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Inventor Of Fibre Conduit Machines Dies Pioneered Industry Here

Howard Parker 87, inventor of paper and fiber conduit machines and for a great many years mill manager of the Bermico Division, died in Westbrook, Maine, May 13, after a long illness.

He is credited with having invented all the machines used in the manufacturing of fibre conduit at the Bermico Plant, where he pioneered the production of fibre products, remaining a leader in the field until his retirement in 1929.

Born at North Gorham, Maine, April 17, 1863, the son of Jeremiah and Ellen Plummer Parker, he learned the machinist trade at the old Foster and Brown Company plant in Westbrook.

He married the former Nellie Day, one-time National Republican committeewoman

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Wide Interest Aroused By Hobby Show

A hobby show which attracted wide interest was held May 11 and 12 at the City Hall auditorium.

Organized by Brown Company employees "Speed" Fortier and Jerry Lemire in co-operation with the city's Recreation Department, it revived interest in the old arts and crafts and brought scores of hobbyists together, giving them an opportunity to display the products created during their leisure.

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Millwrights Who Completed Course Honored at Banquet

Millwrights who recently completed the Practical Course for Millwright Craft were awarded certificates at a banquet held at the Costello Hotel Thursday, May 18, in their honor.

Dr. A. E. Hanson, Director of Company Relations, made the presentation of certificates to forty-three of the original class of sixty, who completed two-thirds or more of the course which consisted of twelve sessions. Mr. Angus Morrison in charge of Maintenance Personnel acted as toastmaster. Remarks were made by Dr. Hanson and Mr. Willard Baker, Superintendent of Maintenance.

Also present were plant engineers Robert Riva, Chemical Mill; Leslie Baldwin, Burgess and Harry Gilbert, Cascade.

Group Impressed by Condition Of Brown Company Forest Lands

TIMBER STAND



One of the interesting sites visited during the field trip covering the company's woods operations. Timber stand, part of Brown Company's forest lands, can be seen across the Androscoggin River at Cambridge, N. H.

Samples, Literature Given Out

Solka-Floc Represented At The 1950 National Plastics Exposition

The Brown Company Floc Sales Division was represented at the 1950 National Plastics Exposition, sponsored by the Society of the Plastics Industry, and held at the Navy Pier, Chicago, recently.

This show is an annual function of the industry pro-

viding an opportunity for materials and equipment suppliers to demonstrate their

To Assume New Duties Soon



GORDON BROWN

Mr. Gordon Brown, it was recently announced, will soon assume his new duties as assistant to the President for Brown Corporation, Brown Company's Canadian Subsidiary. He will serve as resident representative to handle the Corporations' varied industrial, commercial and other

wares to a wide variety of plastics molders and fabricators and for these in turn to show the public and press the multitude of decorative, functional and novel end products which are available in plastics. The displays prepared by 118 different companies, varied from 1950 model automobiles with their plastics parts identified, through wall, floor, and table coverings, to collections of hundreds of household utensils and gadgets such as are distributed through the chain stores.

Solka-Floc was represented because of its use as a strengthening filler in light colored plastics articles such as tableware, table tops, radio cabinets, bottle caps, knobs, etc., and many electrical parts for motors, switches and the like. It is also used in rubber shoe soles and floor tiling, welding rod coatings, as a filter aid, and for conversion to

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interests in Canada, and will make his headquarters in Montreal, P. Q. With the Aluminum Company of Canada for the past eight years, Mr. Brown was previously associated with the Brown Company here, where he was in charge of purchasing, insurance and traffic.

Rotating Crops Scientifically Planned

Modern, Up-to-date Equipment Used

A lot has been written about the use and conservation of our forest resources, but nowhere has the saga of the living forest been presented more forcibly than in Brown Company's own forests, where the beneficial effects of improved forestry practices are everywhere in evidence.

Brown Company's efforts along these lines, together with modern woods operations, up-to-date and improved employee facilities, left a lasting impression on a group of some one hundred interested individuals who participated in the field trip covering the Company's woods operations, organized and headed by its energetic President, Mr. Laurence F. Whittemore.

