deepest sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. Carl Mason, whose son, William, was employed in the cell house until the time of his death.
HELO H. KING

THE many friends of Helo H. King, Assistant Purchasing Agent, located at Portland, were grieved by his death, which occurred on Thanksgiving Day. He had been in ill health for some time, and a year ago spent several weeks at the Florida Plantation, hoping that a change of scene and climate might be of some benefit. On his return he was at his desk in the office every day until a few weeks before his death, except for a vacation trip to Moosehead and Belgrade Lakes early in October. His mental alertness, his industry, and rugged integrity were known to all who came in contact with him; his fine spirit and lovable attributes endeared him to those who had the privilege of intimate association with him. Perhaps his most marked characteristic was his spirit of generous service, which not merely responded to any call that might be made upon him but was ever persistently seeking expression. His love for children and his ability to enter into their realm of thought and fancy and to win their confidence also marked him as a man of sympathy and discernment. He loved the open spaces, the sea, the woods, and the lakes, and it was by them that his inner thoughts seemed to be stimulated to utterance, and he would express a philosophy of life that spoke of a deeper nature than would be suspected by those who met him only in business. On his practical side he had a skill and ingenuity in small boat building and in carpentry that were well known and often exercised to the advantage of his friends. He loved to work with tools and to devise new and better expedients in connection with his work.

He was always a resident of Portland, born in King Court, off from High Street, on April 4, 1862, in a house built by his father, which barely escaped the great fire of 1866. He was educated in the public schools of Portland and after leaving high school went to work for Morrison & Whitten, wholesale coffee and spice dealers, and then into the employ of Simonton & Randall and the M. A. Jewell Company, wholesale grocers. After this he was with the E. T. Burrowes Co. for twenty-two years, as secretary and member of the board of directors, and in 1908 came to the Berlin Mills Company as assistant purchasing agent.

Mr. King was a member of the Portland Club and the Athletic Club, of the Odd Fellows, Knights of Pythias, and Ancient Landmark Lodge, F. & A. M.

He is survived by two daughters, Mrs. Bertha K. Fenderson, and Mrs. Helen King Brownell, and a son, Warren B. King, also a sister, Mrs. Jennie King Bragdon, and a brother, Charles E. B. King, all of Portland.

Carroll Dudley of the pulp sales division, spent the Christmas holiday at his home in Bangor.

HELO H. KING

Walter Forrest, of the statistical department, is the acknowledged authority on church suppers. You will find him in attendance at all of them within the city limits, unless there are more than three on the same night.

Harold Chellis recently decided he could sing, and with this in mind took the part of one of six black end men in a fraternity minstrel show. He sang "When the Red, Red Robin Goes Bob-Bobbin' Along" and you could almost see that little bird "bobbin'" across the stage, but of course it was only little Harold all dressed up in a trick sailor costume. We take it for granted he had a good time, but it is a sure thing that those that took in the show did enjoy themselves.

John Clelland, the versatile manipulator of the tabulating machine, which is rendering such efficient aid to the various departments, states that he now has the instrument eating out of his hand. He is at present enjoying a little research work, believing that there is a button secreted somewhere that will make the machine say "Papa" and "Mama." It is understood the idea came to him while he and Forrest were enjoying an extensive shopping tour of the city's 5 and 10c stores, where both gentlemen were much impressed with the various talking dolls they saw—and met.

Henry Hanson has joined the staff of the paper sales division, taking the place of Kenneth Hawkes, who recently resigned to take up his future work with the Ricker Hotel Co. at Poland Springs. We wish Mr. Hawkes all good luck at his new work.

Credit for landing the first Nibroc Toilet Tissue order goes to H. R. Annable, one of our Nibroc Towel salesmen working out of our Boston Office.

Harold Chellis, of the pulp sales division, has recently blossomed out as secretary of the Young Men's Business Association.

George Grant found the winters of the suburbs too rigorous and recently moved closer to the city proper by about a mile and a half, that is, on Noyes Street in the Brighton section.

Mr. Willis is taking a course in astronomy and can now accurately forecast the weather a week ahead. It will no longer be necessary for the members of the financial department to await the weather report before planning any pleasure trips over the week-end.

Alvin Googins (otherwise R. U. True) is a regular contributor to the Women's Page of the Boston Post. According to the latest write-up by Brother Googins, he prefers "old-fashioned" girls. For further information, consult the Boston Post.

G. N. Merry has returned to the office after a three weeks' business trip through the middle west.

Howard H. Sypher, Jr., has recently joined the forces of the advertising department from New York. He is very
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welcome and we hope he feels pleasantly located.

Francis Curran, brother of our noted charioteer, is the latest addition to the department of market studies, as stenographer, and we also welcome him to his new duties.

Eugene Merry, son of Dr. and Mrs. G. N. Merry, was a member of the negative team of Deering High School that won a unanimous decision of the judges against Waterville High School in the finals of the Bowdoin Interscholastic Debating League held at Brunswick on December 17. The Deering teams won both of the final debates on the question, "Resolved, that the direct primary should be maintained." They are once more champions of the league.

R. B. Cooke attended the closing of the Sesqui in connection with the fourth annual meeting of the Associated Glee Clubs of America, which brought together 2,500 male voices in one massed chorus from an area as wide as to include Michigan and Ontario, the audience filling the great auditorium.

W. B. Brockway was invited to deliver an address before the National Tax Assessor of Wisconsin, which was held in January in Madison.

Each member of the office received a turkey for his Thanksgiving dinner. These turkeys, given each year by the company, are very much appreciated by each and every one of us.

C. J. Birkenmeyer has been confined to his home for the past two weeks with a very bad cold.

John Vance is on the sick list.

Walter B. Brockway, comptroller, has been re-elected director of the Brown Bulletin to represent this office, and has appointed the following to act in the capacity of reporters in their respective departments, for the ensuing year:

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E. H. Maling was in Berlin recently on a business trip.

