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PROGRAM OF MODERNIZATION STRENGTHENING BROWN CO.

Men With Vision Brought Industry To North Country Built Sawmill In Berlin In 1852

Brown Company is the story
of trees, a river, a railroad and

without these there would
large pulp and paper in-
dustry in northern New Hamp-
shire.

The trees: The pulp and paper
industry of today is dependent
on woodlands, woodlands such
as those that cover northern
New England. There is found the
material from which are
the products of a company,
as Brown Company.

The river: To operate a large
industry there must be power.
Androscoggin River, drop-
ping sharply through Berlin, pro-
vides a natural source of much

The railroad: Industry must
have easy means of shipping its
products to market. The building
of the Atlantic and St. Lawrence
Railroad in 1852 gave this
means.

The people: All the trees and
and railroads in the world
could not form the basis of any
industry unless there were peo-
ple with foresight to see
possibilities of those things,
to build plants, people to
run the machines.

In 1852, four men with a vi-
sion came from Portland, Maine,
Berlin, N. H. They saw the
natural resources—trees and the
—and the means of ship-
ping huge quantities of lumber.

Build Sawmill
They built a sawmill in Berlin
began a business that sold
six to eight million feet of
lumber a year.

That was the beginning of the
industry known today as Brown
Company.

In 1866, partnership was formed
under the name of the Berlin
Company and succeeded
earlier Winslow Company.

Two years later, William W.
Brown of Portland, Maine, joined
the firm. It was under his
leadership that the Berlin Mills
Company began to enter other
industries.

During these years rapid
progress was being made in
making pulp and paper from
lumber. Men with foresight saw
the beginning of a major indus-
try in the northeastern United
States.

In 1868, the Berlin Mills
Company built its first pulp mill.
Years later, two paper ma-
chines began the production of
newsprint.

While the Berlin Mills Com-
pany was beginning its pulp and
paper venture, another company,
the Burgess Sulphite Fibre Com-
pany, was also beginning its
pulp and paper venture.

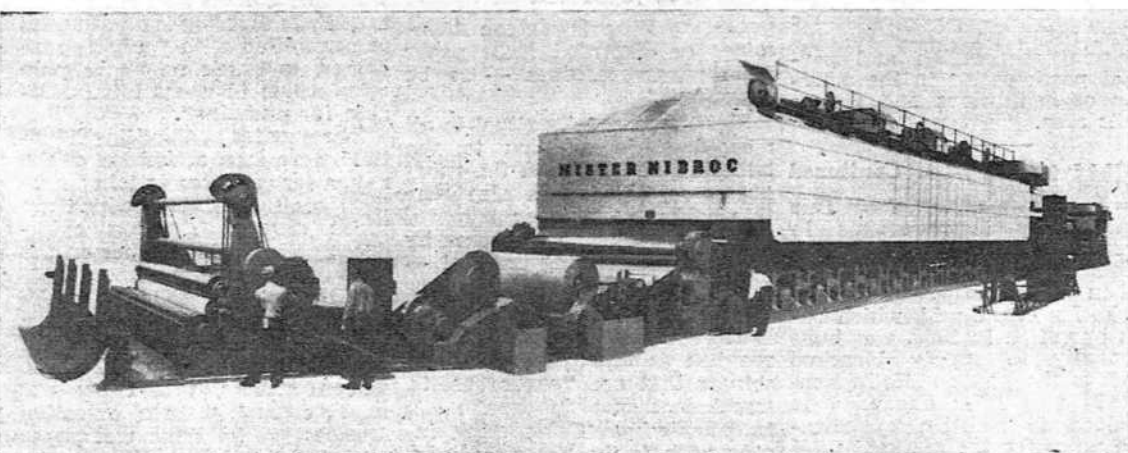
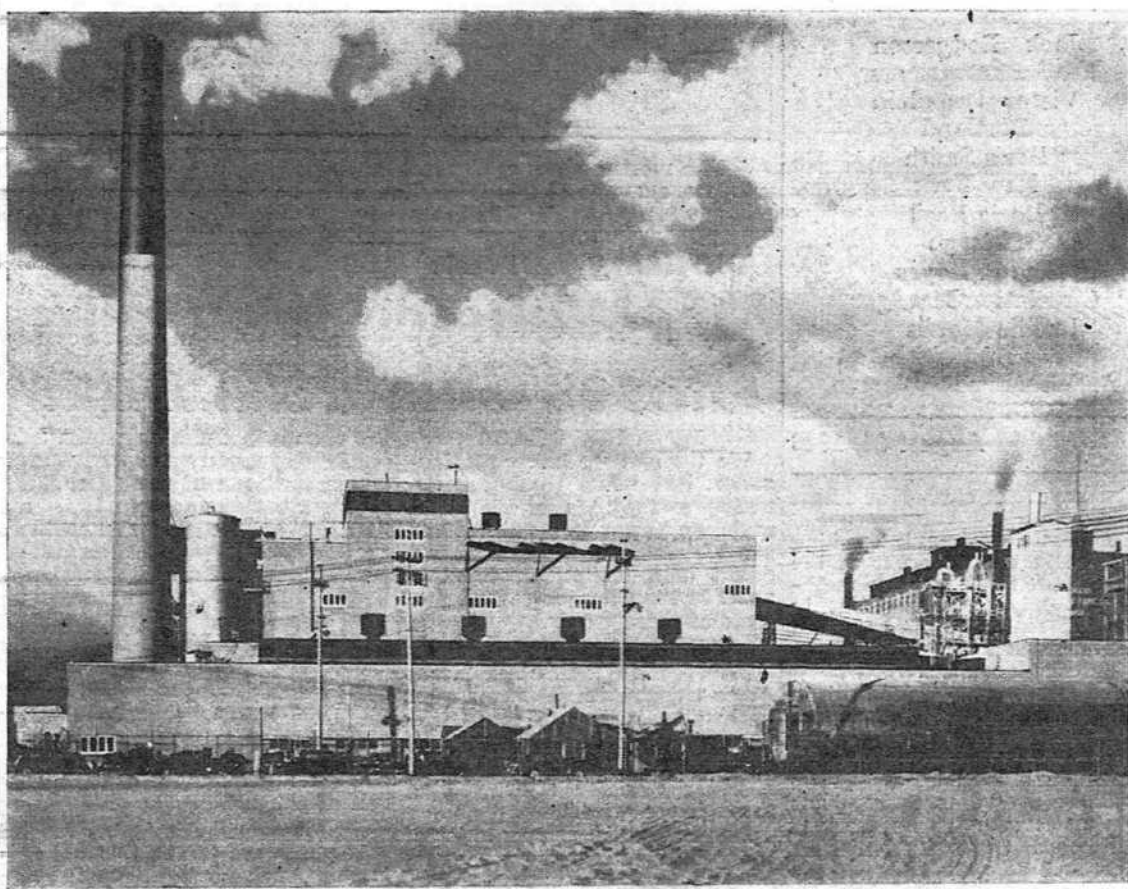
What Is Special