Areas Reclaimed

The motorcade left in the early forenoon of May 24 and proceeded along the Androscoggin River as far as Cam-

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Industrial Nurses Meet at Glen House Tour Brown Company Plants

Members of the N. H. Industrial Nurses' Association who held a conference at the Glen House Saturday, May 13, were the guests of Brown Company in the afternoon, at which time they toured the various plants including Burgess, Cascade and the new Kraft Mill.

A dinner held at the Glen House climaxed the day's activities which began by a buffet lunch at noon. Guest speaker on the evening program was Mr. Ralph Meigs, Vice President of the Loss Prevention Department of the Liberty Mutual Insurance Co., of Boston. R. W. Kaschub, M. D., head of the company's Medical Department, acted as toastmaster. Greetings were presented by Dr. Arnold E. Hanson, Director of Company Relations.

The conference was attended by representatives of the Medical Departments of various New Hampshire industries and included a local group headed by Nurse Rita Tanguay, R. N., of the Brown Company medical staff.

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Solka-Floc

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cellulose derivatives used in the new washing powders.

Various cans of Solka-Floc were available for inspection and several hundred cellophane envelope samples were given out, along with large amounts of printed sales literature. Many questions were asked about Solka-Floc products and their applications, even in industries other than plastics.

Through the courtesy of Brown Company customers, there was also exhibited at the booth specimens of various industrial plastics articles containing Solka-Floc. Companies represented in this way included American Cyanamid, Bendix Scintilla, General Electric, Fabricon Products, General Fibre, Monsanto and Square D. Company. For give-away there was a quantity of plastic pearl shirt buttons made of urea resin containing alpha cellulose.

Company representatives at the Solka-Floc booth were John McDonald and Paul Goodloe from the New York office and Tom Reiling, Bill Gilman, Ben Babbitt and Muriel Bondi from the Chicago office, assisted at times by Marion Sauer also of the Chicago office and Mrs. Reiling and Mrs. Gilman.

Retire

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side Beater Room, was transferred to the Steam Turbines in 1926 and to Plant Protection in 1948. He retired March 19.

Mr. Gagnon joined the company in 1923 as a member of the Riverside Yard Crew, transferred to the Cascade Wood Room in 1924, to the Boiler House in 1934 and to the Yard crew in 1944 where he remained until his retirement on April 2.

Joining the company in 1924, Mr. Dubois first worked at the Burgess Machine Room, then on the screens and in the Finishing & Loading Department. He went into retirement April 23.

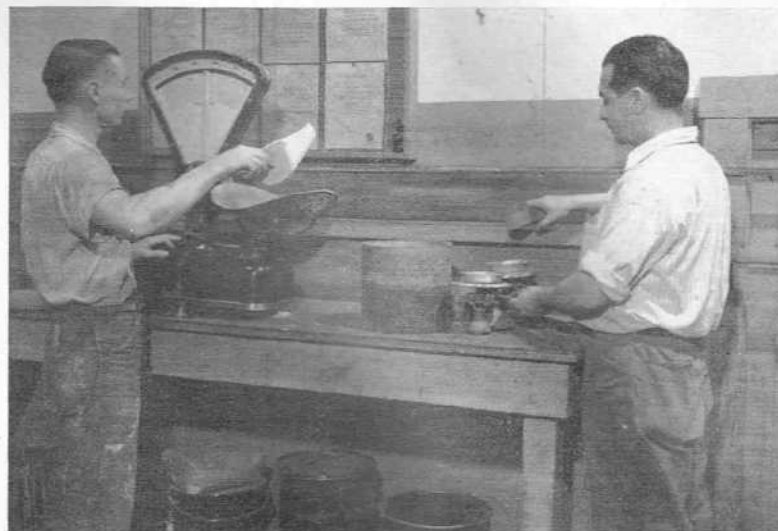
Mr. Barbin started work at the Saw Mill in 1905, transferred to the Company store in 1911, from there went to the Chemical Mill in 1942 and finally to the Woods Department in 1944. He retired on April 16.

