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Is There a Santa Claus?

(Editor's Note: We thought that the most appropriate letter to the editor for this Christmas issue would be the very famous note from a little girl who asked, "Is There A Santa Claus?" A newspaperman's reply appeared as an editorial in the New York Sun in 1897. Francis P. Church was the author.)

Dear Editor:

I am 8 years old. Some of my little friends say there is no Santa Claus. Papa says, "If you see it in the 'Sun,' it's so." Please tell me the truth, is there a Santa Claus?

Dear Virginia:

Your little friends are wrong. They have been affected by the skepticism of a skeptical age. . . They think that nothing can be which is not comprehensible by their little minds. All minds, Virginia, whether they be men's or children's are little. In this great universe of ours man is a mere insect, an ant, in his intellect, as compared with the boundless world about him.

Yes, Virginia, there is a Santa Claus. He exists as certainly as love and generosity and devotion exist, and you know that they abound and give your life its highest beauty and joy. Alas! how dreary would be the world if there were no Santa Claus! It would be as dreary as if there were no Virginias. There would be no childlike faith then, no poetry, no romance, to make tolerable this existence. . .

Not believe in Santa Claus? You might as well not believe in fairies! You might get your papa to hire men to watch in all the chimneys on Christmas Eve to catch Santa Claus, but even if they did not see Santa Claus coming down, what would that prove? Nobody sees Santa Claus, but that is no sign that there is no Santa Claus. The most real things in the world are those that neither children nor men can see. Did you ever see fairies dancing on the lawn? Of course not, but that's not proof that they are not there. Nobody can conceive or imagine all the wonders there are unseen and unseeable in the world. . .

No Santa Claus? Thank God, he lives, and he lives forever. A thousand years from now, Virginia — nay, ten thousand years from now - he will continue to make glad the heart of childhood.

THIS MONTH'S COVER

The cute little girl pictured on this month's cover truly expresses our sentiments to you. We selected this particular photograph from many forwarded to us through the mail because we believe that children make Christmas the joy it is. We hope you like our Christmas issue for it's our way of saying MERRY CHRISTMAS and HAPPY NEW YEAR.



BROWN COMPANY

It's always easier to sit back and forget about our troubles, but nothing is accomplished that way. Although it may be more difficult to work to *overcome* big obstacles, —it usually pays off in the long run.

Let's face it! Brown Company is not the only manufacturer of pulp, paper and other cellulose products. There are many more firms out to get new customers to make their business more secure and to provide greater security for their employees.

Brown Company, as a business enterprise, is doing all it can to keep up with competition and to help make your job more secure, — but that is not enough. All of us, as individuals, must keep "on our toes" to find better ways of putting out work at a faster rate and at an even higher standard of quality.

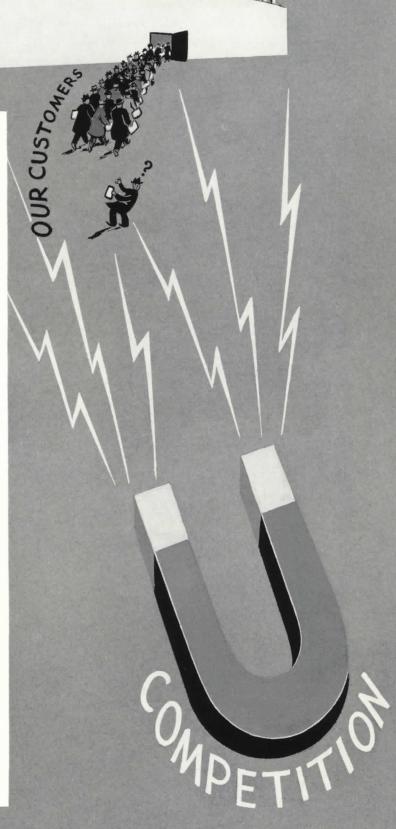
It's understandable that some people, as individuals working in the plants, are apt to say, — "Oh, let John do it." Actually, that's exactly what might happen if enough Brown Company people take that attitude. You see, that fellow named John may be someone who is working for one of our competitors doing the same kind of work that you're doing here at Brown Company. If you and all the rest of us cannot keep our customers satisfied with regard to price, delivery and quality, then it is quite possible that John's company could pull some of our customers away from us thereby hurting Brown Company and the people who work here, including yourself.

Today there are many major companies and many more smaller ones manufacturing the same kinds of products we make. All of them are competing against Brown Company for the customers' dollars.

And each of the employees of these other companies is competing against you for your job.

How can we meet this competition? How can we secure our fair share of the available business? How can we protect the security of our iobs?

You'll find some of the answers on the next two pages.





P. D. Q. . . are up to you. PRICE, DELIVERY and QUALITY are your business. Although your particular job may seem somewhat remote from the customers' demands of PRICE, DELIVERY, or QUALITY, you can be sure that when the final score is reckoned, your efforts will help decide how well we meet or miss our goals.

If you were a customer, what would you want? You would want exactly what Brown Company's customers demand.

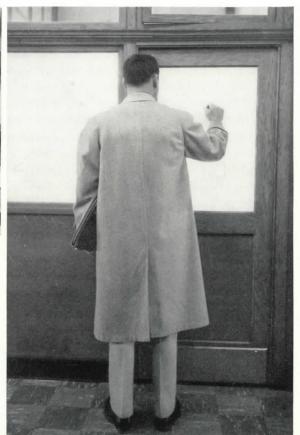
First, you would want PRICE. In the competitive scramble for business, the customer is putting increasing emphasis on his demands for three things. One of them is the product at a reasonable price.