"Atlas" says it is very drafty sitting in front of the large ventilator located in the wall beside his desk.

Eva and Ida Marcé have shortened their fur coats. Some class!

Eva Bedard is often on the sick list.

Edna is still hot-headed. Her window is open when it is 30 below.

Esther is using quite a lot of powder on account of cold weather.

Jeanette McGinney was to New York for a few weeks and had a good time.

Our Bertha has an assortment of coats.

Florence Ancill had a few weeks' vacation. She claims it's too cold.

Bill is a radio fan during cold weather.

Tony Landry claims a headache very often.

Raymond took a day off to move. That's the way of married life.

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TOWEL ROOM

Marie and Jennie Parent have quite a few entertainers' noons.

Annette is doing her Xmas shopping every night.

Yvonne Dion is busy with Larkin orders.

Have you seen Olive in her red coat? Cute, I'll say.

Eva Michaud is back with us again.

Alice Dion is always in early when Reg is working 8 to 4.

Each member of the office received a turkey for his Thanksgiving dinner. These turkeys, given each year by the company, are very much appreciated by each and every one of us.

C. J. Birkenmeyer has been confined to his home for the past two weeks with a very bad cold.

John Vance is on the sick list.

Walter B. Brockway, comptroller, has been re-elected director of the Brown Bulletin to represent this office, and has appointed the following to act in the capacity of reporters in their respective departments, for the ensuing year:

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UPPER PLANTS NOTES

SHAWANO, FLORIDA
Geo. DeLaure has returned from "Ma" Ferguson's state, where he has been riding cattle this fall on the Sugarland ranch.

Julius Booth is up on the Georgia State Line harvesting sweet potatoes.

M. C. Eggleston has shod his mule "Rabbit," with a set of muck shoes, iron and leather contraptions resembling sawed-off snowshoes. M. C. guarantees that with these shoes and with a tough jerk line he can swim Rabbit through any slough.

Alligators have come in from the sawgrass prairies with the advent of a few degrees drop in temperature. They now sun themselves along the canal bank each afternoon. Naftel of the research claims that he has personal knowledge that they are eaten in exclusion of beef in parts of the 'Glades.

Muck fires attract attention, in the day time by the clouds of white vapor which condense at the height of a few miles above the land and which are fantastic white shapes set off by the sun, and in the night by the gashes of red on the horizon.

Frank Freese returned to the plantation in November from a trip through the north-west. Freese and his mate, Castleland, in the shop are among the old settlers in the 'Glades and can tell many anecdotes covering their experiences in this area.

Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Munds of New York City were guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Lord at the plantation in November.

Mr. and Mrs. Badger, who were married in Berlin, N. H., Oct. 25, 1926, are settled in their new home in the Townsite. Mr. Badger has been on the Shawano work since its inception in 1925. Mrs. Badger, nee Agnes Dustin, has visited Shawano twice before, with Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Sanborn of Berlin.

Dr. R. V. Allison of the Belle Glade Experiment Station is now beginning his work on the Everglades soil problems. Dr. Allison obtained his doctorate at Rutgers. He has travelled extensively on the Continent, and a period of work at Rothamstead is included in his record. Dr. Allison has come up to Florida from Cuba where he had just completed a soil survey for the Sugar Club.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Eggleston of Belle Glade a son, William, Nov. 12, 1926.

John Newhouse, janitor at quarters, can supply one with many observations that he has accumulated during his long residence in the Everglades. It is a long step from the time when Booker Lake over in the North New River Canal territory yielded 2000 alligators in one kill, to the time when two railroads now carry out the truck crops from the reclaimed land in the Everglades.

Mrs. A. Mitchell and daughter of Great Falls, Montana, have joined their husband and father, Mr. Mitchell, the Shawano cook, for the winter.

The Everglades probably connote, at first thought, a stretch of timber; on actual contact the first impression is one of the level nature of the area; as one explores it the prairie-like condition of these millions of acres becomes more significant; and finally when one sees Lake Okeechobee the impressions if no longer continued would be of the extreme vastness of the 'Glades required to simply surround this great body of water. The factors of soil type, its fertility, the machinery used to the absolute exclusion of animals, and weeds and insects which make the place a natural museum are not the ultimate impressions which come, however, with continued residence and work in the 'Glades. A census of dominant impressions would probably begin and end with the single one of the contrasts encountered on every hand. For instance, it begins to rain and ends with utter abruptness; fifty feet away it is pouring and yet your own location is bone dry. On one morning there will be every kind and every number of birds sliding up the canal and the next there will be none. Today a south wind will blow up from the mangrove swamps on the Gulf Keys and at dusk the air is full of bugs. Tomorrow a breath of wind will come out of the west and not a bug will remain. In growing truck crops such as tomatoes or beans,
the farmer either pays attention to his crop and gets a bumper yield or he permits pigweed to get a few days' start and then he harvests nothing. The real contrast, in December for illustration, is that of the Everglades climate versus that of the North. Down here we pull on a straw hat, pick off a few oranges after breakfast, pinch off a cucumber and a couple of tomatoes, wish it were Sunday and for a swim at the beach, and note the other extreme in the morning paper, two feet of snow up North, frozen up, shortage of snowshoes, and the Bulletin Editor thawing out his chilblains.

MAIN OFFICE
Some famous sayings:
Charlie—First ten years are the hardest.
Edgar—Theoretically, etc., etc.
Verona—I don't feel like working today.
"Goldy"—Some baby.
Fournier—Boston for me.

