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# The Illuminator

KENTUCKY POWER COMPANY

APPALACHIAN POWER COMPANY OF THE AMERICAN ELECTRIC POWER SYSTEM KINGSPORT UTILITIES, INC.

"A noisy fellow annoys a fellow."

-Unknown

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### AEP Management Meets In Roanoke November 6-8

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The American Electric Power System's 16th annual Management Meeting will be held in Roanoke, November 6-8.

Following a keynote address by AEP President Donald C. Cook, some 300 management members will hear discussions of the latest System happenings in a broad range of fields.

At dinner on Thursday, November 7, the guest speaker will be Clark M. Clifford, special counsel and advisor to both Presidents Truman and Kennedy, and a prominent Washington attorney.

Customarily, the session's opening phase will be devoted to the System's sales program for the coming year. Under the sales theme "Upgrade More in '64,' Under the sales speakers will outline programs for selling the all-electric concept to home, apartment, and commercial building developers, and plans for coordinated selling campaigns with the makers, distributors, and dealers of various electrical appli-

Second-day topics include area development, public relations, the functions of the Canton centralized computer installation in Systemwide accounting and load dispatching, and cost responsibility and accounting in power plant manage-

Featured in the second day's agenda will be a summary by Philip Sporn, chairman of the System Development Committee, of talks on energy resources, atomic energy, and the projected 1,230,000-kilo-watt Cardinal Plant to be built jointly by Ohio Power Company and 30 Rural Electric Cooperatives in Ohio.

On the third day, attendees will learn the latest developments in the legislative and regulatory fields, accident prevention and employe training.



Looking upstream from the site selected for the upper dam in the Blue Ridge Pumped Storage and Hydro-electric Project.

## Addition To Roanoke Office **Building Now Occupied**

With the moving work taking place over week ends to avoid interruption to vital operations, the completed addition to the Roanoke general office building now has its

new tenants comfortably settled.

The first floor now houses a record center, mail room, duplicating and reproduction facilities, and forms and supplies; second floor has the electronic data processing equipment, system purchasing, and a service entrance at street level for truck delivery.

The third floor is given over to

accounting functions, and the fourth floor has offices for system area development, system hydro, and some space for future growth.

The big part of the move was the transfer of all data processing machines and related equipment. It took place over the October 19-20 week end, and took a professional crew of eight men and a foreman to do the job. Twenty-six machines, some weighing more than a ton, had to be stripped down and canted up on end to fit into the service elevator for the move from the sixth floor of the old building to the second floor of the new. All machines were operating Monday morning.

New operating conditions are in contrast to the old, because the new quarters were designed expressly for the machine operations, and temperature and humidity controls, noise reduction, and space were built in to the design.

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One wall of the machine room is made of plate glass, permitting visitors to watch the machines in action under a ceiling of light that has an intensity five times that in the old location.

The machines and

The machines rest on an elevated floor, a relatively new develop-ment called "Elaflor." It consists of flooring squares mounted on

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# AEP Report Wins Oscar Fifth Time

American Electric Power Company, for the fifth time in seven years, has won the coveted "Silver Oscar" for its annual report.

President Donald C. Cook accepted the award at a presentation banquet October 30 at the New York Hilton Hotel.

The 1962 annual report was judged the best report published by a utility company during the past year. This broad category includes all electric, gas, telephone, water and pipeline companies. Earlier, the AEP 1962 report had won a "Bronze Oscar" as the best among all electric utility holding companies. This was its eighth in the onze Oscar as the best among past nine years.

Winner of the "Gold Oscar" for having the best annual report among 5,000 which competed was General Electric Company, the first corporation ever to win the Financial World award two consecutive years.

Principal speaker at the banquet was U. S. Senator Barry Goldwater of Arizona.

The judging committee included: Dr. Joseph H. Taggart, executive dean, Schools of Business, New York University; Gerald L. Wilstead, president, New York Society of Security Analysts; Ivan Chermayeff, president, American Institute of Graphic Arts; Ruddick C. Lawrence, vice president, New York Stock Exchange; and Charles M. Sievert, financial columnist, New York World-Telegram & Sun.

# Appalachian Picks Site For Upper Dam In Blue Ridge Project

Appalachian Power Company has announced the site of the upper and larger dam in its proposed two-dam Blue Ridge Pumped Storage and Hydro-electric Development on New River in Grayson County, Virginia.

Joe P. Gills, Appalachian's vice president and general manager, said that the site for the proposed dam is about 2,400

feet upstream from the mouth of Rock Creek. The site was chosen over others after extensive core drilling tests.

The type and formation of rock in this area is suitable to support the abutments and foundations of a dam structure, and terrain also favors this location. The site lies about halfway between In-dependence and Galax on New

Gills said that Appalachian has already acquired the property around the site on both sides of the river. The land was bought from the Hastin C. Edwards family, the Highland Development Company and Grover C. Galyean.

#### **Studies Continued**

No decision has been made yet on the type of dam to be built, or on the location of the lower dam in the project. The company is currently working on engineering and economic studies under the terms of a preliminary permit

issued by the Federal Power Commission last March. The permit gives the company the right of priority in applying for a construction license, and protects it for a period of two years during the studies. Core drillings were completed in September.

Appalachian has established a field office for its real estate and right of way department personnel and engineering department personnel working in the area. This office is about five miles east of Independence on U. S. 58.

Under the present plan, which Gills emphasized was not final, the two-dam project would have the two-dam project would have a generating capacity of approximately 400,000 kilowatts and would create two lakes, the upper one backing up into North Carolina. No date has been established for the filing of an application with the Federal Power Commission for a license to construct the project, Gills said.

# Kingsport's Record Broken, Still Holds Safety Lead

Kingsport Utilities, Inc., which held the lead in the American Electric Power System Safety Con-test through the first nine months of this year, lost it suddenly October 3 when a private car over-turned one of its line trucks, and the utility suffered its first disabling accident in nine years.

The mishap broke the company's 2,002,102 safe-man-hour record that dates back to the beginning of the contest in January, 1955. Kingsport's last accident happened on October 18, 1954.

At the nine-month mark, how-ever, Kingsport was still ahead,

trailed by Kentucky Power Company in second place with 1,353,351 injury-free hours. Ironically, Kentucky Power also reported an injury on the same day as Kingsport, October 3. Kentucky's last accident took place in January, 1962.

In hird place was Charleston Division of Appalachian Power Company. The division had racked up 773,822 safe man-hours since its last mishap in January of this year. Fourth place was held by Marion Division of Indiana & Michigan Electric Company, which has worked 736,445 hours without injury since June, 1962.

### Safety Award



A framed piece of paper representing 1 million safe man-hours by Appalachian's system operating department is presented by Joe P. Gills, vice president and general manager, to J. W. Kepner, system operating head. The safety performance extends from October 31, 1957 to the present, although the million man-hour milestone was passed in

# Ohio Power Reorganizes To Simplify Operations

Ohio Power Company last month changed its organization structure, increasing from four to nine the number of operating divisions.

A. N. Prentice of Canton, Ohio Power's vice president and general manager, said the reorganization is designed to simplify and improve the operation of the company for the purpose of improving sorvices. the purpose of improving service to its customers, now and in the

The new divisions, to be numbered I through 9, and their headquarter cities are: 1—Steubenville, 2—Canton, 3—Coshocton, 4— Zanesville, 5—Newark, 6—Ports-mouth, 7—Tiffin, 8—Findlay, and 9—Lima.

Ohio Power's former Eastern Division now has become Division 1 with headquarters remaining at Steubenville and William S. Welday continuing as division manager.

The former Central Division has been divided into Divisions 2 and 3 with headquarters in Canton and Coshocton respectively. With, manager of the Central Division, has been named a regional manager on the staff of the vice president and general manager and will be responsible for the administration of company policies and coordination of operations in the new divisions.

John D. Hawkins, who served as manager of the Canton District, has been named Division 2 manager.

Manager of the new Division 3 is William A. Black, who has been manager at Wooster. Russell H. manager at Wooster. Russell H. Anders, veteran manager of the former Coshocton District will remain in Coshocton as manager and consultant and will assist Mr. Black in the organization and operation of the new division. The company's former Southern Division has been divided into Divisions 4, 5, and 6. Clarence W. Feil, of Newark, manager of the

Feil, of Newark, manager of the Southern Division, has been named regional manager of the three new divisions

Robert W. Painter, Zanesville District manager, is manager of the new Division 4; Robert I. Bull, Newark, commercial manager of the Southern Division, has been named manager of Division 5, and Edward A. Higgins, Portsmouth District manager, heads up the new

Ohio Power's former Western Division, headquartered at Lima, has been divided into Divisions 7, 8, and 9. D. M. Conn, Lima, Western Division manager, has been appointed regional manager of the divisions.

Eugene W. Schmidt, Tiffin District manager, is now Division 7 manager; Ronald L. Springer, Findlay District manager, becomes head of Division 8, and Joseph W. Jones, Western Division commercial manager, remains in Lima as manager of Division 9.

# The Season of "Be Careful"

We get heaps of mail every day from outside our companies, mostly importunings from people who covet our 12 pages, and who say they have just the right story or picture for us. Some of this mail is readable, and some of it is even useful. In this last category there was a piece the other day that talked about the common cold. The common cold costs the nation about \$5 billion every year, all things considered; and all by its own sniffly, incurable self, is responsible for more than half of all industrial work absences.

It's true that nobody has found a cure for the common cold, even though we have orbited the earth, and built machines that can do all kinds of fast work with numbers. So, says the American Medical Association, since there's no cure for a cold, don't

And here, the AMA says, are some things to do to help avoid catching cold; 1) maintain a good diet balance; 2) keep out of drafts; 3) beware of sudden overheating and quick cooling down; 4) dress appropriately for weather conditions; 5) avoid dressing or undressing in cold rooms, and 6) avoid close contacts with persons who do have colds.

Another good preventive measure is a program of immunization shots, which our companies think is an effective measure.

A noted wit, William Lyon Phelps, the late educator, remarked on the great democracy of a cold. "Sometimes the eyes have it, sometimes the nose," he said.

Democratic it is; all are eligible for a cold, and few escape and those who do are inclined to become bores about it:
"I never get a cold," they say, or
"The last time I got a cold was in the winter of '22, and I never missed a day off the job." And while they smugly boast, the rest of us, red-eyed and sullen, reach for another tissue, and glare.

At any rate following these six simple steps recommended by the AMA is no guarantee that we will become cold-proof, but it will give us all a fighting chance, and even the Washington (baseball) Senators deserve that.

### Serendipity

"In order to discover anything, one must be looking for something," states Dr. Harvey A. Neville, president of Lehigh University. He calls this his first Law of Serendipity—serendipity being "the happy faculty of making discoveries one is not in search of." Thus, Columbus discovered America; Roentgen, the X-rays; Goodyear, the vulcanization of rubber; and Madame Curie, radium.

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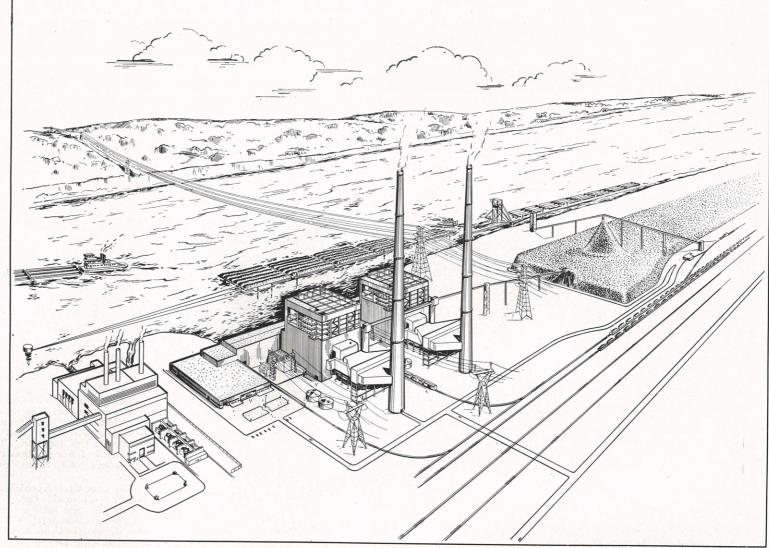
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This is an artist's conception of the new Cardinal plant, showing Ohio Power's Tidd plant at left.

# Ohio Power And REA Group Build Joint Plant

Ohio Power Company and Buckeye Power, Inc., a subsidiary of Ohio's Rural Electric Cooperatives, have begun work on a jointlyowned major electric power plant, with a 1,230,000-kw capacity. It will be located immediately adjacent to Ohio Power's Tidd plant on the Ohio River at Brilliant. The new plant will be named Cardinal plant, of the state hird of Ohio.

after the state bird of Ohio.

The official joint announcement was made by Donald C. Cook, president of American Electric Power Company and its subsidiary companies, including Ohio Power and our companies, and Owen T. Manning, presi-

dent of Buckeye Power.

"This plant is particularly unique," Mr. Cook said. "For the first time a major electric generating facility will be jointly owned by an investor-owned utility and member-owned electric cooperatives, and will be financed entirely by funds obtained from the private money market. It is unique also in the fact that it incorporates new concepts in engineering and design. Plans call for the plant to be tied into the transmission systems of five of Ohio's principal investor-owned utilities. These

will transmit, under contract, the cooperatives' portion of the plant's generation to

tives' portion of the plant's generation to the co-ops' transmission systems, substa-tions, and load centers."

Buckeye Power is made up of 30 co-ops in the state. They serve over 135,000 customers in 74 of Ohio's 88 counties. The utilities with which Cardinal plant will have connections, in addition to Ohio Power, are Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company, Columbus and Southern Ohio Electric Com-pany. The Dayton Power and Light Company, The Dayton Power and Light Company, and The Toledo Edison Company.

The plant's initial generating capacity will be 1,230,000-kw, from two 615,000-kw generating units. Ultimately the capacity will be increased to 2-million kw. Initially it will be the largest electric plant in Obio.

it will be the largest electric plant in Ohio. According to A. N. Prentice, Ohio Power's According to A. N. Prentice, Ohio Power's vice president and general manager, the new plant will burn an estimated 3-million tons of coal a year, virtually all of it from mines in eastern Ohio and in the Wheeling panhandle of West Virginia. "This fact alone," Mr. Prentice said, "will provide a tremendous economic impact on the two-state area."

The annual coal usage, he estimated would require the employment of about 500 miners, plus scores of others in the transportation and allied fields. It would require a 300-mile long coal train—40,000 cars—to carry the plant's yearly coal supply.

Studies, planning, design, and negotiations for the Cardinal plant have been in progress for nearly two years. Philip Sporn, retired AEP president and presently chairman of its System Development Committee, has led the negotiations. He describes the plant as an entirely new stage of development in the generating technology. The two 615,000-kw units themsleves the frontiers of the generating art"; they will be the largest single-shaft turbinegenerator units in the world. The electrical generators will also be the world's largest. In operation, the Cardinal plant is expected to achieve a new low in steam electric production costs, because of the units' anticipated generating efficiency and by the entire plant's projected capital invest-ment cost of about \$100 per kilowatt.

# news events in brief

Roanoke's population exceeds 100,000, according to report from the University of Virginia's Department of Population and Economics. The same report shows Lynchburg with 56,923 and Martinsville with 19,453.