Also of importance to you would be DELIVERY. The day when the customer was willing to wait months and months for delivery is rapidly disappearing. Today the customer is demanding more prompt delivery service.

And, of course, you would want QUALITY. Although "Quality" has long been a respected word with Brown Company, the customer expects no let down in our effort to maintain the high degree of quality which has been responsible for making Brown Company one of the nation's leading manufacturers in the pulp and paper field.



(Above) Brown Company salesmen must continually make the rounds of old and valued customers to keep them fully informed about our quality products. Our first line of attack in the battle for the customers' dollars is a hard-hitting, alert sales force. (At right) New customers must also be added. Brown Company salesmen must call on and seek out prospective customers, putting in many long hours of "selling" to pump new blood into our customer lists.



RICE. If you know of any way to lower the price of our products, don't hesitate to report it to the proper person. It is only through high production, efficient operations, and careful attention to cost factors that we can help meet the customers' demands for a reasonable price tag on our products.

ELIVERY. Delivery is an important item these days. For instance, the money represented by these cartons will never fill your paycheck unless it reaches, and pleases, the customer. Anything you do to help speed it on its way is in your own self-interest.

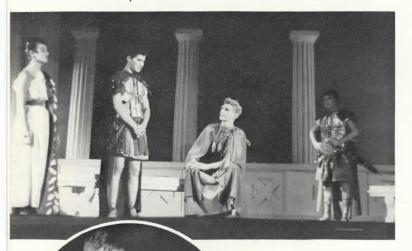
UALITY. Careful workmanship and constant checks on quality are not only a matter of personal pride. These two factors can well mean the difference between KEEPING a customer or LOSING him. It would do all of us a world of good if we remembered that "a company is known by the customers it KEEPS."





HIS ROYAL NIBS "on stage"

Large "boulders," chest shields, helmets and sandals shown in above photo were made with towels and Onco.



Paper toweling was used to make huge columns shown in above photo.

Student shown here displaying a helmet used in play. Plume made from Onco, helmet from paper towels.

Unless you had the opportunity, as the writer did, to visi ckstage during the outstanding production of "The Robe,"

Unless you had the opportunity, as the writer did, to visit backstage during the outstanding production of "The Robe," recently staged by the senior class of Berlin High School, under the direction of Miss Virginia Moffett, it would be difficult for you to believe that most of the scenery and costumes were made from Brown Company products.

Nibroc paper towels and Onco were the major raw materials used in scenery construction. Huge columns, both white and marbleized, rocks and ledges, soldiers' helmets, sandals, chest shields and many other accessories were constructed, believe it or not, with paper towels, Onco, glue, a few pieces of wood and some chicken wire. The work was accomplished by students under the direction of Robert Hughes of the Berlin High School staff.

According to Mr. Hughes, the process consisted of making a plastic mold, inserting a layer of paper towels in the mold, adding glue, more towels, more glue, and so on until the desired thickness was reached. The material was then allowed to harden before it was painted. Onco, on the other hand, was used by cutting it into the desired sizes and shapes, painting it to look like leather, and then sewing it to form sandals, shoulder pieces and many other decorative objects.

The Brown Bulletin takes this opportunity to publicize the novel use of Brown Company products and also to pay tribute to those who worked "behind the scenes."



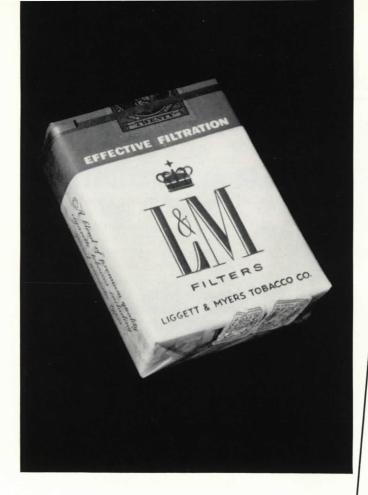
Students and Mr. Hughes making "boulders" from paper towels.



Art instructor was presented with token of appreciation.



Smaller "rocks" were also constructed by students. This one is nearly finished.



A NOTHER BROWN COMPANY PRODUCT scores a hit among leading U. S. manufacturers. This time it's Solka-Floc (*), a highly refined wood cellulose, similar in appearance to flour and often called Brown Company's "miracle" product.

The Liggett & Myers Tobacco Company is now buying Solka-Floc from Brown Company for use as a filter aid in the manufacture of L & M cigarettes, believed to be the newest filter type cigarette on the market.

As we understand it, the Liggett & Myers Tobacco Company disperses the Solka-Floc in acetate fibres. These acetate fibres are what you see when you break open one of the filter tips. If you were to shake these fibres over a dark surface, you would notice some of the Solka-Floc dropping to the surface. Very little of it will drop to the surface, however, because of the unique method Liggett & Myers has of dispersing it in the fibres.

The acetate fibres, while they do a small amount of the filtering, are not the main reason for the cigarette's efficient filtration. The Solka-Floc actually forms the long, deep filter for the smoke.

Solka-Floc was developed in 1930 by Brown Company and proved to be another "first" in the company's constant effort toward developing new products from wood.

Is uses Solka Floc*

LIGGETT & MYERS TOBACCO Co.

630 FIFTH AVENUE

NEW YORK 20, N. Y.

DR. F. R. DARKIS
DIRECTOR OF RESEARCH

Extensive investigations of possible filter media were initiated in our laboratory and by our consultants early in 1951. The search conwas found that effectively non-mineral material was found that effectively filtered the smoke. This is the material used in "LEM" Filter Tip cigarettes and is a highly purified alpha celadditive in certain foods, it is entirely harmless to health.