New Fair Edition

So that people of northern
New England will better
know the story of Brown
Company and its people, this
edition of THE BROWN
BULLETIN is being pub-
lished as a special New Eng-
land Fair Edition.

It is being distributed to
employees and others
who regularly receive the
bulletin.

In addition, it is being
given, with the compliments
of Brown Company and its
people, to visitors to the
Brown Company exhibit at
the various fairs in this area.



First major step in the modernization program of Brown Company was the building of a new kraft pulp mill and installation of a new 196-inch paper machine. In this completely integrated process the new mill supplies pulp direct to the paper mill through a pipeline. Other modernization steps will be taken as fast as funds become available.

Tree Is More Than Tree

Cellulose Gives You Pulp, Paper, Shoe Innersoling And Sewer Pipe

A tree is much more than just
a tree.

For the cellulose fibres con-
tained in a tree can become the
basis for paper towels and sewer
pipe, shoe innersoles and playing
cards, electrical conduit and
draperies.

Ever since Reaumur first stated
his belief in 1719 that wood
could be used as a basis for
making paper, man has been
discovering more and more uses
for the things that make up
trees.

Today, every man, woman and
child uses articles made from
cellulose fibres. Hundreds of
items are on the market. And
that new uses for cellulose fibres
will be constantly appearing is
attested to by the men who know
— the research men and the
manufacturers.

That the use of cellulose fibres
is diversified is shown in the
listing of products made by
Brown Company.

Pulp Division

At Berlin, Brown Company
uses both the sulphite (acid) and
sulphate (alkaline) processes for
making pulps. At La Tuque, in
Canada, Brown Corporation uses products.

the sulphate process.

Manufactured under the trade
names "Cellate" and "Solka",
Brown Company pulps have a
wide variety of uses.

From them are made such
papers as bond, ledger, envelope,
bag, blueprint, facial tissue,
greaseproof, onionskin, Bible,
cigarette, photographic, parch-
ment, matrix.

Products made from Solka dis-
solving pulps include cellophane,
seals, bottle caps and tubes.

Floc Division

A finely divided wood cellu-
lose, Solka-Floc, is used widely
in the processing of rubber for
such products as soles, tiles,
mats, records and cushions; in
the processing of plastics for
buttons, toys, tableware, elec-
trical controls, insulation, wall
coverings and luggage; adhe-
sives; as a filter aid, and as a
basic raw material for many
chemical industries.

Paper Division

Brown Company, from its own
high grade pulps, manufactures
a number of papers which are
sold directly to converters, who
process them into finished end
products.

The highly specialized items
made by the company's paper
mills are used as a base stock for
a host of widely diversified end
products. These include, among
others:

Abrasive papers, used by the
automotive and furniture indus-
tries, repaint shops and many
other industrial units.