CHARLESTON: Representatives of the American Public Power Association and the National Rural Electric Co-operative Association have urged the President of the United States to set up a "TVA-type omted States to set up a TVA-type authority" to develop the depressed areas of West Virginia, eastern Kentucky, and Pennsylvania. The proposal was made during a meeting of APPA and NRECA representatives held with the President, the Secretary of Agriculture, and the Secretary of the Interior. of the Interior. The agency created could develop the abundant coal and water resources of the region "using electric power to lift the corporer." to lift the economy.

HUNTINGTON: With the purchase of West Kentucky Coal Company, Madison-ville, Kentucky, Island Creek Coal Company became the nation's third largest coal producer. The price for West Kentucky and a subsidiary was in excess of \$12-million. Last year Island Creek produced more than 12million tons of coal and West Kentucky

ASHLAND: Recommendations by the Appalachian Regional Development Commission include establishment of a National Forest in eastern Kentucky; accelerated construction of flood control and water

resources projects; construction of major trunk highway systems; development of special human resources programs to solve the unemployment problem; programs in marketing and research to expand mining and industrial opportunities and major and industrial opportunities, and major efforts to develop the Appalachian mountains into what is called "the playground for mid-America." The Commission is also looking into developmental possibilities inublic and investor-ov but the chairman said categorically that this will not be a TVA-type authority.

ROANOKE: The Virginia Advisory Legislative Council reported to Governor Albertis S. Harrison that 1) it saw no reason why municipal electric systems should be brought fully under state regulation; 2) the pattern of electric service by municipal system outside municipal boundaries as of July 1, 1964, should not be disturbed. How-ever the VALC also said that future expansion of city systems outside municipal boundaries should be permitted only by agreement between the municipality and the power company (or co-op) involved. The same condition of agreement would apply for extensions of service by a power company or co-op into municipal territory. The VALC report will be considered by the 1964 General Assembly.

ASHLAND: The University of Kentucky's wood-use demonstration center in Breathitt County has been dedicated. The facility cost \$642,000, and is a joint effort

of state and federal agencies with an ARA grant. Its pilot plant and demonstration operations are designed to promote more efficient timber growth, forest management, cutting and marketing operations in the

ASHLAND: The Kentucky Rural Electric Cooperative Corporation, meeting last week, passed two resolutions of interest. The first called on the Kentucky Public Service Commission and the Federal Power Commission to investigate the rates charged by investor-owned utilities in Kentucky and elsewhere in the nation, and to deter-mine the extent of overcharges being made. The second asked the national co-operative organization to study methods of financing other than two per cent government loans. financing in the commercial market are to be considered. Finally, the state group criticized the Kentucky State Chamber of Commerce for its resolution several months ago against present co-op financing methods.

ROANOKE: A 30-day extension has been granted in the deadline for filing exceptions in the Norfolk and Western Railway's merger plans. The extension was requested by the N&W and Pennsylvania Railroad after the Federal Inter-Agency Committee on Transportation Mergers gave conditional approval to the N&W plans, but opposed the Pennsylvania-New York Central

PULASKI: A new industry, Warren Furniture Inc., will locate in Christiansburg. The Company will make upholstered furniture in a 27,000-square-foot building to be constructed on a five-acre site by the Christiansburg Industrial Corporation. The newly-formed group will have a lease-purchase arrangement with Warren Furniture. Heading the new firm will be Warren L. Holtzman of Fort Lee, N. J.

### Long Illness Fatal To L. M. Doyle

Succumbing to a long illness, L. M. Doyle died in Marmet October 15.

Mr. Doyle retired as mechanical maintenance man in April 1958 with 22 years of service. He had joined Appalachian as turbine operator in 1935, and later worked as maintenance man. He was born and educated in West Virginia. He had been ill for some time. Mr. Doyle was Sunday School superintendent at Elly Light Momerical Church at Elk Lick Memorial Church, where his funeral services were held. He is survived by his widow, four sisters and two brothers.



Mr. Doyle

### C.E. Williams Dies; Was Plant Retiree

Charles E. Williams, retired assistant shift supervisor at Cabin Creek plant, died in Chelyan October 8.

Mr. Williams retired in July 1956 with more than 33 years of company service. A native West Virginian, he joined Appalachian in 1924 after working for many years in the coal mines. His first job at Cabin Creek was boiler room helper, and he worked in later years as turbine operator. He was promoted to assistant shift supervisor in September 1953. Death followed a long illness. He is survived by his widow, a niece, two sisters, and four brothers. He was a member of First Baptist Church in Chelyan.



Mr. Williams

### Army Reserve Unit Promotes Youngman

Richard A. Youngman, and station supervisor in Fieldale, has been pro-moted to lieu-



Mr. Youngman

nel in his Army Reserve Unit Martinsville. Mr. Youngman served in both the European and Pacific theaters between January 1942 and January 1946, and has been active

in the Army Reserve since his discharge.

He joined the company in 1946 as electrical engineer in the Roanoke district. He was transferred to Fieldale in 1949 as distribution engineer, and was promoted to line and station supervisor in January



Mr. Hicks

### J. S. Hicks Takes Early Retirement

Joseph S. Hicks, truck driver-groundman in the Beckley district, elected early retirement due to disability October 1. He had 18

years of service.

Mr. Hicks was first employed by
the company in February 1945.
He was born at Fruburn, Kentucky, and attended school at Elkhorn. He served with the Army during World War II.

He is married and has one son. Mr. Hicks plans to move to Arizona in the near future on the advice of his physician.



Mr. VanMeter

### Retirement Ends VanMeter Career

Carrick VanMeter, general office assistant, system station depart-ment, retired November 1 after completing more than 36 years of

company service.

Mr. VanMeter was first employed in July of 1927 as payroll clerk in Charleston, and moved in 1939 to the system station department, at that time located in Charleston. When the department was moved to Roanoke, Mr. VanMeter moved with it.

with it.

He is a native of Kentucky and, before joining Appalachian, he worked for the Remington and Underwood typewriter companies.

## Employees Submit 26 Ideas In W-S Program; Savings In Nine Months Total \$123,800

Proved ways of doing things better came to light through the pages of AEP Operating Ideas and through Appalachian's Work Simplification plification program.

During August and September, 26 Work Simplification proposals were submitted by employees, four of which are being evaluated for publication in *Operating Ideas*. In the first three quarters of the year 145 proposals have been processed, and they represent an estimated company-wide savings of \$123,800.

Four employees are the authors of three articles in Operating Ideas.
Ralph McDaniel and John H.
Rodrian, both system operating
engineers in Roanoke, described an improved method of fault location with the Sierra Fault Analyzer. The new technique permits the operator to correctly identify the fault location, phase and type without relying upon a normal pattern as a standard of comparison. A new way to check all pulverizer draft gages simultaneously was devised by W. F. Sampson, results engineer at Kanawha River plant, and reported in the October issue. In the same issue, O. C. Hall, Point Pleasant district manager, reported on the use of special sealant which prolongs the life of asphaltic concrete after application.

#### Roanoke Originates

Five of the current crop of proposals originated in Roanoke. R. E. Barkley and R. A. Armistead were Barkley and R. A. Armistead were co-authors of a proposal describing a way to avoid breakage of flagstaffs by a better method of attaching warning flags. R. F. Cooke had two ideas: one concerned the forwarding of paychecks from the main office to the Walnut Avenue service building and the other a service building, and the other a change in handling Saturday's incoming mail. A proposal submitted by K. E. French suggested a change in design in the application form for a dusk-to-dawn light. And to reduce the volume of paperwork associated with commercial department promotional activities, Miss Bee Eakin suggested the use of preprinted petty cash vouchers and voucher attachments.

From Lynchburg, J. O. Franklin suggested a form letter to facilitate the scheduling meter relocation work. Another proposal from the Roanoke division came from Fieldale's Michael B. Pitches, who suggested that the use of acetate covers gested that the use of acetate covers would increase substantially the life of distribution maps and other wall-mounted drawings. Temporary information or line sketches can be made easily on the plastic.

From Charleston came J. D. Walters' idea to use electriducts to provide outlets for office machines, and from the division meter department came these three ideas for a more economical shipping box for rubber gloves; a magnetic holder for storage of dirty paint brushes,



Mr. McDaniel



Mr. Rodrian



Mr. Hall



Mr. Sampson

and use of aluminum sheet metal for palleted storage of electric

J. Woods, Beckley, suggested the use of particular com-pression fitting and butted joint, and also a change in configuration

of the stirrup.

Design changes on motor mechanism operating overhead garage doors was the idea submitted by W. H. Stricklen of Point Pleasant.

A proposal suggesting the use of a Damo Tapewriter to identify relays and other station equipment came from Cecil Ball in Williamson.

#### Plant Ideas

Clinch River led plant participation with six ideas. L. C. Houchins described the use of an Acme Visible Filing System for pertinent personnel information; N. R. Crumbaker suggested the use of a Damo Tapewriter for identification of Tapewriter for identification of annunciator points; Eli D. Buskirk had some ideas on simplifying housekeeping duties, and Alfred Lambert described how a commercial bearing puller was used to replace support lugs on superheater tube platens. G. C. Williams had two cost-reduction ideas; one was a two cost-reduction ideas: one was a procedure to straighten bent soot blower lance tubes without dis-mantling the soot blower assembly, and the other was the use of an adapter to simplify cutting of 45-

degree miters.

Glen Lyn's R. B. Comer submitted an idea to extend grease fittings on Unit 6 LP Sole plates, and thus simplify the annual

greasing program. L. E. McKenzie was able to eliminate the handling of a heavy access door by fabricating and using a lightweight cover plate. A procedure for handling cold end elements in and out of Unit 6 preheaters was suggested by B. M. Brown.

E. H. Gloss and C. E. Lester jointly described savings of \$4,500 a year after a performance study made on the Philip Sporn plant's unloading gantry. Purchase of round pyrex sight glasses, precut to proper lengths, was suggested by John E. Werry.

O. A. Hesson, Cabin Creek plant, roposed flooring in an unused hatchway area to make available more space for burner maintenance

### Bernard Monroe Dies October 21

Bernard H. Monroe, Jr., 45, died in Lynchburg October 21. He was meter serviceman in the Lynchburg district.

Mr. Monroe, a native of Lynch-Mr. Monroe, a native of Lynchburg, joined the company there in December 1941 as meter helper. After service in the Army from June 1943 to August 1946 he returned to Appalachian. He became meter serviceman in August 1949.

He is survived by his widow, a son, and a sister. He was a member of Euclid Christian Church in



# Service Anniversaries

Appalachian Power Company

ABINGDON DISTRICT—15 YEARS: JAMES E. PRATER, heating & builder sales representative.

BECKLEY DISTRICT—40 Years: Bernard H. White, Jr., district office supervisor. 20 Years: Sanford S. Scott, truck driver groundman. 15 Years: John M. Gates, administrative assistant.

BLUEFIELD DISTRICT—15 YEARS: CHARLES E. HOWELL, meter serviceman; LACY H. WALLACE, area serviceman. 10 YEARS: ALICE H. CARDEN, general clerk; EARL A. PROFFITT auto repairman. 5 YEARS: GLENN H. REYNOLDS, division electrical engineer. CABIN CREEK PLANT-20 Years: G. R. Walls, plant janitor; W. R. Barton, plant

CHARLESTON DISTRICT—30 YEARS: WILLIAM A. QUARRIER, material clerk. 25 YEARS: PAUL O. GOODE, engineering aide; Burl Fewell, hydro utility operator. 15 Years: DENNIS L. BLAKE, meter serviceman; Kermit W. Fisher, division station engineer; Jennings P. Fulknier, dealer sales representative. 10 Years: Billy L. Chase, lineman; Billy M. Angelo, station man; Norman R. Young, station man helper.

CLINCH RIVER PLANT—15 YEARS: JAMES B. BRITT, JR., maintenance man; JAMES R. RAIL, maintenance man. 10 YEARS: RONALD E. WENTZ, unit foreman. 5 YEARS: N. JACK Burk, equipment operator.

GLEN LYN PLANT-20 YEARS: O. W. Bond, results engineer.

HUNTINGTON DISTRICT—25 YEARS: CARL L. PHILLIPS, heating and builder sales representative. 15 Years: Barbour V. Winkler, instrument man; Robert E. Morrison, instrument man.

KANAWHA RIVER PLANT—15 YEARS: C. H. Mooney, unit foreman. 10 Years: W. F. Sampson, results engineer; E. M. Armstrong, janitor. LOGAN DISTRICT—15 YEARS: R. D. BLEVINS, engineering aide; H. E. GARRETT, meter-

LYNCHBURG DISTRICT—25 YEARS: E. T. WRIGHT, lineman.

PULASKI DISTRICT-25 YEARS: GARLAND S. BRUCE, line inspector. 20 YEARS: JAMES L.

ROANOKE DISTRICT—25 YEARS: W. C. REYNOLDS, meterman; C. E. West, Jr., stationman helper. 20 Years: S. W. Fisher, auto repairman. 15 Years: J. O. Bowling, Jr., stationman; D. N. Sink, lineman. 10 Years: Lewis D. Evans, division heating sales engineer. 5 Years: Nancy B. Jacobs, secretarial stenographer.

PHILIP SPORN PLANT—15 YEARS: CLAUD M. BUMGARNER, material clerk. 10 YEARS: John N. Lewis, junior maintenance man; George W. Nash, junior maintenance man; Berl E. Wallace, junior maintenance man.

SYSTEM—30 Years: Willa Bird Tyree, system operating analyst; D. L. Buckingham, system station foreman. 15 Years: J. K. Daniels, regional dispatcher; C. R. Whittington, system station operator; Charles L. Fulp, budgets and special reports analyst; V. S. Likens, system station clerk; M. V. Wald, system station man; C. H. Hager, system transmission man. 10 Years: D. O. Wissler, system station man. 5 Years: Marion E. Shank, payroll clerk; Gaye N. Porter, clerk stenographer.

WELCH DISTRICT—15 Years: C. E. Spraker, lineman; J. C. Green, meterman; B. C. Wallace, T&D clerk. 10 Years: J. P. Suttenin, station man. 5 Years: S. W. Hylton, heating and builder sales representative; J. E. Reynolds, truck driver-groundman.

WILLIAMSON DISTRICT—30 YEARS: G. B. TRENT, electrical engineer. 20 YEARS: E. R. SLATER, truck driver-groundman.

#### Kentucky Power Company

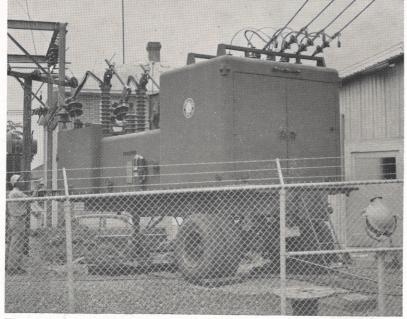
ASHLAND DISTRICT—15 YEARS: DAVE H. LEASURE, head contract clerk; CLAYTON H. WILBURN, meter reader. HAZARD DISTRICT-15 YEARS: ROBERT L. TRENT.