Alpha cellulose is the purest material now available to filter cigarette smoke. It removes over one-third of the smoke without impairing its satisfying taste. The "L&M" alpha cellulose filter* is specially designed to restream leaving a truly light smoke.

When you smoke "L&M" cigarettes, made and guaranteed by Liggett & Myers Tobacco Company, you draw into your mouth much less smoke with much less nicotine and other nitrogenous constituents.

Liggettvlyers Tobacco Co.

*U. S. Patent Pending

The use of Solka-Floc in cigarettes is simply further proof that its usefulness is practically unlimited. New applications are constantly being developed. Aside from being used as a filter aid in cigarettes, it also appears in such products as plastics, plastic wood, coated fabrics, rubber, welding rods, detergents and other types of filter aids.

Solka-Floc is one of many products manufactured by Brown Company at its highly diversified operations in Berlin, N. H.

CONGRATULATIONS!



By Jeannette Barbin

Val Albert, (at left) Burgess 1st Class Millwright and Shop Steward, and former Berlin Maroons Hockey Star, and Abel Cloutier, (below) another Brown Company employee, were among five water life-saving heroes of this city honored at a special banquet, sponsored by Voiture No. 158, 40 and 8, on Tuesday, November 10, 1953, at the Pot Luck Restaurant.

On Saturday, August 29, 1953, Val assisted a plucky Berlin youngster, 11-year-old, George Cote, in the rescue of a swimming companion, 10-year-old, Paul Lamoureux, from a channel at a dam near the outlet of Akers Pond by lifting both boys out of the water.

Previous to this, on July 5, 1953, Val had also been called upon, this time single-handedly, to save the life of another Berlin youth, Philomon Ross. A leisurely ride on a Sunday morning was brusquely interrupted when Val spied the youngster in distress. A quick dash to the wharf's end and a timely plunge, fully clothed, into the waters of Cedar Pond resulted in another heroic victory for the former hockey defense man.

Yet a third time, and again at Akers Pond, Val was on the scene to assist in the rescue this time of five people. The near tragedy followed a pleasure ride by motor boat of a father, his four sons, and a friend—the motor failed, started up unexpectedly, the father was thrown out of the boat, the boat circled back, the father plunged for it capsizing it and leaving all six struggling in the water. Witnessing this, meanwhile, Val had freed a rowboat from its moorings on the beach and, with Abel Cloutier, was rowing out to the hapless lot at top speed. About 100 yards away from the victims, an oar broke-Cloutier dove into the water both to lighten the load of the boat and to swim out to a young woman, wife of the father, who was bravely struggling to swim out to the aid of her brood. Cloutier had to dive to a depth of 15 feet to bring Mrs. Burlock and Belanger to the surface.

Father and one son reached shore on their own, and Val finally reached the remainder—two youngsters on the upturned boat (perched there by the only one of the four sons who could swim) and 3 yet in the water—paddling them all back to shore with his one remaining our



Memo . . . FROM THE PRESIDENT







Brown Company has just finished its 1953 fiscal year and our friends in the Accounting and Financial departments are now busy adding up the score. In gross sales we have succeeded in reaching an amount somewhat above last year's gross but less than that in the banner year of 1951. Fiscal 1953 has been a year of hard work and many problems. As I look back over the year I feel that in many respects real progress has been made. The plant rehabilitation program which has been actively underway for the last three years has been advanced considerably. Our accident record, which was alarmingly high in 1952, has been improved.

We have increasingly demonstrated that the greatest asset which Brown Co. has, other than its officers and employees, is its reputation for high quality manufacture. Frankly, there have been times in the last year when I have wondered whether such

a reputation was fully justified.

We have been plagued by carelessness in some of the departments. Carelessness in manufacturing is a very frustrating thing for the officers of the company and for the sales department. Very often our customers take in paper and pulp in advance of their actual needs as an accommodation to us and then when the paper is unrolled or the bales of pulp opened, it develops that someone, somewhere, did not do his job properly. In addition to the irritation, the financial loss of taking back the material is very considerable. I am pointing these things out not because they are the general run, but because when these things happen the reputation of every one of us and of our company suffers.

In certain cases during the year there have been people on the payroll of the company who for some reason or other did not choose to give a day's work for a day's pay. This, too, is frustrating as it injures the chances of his fellow workers and of the

company in general.

Perhaps this is a good time to face up to the situation. We can only make Brown Co. successful and increase its contributions to the community in furnishing jobs if people here generally are willing to work as hard as those employed by our competitors. I know from four years' experience as President of this company that most of us are in the class of those who conscientiously try to do a good job. But we all suffer to the extent that we are disgraced by those who do not do their share.

1953 has been a year of intensive competition and I feel that on the whole the Berlin operation has been successful. It is not fair to those who try hard to do a job, that the low hangers should not be told how disastrous it is when they fail to do

their part

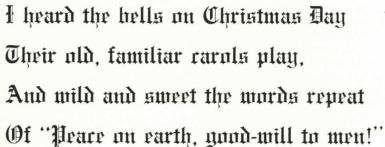
As you all know, I am an optimist with a firm belief in Brown Co., Berlin, N. H., and New England in general. If I did not sincerely believe that we could do a good job in the manufacture of pulp and paper products here in Berlin I would not waste my time working on the proposition. No company can be successful unless the morale of its officers and employees is high enough so that each man or woman does his or her part. It has taken millions of dollars of Brown Co. money to do the plant rehabilitation we have carried out to date. Millions more must be expended to meet the competition of the future. It is increasingly evident to me that we shall not be able to find the money to continue the good work which has been done here in Berlin unless we all pitch in and help.