Wet strength sacks for the
packaging of potatoes and food
products.

Asphalt laminated papers used
for protective wrapping, building
construction and curing of con-
crete.

Bags and sacks for the pack-
aging of coffee, tea, sugar and
flour.

Multi-wall sacks for the pack-
aging of agricultural products,
cement and chemicals.

Paper draperies for home de-
coration.

Gummed sealing tape.

Open mesh bags for the pack-
aging of citrus fruits, onions and
other agricultural products.

Insulating paper for electrical
wire.

Creped plate wipe paper for
the bank-note industry.

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NEW PULP MILL AND NEW MACHINE NOW IN OPERATION

Other Steps Will Be Undertaken

On the banks of the Andro-
scoggin River in northern New
Hampshire, a new 200-ton kraft
pulp mill and a new 196-inch
paper machine have been put in-
to operation this year by Brown
Company.

Complete First Step

This completely integrated
process, with the mill supplying
pulp direct through a pipeline to
the paper mill, is a major step
in the modernization of northern
New Hampshire's largest indus-
trial company.

Principally, the new modern
kraft mill at Berlin supplies pulp
to be made into the well-known
Nibroc paper towels and the
Nibroc converting paper which
have become standards of qual-
ity in the paper field.

The new machine, designed to
run 1200-feet per minute, makes
possible added production of
these papers, particularly towels.

No overnight decision brought
the new mill and the new paper
machine to Brown Company.

Shortly after the reorganiza-
tion of the company in 1941, the
new management began making
long-range plans for the im-
provement of the company.

Management knew that to
place the company in a strong,
competitive position moderniza-
tion steps must be taken.

Members of the manufactur-
ing, woods, sales, research and
financial divisions made detailed
examinations of market, raw
material supply and manufactur-
ing problems to determine which
steps should be taken first.

Study showed that the first
step should be the new mill and
new paper machine.

However, because of wartime
restrictions on materials and
shortages which immediately fol-
lowed the war, work had to be
delayed. Ground was broken for
the new mill in 1946.

Why Kraft Mill

The question has been asked,
why did Brown Company build
a kraft mill rather than a new
sulphite mill?

Officials of the company have
stated that "Brown Company has
established itself well in the
market with kraft paper and
kraft paper products. The future
of these products looked good.
Sulphite pulp on the other hand
could not be made competitive
with new mills on the West
Coast."

"It was a logical conclusion,
then, if we were to continue the
sound kraft paper products and
to expand in these lines that we
build a mill to supply us with
the pulp that goes into these
products."

The kraft mill also fits well
into the picture of raw material
supply. Strong kraft pulp can be
made from many different types
of wood that are readily avail-
able in the Berlin area. Many of
these woods cannot be made into
good sulphite pulp.

Although a kraft pulp mill is
new to Berlin it is not new to
Brown Company.

Pioneer In Kraft

Brown was a pioneer in the
development of kraft pulps. The
La Tuque, P. Q. mill of its wholly-
owned Canadian subsidiary,
Brown Corporation, was one of
the first kraft pulp mills on the
North American continent.

At La Tuque were made the
first sulphate pulps of high al-
pha content and the first satis-
factory bleached kraft on this
continent. There also were insti-
tuted.

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Fourth Of Employees With Brown Company 25 Years

The success and continuing length of any business basically rests on the people who use its machinery and equipment, process its materials, make and sell its products and manage its affairs."

Thus Brown Company's Annual Report of last year emphasized the importance of its people, which it termed the company's "most important assets."

More than 3,500 people are employed by Brown Company in mills and offices, laboratories and shops and in the field.

Many of these people have been working for the company a long time.

One is John Oswell, who began work in the old sawmill 65 years ago. Today, he continues his trade of saw filing.

Another is Joseph Blanchette, who has been with the company since 1891.

A recent listing showed 18 men who had been with the company more than half a century. Three others complete 50 year service this year.

The same listing showed 152 men 40 or more years of service and more than 1,000 others with at least 25 years with the company.

Thus, more than a fourth of Brown Company's employees have been with the company for at least a quarter of a century. Brown Company's management knows that has had long experience in industry and business.

Its president is Frederic G. Coburn, a U. S. Naval Academy graduate and former naval engineer, who first came to Brown Company as an independent financial engineer to assist in the internal reorganization of the company. He was named president in August, 1943.

Prior to coming to the company, Mr. Coburn spent more than 20 years in working with companies in developing management and operating policies of all types.

Vice president in charge of manufacturing is Wentworth Brown, who has been with the company since 1929. He previously served as mill manager at the La Tuque mill of Brown Corporation and as production manager at Berlin.

Vice president in charge of woods operations is Herman G. Schanche, a graduate of the Forestry School at Pennsylvania State. Before coming to Brown in 1943, Mr. Schanche was with the Abitibi Power and Paper Company, Ltd. in Canada.

