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ROGERS APPOINTED ASSISTANT TO PRESIDENT

James Rogers II is a man with a long and thorough knowledge of the pulp and paper industry.

Brown Company's new assistant to the president grew up in a family of pulp and paper makers and went on to become vice president of the firm his great grandfather founded in Au Sable Forks, N. Y.

Mr. Rogers' chief concern will, at present, be with the engineering, maintenance and construction phases of the company. But his interests will be broad in his capacity as right-hand man to President A. E. H. Fair.

Mr. Rogers entered the pulp and paper field even before his graduation from Cornell University. In 1923 he became superintendent of the sulphite mill of J. & J. Rogers Company, the firm that had been founded originally as an iron mining and smelting concern by his great grandfather, James, and John Rogers in 1830. That firm,



JAMES ROGERS II
New Assistant to the President

incidentally, turned its attention to pulp and paper about the same time that Brown Company branched out into those fields.

Following some time as sulphite mill superintendent, Mr. Rogers returned to Cornell to get his degree in mechanical engineering in 1925.

Going back to Au Sable Forks, he continued his superintendent's work until 1931, when he became assistant superintendent of the paper mill. In 1936, he was named vice president and superintendent, and in 1944 was promoted to vice president and general manager, a position he held until his resignation from the company this summer.

In welcoming Mr. Rogers to Brown Company, Mr. Fair asserted that "he will be of valuable assistance in the planning and carrying out of the many steps in our expansion and improvement program, as well as in the many other phases of our work. Brown Company is fortunate in having secured the services of Mr. Rogers."

FREE WEEKEND in NEW YORK CITY...



EMPIRE
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CHILDREN of Brown Company employees — those who are attending grammar or high school — have an opportunity to win a free, all-expenses-paid weekend in New York City.

On October 4, over Station WMTW-TV (Mt. Washington — Channel 8), Brown Company will start a ten-weeks series of TV programs. Officials and employees of Brown Company will appear on TV — from 8:15 to 8:30 each Thursday evening — during the period from October 4 to December 6.

The program—"Trees and People"—will tell, in action and other ways, the story of Brown Company, its employees and its varied products from the forest which are sold all over the world.

In connection with the TV broadcasts, Brown Company will conduct an essay contest, open to all grammar and high school pupils in Berlin, Gorham, Milan and Shelburne. Children of Brown Company employees are, of course, eligible to enter the contest and compete for the prizes, if they attend school in the four communities which are included.

The grand prize will be a three-day, all-expenses-paid, thrill-packed weekend in New York for two people. The boy, or girl, who wins the grand prize will be given the opportunity of selecting an adult to accompany him (or her) on the big trip.

In addition there will be 16 other prizes — 8 for high school students, and 8 for grammar school students.

It's a very simple contest. All an entrant has to do is to watch the 10 TV programs and then write an essay, of not more than 500 words, on the subject: "What I Learned About Berlin and Brown Company From Watching The TV Programs." Grammar school pupils will have equal opportunity with high school pupils to win the grand prize, for the judges will consider entries on neatness, originality AND the grade in school of the contestant.

To be eligible for the grand prize, or one of the other 16 prizes, a boy or girl **MUST** obtain and file an official entry blank. These blanks are available to employees in the various plants and offices of Brown Company in Berlin and Gorham. Or, one may be obtained by 'phoning or writing the Public Re-



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BROWN COMPANY ESSAY CONTEST
ENTRIES CLOSE OCT. 2 —
— FILE YOUR ENTRY BLANK

NOW!

Starts
Oct. 4th thru Dec. 6th



FUN FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY

lations Department of Brown Company at Berlin. As soon as an entry blank is received, properly filled out, an Official Contestant's Certificate will be mailed to the entrant. This certificate will contain a number. This number will identify the contestant throughout the contest. The judges will receive the essays with numbers only, so that the identity of the entrant will not be known to them.

The TV programs themselves will provide 10 weeks of interesting watching for the Berlin-Gorham-Shelburne-Milan area. In addition the story of Brown Company, and its products, will be told to many thousands of TV watchers in the vast areas in the United States and Canada which are covered by the WMTW transmitter.

With the Contestant's Official Certificate, each girl and boy who enters the contest will receive a copy of the official rules. The rules are simple, and very easy to follow.

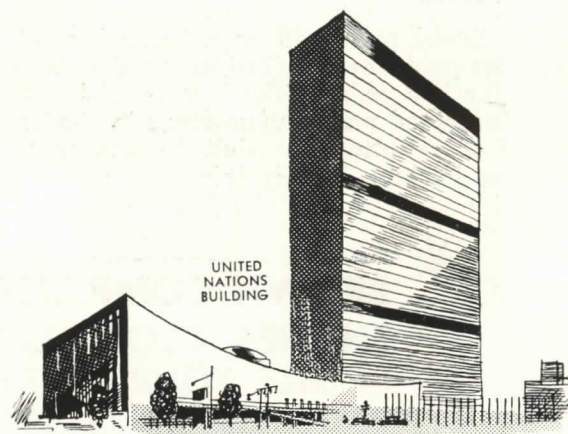
There are no limitations on the number of youngsters in any one family who may compete, so long

as they are attending grammar or high school. Parents viewing the programs can help any contestant with suggestions. And if perchance a contestant can not view some particular program in the 10-weeks series they are allowed to have someone tell them what was broadcast on that particular evening.

It's a most exciting opportunity for Brown Company families. In addition to the contest feature, Brown Company workers will see their fellow employees on TV—and even may appear themselves.

Opportunity to file an entry blank for the essay contest will close on October 2. No boy or girl not officially entered by midnight of that date can be considered for one of the prizes.

If your boy or girl hasn't already filed an entry blank, you should get a blank and have them file it immediately.



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Employees of Brown Company will take part in the ten broadcasts. From all departments of Brown Company in Berlin and Gorham, employees will be chosen to appear with officials of the Company on the TV broadcasts.

The entire series will be well worth watching, to say nothing of the opportunity for the youngsters to win the 17 prizes.

PRIZE LIST

Brown Company TV Essay Contest

GRAND PRIZE

A three-day, all-expenses-paid trip to New York City for the winning contestant, and for an adult of his (or her) choosing to accompany the winner.

FOR GRAMMAR SCHOOL PUPILS

1st prize	— \$100 U. S. Savings Bond
2d prize	— \$75 U. S. Savings Bond
3d prize	— \$50 U. S. Savings Bond
4th prize	— \$25 U. S. Savings Bond
5th prize	— \$25 U. S. Savings Bond
6th prize	— \$25 U. S. Savings Bond
7th prize	— \$25 U. S. Savings Bond
8th prize	— \$25 U. S. Savings Bond

FOR HIGH SCHOOL PUPILS

1st prize	— \$100 U. S. Savings Bond
2d prize	— \$75 U. S. Savings Bond
3d prize	— \$50 U. S. Savings Bond
4th prize	— \$25 U. S. Savings Bond
5th prize	— \$25 U. S. Savings Bond
6th prize	— \$25 U. S. Savings Bond
7th prize	— \$25 U. S. Savings Bond
8th prize	— \$25 U. S. Savings Bond

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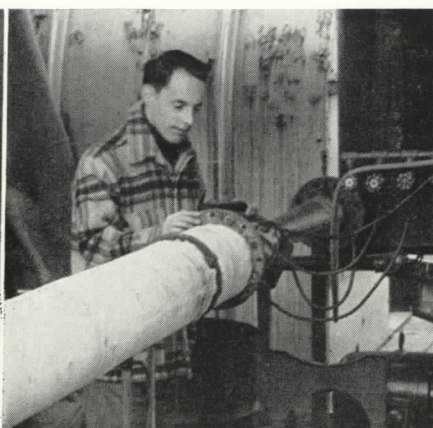
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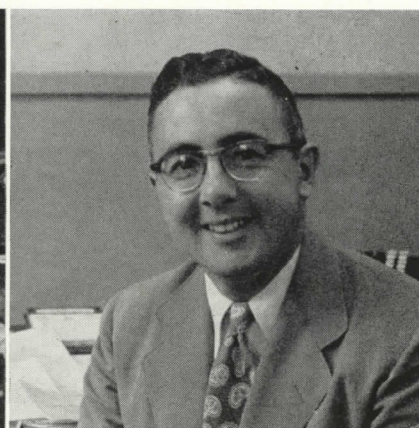
Promotion for Three at Burgess Pulp Mills



DR. E. B. GUTOFF . . .
recently promoted to Senior and Sulphite Process Engineer in the Burgess pulp mills.