I know from a personal acquaintance with a vast number of our employees that they realize this and that they are doing everything they can to help. Let's carry as the watchword for 1954, "LET'S ALL GET ON THE TEAM." I am confident that with your help 1954 will be a better year, earnings-wise, than 1953. In 1953 our earnings at Berlin did not improve substantially over 1952 in spite of all the money spent on plants and equipment. Our stockholders have been patient and friendly, and it is

important to keep them so.

This letter is not meant to be pessimistic or to indicate any degree of discouragement with the situation but rather to sensibly face the facts and point out our objectives. In 1954, we must have more efficient production of higher quality products. There is no market today for any goods except those which meet strict standards of excellence. Brown Company's reputation is dependent on the exercise of the manufacturing skills which we have here at Berlin in such abundance.—L. F. W.





And thought how, as the day had come The helfries of all Christendom Had rolled along th'unbroken song Of "Peace on earth, good-will to men!"

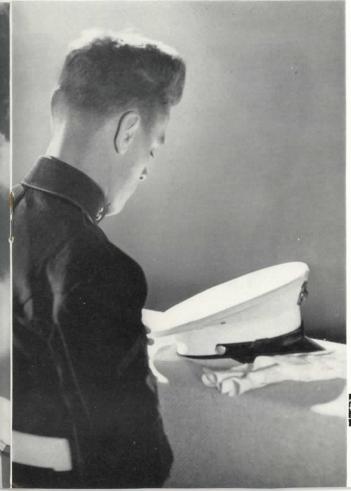






'Til ringing, singing on its way,
The world revolved from night to day,
A voice, a chime, a chant sublime
Of "Peace on earth, good-will to men!"

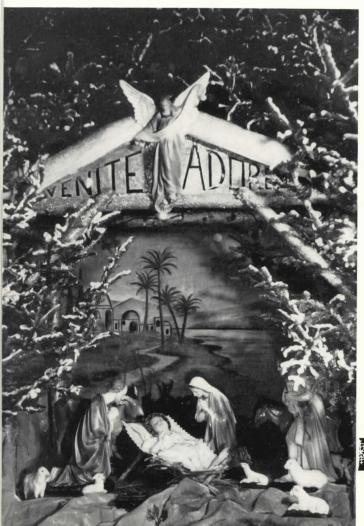




And in despair I howed my head;
"There is no Peace on earth," I said;
"For hate is strong and mocks the song
Of 'Peace on earth, good-will to men!"



Then pealed the hells more loud and deep, "God is not dead nor doth He sleep!

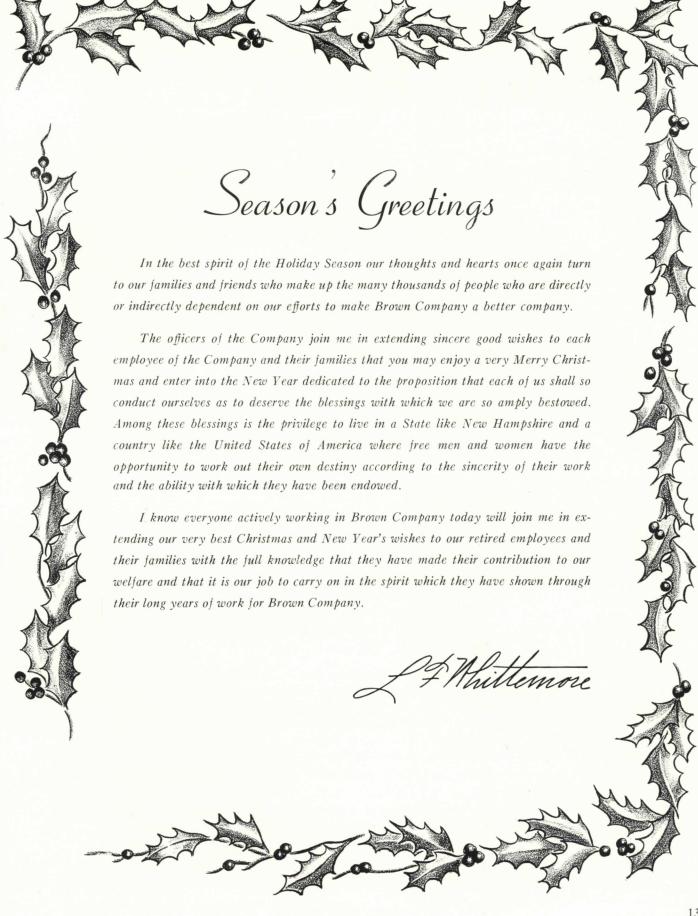


"The Wrong shall fail, the Right prevail With 'Peace on earth, good-will to men!"

Henry W. Longfellow







Safety Hazards... Do YOU Know of Any?

If you do—please call them to the attention of your supervisor before someone is injured.

If you don't recall any hazards at the moment, take a minute or two to think about the subject of Safety. Then see if you have a suggestion to make.

