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A Queen Is Crowned

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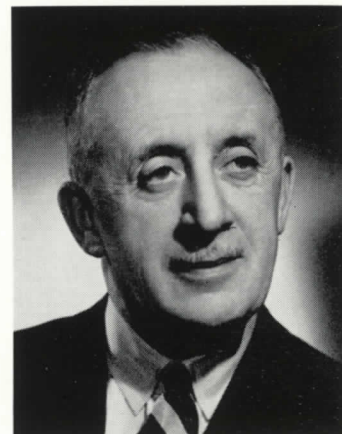
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DIRECTOR MAURICE FORGET NAMED TO IMPORTANT POST



Col. Maurice Forget, Q. C. of Montreal, a director of Brown Company, has been appointed by Premier Duplessis as Chairman of the Montreal Metropolitan Commission. The commission is a 17-member body created in 1921 and acts as a watchdog over budgets and financial affairs of the thirteen suburbs of Montreal.

A prominent Montreal business man with a long record of public service, Col. Forget's appointment to this powerful body received wide approval in Montreal business and political circles.

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THE COVER . . . Vice President T. Richard Probst of Brown Company crowns Queen Joann Sinibaldi of Berlin Winter Carnival. In front row: "The Rockettes" Suzanne Lacasse; Joyce Morin, daughter of Mark Morin of Burgess Mill; Kristie Griffin, daughter of Roland Griffin of Bermico; Barbara Watkins, Debbie Johnson and Jackie Bedard, daughter of Phillip Bedard of Riverside Mill. (Back Row) Princess Marilyn Murphy, daughter of Lawrence Murphy, Woods Department; Princess Ann Connolly; Crown Bearer Nancy Fysh, daughter of Kenneth Fysh of Woods Accounting; Last year's Queen Lydia Bockman of Cascade Towel Room; Princess Pat Revoir, stepdaughter of Claude Mountain, Woods Department; and Louise Boucher. The colorful ceremony as Probst crowned the Queen was witnessed by a huge crowd.

ANOTHER STEP TOWARDS "BIG ERROL" DAM

A Declaration of Intention to build a new \$11 million dam, which would add 20 billion cubic feet of storage water to Lake Umbagog, in New Hampshire and Maine, was filed in Washington recently. Patrick H. Hinchey, Secretary of the New Hampshire Water Resources Board signed the document, which will be followed, by an application for a permit to build. Brown Company officials were observers at the signing, as one of the 7 companies which would pay for the new water storage project. The others are Public Service Company of New Hampshire, Union Water Power Company, Central Maine Power Company, Rumford Falls Power Company (Oxford Paper Company), Dartmouth College and International Paper Company.



Left to right, Perley Churchill, Patrick J. Hinchey and A. E. H. Fair

Report to Employees

by A. E. H. Fair

Last year the Company's earnings were about \$530,000 less than in 1956. They amounted to \$2,080,305. This was 20% less than 1956 profits and means that the Company earned for its stockholders only 80c for each share of common stock owned.

The reasons for lower earnings were largely beyond the control of your management. You should know what they are, however, so that we all can do everything possible in this next year to improve the situation.

Our sales in 1957 were higher by a million and a half dollars. This was due mainly to the fact that in 1956 only six months of our plywood operations at North Stratford were included in the Sales figures. In 1957 our costs increased by more than our sales. So our profits were lower. We could not increase our prices to maintain the same margin of profit and still be able to compete. This same situation was true of the industry generally.

Increased costs were due to a number of factors. Substantial wage increases were granted by the Company last year. Railroads and trucks charged us more to carry raw materials to Berlin and for finished goods shipped out. Prices of equipment and supplies were higher.

We had a strike of woods employees which increased operating costs in camps.

Due to low water conditions last summer and unseasonably warm weather in the early fall, we had to cut our normal production of sulphite pulp by about one-third during these months. This was combined with a general decline in orders. Interrupted production is always more inefficient and costly.

We spent millions of dollars last year to complete the new MgO chemical recovery plant. This should

help relieve the pollution problem which we have had to face every summer and allow us to run the Burgess Mill without having to interrupt and reduce production.

We also spent substantial amounts at North Stratford on new equipment which should make it possible for us to produce better veneer at lower cost. But you should know that competition from products imported from abroad has seriously affected the earnings of all mills of this type in the United States.

We have also spent additional thousands of dollars at our Bermico mill at Corvallis, Oregon to increase the production and improve the quality. With it we should be able to increase our sales of this product on the West Coast where we have been seriously handicapped by high freight rates on Bermico shipped from Berlin.

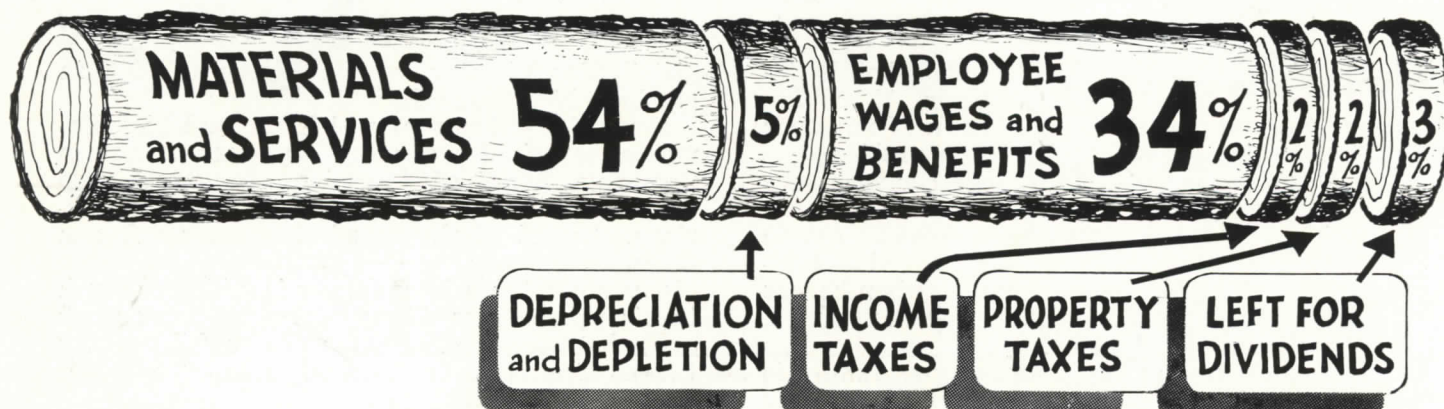
The money we have spent on these and other projects belongs to our stockholders. Last year they were paid only \$1.00 in dividends for each share of stock they owned. This year it will probably be lower.

