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Let It Be A Happy One

Our Country Is The Only One With A Birthday

Independence Day . . . the Fourth of July . . . is the 174th birthday of our beloved land.

Among all the holidays of the year, it stands out as preeminently American. It is the one day of the year when every loyal American . . . regardless of whether his faith be Protestant, Catholic, Jewish or Mormon . . . may rejoice in the Liberty that is ours.

The Glorious Fourth we call it . . . and with good reason.

Independence Day commemorates the signing . . . on the Fourth of July, 1776 . . . of the Declaration of Independence, that famous document which declared this country free forever from foreign rule.

From that day forward, Americans were no longer rebels in arms fighting against their country, but a free people fighting for their country and its everlasting independence.

The Fourth of July has always been observed with patriotic enthusiasm. Let us hope it always will be.

Patriotic enthusiasm is a very wonderful thing, and very necessary . . . perhaps more necessary today than ever before in our proud history.

Those who speak disparagingly of patriotic enthusiasm . . . those who smirk at "flag waving" . . . may well be looked upon with suspicion and distrust.

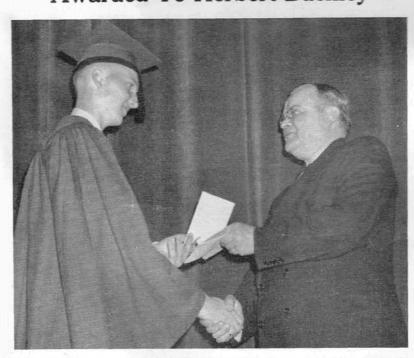
They are without understanding and appreciation of our Country at its best.

American patriotism should be expressed throughout the year . . . with all the enthusiasm of which we are capable.

The real significance of Independence Day is not alone what we Americans do on the Fourth of July . . . but also what we do on the fifth and sixth and everyday thereafter.

Let us indeed wave the Flag we love . . . not with less enthusiasm than our fathers did . . . not with less appreciation for it . . . not on fewer occasions . . . but with all the enthusiasm, affection and loyalty our American heritage inspires within us.

Brown Company Scholarship Awarded To Herbert Buckley



Brown Company's \$3,000 Scholarship for university study in Engineering, Chemistry or Forestry presented to Herbert N. Buckley by Dr. Arnold E. Hanson, Director of Company Relations.

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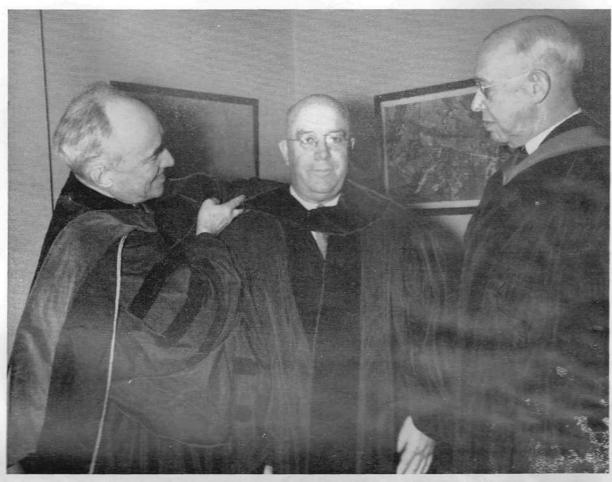
for news around the world and news of interest to Brown Company Employees

Every day — Monday through Saturday at 7:15 A.M. Brown Company's third annual scholarship for university study in engineering, chemistry or forestry has been awarded to Herbert N. Buckley of Berlin High School. The announcement was recently made by Dr. Arnold E. Hanson, Director of Company Relations for Brown Company of Berlin, N. H.

Mr. Buckley is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Buckley of 585 Hillside Avenue and one of this years graduates from Berlin High School where his

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Brown Company's President Honored At UNH



Pictured left to right, Dr. Adams, President of University of New Hampshire, Laurence F. Whittemore, President of Brown Company and Dr. George Wilkins of Manchester, N. H.

Francis Willey Assumes New Duties

Mr. Francis N. Willey has been appointed to serve as Chief of the Internal Audit Division of Brown Company. The announcement was made recently by Mr. Howard G. Brush, Vice President of Brown Company.