#### Kingsport Utilities, Inc.

25 YEARS: CLYDE E. GREEN, distribution engineer.

20 YEARS: COY A. ARNOLD, station man.

### Ready For Use



The first step before converting the Princeton substation transformers from 34.5/4 Kv to 34.5/12 Kv operation was to provide a source of power during the work. A mobile substation was put into use to furnish 4 Ky power for the Princeton business section. This unit will be used until two new 12-ky oil reclosers can be installed, the transformers converted and the T&D work completed in the city. The cost of the substation work is \$20,000 and the total cost of converting Princeton to 12 Kv will be



#### Point Pleasant

One of the models in a recent fashion show in Point Pleasant was Voda Barnette, accounting department clerk... School and sons of employees combined for news this month, even though they are years and miles apart. W. M. Pancake's son Kent was elected to the Point Pleasant Junior High School Student Council; and Bernice Roush's son Kenneth has enrolled in Columbus Business University following his Air Force discharge. Mr. Pancake is draftsman in the engineering department, and Mrs. Roush is secretarial-stenographer in the managerial department.

Two other familiar names were elected: O. C. Hall, district manager, was elected chairman of the board of the Greater Mason Development Association, designed to promote industrial development in the county. J. A. Ferrell, retired employee, was elected vice president and director of the Mason County Farm Bureau.

#### **Beckley**

Beckley reports three new employees: Miss Frances Smith and Mrs. Dorothy Barker in the division commercial department, and Robert Baker in the building service department.

#### Charleston

In Charleston, it's not too soon to think about Christmas. A committee has been named to work on Christmas decorations for the exterior of the Virginia Street office: George Litsinger, John Griffee, Jim Musgrave, Fred Brown, J. R. Lowther, Katie Wilkerson, Ernest Kavinsky, Paul Parsons, Chris Mitchell, and Guilford Smith.

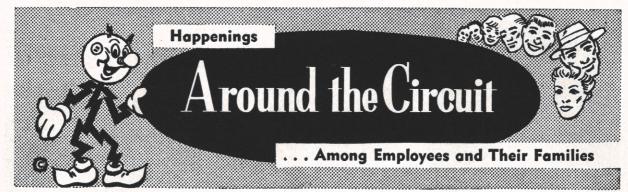
John Frazier, division safety supervisor, has been named chairman of the 1964 West Virginia state safety conference.

Winners in the West Virginia Centennial Amateur Photography Contest were announced recently, and two company names figured in among the winners. In fact, first place in the industrial color slides section was won by Mrs. Norman Young, whose husband is station man helper. Her prize was \$100. Jane Abbott, secretarial-stenographer, division personnel, took second place in the same division, and a \$35 prize.

Co-chairmen in this year's United Fund drive were J. D. Walters and Howard Mathews. Other volunteer workers were Fred Clendenin, Guy Mountse, Chris Mitchell, Jim Musgrave, Bob Lowther, Vernon Costello, Ben Martin, Bob Isner, C. C. Jackson, Howard Basham, Mike Shafer, Ann Surber, Jo Mason, Bill Ferrell, and Charlie Walker.

Professional meetings: Jack Walters, district office supervisor, attended the Southeastern Electric Exchange accounting conferences in Richmond, Va., and H. H. Hutcheson, division commercial, attended a sales program at Nela Park.

New employees are Louise Martens, commercial department, and John William Smith, line department.



#### Philip Sporn Plant

Mrs. Jack Needs was recently elected president of the New Haven Parent-Teachers Association. She is the wife of Jack Needs, maintenance man. Other employees or their wives holding positions in the Association are: Mrs. James Hart, county council representative; Mrs. Gerald Clark, budget and finance chairman; Mrs. Robert Herndon, PTA magazine chairman and Mrs. John Ferguson, registrar. On the hospitality committee are Mrs. Robert Johnston, Mrs. Charles Weaver, Mrs. James Gilbert, Mrs. William Gibbs; reading and library service committee, Mrs. Luther Smith and Mrs. John Morgan; membership committee, Mrs. Delton Sayre, Mrs. James Hart, and Mrs. Elton Clevenger; recreation and playground, Robert Herndon, Jack Needs and Ted Abolin; carnival committee, Mrs. James Haggerty, Mrs. Robert Gilmore; home room committee, Mrs. William Gibbs, Mrs. James Gilbert, Mrs. Robert Herndon and Mrs. Gerald Clark.

Charles Roush, labor department, was recently elected councilor of the Junior Order of United American Mechanics of New Haven, W. Va. Robert Grinstead, son of Tom Grinstead, labor department, was elected vice councilor and Phil Cooke, son of Robert Cooke, results department, was elected warden.

Jerry Wiles, son of Karl Wiles, head—general books, was recently appointed Cadet Major of the Marshall University ROTC Unit.

Andrew D. DeCoy, utility operator, and Arthur Wehrli, have resigned.

#### Cabin Creek Plant

Miss Linda Anthony, niece of D. A. Murphy, laborer, has been named attendant to Miss Pioneer of East Bank High School, East Bank, West Virginia. Miss Anthony makes her home with the Murphys.

#### Kanawha River Plant

R. L. Vickers, maintenance department, has been appointed coach of the Little League football team at Marmet. He served as president of the Southern Little League baseball team for Cabin Creek District this past summer. Completing activities in baseball league work this past summer were J. W. Kitchen, auxiliary equipment operator, coach of the Colt League at Marmet; Amos Workman, maintenance foreman, Little League coach at Charleston; Floyd McDaniel, manager, East Bank Little League, and J. L. Oliver, manager and coach, Pony League, Chelyan.

R. E. Stone is serving as president of the Cabin Creek Mission School P. T. A., and J. L. Crist was reelected president of the East Bank Community Council, an organization for promoting community improvements and recreational facilities.

Carl E. Jenkins, work order clerk, is a new employee in the maintenance department.



#### Ashland

H. L. Rorden of AEP's New York office was the speaker at the recent meeting of the Ashland Chapter of the Kentucky Society of Professional Engineers. He spoke on "Working Energized Conductors with Bare Hands." Orville Henderson, district supervising engineer, is the chapter's program chairman.

C. C. Darrah, district manager, has been named chairman of the 1964 Ashland Fire Prevention Committee. Another employee on this committee is Dave Broughton, district personnel supervisor.

Karin Whitt and Nancy Collins, local accounting; Marlene Jones, system accounting; Susan Marvin, engineering, and James Newton, Jr., T&D, are all new employees.

#### Pikeville

W. W. Zoellers, district supervising engineer, was elected to the Board of Directors of the Pikeville Kiwanis Club.



#### Logan

G. E. Hervey, district manager and W. H. Honaker, line and station supervisor, have been elected to the Board of Directors of the Logan County Chapter American Red Cross, and H. J. Collins, district personnel supervisor, has been appointed captain of the utilities group of the Logan County Community Chest.

Janet Hanley, daughter of T. J. Hanley, heating and builder sales representative, was chosen a cheerleader at Logan East Junior High. Janet is in the seventh grade.

### Huntington

Laura Collins, secretarial-stenographer in the Huntington district T&D department, has been elected secretary of American Legion Auxiliary Unit 16, and Kitty Doggett has been elected treasurer of the Arlington Park Garden Club. She is the wife of George Doggett, station supervisor.

### Williamson

Susan D. Hatfield, daughter of H. D. Hatfield, head material clerk, recently won a Twist Contest sponsored by the Hubbard Motor Company celebrating their 20th Anniversary. All ages entered the contest; however, five-year-old Susan won First Prize and was presented with a check.

In other news of employees' children, Jack Maynard was elected vice president of the junior class at Williamson High School, and Leah Harris has been elected princess at the school. Jack's father is C. J. Maynard, assistant credit supervisor; and Leah is the daughter of Hazel Harris, preaudit clerk.



#### Welch

Grundy's powerful football team is getting a lot of its go from employees' youngsters. Walter Crouse, meter serviceman, is represented by his son Jerry as fullback, and his daughter Vicki as cheerleader. Chuck Brown, son of Charles J. Brown, meter serviceman, plays end. Chuck has also been elected president of the junior class, the third time his class has elected him president. He's also treasurer of the Hi-Y.

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R. H. Ruff, power sales engineer, will be parade marshal for the Veteran's Day celebration in Welch November 11. Lyndon Johnson, vice president of the United States, will be the principal speaker.

Church work is claiming the attention of Mr. and Mrs. William T. Collins, who will be adult advisors for Pioneer Youth in the Grundy Presbyterian Church, and Alonza Hardy, Jr., who has been re-elected deacon in the Grundy Baptist Church. Mr. Collins is local office supervisor and Mr. Hardy is meter serviceman.

William C. Groseclose administrative assistant, is communities chairman of the McDowell County United Appeal.

Clovis Coleman, meter reader in Grundy, is a new employee.

#### Pulaski

C. A. Schmidt was appointed assistant superintendent of the Lutheran Church Sunday School, and was also re-elected secretary of the Virginia Synod Lutheran Church Men for 1964. He is a customer service clerk at Pulaski. Other church duties fell to Mrs. J. D. Burnett of Fries, Virginia, who is teaching a mission study course on "Southeastern Asia" at First Methodist Church in Galax. She is the wife of a retired Byllesby hydro plant employee.

Miss Linda Sowers, daughter of the Paul L. Sowers, Hillsville lineman, was runnerup for the crown of Miss Hillsville High Band . . . R. C. Sharp, Jr. (Bobby), son of the Galax meter serviceman, is a member of the Galax high school band which took top rating in the 13th SE band festival at Bristol, competing with 57 bands. Mr. Sharp, Sr., travels with the band as a chaperon, when they are on weekend trips.

An honorary "Kentucky Colonel" title has been given Fred M. Ben-

nington by Hon. Bert Combs, governor of the state of Kentucky. Mr. Bennington is heating and builder sales representative at Galax.

#### Glen Lyn

Betty Freeman, clerk-stenographer at the Glen Lyn plant, bowled a three-game series of 504, highest series to be achieved by the ladies of Appalachian Bowling League at Glen Lyn. She and Ann Moore, daughter of J. A. Moore, were models in a recent Autumn Fashion Show sponsored by the Narrows Junior Woman's Club.

C. B. King, Jr., work order clerk at Glen Lyn plant, assisted in coaching the "Rich Creek Tigers" of the midget football team during the 1963 season . . . Dan Phlegar, summer employee of the Glen Lyn plant, is playing first string end on the V. M. I. Varsity Football team this year. Dan is a sophomore.

#### Abingdon

David Angle, son of L. C. Angle, Jr., Bluefield division power sales engineer, and Becky Bondurant, daughter of Abingdon district superintendent Rufus M. Bondurant, were initiated into the National Honor Society at Abingdon High School. David has also been elected president of the Youth Fellowship at the Sinking Springs Presbyterian Church at Abingdon.

Fillmore McPherson, Jr., Abingdon district manager, and Paul S. Dunn, administrative assistant, served as chairmen of Kiwanis Club committees for the Burley Tobacco Festival Parade in Abingdon on October 19.

Brownie Yeager, managerial department, is serving on the publicity committee of the Holston TB Association.

R. A. Sheffey, Jr., electrical engi-(Continued on Page 13)



#### Lynchburg

Two new employees in Lynchburg are Ruth Ann Dowdy, clerktypist in the accounting department, and Leon Meeks, groundman, T&D line and station department.

Robert L. Hatch has been named public service chairman for the Piedmont area council, Boy Scouts of America.

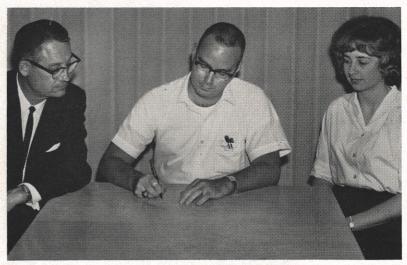
#### Fieldale

Sports and church elections picked district employees last month. W. H. Kahle, lineman in Stuart, has been re-elected Sunday School teacher for the Men's Bible Class of Stuart Baptist Church. Another Stuart lineman, D. W. Cooper, was elected vice president of the newly-formed Patrick County Archery Club, and the Rye Cove Wildlife Club picked still another Stuart man, line foreman J. G. Morrison, as its vice president.

#### System

Virginia J. Snead, clerk-typist at Clinch River plant, has resigned.

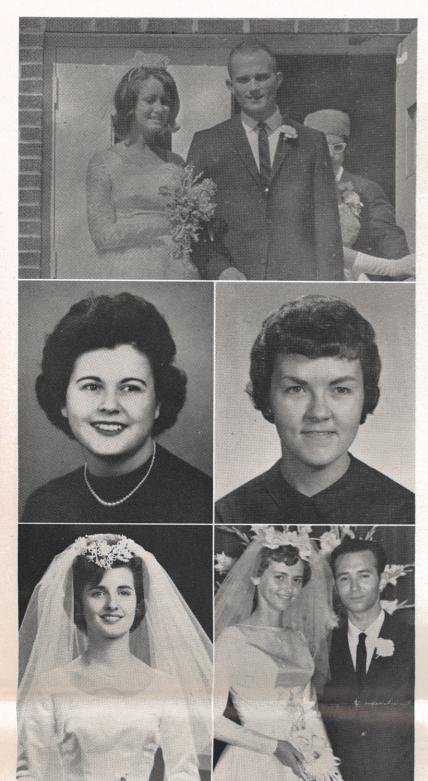
#### Contribution



The United Community Services of Cabell and Wayne Counties is richer by \$500, given by the Huntington Employees' Benevolent Association. The contribution represented profits from the coffee breaks in the canteen, operated by the association. Above, Jim Wysong and Shirley Adams watch president John Kauffman sign the contribution check.

Ashland's Quarter-Century Club recently kept its annual fall business meeting brief—the chicken was getting cold. Only two qualifications are necessary for membership in this club: at least 25 years of company service, and a fondness for chicken. Gene Moore is the president.

Fowl Business Afoot



Married in recent weeks were (top) Mrs. Ben Van Arsdale, Pikeville; middle, left, Mrs. George B. Newman, Roanoke; right, Mrs. Cecil L. Gregory Jr., Welch; bottom left, Mrs. Robert Carroll Lamkin, Fieldale; right, Mr. and Mrs. Fred T. Carman Jr., Big Sandy plant.



### **Aew Arrivals**



#### Abingdon District

MR. AND MRS. CARL W. ROSE, a daughter, Kathleen Elizabeth, October 17. Mr. Rose is a meter reader.

#### Charleston District

Charleston District

MR. AND MRS. WALTER H. MINSKER, a son, Eric Edward, October 2.

Mr. Minsker is a heating and builder sales representative in St. Albans.

MR. AND MRS. RICHARD ISNER, a daughter, Joni Lei, October 4. Mr. Isner is a material clerk in Montgomery.

MR. AND MRS. C. E. JONES, a son, Barry Lee, September 28. Mr. Jones is a station man helper.

MR. AND MRS. KERMIT BRIDGES, a daughter, Melanie Sue, September 2. Mr. Bridges is a meter engineer.

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Bridges is a meter engineer.
MR. AND MRS. DENNIE HOFFMAN,
a son, Steven Brian, September 20. Mrs.
Hoffman is a former cashier in St. Albans.

#### Clinch River Plant

Clinch River Plant

MR. AND MRS. RAYMOND A.

THOMPSON, a daughter, Kimberly Rhea,
September 19. Mr. Thompson is an instrument maintenance man.