Our goal must be to produce more and sell more,—at lower cost. This is the only way to protect the future of the Company. It is the joint responsibility of management and our employees. Everything we do to reduce waste, reduce costs and produce more will be helpful.

I am confident that, working together, we can do this although it may be a long and difficult job. We have cut our costs of labor by eliminating some jobs and unneeded labor. This was essential to protect the future of everyone. Our sales force is beating the bush for every dollar of sales possible. We hope for better business conditions generally and when they come, the improvements we have made will put us in a position to benefit in sales and earnings.

We can and will improve our future, but we must all do our share.

There's Little Left Of The Log After The Two Big Bites



(How The Brown Company Dollar Was Spent in 1957)



ELEVEN ARE MISSING . . . Front row, left to right, Grandsons Paul, Roger and Larry Lamontagne and Granddaughter Gloria Paulin. Second row, Granddaughters Patty Badeau, Clair and Theresa Lamontagne, Mary Jane Perry and Grandson Leo Lamontagne. Third row, Daughters Rita (Mrs. Louie Badeau) holding Linda, Lucille (Mrs. Dennis Morin) holding Suzanne, Mrs. Lamontagne, Mr. Lamontagne, holding Grandson Roland, Jr., Jeanne (Mrs. Dominic Dinardo) holding Grandson Maurice Lamontagne, son of Roland and Jeanette (Mrs. James Morgan) holding Theresa. Fourth row, Daughter Lorraine (Mrs. Robert Paulin) holding Raymond; State Senator and newly elected Mayor of Berlin Laurier Lamontagne, oldest son; Sons Roland, Robert and Albert Lamontagne, Daughter-in-Law Mrs. Roland Lamontagne, her daughter Pauline and Nancy Lamontagne, daughter of The Mayor. Back row, Sons-in-Law Robert Paulin holding Raymond, Ernest Perry, Dennis Morin, Dominic Dinardo, Louie Badeau, Donald Lamontagne, The Mayor's son, Daughters-in-Law Mrs. Robert Lamontagne and Mrs. Laurier Lamontagne, Missing, were daughters Yvette (Mrs. Leo Ladiha) of Cleveland, Ohio, and her two children, Irene (Mrs. Lucien Rheault) of Manchester, N. H., and her daughter, and son Sylvio and his five children.

There may be bigger families, but when he invites the family to come for dinner, Alfred Lamontagne, veteran patrolman of Brown Company's protection department, really has a problem.

If all his immediate family, together with sons and daughters-in-law and grandchildren are present, Mr. and Mrs. Lamontagne need to set 49 plates. The 64-year-old gentleman, who commenced working for Brown Company when he was 14, can easily challenge-if not surpass-in numbers, any family in New England.

The eldest son of the Lamontagne family is State Senator and Democratic Minority Leader Laurier Lamontagne. Laurier has also just been elected mayor of the City of Berlin. He is also

distribution director for the Boston GLOBE in northern New Hampshire and Vermont.

Four of the five sons which Mr. and Mrs. Lamontagne raised are also employees of Brown Company. Some of the eight daughters also worked for Brown Company, before their marriage. Several of the sons-in-law are on Brown Company payrolls.

The sire of this huge family is still very much in his prime. Says Alfred: "A good day's work never hurt anyone. Every one of our children was taught if anything is worth having, it is worth working for".

All five of the Lamontagne sons served in either the army or the navy.

Eleven Changes in Management Personnel

Dr. George A. Day, Technical Director, has been named head of a newly formed Staff Technical Service Group. He will be responsible for long range planning of all operating technical process improvements. The Group will act in an advisory capacity to plant technical control personnel, and as a task force in the development of new or improved operating methods.

Dr. Paul M. Goodloe, formerly Assistant Technical Director, has been appointed Manager of Re-

cal Service Group are Donald Gilmore from the Cascade Technical Department, and Theodore Montag, Peter Thomas and Robert Birkett, all of the Burgess Technical Department.

Frederick B. Wardwell, who was Superintendent, Riverside Paper Mill, has been placed in charge of all towel converting operations at Cascade Mill, and becomes its new Operating Superintendent, Towel Production.

Roland Fickett, executive assis-

sel John W. Jordan, has assumed new duties as Manager of Public Information, Maine and New Hampshire. He will handle local public relations, edit the BROWN BULLETIN, continue to act as Assistant Secretary of the Company and as assistant in the legal department.

Raymond E. LaPlante, who has been assistant manager of West Coast Sales for all products, has been promoted to the position of



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WALDIE



FICKETT



GOODLOE



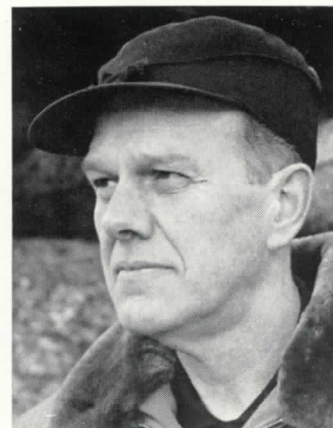
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WARDWELL



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EVANS

search and Development. He will become the administrative head of the Research and Development Departments.