For instance, here's an example. Falls are a major source of accidental injury. We can fall anywhere,—at work, on the street, in the home. Right now I am mostly concerned with the falls that you take at your work,—the ones that are costly to you. Here are a few causes based on our own records:

- 1. Hitching rides on trucks. It is not allowed.
- 2. Climbing around on stock piles. They are not made to be walked on.
- 3. Leaving scrap materials around after you have completed a job . . . for someone to fall over. This is laziness.
- 4. Using defective ladders. Make sure you use a safe ladder.
- 5. Climbing around on machinery. **Don't shortcut**, **go around** or use a ladder.
- 6. Running downstairs. Walk and use hand rail.
- 7. Oil spilled on the floor. Cover it up, clean it up.
- 8. Using unsafe scaffolds or stagings. Make certain they are safe, don't overload them.
- 9. Running or jumping. Walk, don't run.
- 10. Using boxes or crates instead of ladders. No comment.
- 11. Working too close to edges of platforms, etc.
- 12. Loose trouser cuffs. They can trip you.

These causes involve surroundings with which you are familiar. If you have any suggestions there are ways of presenting them to management. We have a Shop Safety Committee in every department which meets monthly. The safety hazard you have noticed can be reported directly to this committee who, in turn, will advise the supervisor and the Safety Engineer. If it is more convenient, you may contact your immediate supervisor who will take it from there.

Actually, nobody particularly cares how you report the hazard.—JUST REPORT IT.

The main idea is for all of us to work together. It has been proven many times that the best results come from team work. What we need in our safety program is your cooperation! — Jack Rodgerson

BERLIN GOLDEN AGE CLUB, INC.

COMMUNITY CENTER BERLIN, N. H.

TO BROWN BULLETIN READERS:

In the near future a drive to enlarge the membership of the Golden Age Club will be made. The objective behind the organization is primarily the promotion of friendship, social affairs and fraternity among the retired workers of Berlin, Gorham, Shelburne and surrounding towns.

The purpose of this letter is to describe our facilities so that you may be better acquainted with what we have to offer.

One room, the lounge, is well set up with beautiful furniture, handsome floor coverings and some fine framed paintings adorning the walls. The other room, known as the "card room" seats between forty to fifty members, tables are well filled, members show their appreciation of the set up by crowding in at any hour up to 11 p. m.

Another large room, known as the Blue Room, where members hold their monthly meetings, is only a small part of the facilities offered to the membership by Bill Cotter, Manager of the Community Club. Billiard tables, bowling alleys, showers, etc. are included.

The lounge contains a combination radio and record player, a gift of Pennock Sales and Service. Donations of furniture and equipment came freely from the businessmen of Berlin, some furniture came from Heywood-Wakefield, Gardner, Mass. Brown Company made a splendid donation, Local 75 made the Club a handsome gift of money. Local merchants, lodges and individuals were prominent in making the Golden Age Club a success from the beginning for which the members offer their sincere thanks.

Just as soon as television is available the "Golden Boys" will add a television set to the Club furniture.

All officials are elected for a term of one year. At present Leo Frechette is President, Jack Story is Vice President. The governing body is composed of a board of seven directors who meet on the first Friday of each month at 2:30 p. m. in the Blue Room of the Community Club.

The organization invites every eligible "Golden Oldster" in Berlin, Gorham, Shelburne and surrounding towns to visit the club rooms. Look their set up over and form with them in building an organization of which they can be proud.

GOLDEN AGE CLUB

John Spinney, Secretary

BROWNCO NEWS REVIEW

Here and There . . .

From "N. E. Printer & Lithographer"

"And if you're concerned about the future of the paper industry in New England here's a bit of a report on what Laurence Whittemore, president, the Brown Co., Berlin, N. H., had to say before a meeting of the Salesmen's Association of the Paper Industry in Boston recently. He expressed his belief in the fertility of the forests of New England and pointed out that the Brown Co. is now cutting in lands which were designated in a 1900 cruise as cut-over land. 'They are fertile,' he said. Claiming tree growth as one of the greatest natural resources in New England, Whittemore stated: 'The best machines in the world, the greatest salesman in the world, cannot produce or sell pulp and paper products unless there stand in the world trees which can be harvested to make those products.' He said that he considered the forests of New England provide a great opportunity; that New England was one section of the U.S. which could look forward to a surplus of tree growth rather than a deficiency. 'Millions of acres in northern New England are at their highest productivity.'

From "St. Albans Daily Messenger"

"Three of the six states, New Hampshire, Vermont and Connecticut, are in the charmed circle of U. S. states showing the greatest advance in personal incomes in 1953. . .

"Compared with their average neighbors across the nation, Mr. and Mrs. New Englander: Take home fatter pay envelopes, have 50 per cent more cash in their savings account, carry more security and protection in life insurance, have more money to spend at retail.

"As president L. F. Whittemore of the N. E. Council puts it: 'New England has as a starting point for the future what other regions are trying to reach as a goal.'"

From Miss Marion E. Martin, Labor Commissioner, Maine

"The 26th annual Maine State Safety Conference has been acclaimed as the best conference that we have yet held... Mr. J. Omer Lang, of the Brown Company, made an exceptional contribution to the Logging section, and to the success of the conference..."



TRIO KILLS BOBCAT, left to right, Fernand Landry, Rudolph Lemieux, and John Lemieux. While hunting rabbits near East Milan Road, the bobcat, pictured above, appeared before the hunting party and before anyone could prevent it, Landry's 8-lb. dog, "Tippy," immediately gave chase to the 28½-lb. cat resulting in a fight which nearly took the dog's life. Shots were fired throughout the entire episode in an effort to either scare or kill the ferocious creature. After nearly 20 shots (bird shot) were fired the bobcat finally succumbed. "Tippy," badly clawed by the bobcat, was rushed to a veterinarian in Lancaster and, at last report, is now more eager than ever to take to the woods in search of even bigger game.

