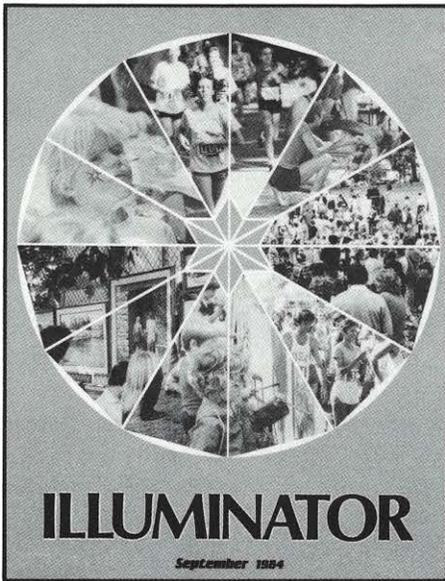




# ILLUMINATOR

*September 1984*



Kaleidoscope, Lynchburg's fall festival, is held each year for a 10-day period in September. Activities include dog shows, craft and art shows, antique shows, outings in the park and the Virginia Ten-Miler, rapidly becoming recognized as one of the best ten-mile footraces in the country.

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### AEP Savings Plan

Date	Fixed Income Fund		Equity Fund		AEP Stock Fund	
	VPU	UCPD	VPU	UCPD	VPU	UCPD
1/31/84	\$1.8180	.5501	\$2.6026	.3842	\$1.6432	.6086
2/29/84	1.8360	.5447	2.5162	.3974	1.5575	.6421
3/31/84	1.8557	.5389	2.5621	.3903	1.5018	.6659
4/30/84	1.8749	.5334	2.5767	.3881	1.5249	.6558
5/31/84	1.8950	.5277	2.4376	.4102	1.4952	.6688
6/30/84	1.9146	.5223	2.4822	.4028	1.6287	.6139
7/31/84	1.9351	.5167	2.4399	.4098	1.6894	.5919

VPU — value per unit

UCPD — units credited per dollar

HOW TO READ THE ABOVE CHART: The first column lists the days on which unit values are figured; the second shows the market price or value of each unit on that day; and the third indicates how many units you could have bought for \$1 on that day. For example, if the market value or "value per unit" of the Equity Fund were 50¢ on the valuation date (last day of each month), then "units credited per dollar" would be 2.000. This also holds true for the AEP Stock Fund and the Fixed Income Fund.

## Mountaineer sets performance record

Appalachian Power Company's Mountaineer Plant at New Haven, West Virginia, has set a new electric industry record for continuous operation by a coal-fired unit of its size and type.

According to Plant Manager Bill Robinson, Mountaineer's 1300 megawatt unit established a new record on July 28, when it exceeded the previous record of 251 days, 15 hours and 33 minutes of continuous operation. That record was held by unit 1 at Ohio Power Company's General James M. Gavin Plant at Cheshire, Ohio.

Robinson noted that the plant's continuous operation is important because it lowers the company's unit cost of production and helps keep rates to customers lower than they would be otherwise.

The Mountaineer Plant, Appalachian's newest, was placed in commercial operation on September 15, 1980. Its current record-setting run began on November 20, 1983, and was continuing at presstime. □

## Educational benefits are now taxable

Failure of Congress to include in recently enacted Federal Income Tax legislation an extension of a provision allowing employers to pay tax-free educational assistance benefits to employees will result in all such benefits being taxed.

The educational benefits exemption, which began in 1979, expired December 31, 1983, but had been included in the tax bill as originally proposed. It was not, however, part of the final bill, according to William L. Scott, manager of the AEP Service Corporation Tax Division.

Employees will be taxed for present and future benefits, Scott said. All persons who have received educational assistance payments in 1984 are being notified when the withholding will begin.

The educational assistance payment as reported income may qualify as an exemption when personal tax returns are filed. To qualify for an exemption, the course must be related to the employee's current

job and does not qualify him for another job. Deciding whether or not an employee qualifies for this exemption may be difficult, and it may be necessary to seek professional tax advice or become familiar with this portion of the Internal Revenue Code. □

## New law freezes PAYSOP contributions

In July, Congress passed the Deficit Reduction Act, which limits the contributions the company may make to the American Electric Power Employee Stock Ownership Plan (PAYSOP).