HIGH QUALITY STANDARDS

This week's journey in the quality control field brings us to the Onco Plant where innersoling, linings, etc., are made from Solka which is impregnated with a strong saturant which gives added strength with light weight. These products are sold primarily to the shoe manufacturing industry for use in the major types of shoe construction.

Standards of quality for these products were set high and must be kept at this high level if the company is to move steadily forward towards a progressive future.

MEASURE INGREDIENTS



In the above illustration Emile Tremblay and Alfred Arsenault are carefully weighing the different ingredients which will be used to mix up the saturating materials with chemicals and natural bubber. These ingredients must be weighed right and must be combined in correct amount and in the right sequence. This mixture which is made in continuous batches is processed in specially built tanks which are piped to the machines.

WATCHES DEGREE OF SATURING



Here Leo Dube keeps the proper level of saturating in the dip pan, and runs the sheets at proper tension through squeeze rolls where excess saturating material is squeezed out. The sheets then go through the dryers where moisture and excess saturating material is driven out in the process of drying the saturating material. The sheets are then rewound on rolls and passed on to other machines as the process of manufacturing innersoles continues.

Improper mixture of ingredients and faulty handling of the material as it progresses from one stage of manufacturing to another would affect the quality of the product to a point where it could be rejected by the customer.

Rigid tests are taken of each roll to determine if it comes up to established standards, and only quality products eventually find their way to the market.

GOT ANY MONEY -

MAKING IDEAS?

EVERYBODY dreams of a wonderful gadget with which he'll hit the jackpot — someday.

There's ONE idea which millions of Americans have found workable AND profitable. It's the automatic money-saver — the Payroll Savings Plan for the regular purchase of Savings Bonds.

To set this thing up, here's all you do. Sign your name once at the bottom of a Payroll Savings application blank. Every payday the sum you've specified will be set aside in Savings Bonds. Your stack of bonds keeps growing — and your stack of jack keeps growing, too, because every \$75 set aside in Savings Bonds today will return you \$100 at maturity, in ten years.

What you save you HAVE. Remember — you're saving for your own independence when you buy U. S. Savings Bonds. Why not get started today?

Pointers

from

Portland

By DORIS E. SMITH

WARM WEATHER AND CLEAR SKIES make us all feel like getting out of doors and enjoying every bit of such beautiful weather as we can.

From all the various clippings which I have collected, in hopes of being able to use them in this column from time to time, I've selected a few to use today which I hope

will be helpful to each of us working gals by the way of being short cuts in our "home-work" so we can spend more time out of doors.

IF YOU'LL GET into the habit of wearing gloves while dusting, etc., you'll find that your hands will stay cleaner without scrubbing, and you'll

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Office Wins In All-Star Bowling Match

Origin, Early Development Of Horseshoe Pitching

By "BILL" ROACH

Ed's note—This is the first 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.

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With the summer season fast approaching, horseshoe players the country over are feeling a reawakening of the urge to get out there pitching in the old game of "barnyard golf." And old is the word for it. Horseshoe throwing as a game had its origin in the armies of ancient Greece and Rome in the early days of the Christian era, and seems to have been an offshoot from the then old and very popular sport of discus throwing. As the armies of that ancient time spread further afield on their campaigns of conquest it became necessary to protect

their horses' hooves with metal plates which were actually the first horse shoes. As these shoes became worn and replaced with new ones the soldiers, with time on their hands, tried to use them as the discus was used, which meant throwing them for distance. Attempts were made to close the openings of the shoes to more closely resemble the discus but lacking tools and equipment the effort was useless and results unsatisfactory. Soon tiring of trying to play a game without the proper equipment, which they could neither make nor buy on their meagre pay, they decided to use the horseshoes as they were, and throw them for accuracy rather than distance. Stakes were set in the ground at distances found most suitable and the game of horseshoes as we know it, was born. Fundamentally it remains the same to this day.

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Hobby

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Exhibits ranged from minerals to intricate woodwork, model trains, airplanes, cars and boats to furniture, oil paintings, china painting, water colors and etchings, and included hooked and braided rugs, quilts, stencilling, flower making, wood sculpturing, taxidermy, etc.