MR. AND MRS. BOBBY G. HOBBS,
a daughter, Rhonda Lynette, September
20. Mr. Hobbs is an equipment operator.

MR. AND MRS. F. O'BRIEN JACKSON,
a son, James William, September 26. Mr.
Jackson is a utility coal handler.

#### Lynchburg District

MR. AND MRS. M. G. BEANE, a daughter, Nancy Elizabeth, September 24. Mrs. Beane was employed in the Personnel Department.

#### Philip Sporn Plant

MR. AND MRS. MARVIN T. ROUSH, a daughter, Lee Ann, September 20. Mr. Roush is a unit foreman.
MR. AND MRS. DENNIS W. JOHNSON, a son, Richard Clyde, September 26. Mr. Johnson is a maintenance man.

MR. AND MRS. W. E. FERRELL, a daughter, Robin Lynn, September 26. Mr. Ferrell is a regional chief dispatcher at Turner Station. MR. AND MRS. W. B. POFF, JR., a daughter, Kelly Blair, September 19. Mr. Poff is employed in the System Operating Department in Roanoke, MR. AND MRS. JERRY D. SAUNDERS, a daughter, Brenda Lee, October 16. Mr. Saunders is an employee in the System Accounting Department in Roanoke.

#### Welch District

MR. AND MRS. GUY MARINO, a son, Guy David, September 12. Mrs. Marino is a former employee in the accounting department.

#### Mountain Maid



In recognition of her "outstanding service to community and county Jane Dent Meadows has been named a Mercer Mountain Maid by the Mercer County Farm Woman's Council. With the honor goes a framed certificate. Mrs. Meadows is the wife of Howard S. Meadows, Bluefield electrical engineer.

### Recent Weddings

#### Justice-Van Arsdale

Judith Ann Justice was married to Ben Van Arsdale on September 22. Mrs. Van Arsdale is the daughter of Claude Justice, area sales representative in Pikeville, Kentucky.

#### McVey-Gregory

Rita Imogene McVey became the bride of Cecil Lloyd Gregory Jr., in a ceremony held at the Pocahontas Baptist Church on September 28. Mrs. Gregory is the daughter of C. H. McVey, Pocahontas working foreman in the Fieldale, Virginia, district.

#### Ramsey-Lamkin

Judith Katherine Ramsey and Robert C. Lamkin were united in marriage in a double ring ceremony held September 14 at Fort Trial Baptist Church in Bassett, Virginia. Mrs. Lamkin is a P. B. X. operator at Fieldale.

#### Caudill-Carman

A double ring ceremony on September 1 in the Morehead Methodist Church in Morehead, Kentucky, united Jeanetta Caudill and Fred Carman Jr., in marriage. Mr. Carman is the son of Fred R. Carman Sr., resident engineer in charge of construction at the Big Sandy Plant in Louisa, Kentucky.

#### Irvine-Newman

A ceremony held August 30 in the study of the Oakland Baptist Church in Roanoke, Virginia, united Marcia L. Irvine and George Berkeley Newman in marriage. Mrs. Newman is a clerk-stenographer in the system meter department, and Mr. Newman is a route producing machine operator in producing machine operator in the system accounting department.

#### Retired Employee Named To Heart Post

Mrs. Walter Tetman, retired from the Huntington division payroll department, was recently elected secretary to the Cabell-Wayne-Lincoln Heart Association at the annual meeting in Hunting-

### Employees' Wives Win 13 Ribbons In County Fair

Seven first place blue ribbons and six second place red ribbons is the story of the entries made by two wives of employees in the McDowell County Fair, held in Welch in late September. Mrs. Louise Settle, wife of C. R. Settle, district superintendent, won four blue ribbons and three red ribbons. and Mrs. Margaret Mullins, wife of Joe L. Mullins, utility clerk in accounting department, won three blue ribbons and three red ribbons.

Mrs. Mullins won ribbons on all of her six entries in the canned section. Mrs. Settle won her ribbons on flower arrangements and specimens and on handicraft work, such as huck towels, chair designs and tray designs. Mrs. Mullins' entries of canned peaches, beans, corn, beets, carrots and pickles were good for ribbons, and looked better than a professional canning job. Last year was Mrs. Mullins' first year to enter the competition and she made honorable montion on two of her triples. able mention on two of her entries last year. Mrs. Settle has been competing for several years.

Mrs. Mullins has had a very busy summer as she has canned over three hundred cans of fruits and vegetables. Some of the vegetables and fruits were bought but much of it was raised and given them by friends and relatives.

Mrs. Settle is a member of the Elkhorn Valley Garden Club and has served as an officer in the Garden Club for the past several



Marsha Black, left, and Nancy Russell; not pupils, but teachers.

### Teen-Age Girls In Ashland Are Owners And Instructors In Dance School

Just as, in a ball game, "you can't tell one player from another without a program," neither can you—unless you know the girls tell instructors from students in the Ashland Academy of Dance.

That's because they are not so far out of the student league themselves: the two instructors are Nancy Russell, 16, and Marsha Black, 15. Nancy is the daughter of O. H. Russell, Ashland system

### 4-H Dress



Tommie Sue Templeton, 16, models a formal dress she made as a 4-H project. The daughter of T. R. Templeton, working foreman in the Huntington district, she is an honor student at Chesapeake High School. The dress, with its maker modeling it, won honorable men-tion at the Ohio State Fair. accounting. At an age when few of their contemporaries have even decided on careers, Nancy and Marsha have already started one.

The two have been studying dancing for 12 years, including several summers of special work. Early this year, when their dance teacher decided on teaching in city schools she offered to help Nancy and Marsha set up their own studio.

They had to find the proper location and buy some equipment; then they enlisted the aid of their parents in painting and remodeling. A little administrative help from parents, and the fine quality of the teaching offered by the two girls, and the early success of the Ash-land Academy of Dance was assured.

At the present time they have over 100 students, ranging in age from three to 17, working in all phases of the dance: ballet, tap, modern, and the baton. The studio has two large classrooms, which are usually filled in the late afternoons and in four evenings a week.

Does all of this harm Nancy's school work? Not a bit: she's an honor student in the junior class, and plans to major in elementary education in college.

#### Move . . .

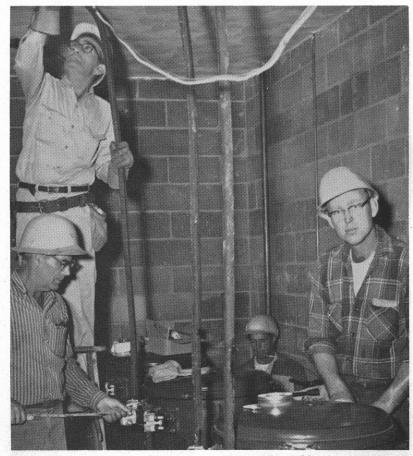
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pedestals which create an open space 18 inches deep under the floor. This space accommodates all electric wiring, and is part of the airconditioning system; the electronic machines are served from directly underneath, and the flooring system will permit a convenient relocation of equipment without the necessity of tearing up per-manent flooring.

### What's Wrong?



What's wrong? Nothing much in some respects. Carol Boggess, stenographer, Charleston division managerial, has a very attractive hair-do. But, she obviously didn't read the fine print on her can of hair spray. "Caution . . . Flammable . . . Do not use near fire or flame." Matches and lighted cigarettes have no place in this posed scene. Last year in Charleston a woman died from burns received while she was using hair spray in a closed bathroom with an open heater. The heavy concentration of spray in the small room was ignited and her clothing caught fire. The can also reads: "Do not puncture or burn. Store in a cool place." Recently newspapers carried an account of a woman standing near a burning trash can, which contained an empty hair spray can. It exploded and the sharp edges of the can struck her neck, severing her jugular vein. She died as a result of the accident. These cautions, of course, apply to all products in spray cans, such as whipped cream, shoe cleaners, paints, insecticides and the like.



Hansel Stratton's crew ushers in a new era in the Ashland district. Here the crew is completing the transformer bank installation in the basement of the Kelley and Galloway Building. This three-story, all-electric office building represents another first: the first total-electric large office building in the Ashland district. The men are, left to right, Risom Fankell, Warnie Felty, Garland Thompson, and John Cornette.

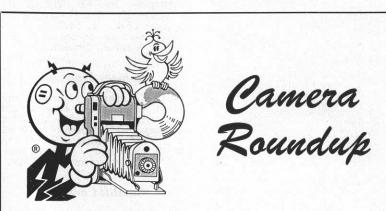


New officers of the Roanoke Employees Benevolent Association for the coming year are, from left, Gaye Porter, secretary; R. D. Coffman, treasurer, and Mildred Cunningham, chairman.



The new officers of the Employees' Benevolent Association in Pulaski are entering on their official duties with 100 per cent employee participation, and 200 per cent-of-quota participation in the Pulaski

Community Fund. The officers are, from left, William Hulme, treasurer; G. S. Bruce, chairman, and E. A. Jackson Jr., secretary.





Roanoke's recent safety program, "What's In The Box?", patterned after TV's "I've Got A Secret," gave a successful performance last month. Here Prince Thornton, as master of ceremonies, gives clues to the wide-awake panel: Marion Paitsel, Betty Baker, Emmett Blackwell, and Lorena Walton.



W. H. Grizzle and C. E. Fields, Abingdon district linemen, are repairing a damaged three-pole structure near Gate City. The trouble was spotted by a helicopter patrol, but exact date of the damage is unknown, because oddly enough, service was not interrupted. Lightning is believed to be the culprit.



At a recent meeting of the Bluefield Girls Service Club, Charlene Sutton, division home sales representative, put on a demonstration of the variety of goodies that could be made with plain bread: brownand-serve rolls became upside-down cakes, for example. Here she is with a tempting display of delica-



Whoever heard of a pole for an underground system? Bluefield has. Recently, when there was a failure in an underground cable, it was necessary to devise a temporary feed to the vault. So, a line truck was parked on a sidewalk, an A-frame was raised, a pole lashed to it; the line was strung from the pole to feed the vault for the few hours needed to repair the damage.

Here, for a rare moment, are virtually all of the Appalachian employees working on the Smith Mountain Project. Usually scattered over miles of river and reservoir, and separated from each other by several hundred vertical feet, they were caught together at one time,



Everyone in this photo from Williamson is all smiles, and for a good reason. Hubert King, second from left, president of the Appalachian Employees' Chest Fund, presents a \$1,000 check to United Fund president

William F. Tolbert. Others are, left, Clyde Runyon, vice president; T. F. Valley, second from right, treasurer, and Alberta Shelton, secretary.



Pumpkins do come big. J. R. Hoffman, area serviceman in Point Pleasant, stood his two-year-old grandson, James Franklin Sprouse, alongside one for comparison purposes. Dimensions: 3-feet, 4-inches long; 3-feet, 2-inches around, 76 pounds. The pumpkin, that is.

## New Spray Solves Employees' Dog Problems

There's a new product being tried out in the Charleston District, and it's going to the dogs! Literally, that's where it's supposed to go, for it is a new positive and humane method of controlling vicious or annoying attacks by dogs. Meter readers, collectors, right of way men or anyone engaged in work which requires visiting homes, welcome this means to protect themselves without danger of injury to them-

related the selves or animals.

Packaged in a ½ oz. aerosol can, it produces a stream of liquid up to 15 feet, and is applied directly into the face of the animal. Quickly and effectively the animal loses its initiative to be aggressive. He will withdraw without any outcry of distress, and in most cases, will remember what has happened and refrain from initiating a future attack against the person who has used the repellent.

The active ingredient in the product is a pepper derivative. It has no particular odor nor any noticeable fumes. Each packet contains enough for 2 or 3 dog charges. The instantaneous with-

### Trouble Includes Monkey, Gander, Turkey, Ram

Although dogs constitute an ever present threat to meter readers and collectors, they are not the only animals that cause them trouble. In a district like Charleston, which covers much rural, as well as urban, territory, some exciting, interesting, and sometimes hilarious incidents happen to our men who record the kilowatt consumption of the rich man, poor man, and farmer in the

Gene Clendenin can tell you about the time a white turkey gave him quite a chase at a house in Peytona, while Fred Clendenin was in much more trouble looking at the business end of a ram. He got away and over the fence without getting hurt. It is funny now,

but it wasn't funny then.
Collector Gene Caldwell thought he had an admiring customer when he kept hearing wolf whistles one day; then he discovered it was a mynah bird. Maurice Sturgeon had some anxious moments while reading a meter at a filling station one time. Pausing for a moment to flip through his cards, he failed to notice that he was standing near a cage. All at once a hairy hand came through the bars and a monkey grabbed a handful of IBM cards and began chewing them up. The somewhat mutilated cards were recovered, and it is not known to this day what information that monkey punched in those cards!

But the one who really got the raspberries was Gene Clendenin, the day he finally got back to the office with a sheepish grin, trying to explain what had happened to him. Seems he was walking along, minding his own business, with his keys on a chain which was tucked in his Along came a watch pocket. Along came a gander, grabbed the keys, and took off. Never let it be said that Gene didn't try to get them back, but he lost the race with Mr. Gander and had to call the office for someone to bring him an extra set of keys.

drawal of the attacking dog is achieved by the reaction of the sensory nerve endings in eyes and nostrils to the fluid material. In a short time the sensation disap-pears, but dogs have shown a marked tendency never to attack a user of this product again. Ex-

### Pulaski Employees Active In Masons

Two employees were elected to high posts in the Pulaski Royal Arch Chapter No. 39, and three more

were appointed to duties for the coming year. Okie B. Kidd, Pulaski

area super-visor, was elect-ed high priest, and Stanley C.

Mr. Kidd Mr. Smith was elected king.
Mr. Smith is line inspector.
Appointed by Mr. Kidd were R. C.
Nickols, R. A. C., W. E. Miller, chaplain, and P. C. Payne, steward.
Mr. Kidd is high priest and past district deputy grand high priest district deputy grand high priest of the ninth district of Virginia Royal Arch Masons.



Mr. Owens

### Pulaski Supervisor Retired October 1

Earl P. Owens, district office supervisor at Pulaski, elected early retirement October 1 due to dis-

Mr. Owens was employed in 1936 and has worked as clerk, cashier, and assistant district office supervisor before being named district office supervisor, all in the Pulaski District.

For many years active in civic and community affairs, he is trustee and elder of the Shiloh Christian Church, secretary of its board assistant superintendent of the Sunday School. He has served also as president of the Shiloh Community Improvement Club. He is married, has a daughter and a foster son.

The Owens family resides near Claytor Lake in the Shiloh Community near Pulaski.

tensive laboratory reports have also included cases of the application accidentally getting into the eyes of laboratory workers, without any lasting damage.

This repellent is also used to break dogs of chasing cars.

Most of our meter readers have been bitten at least once, and some of them several times. Sometimes their clothing has been damaged. Charleston personnel report this product to be highly successful, and as one of them remarked: certainly does a lot for our morale to have it with us, even if we don't to have it with us, even if we don't have to use it—it gives us a feeling of security. Imagine meeting dogs coming at you as big as horses or buffalo. Often their owners will be beaming at us telling us how "he likes us", even while he's chewing on our leg. Armed with this stuff, we can protect ourselves from man's best friend just in case he takes too much of a liking to us for our own good."



