

Karn - 1892 -

Information given by Mrs. Ralph (Duffy)
Stauffer - Grace Conner

Business began at main building - other buildings
added as business expanded
Began by Jeremiah P. Karn and brother
William

Oscar and sisters Zrist and Yowtee
Company became Incorporated.

Karn served Va., West Va. and Md.

Grace Conner worked at Karn from 1929 - 71

Her father Turner Conner from Oakland Va. had
been brought ~~from~~ to Brunswick to work for
Gross - worked at Karn about 30 years

Materials brought in by railroad, - box cars
unloaded by hand, each stick of lumber, to
a truck and then unloaded it by hand -
allowed about 3 days to complete unloading -
Extra employees hired for unloading - (Jim
and Chester Vohrees) were cited ~~and~~ - 1966
trucks began bringing in supplies - A lift
was bought, eliminating hand unloading

owners { 1948 - 1971 - Edward Hering and Ralph Stauffer
owned business
1971 - Joel Koehl owned business for several
years - gas pumping station built
Richard F. (Dick) Cline - sold plumbing,
electrical (stoves, refrigerator) equipment

Building { ~~At~~ added, made door frames, window frames -
for customized mill work
later years made cabinets, counter tops -
Once made a wooden leg for a man from Va.
Made out-houses - had display of seats