From Berlin Lodge of Elks

. . comes word that on December 12th friends from all parts of the state paid tribute to Patrick J. Hinchey, Brown Company's Production Control supervisor at Cascade, for his 33 years of work in Elkdom in Berlin and throughout New Hampshire. Letters and telegrams also poured into Berlin for "Pat Hinchey Night" from those who were unable to be here and included words of praise from such dignitaries as Sherman Adams, Assistant to President of the United States; Stanley Burns, District Deputy, Elks; Edward Govangelli, Pres., State Elks Assoc.; John F. Malley, Past Grand Exalted Ruler; and E. Mark Sullivan, Past Grand Exalted

(If you have an item for this column, send it to "Here and There," Brown Bulletin, Brown Company, Berlin, N. H.—Ed.)

Golden Age Club, Inc.

By Jack Spinney

At the last regular meeting of the Golden Age Club, officials for the coming year were nominated as follows: President—Leo Frechette (given chair for second year); Vice President—Jack Story (nominated for second term); Secretary—Jack Spinney; Treasurer—Albert Parish.

The Board of Directors selected is as follows: Jess Beckwith, Joseph Roberge, Ovila Valliere, Ernest Gagne, Owen Green and Joseph Parent.

To serve on the Board of Trustees are: James Mulroney, Theodule Belanger, and Joseph Dumont.

The organization also voted to pay membership fee for one year in the Community Club for some large deserving family and to repeat the compliment from time to time.



CHEMICAL & FLOC

Ben Napert took the nickname "Lucky" away from Gene Lessard after coming away with the jackpot at the last Union meeting. Nice going, Ben! Keep trying, Gene!

Mr. and Mrs. Marcel Moore are to be congratulated upon the arrival of a son, Marcel, Jr., who weighed 8 lb. 12 oz.

Fred Begin received a sunshine basket, while out sick, along with wishes for a speedy recovery.

Fritz Jensen is on the road to recovery after an operation. We fellows hope the sunshine basket fills you with that stuff to bring health overflowing.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Langlois on their Silver Anniversary!

John Briggs takes the blue ribbon with a score of 2 to 1!!! It seems John left his car lights on after driving through fog from Gorham to work, also left the motor running after leaving the car at a parking lot. Apparently, John is not the only one deserving a blue ribbon . . . it also seems that Bill Currier left his car motor running but Bob Boulanger tipped him off after seeing him at work. Ash Hazzard left his car radio on while at work. After eight hours, the car still started — some battery!! P.S. John Briggs says that they'll have to make the car motors more noisy so you can tell whether or not they ARE running.

We wish to extend to Mr. Cantin our deep sympathy in the loss of his beloved

Deep sympathy is also extended to Mr. Legere in the loss of his daughter.

Dick Carbonneau and Lawrence Roberge were the lucky boys to get their deer early this season. Both are from

Pete Bosa beat Tommy Jones to the draw. The draw on the deer, we mean!

Norm Lowe is out ill at this writing. We all hope the operation will cure you from all this, Norm.

Norman Hayes drove home from the Union meeting with turkey visions in mind after a lucky drawing!

E. Gauthier bagged a 125-lb. spike buck.

Arthur Rivard was another winner of a turkey shoot held at the Union meeting.

Leo Therrien took a week's vacation in November.

"Spike" Stenberg lined up a 7-point buck in his sights and brought it back. Congratulations, Spike!

Robert "Nick" Niclason, after a dozen or more years with the Company, has decided to take leave and visit the other side of the country, namely — California. Mr. and Mrs. Niclason will leave the first of the month. Best of luck to both of you!



BERMICO

We all join in extending our heartiest congratulations and good wishes for the future to Martha Paine, of the Bermico office and to Robert Webb, of the General Finishing department, on their recent marriage.

Edmund Gallagher, our Yard Leader, recently purchased a home and tract of land on Milan Hill. "Ed" states that the country air is invigorating and come next summer he really intends to till the soil. One consolation, "Ed", if the Studebaker starts hard this winter, you surely have plenty of hill space on which to get it rolling.

Benny Berntsen reports a successful day's hunt in the "wilds" of the East Milan area. After a continuous stalk of several hours, a northern "Jack Rabbit" was brought to bay with the aid of two trail-hardy hounds. Benny's past experience in trail-lore and big game hunting was an asset in bagging the hardy "Jack." With the aid of a fellow hunter. (name withheld), the game carcass was carried to the car and proudly displayed on one of the front fenders during the long journey back to Berlin.

Congratulations are in order for the Alexander Aubut family on the stork's recent arrival. A baby boy was presented to the beaming parents.

Arthur Martineau, one of our Bermico millwrights, was recently hospitalized due to injuries sustained while repairing the Hog mill platform.

Kenneth "Ben" Douglass is back to work after being confined to the St.

Louis Hospital from injuries received when a roofing platform collapsed due to wind conditions at the Johnson Farm in Milan, N. H.

With the several Coke machines distributed throughout Bermico, it is with pleasure that we congratulate the boys on the method the "empties" are returned to their respective cases. That, in itself, is eliminating a safety hazard. Empty bottles on the floor, stairs, etc., could easily result in sprained ankles and broken bones. Keep up the good work, boys!

We wish to take this opportunity in wishing each and everyone the Merriest Christmas ever and the Happiest of New



Smiling "Jack" Story and wife celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary, November 7, 1953.