ROBERT BONSALE . . .
recently promoted to Kraft Process Engineer in the Burgess pulp mills.

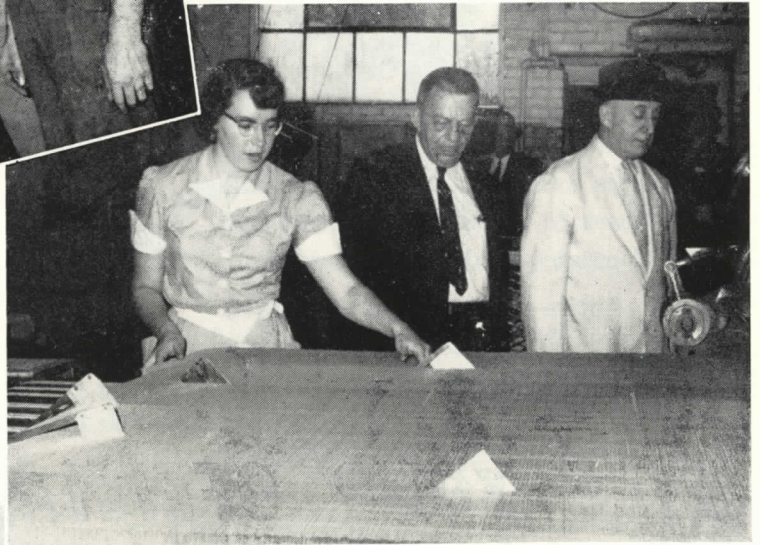


DONALD BORCHERS
. . . recently promoted to Bleachery and Machines in the Burgess pulp mills.

Company Directors Tour Mills




FRIENDLY CHAT . . . Ernest H. Maling (center), vice chairman of Brown Company's Board of Directors and for many years company vice president and treasurer, stops to chat with two employees at Cascade Mill during the directors' visit to the plants. Left to right: Earl Driscoll; Carl von Ende, manager of paper manufacturing; Mr. Maling; John Hegeman, production manager of the pulp mills, and Gerard Morin.



TOWELS BY THE THOUSANDS . . . Director Maurice Forget (right) watches a towel converting machine in operation at Cascade Mill. At the left is Anita Fortin and in the center is Vice President Robert W. Andrews.



RAPT ATTENTION . . . Directors pay close attention to debarking operations at the hardwood sawmill, where logs are debarked before entering the mill. Left to right: Vice President Robert W. Andrews, Director John L. Sullivan, Technical Director George A. Day and Director Arthur D. Emory.

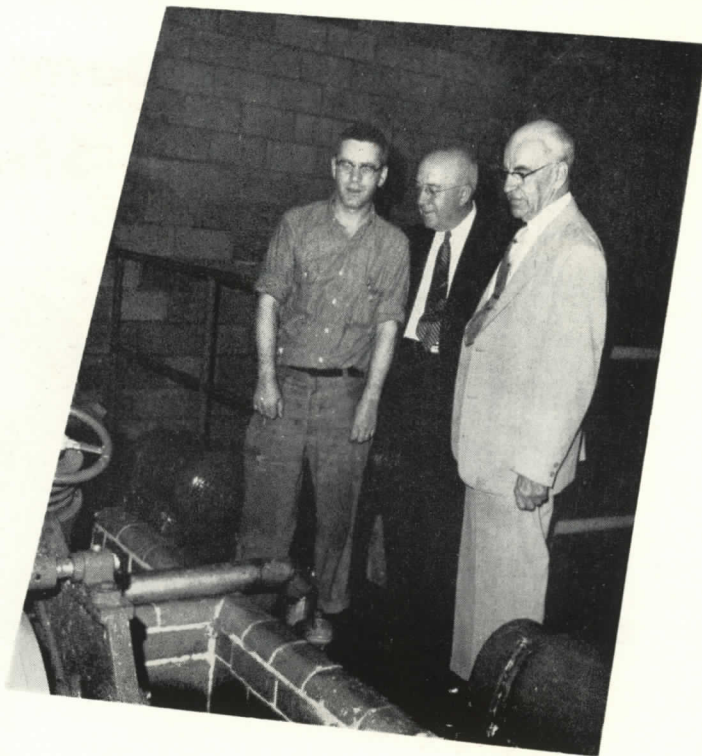
BBROWN COMPANY'S Board of Directors on July 28 took a close look at the progress being made in the plant improvement and expansion program in the Berlin and Gorham mills.

Accompanied by company officials the directors saw in action the many pieces of new equipment in operation, and many other projects now underway.

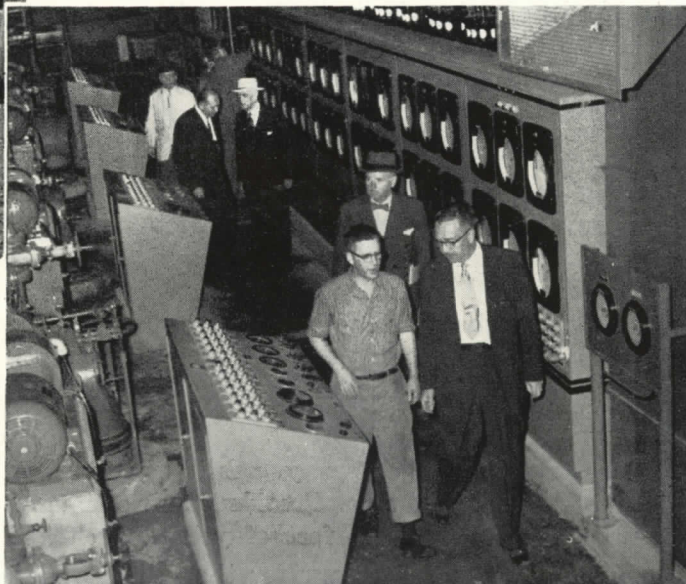
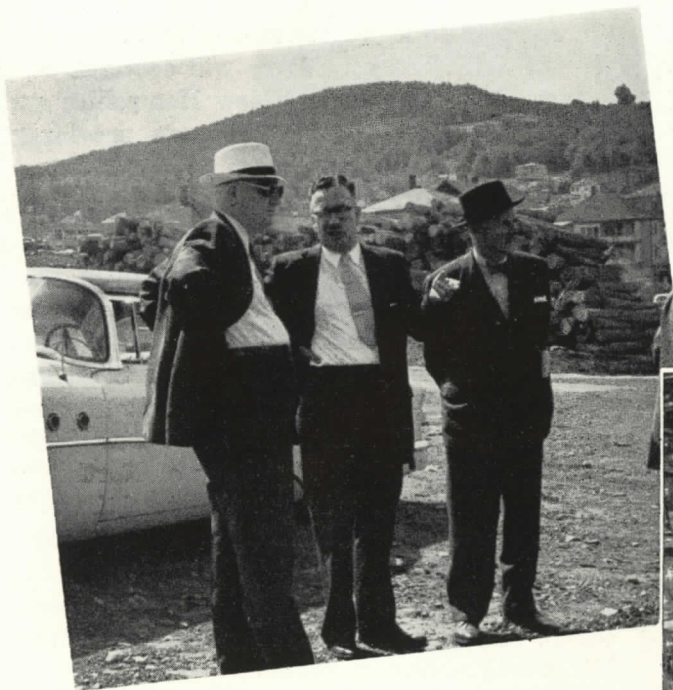
Of particular interest, of course, was the new kraft pulp bleachery plant and the chlorine dioxide plant.