Mr. Willey is a native of New Hampshire having been born in North Conway. He attended Kennett High School and later, in 1938, graduated from Bentley School of Accounting.

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A.B. Walker New Degree Controller of Brown Corp. Laurence energetic Company,

Mr. Laurence F. Whittemore recently announced the election of Mr. A. B. Walker as Controller of Brown Corporation. Mr. Walker assumed his new duties on June 26th.

He was born in Montreal and spent the greater part of his youth in Canada. At the age of 17, he joined the Canadian Army and served for two and one-half years in WWI. Shortly after his discharge

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Receives Honorary Degree

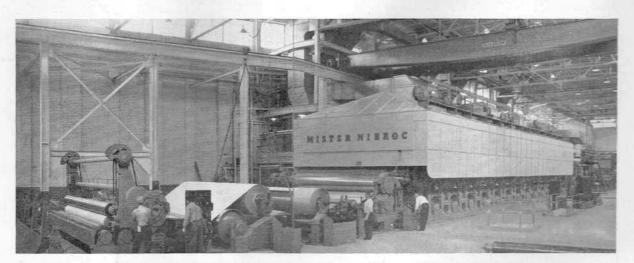
Laurence F. Whittemore, energetic president of Brown Company, was honored recently during commencement exercises of the University of New Hampshire held in Durham. He received an honorary Doctor of Laws degree.

Tireless Supporter

Mr. Whittemore has been recognized as one of New Hampshire's most tireless supporters, and rightfully so. He received the honorary degree as ... "a native of New Hampshire, loyal citizen and devoted public servant."

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"Mr. Nibroc" Breaks Two Records in Past Six Weeks



A full-length view of mighty "Mr. Nibroc" — taken with machine in actual operation. "Mr. Nibroc" has recently broken two records for daily production. Story on page 2.

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Pointers from **Portland**

By DORIS E. SMITH =

AS YET, I HAVE NOT VEN-TURED to have a homepermanent, but last Saturday, one of my neighbors was giving her sister one when she found she did not have enough curl papers. She came over to see if I had any she might borrow, but even though I didn't have any from a homepermanent kit, I remembered something I had once read that answered her problem. That was, use old dress patterns, cutting them up to the desired size! Maybe some of you readers will remember that-if you find yourself in the same predicament.

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IN SOME MAGAZINE I was looking through recently, I came across a picture of a muffin tin holding various sizes of nuts, bolts, nails, etc., with the idea that it would be much easier to find what you're looking for if small items were grouped together like this, instead of having to sort out all the items from one big box. I couldn't help but think that that should be a good idea for sorting such items as buttons, pins, snap fasteners, and the like. It might save a lot of time when you are in need of a certain copies of this so-called "bulle- me so I can include them in of Gorham High School and Brown Company employees colored button, to be able to tin" to any of you readers who a future issue of the BULLE- Mr. Richard Eaton of Berlin and employers can well be pick it out from a group of care to have one. Just write similar colors, rather than to to me here at the Portland have to sort out all the but- Office, and I'll send it along

tons you've ever kept! * *

IF YOU HAVE an old card table, the top of which is worn, why not cover it with a piece of bright linoleum, and put it to many uses! This would make an ideal "desk" for a child to use when in the mood to paint, color, or paste!

Speaking of linoleum, many of us have often used extra pieces of linoleum on our kitchen floors in front of the sink, refrigerator, stove, etc., and the other day I came across an item which suggested using a piece of linoleum which would match or at least blend in with your counter tops, to place under such items as your mixing bowl or fruit reamer, to save wear and tear on the actual counter-top!

* * *

AMONG THE MANY SUG-GESTIONS which have been sent in to me, one which might be helpful to parents of school children is one which goes into detail on what can be done to promote outdoor activities in your community this summer, to keep children interested as well as happy and healthy during the warm weather. I'll be glad to send

Whittemore from One

The citation continued . . . "we honor him today for his service to our state and nation. As a New England businessman he has interpreted, with penetrating insight, this part of the United States to the remainder of the world through the medium of objective statistics, illuminated with sympathetic humor, and by the example of sound business management, carried out with scrupulous regard for the rights of management, of labor and of the public."

The citation concluded that . . . "in all these activities he has demonstrated the intelligence, initiative, courage and leadership which have been so much a part of our nation's greatness."