Vice president in charge of finance and accounts and treasurer of the company is Ernest H. Maling, who joined Brown Company in December, 1920 as a member of the Accounting Department. He was elected controller in 1933, treasurer in 1941, and vice president in charge of finance and accounts in 1943, to his association with Brown Company, Mr. Maling was in charge of income taxes on the staff of certified public accountants in New York City.

He is president in charge of sales is Downing P. Brown, who has been associated with the company for 40 years. He joined the company in 1908 as a member of the Woods Department. Three years later went to Brown Corporation as resident manager. Mr. Brown joined sales organization in 1932 and in June 1945 became vice president in charge of sales.

Other officers of the company include these men: Edward G. Brush, controller, former vice president and treasurer of Motor Products Corporation in Detroit and a man with experience in accounting finance.

W. W. Jordan, secretary, a graduate of Fordham University's Law School, who came to the company in 1943.

Charles G. Raeburn, assistant treasurer and assistant secretary, joined the company in 1944, having service with the Abitibi Power and Paper Company, and the Treasury Department of the Canadian government.

In charge of research and development is George A. Day, who came to the Brown organization 20 years ago. Following his service as chief chemist at La Tuque, Mr. Day came to Berlin in charge of pulp manufacturing a few years before being appointed director of research.



John Oswell, now in his 66th year with Brown Company.

Director of company relations is Dr. Arnold E. Hanson, who came to Brown Company from the University of New Hampshire where he was engaged in industrial extension work, in addition to teaching duties.

Works Manager is Edgar E. Morris, who joined Brown Company in the Accounting Department in 1917. In 1932 he was made Superintendent of the Paper Division. Mr. Morris was promoted to his present position of Works Manager in November 1944.

Organizationally, the Berlin operations are divided into seven divisions. These groups and their managers are:

Pulp Division — L. W. Cushing, a 25-year man with Brown Company.

Paper Division — Walter A. Johnson, who came to Brown following many years in the industry in the Middle West.

Bermico Division — Harry Sweet, a veteran of 36 years with the company and a member of the division since 1927.

Onco Division — Elmer Christiansen, who has served the company since 1908 and who has been associated with Onco since its development.

Chemical Division — Henry Eaton, who has been with the company since 1917.

Power and Steam Division — Guy H. Sargeant, who came to Brown in 1946 after a number of years with the Aluminum Company of America and the

COMPANY AMONG SAFETY LEADERS

A record of which Brown Company employees have a right to be proud is their accident prevention record.

Remarkable strides have been made in accident prevention in recent years.

For example: In 1943, Brown Company's accident frequency rate was 33.9. Last year it was 12.6.

That's a reduction of nearly 65 per cent in four years.

This year, after 32 weeks, employees were still showing improvement. The frequency rate had dropped to 11.3.

Industry-wide, Brown Company ranks among the leaders in accident prevention.

Five years ago, realizing that steps must be taken to reduce the number of lost-time accidents, Brown Company's management began an intensive safety campaign.

A continuing plan for accident reduction was formulated.

Included in that plan were these major steps:

1. Improvement of working conditions, with greater emphasis placed on safety equipment, together with special efforts in plant inspection and the investigation and analysis of accidents.

2. The organization of safety committees among foremen. These committees meet regularly to make suggestions in safety in their own and in other departments.

3. The institution of safety engineering courses for foremen. These courses were conducted under the auspices of the University of New Hampshire in co-operation with the United States Department of Education and the United States Department of Labor.

4. Improved methods in training and induction of new employees.

Close cooperation was given by the local union. A union-company agreement made mandatory rules for the wearing of personal protective equipment.

The leadership which the foremen have demonstrated in the drive against accidents was one of the important factors in the outstanding record the company has made.

Directing the continuing work of the company in reducing accidents is the Safety Division, headed by James McGivney.

The company also realizes

American Woolen Company.

Berlin Mills Railway — Leslie S. Bell, who previously was with the Delaware and Hudson Railroad and who during the war served with the Office of Defense Transportation.

Sports, Clubs, Radio Shows Included In Recreation List



Among the favorite sports among Brown Company employees is horseshoes. A six-team league is in play each summer.

Americans love to play, and Brown Company employees are no exceptions.

An indication of this is the wide variety of recreational activities on the Brown Company program.

Organize Teams, Clubs

Realizing that people like to play, the company has established a policy under which it helps organize teams or clubs at the request of employees.

Softball and horseshoe leagues have held the major spotlight during the summer months. Nearly 100 men participated in a six-team softball league, while another 20 or more competed in a six-team horseshoe league.

When cold weather forces these athletics indoors, bowling becomes the number one sport.

Last winter nearly 100 men and women bowled in the various leagues of the company.

For those who like to sing, the company sponsors an all-employee chorus that appears at company gatherings and gives

that a good medical organization is also necessary to help protect the health of its employees.