The plan, which was implemented earlier this year and made retroactive to January 1, 1983, is funded by the company with money that would otherwise be paid in the form of federal taxes. When the plan was announced, the law allowed annual allocations to be .5 percent of compensation during 1983 and 1984; then, in 1985, the allocation maximum was to increase to .75 percent and continue through 1987. The new law, however, freezes allocations at the .5 percent level through 1987.

The law provides for the tax credit received by the company for making PAYSOP contributions to stop after 1987, a provision that could be changed or renewed by Congress. □

## Register before October 15 for education awards

October 15 is the registration deadline for the 30th anniversary 1985 AEP System Education Awards. The competition is open to employees' children who are seniors in high school and plan to enter college in September 1985.

Contestants will be vying for 36 awards of \$3,500 each, with \$2,000 to be granted for the first year of college and \$1,500 for the second. All entrants are required to submit standard Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) scores. Those who did not take the SAT in their junior year, or wish to take it again, are required to take the SAT to be given December 1.

Selections of the award winners will be made next year by an impartial educator with no affiliation with AEP. Selections will be based on secondary school evaluations, SAT scores and personal data.

Details and registration forms are available in your local Personnel Department.

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In its 30-year history, including the current competition, the AEP education awards program will have presented a total of \$1,378,400 to a total of 731 recipients. □

## Contract let for Lebanon service center

Construction of a new \$1.1 million service facility for Appalachian Power Company's Russell County operation will begin this month on a four-acre site off U.S. 19, adjacent to the proposed Route 19 bypass, east of the corporate limits of Lebanon, Virginia. The 12,500 square foot structure will be a pre-engineered metal building with a masonry facade.

Six contractors submitted bids for the project, and BurWil Construction Company, Inc., of Bristol, Tennessee, was the successful bidder as general contractor.

R. D. Carson, Abingdon Division manager, said, "A new service center to accommodate stores, garage and related facilities for our Russell County operation has been needed for some time. We are confident that this investment will enable the company to provide improved service to our Russell County customers."

It is anticipated that the 18 employees now working out of Lebanon will be able to occupy their new quarters in mid-1985. □

# American Electric Power Service Corp. senior management structure reorganized



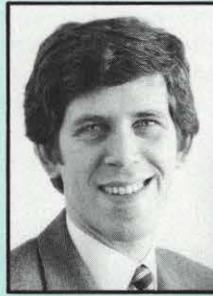
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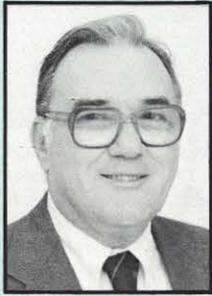
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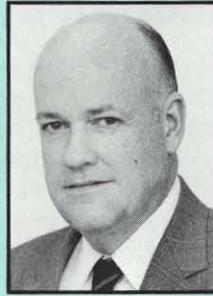
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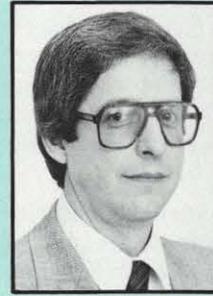
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A major reorganization of the senior management structure of the American Electric Power Service Corporation, involving three broad functional areas and twelve of the company's executives, was announced August 27.

W. S. White, Jr., chairman and chief executive officer, said that most of the changes would become effective September 1, with the balance on January 1. "They do not reflect any material shift in AEP's priorities," he said, "but rather they reflect present exigencies, the dynamic nature and strengths of the AEP organization and the continuing need to look to the future."

He explained that the changes were being made as a result of three concurrent developments: completion of the four-year relocation of most of the Service Corporation's employees from New York and Canton to Columbus; the need to complete the integration of the various functions present in AEP's new headquarters, and the anticipated retirement, at year's end, of Frank N. Bien, vice chairman — operations of the Service Corporation. (White and Bien, together with President Richard E. Disbrow and John E. Dolan, vice chairman-engineering and construction, presently make up the company's Office of the Chairman, which serves as the top-management team of the AEP System.)