Willey

Continued from One

Following graduation from Bentleys, Mr. Willey was employed by H. M. Thurston of Conway, N. H. and later served accountant at Roberts Motors, Inc.

Mr. Willey was first employed by Brown Company in January 1942 as clerk in the accounting department and was later transferred to the Tabulating Department.

In 1945, he joined the Armed Forces and upon completion of his tour of duty for "Uncle Sam" returned to work for Brown Company in the Internal Audit Division.

His many duties and varied assignments for Brown Company throughout the country have thoroughly prepared him to assume his new duties as Chief of the Internal Audit Division.

to you as soon as possible.

* * * HERE'S A TIP for you folks with green thumbs: "Use a clean, small fly sprayer, filled with water, to wash the dust from your house plants at the kitchen sink." That should save some time, and let you have a few minutes more to spend out-of-doors, where you can work on your outdoor garden to your heart's content!

NOW THAT WE ARE BE-GINNING to see signs of good summer weather ahead, we begin to think of going on picnics. If any of you readers have some new ideas as to what to take along on a picnic you may be sure!

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"Mr. Nibroc" Breaks Record

Buckley

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scholastic record has been outstanding.

An Active Undergraduate

Mr. Buckley has been active in many undergraduate activities. He was a member of both the Baseball and Basketball teams of Berlin High as well as being elected President of his sophomore class and Secretary-Treasurer of his junior class. Mr. Buckley also had the honor of being a member of the National Athletic Scholarship Society and the National Honorary Society.

During commencement exercises Mr. Buckley was also presented with the "Alumni Association of Rensselaer Award" for outstanding achievement in the fields of mathematics and science.

With an eye to the future Mr. Buckley plans to enroll at the University of New Hampshire and study electrical engineering.

\$750 A Year

The Brown Company scholarship, valued at \$750 a year for four years, was established to make it possible for promising young men in the Berlin-Gorham area to attend the university of their choice and receive training in engineering or a related field. The scholarship is awarded to a male graduate of Berlin, Gorham, or Notre Dame High School on a competitive basis.

How Selection is Made

Candidates are chosen from a group recommended by the three schools. Selection of the winner is based on the results of a series of objective examinations conducted by the Testing Bureau of the University of New Hampshire, together with personal resumes of the candidates. A committee composed of faculty and staff members of the state university renders the final selection.

The Brown Company scholarship was presented to Mr. Buckley at commencement exercises June 15th, Dr. Arnold E. Hanson, Director of Company Relations, made the presentation.

Last year's scholarship winner was William C. Phinney, son of Mr. and Mrs. Clement W. Phinney of 403 Willard Street

The two Brown Company "Runner-Up" Awards were lunch, why not send them to presented to Mr. Lincoln Fenn another record of which TIN, so more people can enjoy High School also in recogni- proud. What's that? - - - Oh them! I'd be glad to get them, tion of their outstanding rec- ... Yes, "Mr. Nibroc" ... we're ords of achievement.

As is the usual case in paper mills throughout the nationwhen a new machine like "Mr. Nibroc" is installed — troubles invariably occur . . but in very few paper mills are the troubles corrected in such short order as they were in the Brown Company's Cascade Mill. Mr. "Ray" Almand, Mill Manager, reports that "Mr. Nibroc" is operating . . . "at peak efficiency, thanks to the well-trained and competent crews operating the machine."

In Recent Weeks

During the past four or five weeks-"Mr. Nibroc" has been producing an average of 106 tons of paper toweling daily. The machine is not operating as fast as it could operate . . . but there is a reason . . . you see, we in Brown Company, don't produce ordinary paper . we produce QUALITY PAPER . . . a type of QUALITY that can be used throughout the paper industry as a standard of comparison.

Differential Adds Strength

"Mr. Nibroc" runs at a speed of 1250 feet per minute on the "wet end" and 1100 feet per minute on the "dry end." The differential of 1250 to 1100 is maintained in order to produce Brown Company's creped-towel, adding strength to a towel already possessing qual-

Two Records Set

On December 8, 1949 — "Mr. Nibroc" and crew set their first record as far as production was concerned. 111.6 tons of paper were produced in a single 24-hour period. From then on - the crews worked hard in an effort to better their already "high" record. On May 9, 1950 — the three crews (who, incidentally will be pictured in next issue) ambitiously went to work with the thoughts of a new production record in mind. At the end of the 24-hour period it was found that the crews had produced 116.2 tons of paper . . . and set a new record for "Mr. Nibroc." Then . . . 16 days later . . . "Mr. Nibroc" felt a little stronger and decided to do a better job for the crew. After "he" and the crew had worked for 24 hours . . . it was found that they had again broken the record. They produced 116.4 tons of paper in

That's Not All

On that same day, May 25, 1950, the three crews lost only 45 minutes of production time during the 24 hour period . . . proud of you, too!