Delmar Cavender, Charleston meter reader, shows how dogs react to the use of a new aerosol spray that repels dogs who are less than friendly. Harmless but effective, the spray is being tested in the Charleston district.

### Tobe Gourley Doesn't Have A "Routine" Day

You could follow Tobe Gourley through his job as Fieldale district superintendent for two weeks, and never find yourself repeating a daily routine. That's the way it is with a district superintendent, who must know a little—and usually knows a lot—about all of the company's operations.

W. C. Gourley is a good example of this. He started out in 1930, worked as a groundman, meter reader, troubleman (they're called general servicemen now), lineman, and line foreman before becoming district superintendent. In those jobs over the years he acquired a background of experience and knowledge that he puts to use every day.

As an administrator for T&D operations, Mr. Gourley interviews people to fill job vacancies, handles progress reports; he conducts meetings to keep employees informed about company operations and policies. As superintendent he observes closely the growing de-mand for electric service, and plans the best ways to meet it adequately by determining where and when station or line capacity has to be increased, and how to do it in the most economical and efficient way. And finally, as an Appalachian representative, he takes an active part in the life of the Fieldale area. Participation in community affairs is important to the company's stature: Mr. Gourley is a former president of the Rotary Club, a member of the Chamber of Commerce, the Masons, and a deacon and Sunday School teacher in the Fieldale Baptist Church.

#### A Representative Day

Each day spent as district super-intendent is different from another. But a log of a recent day, while it couldn't be called typical, is somewhat representative.

It begins with a phone call at six in the morning from the Appalachian switchboard operator. A breaker in a distribution station serving an industrial customer has locked out, and service to the customer is essential. Before breakfast Mr. Gourley is out with his men restoring the service. At the office later he begins by checking



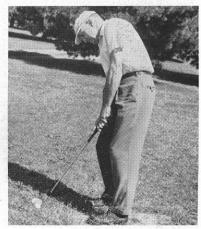
Mr. Gourley stops to visit with Officer Stegall and discuss with him some problems incident to wiring and lighting the Fieldale community picnic shelter.

through his work plans to see what comes first; then the mail comes, he goes through it, routes items to appropriate personnel. Following this Mr. Gourley confers at length with J. B. White, the district manager. They go over items in the blanket requisition to make sure that no projects for the coming year have been overlooked. In the course of this discussion an industrial customer calls to arrange to have taps changed on a transformer bank serving his plant. Mr. Gourley tells the customer that the work will be arranged for a week end so no production will be interrupted.

After time out for lunch, he and

Youngman huddle over a R. A. Youngman huddle over a heap of drawings. A particular distribution line will be overloaded in the approaching future, and Mr. Gourley and Mr. Youngman, the line and station supervisor, determining the best way to rebuild it. Since he is concerned with present service as well as future, Mr. Gourley now spends the shank of the afternoon in the field with B. C. Harlowe's line crew, watching the operations of the new bucket truck just put into service in the district. They all agree it works fine.

Two more things claim his time



The best way to end a day that began with a phone call at six in the morning—or to end any kind of day, in fact—is to play golf. Mr. Gourley is a devoted player,

the rest of this day: a stop at the community picnic shelter to con-sider some final wiring and lighting system details; active in the project, Mr. Gourley has assumed responsibility for the installation of the lights. And now, after a day neither tougher nor easier than any other, Mr. Gourley heads for the golf course. He doesn't claim special proficiency, but he does claim to get as much fun and enjoyment out of the game as anybody; and when he can keep anybody; and when he can keep out of the rough he can shoot scores identified only as "low". At home, long hours after the day began with a phone call, Mr. and Mrs. Gourley relax on the patio be built at their home on Dogwood. he built at their home on Dogwood Lane. They have the house to themselves, since both daughters are living away: Lynn is teaching in Richmond, Va., and Judy lives with her husband and two children in Binghamton, N. V. in Binghamton, N. Y.

This is the kind of day Tobe Gourley spends, and it's doubtful he could have foreseen it 33 years

(Editor's Note: This is another in a series about the men and women of our companies whose jobs, in one way or another, affect all the rest of



"Have we forgotten anything?" That's the question that Mr. Gourley and J. B. White, Fieldale district manager, right, are asking each other. They're going over next year's improvement plans for the district.



Out in the field the new bucket truck recently put into service in the Fieldale district is inspected by Mr. Gourley as part of his duties. That's B. C. Harlowe in the bucket, and C. F. Osborne on the pole.

### **Burley Display**



The Appalachian Booth at the Burley Tobacco Festival in Abingdon was a then-and-now exhibit of laundry equipment and home heating. During the three-day show, about 8,000 people saw the exhibit. The company's new line trucks and two other vehicles were part of the festival parade, and carried the banners "Equipped To Serve You Better."

# Coal Good, Lumber Coming, Tourism Growing-That's Welch

Quotes from a reporter's note-book:

"Don't call us depressed . . . "

"There's just as much money above ground in West Virginia as

there is under it . . . "

"Listen—there are a lot of socalled prosperous communities that would give a lot to have the volume of business we have around here."

of business we have around here."

The place is the Welch district, the time is now, and the speakers are not Chamber of Commerce boosters or politicians; they are the people who work for a living in McDowell and Wyoming Counties in West Virginia, and Buchanan County in Virginia. They don't like the idea of being held up to the nation as being "depressed" or "disadvantaged," to use the latest fashionable word, and they don't like being written off as out-of-step people clinging to an outmoded industry.

That picture isn't so.

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Welch district people are realists. They accept certain obvious and not-very-cheerful facts: the good old pre-automation days of coal mining are over and done with, they will never return, and everybody knows it. Population in McDowell County has dropped from 98,000 in 1950 to 71,000 in 1960. In Wyoming the drop was less startling but still significant, and only in Buchanan County on the Virginia side, was there even a small rise. That's the dark side.

On the bright side are these facts: in the Welch area there has been a

On the bright side are these facts: in the Welch area there has been a 35.5 per cent decrease in unemployment in a year, while the state's decrease was half that. Average earnings in coal mining are up from a year ago, and such business indicators as bank debits, building permits, retail sales, and electricity consumption all show increases ranging from small to exceptional. It is undeniable that coal is still king; his domain is as extensive and his reign is as timeless as ever. In

his reign is as timeless as ever. In Buchanan County, where coal pro-duction and employment stayed up even during the industry's grayest days, the first of a planned seven huge super-modern coal mines will soon go into operation. It is owned by the Beatrice Pocahontas Corpo-ration, formed by Island Creek Coal Company and Republic Steel Corporation, and reaches some 1,500

feet underground. This mine will be identical in size, design, production, and employment with a projected six more, and all will work the same seam of prime Pocahontas coal, which, just 50 miles away, is comparatively close to the surface. Employment of around 400 is anticipated when the first mine is in

full operation.

Not far away from the mine the Smokeless Jewell Corporation is night and day producing coke for the steel industry, burning about 400,000 tons of Buchanan County and to great it.

400,000 tons of Buchanan County coal to create it.

And elsewhere in the district, long established mines, some as much as forty years old, are still producing high quality coal, and employing, at the end of the summer, nearly 5,800 miners.

Two general conclusions to be drawn from these facts are: first, if there are fewer jobs in the Welch district, there are also fewer people looking for jobs. And second, those who are working are earning good who are working are earning good salaries, and they are spending their money; and people who know about such things say that money turns over in a community four times before it leaves.

It is perhaps too much to say that

It is perhaps too much to say that the Welch district is prosperous, but its economy is certainly on the plus side. And it is in this climate that men hold great hope for the future. There is the widely-held belief that There is the widely-held belief that coal, even though it will never again carry the employment and payroll it once did, has reached the low point and is starting back. Many people in West Virginia feel that lumber and lumber products may represent an industry of equal magnitude with coal. And there is also the growing awareness of "the traveling dollar."

The Georgia-Pacific Corporation, a major lumber producer, last spring opened a completely modern lumber mill operation in the district near New Richmond, its third plant in the state. It will produce hardwood for the furniture industry, and will work from huge reserve lands

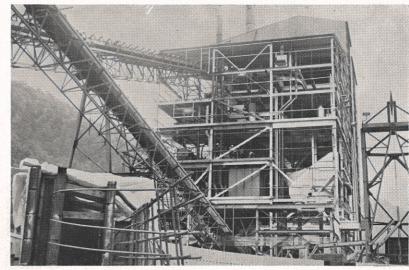
will work from huge reserve lands it owns outright in the area. It is worth noting that timber, unlike coal, reproduces itself as a natural resource, and with careful forest management—which is a Georgia-Pacific trademark—cutting can continue indefinitely. Many believe that establishment of such wood-use

industries as furniture, paper, and paper products manufactories will inevitably follow expansion of the lumber industry. F. R. Longwood, the appropriately-named head of the Forest Products Market Research Laboratory, at Princeton. search Laboratory at Princeton, says that manufacture of rough lumber into marketable wood products increases its value ten times. Lumber selling for \$100 is worth \$1,000 turned into furniture. What worries many is not that the state will run out of wood, since there is an estimated nine million acres of forest, but rather that the wood is running out of the state.

If the Welch district is the site of wood-use industries in the futurewood-use industries in the future—or in fact, of any industries—it's a good bet two local development organizations will have a hand in the project. These are the McDowell County Development and Improvement Corporation, and the Wyoming County Recreational and Development Corporation. Because of the area's modest prosperity, the McDowell group can raise a the McDowell group can raise a sizable amount of cash to help a new industry establish itself in the community. The Wyoming County organization is presently concerned with the recreational development around the Justice Dam, but it too is interested in industrial development. In Buchanan County, the interest centers around tourism.

The traveling dollar used to belong to gas stations and restaurants in this part of the Appalachians. Now the idea is to make travelers stop and stay, and one of the prime developments in this area is the Breaks Interstate Park, jointly operated by Virginia and Kentucky. Its full development is still many years away, but permanent buildings—a restaurant and a motel and attractive camp sites are already available. The Justice Dam development is taking the same direction of creating an atmosphere and facilities to persuade travelers to spend time there, and

Things are stirring in the Welch district. Neither the area nor the people are depressed, or even particularly discouraged. They have been dealt some hard knocks, but they are still doing business, and things are getting better all the



This is the world's newest and most modern major coal mine. It is the first of a planned seven, near Grundy, and more than anything shows that coal is not a dying industry. This mine is beginning operations shortly after the first of the year.

### **Honors Come** To Children Of Three Employees



Miss Helton Bernard Myers Jr.

A degree, a presidency, and an editorship came the way of employees' children last month. The degree was a master's degree in science, given to Harriet Louise Helton by Emory University. She is the daughter of the late John Helton, area supervisor in the Bluefield district, and sister of John Helton, transmission degree that is Bluefield. Miss Helton partment in Bluefield. Miss Helton is now on the staff of the Univer-sity of West Virginia Medical School as instructor in nurses training.

Kathy Hesson, 16-year-old daughter of O. W. Hesson of Point Pleasant, is the new president of the junior class at Wahama High School. Presidential responsibilities are nothing new: she was president of the sophomore class last year. She is also active in the Future Homemakers of America, J. A. C., and Pen Pal Club, and has been on the Student Council for four years.

The new editor of the Lebanon High School newspaper, "The Trail Blazer," is Bernard Myers Jr., whose father is shift operating engineer in Clinch River plant. Bernard, a senior, has been on the paper since his first year in high school, and has served as its managing editor. He is also reporter of school sports activities for the school sports activities for the Lebanon News.



Mr. Mitchell

### A. F. Mitchell, 87, Dies In Logan

Andrew F. Mitchell, 87, retired employee from Logan plant, died October 27.

Mr. Mitchell, a native of Scotland, was associated with various coal companies in the Logan area before being employed by Appa-lachian during construction work at Logan plant in 1936. He retired in September 1941.

He is survived by two sons, one of whom is H. T. Mitchell, stores supervisor in Ashland; two daughters, and several grandchildren and great grandchildren.

### Retiree Dies In Native Virginia



Mr. Booker

Richard D. Booker, retired shift supervisor at Logan plant, died October 26. He was 63

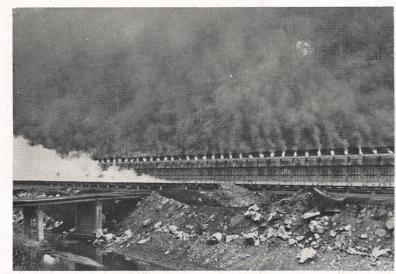
Mr. Booker, who retired July 1, 1963, started to work at Logan plant in 1923 as an oiler. He worked as turbine operator, control operator, and watch engineer, and was shift supervisor at the time of his retirement. Following retirement he lived in Florida, and recently settled in Amelia, Virginia, where he was born, and where he died.

He is survived by his widow, a daughter, and two grandchildren.



This is the restaurant that is part of the Breaks Interstate Park near Grundy, in the Welch district. As a joint project of Virginia and Kentucky, the park

represents a serious and intensive effort to build up tourist traffic through western Virginia and eastern



Smoking and steaming like something out of a science fiction film are coke ovens of the Smokeless Jewell Corporation. Fueling these ovens will be about 400,000 tons of Buchanan County coal every year; the coke is used in steel making.



Thoughtful West Virginians are looking to the state's vast forests as a new source of industry, both for timber and wood use operations. The Georgia-Pacific Corporation has opened a new sawmill near New Richmond, where this picture was made just as a contractor's truck delivered a load of logs.

### Service Anniversaries Celebrated



G. B. Trent Williamson 30 Years



Charleston 30 Years



W. A. Quarrier D. L. Buckingham System 30 Years



C. E. Green Kingsport 25 Years



C. E. West, Jr. Roanoke 25 Years



W. C. Reynolds Roanoke 25 Years



E. R. Slater Williamson 20 Years 25 Years



P. O. Goode Charleston



**Burl Fewell** 

G. R. Walls Cabin Creek



C. L. Phillips

Charleston

25 Years

W. R. Barton Cabin Creek



S. W. Fisher

Roanoke

20 Years

C. A. Arnold Kingsport



G. S. Bruce

Pulaski

25 Years

S. S. Scott Beckley 20 Years



O. W. Bond Glen Lyn 20 Years



J. L. Hale Pulaski

#### H. V. Barr Retires, Ends 43 Years Of Plant Service

Howard V. Barr, manager of Indian-Kentucky Electric Corpo-ration's Clifty Creek Plant at Madison, Ind. elected to take early Madison, Ind. elected to take early retirement October 31. Thus came to a close over 43 years of power plant service—33 with American Electric Power System plants and 10 with IKEC, subsidiary of Ohio Valley Electric Corporation.

Clifty Creek and OVEC's Kyger Creek Plant at Cheshire, Ohio, provide the power requirements of

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the Atomic Energy Commission's Portsmouth (Ohio) Area Project. Appalachian Power Company, Indiana & Michigan Electric Company, and Ohio Power Company are among the 15 investor-owned utilities that formed OVEC in 1952.

Barr began his power plant career at Ohio Power's Windsor Plant in 1920. He was transferred to Philo Plant in 1924 and was shift operating engineer there until 1940, except for a brief period at the Twin

Branch Plant of I. & M. while it was being placed in service in 1925. He spent 1940 in the mechanical engineering division of the AEP Service Corporation, then returned to Philo as head of its results department.