They also spent considerable time seeing new things in the sawmills, at Burgess, Cascade and Bermico Mills, and in talking with employees about their work.

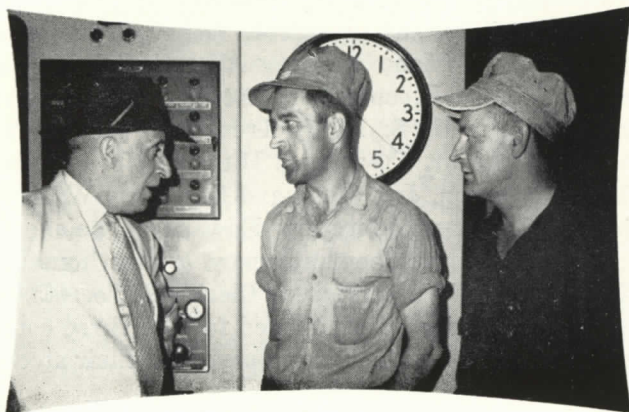
Following the tour of inspection and luncheon at the Company House, the directors held their regular monthly meeting.



Above: Lawrence Birt, Board Chairman L. F. Whittemore and Director Ernest M. Hopkins chat together about some of the equipment in the new kraft pulp bleachery. Left: Pres. A. E. H. Fair (center) makes a point about the sawmill debarker to Director R. Howard Webster (left). With them is Director Arthur G. Walwyn.



Directors discuss the equipment on the top floor of the new bleachery. In front, left to right, Lawrence Birt, Director A. G. Walwyn, Pres. A. E. H. Fair. In back, Director Maurice Forget, Senior Vice Pres. S. W. Skowbo, Director William B. Joyce.



Left: Director Maurice Forget talks with Philip Reardon (center) and Lucien Godbout (right) beside the control panel of the new steam boiler.

New Brown Company Subsidiary at North Stratford, New Hampshire



SALLS



BRUNO



WASHBURN

A NEW subsidiary of Brown Company has been established at North Stratford, New Hampshire, through purchase of the capital stock of Granite State Veneer, Inc.; Plywood Products, Inc.; and the Stratford Realty Corporation.

The three companies—which operate as one property in production of high-grade veneer and plywood products—will continue as a separate operation under the same executives, but will use veneer logs supplied by Brown Company. The North Stratford property will, in turn, send its waste materials to Berlin for use in Brown Company's pulp production, thus integrating to that extent North Stratford and Berlin operations.

President A. E. H. Fair said purchase of the stock of the North Stratford companies by Brown Company "is in furtherance of Brown Company's policy of complete utilization of the mature timber in its forests. It was decided to purchase the facilities at North Stratford rather than to duplicate them in Berlin, because we felt the supply of high-grade veneer logs in this area is only sufficient for one major operation of this sort."

The new Brown Company subsidiary employs about 320 women and men. President Fair estimated from nine to ten million feet of yellow birch and maple logs will be necessary for the full operation of the North Stratford plant. These amounts, he said, "are available in the area for a long time to come, particularly because of the large amount of yellow birch on lands owned by Brown Company".

In addition to logs from Brown Company lands, the North Stratford subsidiary will continue to absorb veneer logs from Maine, New Hampshire and Vermont, which the companies were previously purchasing from other sources.

Affairs of the North Stratford subsidiary will be directed by a Board of Directors composed of Edgar C. Hirst of Concord, N.H., Chairman of the Board of the First National Bank of Concord, and long active in North Country lumber manufacturing industries; Allie E. Salls, of North Stratford, Vice President—Manufacturing, of Granite State Veneer, Inc., Plywood Products, Inc., and Stratford Realty Corporation; Reuben Washburn of North Stratford, Vice President—Log Procurement, of the three companies; Laurence F. Whittemore, Chairman of the Board, A. E. Harold Fair, President, Stuart W. Skowbo, Senior Vice President and Treasurer, and C. S. Herr, Vice President—Woods Operations, of Brown Company.

Officers of the three companies will be headed by A. E. Harold Fair, as president. Other officers are Vice President—Manufacturing Allie E. Salls; Vice President—Log Procurement Reuben Washburn; Vice President C. S. Herr; Treasurer Stuart W. Skowbo; Assistant Treasurers Hugh D. Jordan and William J. Oleson, Jr.; Clerk and Secretary William Lehnert; Assistant Secretary Edward J. Reichert. Mr. Lehnert, a prominent attorney, whose home is in Groveton, will, in serving as Clerk and Secretary, continue the duties he performed for the three companies before Brown Company purchased their stock.

Service Department Really Serves

By Evelyn C. Lipman

"COOPERATION" is the by-word with the Office Service Department.

This department of many divisions, supervised by Gordon Clark, office manager, renders service to all departments, plants, storehouses and offices, including the sales offices of Brown Company.

Mr. Clark estimates the staff, including the supervisor, stenographic department, secretary, ma-

Composing machine operator; Mrs. Alice Gendron, operator of the No. 1250 electric multilith machine, and Arthur Laplante, forms finisher.

Eleanor Pettengill trains and supervises the typists and machine operators. She checks completed work, such as financial statements, weekly and period costs, letters and tabulated forms. She allocates

inch carriage. Perforating, collating and numbering of forms in the duplicating section are done by the Stenographic Department.

Lucille Morin, secretary to Mr. Clark, in addition to her regular duties, processes the various forms, preparing them for xerox; keeps a record of all forms sent out and relieves on the switchboard.

Mr. Clark says, "After the Printing Department at Cascade was dispensed with, all oversize forms (forms larger than 8½ by 13) had to be sent to outside printers. Now, a modern system of duplicating has been set up with a Coxhead D S J (Differential Spacing Adjustment) Composing machine and Xerography equipment."

Gene Bissett, operator of the electric composing machine explains it this way: "It has a keyboard similar to a typewriter, as many kinds of type as a printing press, and with this machine we can compose any desired form".

Jackie Croteau, operator of the Xerography machine (pronounced Ze-ROG-ra-fee—from the Greek "zeros", meaning "dry", and "graphos", meaning "writing") explained that this machine is a new, dry, electrical process of printing, picture taking, reproducing documents and drawings, and making

ZONE CHECKED FIRST . . . Mrs. Bertha Ayotte, mail clerk, weighs parcel-post package on postometer scale. Machine weighs up to 70 pounds.



chine operators and forms finisher, produces as much as 6,000,000 copies of internal forms, as well as thousands of copies of all types of reports per year.

He says, "We maintain a complete inventory of standard office supplies; are responsible for the janitor service, maintenance and upkeep of all office buildings; maintenance of all office machines and equipment in the Berlin offices; supervision of the mailroom, the switchboard and servicing of New England telephones throughout the entire organization".

The staff of the Office Service Department includes: Eleanor Pettengill, supervisor, stenographic department; Lucille Morin, secretary; Pauline Dutil, senior typist; Jackie Mason and Sylvia Oliver, typists; Jackie Croteau, xerox operator; Janet Robichaud, ditto operator; Mona Guitard, multilith operator; Gene Bissett, Coxhead

incoming work and interchanges jobs.

Ten typewriters, manual and electric, are available—everything from standard keyboard to the 26-



AUTOMATIC FEED . . . The postage-meter machine speeds up mail handling for Mrs. Cecile Duquette, mail clerk.