LYNN MADAN
The sudden death on Dec. 10 of Lynn Madan, assistant editor of the Brown Bulletin, leaves a gap that will be hard to fill not only upon the staff of our paper but also in many other organizations throughout the city of Berlin. A member of Mt. Forist Methodist church with nearly thirty years of service as a teacher in the Sunday School, Worshipful Master of the Berlin Masons at the time of his death, sponsor for the local Order of DeMolay, leader of a group of Pioneers, member of the Elks Club and of the Y. M. C. A. with its various discussion groups, he enriched our life in many places by his talents, enthusiasm, and faithfulness. Weak in body but strong in mind and will, he won a host of friends. He was born in Red Creek, New York, on August 11, 1878, of that industrious Hugenot stock that has contributed so much to the progress of our arts and sciences. He passed a part of his boyhood in Minneapolis and came to Berlin at the age of 18. He has been continuously employed with the woods and forestry work of the Brown Company since August, 1898. Even our last issue of the Brown Bulletin contained a poem that he suggested for use with an account of an enjoyable lecture given before the Philotechnical Society. He was "one who had actually felt the weight of a pack sack." He knew the trails and mountains of our North Country. It was always a pleasure to sit down with him before a map of northern New Hampshire or Vermont, old or new, and hear his stories of various surveys, changes of names, and corrections that have been made by newer surveys.

John Horton of the Electrical Department killed a 202-lb. buck at the Red Barn in Success.

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"Bob" Horne, one of our sulphur experts, is taking vocal lessons. He is studying Italian and at last accounts had mastered the famous selection, "Amo tanto i spachette," which when translated into English means "I love lots of spaghetti."

When it comes to handling a pair of ribbons you should see Frank Croteau. He is some farmer or teamster as you will have it. Frank says if he were put to the test he could turn a pair of horses with a harrow in a 10-acre field without tearing out a fence.

It has been rumored quite a number of times how a Ford could run on reputation. Seemingly this is what Arnold Hanson tried on his Buick because he was seen walking home to dinner and at 1 p.m. he brought back a gallon of gas.

Bill Mason, one of our backtenders on the tube machine, is to be congratulated. He is the proud daddy of a bouncing boy.

"When a car stops dead on a cold night on a strange road, it is a catastrophe," says one of our pugilistic electricians and that is what really happened on a West Milan road recently. One of our boys was returning home with his girl friend from a party, when to his amazement without a word of warning his trusty gas wagon called "halt" without the slightest provocation. The owner quietly dismounted and made an examination of his silent machine, but could not even make her cough either by coaxing or otherwise. Putting his troubled brain to work he summoned all the tricks of the various trades he had learned, except one, but to no avail. No go. At this stage of the game he was fit to be tied, but remembering that he used to be quite a side stepper in the squared circle, Phil squared away and planted his foot or feet firmly but not gently against her sides and uppercutted her to a frazzle and removed the only piece of nickel that his boat contained. I forgot to tell you that it was a Ford, and it is only sport models that are decorated. However, Phil got the decision on points for, when he was through Lizzie looked like one of Boot McNutt's limousines, the "Scatterbolt." If Henry Ford ever thought of running for President of the U. S. A., he would do well to keep away from Phil.

Joe Goudreau, one of our tank foremen, Arthur Simpson, and Joe Bernier plan on a trip to P. I. in Joe's new Nash. Simpson will act as guide, as he has already has made several trips to the "Garden of the Gulf."

George, Arthur, and Basil, not three musketeers but three inspectors. We wonder if they got their names from the comic section of the Boston American.

One of our late men, Walter Bacon, had a narrow escape recently when he got lost in the woods up Jericho Road. He entered the woods at Dresser's Farm to spend two or three hours hunting. When time came for him to return to where he entered the woods, he could not locate the trail and came to the conclusion that he was lost. He strayed around the bush all night and walked all the next day and was just planning to spend the second night when he came out at the fish hatchery at York Pond. He was greatly fatigued and hungry when he got to the home of one of his friends, but when he examined his knapsack he found he hadn't touched any of the food he had taken, which was enough to feed four men for a week. He told Harold Berony and Pogey Hart that if they would like to go with him some time, they might get some fish in the hatchery, as it looked to him as if there might be some in there. Better luck, next time, Bacon.

Are we going to have a hockey team this winter? There are lots of rumors floating around, and it is a question often asked in here. It seems we could support a team if the fans would get together
and give their support to hockey as well as they do to boxing. The B. A. A. has done a lot for boxing here and has given the fans a chance to see some of the country's best in action. Let us dig down and help organize a good hockey team and stay with it. Keep Berlin on the map in sports.

Mose Hanlon of Portland lost on a foul to Al Vargas of Taunton, Mass., at the B. A. A. show in City Hall Arena on Dec. 17th. After dropping the Taunton boy twice in the second round, Hanlon sailed in over-anxious to finish him and unintentionally crashed a wicked right to the jaw in breaking from a clinch. He thus dropped Vargas for the third time. The referee ruled the blow foul and awarded the bout to Vargas. The first round was even with plenty of action. The second was a slugfest while it lasted. Hanlon is a terrific puncher and made a great hit with some likely opponent in the next B. A. A. Show.

The B. A. A. will put on its next show at the City Hall Arena, Friday, Jan. 7th. The starting time will be 8:30 p.m. The B. A. A. will try to get Wee Willie Woods, Scotch Flyweight champion, one of the best in the world at his weight, to meet Berlin's own little warrior, Young Rooney, formerly of Lewiston, the greatest little fighter of his pound that ever performed in this city. Rooney holds the Flyweight and Bantamweight Titles of northern New England. He is a shifty, hard puncher and has defeated all comers in his class as well as many featherweights and lightweights. Rooney looks like the makings of a real champion and will get his big test in his bout with Woods.

These boys will weigh in under the flyweight limit of 112 pounds. Woods is a topnotcher and one of the best and swiftest little fighters that ever put on a glove. He has met Jimmy Wilde, Johnny Buff, Minty Rose, Elky Clark, Frankie Hebert, and many others, with success. He is sure to make Rooney extend himself, which is something no other fighter has done here as yet.