He was named assistant manager of Ohio Power's Tidd Plant in his hometown of Brilliant, Ohio in 1947, shortly after it began opera-He became manager there in 1948, the position he held when he was transferred to IKEC in 1953.

### I&M, Illinois Power Effect Major 345,000-Volt Interconnection

Two Midwestern utilities—Illinois Power Company and Indiana & Michigan Electric Company—have announced that a major new 345,000-volt transmission interconnection

has been placed in operation between the two power systems.

The announcement was made jointly by Allen Van Wyck,

president of Illinois Power, in Decatur, Ill. and R. E. Doyle, Jr.,

vice president and general manager of I. & M., in Fort Wayne, Ind.

The \$4-million, 32-mile power line was announced in November 1961 following the signing of a 50-year power exchange agreement by the two companies. Construction was attacked in 1069. the two companies. was started in 1962.

For Illinois Power, the new line is the first step in a 250-mile, 345,000-volt transmission network 345,000-volt transmission network to be completed across Illinois by 1970 by three companies making up the Illinois-Missouri power pool. These companies, in addition to Illinois Power, are Central Illinois Public Service Company and Union

Electric Company of St. Louis.
For Indiana & Michigan, the interconnection is that company's fourth tie with neighboring utilities at 345,000 volts, not including interconnections with its sister companies in the seven-state American Electric Power System. For the AEP System, already the "world's most interconnected power system," the new tie is its 38th with 18 different utilities.

The new line connects a new Central Illinois Public Service sub-station near Sidney in Champaign

### Hawk To Manage Clifty Creek Plant

Ivan Hawk, assistant manager, has been promoted to manager of Indiana-Kentucky Electric Corporation's Clifty Creek Plant at Madison, Ind. He succeeds Howard

Madison, Ind. He succeeds Howard V. Barr, who retired November 1. Hawk joined IKEC in 1953 when the plant was under construction. Initially, he was results engineer; he was named operations supervisor in 1954, and assistant manager in 1957. Prior to 1953, he was associated with Ohio Edison Company. Company.

A native of East Cleveland, he was graduated from Tri-State College in 1940 with a degree of mechanical engineering. He served with the U. S. Navy during World War II. He and his wife, who reside in Madison, are the parents of a son and a daughter. County, Ill. and a new I. & M. substation near Cayuga in Vermillion County, Ind.

The high-voltage interconnection, is another link in a vast electric power grid tying together the investor-owned electric utilities between the Atlantic and the Rockies. It will provide the two companies with two immediate benefits: added protection to their customers against service interruptions during emergency periods and the means for interchange of energy between the two systems.

At the new line's western terminal, it will tie in with an existing 138,000-volt transmission loop emanating in Bloomington, Ill. At its eastern end, it will tie in with an I. & M. 345,000-volt line connecting that company's new Breed Plant near Sullivan, Ind. with its service area near South Bend.

#### **Beckley Supervisor** Marks Anniversary

Bernard H. White, Jr., district office supervisor in Beckley, completed 40 years

of company service Oc-

tober 3. He worked first as ledger clerk and chief clerk in the Charleston district and later in the Bluefield and Ashland areas. In March 1945 he was promoted to district office super-



Mr. White

visor and transferred to Beckley. He is a native West Virginian. He is a native West Virginian.

Mr. White is president of the
Sons of the American Revolution,
secretary of the Civitan Club,
chairman of the executive board
of the Salvation Army, and a
member of the Elks, the Chamber
of Commerce, the West Virginia
Historical Society, and St. Francis
de Sales Catholic Church. He and
his wife are the parents of two his wife are the parents of two married children.



Moving Day In Roanoke

Moving into the new addition to the Roanoke office building wasn't easy, but the results were worth all of the effort, as these pictures indicate. In the top row, left, a crew from the movers edges one of the electronic data processing machines carefully down the corri-

dor to its new home. Some of these machines weigh more than a ton, and thick plywood was laid the floor to carry the load. But where does the machine go? In the second picture, Malcolm Reed, Roanoke division engineer, consults drawings at right, while

Bernard Platt, Richardson-Wayland Electrical Corporation, works on wiring. Walter Combs, supervisor of electronic data processing, watches over both. Third picture, once the machines are installed, the whole group is back doing business in the same old way. Mr.

Combs and Mrs. Joy Stinson examine cards. But there's a difference in the surroundings (big picture): high ceilings, low noise level, air conditioning, and space. At left is the picture window that gives on the corridor. In the bottom row are two of the accounting department offices. At left is the customer billing and account-ing section, and at right, the payroll section. All offices have high lighting levels, and striking coral, red, and blue doors and trim highlight the conventional pastel walls. Interior partition walls are movable.

### Retired Charleston Man Dies At 78

C. F. Hann, whose utility career went back as far as 1907, died in Charleston October 5. He was 78, and had retired from Appalachian service in January 1950 with 42 years of utility employment behind him

Born in 1885 in Ohio, Mr. Hann started out as a lineman in 1907, and when he retired he was distribution superintendent in Charleston. For the past several years he had divided his time between his home in Charleston in the summer months and Florida in the winter. He was a member of the Odd Fellows and Knights of Pythias. Services were conducted at Bartlett Funeral Home in Charleston, and runeral Home in Charleston, and burial took place in Cunningham Memorial Park in St. Albans. Mr. Hann is survived by his widow, a son, two sisters, and four grandchildren.



Mr. Hann



How good are influenza shots in immunizing? At Clinch River plant, where 79 employees signed up for the inoculation program, last year's experience seems to provide an answer to that question. In September 1962, 48 plant employees who took the full course of shots spent a healthy winter; not one of the 48 was off due to illness caused by the flu bug. On the other hand, 18 employees who elected not to take the shot were off for varying lengths of time with the flu. That is striking evidence of the value of the shots. Getting ready for the winter here Ruth Jones, next to the needle, Sandra Arrington, and Wilmer Grubb. Sue Gilmer, R.N., is administering the shots.

### Huntington Employee And Son Form Clown Team

Many people have a natural tendency to clown a little bit but Charles Hoschar has done something about it.

It all started about 15 years ago when Charley, head meter clerk in Huntington, was asked to play the part of a clown for a P. T. A. function. He collected some old clothes that didn't fit horrowed some of that didn't fit, borrowed some of his wife's make-up and made his appearance as a white-faced clown.

The performance proved to be a huge success and soon Charley was receiving requests to repeat his stunts for other organizations. As the years passed and the requests kept coming in, Charley continued to improve his act and make changes in his costume.

He now appears as a tramp clown and has included his 8-year-old son, Carlos, in the act. Since his son has been included, Charley had

to step into the background because Carlos invariably steals the show.

Since their old costumes yielded inevitably to old age, it was necessary for Charley and Carlos to have new ones made and they also switched to professional grease paint make-up. This team has per-formed for the Cammack Children's Center and various organizations throughout the City. To add to their activities, Charley has been asked to perform for several sales promotions staged by the Huntington Division Commercial Depart-

Don't let the kiddies read this, but this same clown can also be seen operating in various places around Huntington during the month of December wearing a red suit, leather boots, long white beard and a sack of toys on his back. He's helping a certain fellow who has too much to do by himself.



#### Appalachian Power Company

**Huntington District** 

JOYCELYN BOWLES from clerk-typist to credit and collection clerk; JOHN T. RUSSELL from T&D clerk, senior, to head T&D clerk.

Logan District

WAYNE E. WARREN from assistant stores supervisor to head T&D clerk

N. K. LANGHORNE from material clerk to head material clerk; RALPH E. JOHNSON from clerk-typist to pre-audit clerk.

Pulaski District

JAMES L. EARLES from lineman C to lineman B

Roanoke District

K. M. SPICER from lineman B to lineman A.

Philip Sporn Plant

GEORGE A. HOUT, JR., from chemist assistant, Appalachian Power Company, to coal inspector, American Electric Power Service Corporation; EDWARD N. HUMPHREY from filter plant operator and sampler to chemist assistant; JAMES C. PAULEY, JR., from laborer to utility operator.

F. W. ISLEY from system station operator C to system station operator B.

Welch District

PAUL W. HALL from meter serviceman B to meter serviceman A; JACK D. MARTIN from meter serviceman B to meter serviceman A.

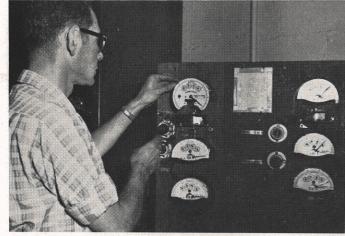
#### Kentucky Power Company

MARSHA L. HARRISON from clerk trainee to contract clerk; SYRILDA GUMBERT from clerk trainee, local accounting to clerk trainee, system accounting.



Charles and Carlos Hoschar, who have become famous in Hunting-

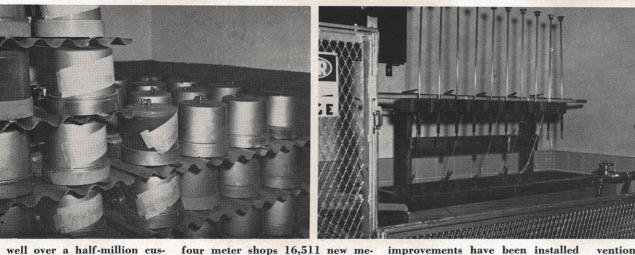
# Meter Department Puts Work Simplification In Action

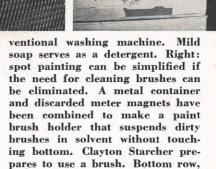












left: to save space and to store

demand meters without damage to the reset mechanism, the meter uses corrugated metal sheets as dividers. Center: up to ten rubber gloves can be tested simultaneously in this device. The water tank is provided with overflow to maintain proper water level when the gloves are tested. Right: the simple but effective use of wooden paddle to open cardboard cartons makes the job easier, saves the carton.

With well over a half-million customers, Appalachian's four meter shops—one in each division—find plenty to keep them busy. Not only are these shops concerned with the testing and maintenance of all meters, but also with the inspection and repair of rubber protective equipment such as gloves, sleeves, and blankets. This is done periodically to be sure that all of it is suitable for work with energized equipment. In 1962, in the

four meter shops 16,511 new meters were tested, 58,034 old meters were processed, and 26,693 pieces of rubber equipment were tested. With this volume of work, the meter department is a logical source of many ideas for work simplification. In the Charleston meter shop, a number of improvements have been made over the years as a result of the Work Simplification Program, and these same

in other meter shops. The pictures above demonstrate only a few of the applications that make the routine of the meter shop better, faster, safer, cheaper, or more efficient. Top row, left: the work station manned by E. O. Davis permits the checking of six demand registers at one time. Center: prior to inspection, linemen's gloves are cleaned by washing them in a con-

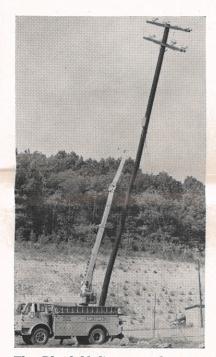


Miss Pat Williams, home sales representative in the Huntington office, shows off the newly-remodeled kitchen in the Huntington auditorium. Use of the Huntington auditorium by civic and community groups since it was opened eight years ago has far exceeded expectations.

### Huntington Auditorium Remodeled

The auditorium of the Huntington Office took on a new look last week when the installation of a new up-to-date kitchen was completed.

Requests for use of the Auditorium since it first opened in 1955 have far exceeded any expectations.



The Bluefield line gang has just finished installing new lights on the Graham High School athletic field. The system, using quartz lights for the first time in the Bluefield area, was designed by John Kahle, division heating sales engineer. Lights were focused by means of a device similar to a gun sight, aimed at various points in the field; the result is a cleanly-balanced lighting pattern.

So far as possible, the use of the Auditorium has been restricted to civic, educational, and sales funccivic, educational, and sales functions. Besides the tremendous number of Company activities, the Huntington Office serves as host each year to the annual Photography Show, the Model Railroad Show, The Ham and Bacon 4-H Show, The Strawberry Festival, and the Huntington Publishing Company Cooking Contest. The Model Railroad Show is held each Decem-Railroad Show is held each December and it attracts the largest crowds of all, numbering into the thousands each year. Price of admission to the Railroad Show is one new or used toy. These toys are picked up by the Marine Corps and distributed to underprivileged children in the Huntington Area.

Company functions range from Career Girl Luncheons to regular Career Girl Luncheons to regular appliance demonstrations to dinners for Reddy Kilowatt Dealers. The dealers use the auditorium for appliance sales, the distributors use it for showing new merchandise and the dry goods stores use it for style shows. It is used by almost every civic or club group, as well as some fraternal organizations, and the City Government for business meetings. meetings.

Requests for use of the Huntington Auditorium have been so numerous that the company decided to expand on the facilities available to the public due to the tremendous public relations value of the service. Now a choice of five meeting places available in the Huntington Office and it is not an uncommon thing to visit the building any evening and find all five rooms being used simultaneously.

Byron Hunt, utility clerk senior in the Accounting Department, capably looks after the bookings of the facilities. To date, the rooms and meeting places available at the Huntington Office have been used by an average of 35,000 per-sons each year since 1955.

#### Health Fair



Two Charleston home service representatives took part in the recent Kanawha County Health Fair. Miss Sandra Myers, above, and Miss Carolyn Walker displayed a variety of recipes tested in the Appalachian kitchen which were made primarily of surplus commodities distributed to the indigent through welfare agencies. Among other displays in the health fair—the county's first—were free X-rays, blood pressure readings, and survival biscuits. Doctors and nurses also made hearing and diabetes

### Company Exhibits Retarded Children's Work

An example of the fine workmanship of the Sheltered Workshop for Retarded Children is on display in Kentucky Power Company's lobby. An etching-painting of the Company's Big Sandy Plant was presented yesterday to C. C. Darrah, Ashland district manager.

The etching was made on the copper-plated aluminum disc by Eugene Lyons, a student in the Workshop for five years and now a student in the Educable Class for student in the Educable Class for Retarded Children at Bayless School. He made the etching on the metal after Mrs. Scott E. Roberts traced the aerial scene from a large color photo given Kentucky Power by The Marley Company, contractor for the plant's cooling tower cooling tower.

Mrs. Roberts estimates she spent 60 hours painting the multicolor scene. Because of the metal finish, she used auto lacquer which she describes as "extremely fast drying and difficult to master."

This etching-painting represents the second presented to industry by the Workshop. The first scene, a blast furnace at twilight, was presented to Armco over a year ago. It is on display in the reception room of Armco's management offices.

The Workshop in Crabbe School has more than 100 useful and decorative items made or processed by the children. Classroom space and instruction are provided by the Ashland Board of Education, but the Workshop is financed through donations and sale of items made by the children.



Jimmy Fleshman Robert Sheaff

### Three Honored For Scout Work

Two employees' sons and one employee figured in Scouting news last month.



Robert William Sheaff Jr., of Roanoke, and Jimmy Fleshman, of Peterstown, W. Va., both received the rank of Eagle Scout. Robert, son of R. W. Sheaff, system meter depart-ment is a soph-

C. L. Miller li a m Byrd High School.

He holds 26 merit badges and the Order of the Arrow, and has completed the ore mile swim. pleted the one-mile swim.

Jimmy's father is W. R. Fleshman, head material clerk at Glen Lyn plant. He is a sophomore at Peterstown High School, member of its football squad, vice president of the Baptist Youth Fellowship, and is working on his "God and Country" award in Scouting.