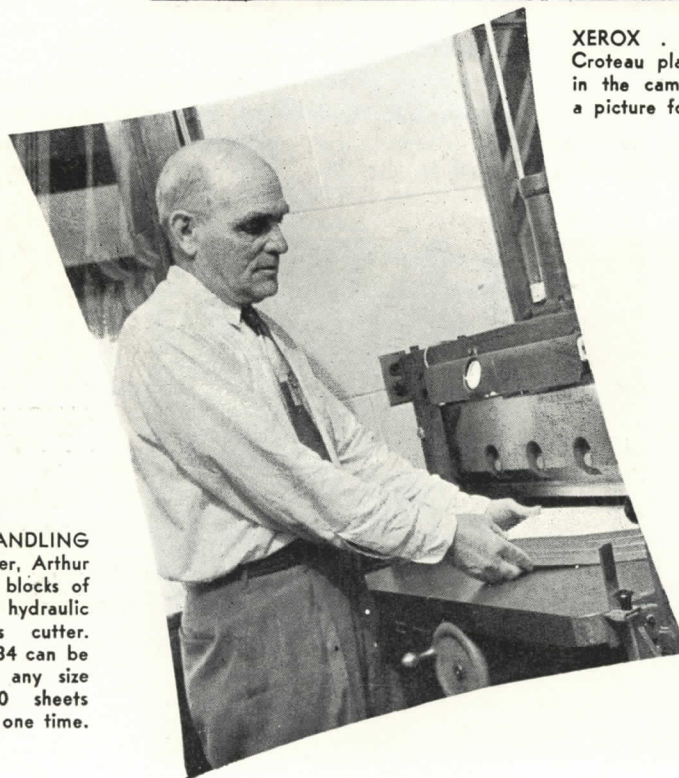
CALL PLEASE??? . . . Catherine (Honey) Cameron and Doris Labonte, two alert sentinels of Brown Company's watchtower — the switchboard.



BUSY, BUSY, BUSY!! Gordon Clark gives Secretary Lucille Morin the morning's dictation.

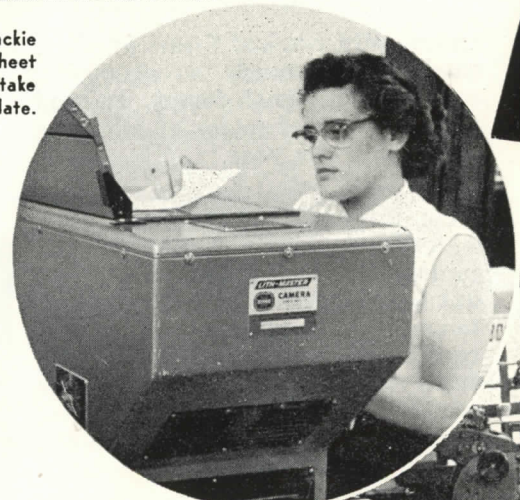


WORK DISTRIBUTION . . . Eleanor Pettengill, (standing) supervisor of the stenographic department, hands out work for the day. (Seated) in front row, left to right: Lorraine Theberge and Jacquelyn Mason. Back row: Mona Guitard, Janet Robichaud and Pauline Dutil. At table checking, are Jean Bissett and Jacquelyn Croteau.

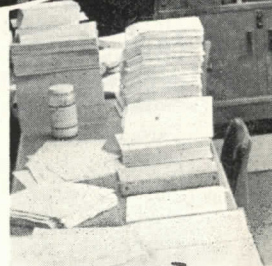


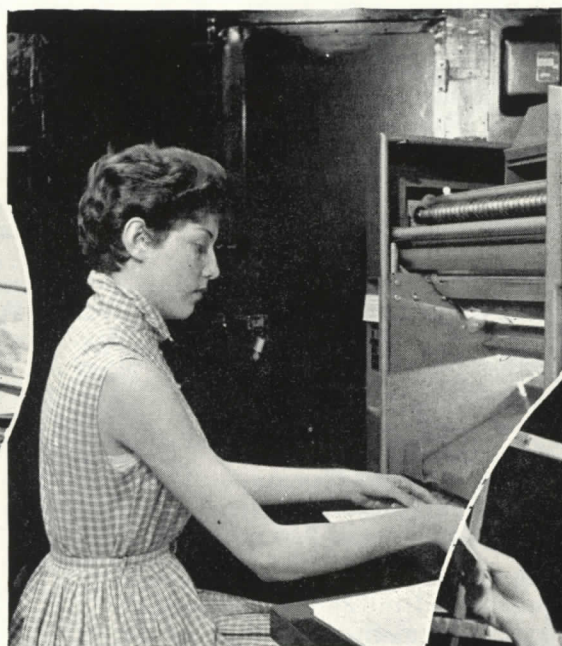
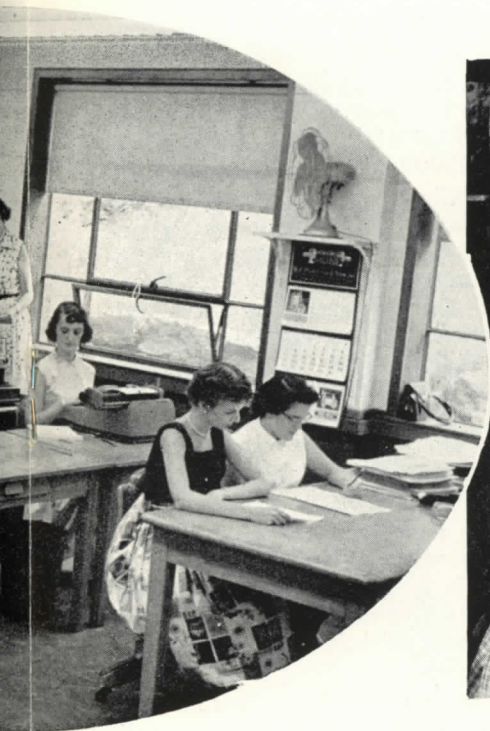
CAREFUL HANDLING . . . Form fitter, Arthur Laplante cuts blocks of paper on the hydraulic electric press cutter. Sheets 22 by 34 can be cut down to any size required. 500 sheets can be cut at one time.

XEROX . . . Jackie Croteau places a sheet in the camera to take a picture for the plate.



LARGE MULTILITH . . . Alice Gendron (rear) runs off 5,000 to 6,000 copies per hour on this electrically operated machine; Janet Robichaud (center) at ditto Guitard operates by machine and Mona hand the small multilith.

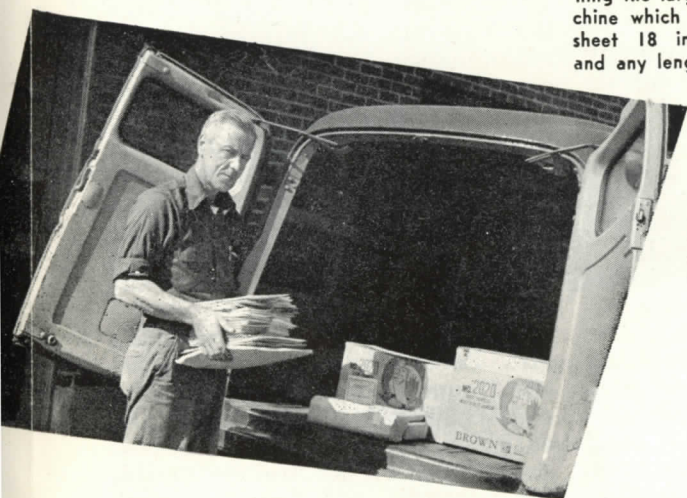




SORTING . . . All incoming mail is sorted by Doreen Williams, mail clerk. Doreen left recently to join her family in Taunton, Mass. and complete her college education.