Conrad T. Waldie, Jr. has been transferred from the post of Operating Superintendent, Towel Production, at the Cascade Mill to the newly formed Technical Service Group where he will become Chief Technical Service Engineer.

Also transferred to the Techni-

cal Service Group are Donald Gilmore from the Cascade Technical Department, and Theodore Montag, Peter Thomas and Robert Birkett, all of the Burgess Technical Department.

Edward J. Reichert, Assistant to Vice President and General Coun-

sel John W. Jordan, has assumed new duties as Manager of Public Information, Maine and New Hampshire. He will handle local public relations, edit the BROWN BULLETIN, continue to act as Assistant Secretary of the Company and as assistant in the legal department.

Webster Evans, formerly local representative for the Atlantic Lumber Company and experienced in hardwood lumber operations since 1932, has been named Manager, Sawmill Operations following retirement of Clawson Soule.

DOG-SLED HOBBY GROWING...



DOG DERBY WINNERS . . . Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Connolly with son Normand, 11, Alaskan Malamute "Prancer" and his trophy. (In front), Hubert, 8 and on sled, John 4.

If you happened to see a husky sled-dog scampering over the snow hereabouts lately, it could belong to one of three Brown Company families.

More than likely it would be one of the 4 huskies of Hubert Connolly of Burgess Machine Shop. It could be, however, the Siberian owned by Paul Connolly, store-keeper at Electric Repair. Or it might be one of the white Malemutes which Gordon Labbee of the Chemical Yard is training to run with the sled.

Hubert Connolly, his wife Louise, and their three sons, Normand, Hubert Jr. and John, are really "in" the dogsled racing business at their new home at the top of Hillside Avenue. Not only are they well on their way to a real trained full-sized team of sled dogs, but Hubert is producing dogsleds in a fully-equipped workshop in his cellar. He also designs and makes harnesses for dog teams.

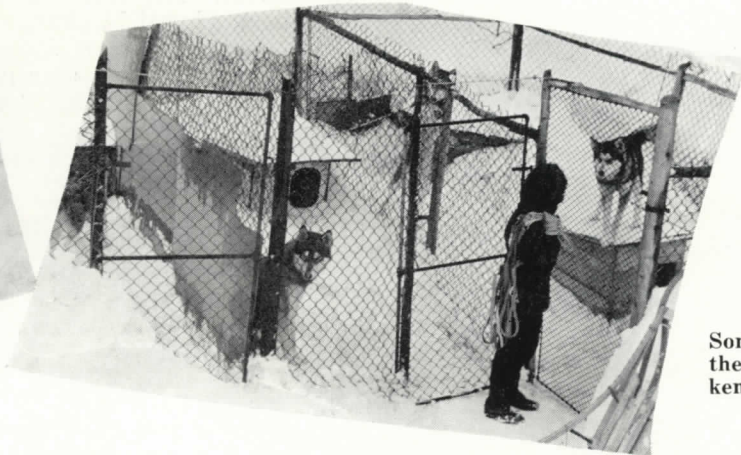
The three Connolly youngsters, using racing sleds which their father made for them, had their first taste of sled-racing at the Laconia Children's Dog Derby this winter. Normand, 11, won second place in Class A for trained huskies; Hu-

bert Jr. 8, copped first place in the Class B mixed races; while even four-year-old John drove his dog to second place in the 100 - yard dash. Each of the youngsters won a cup for their efforts.

Hubert Connolly says "dog sleds have always held a strange fascination for me, I made my first sled when I was 15, out of scrap lumber and pieces of rawhide, harnessed our mongrel and gave my sister a fast ride." Hubert's first purchased dogs were Prancer, Tango and King, three Alaskan male Malemutes and Tina, a Siberian husky from the Herbert Gray Kennels. He is now raising his own team. "You might think they'd eat us out of house and home", he said with a smile. "I found 100 pounds of commercial dog food they require a month cost me only \$7. So I gave up smoking".

Paul Connolly has also decided to raise his own team. His dog "Cindy," a female Siberian husky from the Center Sandwich Kennels, is being trained to a sled. He hopes it will not be too long before his 3-year-old son Robert will be driving a team.

Hubert Connolly has completed a sled for Gordon Labbee and the latter is getting his white Malemutes from the Rumford Wild Life Zoo ready for dog-sled team work.



Son Hubert at the Connolly kennels.

ANOTHER CONVERT TO SAFETY SHOES

Eli Losier, of the Cascade Maintenance Department is feeling "mighty low" these days at having spoiled the fine safety record of his department.

Until Eli was unfortunate enough to drop a creping blade on one of his shoes-badly damaging the toe-recently he and his mates at Cascade had hung up a record of 659 days without a lost time accident.

RESIGNS AS LUMBER MANAGER

Clauson Soule, Manager of the Lumber Manufacturing operations for Brown Company tendered his resignation due to illness in his family.

Formerly employed by the Atlantic Lumber Company, he came to Brown Company in May 1956.

Soule has returned to his home in Richfield Springs, New York. He will continue to be a consultant for Brown Company.



SOULE

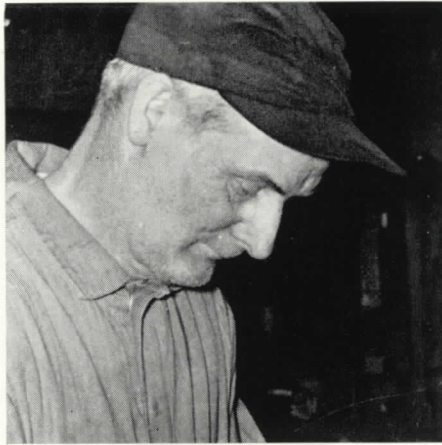
Extra Dollars For Extra Thinking!