Storehouse

Marvelous vacation weather. . . Arthur Croteau spent the week of November 16th at his camp in Magalloway. At this writing, Richard Blackburn is enjoving a week of hunting.

New Citizen: Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Given on the birth of a son, William Robert, born November

Sincere sympathy is extended to Mr. and Mrs. Bernard Dunton on the death of Mrs. Dunton's brother, James D.

SALES OFFICES BOSTON

Congratulations to Edna M. Reckis, D. P. Brown's secretary, who recently surprised us with a gorgeous diamond and told us the lucky fellow is Leonard H. Zimmerman. No definite date has been set, but we all wish her and Lennie the best of luck.

Marion (Buckley) Donigan has left to devote more time to her culinary adventures and will soon have an addition to her family. Replacing her as Mr. Dacier's secretary is Mary Colombosian transferred from the Floc division. Welcome to the Floc division, Florence Burke! Hi, Joanne Fritz! Joanne is in the steno pool and hails from Reading, Mass.

Our best wishes for a speedy recovery are extended to Bill Koch, towel sales-

We're all glad to see Phil Vollmer back after his recent operation — Barbara Foley, especially. Didn't you wish there were more hours in a day, Barbara?

Births!! Congratulations to Mr. Cleland on the birth of a grandson, Kurt McKay; . . . to Mr. Henderson on the birth of a granddaughter, Karen Elizabeth; ... to Mr. Nelson on the birth of a daughter, Jeanne Marie; . . . and to Mr. Doucet on the birth of a daughter, Celeste Ann.

Bob McCoy recently visited his brother-in-law at Alexandria, Virginia, and then journeyed through the Atlantic

Ray LaPlante dropped in on us wearing a ten-gallon hat. All he needs now are boots and a gun, then he'll be a fullfledged Texan.

Another visitor to our office was none other than — Alice Burdett, home on leave from Texas. Alice left the Market Analysis division to join the WAFS, and her new suit of blue is very becoming.

Good news! The glitter of Christmas is right around the corner — with most of us busy anticipating shopping, parties, etc., but Eldora (Adams) Cobb is glittering because her husband, Harry, who has been stationed in Tripoli for two years, will be home to share the holidays with her.

The Fall Sales Planning Meetings were held here recently for all divisions. It was good to see again the smiling faces of our out-of-town representatives.

Eugene Hanson, National Vice President of the Salesmen's Association of

the Paper Industry, recently had the distinction of introducing the Honorable Christian A. Herter, Governor of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, at a luncheon meeting of the organization

held at the Parker House.

Have you seen the new L & M. filters? According to the advertisements appearing in the daily papers in New York and Boston, it is "Just what the doctor ordered." The filter used in this cigarette is made with SOLKA FLOC. It is a great example of the versatility of Brown Company products.

R. K. Loane has resigned from Brown Company effective November 30. His future plans are unknown at present.



Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Langlois, First street, were surprised recently when friends and relatives joined to celebrate their twenty-fifth wedding anniversary. Mrs. Langlois is the former Marie Anne Poirier and Alfred is an employee of the Chemical mill.



Tabulating

Fern Landry has a week's vacation coming up and intends to spend it hunting in the vicinity of Millsfield. Fern shot a bobcat last month, and hopes to have some more luck in getting a deer. The next issue will tell - how many he saw, "buck fever" or not, and . . . if he had any luck!

The latest statistics in the Tab show that not one deer has been shot!

Ann Wentworth went to Portland over a weekend to see some friends. She also

dropped in on Gert MacKenzie, formerly with Tab, and reports Gert is doing real well, and likes both school and the work.

Irene (Lavernoich) Redfern and husband, Herb, a teacher at Berlin High School, attended a teachers' convention in Manchester the weekend of October 17th. They also visited relatives in New Ipswich, N. H.

Phyllis Hawkins and Zilla Stiles, of Central Order Billing, spent a weekend in Maine, the guests of Phyllis' sister and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Norman Littlehale.

Laurel Rowell and her family recently attended the wedding of a cousin in Lyndonville, Vt. They also traveled to Sherbrooke, P. Q., on a weekend.

Anyone desiring to see the new fall styles in hair cuts, come to the Tab! Joyce Bedard and Ann Wentworth have joined the new fall fad in hair cuts. This makes five girls out of nine in the Tab with new fall hair cuts.



Riverside Mill personnel and coworkers of the late James Gravelle wish to extend their heartfelt sympathy to Mrs. Gravelle in the loss of her beloved husband. Riverside has lost a true friend and co-worker.



The Storehouse office crew, formerly located in the Burgess Central Offices, and headed by Keith Anderson as Chief Storekeeper, was off bag and baggage November 23, 1953, to their brand new office here at Burgess. This was a long awaited "blessed event" for the Stores

Grandma Sullivan ("Vic" Sullivan, Burgess 1st Aid Nurse) was hostess week ending November 22nd to son Robert and wife Helen with Vic's pride and joy, little baby Michael.

Oscar Gonya, Office Manager at Burgess, was on vacation week ending November 22nd. Oscar reports hunting seven times out of the seven days of his vacation with "no luck!"

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Burgess wishes to join the Company Relations department in expressing deepest sympathy to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Sullivan on the death of Mrs. Isabelle Sheridan, mother of Mrs. Sullivan. Mrs. Sheridan had been residing at 327 Willard Street with Mr. and Mrs. Sullivan and passed away on Sunday, November 22, 1953, at 4:30 a.m.