In the Semi Final, a six-rounder, Felix King, Berlin's leading light heavyweight, will be pitted against Cowboy Kid Miller from Brownville, Texas, now residing in Berlin. This is a bout that has been hanging fire for some time. Both fighters are waiting for the bell and rearing to go. They are bound to put up a slashing fight from the first tap of the bell and are sure to satisfy all the local fans.

In the Opener, another six-rounder, Big Oscar Hanson, Fighting Norwegian of the Berlin Mills, will meet another big husky. There are several prospects but as yet the Management has not decided just who will meet the Norwegian Thunderbolt. Young Ross had several good reasons for not taking Hanson on again.

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PHILOTECHNICAL SOCIETY

UPON December 1, Professor Howard T. Barnes, D. Sc., F. R. S., M. E. I. C., of the Department of Physics of McGill University at Montreal, gave an illustrated lecture before the Philotechnical Society upon "Some Engineering Features of Breaking Ice Jams with Thermit." For nearly a quarter of a century, Professor Barnes has been the leading authority upon ice formation. His explanations of the formation of anchor ice and frazil ice were admitted to the Encyclopedia Britannica as early as 1910. He has made a special study of the control of ice conditions on the St. Lawrence, and has experimented upon many agents for the removal of ice jams, including dynamite, calcium chloride, sulphuric acid, and the use of ash, sand, and gravel to draw the heat of the sun. He has reached the conclusion that thermit, intelligently used, is the most effective agent. He first tried out its efficiency in the ice jams on the St. Lawrence during the winter of 1924-25. At that time, two large jams were removed by a few charges of thermit judiciously placed in the key positions. In the one at Waddington, a quarter of a million tons of ice were taken out by three charges of thermit of 90 pounds each, while at Chimney Island a few weeks later over a million tons were moved down the river by two charges of the same size.

As a preliminary to his Berlin talk, Professor Barnes provided a miniature outdoor exhibition using perhaps a pound of thermit and a cake of ice weighing 100 pounds. The can containing the thermit was placed in a hole well down in the cake of ice. The thermit was ignited by means of an ordinary fuse. For a moment or two afterwards there was little evidence of action. Then for another moment the ice cake became brightly illuminated, but was apparently intact. Then suddenly there was an explosion. Pieces of ice were raised to perhaps 50 or 60 feet, and small particles of molten metal were thrown even greater distances into the air.

The central theme of the Berlin talk was a description of his work, methods of attack, and results obtained in breaking the Allegheny ice gorge last March. The thaws of last February caused surface ice for 50 miles above Oil City and Franklin, Pennsylvania, to move down the Allegheny River and to jam at a restriction of the river found at Brandon, 14 miles below Franklin, and to fill the gorge back to Franklin. This condition resulted in early February. In the latter part of February it was aggravated by the coming down of more ice, which lodged and packed the river from Franklin to Oil City, a distance of eight miles more. By the first of March, the jam had grown until the river was blocked for five miles above Oil City, making a solid and almost dry ice jam 25 miles in extent.

At this juncture, Professor Barnes was called from Montreal, and spent three weeks in the area flooded because of the

THERMIT EXHIBITION

ice jam. With the instructions of the Chambers of Commerce of Oil City and Franklin, he organized committees for using thermit, dynamite, calcium chloride, sulphuric acid, ash, sand, and gravel. Other groups took charge of reports upon water levels, weather reports, and field inspection. The dynamite was used mainly at the foot of the gorge. The calcium chloride served to open channels in the surface ice near the bridges. The sand and gravel was used for similar purposes. The sulphuric acid was held for emergencies that did not develop. The thermit was used at the points of greatest resistance in the ice jams, and at the times when the danger was critical it served to lower the water levels by opening up channels through the ice pack. On March 21, in particular, a jam occurred at Reno, which lifted the Reno bridge eighteen inches off from its piers. In this case thermit was used to remove the ice, and the bridge was set back without damage. Had the ice been permitted to move slowly down stream it would have carried the bridge with it, as was the case with the Big Rock Bridge, the understructure of which was unsafe from the beginning.

The thermit heat units developed by Dr. Barnes for use in ice accumulations contain ordinary welding thermit manufactured by the Metal and Thermit Corporation of New York and Toronto.

This consists of a mixture of powdered metallic aluminum and iron oxide in such proportions that the combustion of the aluminum results in the reduction of the iron oxide forming molten metallic iron.

The heat of formation of the alumina produced by the reaction raises the mass to 5000 degrees F. Heat from a body of such temperature is radiated in the form of light and heat waves with a maximum of energy in the heat spectrum.

Water and ice are partially transparent to these short rays, as is evident to anyone who observes the rays of the sun penetrating water. The absorption is gradual as the rays proceed, and thus the energy can be distributed over a wide area.

To loosen the ice crystals comprising a mass of ice, only a very small amount of actual heat is necessary. The amount absorbed from a beam of sunlight, or from a charge of thermit is quite sufficient to do this.

When heat is applied in the form of steam or hot water the action is only local, as no rays are sent out from a body at that temperature which can pass through water. A small amount of energy at a high temperature is a much more effective agent in disintegrating ice than a large quantity of heat at the temperature of steam.

In addition to this, when heat is shot into ice at the high temperature of thermit the energy input causes the ice to rupture and the molten iron dissociates the ice, forming iron oxide again, and liberates hydrogen which burns with the oxygen of the air. It is well-known how hydrogen can be prepared by passing steam over red hot iron, but at the thermit temperature the dissociation is much more rapid and gives rise to sudden generation of hydrogen as well as steam. This results in a slow explosion resembling a heave up-

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wards, which is ideal in loosening ice masses. Then the activity of the explosion comes from the ice itself, which literally causes the ice to blast itself. Dynamite can in no way be compared, as the shattering effect comes from the blow delivered by the explosive.