To effect the changes that will take place on September 1, the Service Corporation Board of Directors elected 11 management members to new officer-ships. Among them are three new executive vice presidents — Joseph H. Vipperman, David H. Williams, Jr. and Peter J. DeMaria — who will assume new, broader responsibilities. Those elected were:

#### Operations

**Joseph H. Vipperman**, vice president and controller, was elected executive vice president — operations. He will work with Vice Chairman Bien for the balance of 1984 in all phases of operations of the AEP System now directed by Bien.

**Gene B. Hale**, vice president — personnel, was elected senior vice president — personnel.

(Chairman White also announced that on January 1, following Bien's retirement, **Richard E. Disbrow**, now president and chief administrative officer, will become president and chief operating officer. At that time the presidents of the AEP System's eight operating companies, as well as Vipperman, will report to Disbrow. Also, those departments now under Bien — Marketing & Customer Services, Personnel, Purchasing and Division Operations — will report to Vipperman at that time.)

#### Engineering & Construction

**David H. Williams, Jr.**, senior vice president — operations, was elected executive vice president and chief engineer, in which capacity he will be responsible for the direction of all engineering functions on the AEP System, reporting to Vice Chairman Dolan. At the same time, **Harold N. Scherer, Jr.**, now senior vice president — electrical engineering, was elected senior vice president — electrical engineering and deputy chief engineer. He will continue to be responsible for the System's electrical engineering and will assist Williams in the direction of other engineering activities.

**Richard F. Hering**, vice president — mechanical engineering, was elected vice president — fossil plant operations and will head a newly created Fossil Plant Operations Division. He will be succeeded as head of the Mechanical Engineering Division by **Dr. James J. Markowsky**, now manager of the division's Research & Development Section. He was elected assistant vice president — mechanical engineering.

One other development in the engineer/operations area was a change in the name of the Nuclear Engineering Division to the Nuclear Operations Division, which, as White explained, more accurately reflects its role.

The Construction Department, the Nuclear Operations and Quality Assurance Divisions and the Projects Management Group will continue to report to Vice Chairman Dolan.

#### Administration

**Peter J. DeMaria**, now senior vice president, treasurer and chief accounting officer, was elected executive vice president — administration and chief accounting officer, reporting to President Disbrow. DeMaria will continue as treasurer of the parent American Electric Power Company and of its operating

subsidiaries, but he will step down as treasurer of the Service Corporation. In his new capacity, he will supervise the Service Corporation's Treasury, Rate and Controllership Departments.

**John G. Howard**, senior vice president — rates, was elected senior vice president and executive assistant to the president. He will be succeeded as head of the Rate Department by **Conrad F. DeSieno**, now vice president — rate research & design, who was elected vice president — rates.

**James D. Huebner**, director of the

Treasury Department's Internal, Fuel & Special Audits Division, was elected treasurer of the Service Corporation and will head the Treasury Department. He was also elected assistant treasurer of the System's eight operating companies.

**Henry Fayne**, assistant controller, was elected controller, succeeding Viperman.

The Finance, Fuel Supply, Information Systems and Administrative Services Department will continue to report to President Disbrow. □

## McCrary to attend MIT Program for Senior Executives

Morris E. McCrary, assistant secretary and assistant accounting manager of Appalachian Power Company, will attend the Massachusetts Institute of Technology Program for Senior Executives September 16 - November 16.