QUALITY MEANS . . . "Pride In Your Product"

-Submitted by Russell Doucet, Bermico Division

Origin, Early Development of Horseshoe Pitching

Ed's note - This is the second of a series of short articles covering the origin, history and development of horseshoe pitching. Data concerning this ancient sport was gleaned from recognized records of the game by Bill' Roach of the Community Club, who has written these articles specially for the Bulletin's horseshoe enthusiasts.

After being organized by the ancient Greek and Roman armies the game of horseshoe pitching became very popular in these and other armies of the ancient world and much of the great amount of leisure was spent at the game. Matches were always easily arranged and large sums, much of it not yet earned, were wagered on the contests. When the Romans invaded England in the first century they took the game along with them and it was eventually taken up by English soldiers and later by townspeople and later still by the aristocracy who favored it

Scan Content Of Report To See If Others Reach Top

It has become a habit now! . . Every time the Good Housekeeping two-page report reaches our desk, we hurriedly scan its content to see if Berlin Mills Railway, and Onco are still on top with 100 per cent rating. Our second reaction is one of pride in their achievement and our third is one of expectancy, for, you see, we always expect to see other divisions join them by obtaining a perfect record in cleanliness. Several divisions have come so near the top that we feel like giving them the "Heave Ho!" . . . but the effort must be theirs, and theirs alone. Some day, may-

because the stooping and bending exercise incidental to the game found favor as a means of combating obesity which seems to have been a common affliction of the nobles of that day. In time the men developed a heavy ring to replace the shoes, always of varying weights and sizes, and the game of quoits was born. But the horseshoes, being lighter, were still used by women and children. As soldiers on the march could not always get the new rings or quoits they stuck to the horseshoes which were always available as discards by their horses and wherever they went they introduced the game to a ready population with little in the way of games and recreation. British soldiers continued to take up the game and eventually brought it to the United States, in Colonial days.

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be soon, they'll have made the grade too, until then, we'll just keep our fingers crossed.

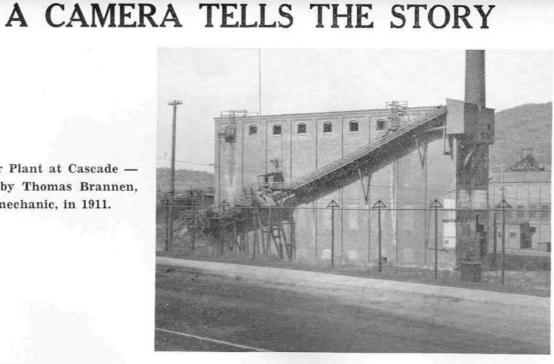
Ratings

Ratings for the two-week period ending June 10 are as follows:

	Current Rating 100—	B	evious lating day 27
Division	Excellent	1950	
Berlin Mills			
Railway	100	100	
Onco	100	100	
Bermico	99	100	
Chemical	99		99
Maintenance	8 8		
Constructi	on 99		98
Research	99		- 99
Riverside	99		98
Administrati	ve		
Offices	98		98
Power & Ste	am 98		96
Kraft Plant	90		88
Burgess	87		88
Cascade	82		77
ml C	and a Otomolo		

The Cascade Storehouse was the only department behind the eightball.

Barker Plant at Cascade erected by Thomas Brannen, master mechanic, in 1911.





Here's what a bulldozer can do. After steel is cut - then the sides are pulled down. Two sides down - two ends

The remainder of the old "Barker Plant" falls under the power of a bulldozer and several sticks of dynamite.



There's A Limit .



Walker Continued

from the Army, in 1919, Mr. Walker joined the LaTuque accounting staff of Brown Corporation. Following his service at LaTuque, Mr. Walker was transferred to Brown Company's Sales Statistical Department in Portland — now known as the Accounting Department.