Napoleon Guitard, of the Tube Mill, drew down the top award for suggestions made during January and February. Nap's idea, worth \$40, involved the use of larger and stronger jaws on the lathe used for machining short radius bends. This cut down the number of rejects considerably.

\$25 awards went to three men from Burgess and one man from Cascade. Lawrence Birt suggested using variable speed motors on the thick stock pumps at the Kraft Bleachery, to keep up an even flow when operations were at capacity.

Albert Arsenault thought of a way to keep operations moving in the chip conveyer system at times when the blower or rechipper was out of service, using a by-pass.

A good time saver in cleaning out C102 cells by using a small air hammer brought extra dollars to Edward Blanchette.



NAPOLEON GUITARD

Pete Landers' idea was another time saver. He felt, and so did the Suggestion Committee, that if the bearing housings on the bottom size press rolls on No. 1 and No. 4 paper machines could be standardized, time could sometimes be saved when changing rolls.

Other awards made by the Committee went to the following employees:

\$15 AWARDS

Ralph Fournier, Bermico
Gerard Lemire, Bermico

\$10 AWARDS

Andrew Bergeron, Cascade
George Moreau, Cascade

\$5 AWARDS

Elizabeth Harp, Burgess
Leonard Hickey, Burgess
Walter Anderson, Burgess
Edward Ramsey, Burgess
Roland Gagne, Burgess
Fred Goodwin, Research
Andrew Bergeron, Cascade
Carleton Rayner, Power and Steam
Emile Belanger, Burgess
Joseph Ritter, Cascade

CARD OF THANKS

Our family wishes to thank our many friends at Brown Company for their kind expressions of sympathy at the time of my husband's death.

We are deeply grateful to those who served as pallbearers, who donated their cars, Mass cards and contributed to the Heart Fund.

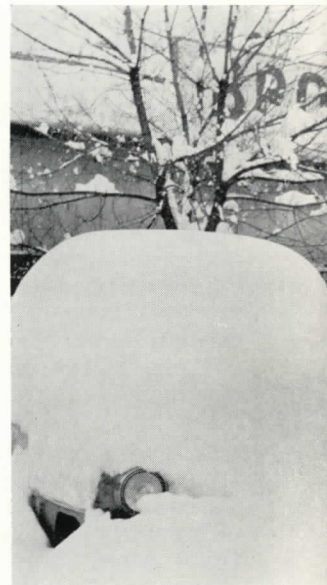
Mrs. Philip "Babe" Smyth



Bermico sales force travels fast and far, and gets together only once a year. Pictured below at their annual meeting in Chicago in February are the men who market this important Company product.

Seated left to right - Gene Gerttula of San Francisco office, Johnny Moore Dallas, Texas; Bill Bishop and Frank Mark, New York City; and Arthur Taylor, general manager. Standing: Jack Reynolds, Advertising Manager; E. R. Batchelder, Omaha, Bob Thayer, plant manager, Berlin; Ray LaPlante, San Francisco; Russ Doucet, Boston Office, and Larry Wallace, Chicago.

UNHARNESSED POWER . . . The Magalloway River boils down from Aziscoos Dam as melting snow fills storages.



WHAT'S THE SITUATION

The men who control water at Brown Company talk in terms of days of supply at normal controlled river flow of 1550 cubic feet per second at Berlin. They count those days just as men in a lifeboat count ounces of water in emergency kegs.

NATURE PAINTS . . .
Shrubs and trees took on a new look when the storm was over.

Every year about this time people at Brown Company in the Woods, Manufacturing, Power and Steam Departments - and on the streets of Berlin, ask this question.

In the storages above Errol where the chain saw and fly rod are kings, and in the Androscoggin River at Berlin where the water works for Brown Company many times over within a few miles, men know the value of this force when properly harnessed. They count the inches of rainfall and measure the water content of snow as carefully as a young bride measures the salt, flour and milk in her first biscuits. Next to wood, water is this area's most precious natural resource. Without it there could be no Brown Company.

Last summer things were bad on the Androscoggin. Storage lakes were low. A good summer for picnics but a bad one for making pulp, because the rains seldom came. A bad fall too. Good for football or bird-hunting, but a costly one for the men in the mills and power houses because of low water.



AUTOS AT REST . . . Three storms in as many weeks forced owners to walk because plows could not keep up with snow.

"The November rains, above normal, brought the supply of water in the storages up so that on December 1st, there was 115 day supply. This was 87% of normal", says Perley. "But the real dramatic change came in the months of December, January and February when we are usually drawing heavily on the storages. On January 1st, there was a 140 day supply of water on hand which was 134% of normal. On February 1st, there was 145 days supply on hand which is 157% of normal for that time. And on March 1st., although the snow had not really started to melt, we were still at 130% of normal in our storages."

Henry Stafford, Chief Power Engineer, knows the value of extra river flow. If it can be stepped up from "normal", the additional water will make more electricity. A cubic foot each second will make, in a twenty-four hour period, 240 kilowatts. This represents about \$2.40 which the company might otherwise have to pay out to buy an equal amount of power.

These figures become significant when one realizes that "normal" river flow is 1550 cubic feet per second at Berlin. With the water storages being above normal during this winter, it has been possible to increase river flow above 1550 cubic feet per second. On November 25th it was stepped up to 1700 c. f. s., and has been raised four times since that time, so that on March 4th, it was 4000 c. f. s. Highest recorded river flow was in 1936 when 22,000 c. f. s caused flood conditions in the Androscoggin valley.

"The picture looks pretty good right now", says Perley. "What we have to look out for is something we can't yet control completely, and that is too rapid melting of the snow along with too much rain at the same time. But that's what we have dams for, up above."

THE WATER THIS YEAR

During November, heavy rains jumped water yield to 139% of normal. In December it was 400% of normal, the highest ever recorded for that month. In January and February three big snowstorms and several smaller ones left the North Country staggering under 48" of heavy snow, with higher than usual water content. Collapsed buildings in Berlin and Gorham bear silent testimony to the weight of this snow.