A native of Birmingham, Alabama, McCrary holds bachelor of science and master of science degrees in business administration from the University of North Carolina. He has also attended the American Electric Power System Management Program at the University of Michigan Graduate School of Business Administration. A certified public accountant, McCrary joined Appalachian in 1959 as an administrative assistant and was promoted to assistant accounting manager in 1966. □



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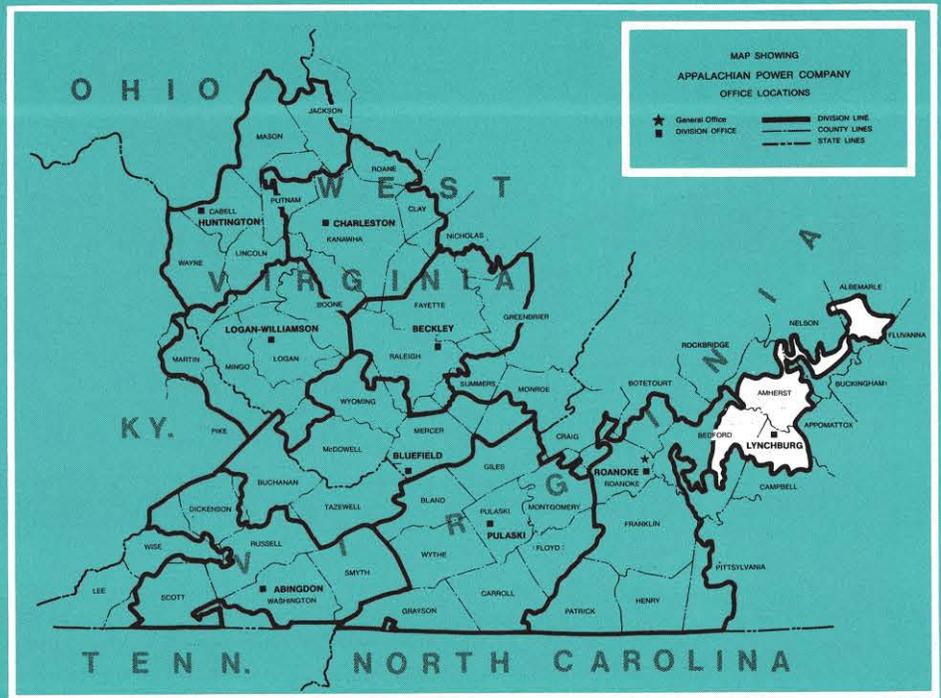


(Seventh in a series)

In 1720, Charles Lynch ran away from his home in Ireland and boarded a ship bound for America. Following a common practice of the day, the 15-year-old boy was apprenticed to Christopher Clarke of Louisa County, Virginia, who was a Quaker and wealthy tobacco planter. Lynch married Clarke's daughter, Sarah, and the couple moved to a farm just below the site of present day Lynchburg. Two of their sons, Charles, Jr., and John, were instrumental in the founding of the city.

The waters of the James River were the artery along which the economic growth of the region flowed for more than a century as well as the lifeblood of the developing city.

On the river's banks at the end of Ninth Street is a large white rock marking the spot where young John Lynch began operating a ferry across the river in



# LYNCHBURG DIVISION

1757. From this small but industrious endeavor a town grew up along the river banks and gradually inched its way up the seven hills.

Most of the early settlers in the area, including Lynch, were Quakers. They had a tremendous impact on the city during its early years. (Because the Quakers opposed slavery, most of them had left Lynchburg by the early 1830s and migrated to Ohio and Indiana.)

The 1780s was a period of growth for the settlement. The river provided a way for citizens and businesses to ship their produce and products to distant markets. Lynch applied to the Virginia General Assembly for a charter for the town that was developing on the hills overlooking the ferry site and in 1786 Lynchburg was born.