A full-time doctor and three registered nurses are employed at Berlin. The company also retains doctors conveniently located to outlying woods operations. Dispensaries and first aid facilities are provided in the mills.

Employees also are aided on the financial side of health.

In 1918 a group, life, accident and health insurance program was established. More recently a hospitalization insurance was started. The company pays about half the cost for this group insurance.

concerts over the local radio station.

Fishermen and hunters meet to discuss their sports or journey to a camp as part of the program of the Sportsman's Club. The club also stimulates fishing competition by awarding prizes for the best catches during the summer months. Fly-tying classes were conducted during the spring.

Followers of the sport of chess can learn new methods of play and can compete against their fellow workers at weekly meetings of the Chess Club.

Own Radio Show

Those who like to write can contribute to THE BROWN BULLETIN, while those who like to appear before the microphone can participate in the Sunday afternoon radio programs aired over WMOU in Berlin.

Periodically, the company arranges outings and dinners for its people.

To more accurately determine what activities employees have greatest interest in, the company has conducted surveys among all employees.

The surveys form the basis for the types of organized recreation sponsored by the company.

PRODUCTS

Continued from One

Communication paper for perforated tape.

Towel Division
Brown Company is the largest producer of a complete line of paper towels for the institutional and industrial fields.

The famous Nibroc towels are used in factories, office buildings, hospitals, stores, restaurants, schools, hotels, and in many other types of business and gathering places.

Made from Brown Company's own sulphate pulps, both bleached and unbleached Nibroc towels are known for their "wet strength", softness, absorbency and freedom from fuzz and lint.

Onco Division

The Onco innersole is made from Brown Company's own Solka, impregnated with a strong saturant which gives it added strength with light weight.

Onco innersoles are used in thousands and thousands of pairs of women's shoes.

A special Goodyear Welt innersole has been perfected for men's, boys', women's and misses' Goodyear Welt shoes.

In addition to innersoles, Brown Company also manufactures Onco Plumper, a material used for reinforcing uppers and socklinings in shoes; Onco Sock Base, furnished to manufacturers of sock linings and heel pads, and Onco "S" Base, used extensively in the making of billfolds, handbags, belts and similar items.

Bermico Division
Among Brown Company products are Bermico electrical conduit and sewer pipe. Both are in wide use in this and other countries.

Electrical conduit is used as an underground raceway for electrical cables. The sewer pipe has a wide use in the outdoor underground non-pressure conduction of sewer.

Bermico perforated pipe is made for septic tank disposal beds and offers an ideal, inexpensive method of draining surplus water from low farm areas, airports, athletic fields and industrial areas.

These three products, for which special, easily attached fittings are made, are light in weight and easy to install yet have exceptional strength and long life.

The Bermico Division also manufactures fibre cores used by newsprint, kraft and book paper mills, and fibre shell rolls for use on special winding equipment of rubber, cellophane and textile mills.

Chemical Division

Most of the company's chemicals go directly into the making of other Brown products, but surplus chemicals not needed by the company have found a ready market.

The surplus chemicals are used for such things as water purification, bleaching, soap manufacture and penicillin manufacture.

Even drapes for the home are made by manufacturers using Brown Company products.

BROWN COMPANY'S DIRECTORS



Among members of Brown Company's Board of Directors are these men. Front row, left to right, G. Blair Gordon, president of the Dominion Textile Company, Ltd., Montreal; Frederic G. Coburn, president of Brown Company; John H. Fahey, former commissioner of the Federal Home Loan Bank Administration, and Henry P. Kendall, president of the Kendall Company, Boston. Back row, Arthur D. Emory, president of United Corporations, Ltd., Montreal; Orton B. Brown, director of the New Hampshire Insurance Company, and Laurence F. Whittemore, president of the Federal Reserve Bank of Boston. Unable to be present when the picture was taken were John B. Challies, vice president of the Shawinigan Water and Power Company, and Ernest M. Hopkins, president of the National Life Insurance Company.

Tube Mill---Cascade Tilt Today Decides Softball Round Two Championship

Cascade and the Tube Mill were all tied up as the final week of play opened this week. Softball followers were talking about the upset of the season which had helped cause the tie.

The upset was a 12-to-10 victory by Research over Cascade. Cascade had won six in a row and the last time out against Research had buried them by a 22-to-3 score.

Research, on the other hand, had not won a single game this season, dropping eight straight.

Research stepped out to a 1-to-0 lead in the opening inning as LaBrecque, who had singled, was forced across by bases on balls.

Both teams collected two runs in the second.

Cascade moved ahead in the top of the third with a three run barrage, but Research picked up two in the bottom of the inning as Williams drove out a home run with Vallee on base.

Research again took the lead in the fifth with two more runs.

In the top of the sixth it looked as if the roof was falling in on Research.

With two out and one on, Cascade began a parade. Two hits, two errors and a walk gave them five runs, runs that looked big for the moment.