BRUNING COPYFLEX . . . Lorraine Alati running the large-sized machine which can take a sheet 18 inches wide, and any length.



LOADING UP . . . Armand Laroche, driver of Brown Company's mail truck.



THE D S J . . . Gene Bissett sits at the electric composing machine—a new quick printing method.



BANKING ERRAND . . . Aurele Roberge, driver of Brown Company's car, assisting Don Whittier, Cashier, at the Berlin City National Bank.

offset master paper plates for duplicating and printing.

Jackie says, "You photograph directly onto a multilith duplimat and the plate is transferred to the multilith machine. Then thousands of copies can be run from one plate".

"Another method of reproduction used", Alice Gendron stated, "is by the negative method. Negatives are prepared by Victor Beaudoin at the Research Photo Laboratory. These are transferred to a pre-sensitized aluminum multilith plate for long runs of 10,000 to 20,000 copies.

"This large No. 1250 multilith machine", Alice continued, "can produce forms at the rate of 5,000 to 6,000 per hour—everything from post-card size to a maximum sheet of 8½ by 13 inches. It can print in various colors."

Mona Guitard, on the hand-operated multilith No. 1260, runs off form letters, special orders, etc. in amounts up to 250 copies.

Janet Robichaud, runs off weekly costs, etc. on the electric ditto machine—sheets varying from 8½ by 11 size to 14 by 20 inches.

"At the present time", Mr. Clark says, "we are printing over 2,000 different standard forms for use in Brown Company."

Arthur Laplante finishes forms with an automatic hydraulic paper cutter, electric stapler and perforating machines; pads blocks of paper; maintains an inventory of papers and printed forms, and wraps and ships orders for sup-

plies. Ten company storehouses are serviced through the traveling requisition method, as well as all the local offices, plants and departments.

"Brown Company, like every modern organization", Mr. Clark continued, "uses several Bruning Copyflex machines throughout its offices for quick reproduction of letters or reports.

"A microfilm machine is used to photograph all records which must be kept. This machine equipped with automatic feed, will photograph 250 checks per minute. Other records, where the size varies, such as invoices, must be hand-fed. The machine eliminates the necessity of handling and storing thousands of Brown Company records. For instance, one small film contains approximately 4,000 8½ by 11-inch records. Reproduction can be made in minutes on the Remington Rand Transportable

Filmarecord machine."

Those pleasant voices from the switchboard belong to Catherine (Honey) Cameron, Irene Halle and Doris Labonte. They handle between 2,000 to 2,500 calls per day.

Mr. Clark, in speaking of the switchboard, says, "It covers about 160 stations within Brown Company, and is open from 7 A.M. to 7 P.M. daily, Monday through Friday, and on Saturday from 7 A.M. to 2 P.M. When switchboard operators are not on duty, there are about 30 stations covered by a direct hook-up system over 12 trunk lines direct to the New England central in Berlin.

"The company also maintains a private wire to its Boston office. There is a 'foreign exchange line' direct to Gorham central. This reduces cost of tolls to Gorham and Shelburne."

Of all the telephone traffic within the company, more than 50 calls a day come into the Office Service Department, Mr. Clark said. These are requests for information on maintenance, telephone changes, special orders, office changes, use of company car, etc.

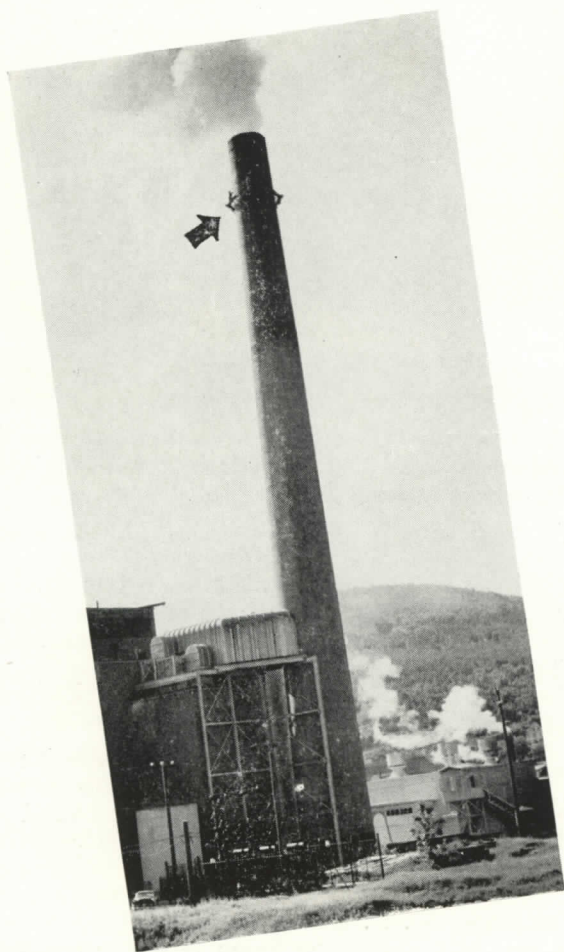
The Brown Company car, driven by Aurele Roberge, makes scheduled trips to the bank and the U.S. post-office as well as dozens of trips to various offices, storehouses and miscellaneous trips around the plants.

The mailroom staff, including Mrs. Bertha Ayotte and Mrs. Cecile Duquette, mail clerks, handles some 3,000 pieces of incoming and outgoing mail and parcel-post daily. Mail clerks are responsible for domestic and foreign parcel-post shipments, and serve as clerks for office supplies.



DELIVERY A-FOOT . . . Beverly Wheeler, mail messenger, returning from collecting mail at the Bermico Mill.

BROWNCO NEWS REVIEW



CAPACITY DOUBLED AT CORVALLIS

The capacity of the newly-acquired manufacturing plant for Bermico electrical conduit and sewer pipe in Corvallis, Oregon, is being doubled.

President A. E. H. Fair said that "growth of Bermico sewer pipe, drainage and irrigation pipe and electrical conduit business on the West Coast warrants immediate expansion of the Oregon mill."

Brown Company purchased the Corvallis plant of the Blacfiber Pipe Company in June of this year, as an addition to its Bermico production facilities here.

"Expansion of the Oregon plant will add another ten per cent to

If you get dizzy when you climb your stepladder, you better not try what Archie Spencer and his crew have been doing here.

Mr. Spencer goes all over the world cleaning and repairing tall chimneys. He, Charles King and Bill Luber from the Rust Engineering Co., Pittsburgh, Pa., contract with Brown Company to do a complete cleaning and repair job, as the need arises, on the 250-foot concrete Kraft Mill smokestack, both inside and out.

The men ride up and down in a chair attached to a hanging cable which runs over the pulley hitched to their staging. As they proceed upward, staging in sections is inserted at the different levels, held by a heavy wire rope, which is tightened at each stage of the climb. It is breath-taking to watch — one man goes up to a higher level, reaches for a piece of staging, inserts it under the wire cable, and the next time you look, the three steeplejacks are walking around on it as if they were on the ground.

Every inch of the chimney is carefully inspected for cracks or deteriorated joints, which are repaired with a special acid-proof cement. The top 75 feet is painted with a special black preparation.



JORDAN PROMOTED

Richard T. Jordan, who has been with Brown Company since 1941, has been promoted to manager of the Internal Audit and Office Methods Division, it was announced recently by Alexander B. Walker, budget director.

Mr. Jordan succeeds Francis N. Willey, who resigned to accept a position in Kansas.

A graduate of Northeastern University as a major in business administration in 1932, Mr. Jordan joined Brown Company in 1941 as a member of the Accounting Department. In 1945 and 1946 he was with the Woods Department, and the following year was transferred to the Internal Audit Division. In 1954 he was promoted to the position of cost control analyst.