Perley Churchill, general assistant to Vice President C. S. Herr of the Woods Department reports: "On October 1st., there was a 114 day supply of water on hand in the storages. That was 86% of normal for that time of year. On November 1st., the supply was only 90 days or 70% of normal."



HARNESSED POWER . . . The Androscoggin River roars over flashboards which have been pulled at Gorham dam.

With the FEMALES in BROWN COMPANY



Paintings and Curios
Mrs. Katherine Daniels, Cascade Towel Operator with a small part of her hobby collection.

By Evelyn C. Lipman

A Jill of All Trades would be no misnomer for Mrs. Katherine Daniels, who for 9 years has been an operator at Cascade Towel Room. Like lots of other women, Kay paints in oils but that's only a part of her hobby activities. It's doubtful if any other Brown Company woman does more things-and does them so well.

Her collection of antique jewelry, Italian cameos, French hand-painted porcelain studs, buckles, brooches, earrings, watch fobs and charmers with solid gold chains such as were worn by dapper gentlemen in the Gay 90's, is augmented by old gold and silver stick pins, pearl cuff links, smoky quartz pendants and jewel boxes.

Kay, however is more than just a collector. She has at her home in Gorham a silversmith's bench and all the tools of the trade. On vacations she spends her time as an apprentice with a silversmith. She has studied under Peter Lear of Sandwich and Arthur Morin of Boston. Not content with silver-smithing she is studying pottery with Robert Morgan of Tamworth and has 16 fine pieces of her own design.

She's raised a fine family, too, including George of Gorham; Donald, in the Air Force; Marie, a supervisor for the New England Telephone Company in Gardiner, Mass., and Mrs. Leon Lakin.

Tropical Fish - But No Goat

From file girl to office manager is a pretty good

career record for any woman, but Mrs. Robert B. Sloat who presides over Brown Company's office at 500 Fifth Avenue, also includes among her many talents a fine sense of humor.

"Rosemary", as she is known to Brown Company folks and lots of Brown Company's customers was file girl for only 3 months. Then she moved to secretary, office supervisor and in 1946 was appointed office manager. The New York office handles sales for Brown Company from the borderline of Connecticut to Key West, Florida.

Mrs. Sloat's good humor is an expansive sort, but she does draw the line. At their home in West Englewood, N. J. she and her husband have 8 tanks, in which swim hundreds of tropical fish. Husband Bob brought home two hamsters, two ducks, two parakeets and a canary. When Rosemary offered mild inquiry as to how these fitted into a 3½ room apartment, Husband Bob reminded her it was a good thing he didn't buy the goat, to which he had taken a fancy. The hamsters and the canary remained-to die of old age.

Rosemary's hobby is knitting Norwegian sweaters and argyle socks for her sixteen nieces and nephews. Summertime the Sloats spend in Brown Company woods territory on Loon Lake in Rangeley, Maine.

Rosemary says Bob is good golfer and that she "plays at it". Both are baseball and football fans and their wintertime recreation includes skating and the theatre.



File Girl to Office Manager
Mrs. Rosemary Sloat at her desk at Brown Company's New York office at 500 Fifth Avenue.



BURGESS & KRAFT

by Jeanette Barbin

Is our face red! We apologize profusely to the Leonard Hickeys for reporting the birth of a son in our last issue—he is a she!

Co-workers of Dr. "Ed" Gutoff presented him with a purse of money and two color photos of scenes from surrounding countryside on his departure in February to accept a position with Ionics, Inc., Cambridge, Mass.

"Bob" Birkett and "Patty" Thomas were married at St. Kieran's Church, February 15. A purse of money from Bob's co-workers helped them on their honeymoon.

Our sympathy to Robert Travers and family on the death of his father-in-law, James Guglietti.

Albert Harvey has returned to work at Burgess Electrical Department following a two-months' illness.

Welcome news is that Mrs. Douglas McMurtrie has recovered from injuries suffered when she was struck by a truck on the Gorham Road.



50 YEARS SERVICE . . . Ernest Danis, electrician at Burgess Mill receives good wishes of fellow workers on his retirement. First row, left to right, Stanley Albert, Edward Chodoski, Alfred Buckley, Mr. Danis, Harold Blakney, Maintenance Manager, making presentation, Paul Lefebvre, Pete Ryan and Angus Morrison. Second row, Arnel Couture, Chester O'Neil, Lucien Blouin, Leon Rivard, Benoit Leblanc, Emile Savard, Telesphore Dupuis, David Crockett, George Tardiff, Leo Therrien and Emile Letellier. Back row, Robert Justard, Clarence Gonya, Harvey Fortin, Gido Alonzo, Francis Chamberlain, Emile Payette, Wesley Lane, Benoit Dupuis, Arthur Ramsey, Frank Moreau, Gerard Bergeron, Edward Morin and Leo Dube.



44 YEARS SERVICE . . . Frank Petty retires from Burgess Bleachery after 44 years with the company. Fellow workers wishing him a happy retirement are first row, left to right, Millard Wiswell, Scott Parker, Lewis Keene, Mr. Petty, Theodore Brown, control superintendent making presentation and Earl Henderson. Back row, Leonard Jodrie, Harvey Roberge, George Hopkins, Louis Plummer, Clarence Lacasse, Walter Austin, Julien Labbe and Edward Hynes.

Telesphore Dupuis enjoyed a winter vacation and while in Boston attended the Ice Follies. Also vacationing in Boston, was Alfred Buckley, who saw both the Ice Follies, and Cinerama.

Phil Kimball of Burgess Maintenance suffered a long absence from work due to pneumonia.

Welcome to Roland J. Roy, who has joined Burgess Maintenance as Shutdown Clerk.

Fernando Pinette rejoined Burgess Electrical Shop and Joe Ottolini returned to Burgess Machine Shop.