Originally planned for Brown Company employees, it was enlarged to include anyone who wanted to participate.

The exhibit was viewed by hundreds of interested people. The success of the affair augurs well for the future. With a revival of interest, there is no doubt that 1951 will bring an even more interesting show of hobbies.

Chemical Plant Explosions

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Paul Jeskey on the arrival of a baby girl.

Dave Marcotte enjoyed a week-end in Boston recently.

Norman Pellerin has purchased a home on 6th Avenue.

Joseph Cote and Leo Landry are on the sick list.

Oscar Vachon is our lucky fisherman. He caught one of the first trouts of the 1950 season.

The renovation program is well on its way at the Chemical Mill. Our buildings and yards have taken on real glamour.

John Briggs has returned to the fold after a week of illness.

LOST: One Rent. If one has been found please notify A. E. McKay.

Riverside Ramblings

Ed Clark and Roman Glinka of the Beater Room journeyed to Little Millsfield on a fishing trip, Sunday May 14th. A good catch was made by both of our expert fishermen.

Fred Morris of the same department had his vacation the week of the 27th. Hope you had a good rest and a good time, Fred.

Information was received that Ed Poulin is recuperating rapidly at his home on Goebel Street. Best wishes for a rapid recovery. We will be glad to see you back, Ed.

News from the Machine Room show that:

John Keating only got ONE on his fishing trip, but, it was a whopper. It measured approximately 12 inches in length and weighed about two to two and one half pounds. Good fishing, Jack.

Omer Dumont was recently pleasantly surprised when his daughter, Dorothy, spent a military leave of one week at home. She is presently on duty with the Waves at Norfolk, Va. Omer also mentioned that his son, Robert, who worked for a short time in the Finishing Department is in Germany with the Army of Occupation.



So you're going on vacation. Well, that's fine. We hope you and your family have a fine, happy and safe vacation but before you go, I wonder if you would read these few hints because we want you and your family to come back on the job safe:

I wouldn't exceed the speed limit if I were you:

10,100 people got killed like that last year and 398,798 injured.

I would drive on the right side of the road because:

3,420 people were killed on the wrong side and 93,690 were injured.

I would not be in too much of a hurry about cutting in:

140 people got killed that way last year and 24,990 were injured.

In strange country, watch your speeding rate:

990 people got killed driving off the roadway and 26,030 were injured.

I would not drive recklessly:

3,060 people were killed last year doing this and almost 100,000 were injured.

These are just part of the figures. We know that you want to help, so, will you please slow down and you will be helping a whole lot.

Sales department offices of Brown Company are located in New York City; Portland, Me.; Boston; Chicago; San Francisco; and Montreal.

Highest Average Bowlers Selected From Office, Mill Win Laurels On Total Pinfall

In a special post-season All Star bowling match held at the Community Club on May 10, two five man teams, selected from the highest average bowlers of the Men's Office League and the Mill League, rolled a three string contest for the unofficial Brown Company Championship. Though not billed as such, the bowlers and their followers who were in attendance considered the match as being for the title. The Office League team won the laurels on total pinfall, this being the basis upon which it had been previously agreed that the match would be settled. The Mill League boys went out ahead by 29 pins in the first string with Roland Dube contributing a 109 and Al Aubey doing his bit with a 103. In the second string the Office League quintet came to life to walk away with an 83 pin margin, Billy Oleson's 106 and Dick Jordan's 107 aiding the cause along with far off form scores by the Mill League. The third string was a real close one won by one pin. Tom Garland and Billy Oleson had to come through with strings of 106 and 102 to squeeze by the steady performance of the Mill League representatives led by Darius Morrisette who came up with a 110 for high single for the match. Dick Jordan's three string total of 300 was high three for the match and Darius Morrisette led his team in total pinfall with 290. Each of the winners won a three dollar merchandise coupon to be honored at Labnon's Men's Shop and the losers each received a like award but of two dollars value.