In 1936 he came to Berlin to organize the Tabulating Department - and later served as Chief Accountant for the Woods Department until 1946.

At that time — his ingenuity and skill were needed once again in order to form another one of Brown Company's departments and so Mr. Walker formed the Internal Audit Department.

Mr. Walker's new duties as Controller of Brown Corporation will take him back to La-Tuque where he was first employed by Brown Corporation. He plans to leave in the fall.



This is what we call a thorough job of demolition. It certainly came down a lot faster than it went up.

The old Barker Plant at Cascade slowly tumbled to the ground a few weeks ago with the help of a Bulldozer, several sticks of dynamite, and a good amount of ingenuity. The Brown Bulletin's Staff Photographer, "Vic" Beaudoin and yours truly happened to be "on the spot" with a few cameras when the action took

Back in 1911 — the Barker Plant was erected by Thomas Brannen, master mechanic at that time, who spent several weeks with his crew of steel workers, carpenters, brickmasons, etc. in order to complete the project. We can't help but think that his son, Francis Brannen, then a youngster and now a local contractor, didn't particularly

like the building - you see, he happened to be the contractor engaged to end the 39 year life of the Barker Plant. Truthfully - we don't know what he had in mind but we do know that the job he did a few weeks ago was a thorough one. The above photos show how a camera tells the story.

Well, Hello There . . .



An "on the spot" photo of how Brown Company was represented at the 1950 National Plastics Exposition held recently at Navy Pier in Chicago. Apparently — one gentleman doesn't realize the importance of Solka-Floc — he's looking the wrong way.

Cascade, Burgess

Win First Two

Softball Games

The first round of Brown

Company's Softball League

was underway at six-thirty,

Monday, June 12th with the

Cascade nine opposing the

Even though Bermico look-

ed good at bat with home-

Bermico.

Riverside Ramblings

Dennis Turgeon is planning a long trek over to Germany. What is the attraction over there, Dennis? Good luck and have a nice trip.

June 3rd was D-Day for Louis Payeur of the Machine Room. Good luck Louis. Remember, the first fifty years are the hardest.

Bill Goudreau, our Finishing Room Foreman, is a frequent visitor to Portland, Me. Give us the low-down, Bill. Who is she?

Clifford Delorge is scouting around for some good softball players to represent Riverside. Give him a hand boys. There is plenty of good young stock in our plant now, so, let's all come out for good old Riverside.

Horseshoes are flying on our courts every noon hour. Give us the details boys, so we can have news for the Brown Bulletin.

Ronaldo Morin, your Riverside Reporter is looking for news for the Bulletin. If you have any please leave them in the news box located near the Time clock in the Finishing Room or pass it into the office. Keep the news rolling in.

Chemical Plant Explosions

Charles Belanger is recovering from an auto accident. Hope to see you back soon, Charlie.

Donald Langevin and Lawrence Roberge are back with us again after taking the fatal step. Best of luck boys.

We have nothing but sympathy now for baseball umpires after listening to George Roy tell all about his troubles.

We are glad to have Leo Landry back with us after being out a month due to sickness.

The following men have returned to work after enjoying their vacation: Albert Dube, Cell House; Alcide Boutin, Caustic Plant; W. Erickson, S. Ottolini and W. Baker, Maintenance; D. Gauthier, Floc Plant and A. Robichaud of the Grounds and Maintenance, who spent his time planting "Spuds."

The following men have completed their "Practical Course for Millwright Craft" and enjoyed a graduation banquet at the Costello Hotel, May 18th: Fred Vallis, John Knox, Donat Goudreau, Norman Hayes, Clarence Oleson, and Philippe Lefevre.

runs by Boucher and Webb, a double and triple by McGivney, and several singles they were defeated by Cascade.

Pike, during his first three times at bat "clouted" a double, a triple and a single for Cascade. Pike's 3 for 5—along with a double by Buckovitch proved to be deciding factors in the final outcome—Cascade 15 - Bermico 12.

In the second game Burgess defeated the Upper Plants by a score of 9-7. The only home run of the game was hit by Lemieux of Burgess in the first inning with the bases loaded. These four runs plus four preceding runs during the same inning put Burgess far ahead of the Upper Plants by a score of 8-0.