John Hegeman attended the TAPPI Convention in New York City.

Since Mrs. Art Rousseau underwent surgery, "Art" from the Burgess Machine Shop, claims proficiency as home "Chief Cook and Bottle Washer".

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Richard Lavoie on the birth of a son; also, to Mr. and Mrs. Peter Hickey, on the birth of a son; and to Mr. and Mrs. Lucien Roy yes, another son. In the Roy family, both baby and proud maternal grandfather (Walter Malloy) happen to have the same birth date. Lavoie works on the Band Pulp Operation; Hickey and Roy, at Burgess Lab.

Norman Corriveo, has been out at Burgess Lab since an appendectomy.

On the political front, Armand Belair accepted chairmanship of the Republican Party in Ward 4.

STUDY PAYS OFF . . . Robert O. Desilets receives a check from Brown Company reimbursing him for approximately the full amount paid for in his 2½ year ICS course in Diesel Tractor Equipment training. Left to right, Francis McCann, manager of wood handling at Burgess Mill, Desilets, Francis X. Guimond, Manager of Pulp Manufacturing, making presentation, and Wilfred Sheridan, supervisor, Tractor Shop.



ging superintendent for Brown Company, was elected president of the regional group.



by Lorraine Bisson

C. S. "Pat" Herr attended the Annual Meeting of the American Pulpwood Association in New York.

John Bork, Mark Hamlin and Kendall Norcott attended the Annual Meeting of the New England Section of the Society of American Foresters in Manchester.

Rodney Webb has been elected a member of the Gorham School Board.

At a quarterly meeting of the Granite State Chapter, Society of American Foresters at University of New Hampshire in January, John Bork, assistant log-



by Laurel Rowell

Mrs. Howard Doucette, formerly Ida Arsenault, gave birth to a baby girl January 14th. Linda Marie weighed seven pounds and ten ounces.

Claire Gilbert visited the Veterans Hospital on a recent visit to Augusta, Me.

Some people have a lot of "bounce"—at least we think Vic Goyette must have been under a lucky star the time he fell off his roof while shoveling snow. Down he came full weight, smashing his ladder into bits, ice and snow tumbling after him, yet Vic bounced up like a rubber ball without a scratch.



HAPPY RETIREMENT . . . Oscar Gonya of the Burgess Office, honored by fellow workers on his retirement after 40 years with Brown Company. Front row, left to right, Don Myler, Lewis Keene, Louis Gallant, Elizabeth Harp, Estelle Caron, Mr. Gonya, Mary Marcou, Jeanette Barbin and Theodore Brown. Second row, John Hegeman, Ted Montag, Fred Riley, Ed Gonya, Earl Henderson, Francis X. Guimond, Paul Grenier, Albert Blanchette, Leonard Hickey, Joe Rozek, Frank Moreau, Robert Morrison, Robert Birkett and Joe Fournier. Back row, Buster Metevier, Don Borchers, Alton Mitchell, Roland Arsenault, Dave Crockett, Francis McCann, Ed Chodoski, Adrien Croteau, Bob McKee, Jack Rodgeron, Dave Osborne and Pete Thomas. The painting "Lake Chocorua" was made by Mrs. Oscar Demers.

by Jeanne Bouchard

Everyone was happy to see Margaret Wagner back after an attack of virus pneumonia.

Tommy Dame is a frequent visitor in Berlin, and drops in to see all his friends at Main Office.

Come spring, Bill Oleson will be seen out in his yard swinging golf clubs, getting ready for his favorite summer pastime.

Bill Poisson visited his brother in Claremont, N. H. during vacation.

Carroll Mountfort has been enjoying skiing at Black Mountain.

Jean Bissett prefers "Wildcat" on the intermediate slope for her skiing.

If some of you girls want to know the secret of how to keep slim, ask Eleanor Coolidge. Shoveling walks and roofs can take down the hips, she says.

Don and Mrs. Whittier attended the Flower Show in Boston during vacation. Both are flower lovers and raise many beautiful varieties at their summer camp at Cedar Pond.

By Donna Jordan

Alex Walker has been vacationing in Florida in his new Oldsmobile.

Richard Jordan attended the New Hampshire Basketball Tournament at Durham recently.

Ole Man Winter sure discouraged your correspondent's 42-mile trip every night to Conway through Pinkham Notch. When the "welcome mat" at Eleanor Coolidge's home was lighted up, she decided to bunk down in town until weekends.

Maybe by the time another winter rolls around, our native Bostonian, Phil Vance, will have learned how to navigate his way in and out of the main office parking lot.



by Harold W. Baraw

Aubrey Allen, waste disposal man, forgot to slow up coming back to work one morning and ran his car off the road. He was fortunate that a truck pulled him out.

John Gratton has left to accept a position in Newport, Vt. We were sorry to see you go, John.

Welcome to David Provencher, formerly with the Woods Department.



by Ken Gallant

Lorraine Alati, our "Girl Friday" was captured by her man in blue on February 12, when Airman Third Class Dan Daley of Gorham put that "rainbow round her finger". Congratulations to the happy couple.

Congratulations also to Don Gilmore, proud father of baby Julie Warham.



44 YEARS WITH COMPANY . . . Conrad Langlois, of Cascade Paper Finishing receives best wishes from fellow employees on his retirement. Front Row, left to right, Arthur Levesque, Roland Gagne, Philip Otis, Roland Parent, Isadore Boilard, supervisor making presentation, Mr. Langlois, Napoleon Beaudoin, and Joseph Fortier. Back row, Paul Gagne, Delbert Rowe, Octave Caouette, Alex Nadeau, Robert Lavigne, Edward Garneau, Allen Files, Alfred Fortier and Raymond Turmel.

Welcome Aboard! Greetings are extended to Milton Hayes and Robert Mainguy. Milt will be performing his duties as manager of the Quality Control Department from here, and Bob, is our new shipping clerk.