Behind, 10-to-7, Research showed a fighting spirit.

Justard reached on an error. Roberge singled. LaBrecque tripled. Therriault singled. And Labonte rounded out the onslaught with a home run.

Five markers were in and Research led, 12-to-10.

The first Cascade batter reached on a single, but was erased on a forceout. The last two men flied out.

The Tube Mill, which had been rolling in high gear, ran into trouble against Burgess.

The Pulpmakers jumped into a 4-0 lead in the first three innings. That was the ball game.

The Tube Mill came back for singles tallies in the final three frames but just couldn't rally quite strong enough.

Lavernoich and Bosa pounded out home runs for Burgess.

In the other game of the week, Riverside moved into a 50-50 average by defeating the Wormids, 11-to-8.

Tied at 5-5 going into the last of the sixth, Riverside put together two singles, two doubles, two walks and an error to score six runs.

A rally by the Wormids in the first of the seventh fell short.

The round championship is scheduled to be decided tonight when Cascade meets the Tube Mill.

MAIN OFFICE MUSINGS

A farewell party at the Hotel Costello was given to Olive Hamlin of the Medical Department on Wednesday evening, August 11, by her co-workers in the Medical and Company Relations Department. Olive was presented with a blanket by the department.

William Callahan, Credit Department, was hurt in an automobile accident while on a business trip in New York City, recently. Fortunately, he was not seriously injured and will be home by the time you read this. Here's hoping you'll soon be back in the best of health.

Irene Latulippe spent two weeks in Pennsylvania on her vacation. Replacing her was Mary Ann Prowell.

Doris Vaillancourt spent a week's vacation at Dolly Copp.

Margaret Wagner, Lepha Pickford and Ada Anderson are spending a week's vacation at Boothbay Harbor.

Patty Moreau spent a week-end at a hunting and fishing camp owned by friends in Magalloway. Catch any fish, Pat?

Eddie Palmer is also spending this week on vacation. Have a pleasant time, Eddie.

Lorraine Bisson is out due to illness, having had her tonsils removed. We'll all be glad to see you back very soon, Lorraine.

Ernest Maling was on vacation recently. He spent it at his home in Kennebunkport, Maine.

CASCADE, BURGESS WIN SEMI-FINALS

Latest reports from the Horseshoe League on the semi-final games played Wednesday and Thursday nights, August 18 and 19, made the victors Cascade and Burgess. Cascade beat the Upper Plants 4 to 2, while Burgess overcame Chemical Mill by winning four straight.

Chemical's horseshoe players bounced into a spot in the semi-finals by means of an up-hill victory over Research last week, 3 to 2.

Research was fighting for a tie with Chemical. Had it won, both clubs would have had a 4-6 record and a play-off for fourth place would have been necessary.

For a while it looked as if that play-off would have to be scheduled.

Research took the first game, 23 to 17, and then powered to a 23-to-7 victory in the second.

But Chemical was not to be denied. It reversed the tables in the third, 24 to 8, and tied it up in the fourth, 21 to 14.

The final game was thrill-packed.

Chemical jumped into an early lead, but Research hung on all the way. In the 16th box Chemical held the barest of leads, 20-to-19.

The next box was the deciding one, Chemical winning, 23-to-19.

In the only other match played, Research defeated Cascade, 3-to-2, in a tilt marked two close scores. The third game went 20 boxes, with Research winning, 23-to-20. The fourth game was a 21-to-19 victory for Cascade.

NEWS FROM THE HOME OF "MR. NIBROC"

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Howard Robinson on the birth of a daughter, born August 18.

"Jimmy" Wheeler, formerly employed in the Finishing Room, is now the life guard at Forest Lake.

Harold "Bucky Harris" Parks will journey to Beantown soon to witness (so he thinks) the scalping of the Indians by the Red Hose. No doubt, Bob "Cleveland" Lowe will say that the Indians still do all the scalping.

Collette Saucier substituted in the office recently.

Now enjoying vacation from their office duties are: Rita Richards, John Lepage, Ray Holroyd and Arthur Given.

Bob Murphy, while vacationing at Forest Lake, landed two big mouth bass, one weighing three pounds and the other five and one-half pounds. Bob tells us (we are now waiting to see the pictures) he pulled them in while casting from a wharf in front of the camp. Was it fisherman's luck or the luck of the Irish?

Foreigners Visit New Kraft Mill

The wonders of Brown Company's mills are still reaching new lands. Mr. R. C. Patel, Mr. G. N. Gor and Miss Anila Gor, all of Bombay, India, were recent visitors to the Cascade and new kraft mill.

Mr. Hans Bjorkell of Tammerfors, Finland visited the sulphite mill recently.

Doris Vaillancourt, Purchasing Department, spent a week's vacation at Dolly Copp.

"Scotty" Gosselin spent her two weeks' vacation at Old Orchard Beach and Canada. "Scotty" is with the Stenographic Department.