One very important feature of the thermit-ice reaction is that it is not in any way harmful to concrete structures or earth works. Large charges have been repeatedly set off alongside of bridge piers and embankments without any effect on them.

Large masses of ice have been moved near concrete walls with no other effect than the lifting of the ice several feet in great fields with consequent large surges spreading out as a number of waves through the ice.

To fire thermit to the best advantage it is confined in a water-tight container, with lined walls, of a size suitable to the work it is designed to do. The standard unit in this work contained 160 pounds of thermit.

A central fire ignitor is inserted in the top and operated by a red-hot battery, blasting machine or fuse. The reaction takes place in from 5 to 8 seconds, causing the thermit to be converted into a mass of molten iron which is held long enough by the thickness of the walls to burn completely to the bottom. The bottom is made of thinner metal, through which the molten metal drops by melting it. It is thus suddenly thrown into the ice or water with the evolution of the radiant beam, followed after a few seconds by the explosion which loosens the ice and burns out the channels under the ice. Ignition has to begin from the top, as the thermit will not burn upwards. The result of a thermit shot in an ice mass is to start a point of weakness which gradually grows by the infiltration of the water currents. The action in an immense pack is like the spreading of infection from a wound.

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**SULPHITE MILL GAS**

Miss Alice Thibodeau has accepted a position in the Graphic Department.

Mary McGillan is to be married today. How's that for fast news? We will tell you more about it in the next Bulletin.

Promotions to Alpha Plant are as follows: Lester Wellington, John Powers, and James Snyder, tower foremen.

Charlie is enjoying a new radio and reports that the best entertainment comes in on his radio.

F. Seguin has resigned as bass drummer in the Burgess Band for the 15th time.

The dates of the band concerts will be announced very soon. So watch for the ads.

Emile Nadeau is our new spare time-keeper.

If you have a stranger and would like to know his name, bring him to Batch Connelly and he will tell you the name.

Batch claims he can tell anyone's name, even if he has never seen the person before.

O. Gagne of the machine room, said he stayed up until two o'clock one morning trying to remember something.

Cyprien Morneau will build a home for you in six months with four men and most of the time, six.

Promotions in the dryer building are as follows: Elton Mitchell, stock grader to weigher; Bernard Roy from stock grader helper to stock grader; Arsene Simmard, from trucker to stock grader helper.

Joe Hopkins is now considered the champion gum chewer of the plant.

Joe Francouer claims he has the best radio in the world.

Mr. Bagley was one of the most sociable kind, with a smile and a joke for everyone. He will be remembered and missed by his many friends here in the mill and the community.
their services and showed the usual spirit, when it comes to doing something in the line of entertainment and benefit. The dance was declared a big success by all present.

We are now starting a new year. Can it be possible that all men intend to keep up their same old faults. Isn't there something that they can do to benefit their families, friends, and fellow employees? Even a smile to the people surrounding them would be some help, and good spirit is always welcomed. The old saying was, "Get on the water wagon, and follow the crowd." This saying was not always meant for the man who used firewater but also for the man with several faults that could be done away with on short notice, if they would only make up their minds to make a change. Perhaps the greatest benefactor is the man that saves the other fellow from accident, and then has him help to save another accident.

Beginning next month, the Sulphite Section will be increased 100% in news, and it is hoped that the cooperation of all the men in the mill will help to keep it up where it belongs with plenty of news. The box in the Time Office will hold a good deal. Photographs are welcomed and will be returned to you safely after they have been used.

A certain hockey fan in the mill would like to get the following team together, but of course this is not saying he will. The following men are on his list. Team Line Up: Storehouse hockey club, Martin Hanson, right wing; Oscar Christianson, left wing; Amos Sullivan, center; Harold Finnen, right defence; Joseph Murphy, left defence; Lin Henderson, goal tender. Subs are Adelard Parent, Benny Dale, Herman Reichel, Percy Ellis, Lin Condon, and Oscar Gonya. The dark horse, Herman Reichel, Percy Ellis, Lin Condon, and Oscar Gonya. The dark horse, Herman Reichel, Percy Ellis, Lin Condon, and Oscar Gonya. The dark horse, Herman Reichel, Percy Ellis, Lin Condon, and Oscar Gonya. The dark horse, Herman Reichel, Percy Ellis, Lin Condon, and Oscar Gonya. The dark horse, Herman Reichel, Percy Ellis, Lin Condon, and Oscar Gonya. The dark horse, Herman Reichel, Percy Ellis, Lin Condon, and Oscar Gonya.

CARD OF THANKS
We desire to express our sincere thanks to all who assisted and sympathized with us in our deep sorrow, especially those sending the beautiful flowers and the Pastor for the deep sympathy expressed by him.

Mr. and Mrs. T. M. Kinney and family.
CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our heartfelt thanks to all those who so ably and willingly assisted us at the time of the death of our dear one, and to those who sent flowers and spiritual bouquets and offerings.

Mr. Charles G. Martin and family.
Mr. and Mrs. Ira Mason and family.
Mrs. Dennis Pete and family.