Our Cascade bowlers will be the center of attraction at the Annual Bowlers' Banquet in April. Bob Murphy's team took the first round and Leo Patry's, the second. Congratulations, fellows.

Thomas Stiles and Don Sloane have great expectations as spring rounds the corner—Don claims the Red Sox are going to win the pennant this year. Well . . . ?

The roads between Gorham and Shelburne will not be seeing as much of the little green MG as they have been, since "Susie" has moved. "Susie", of course, is Tommy Stiles' pride and joy at the Gorham, Maine race track. Tommy is in hopes of racing her at Gorham and Rockingham this year. We wish the best of luck to both fellows as spring rounds the corner.

CASCADE TOWEL ROOM

by Pauine McIntyre and
Jean Pouliot

Congratulations to the newlyweds Mr. and Mrs. Richard Goupaul. The bride is Mrs. Adrienne Dube's daughter, the former Jeannie Dube.

We are glad to see Raymond Ramsey back to work after being hospitalized, and William St. Pierre, after an illness of two months. Sam Dalphonse replaced him during his absence, and Pat Marcou replaced Sam, as foreman.

Rowena Hall enjoyed vacationing at Miami Beach and Smyrna Beach, Florida.

We are all glad to see Raymond Ram-

sey, Gus Bouchard, Beatrice Parent, Kathleen Lynch and Betty Carberry back to work after their illnesses.

Harris Young is sporting around in a new car.

Back from a winter vacation are Priscilla Roberge, Theresa Donado, Annette Gagne and Albert Bouchard.



BEST OF LUCK . . . Joseph Reisch retires from Cascade Beater Room after 46 years of continuous service with Brown Company. Wishing him good luck are, first row, left to right, Harold Miller, Robert Murphy, Clarence Robinson, Mr. Reisch, Louis Dalphonse, Richard Vezina and Jules Lefevre. Back row, Emile Bilodeau, Joseph Dalphonse, Laurence Poirier, Edgar Jutras, Arthur Savard and Robert Gauthier.

Mrs. Betty Berwick is replacing Helen Jodrie in the Towel Room on the inspecting, while Betty is on vacation.

Our deepest sympathy is extended to Paul Saucier on the death of his mother; to Jennie Parent, on the death of her mother, to Flora Choquette, on the death of her father; and to Germaine and Jean Caouette, on the death of their grandmother.

On vacation were Laurier Dubey, George Berry, Nelson Laflamme, Francis Parent and Ted Fleury.

Our best wishes to newly-weds Mr. and Mrs. Donald Lavoie. The bride is the former Lucille Roy.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Robert Cote on the birth of a son.

BOSTON OFFICE

by Don Clement

We are all looking forward to a festive banquet May 16th, marking the end of our second consecutive bowling season. This banquet should provide a lot of fun for us all, including presentation of trophies to winners. Playoffs on April 24th.

Peg Decina has taken over honors in high three strings with a 312. Vin Laporte holds high single for the men with 128; Rose Sanda for the gals with 115. Tony Santucci holds a slim lead in individual average with 90, over Don Clement and Paul Graham who are locked with 89. Peg Decina's Braves have a slight edge over Vin Laporte's Yankees.

Still on the subject of sports Vin Laporte and Bob Landrigan made their yearly pilgrimage to Boston Garden and Massachusetts Tech's Basketball Tournament.

Paul Graham enjoyed his ski trip to Mt. Snow, Wilmington, Vt. last month. He really does ski, too—got interested in the sport while stationed with the Army in Austria.

Your correspondent and Mrs. Clement announced the birth of our first toddler February 6th. David Kenneth and mother are doing exceedingly well—but father, not so well. The late, late TV shows are becoming a habit — anyone else night feedings?

RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

Everyone is happy for Research Director, Douglas M., now that Mrs. McMurtrie has recovered from her accident.

Joan Vien, secretary to Ben Hoos, recently underwent surgery and is at home recuperating.

Harold Titus was a recent business visitor in Bristol, Pa. Harold and Mrs. Titus are ski enthusiasts, and you often see them accompanied by Doris Pinette on the Jackson, N. H. ski slopes.

Dr. Leo Kruger has resigned to accept a position in the Research Laboratories of the National Starch Products Company, Plainfield, N. J.

INDUSTRIAL ENGINEERING

by Genise Amero

Todd Hutchins enjoyed a week's vacation skiing at Wildcat and Black Mountain.

Your correspondent has been enjoying an exceptionally good season of skiing, mostly at Wildcat.

SAN FRANCISCO

by Laurretta Marsden

President A.E.H. Fair was a recent visitor at the San Francisco Office, accompanied by Arthur Taylor and R. S. Robie, President of U-Drivit Co. Sorry their visit had to be so brief—we don't see many Brown Company personnel on the West Coast.

We welcome newcomer Phyllis Champagne, who is assisting in the office.



Frank D. Crockett, Accounting Dept. retired March 31 after 35 years service.



COLORS . . . Company employees have honor position at dedication of new Berlin armory. L. to R. Roland J. Lambert, John T. Oldroyd of Cascade Mill, Roland E. Albert, Cascade and Patrick A. Taylor of Bermico Mill.



HAPPY RETIREMENT . . . George Paine, timekeeper, Upper Plants, retires after 33 years with Brown Company. Wishing him many happy years ahead are, left to right, William Hooper, Chief Timekeeper William Sharpe, Mr. Paine, Jack Eads, Ray Holroyd and Wilfred Breault.

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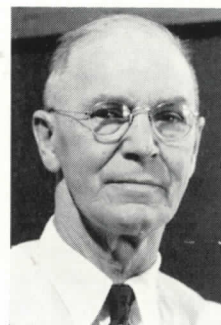
by Rosemary Sloat

Mrs. Jeanette (Jacie) Rose, of Oxford Paper Co., made it possible for Harriet (Barry) Fickert, now a housewife, Ann Gorman, of St. Regis Paper, Aileen (Leddy) Champagne, of American Tel. and Tel. and your correspondent, to get together for a wingding of a gabfest. Sorry you couldn't make it Mrs. Ennis.