Milt Hayes, Production Control, spent a two weeks' vacation visiting at Milton, New Hampshire, Bucksport, Maine and taking in baseball games at Boston.

STANDINGS

| HORSESHOES | | | |
|--------------|-----|------|------|
| | Won | Lost | P.C. |
| Upper Plants | 9 | 2 | .818 |
| Burgess | 8 | 3 | .727 |
| Cascade | 5 | 1 | .500 |
| Chemical | 5 | 5 | .500 |
| Research | 1 | 7 | .300 |
| Riverside | 1 | 9 | .100 |

SOFTBALL STANDINGS

| | Won | Lost | P.C. |
|-----------|-----|------|------|
| Tube Mill | 3 | 1 | .750 |
| Cascade | 3 | 1 | .750 |
| Burgess | 2 | 2 | .500 |
| Riverside | 2 | 2 | .500 |
| Research | 1 | 3 | .250 |
| Wormids | 1 | 3 | .250 |

BURGESS

Fernando Labonte, No. 3 Dryer pressman, left Berlin for a vacation trip to the Gaspé Peninsula. He was accompanied by his wife and Mr. and Mrs. Donald Harris.

Congratulations to Ed Hayes of the Dryer Room who celebrated his 67th birthday on August 4.

The annual field day of the Burgess electrical crew was held at Hector LeBlanc's camp in East Dummer one evening recently with Hector acting as host. The feed consisted of spaghetti and lots of other good things to eat. Softball and horseshoe games were played during the early part of the evening. Later, a six-handed game of crib was played. Between games, the boys were entertained with songs by the electrical shop quartet, composed of James Farwell, Arthur Montminy, William "Bill" Sweeney and John Hall. Solos were sung by Fernando Pinette, Al Buckley and Howard Page. It was an evening well spent. We wish to thank the committee and all those who made this affair a success.

The Burgess girls had a merry gathering recently at the Hotel Costello in honor of Marian Leighton who was to be married August 22. She was presented with a purse and the very best of wishes from the Burgess office and Maintenance Department.

Laurel Hooke of the Burgess office has been transferred to the Tabulating Department and Eva Vogel will replace her.

Jeannette Barbin spent her vacation at Old Orchard Beach.

Arthur Thomas motored to Quebec and Montreal on his vacation.

Louis Hanson vacationed at Newfoundland Lake.

Fat Marois spent his vacation at Aker's Pond.

Henry Holland spent his vacation in St. Johns, New Brunswick.

Benny Dale vacationed in Cape Cod.

Madeline Rivard was the guest of honor of the Burgess office girls at a supper at the Hotel Costello recently. She was presented with a purse. Madeline is to be married to Gaston Napert of the U. S. Navy.

Jeanette Guay visited in Sherbrooke, Quebec, St. Anne's and Cape Madeline recently.

Journeying Jack Says:

Bob Moreau, the energetic and very capable inventory specialist at the Bermico Division, drew alongside of us the other day, piloting his latest automotive achievement and proffered a ride since he was going in our direction. Among several ingenious inventions Bob has added to his car, is the latest improvement (Bob's quote) in "auto horns." He boasts of having the only "delayed action auto horn" in existence. A demonstration proved his statement was correct.

In passing another motorist going in the same direction, Bob pressed the horn button, grabbed the steering wheel firmly in both hands and was abreast of the other vehicle when the horn emitted a raucous blast that could only be compared with that of a "fish horn" with a chronic case of laryngitis. Judging by the puzzled look of the other motorist, we hastily concluded that this horn was not a complete success.

Bob's inventions have a close resemblance to those of Rube Goldberg and Willie Westinghouse.

We congratulate Eddie Murphy of Bermico Division on receiving his diploma as a blue print reader.

Pointers

from

Portland

By DORIS E. SMITH
BEFORE I LEFT for my vacation, I wrote in this column that I would try to pick up some new ideas from "unsuspecting contributors" while away. Here are a few pointers about which you might like to know.

It is a good idea to take along a 100-watt bulb if you plan to stay at overnight cabins, because invariably we found the bulbs supplied were of the 40-watt size.

Another thing not furnished in most cabins is good towels and face cloths. In fact, face cloths were furnished in only two cabins in which we stayed. From now on we've decided, and it would be a good plan for all you travelers, to take along a supply of Nibroc towels as they can conveniently act as both a washcloth and towel.

We found that a DDT bomb came in handy for getting rid of mosquitoes, etc., around the porch of the cabins where we stayed.

If you have a favorite collection of dogs, shoes, or the like, you might find that a two-inch paint brush is just the thing to use for dusting these precious objects. We noticed that many gift shop proprietors kept just such a brush for this purpose.