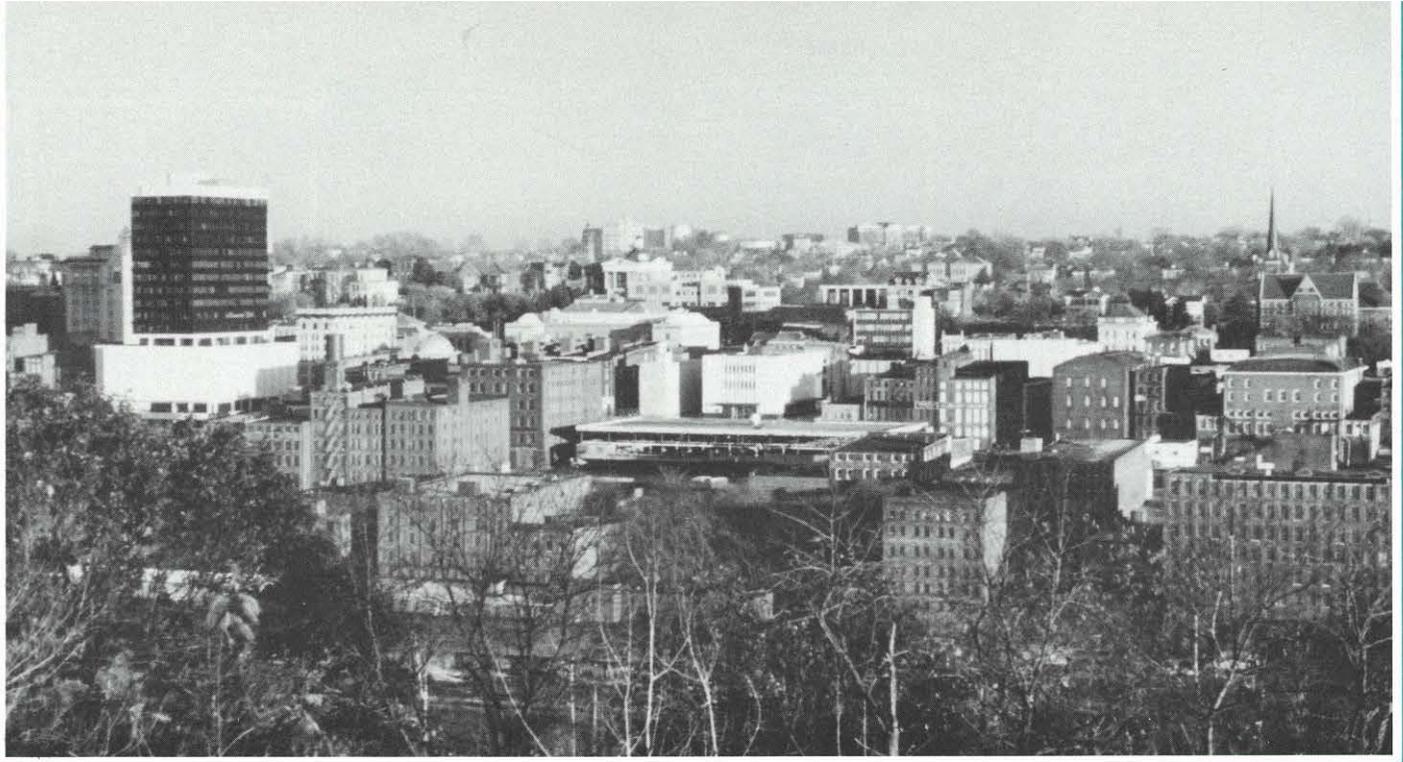
Opposite: Monument Terrace, in the center of downtown Lynchburg. From the "Listening Post" sculpture at the bottom of the 139-step staircase to the Confederate statue at the crest, the dedication and sacrifice of Lynchburg soldiers are gratefully acknowledged.

Right: The restored Quaker Meeting House, which was the house of worship for the Lynch family and many other early settlers.

Tobacco was the city's first big business and the most important product of those early years. It was grown, processed and auctioned there. By 1805, six warehouses dotted the river's edge, and

factories produced plug for chewing and scrapping for pipes. The young town also had several stores and taverns, a mill and a newspaper. Lynchburg was incorporated in 1805 and became a city in 1852.





People in the area were early concerned with a swifter mode of transportation than the river and attempted in 1831 to organize the Lynchburg and New River Railroad. The attempt failed because the State Legislature did not subscribe to the necessary two-fifths of stock. Nearly 20 years elapsed before their plans for the Virginia and Tennessee Railroad were realized.

Lynchburg's commercial growth began with the completion of the James River-Kanawha Canal to the city in 1840. The canal was planned originally to connect the East and West by the James, Kanawha and Ohio Rivers. The system was completed past Lynchburg, but the

dream was never to materialize. Long before the project was finished, it was outdated by the railroad network.