And Wendell Churchill tells me he and his wife were enroute from Berlin to Florida some months ago. The car just happened to break down—they fell in love with New York City and have been here ever since. They both look exceptionally well and want to be remembered to all their good friends back home.

Ruth Poole, formerly of Boston Office, has come to the "Big City" and at present is now at St. Regis Paper Co.

Bibi Haack is doing temporary clerical work for us in the New York Sales Office.



53 YEARS SERVICE . . .

Albert Hanson retired from the Gorham Power House after 53 years with Brown Company.

CHICAGO OFFICE

By Yvonne Anderson

Mildred and Griff Morgan were happy to meet their new daughter-in-law, Marisa, and see their son again when they arrived March 5th from Aviano, Italy. Griff, Jr. is a meteorologist with the Air Force, stationed in Alexandria, La. They also brought along a couple of Siamese cats.

Chicago Office was host to the Bermico salesmen during their sales meeting February 27-28. We were also pleased to see the Towel and Tissue salesmen in this office March 11th.

John and Ruth Crawford recently held a square dance for their three daughters and 80 guests. Arlington Heights still has not fully recovered from this hoe-down.



CHEMICAL & FLOC

by Alf McKay

Our sympathies are extended to Albert Guilmette, Jr. on the death of his father.

Bob Payeur built a camp at Lockes Mills, Me.

Ash Hazzard's orchestra has been playing all winter down at Mittersill Inn, Franconia. The Band is now available for weddings, parties, etc. If interested telephone 1271-W. (Advertisement)

Albert Cote is welcomed back after his recent operation.

Brendan Marcou has left us to join the Air Corps.

Three of the boys at the Floc Plant purchased aluminum boats—Oscar Vachon, Alphonse Lavoie and Florrie Torre.

Ed Renaud enjoyed vacation in Virginia.

Here's just about the most expensive dog around — Lyndy Johnson of Floc, tossed his wife a rolled up \$10 bill—the dog caught it first, and in great consternation, Ed rushed to the dog, pried open his jaws and hunted all around—yes, he had swallowed it!

POWER AND STEAM

by Sylvia Oliver

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Montminy on their recent marriage.

Earl Robinson is recuperating at home after undergoing surgery. A speedy recovery, Earl.

MONTREAL

by Barbara Colebrook

Since Robert Pope left his post here as Manager to take up his duties of selling Nibroc Towels out of New York Office, things have been very quiet except for the intermittent visits from employees of our Brown Company "family".

In the past few weeks, this office has seen many familiar faces—Frank Eaton from New York City flew down for a one-day visit. On his heels came Jack MacAuliffe, who spent the better part of a week meeting new customers and generally looking over the town.

As a matter of fact, a funny thing happened. I delegated myself to show Jack how to get to the various plants outside the city, having lived here all my life, and actually got lost in a section I was not too familiar with, sort of



WEST COAST'S "MR. BROWN COMPANY" . . . Earl Van Pool, Brown Company's Pacific Coast Manager, retires from the San Francisco Office after 33 years service. One of the "grand old men" in the paper business, he is known by everyone on the West Coast.

like the old adage, "the blind leading the blind".

Urban Dacier of Boston office, and your correspondent, had a friendly chat over a cup of coffee.

PRODUCTION

by Ada Anderson

Partitions were put up recently in this department making two new offices, one for Dr. George A. Day and one for Roland Fickett. We are happy to welcome them.

We also welcome Conrad Waldie who, as Dr. Day's assistant, is Chief Technical Service Engineer, and Mr. Fickett's secretary, Carol House.



OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT . . . Kraft Mill gets Certificate of Outstanding Achievement for its 200,000 man hours without a lost time accident. Left to right, front row, Pulp Production Manager John Hegeman; Assistant Superintendent Robert McKee; Superintendent Adrien Croteau; Mike Demers; Vice President T. Richard Probst, making presentation; Pulp Manufacturing Manager Francis X. Guimond and Foreman Francis Sweeney. Back row, John Lavoie, George Roy, Roger Montminy, Louis Montminy, Richard Laflamme and George Dion.

ONCO

By Rita Gagnon

Welcome to our newcomer from Onco Office, Nancy Wheeler. Glad to have you with us, Nan.

Beverly McKenna was transferred to Stenographic Department. Lots of luck, Bev.

The girls of COB gave Mrs. Julie Bugeau a stork shower at Julie's home. Julie reciprocated with a delicious spaghetti dinner. She received a crib-comforter set from the girls of Purchasing and a bassinet from this office.

200,000 Man Hours Without Lost Time Accident

The Kraft Mill has entered its second year without a lost time accident.

A Certificate of Outstanding Achievement was presented to Pulp Manufacturing Manager Francis X. Guimond and Kraft Mill Superintendent Adrien Croteau by Vice President T. Richard Probst showing the mill's employees have completed 200,000 man hours without a lost time accident.

The Kraft Mill can be proud of this record. It was earned by all mill employees from top supervisors in the office to the men who operate the digesters, washers, dryers and all the other machines in the mill.

Singled out for special commendation were Assistant Superintendent Robert McKee, Foreman Romeo Roy and Francis Sweeney, and Acting Foreman Mortimer Landers.

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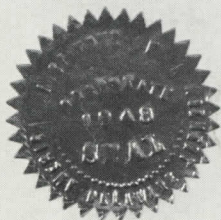
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The award to Brown Company's management resulted from a study of the Company's management procedures by field men of the AIM. The study, which resulted in the award covered economic function, corporate structure, health of earnings, service to stockowners, research and development, directorate effectiveness, fiscal policies, production efficiency, sales vigor, and executive evaluation.

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