OFFICE LEAGUE ALL STARS

Tom Garland	94	94	106	294
Dick Jordan	98	107	95	300
Bob Murphy	88	99	78	265
Billy Oleson	80	106	102	288
Bob Riva	93	98	97	288
TOTALS	453	504	478	1435

MILL LEAGUE ALL STARS

Henry Robitaille	97	82	94	273
Danny Therriault	82	90	87	259
Al Aubey	103	81	93	277
Roland Dube	109	79	93	281
Darius Morrisette	91	89	110	290
TOTALS	482	421	477	1380

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feel free to accept last-minute invitations to join a friendly game of cards, or the like, without having to worry about grimy-looking hands.

Take good care of your rubber gloves and they'll wear much longer. One Berlin reader sent me loads of clippings which she saved, and among them there was a good tip on how to care for rubber gloves. It suggested that they be thoroughly dried after each use, and then sprinkled with corn starch. Then, turn them inside out, and next time, wear them this way, inside out. Keep alternating them in this way.

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PERHAPS SOME OF YOU have as hard a time as I do trying to unscrew caps from bottles, and waste plenty of time trying to get those caps off. I've been told that a piece of sandpaper wrapped around the cap will help get a good grip on the cap, making it easier to turn. I'm willing to give it a try, how about you?

Another good use for sandpaper, so I've been told, is to use it to bring fresh oil to the surface of cedar wood. Just go over the inside of your cedar chest or closet lightly a couple of times a year, and

that will keep the wood fresh as new.

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THE FOLLOWING HINT may be too late for some to use during this year's spring house-cleaning time, but it might be well worth remembering for future use: When wall-papering, if you plan to paper over old, it is a good idea to cover up old grease spots with a coat of shellac before applying the new wall-paper. This way, the grease won't soak through the new paper, making it necessary to do the work all over again in a short time.

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THE OTHER DAY when I was using my pressure cooker, I remembered a tip I'd read somewhere about using a pipe cleaner to clean the valve on pressure cookers. I thought that might be well worth passing along to you who have these time-saving cookers.

Bermico Bits

Asa Croteau recently spent a week's vacation in Washington, D. C.

Joe Leroux was a recent visitor in Canada, called there by the death of a relative.

Our smelt fishermen Don Welch and Dick Pike report fair success.

Joe Diprospero is reported out sick. Best wishes for a speedy recovery, Joe.



UNCHALLENGED WORDS; QUALITY FIRST

—Submitted by Ted Willoughby, Engineering Dept.

New Nibroc Kowtowl Representative Managed Various N. E. Plants

A new Nibroc Kowtowl representative, Mr. Phineas A. Chamberlin, is now operating out of Brown Company's New York office. Mr. Chamberlin, a graduate of the University of New Hampshire, with a B. S. Degree in agriculture, has had considerable dairy experience over the past fifteen years. Beginning as a dairy plant worker while attending college, he later became manager of various New England plants.

For some years, he was Field Agent for the New England Milk Producer's Association. He represented this large Dairy Cooperative in Northern New England and Eastern New York State.

Mr. Chamberlin's Nibroc Kowtowl activities will be concentrated in the Northeast, in conjunction with J. C. Reynolds, W. A. Koch and N. O. Robinson.

Burgess Screenings

John Peters is the happy father of a nine-pound bouncing boy.

Bob Arnesen is sporting a new 1950 Ford.

The Burgess softball team is holding practice workouts. Anyone wanting to play is welcomed for tryouts.

Congratulations to Buster Cordwell on his promotion.

Sam Croteau, millwright, is looking for help in fixing his yard. Sam is the coach of the Berlin Rockets softball team.

Many Burgess men have signed up for the new city hardball league. Among them are Washburn, Guay, Boucher, Lavernoich, Val Albert, H. Aubin, Angelo Valerino, R. Melanson, and Al Blanchette.

Jimmy Baldassare is burning up the floor at Shelburne as a result of his roller skating every Wednesday and Sunday nites.

Everyone is waiting for Adam Lavernoich to open his bachelor's quarters at Dolly Copp. How about a feed of some of that steak, Adam?