With the tobacco business booming and the city becoming a commercial center, Lynchburg was quite prosperous. In the decade before the Civil War, Lynchburg was one of the two wealthiest cities per capita in the United States and had a population of over 11,000.

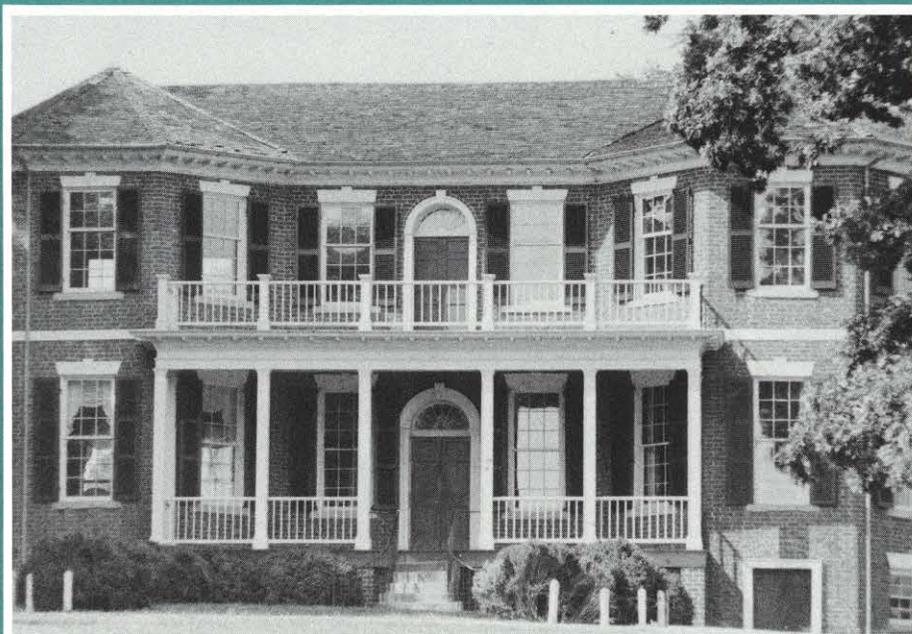
In 1852 gas was used for lighting houses, and gas posts were erected on Main and Church Streets. Residents at once agreed that the new lights were responsible for the town being "brilliantly lighted".

### Civil War

Though the city saw little action in the war's early years, Lynchburg responded to the call for arms and was a vital link for the Confederate Army. It was second only to Richmond as a supply center for ammunition. Every available hotel and tobacco plant was converted into a hospital. Three railroads and a canal passed through the city to bring supplies to the troops and transport wounded soldiers to the hospitals.

The primary action Lynchburg saw was in 1864. Union General David Hunter had organized his forces to push to Lynchburg and Charlottesville to destroy the railroads and canal. Confederate General Jubal Early's keen imagination saved the city. He ran empty train cars up and down one of the railroad tracks. The noise of the trains' constant passing convinced Hunter reinforcements were arriving for a major battle, and the Union forces retreated. The breastworks Early's troops built can still be seen at Fort Early.

Above: You won't see many of the smoke stacks traditionally associated with industry in Lynchburg's skyline, but a higher percentage of workers are involved in manufacturing here than in any other city in Virginia.



Left: Overlooking the James River is Point of Honor, named for duels fought on its lawns. Built by Dr. George Cabell, Sr., the personal physician of Patrick Henry, Point of Honor has been restored and is now a city museum. This mansion was home for a succession of influential men and women, including Mary Virginia Ellett Cabell, one of the founders of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

### Rebuilding

The end of the Civil War found Lynchburgers rebuilding. As an indication, in 1865 the Lynchburg Gaslight Company was furnishing light at six cents a burner a night, and one burner was "guaranteed to give more light than 10 candles."

In 1881 the Atlantic, Mississippi and Ohio Railroad was sold, reorganized and called the Norfolk and Western. A few years later, the N&W moved its offices and shops south to Roanoke, "a place just started". The Virginia and Tennessee Railroad became a part of the Norfolk and Western system.