In Williamson, C. L. Miller, engineering aide, has been elected to serve as district commissioner of the Mingo-Pike district of Chief Cornstalk Council of the Boy Scouts. He has been active in scouting for five years, mainly in the work of organizing new units, and in leadership training. He holds the training award and the Arrowhead Honor Award. His son Leon is a life scout and needs only one more merit badge to achieve Eagle rank, and Mrs. Miller has been active in Cub Scout work.

#### Fire Protection At Cabin Creek

Sixteen men from various departments of the plant took part in a fire protection school at Cabin Creek. It was directed by C. H. Yoho fire protection supervisor for the Service Corporation, and is held every other year.



A combination etching-painting of Kentucky Power Company's Big Sandy Plant is presented by Mrs. Scott E. Roberts and Eugene Lyons on behalf of the Sheltered Workshop for Retarded Children to C. C. Darrah, Ashland District manager of the Company. Mrs. Roberts, president of the Ashland Council for Retarded Children, recently finished the painting on the metal disc which was etched by Eugene.

### Electric Apartments Planned

Ground was broken in Charleston recently for a luxury, total-electric apartment that will be the state's second tallest building.

The Imperial Towers, costing an estimated \$2.4-million will rise on Roundhill Knob, will house 120 units, ranging in cost from \$150 to \$280 a month, and have a swimming pool and all the advantages and features of all-electric living. It will be the largest electric apartment in West Virginia. Roundhill Knob stands 34 stories above McCorkle Avenue, and the building itself will go up another 18 stories, providing a panoramic view of the entire city of Charleston and the Kanawha River.

Officials of the Kenhill Construction Company supervising and coordinating construction said Imperial Towers would take about 14 months for completion. Excavation began September 26, and nine applications for apartments have already been received.



The day was sunny and bright, and so were the smiles of those gathered for groundbreaking ceremonies at the site of Charleston's Imperial Towers: from left, Guy Porter, developer; E. L. Munday Jr., district manager; Cy Silling, architect; Mayor John Shanklin, turning the first shovel; Floyd Taylor, division commercial manager; Willard H. Ervin Jr., president of Imperial Towers; C. W. Lovell, assistant division manager, and Julian C. Hansbarger, division manager, and W. M. Woodroe, Chamber of Commerce.

### Thousands See Electric Living Exhibit

The values of total-electric living were featured in Appalachian's booth in Roanoke's Harvest Bowl Festival, along with a graphic illustration of the low cost of electric best tric heat.
Three thousand of the adults

who visited the booth examined the exhibit. It consisted of photographs of four homes with their square footage and average monthly elec-

tric bill; there was a photograph of another home and visitors to the exhibit were asked to guess at the monthly bill paid by its occupants, who used 22 appliances. Winner of the contest was Mrs. J. W. Hall, whose prize was a television set; her guess was \$22.02 which couldn't have been much closer to the actual



Visitors to Appalachian's exhibit in Roanoke's recent Harvest Festival are busy guessing the average monthly electric bill of the home pictured in the display. There were 3,000 entries, and the winner, Mrs. J. W. Hall, won a television set.



Mrs. Cricket Searls and her championship flight golf trophy, her second in two tries.

### **Spotless Record In Tourneys Feat Of** Golf Newcomer

Eileen Searls has been playing golf for 18 months, during that period has entered the Pomeroy Golf Club's Woman's Tournament twice, and twice has won the championship flight trophy. And, glory of all glories, beat her husband one day.

He is Cricket Searls, maintenance man at Philip Sporn plant, and you might say he asked for it. It was he who gave his wife a set of

was he who gave his wife a set of clubs on Mother's Day in 1962, after insisting for many years that she try the game. He also taught her much of what she knows about

golf.

This is her first try at any sport, and she and Cricket go out nearly every evening after work to play golf. Recently they spent their 21st anniversary on the golf course. Her second venture into the world of sports began recently when she joined a woman's bowling team.



The Hobo And The Halfback

Hobo White (Hobart S., Welch lineman) is having the kind of season coaches dream of. His team has won six games and tied one, and even if it loses the final game, will still be the champion of the 40 and 8 Little League. Starring on the team is Hobo's son, Danny, who plays halfback and is one of the top scorers in the league. Hobo played football on the line for Welch High School a few years

# **Buddy Barrett Wins Over** Record Kentucky Golf Field

A record number of golfers turned out for the 1963 edition of the Kentucky Power Company Invitational Golf Tournament, played on the Paintsville Country Club course.

Maxwell P. Barrett, attorney for the Hazard district, won the championship, beating R. L. Huffman, Pikeville right of way agent, on the final 18 holes. Golfers on the final 18 holes. Golfers played 27 holes on Saturday and 27 on Sunday, and trophies were awarded for 17 flights and a new event: ball throwing, won by C. A. Zoellers, Hazard district commercial supervisor. A Saturday day evening banquet was also held.

In addition to the championship flight, other flight winners were: 1st—John Stephens, Pikeville at-torney, with E. E. King, Williamson district superintendent, runner-up; 2nd—R. H. Flynn, assistant Pikeville local office supervisor, with W. W. Zoellers, Pikeville district supervising engineer, run-ner-up; 3rd—J. Richmond, Williamson, with Robert Hornbuckle, Ashland, runner-up; 4th—Dick Wilson, Williamson, with J. K. Wells, Pikeville, runner-up; 5th—R. Sallee, Service Corporation, New York, with B. P. Bogardus, Pikeville, runner-up.

runner-up.
6th—C. Boyd, Pikeville, with
James Saltz, Ashland System, runner-up; 7th—J. A. Palmer, Ashland System, with C. A. Zoellers,
Hazard, runner-up; 8th—Tilden
Justice, Pikeville, with R. F. Millikan, Ashland System, runner-up;
9th—Chandos Tackett, Pikeville,
with Don Wade, Ashland, runnerup; 10th—C. A. McKinney, Pikeville retired, with E. S. Slone,
Hazard, runner-up; 11th—Ed Hum-

# Request for Blood Finds New Donor,

This is the story of two pints of blood, a veteran donor, and a begin-

**Uses Veteran** 

An emergency call came from Lynchburg General Hospital to Larry Dougan, district personnel supervisor. Blood was needed immediately; Mr. Dougan was unable to go, and asked Ralph Lohnson, was quite dealy to go. Johnson, pre-audit clerk, to go in his place. Mr. Johnson's military record showed that he had the blood type—A positive—needed for the emergency.

At the hospital, it was found that Mr. Johnson's blood was A negative, not positive, and so could not be used, but just the same, he registered as a donor. Mean-while, Mr. Dougan was contacted again, and this time he could come to the hospital, where, for the 48th time, he donated a pint of his blood.

As he was leaving the hospital he met Mr. Johnson coming back in answer to an emergency call for A negative. It was his first donation of blood, but he's looking forward

phrey, Ashland, with Dewey Size-more, Ashland System runner-up.

12th—Gaine Stidham, Hazard, with Jim Paul, Ashland, runner-up; 13th—G. D. Ison, Pikeville, with C. A. McClung, Ashland System runner-up; 14th—M. J. Ozee, Hazard, with W. R. Dibert, Pikeville, Market Pikeville, runner-up; 15th—Liew Osborne, Ashland, with William McKinney, Big Sandy plant, run-ner-up; 16th—Dave Broughton, ner-up; Ashland.

### System T&D Leads In Roanoke Bowling

System T&D has jumped into an early lead in the Roanoke Bowl-ing League. In its first 18 games, the team has won 12, lost 5 and tied 1. Computers is keeping the pressure on with a 12-6 record.

Tommy Bryant has high individual average of 180.3, and Marshall Covey has rolled high game of 245. Dick Speas has high set of 597. Smith Mountain has high team game of 907 and Accounting high team set of 2622.



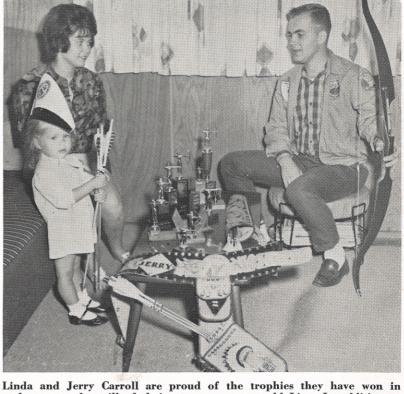
Mr. Rasnake

### Tolbert Rasnake Dies At Home

Tolbert Rasnake, 53, died at his home in Cleveland, Virginia Octo-ber 22, 1963.

Rasnake was employed by Appalachian Power Company in the Clinch Valley District on June 25, 1937 as a laborer. In 1948 when the Abingdon District was formed, he was working foreman of the Russell County line crew. Since 1948 he held the classification of lineman.

Rasnake was born in Russell County November 30, 1909 and at-tended Wolf Creek School. He is survived by his wife and son, Jimmy C. Rasnake, in service with the U.S. Navy and stationed in Japan.



archery, prouder still of their mascot, two-year-old Lisa. In addition to being an employee himself, Jerry is the son of Charles Carroll, Philip Sporn plant shift engineer. Linda is the daughter of Jerry Updike, maintenance supervisor at Central Ohio Coal Company.

### Deer Hunting With Bow And Arrow Next In Plan For Charleston Archer

Jerry Carroll will be going deer hunting again this year, but not with a gun. He is one of the growing number of hunters who use the bow and arrow to bring down

Jerry, who is switchboard wireman for system substation in Charleston, and his wife, Linda, are archery enthusiasts, and are decorating their home with trophies which their skills with the ancient which their skills with the ancient weapon have won for them. Jerry now shoots in the 400's, top class in the men's division, and Linda classifies herself as a beginner, shooting in the 125 free style class (which means she uses a

sight on her bow).

Both are members of the Daniel
Boone Archery Club, West Virginia Bowhunters and the National Field Archery Association.
Both spend quite a bit of time practicing, because, as Jerry says, "The main thing in developing this game is practice. It's the most competitive sport I know of."

### Started at Seven

Jerry began archery when he was 7, with a 15-pound bow his father gave him. Not a tin can in the neighborhood was safe from his flying arrows. After he from his flying arrows. After he graduated from high school, he joined Appalachian as a relay engineer's helper in system substation, and soon he and Linda were married. Her interest in archery was almost immediate. Besides their trophies, Jerry has brought back small game from hunting trips in Hardy County and the George Washington National Forest.

They point out that archery is no longer a warm-weather sport. Inside lanes are springing up around the country, making is popular no matter what the weather. Jerry advocates the modern aluminum arrows over the old cedar ones with metal tips. Tips on target arrows are sharp like a nail, but hunting arrows are long, pointed and sharp on all sides.

Jerry is also trying to sharpen his bowling eye, and recently bought a target pistol to see what he can do in that sport. When his wife sits down to sew, Jerry's attention turns to leather work. His handmade and painted belts, quivers and handbags lend real style to the Carrolls on the archery

### **Tazewell Jaycees** Name Employees

Jack Hawks, lineman, has been installed as president of the Taze-

well Jaycees, moving up from vice-

Hawks has been an Appalachian employee since 1953. In addition

to civic work, Mr. Hawks again coached his little league football team pionship this

year, winning all six of his games. He is married and has two children.

# Pigeons, Golf, And Bowling



Sports goulash: At left, Tommy Wilkerson and his mother, assistant Charleston credit supervisor, take one last look at a pigeon Tommy spent two hours rescuing from a neighbor's chimney with a crab net. The pigeon had numbered bands on its legs, and with the help of the newspaper, Tommy located its owner in Pittsburgh. Well-tamed, the bird took kindly to Tommy, making no attempt to fly away when he took it out in the evening for fresh air. When the pigeon was shipped to its owner, Tommy asked his mother if she thought it would come back.



Quoth Mrs. Wilkerson, "Nevermore." In the center is Mrs. Rufus Bondurant, wife of the Abingdon district superintendent who recently won the Glenrochie Country Club ladies golf championship 1-up after 20 holes. Her opponent in a semi-finals match: her daughter, Becky. At right are the new officers of the Clinch River Plant Clinchers Bowling League. They are, from left: Eli D. Buskirk, president; Carson C. Rasnake, secretary-treasurer, and Charles Hinchey, vice president.

### Tube Tapper Finds Wrapper

In at least one isolated case, the Kentucky hunting season opened early, and without a sound.

Carl Hopson, Ashland engineering aide and radio maintenance man, was on the way to the company's base radio transmitter station. Along a narrow gravel road, Carl spotted a package in the dust, and got the first "kill" of the year. Inside was a fur stole.

The owner's name was on the package, since it had apparently fallen from a delivery truck, and so Carl was able to return it.

It becomes debatable whether it was a successful hunting trip or not—the game got away after all.

### Fifteen Years On Fire Brigades End For Vet Reddy Helps Travelers Up Big Walker

The last hose nozzle has been directed at a practice fire at Clinch River plant under the experienced guidance and direction of Lee A. Singleton.

The plant fire marshal, Mr. Singleton, maintenance foreman, conducted his last fire drill at the plant shortly before retiring from the fire-fighting job, ending 15 years as a member of a plant fire brigade. During that time he has climbed the ladder from a hose man to full direction of a skilled group of fire protection specialists.

Mr. Singleton is retiring only from fire brigade duties, not from Company service.

His fire-fighting career began at Logan plant in 1948 when he was selected to be a member of that plant's fire brigade.

He has been succeeded as fire marshal by John B. Grimes, master maintenance man, who steps up from the position of captain. Lovell McDonald, also a master mainte-nance man, has been named cap-

Singleton points out that his job has been a happy one. He says that he has seen no major fire-fighting action because of "the remarkably good records of the plants I have been in." He refers to this "ounce of prevention" as the most effective weapon in a fire brigade's arsenal. Even so, he adds, the brigade must keep its



Supervising the last fire-fighting drill at Clinch River plant is Lee A. Singleton, who retired recently as plant fire marshal.

equipment in top readiness and itself well-trained.

Serving with him in the plant's fire brigade, in addition to Grimes and Napier, are J. R. Trail, L. H.

McDonald, G. C. Williams, L. P. McFarland, N. E. McMillan, J. R. Blankenship, J. J. McAvoy, E. C. Carr, E. L. Kimmell, R. L. Parks, R. G. Ferguson and C. B. Hinchey.

### Bluefield . . . (Continued from page 4)

neer, was defeated in the finals of the Glenrochie Country Club President's Cup Tournament. Bob defeated Rufus Bondurant, Abingdon district superintendent. in the semifinals of the tournament.

### Twelve Awards In Two Years Is Record Of Employee's Horse

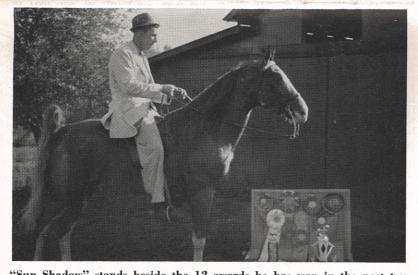
"Sun Shadow" won eight awards in horse shows this year, bringing to an even dozen the number he has taken during the two years he has been active.
"Sun Shadow" is a Tennessee

walking horse, and performs for his proud owner, D. A. Buckland, maintenance mechanic at Glen Lyn plant. Mr. Buckland acquired the horse when it was 15 months old, and has spent at least an hour and a half each day since, caring for

him and giving him workouts.