BURGESS RELIEF ASSOCIATION

The indemnities for accidents and sickness for the month of November are as follows:

- Eugene Guay $67.50
- Jules Lanteigne 26.00
- Narcisse Letellier 48.00
- Thomas Derelitto 36.00
- Peter Hachey 48.00
- Isaac Theriault 14.00
- Jules Couture 14.00
- Joseph Couture 7.50
- Napoleon Lambert 36.00
- Fred Gionet 104.00
- Douglas Freenette 48.00
- Michael Demers 100.00
- Eugene Alimande 30.00
- Wilfred Napert 23.50
- J. Phaneuf 12.00
- Alphonse Larochelle 54.40
- John McArthur 14.00
- Alfred Poulin 27.20
- Leo Labine 48.00
- Barre Hanson 18.21
- M. Thierault 128.00
- Bridget Pinette 100.00
- Romeo Drapeau 72.00
- Orville Francois 4.00
- John Melsick 4.00
- Eddie Oberst 36.90
- Elnor Durbarme 24.00
- Joseph Lapointe 16.00
- Walter Taylor 22.00
- Narcisse Letellier 14.00
- Alfred Bilodeau 14.80
- Remi Parisee 44.00
- Alphonse Ouette 36.00

Total $1,848.55

NIBROC NEWS

SOME FAVORITE SONGS

AT CASCADE

"Spice"—"The Big Parade."
Frances Hinchev—"That's a Good Girl."
Bill Sharp—"Perfect Day."
G. Bowles—"Tea for Two."
G. Van Dommele—"I Don't Want to Get Well."
Aime Lettre—"I Wish I Had My Old Girl Back Again."
Grace McLean—"The Two of Us."
Billy Palmer—"Susie's Feller."
Florance Reid—"Evening Star" (morning and noon).
Irene Thomas—"Brighten the Corners Where You Are."
Gertrude Kennedy—"Hard-to-Get-Gertie."
John Hayward—"I Hate to Get Up in the Morning."
Everett Getchell and Pete Garneau—"Daddy."
Doris Oliver—"Baby Face."
Alzie Barrows—"Rocky Road to Dublin (N. H.)."
Kenneth Haver—"Am I Wasting My Time on You?"
"Honey" Cameron—"What Can I Say."
Artie Eastman—"Sweet Child."
Carl Elliott—"Onward, Christian Soldiers."
Luna Roberge—"My Wild Irish Rose."

We hope you enjoyed Christmas and got lots of nice presents in your stocking.

The New Year is here, and we hope it will be a prosperous one for everybody. We wish that everyone would turn over a new leaf and do all they can to make the Nibroc News something for the Cascade to be proud of this coming year. It is the same old story over and over, with one or two men trying to keep Cascade on the map. It can't be done because the plant is too large. You know how it is. You all like to see notes and jokes from your own plant, when the Bulletin comes out. Let every man in the plant take it upon himself to be a reporter and turn in notes that are interesting every month.

Oliver Keenan, timekeeper for the electrical department will be at the New Hampshire Legislature this session. It will be Mr. Keenan's second term as a legislator for Ward 1.

We were very much surprised to hear that Denis Bourgeois of the lead burning department has been confined to his home for the past two months. We hope his sickness is not of a very serious nature, and that he will be back with us soon.

John Guerin extends to all members of the electrical department, and especially to Jack Haney, an invitation to come up and hear his radio. John says, "Haney thinks he has a radio, but it's only a squealer."

Some class to our restaurant. The Ritz has nothing on us now. We have to hand it to John Lepage. He is some manager.

O'Neil Twitchell, the fighting fireman from Gorham, who can be found at the welding shop, swapped cars for the 99th time. He traded his Studebaker with Herb McKee for a Chevrolet. Jim Hogan of the Cross Power says they both got stung. He says, Twitchell got a good car but poor tires, while Herb got a good set of tires but a poor car. We were going to call it a draw, but according to last minute reports Herb got the worst of it.

John Graham, one of the oldest employees at the Cascade Mill, died at his home on Promenade Street, Gorham, on December 13 after an illness of less than a week. He was born in Sidney, Nova Scotia, May 10, 1852, of Scotch parentage and was one of the few people left in this locality who could speak Gaelic. He had been a resident of Gorham for 43 years. For a number of years he was employed in the Grand Trunk shops. He helped to build the Cascade Mill in 1902 and started work in the Boiler House in 1903. At the time of his last sickness he was oper-
ating a beater in the Kraft Shed, where he worked until December 8.

If one of the weighers would only put on a good heavy woolen shirt instead of a white collar, he would not need a baseball fence to keep out the cold. The boys say that the fence would be to more advantage around Langlois' cutter, so that Labonte would keep his eyes on his work.

Arthur Laplante, general foreman of the printing department, has been on the sick list. We all hope to see Arthur back to work soon.

Visitors at Cascade from New York Office during the past month were Manager M. S. Flint, W. H. Bond, J. G. Skirin, C. C. Cowley, and R. L. Slauson.

Willard Thompson, assistant foreman of the millwright department, sustained a very painful injury to his hand recently, when a five-ton chain-fall dropped on it.

This note might help explain one of the accompanying cartoons. This past fall Fred Andrews and Harry Leighton of the millwright department went out hunting. They were walking along a mountain side, when they saw a bear. They both opened fire, and according to Fred, they fired sixteen shots at the bear. Fur flew in all directions, and meat hung in bunches from the bear's sides, but even though the bear was riddled with bullets and looked like a Swiss cheese, he got away. Can you tie that?

Quebec Office staff would like to take this opportunity of wishing everyone a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Messrs. W. R. Brown, D. P. Brown, Gordon Brown, T. W. Estabrook, F. W. Thompson, and J. A. Taylor were among the recent visitors.

Messrs. Spaulding, Smith, and Henry, the Niles & Niles auditors, are at present in Quebec making their yearly audit, and will probably remain here until after Christmas.

Messrs. J. F. Heck and C. H. Mott have returned to Berlin after spending some time with us.

The curling season is now open here, and, as there are a sufficient number of devotees of that sport in this office, we will most likely have a team representing us this winter composed of the following members of the staff: P. C. Dale, J. C. Corbett, T. D. Beattie, and W. L. Bennett. We wish them luck and hope that they will bring home as many victories as they play games.

C. Genereux is now back in Quebec after an extended sojourn in Bersimis and is replacing R. Guimont, who is now at St. George, Beauce. We wish to extend our sympathy to Mr. Guimont who has just lost his month-old baby.