The Piedmont Electric Illuminating Company, chartered in 1884, began furnishing the first electricity for power and light in 1889. To furnish electricity, a power-house was built at one of the old locks of the James River and Kanawha Canal

Company above the Southern Railway trestle. Ropes attached to water wheels drove two 75 kw, 110-volt DC generators. Load growth was slow because many citizens feared the "mysterious fluid which ran on wires".

Trolleys pulled by horses had been introduced to provide transportation within the growing city. In May 1891 the "electric car" was put into operation on the hills of Lynchburg and attracted much attention as crowds gathered along the route to see this new marvel.

The Rivermont Street Railway Company, incorporated by a group of local people in 1891, changed its name to the Lynchburg and Rivermont Street Railway Company the following year. John P. Pettyjohn, a prominent contractor, was president of the company, which obtained a legislative franchise to operate an elec-

tric light and power business in the city. In 1895 it entered into a contract with the city to furnish public and private lighting. In 1892, the Lynchburg Electric Company was organized by C. H. Harman of Charlottesville, who took over the Piedmont company in 1894 and the Lynchburg Street Railway Company, which had been operating the street cars for 10 years. A steam power house was built at Tenth and Jefferson Streets and contained three 75 kw, 500-volt D.C. generators for supplying the railway and two 40 kw, single phase, 1000-volt Westinghouse generators for supplying the lighting load. The company also operated a hydro plant just below the site of

Below: Lynchburg is world headquarters of General Electric's Mobile Communications Business Division and the location of one of its plants, which manufactures land mobile radio systems.





"One might say that you can have the best of all worlds in Central Virginia. The five major colleges in the area provide almost any kind of educational opportunity that a person could desire. The Lynchburg Fine Arts Center is a place for artistic expression unique for a city of Lynchburg's size. All sports and recreational facilities are available here. Lynchburg's downtown has enjoyed a rebirth in recent years with millions of dollars invested in buildings and public facilities."

In 1986, Lynchburg will celebrate her bicentennial — a time to reflect on her heritage and prepare for her future. □

### Statistics

(12/31/83)

Area served — sq. miles.....	1,086
Customers .....	56,597
Miles of line	
Transmission .....	367
Distribution .....	2,496
Employees .....	137
Annual Payroll .....	\$3.3 million

Left: Wintergreen, Central Virginia's premier ski resort.

Lavino Furnace, where it received its power from the James River Canal and the Reusens Dam.

Two independent street railway systems were operated until 1901 when R. D. Apperson and others consolidated all electric lighting and street railway business into the Rivermont Company, which soon became the Lynchburg Traction and Light Company. This company also acquired the gas system.

Reusens Hydro was constructed in 1904 at the Reusens Dam by the Lynchburg Traction and Light Company. The original plant contained two 750 kw, 13,000-volt GE rope-drive machines, the largest rope-drive machines in the world at that time. A 1,000 kw direct connected unit was added in 1913.

American Railways Company of Philadelphia, which later became American Gas & Electric Company, bought Lynchburg Traction and Light in 1910. Graham Claytor, who was superintendent of light and power for the Lynchburg company, went on to head AG&E.

When Appalachian Electric Power Company was formed in 1926, it acquired the railway, gas and electric business in Lynchburg. The company soon sold the railway and gas interests.

A 132,000-volt line was brought into Reusens in 1926 from Glen Lyn Plant, and a second circuit was added to the