This year "Sun Shadow" has won four first place, two second place and two third place awards place and two third place awards to go with the two firsts and two thirds he won in 1962. His last showing was the West Virginia State Fair, where he finished third among horses from West Virginia, Virginia and Tennessee.

"Sun Shadow" is a descendant of the world's grand champion "Midnight Sun".



"Sun Shadow" stands beside the 12 awards he has won in the past two years, with his owner, D. A. Buckland, mounted.

### Bluefield

Eileen Wagner has resigned to move to Indiana with her husband. A dinner party was given in her honor at the Walnut Room in Princeton by the Girls Service Club. She was merchandise book-keeper . . . Westminister Presby-terian Church is well staffed by Appalachian people: Mrs. Archie Phlegar is chairman of the church's Circle No. 1, and Martha Whitehurst was elected secretary of The Pioneers. Martha is the daughter of Jerry Whitehurst, division area development representative, and Mrs. Phlegar is the wife of Archie Phlegar, electrical engineer. Mr. Phlegar, electrical engineer. Mr. Phlegar himself has just been elected vice president of the Bluefield Chapter of the VPI Alumni Association. Other church jobs have fallen to Clifford Hawley, who has been elected Sunday School superintendent of the Midway Church of Christ, and to his sister Pauline, cashier, who was elected Sunday School secretary. He is division appliance serviceman. pliance serviceman.

Willard Johnson, meter reader in Princeton, was selected as the best Table topic speaker at the Princeton Toastmasters Club. His daughter Sharon was a page at the reception that was part of the annual state meeting of the Daughters of the Confederacy.

Myrtle Paxton, office messenger, is a team captain for the United Fund of Greater Bluefield.

Mrs. Ryland Bailey, wife of the division commercial sales engineer, spoke before the Bluefield Garden Club on wild birds in the area.

### Schlomann To **Head AEP Group**

Robert H. Schlomann has been named head of the American Electric Power Service Corporation's electrical research section. In this position, he has succeeded William tion engineer who has resigned to accept a new post with the Bechtel Corporation in San Francisco.

Schlomann, who recently completed ten years of service with AEP, joined the Service Corporation in 1953 as an electrical design draftsman. He transferred to the System Planning and Operating Division in 1954 as an assistant engineer, then to the electrical engineering division in 1956, and was promoted to engineer in 1959.

He received his bachelor of science degree from Massachusetts Institute of Technology in 1953 and his master of science degree there in 1956. In addition, he attended the Sloan Program at the MIT School of Business in 1962-63, receiving an MS degree in industrial management. He has worked on extra-high-voltage transmission research, including work at the Apple Grove (W.Va.) Test Project.

"Let Reddy do it," is the grateful thought of many a traveler as he settles himself in a comfortable chair and rises more than a thousand feet up the slope of Big Walker Mountain.

Because, at Big Walker lookout, as everywhere, Reddy is ready to do it. The new electric chair lift, said by the Virginia Travel Council to be the only one in the state, is the latest addition to the remarkable enterprise built owned and able enterprise built, owned, and operated by Mr. and Mrs. S. T. Kime.

Big Walker is on the road be-tween Wytheville and Bluefield, and is situated in the Pulaski district. The Kimes, developing this attraction over a period of time, decided on a chair lift to fetch their patrons to the top of a 100-foot observation tower. An engineering firm helped design the equipment, local labor led by Mr. Kime did the work, and Reddy Kilowatt, through a 10-hp electric pump, moves the cable. The cable carries 35 double chairs, and operates around two large horizontal shives, or wheels, the lower of which is operated by a the lower of which is operated by a hydraulic motor powered by the

Since it went into operation last May the chair lift's peak day of business was slightly more than 400 passengers. And the Kimes think that now, with autumn colors reaching their loveliest, they will do even better. The view, even without Reddy to help, is worth the trip: from the top of Big Walker you can see parts of five states.



The new electric chair-lift at Big Walker Lookout in the Pulaski district whisks visitors more than a thousand feet up the slope to the top of an observation platform. Even without Reddy to do the work, the view of five states from the top is worth the climb.



Mr. Davis

### Jack Davis Dies In Pulaski

Jack Davis, 53, maintenance man at Claytor Dam, died Octo-ber 20 in Pulaski. He joined the company in Feb-ruary 1942, and spent all of his service with the maintenance crew at Claytor. at Claytor.

He is survived by three sons, a

daughter, his mother, and a sister.
Funeral services were held in
Mountain View Methodist Church,
and burial took place in the church

### **Dinner Honors Company Service** In Point Pleasant

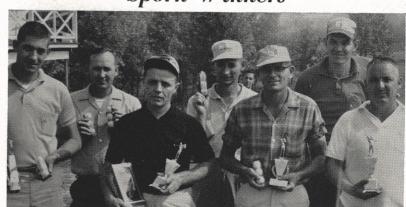
Ten Point Pleasant district employees representing 155 years of service with Appalachian Power Company were recently honored at dinner held at Gene Ball's Restau-

Employees honored were T. A. Jewell, groundman, 35 years; M. C. Clark, line and station supervisor, 25 years; F. E. Wolfe, collector; Bernice M. Roush, secretarial-stenographer; R. D. Miller, line-man, and H. L. Chambers, material clerk, 15 years; K. C. Morris, engineering aide, C. E. Fowler, Jr., lineman, and Joan H. Baird, clerkstenographer, 10 years; and T. G. Allen, electrical engineer, 5 years.

Supervisors attending the dinner were O. C. Hall, district manager; W. F. Machir, record supervisor; C. A. Burdette, stores supervisor;L. J. Hedrick, district superintendent; L. C. Bias, district superintendent; L. C. Bias, district office supervisor; J. R. Crump, W. H. Stricklen and W. O. Sallaz, line foremen; and W. C. Gilmour, administrative assistant.

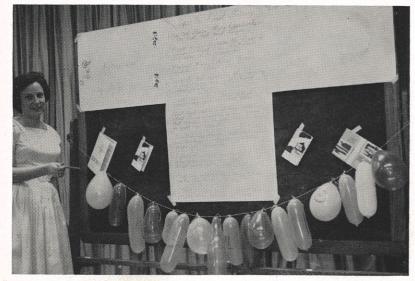
Supervisors of the employees introduced each individual and gave a brief outline of their com-

### Sporn Winners



Trophies and awards were presented winners in the annual Philip Sporn Plant Golf Tournament. Cricket Searls, right, had low gross in the championship flight. Other winners included, from left: Dorwin Clark, runnerup 1st flight and closest to pin on No. 7; Glen Hensler, closest to pin on No. 1; Bill Hayes, low gross 1st flight and fewest putts; Oscar Leonard, closest to pin on No. 4; Bub Stivers, runner-up championship flight and most pars; Okey Killingsworth, longest drive on No. 6. Not shown are Charles Yeager, who was winner of the 2nd flight and had the most fives; Art Wehrli, runner-up in 2nd flight; and Bob Gilmore, most birdies and runner-up for least putts.

### Wide Awake Program



Polly Wright, Fieldale T&D clerk, gets credit for an inventive way of holding a safety meeting. Faced with the problem of something different, she typed safety questions on separate slips of paper, put the slips in balloons, which were then blown up, tied, and numbered. son came in he was given a number; later, he popped the balloon marked with the corresponding number, read its question and gave its answer. One thing is sure: when this program is given, no one sleeps.

Employees Recall War's End

# "Kaiser" Lost Word, Except To Vets of 1918 Armistice

Such names as Kaiser Wilhelm, Marshal Foch, and Field Marshal Sir Douglas Haig are all but unknown today to a generation for whom other more recent names like Hitler and Mussolini are already fast-fading memories. But 45 years ago this month, they were all in the news—front page news. To say, as Longfellow did about Paul Revere's ride, that "hardly a man is now alive who remembers that famous day and year" is perhaps overstating the case. However, it takes a real old-timer to cast his memory back four and a half decades to November 11, 1918 and recall just what he was doing the day Germany's surrender ended the First World War.

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Four men in Lynchburg—one active employee and three retired employees—all have good reason to remember that day, because all were in military service.

# Two Promoted In Huntington



Mr. Wagner

ner Mr. Fotos

Promotions for two men in Huntington have been announced.

W. R. Wagner has been moved up from area supervisor in the Milton office to senior line engineer in the Huntington division, and Michael A. Fotos, Jr. has been named to succeed him in Milton. Mr. Fotos before the present move was electrical engineer in the Huntington district. The moves were effective October 1

Mr. Wagner, a graduate of West Virginia University, joined the company in Huntington as an electrical engineer in 1950. He is a member of IEEE and the Huntington Foreman-Managers Club. He is married.

Mr. Fotos joined Appalachian in 1956 after receiving a degree in electrical engineering from the University of Cincinnati. He is a registered professional engineer, a member of the Huntington Foreman-Managers Club, and attends Fifth Avenue Baptist Church. He and his wife have a son and daughter.



Mr. Singleton: never touched France.

E. N. Leftwich is a retired line foreman in the Lynchburg district. Armistice Day found him in a field hospital with a leg injury. He joined the army in September 1917, trained at Camp Lee, Virginia, and assigned to Company L, 317th Infantry, spent nine months in France. During the first part of October 1918, his company was in the front lines serving with the British; later that same month they were pulled out and sent on a highly secret march to join a French unit. Because the move was secret, the company marched at night and, on one of those nights, Mr. Leftwich fell and injured his leg. While the company marched on, he was put in a hospital near a place called Dullons, and his leg put in a cast. On November 11, he says, "I noticed all the French people going crazy at the same time; they jumped up and down, sang, laughed, cried, and hugged each other. No one in the hospital spoke French, and the French were too excited to speak English; so it was late afternoon before we found out the war was over." With the news, Mr. Leftwich reports, he became "the wellest sick man in France," so well that, cast and all, he arose from his cot, joined a group of his gallant French allies who were supplied with cognac and rum, and celebrated for a week..." and was sick for a month," he recalls. When he went into the hospital, Mr. Leftwich was up for promotion to line sergeant; when his celebration was over, he was a rearrank private. This come-down in status bothered him not at all: "the war was over, the Germans had been shooting at me for nine months, the world was—temporarily, anyway—safe for democracy, and I could go home."



Mr. McIntosh: drilling before and

At the very moment Mr. Leftwich was curious about French excitement, the U. S. troop transport George Washington dropped anchor in the harbor of Brest; men and equipment from the United States began to disembark. One of the crewmen was C. W. Singleton, who is now a meter serviceman, but was then a good-sized 15-year-old who had been slightly careless with the truth. He had volunteered for service with the Navy, declared he was 18, and was accepted immediately on August 2, 1918. After training he was put aboard the George Washington, and when it arrived at Brest he had been at sea three weeks. In convoy the ship had zigzagged across the Atlantic dodging German submarines. "I was seasick and scared to death; I wish I could have turned the clock back to the day I enlisted," he says now.

#### Bedlam

During unloading, bells began to ring, whistles to blow, and general bedlam broke loose. "I thought it first was an air raid, and then the word came that the war was over. I remember that a funny feeling came over me, and I wasn't scared anymore." The ship stayed in Brest five days, then turned around and went back home; Mr. Singleton never set foot on French soil. Until the term of his enlistment expired in 1922, Mr. Singleton attended and graduated from Radio Operators School and Cooks and Bakers School, and sailed in submarines in southern waters.

Far from Dullons and far from Brest, First Sergeant Joseph Ladwig, at Fort Eustis, Virginia, stood at attention before his captain



Mr. Rairden

### "Sailor" Rairden Taken By Death

Eugene P. Rairden—known as "Sailor"—died in Roanoke October 17. He was system right of way supervisor until his retirement May 1, 1960. He was 68.

He started his utility career in 1924 as a rodman with the Interstate Power Company. He transferred to Roanoke as right of way agent in 1929, and remained in that work until his retirement.

Mr. Rairden was a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, the American Legion, and the Elks. He is survived by his widow, a son, and two sisters.

Funeral services were held in Oakey's Chapel in Roanoke, and burial took place in Longwood Cemetery in Bedford.



Mr. Leftwich: busted after celebrating.

and stared at a photograph of General Pershing on the wall. He was requesting overseas service. Just then, as it happens in movies, the telephone rang, the Captain answered it, listened briefly, then jumped up. "The war is over, and nobody is going anywhere; you and I are stuck here." It was certainly patriotism that impelled Mr. Ladwig to request overseas duty, because he had every reason to stay at Fort Eustis. At a dance near there one night he met "the prettiest little girl you ever saw," who is now Mrs. J. E. Ladwig, and has been ever since June 1919. Mr. Ladwig's Army career lasted from August 15, 1918 to April 1919. He is a retired meterman.

Not far from Fort Eustis that glorious November day was Lieu-



Mr. Ladwig: from the war, Mrs. Ladwig.

tenant Baxter McIntosh, engaged in the routine drilling and training of coast artillerymen for overseas duties. He had enlisted May 28, assigned to Officer Candidate School June 2, and stayed at Fort Monroe until his discharge in July 1919. Announcement of the Armistice caught Lt. McIntosh out drilling a company of officer candidates. He was disappointed at the news: "I had enlisted for overseas assignment, and I had applied several times for it. I had even halfway been promised a chance. But that day, we just went on with the drill." He recently retired as district meter supervisor.

Four men, all Appalachian veterans, all World War I veterans, remembering the day of the Armistice that lasted all too briefly.

### "Uncle Bill" Johnson, Colorful Veteran Of Pulaski District, Dies

Pulaski district's W. S. Johnson—known to hundreds as "Uncle Bill"—died in Marion October 26. He was 82.

He started out in the power business in Marion in 1904, retired from it in October 1946, and spent all of the intervening years in the Marion area. Uncle Bill was a lineman and a serviceman for the old Marion Light Company, and was in charge of the company's distribution office in Marion when it was acquired by the old Appalachian Power Company in 1911. Later, he helped form the Virginia division with Bob Peirce, with headquarters in Wytheville. With that Appalachian and with the later, present, one, he continues to be a well-known and valuable personality. When he retired in 1946 he was foreman at Marion.

Uncle Bill was proud of his part in the growth of the area he lived in, and employees who remember him recall that he enjoyed talking about operating problems of early days; such as, for example, carrying transformers and service materials around Marion in a wheelbarrow, and how his first service car was a Ford Model T roadster.



Mr. Johnson

He was preceded in death a few years ago by Mrs. Johnson, who was herself a veteran of the utility business. She ran the office for the Marion Light Company, and collected power bills.

Surving are a son, S. L. Johnson, line supervisor in the Pulaski district, and a daughter, Mrs. Helen Tilley.

### Clifford Station Cut-In



Randy L. Lewis, system station engineer, and Frank Webb, relay section, check their drawings before placing Clifford Station in service October 9. Major work on this station is part of an over-all distribution improvement program in the city of Lynchburg.

### New Technique



The new mouth-to-mouth resuscitation and closed heart massage was started in the Kentucky properties first in the Hazard District. The participants in the first series of practice were the physical employees who are more apt to have need for this knowledge. It took three days to cover this group in Hazard. R. F. Millikan was the instructor for these classes. Here A. R. Brashear and W. E. Manning practice on Sam the