Percy Dale doesn't waste time looking for his car any more, as he has put it away and followed the advice of the tramway company and "Takes the street car to avoid parking worries."

The Quebec Winter Sports Association has drawn up its program for the coming winter, and has at least two attractions a week, with the Indoor Speed Skating
Championship Races and the Fourth Dog Derby as the main attractions. These two events alone ought to prove great drawing cards for the Winter Sports enthusiasts of the United States and Canada.

With the close of navigation and the docking of the "S. S. Itororo," Flagship of the Brown Navigation Co., the Lampons Cove Operation has been shut down for the winter. "Cal" Prairie has returned to his home in Plattsburgh, and Fred Wadleigh is now in this office.

WINDIGO NEWS

The Manager's House was the scene of a most enjoyable evening upon the occasion of Mr. Gordon Brown's visit here. Once the gathering was complete a first-class radio program started, also a table of whist, and dancing for those who wished. It was great to see Henri first on his home in Plattsburgh, and Fred Wadleigh is now in this office.

Vic Beede of the Quebec office has recently joined forces with Mr. P. Prince of the scaling department, and is already indulged in. Winter seemed to come over as to be almost discouraging. Still he managed it successfully and will be on his return to La Loutre with it in a day or so. Someone said that it was just as well that the steel hawsers made a loud singing noise when hauling, as music hath charms so. Someone said that it was just as well that the steel hawsers made a loud singing noise when hauling, as music hath charms and it helps deaden the caustic remarks made about steel scows.

Fishing has given place to winter sports here at last. Skating, toboganning, snowshoeing and skiing are now being indulged in. Winter seemed to come over this night, for we have had a most delightful fall, no miserable weather or much snow to speak of until a few days ago. Now, however, winter reigns supreme with rivers frozen up, and over a foot of snow down in places. So sleighs have replaced trucks and the merry jingle of sleigh bells makes a welcome change from the tooting of automobiles.

Our logging operations are progressing well as enclosed snaps will show. All jobbers anticipate a profitable winter's run.

Here was the scene of a very one-sided aerial conflict on November 23, when an immense hawk circled over the pigeon houses and decided upon one of our white Homers as a likely meal. There followed a lively chase, first over the office then over the river, and back again over the cookhouse with the odds all against the poor pigeon until in desperation it took a head dive out of the sky, bang through the big glass window of the pay office. Maybe he thought his time was up and decided to check out. As it happened though, it saved his life, as he was only stunned, whilst the hawk nearly paid for his intrusion with his life, when Joe brought his trusty gun into action.

A FEW JOKES FROM WINDIGO

After a man has bought a second-hand car, it is merely a question of which will break down first.

"Well, Sonny, did you get some good marks at school today?"

"Yes, Mama, but—er—I can't show them to you."

First Schoolboy: "I say, Ralph, who on earth was Nero? Wasn't he the chap who was always cold?"

Second Schoolboy: "No; that was Zero—and another fellow altogether."

Heard in school:

Teacher: "Tommy, what are the two genders?"

Tommy: "Masculine and feminine. The masculines are divided into temperate and intemperate, and the femines into frigid and torrid."

Bill: "Yeh, calls himself a fret worker—you know—does a bit o' work on Mondays and frets about it the rest of the week."

She: "You know there's an art in kissing."

He: "Oh, yes, I know. Art thou willing."

He: "Rotten of Jack to jilt Ethel and marry another girl, eh?"

She: "Yes, but Ethel had her revenge."

He: "Oh, how?"

She: "She sent the bride a book to read on the honeymoon—Stevenson's Travels with a Donkey."

Stern Father: "I've never seen a report like this before. Aren't you ashamed of yourself?"

Backward Son: "Frankly, Dad, I'm not. You promised me a dollar if I'd bring
home a good report, and I know you want
to economize just now."

LA TUQUE

The Ex-Service Men's Annual Smoker
was held in the Community Club on Nov.
11th. The following program will show
that they did not want for entertainment.

PROGRAM

The Gang    Rum Issue
The Gang    Old Time Songs
J. Bone     Sketch
The Gang    More Old Time Songs
E. A. White  "With his "Uke"
J. K. Nebbitt Song
S. S. Gillard Song
The Gang    Old Time Songs
R. Morrison  Specialty
J. A. Barraclough  "Our Absent Comrade"
J. N. Fairbairn Song
H. La Plante Chant

The Gang    Some More Songs
Messrs. P. J. Martinson, E. M. Plummer and O.
Gillard, Pianists.

God Save the King

We are pleased to see J. J. Hayes back
with us after his long illness.

Cupid has been working overtime here
lately and evidently with great effect. The
latest announcements are Mr. A. Walker
to Miss M. Sloan, and Mr. T. Loken to
Miss I. Lowthin. We wish both couples
much happiness.

T. W. Estabrook of Portland Office was
a recent visitor here.

J. McBride of Niles & Niles is with us
again this year.

Since the zero weather arrived, Brod
Poitras has been seen around the skating
rink. Barney is wondering if the "Buck
Saws" are going to start practicing right
away. Leave a few minutes for the Senior
Team, Brod.

The friends of E. Savanoe, formerly of
La Tuque, will be surprised to hear that
he has joined the long list of benedicts.

Charles: "Have you been to church
lately?"

Henry: "No, I get the service over the
radio."

Charles: "St. Paul says you should
assemble together."

Henry: "Yes, but St. Paul had no
radio."

Wife (angrily): "Are all men fools?"

Husband (mildly): "No, dear, some are
bachelors."

O. L. Robertson has been here for the
last few weeks installing the new Terry
turbine.

Messrs. D. McMurtrie and R. Rogers
are here in connection with the new Alpha
plant.

F. Thompson spent a few days with us
the first of the month.

The Brown Corporation wishes all its
employees a Merry Christmas and Happy
New Year.

BROWN CORPORATION
RELIEF ASSOCIATION

Claims paid, November, 1926.