Burgess horseshoe players are really getting into shape for this coming season. Just waiting for the league to get going.

Construction at the Burgess Mill is really shaping up. Buildings are being remodeled in and around the Acid Department.

The problem of parking has come to our attention and we feel that car owners should be a little more considerate of other employees' cars and should park in such a way that fellow workers may enter or leave without difficulty.

Parker

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from New Hampshire, 63 years ago in the home where he died, and which has been occupied by four generations of her family. A member of St. Barnabas Episcopal Church here in Berlin, he attended the Congregational Church in Westbrook and was a 32nd Degree Mason.

Surviving him, besides his widow, are a foster daughter, Miss Gabrielle Thibault and several nieces and nephews all of Westbrook.

Funeral services were held Monday, May 15 with interment in Woodlawn Cemetery.

Mr. O. B. Brown was among those who attended the funeral.

WIN NATIONAL SAFETY AWARD



In recognition of its efforts to reduce disabling industrial accidents during the past year, Brown Corporation at La Tuque, Que., was awarded first prize by the National Safety Council. Displaying the coveted award are, left to right—J. R. Bouchard, safety inspector; Julius Draper, director of Safety, Consolidated Paper Corporation; Mrs. L. Patterson, industrial nurse; J. R. Grieve, acting mill superintendent; Wesley Smith, supervisor of Safety; Dr. A. R. Bayne, mill physician; W. B. Beckler, Jr., works manager and W. C. Budgeon, director of Personnel Relations.

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bridge and Errol, stopping at points of interest where they were given the opportunity to observe the reclamation of acres upon acres of land that had lost all top soil and agricultural value and which today are covered with a 20, 24 and 30 year growth of pine and spruce trees. Over a period of twenty years, as a result of Brown Company's far-sighted tree-planting program which it organized in 1920, some two million trees raised in the company's own nurseries were planted on company-owned land.

Farming Operations

Brown Company keeps between 40 and 50 horses year-round for use in their woods operations. The company maintains its own farm, mainly for hay and pasture for this stock. We saw a part of the 200 acres of newly seeded and improved tillage and the newly-fenced 90-acre pasture. We were informed the company raises vegetables on this farm for use in its logging camps.

Other Crops Growing

Contrary to the common belief that most past cutting practices have been destructive, many areas, it was shown, even after heavy cutting, have fully restocked naturally. This fact was specially noticeable in the Spruce-Fir timber stands adjacent to the Androscoggin River where the Spruce and Balsam Fir are nearly large enough for another harvest. As a result of a limited use of small softwood growth in the past, because of market conditions prevailing then, thousands of acres which were once logged for Spruce and Fir will again be ready for harvest in a few years.

Bog Brook

Arriving at Bog Brook we were confronted with an unusual spectacle offered by the boom and headworks, which, we were told, are used for the purpose of holding back the pulpwood put into the river above this point during the fall and winter months. When older wood below this point is

used up by the mills, the boom is opened and the wood is allowed to move down. This holding of the wood until needed keeps some parts of the river open to allow the movement of wood in storage along the river nearer the mills. If all the wood is let down at one time, it was explained, it tends to pile and push back into coves and lagoons of the lower part of the river and causes additional handling.

A little further up in Errol, in the Seven Islands area where some 40 acres of forest land were ravaged by forest fire in 1936, the absence of commercially important species, 14 years after the fire, was noted.

Millsfield Camp

We then proceeded to the company's Millsfield Camp which is a modern lumber camp with cafeteria style mess hall, gas cooking, refrigeration, electricity and appliances, laundry, showers, etc.

The camp, like all others operated by Brown Company, is also equipped with modern up-to-date fire-fighting equipment. The normal equipment at the Millsfield operation, for example, includes a portable pumper and 1,200 feet of fire hose, and two tool boxes sufficient to equip twenty men. The usual woods-working equipment greatly supplements this emergency fire-fighting equipment.