Before coming to Brown Company, Mr. Jordan was cost and senior accountant with Oxford Paper Company.

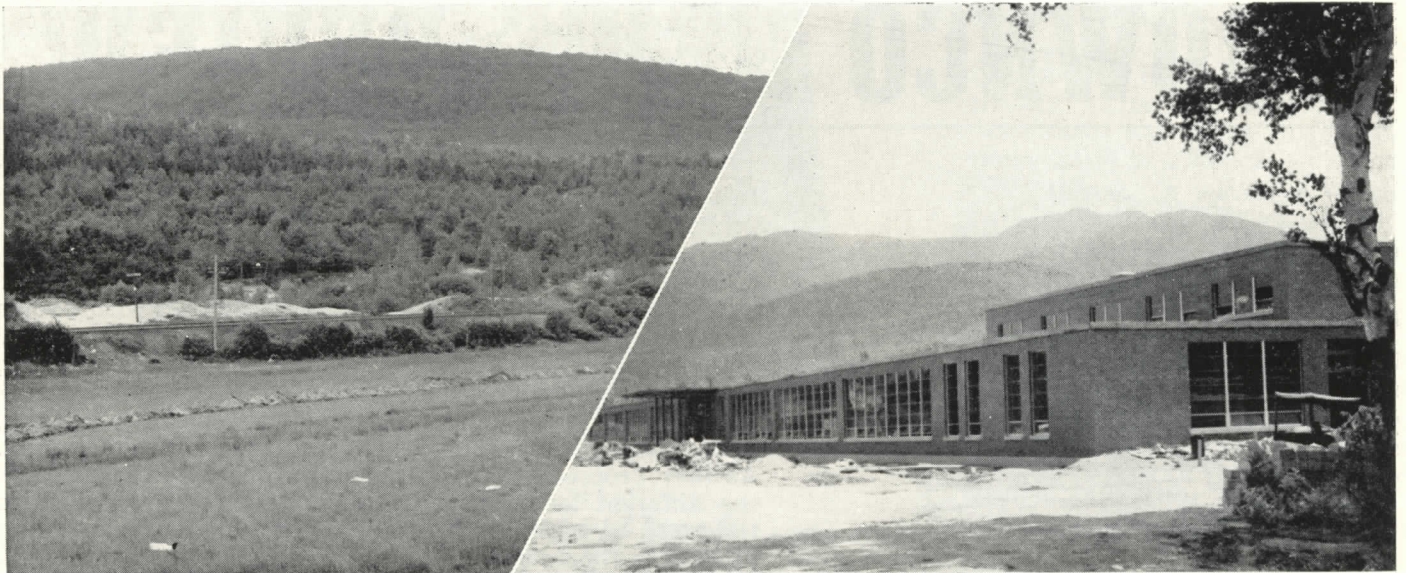
He is a veteran of World War II, serving with the Navy Air Force.

Brown Company's total production of Bermico products," Arthur R. Taylor, General Manager of the Bermico Division stated.

CARLIN RESIGNS

Thomas Carlin, who has been superintendent of Brown Company's Kraft Pulp Mill, has resigned to accept a position with Eastern Corporation.

Mr. Carlin first came with Brown Company in the 1920's as a member of the Research Department. He resigned in 1926 to join the Southern Advance Bag and Paper Division of Robert Gair Company, Inc., in Hodge, La., and in 1944 became mill manager of the Gilman Paper Company in Howland, Maine.



A PROBLEM . . . Gorham school officials were faced with a problem of considerable water settling in the play area behind the new elementary school, due to be opened this September. Water, flowing off the hills in back of the school, settled in the area. In spring, it was particularly soppy. The problem has been solved. The answer is shown in the next page.

SCHOOL officials in Gorham had a problem. But they solved it quickly and easily with Bermidrain.

Behind the new elementary school rose a high hill. In the spring of the year, water rolled down the slope and seeped into the ground in the playground area.

Gorham officials, knowing of the job Bermidrain has done elsewhere, talked with Brown Company.

"Sure, it will do the job well," company people said. "And we'll be happy to donate enough Bermidrain to do the job."

On a Saturday morning, a long trench was dug across the area, leading to a small stream. Short

trenches led out at angles from the main trench.

In the afternoon, a crew of three men laid 1,000 feet of Bermidrain, while a fourth worker backfilled the trench. The job took 60 man hours.

Before many sections of pipe had been laid, a stream of water began pouring out of the low end.

Superintendent of Schools Gordon Tate grinned. "That's going to do the trick wonderfully," he declared.

So, mark up another job well done by Bermidrain.

THE FLOW BEGINS . . . Only a short stretch of Bermidrain had been laid when water began to flow out of the play area. Superintendent of Schools Gordon Tate watches the water as it is carried off into a stream away from the new school. One thousand feet of Bermidrain was donated by Brown Company to the project.



WET
Becomes
DRY

WORK STARTS . . . In the morning, a 1000-foot trench was dug. At intervals, shorter trenches were dug at angles to the main trench.



EASY WORK . . . Light, tough Bermidrain is laid out beside the trenches, ready for easy installation.

FAST WORK . . . Superintendent of Schools Tate watches the high speed laying of Bermidrain. Note the water standing in the trench—water that was carried away as quickly as the pipe was laid.



JOB COMPLETED . . . Power equipment backfills the trench as quickly as the men put in the Bermidrain. The entire job of digging the trenches, laying the 1000 feet of Bermidrain and backfilling took less than 60 man hours.

HEADED FOR PLEASANT LEISURE



OFF FOR CALIFORNIA . . . Wilfred Landry being presented with a purse of money before he left for Sunny California, where he will live. Front row, left to right: Robert Ruel, Ed Boutin, Paul Anderson, construction engineer, Paul Kluchnick, Don Marois, labor foreman, presenting the gift, Mr. Landry, Gerard Ramsey, Hector Poulriot, Irving Quimby and James Cooney. Back row, left to right: Lucien Robichaud, Noel Ducharme, Leo Boucher, Leo Daigle, Robert Washburn, William Dubuc, Aime Dion, George Albert and Guy Vezina, of the Burgess Construction Crew.

FOREMAN RETIRES AFTER 37 YEARS . . .

Joe Paradis of Heine Boiler Plant being presented with gift of a pipe, cigarette lighter, cigars, tobacco pouch, billfold and fountain pen as he retires from Heine Boiler. Left to right: Justin Griffin; Roger Gagne; William Ryder; Mr. Paradis; Wilfred St. Croix; Frank Bourassa; Louis Rancourt, Chief Engineer, presenting him with the gift; Norman Pepin; Gene Rousseau and Mike Brooks.



WE'LL MISS YOU . . . Joseph Lemieux, coater operator at the Onco Plant being presented with a purse of money from his friends at the plant. Front row, left to right: Tommy Sullivan, Jean Paul Poirier, and Louis Fortuna. Second row: Edmund Babin, storekeeper, making the presentation, Mr. Lemieux, Helen Hays, Conrad Cote and Russ Marquis. Third row: Marjorie Lozier, Madeline Martin and Florence Parent. Back row: Germaine Seguin, Ethel Piper, Edith Wentworth, Ernest Bergeron, Raymond Boiselle, Emile Michaud, John Travers, Delphis Arsenault and Roy Davenport.

FAITHFUL WATCHMAN RETIRES . . .

Joseph Lacroix, Grand Trunk gateman retires after 42 years with Brown Company. Left to right: Gus Korn, superintendent of Plant Security; Mr. Lacroix, Charles Pinette, who will replace him, Jack Eads, assistant superintendent presenting the gift of a new billfold containing cash, and Louie Morneau.





MAIN OFFICES

By Evelyn Lipman, Julie Alonzi, Jeanne Bouchard, Laurel Rowell, Lillian Brunelle, Martha Jane Smith, Cecile Duquette, Peg Bartoli, Donna Jordan and Lucille Morris.