THE OTHER DAY I saw something really different in the way of wrapping a gift. A neighbor of mine was taking a birthday gift to an aunt who is handy with a needle. The gift was wrapped in a piece of gay printed material and was tied with rick-rack at the ends of which were tied two spools of thread to match the predominating colors of the material. The neighbor thought you readers might like to try her idea sometime, so she brought it over to show me in order that I might

pass it along to you. Clever, don't you think?

Apparently everyone doesn't know of the trick of punching a hole in the bottom of a can of cranberry sauce, canned meat, etc., after the top of the can has been removed, to make it easy to remove the contents all in one piece. Try it next time and see how easy it is.

BY THE WAY, we have had a little rainy weather down here this past week and it brought to mind a suggestion which I planned to pass along to you later on just before the snow starts to come, but it might prove helpful now, so here it is. If you will take some colorless nail polish and paint a strip about 1/2-inch wide around the inside top of your rubber boots or galoshes, it will keep from having a black mark on your stockings.

Speaking of nail polish, I've found it can be used for other things besides making finger nails and toe nails look pretty. I took some bright red polish the other day and painted a pair of green earrings that I didn't particularly like. Now I wear them quite often.

ONE KIND READER of this column wrote in suggesting that we use favorite recipes in this column, along with the regular hints, etc. If enough of you readers would like me to do so, I will be glad to, but I have no way of knowing what you would like, unless you write and tell me. So, if you have any good ideas you would like to share with others, or if you have some suggestions about the column, or some good recipes you'd like me to use, please write to me % Brown Company, 465 Congress Street, Portland, Maine, and I will be very glad to use your contribution.

WOODS DEPARTMENT CUTTINGS

Peggy Lepage spent a week's vacation at Old Orchard Beach, where she hoped to get a nice tan.

Lucille Lepage has returned from a vacation in Lockes Mills. She came back with a beautiful tan.

"Eddie" St. Laurent spent the weekend in Manchester, N. H., visiting her brother.

Stag Hollow

Joseph Tousignant, bull cook, has been replaced by Alec Morin while Joseph is on his first vacation in twenty-five years, visiting friends and relatives in Quebec.

Omer Lang of the Woods Employment Division informs us that regulation horseshoe out-

er from the I.C.S. Eddie has the honor of being the first graduate of 1948 in the company. He is employed in the Maintenance Department as a millwright. Our hats are off, Eddie.

A weekend trip to the Signal Mountain tower and cabin was enjoyed by a party from out of town visitors. In the party were Major Alan P. Thayer, U.S.A. of Washington, D.C., Alan Thayer, Riverside, Rhode Island, Clement Bouchard, a representative of the Cocoa Cola Works of Berlin and yours truly.

Our genial host, Sam Brungot, who made our visit a memorable occasion, invited us up on the Tower and gave us a demonstration of how to locate and report a forest fire. He also gave us some very fine advice on the prevention of fires.

Sam names off the lakes, ponds, streams and mountains like a veteran mountaineer. His study of wildlife is uncanny, his ability to relate fishing and hunting experiences tops the list of even the tallest tale tellers. Anyone who hopes to outdo Sam in these departments had better come early and well prepared.

Mr. Brungot worked many years with Brown Company before retiring to a farmer's life and, more recently, to his present position of deputy fire warden.

He invites you to visit him at any time. He wants you to tell all your friends to protect the forests and enjoy life in the most beautiful country of the world, good old New Hampshire.

fits and several interesting games which are suitable for use around the camps have been ordered. It is expected that much rivalry will materialize, and we hope to be able to have some champs crowned and their names printed in the near future.

The boys at Stag Hollow claim that they have the biggest tractor operator in the business. His name is Bill Pike and he weighs all of 340 pounds. Yes, they mean three hundred and forty. One of the boys exclaimed: "He's no Pike. Why up in our part of the country, he'd be considered a Muskellunge!" (Seems that the Musky is the daddy of the pickerel and pike family.)

After sleeping in the camp bed for a couple of nights, with most of Bill hanging off both sides of the bed, he was observed moving his special bed into the bunk house.

Along with being a jovial fellow with a fine sense of humor, we understand that Bill is very adept with tractors of the D-6 and larger size.

Ken Lambert is spending his vacation at his camp on the Magalloway — our sympathy is extended to the "barbottes" and pickerel.

Mr. and Mrs. Avery Lord have returned from their vacation spent traveling to various points of interest between home and Boston.

Omer Lang and family are now enjoying their vacation in the Big City. According to the schedule, Yankee Stadium will definitely be visited. Young Bob will see to that.

Judging by the preliminary work now completed, Maurice Quinn's new cottage at Cedar Pond should be a beauty. Good luck and many hours of pleasure, Maurice.

Congratulations are in order for Howard Finnigan for the fine job he has done on his cottage at Cedar Pond. Certainly has improved the looks of your section on the pond, Howard.

Arthur Boivin, Bob Reid and Louie Catello recently attended the New England championship fight held at Lewiston.

Harold Gifford and Joe Dube, both of the Scaling Department, are now out on vacation.