Operations at this camp, primarily for hardwood pulpwood, started in May 1949. Up to April 1, 1950, 1,335 acres had been cut, yielding 16,265

cords of hardwood, 2,215 cords of Spruce-Fir, and 183,000 board feet of hardwood veneer logs.

While at the Millsfield Camp, the group was briefly addressed by the Honorable Sherman Adams, Governor of the State of New Hampshire; W. R. Brown, Chairman of the State Forestry Commission; and by Laurence F. Whittemore, President of Brown Company.

Sturtevant Pond Operations

Refreshed and rested after a real woodsmen's dinner, we then headed in the direction of Magalloway, Maine, the last stop on this most interesting trip.

As we travelled along, about one-half mile above Errol Dam, we saw the Steamer "Diamond" used in log and pulp drives to pull wood across Umbagog Lake, and just across the Maine-New Hampshire State Line, the Brown Farm, which is used as a depot for camps further north. It served last winter as a place for feeding truckers hauling wood from Sturtevant Pond to Berlin.

Upon arriving at our destination, the party was split in groups and covered operations under the direction of guides.

In 1935-36, Brown Company cut 16,000 cords of Spruce-Fir pulpwood in the Sturtevant Pond area and landed it on the ice of the Pond. It was driven down the Magalloway and Androscoggin Rivers to Berlin.

In 1949 the area was made accessible by the construction

LEST WE FORGET

It was not so long ago that they were sharing with us on Memorial Day the memory of the departed heroes of the first World War. During the last conflict, they joined their comrades in death, sacrificing their lives that we might live in freedom and in peace.

Today, we join the nation in paying tribute to those who fought 'round the world and died in World War II. Among them are our fellow workers, our sons and neighbors who died while wearing the uniform of our country.

To them we owe an eternal debt of gratitude. Because of them, because they thought so much of our way of life that they were ready to die to preserve it, let's march together towards a future free of "isms," prejudices and misunderstandings. Together we'll be strong, as "they" would have wanted us to be.

Five Divisions Lose Points Offices Gain

Onco, Bermico Railway Retain Top Rating

Can it be that we bragged too soon of our accomplishments in the Good House-keeping field?

According to the last report reaching us, five divisions have slipped downhill, and the Wood Storage-Burgess Wood Preparation, is suffering a temporary eclipse as it moves behind the eight ball.

Deserve "Oscar"

Berlin Mills Railway, Bermico and Onco really deserve an "Oscar" for retaining their 100 per cent ratings for such a long period. Their achievement is a proof that a perfect score, as far as Good House-keeping is concerned, is not an impossibility.

Several Near Top

Several divisions have repeatedly come within a hair of reaching the top. It is hoped that whatever has prevented their achieving a perfect score will soon be overcome.

Ratings

Research, Chemical and Maintenance & Construction have retained their previous ratings of 99, 98 and 98 respectively. Riverside, with an excellent rating last April 29, stepped down to 98. Administrative Offices gained two points and are now standing at 96. The Kraft Plant lost four points to 94, Power and Steam slipped from 94 to 92, Burgess from 88 to 83 and Cascade from 87 to 80.

of 3 miles of summer truck road. In the past winter, 7,576 cords of hardwood pulpwood, and 1,294 cords of softwood pulpwood, and 112,000 board feet of veneer logs were cut.

Two-man crews equipped with chain saws felled the big hardwood trees and prepared them for twitching to central yards where they were cut into pulpwood bolts. Horses were used to twitch the logs to central yards where they were sawn up for pulpwood or put aside as veneer logs. Bulldozers will be used in building truck roads to these central yards, we were informed. The veneer logs were yarded to one of the roads already built and were loaded by a power crane and hauled by truck.

All this cutting, it was pointed out, was done with an eye to the protection of young trees that have restocked the area. By carefully avoiding stands of young softwood and by care in felling and twitching, it was demonstrated, the basis of another crop of softwood pulpwood remains for future cut.

Those participating in the tour included Foresters from the Federal, State, and County Agencies of New Hampshire, Vermont, and Maine; leaders of New England Industry; Bank executives; Farm Bureau and Grange representatives; and Pulpwood Producers.