PURCHASING DEPARTMENT

Patty Thomas spent an enjoyable week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Thomas, visiting friends and relatives in New York and New Jersey.

Barbara Kilbride picked up a glowing sunburn on a week end at Old Orchard Beach.

Roberta Morin visited friends at Salisbury Beach. "Bert" says she loved the sunny weather!

We are sorry Helen Mortensen will be leaving our Expediting section to make her home with her brother in Hopkinsville, Ky. Best of luck, Helen.

TABULATING DEPARTMENT

Ann Wentworth spent a week end at Old Orchard Beach.

The remainder of Laurel Rowell's vacation was divided between Boston, Revere and Lake Winnepesaukee.

Aline Pelchat is welcomed back after several weeks' illness.

Tab also welcomes our newcomer, Theresa Montminy. Theresa came from Notre Dame High, Class of '56.

A shower and supper was given at Knotty Pine Steak House for Joyce Bedard and Theresa Blanchette, who are to be married in the fall. Joyce received dish towels and a handsome step-on can; Theresa, a set of glasses and a tray. The girls spent the evening at Theresa's home, where refreshments were served. Those attending are: Ann Wentworth, Irene Redfern, Tina Delisle, Nancy Roberge, Laurel Rowell and Aline Pelchat.

MAIN OFFICE

Tommy Dame spent two weeks

at Little Sebago Lake, Me., with his wife and his son's family.

Donna Jordan is rather excited about her new car.

Margaret Wagner, Lepha Pickford and Ada Anderson vacationed together at Camden, Bar Harbor and Kennebunkport, Me.

Mr. and Mrs. Roland Fickett vacationed at Old Sturbridge Village, Mass., took a trip to Nantucket Island, Mystic, Conn., and returned home by way of Ogunquit, Me.

Brud Warren and his family sure picked the weather. They had a relaxing time swimming, mountain climbing and playing baseball. Brud is active in the Gorham Junior baseball program. His son Jimmy, plays in the Gorham Pony league and Peter, in the Little league.

Mr. and Mrs. William Poisson and family vacationed in Canada and at Niagara Falls.

Clement Phinney's family relaxed at home and then visited South Portland, Me.

Barney Winslow's choice was Hampton Beach; Bill Johnson's doing things at home.

Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Mountfort toured around the Maine Coast and spent some time at Hampton Beach.

Kenneth Hawkes' family divided their time between Hampton Beach and North Hatley, Canada.

Maurice Thurlow enjoyed the sailing races at Marblehead, Mass.

CENTRAL ORDER BILLING AND QUALITY CONTROL

Lola Paquette was guest of honor at a supper held at Skywood Manor and a play at Chase Barn Playhouse. Lola is now Mrs. Roland Lambert.

Claire Guay, secretary to Dr. Paul Goodloe recently left to accept a position in Washington, D. C. Bill Marshall is replacing Claire.

Yolande Landry is sporting around in a new light blue car.

"Skish" Oleson's family spent a week end at Higgins Beach.

INDUSTRIAL RELATIONS

By Janet Hamel

We welcome Mrs. Marie (Mary Lou) Dube. Marie, formerly employed at Power and Steam, is now secretary to "Link" Burbank.

Rita Roy and Aline Pelchat of Tabulating, enjoyed a week at Old Orchard Beach — returning with beautiful tans.

Vera West visited relatives in Sherbrooke.



SIZZLING HOT . . . Bob Henderson, official Chef for the Purchasing Department's picnic at Moose Brook dishes it out. Left to right (back to camera), Howard Finnegan, Joe Markovich, Jack Gothreau, Mr. Henderson; at the back, Van Woolsey, general purchasing agent (seated in front), Mrs. Otis Bartlett, Pat Thomas being served, Otis Bartlett, Irene Markovich behind Mrs. Finnegan; and sitting back to camera, Mrs. Woolsey and Mrs. Oleson. Hidden somewhere in the smoke is Eddie Lacroix, Barbara Kilbride and Bob Oleson.

Several girls in our office recently enjoyed an evening in the "Italian manner". Zilla Stiles, Lise Gagnon, Rita Roy, Dottie Wood, Nancy Wheeler (from Onco) and Janet Hamel treated themselves to a spaghetti dinner topping it off with pizza pie. They then saw "The Time of the Cuckoo" at the Chase Barn Playhouse. The setting of the play: Italy. Arrividerci!!



RESEARCH & DEVELOPMENT

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Those from Research on vacation were: D. H. McMurtrie, Florence Lamoureux, Basil McConnell, George Olson, Janet Philbrick, Paul Marsh, Arnold Murphy, Laurier Morneau, Lionel Dupuis, Forrest Steady, Louis McKinnon and John Bigl. All returned with a variety of tans and burns.

Mary Kluchnik's vacation was spent at Hills Beach, Biddeford, Me. and Connie Forbush's at Muskegon, Mich.

Phil Glasson spent a few days in Proctor, Vt., visiting relatives.

A party was given Joan Provencer at the Hampshire House in honor of her coming marriage to Bob Vien.

Mr. and Mrs. Jean Vachon announce the birth of a daughter, Jeannine.

Congratulations also to Mr. and Mrs. J. Bigl on the birth of a son. "Dr." Bigl reports mother and son "doing fine".

SFC Dominic Rano spent two weeks at National Guard Camp, Cape Cod.

Dr. Mike Wales has left with his family for Emeryville, Calif. where he will be employed by the Shell Development Co. Best wishes from us all.

We were all saddened at the passing of our good friend, Ed Fenn. Ed, besides his duties as a senior research chemist, served as Cooperative Observer for the U. S. Weather Bureau.

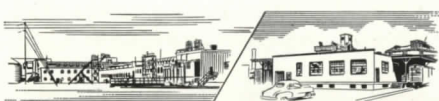
QUALITY CONTROL

By Bill Marshall

Quality Control is getting settled in its new quarters at the Research.



BEST WISHES TO A FINE GAL . . . A farewell dinner for Doreen Williams of the Mailroom Department was held at Knotty Pine Steak House. Left to right, Mrs. Cecile Duquette, Lorraine Alati, Doris Labonte, Miss Williams, Lucille Morin, Irene Halle, Bertha Ayotte and Sylvia Oliver.



CHEMICAL & FLOC

Bob Payeur, the well-known Cape Cod Kid, is back from maneuvers with the State Guard, and wants you to know that those shifting whispering sands say "All's Well".

Albert Stone of the storehouse spent a nice vacation at Ferry Beach, located four miles south of Old Orchard Beach.

Erling Anderson and family vacationed at Saco, Me. and combined fishing and fun at Old Orchard Beach. Warren, Erling's 15-year-old son, won the blue ribbon in deep sea fishing by a catch of eight mackerel to his Dad's zero!!

Marcel Moore is the early snow bird. He waited for vacation to set his house in order for those winter winds.

Adelard Pinette, who joined the ranks of the pipers 'round here lately, is welcomed back after a 'down to camp' vacation.

Oscar Hamlin, plant engineer and Oliver Berube are proud owners of new cars.

Norman Lowe of the welders department is on vacation. Congratulations also to his brother, Bob Lowe, formerly of the Berlin Community Club, recently appointed Berlin's Recreation Director of Parks and Playgrounds.

Ole Larson of the Bleach Plant and Zeke Peabody of No. 5 have

been on vacation.

Bill Lapointe ran in a class by himself by showing up to work one morning with a new low-slung deal, while Ray Lemieux returned from vacation and simply said, "lead me on"!

Incidentally, Ash Hazzard and The Aces—a dance orchestra can help out for weddings, club parties and public dances.