Lemieux's home run saved the day for Burgess for in the remainder of the game they only scored one more run while the Upper Plants tallied seven.

Although a score of 9-7 is close — it's still decisive and so Cascade and Burgess take the first two games in Brown Company's Softball League.

Here is a schedule of the remainder of the first round of softball — beginning June 26 through the week of July

10th.
June 26
June 27
June 28
July 3
July 5
July 6
July 10
July 11

Riverside vs Burgess
Upper Plants vs Cascade
Woods-Office vs Bermico
Woods-Office vs Cascade
Bermico vs Burgess
Upper Plants vs Riverside
Bermico vs Upper Plants

Cascade vs Riverside Burgess vs Woods-Office



"But Baby It's Cold Outside!"

Mind if we talk about squirrels for a minute?

Can you imagine what would happen if a squirrel forgot—or refused—to store nuts and acorns for the winter . . .?

You guessed it! Why, he'd starve — but of course! Well, what do you suppose happens to a man who forgets -

Well, what do you suppose happens to a man who forgets — or refuses — to plan ahead for his family's well-being?

Right again! Unless he's luckier than he deserves to be he's sure to find it pretty hard going. Like the squirrel, the man must do something about tomorrow — today!

The best thing, of course, is for him to sign his name at the bottom of a Payroll Savings application blank right here where he works. That one simple action will start him on his own plan of regular saving — automatic saving. And in ten short years the Savings Bonds he's been buying systematically each payday will start paying off — providing a real "Opportunity Fund" for him and his family.

Remember — you can start now to save for your own independence! Join Payroll Savings today!

Bermico Bits

We all hope that Louis Gauthier will recover from his recent sickness and be as well as ever.

Armand Langlois who has been with us on the Coupling Lathes has been returned to his regular work as Construction Welder for Brown Company. It was nice having you with us Armand . . . we know that a finer co-worker for teamwork could not be had.

Albert LeClerc is sporting a new seven passenger Willys Jeepster station wagon.

Ray LeBrun has turned his craftsmanship in wood towards building a boat. Good luck Ray. We'd like a picture of the boat when you have finished along with its proud owner and captain.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs.

Bob Thayer on the birth of a daughter, and to Mr. and Mrs. Joe Ruel on the arrival of a baby boy.

Alex Thibault, Maintenance Dept. recently journeyed to Westbrook, Me. to attend the funeral of Mr. Parker, inventor of much of the machinery at Bermico Division.

Eleanor Berntsen was a recent vacation visitor in Washington, D. C.

We wish to extend a hearty welcome to Mrs. Cecile Boivin who recently joined the office staff.

Carl Neilson, who is recuperating from recent hospitalization, was in the plant the other day. He informed us that he has already gained four pounds. Good luck, Carl, and hope to see you back real soon.

We understand that Benny Berntsen has been promoted to the rank of Fire Fighter First Class as a result of his work at the Shelburne forest fire a few weeks ago.

Group Insurance Holders Receive Over Two Million Dollars



Brown Company employees realize that their families also need protection. Their names are listed as beneficiaries on Group Insurance policies held by Brown Company employees.

Brown Company families—
the folks at home — have a
big and vital interest in our
company. The wives, the
mothers, the sons and daughters are listed on our records,
too. They appear as beneficiaries of Brown Company Group
Life Insurance policies and also benefit from other Group
Plans.

Brown Company employees or their families shared over \$250,000 in benefits during the year 1949 alone. The actual figure is \$262,028.89, as of December 31st.

Here is a breakdown:

* Life Insurance \$136,654.00 * Total & Permanent Disability Benefits 4,596.00 * Weekly Sickness & Accident Benefits 80,956.39 * Hospital Expense Benefits (Personal) 503.52 Surgical Operation Expense Benefits 10,436.50 Hospital Expense Benefits (Dependent) 4,882.48 *During 1949 alone.

Over Two Million Dollars

Since Brown Company adopted their Group Insurance Plans in 1918—over \$2,-000,000 has been paid to employees and their families. This low-cost program has served Brown Company employees for more than 22 years . . . and stands ready today to help you and yours at any time.

You should know all you can about the Brown Company Group Insurance Plans. They're yours. Make it a point to check your Group Insurance certificate and announcement booklet from time to time. It's to your advantage to know all you can about the protection you and your family enjoy.