Val Albert submits the following for this issue which he labels "goings on at the Cribbage table":

Fred Dupuis, our cribbage expert, says that Marlouche (Lagoon) Arsenault has had so many skunks that (it isn't funny!) Arsenault claims he used to be a champion cribbage player in the Army-come to find out-he was champion of his tent. "Must have been a pup tent," says Henry Allain. Fred Dupuis is willing to give anybody a dollar to replace himself at the table but, so far, he has no takers. Henry Roy sold his place for fifty cents to Gosselin and that very noon, Fred, Gosselin, and Lester Murray got two skunks and lost four games—so it seems that Henry will have to come back into the game to furnish a little competition.

Sam Montminy, Jericho trapper, says that after catching raccoons, woodchucks, skunks, and what not, he caught a rat last month that had a glass eye. (Comment from Val Albert: "Must have been an educated rat!")

If you drive up Jericho Road one of these days, you might spot Sylvio "Fat" Desilets looking for birds with his new shotgun which he won on Labor Day. He's mighty proud of the gun and says he wouldn't part with it for any amount

Lubrication Engineer Francis Mc-Cann was a business visitor, November 9, 1953, to the S. D. Warren Co., in Westbrook, Maine.

November proved a busy month for friend "stork" with deliveries of baby girls, one to Mr. and Mrs. Paul Gagne, November 15th; another to Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Houle, November 10th; and yet another to Mr. and Mrs. Rene Caouette, November 28th.

Edmond Roy, Dryers, and Remi Albert, Yard, retired November 1, 1953.

Albert Ramsey has returned to work after being out with an eye injury.

Al Therriault has been out sick for three weeks at this writing.

Ed Chodoski got himself a 7-point buck up at Milan.

Co-workers of Tom Carlin, Burgess Kraft Mill Superintendent, wish him a "Happy Birthday"—a happy industrial birthday, that is, for Tom will have been with us three years come January 15, 1954. And may we add "A Happy New Year"-industrial and otherwise!

Which brings us most to 1954—and so saying: "A very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year" to all of our readers!

Burgess Dryer Room

One of our famous Berlin Maroons Hockey players, Roland Cloutier, recently took a hunting trip in the Success Pond area. He had been walking all day when darkness overtook him only half a mile from the nearest house. Apparently, he preferred to stay in the woods. Claims he had a navy compass which wasn't of any value on land. He wasn't lost, but was he ever glad when he heard the famous hunting whistle!??!

Electrical Shop

Three members of the Burgess Electrical crew vacationed recently. They are, Bob Arneson, Arthur Ramsey, and Guido Alonzo. We are still waiting to hear the "hard luck" hunting stories; such as one certain weekend when your reporter sat down on the side of Cow mountain to rest, when from behind him rushed a deer before he could really get going!!

Digester House Blowpit Floor

Emile Payeur was confined to the St. Louis Hospital for a few weeks and is coming along fine.

Leo Beaupre, Blow Valve helper, is at the Veterans' Hospital at White River.

Arthur Belanger is out on vacation.

We welcome Archie Primeau and Roger Richer to our department. Back with us is Bob Neil who worked at Cascade for a few weeks.

Refrigeration Plant operators to resume work as Blowpit foremen are D. Pomerleau and A. Belanger. A speedy recovery is in order for Mrs. Pomerleau who underwent surgery recently.

Frank John, who has been working in the Digester House, Blowpit floor, for the past 19 years, has bid off on a watchman's job. No doubt, Frank will be missed by his former co-workers.

Charles McKelvey, Burgess Mill supervisor, has been out on three weeks vacation. Charles is sporting a new 1952 DeSoto.

We are wondering why Norman Villeneuve, Blowpit foreman, sold his 1947 Nash??

Burgess Warehouse

Albert Roy took a week's vacation recently.

Wilfred Roy and Alcide Ruel have been on the sick list. However, Alcide is

back on the job but Wilfred is still recuperating from an operation.

Clement Morrissette is sporting around in a new 1954 Plymouth.



Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Stenberg on the birth of a baby girl, Candis Mae, October 19, 1953.

Out sick are Chester Reid, Agnes Godbout, and Archie Gagne. A speedy recovery to all of you!

Emile Michaud is replacing Archie Gagne as foreman in the Finishing

Helen Harp is back to work after spending six months visiting in Syria, Italy, and France. Welcome back, Helen!

Hunting is the main topic of conversation these days. Let's hear about the one that got away, boys!!

Russ Marquis is sporting a new 1954 Plymouth, and Verne Clough has a 1953 Chevrolet. Santa paid an early call this vear, it seems!

Woods Safety Contest

The Brown Company Woods department recently announced a safety contest to be conducted through April 17, 1954. Winners of the contest will be determined by a formula utilizing the hours worked against the combined losttime accident frequency and severity

The contest is open to all Company or contractors' operations. Various types of prizes or bonuses will be awarded to key personnel at the winning operations, and awards may also be presented to production and other workers.

Brown Company and the Liberty Mutual Insurance Company are co-sponsors of the contest.

Gifts to Servicemen

More than 230 "Tumblin' Toms" were recently mailed out to Brown Company employees now in the service in all parts of the world. The unique gift is a pocket size, plastic pass case containing several scenic photographs of Berlin, Brown Company and our countryside.

The useful gift should be well-received by our servicemen and it will give them the opportunity, among other things, to do a little boasting about

their own hometown.

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A Christmas Frayer Tord, make me an instrument of your peace. Where there is hatred, let me sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; and where there is sadness, joy. O. Divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console; to be understood as to understand; to be loved as to love; for it is in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned; and it is in dying that we are horn to eternal life."

St. Francis of Assisi.

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