SALES OFFICES

NEW YORK

By Rosemary Sloat

The New York Office has the pleasure of welcoming another Mark to our regional sales office; the acquisition this time of F. W. —better known as Frank—who will be assisting A. R. Taylor on nation-wide Bermico sewer pipe accounts. At the same time, our William F. Bishop is assistant general sales manager of Bermico. Congratulations on your promotions, fellas!

We were privileged to have a visit from Peter Thomas and his new bride, recently married in Berlin. It is always nice to see familiar faces, business or pleasure, so please don't come to New York without stopping by to see us at 500 Fifth Avenue at the corner of Forty-Second Street.

New heiress felicitations are in order for the Frank Marks, with the birth of Jane Ellen. Frank's other youngsters, William and Karen Ann are proud of their new sister.

Sincere sympathy is extended to March Timmerman, Onco Sales, on the passing of his father.

C. F. Brown, Onco Sales, spent two weeks in North Sebago and while there looked up Herman Dobson, an old friend of ours who used to work for J. G. Skirm. All is well with "Dobby", and although it doesn't seem possible that his oldest girl is old enough, she has made him a father-in-law!

Before taking off on a two-week vacation, Mrs. Rosemary Sloat made a trip into the Washington, D. C., area and while there took great interest in watching the operation of Brown Company's Nibroc Plate Wipe Rotary stock used at the Bureau of Engraving. This grade, incidentally, is sold by us through the Paper Corporation of the United States.

While the Sloats were on vacation in the Rangeley, Maine area, Mrs. Sloat took a "busman's holiday" with her husband into Parmachenee to spend a day with Bermico customers from Western Electric Company. They were exceptionally pleased that it was the customers who caught the fish.

BOSTON

By Madeleine E. Pearce

At the Parmachenee Club recently, a portrait in oils of A. P. Merrill, manager of the club from 1951 to 1955 inclusive, painted and presented by your correspondent was given to "A. P."

Mr. Merrill expressed appreciation in his typical manner, and agreed the painting was an excellent likeness. His only "criticism" was the artist had omitted to show evidence of his usual plug of chewing tobacco.

Those present for the ceremony were Mr. and Mrs. Laurence F. Whittemore, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. H. Fair, Mr. and Mrs. Merrill, Rear Admiral and Mrs P. Pendleton, Mr. C. S. Herr, Mrs. Martha Stanley and your correspondent.

CHICAGO

By Newton L. Nourse, Vice Pres. Sales, Boston

There is no prouder individual in the Sales Department than Earl Sommerville of the Chicago office, after having installed his office

staff in beautiful new quarters in the impressive Prudential Building, which is now the most outstanding office building in the City of Chicago.

Mr. Sommerville supervised the move on a gradual basis and then in one fell swoop over the week end, had his office functioning on Monday morning in a perfect, orderly manner. Congratulations!!

WOODS DEPT.

By Martha Jane Smith

Gordon MacIntosh and his family spent their vacation camping at White Lake, Ossipee, N. H.

Mark Hamlin's family vacationed a week at Cape Elizabeth, Me. and a week at their camp in Maidstone, Vt.

Helen Forbush began her vacation by visiting her brother in Michigan.

WOODS ACCOUNTING

By Peg Bartoli

Pleasant View Hotel, overlooking Lake Massawippi at North Hatley, Quebec, was vacation headquarters for Mr. and Mrs. Reynold Finnegan and Mr. and Mrs. Henry Eaton. The men made use of the hotel's 9-hole golf course and other links located at Lennoxville, Waterville, Sherbrooke and Magog.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Lessard spent a week's vacation camping at Locke's Mills, Me.

Lionel Gagnon and family spent two weeks at Ossipee Lake.

Leandre Cote and family enjoyed a couple days at the beach.

ENGINEERING

By Gertrude Cote

Merna Joudrey spent her vacation in Nova Scotia.

CORVALLIS PLANT

By S. R. Phillips

A big "hello" from the Corvallis Plant in the heart of the Willamette Valley, way out west in Oregon. In order that we may become better acquainted, let me begin by introducing our office staff.

Bernard Guthrie, Manager, designed and built the major part of the plant equipment. He's the man who gets all the tough prob-

lems, but always comes up with a solution.

Mrs. Loene Guthrie has been our office manager, but is leaving to devote full time to her home.

Mrs. Janice (Jan) Poor is one of our pleasant, attractive and efficient office workers, who, though she has to unravel production data, still keeps her good disposition.

The other half of the office includes Toni DeSart, who among her other duties, makes out payroll. She breezes through the shop quite frequently on the trail of material movement, etc. Toni has a scholarship and will go to college this fall.

Hal DeSart, Superintendent, has a finger in all the construction and planning, and is an authority on things mechanical and production-wise.

In the next issue, I'll introduce you to the people around the plant.



BURGESS & KRAFT

QUALITY CONTROL, BURGESS

By Gene Erickson

The distinguished looking gent in eye glasses at the Lab is none other than our great Red Sox fan, Norman Corriveau.

George St. Amant, Harvey Roberge and Julien Labbe vacationed at Akers Pond in hopes of doing some tall fishing.

Armand Belair is being kidded about his newly acquired "hearse"—must be the size? Victor Ayotte and George Starmat showed up with new cars also.

Congratulations and best wishes go to John Powers, who retired after 38 years of service. He was presented with a watch and wallet.

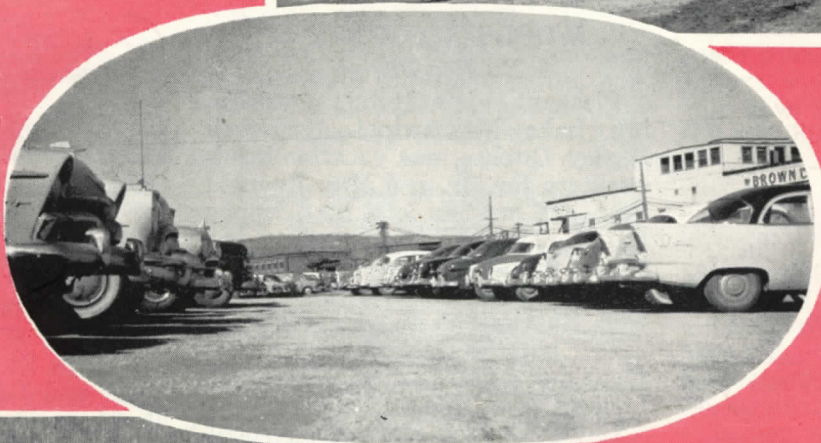
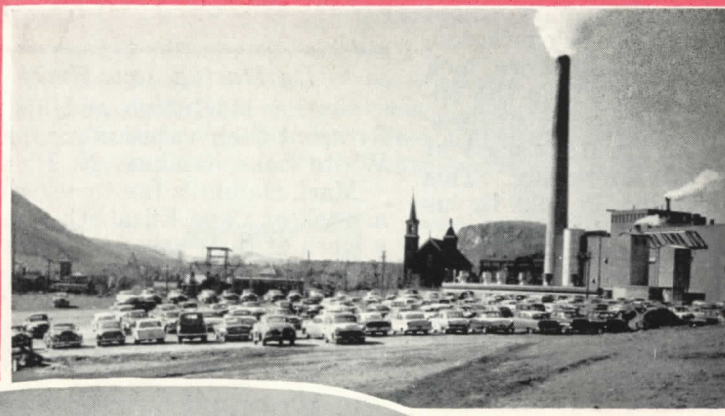
The following Quality Control men are running for offices in the Fall election: Clarence Lacasse and Raymond Dumont for representatives of the General Court; Peter Thomas and Sylvio Croteau for Ward Clerks and Harvey Roberge for Moderator.

Clarence (Chuck) Monahan enjoyed golf in the Bay State during his vacation and saw the Red Sox in action.

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