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Owing to lack of space, we are holding
one full page of "Summer and Fall Snap-
shots from Windigo" for publication in
the near future. Watch for them.
PIONEER CLUBS ORGANIZED

SEVENTY-SIX Berlin boys are now enrolled as "Pioneers" and "Comrades" in the Christian Citizenship Training Program being promoted by the Berlin Y. M. C. A., cooperating with several churches of the city. The Christian Citizenship Training Program is unique in that it is a "program" rather than a distinct organization added to the already large list of societies and clubs that are a part of American life. The C. C. T. P., as it is called for brevity, is adopted by existing groups who use the plan for the conduct of their activities and not with the idea of being part of a nation-wide organization requiring over-head expenses and costly supervision. For instance, a Sunday School class or club can adopt the Training Program to supplement its usual work of study. At the same time the Program can be profitably used by new clubs who desire to use a comprehensive plan of character development.

Boys from 12 to 14 years old are designated as "Pioneers." This is the first step in the system of training that continues until the age of 18 years is reached. The "Comrades" group range in age from 14 to 18.

Christian Citizenship Training Program consists of four main divisions, namely: Intellectual, Physical, Devotional, and Service. It plans to give the boy a proportionate development, strengthening his weak points and bringing him to a substantial and normal young manhood. Through encouragement in school work, health education, reading, handcraft, nature study, and educational talks the intellectual side of a boy is trained. Physical development is promoted through such activities as gymnasium classes, basket ball, athletics, and swimming. The Program gives to the boy every incentive to be loyal to the church of his choice. The Program, while being distinctly Christian, is in no way sectarian. The only purpose is to strengthen the lad's religious life. The Service projects employed are varied, including such tasks as home duties, citizenship, thrift, and acts of constructive service to parents and companions. When a boy becomes a Pioneer he accepts this purpose:

"To follow the trail blazed by the Great Pioneer, in a life of service, and of growth in wisdom and stature and in favor with God and man," and adopts the following eleven points as his "Aims":

1. Seek health.
2. Do my whole duty.
3. Play a team game.
4. Play the game clean.
5. Be self-controlled.
7. Be absolutely reliable.
8. Be thorough.
9. Be always kind.
10. Be reverent.
11. Be loyal in all my relationships.

"Pioneers" at their meetings and at public appearances wear an emblem on the coat and a yellow neckerchief tied loosely around their necks. They also have a lapel button of bronze on which a notch is filed when the owner passes certain tests and does the required number of service tasks. After spending the necessary time as a "Pioneer," the boy is advanced to "Comrade" grade.

In addition to their regular meetings, the Berlin Pioneers and Comrades are engaged in a series of inter-club basket-ball games. Later they will compete in athletic contests and swimming events.

New Hampshire is one of the leading states in the country in this form of boy training. More than one hundred clubs are following the Program in the States. It is particularly successful in some of the smaller communities. At a "Round Up" of Pioneers at Concord, Governor Winant was inducted into the position of honorary head of the several hundred that gathered there.

In addition to the five different clubs in Berlin, there are several other groups waiting for organization which will be done as soon as suitable leaders can be secured. As in all movements of this kind, the question of adult leadership is a vital one. Nevertheless, leaders are finding the Christian Citizenship Training Program much easier and simpler to use than some others. They have a quantity of rich material to draw upon. They are also finding that this kind of work with boys is bringing great results and at the same time paying the leaders substantial dividends in satisfaction.

FATHERS AND SONS DINE

Two hundred fathers and sons attended the annual Father-and-Son's Banquet at the Y. M. C. A. on the evening of December 2nd and enjoyed one of the best affairs of this sort ever given in Berlin. A committee of mothers had provided an excellent meal. William Wagner, president of the Hi-Y Club, was toastmaster. John Gibb, chairman of the Boys Work Committee of the Y. M. C. A., was an efficient song leader. An orchestra of Junior Hi-Y boys furnished music. Speeches were made by Gerard Morin for the boys, and by Superintendent Carl Bair for the dads. The principal address of the evening was given by Rev. Anthony R. Parshley, of Lancaster. As usual, the Reverend Parshley gave a stirring address. His topic was "Gain and Loss." He had a worthwhile message and delivered it in a telling way.

The Father-and-Son Banquet is an annual affair at the Y. M. C. A. and always largely attended. The comment was heard that the one just held was the best in many years.

HI-Y BOYS HOLD REUNION

Members of the Berlin Hi-Y Club in other years were the guests of the present Hi-Y and Junior Hi-Y at a get-together at the Y. M. C. A. on December 18th. The affair was styled "Old Timers' Night," and a number of boys home from college were in attendance.

BOWLING

Some excellent scores are being made in the two industrial leagues on the Y. M. C. A. allies in the first round of the schedule that will shortly end. In the National League, Herbert Sheridan has the high score with a 122. The Martin brothers have the best team score, 329. Archie Martin has the best three strings with 309. The Martins also take honors for High Three Games with 904.

In the American League, Langford Crowell has made the best single score with 122. The Yankees, Theo. Brown, Pike, and Hazzard, have the best game with 316. Alfred Watt has the highest string of three games with 346. The veterans, Watt, Riva, and Ryan, take honors for the high team score with 925.

The standing of the teams and the points earned to December 18th are as follows:

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PROSPEROUS "Y"

WORKER PASSES ON

With the death of Lynn Madan the Y. M. C. A. loses one of its most popular members and staunchest supporters. Ever since the building was opened in 1914, Mr. Madan has been a loyal worker and participant in the varied activities of the institution. He served efficiently in a number of committee positions and did particularly good work in the annual membership drives. The staff and membership at large deeply regret his death. His older son, Edwin, was graduated from the Y. M. C. A College at Springfield, Mass., last June, and his younger son, John, is at present a student at the same institution.