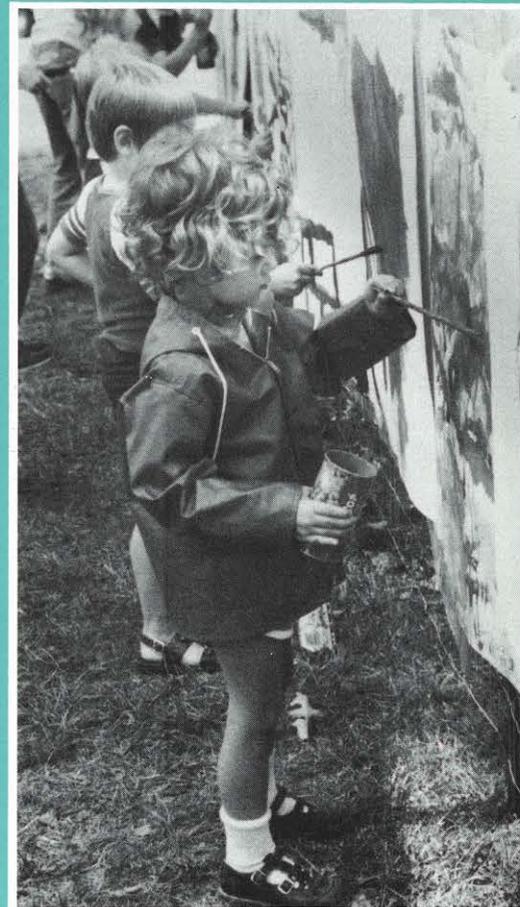
line from Roanoke to Reusens the following year. In 1926-27, a 44,000-volt line was extended 52 miles to Scottsville to serve a number of industries and small towns in that area. In 1930-31 the old Reusens Plant was completely rebuilt.

### Industrial Growth

The importance of tobacco to Lynchburg's economy had begun to decline in the late 1880s. Several forward thinking businessmen realized the city's strategic location and decided to capitalize on this, making Lynchburg a major distribution center for the state. Jobbing houses making clothes and shoes opened, and nearly any item one wanted to purchase was manufactured in Lynchburg.

The city has experienced steady growth during this century. Lynchburg Division Manager J. Robert Davenport says, "Lynchburg is the center of educational and cultural activities and manufacturing in Central Virginia. The area is highly industrialized with both manufacturing plants and high technology firms. Among the larger industries are General Electric Company, Babcock & Wilcox Company, Meredith/Burda, Inc., Craddock-Terry Shoe Corporation, Lynchburg Foundry Company, Limitorque Corporation and C. B. Fleet Company. The heavy industrial base complements the area's cultural and educational opportunities.

Below: Youngsters participate in "Day in the Park" activities during Lynchburg's Kaleidoscope Festival.



# I ♥ PIN TRADING



approximately 50 pins come out every year."

Tom says, "The pin everybody wants is a Secretariat pin, which came out the year that Secretariat won the triple crown. I don't have one yet, but I am working on it." He notes that pins run anywhere from \$1.00 to \$16.50 for a set of pistols. "It's hard to put a value on them. One of the older pins I have is going for as high as \$150 although you aren't supposed to sell them."

This year Tom got a set of pistol pins in San Francisco and had no trouble getting them through the x-ray machine at the airport there. "When I got to Charlotte," he laughs, "the airport attendant made me open up the package and told me I had to check my guns. I had to take them to the desk, where the pins were put in a bag and given to a flight attendant until we reached Roanoke."

Tom's son, Chad, has been interested in pin trading since the age of six, when he marched in the Lion parade in Atlanta, Georgia. He has a vest covered with pins which he wears to Lion events. Tom says, "Chad's school principal is in the Vinton Lions Club, and he asked Chad to bring his vest to school to show it to all the kids and teachers."

Tom concludes, "So far, I have been unable to locate another pin trader in Appalachian. If there is one, I'd like to hear from him." □

Elmer Fudd. Bugs Bunny, Wiley Coyote. Pac Man. Raggedy Ann and Andy. Pop-eye. Olive Oil. Sweet Pea. Stonewall Jackson. J.E.B. Stuart. These are but a few of the nearly 500 Lions Club pins that Tom Ruble, engineering technologist supervisor, GO T&D, Roanoke, has in his collection.

Tom relates, "Every Lion trades pins to a certain extent. Some of us get more involved than others. Trading is an ice breaker when you go to an international convention. There are 30,000 to 40,000 Lions from all over the world, and you can't speak each other's languages, but everybody knows how to trade pins."

He continues, "I joined the Lions about nine years ago, and picked up a few pins when I went to my first state convention. Most of my collection I have gotten at the international conventions during the past four years.

"Each club, district, multiple-district or

state can have a pin. Some of the district governors even come out with a pin of their own. You can tell the area a pin comes from by what is on it. For example, Virginia is confederate-oriented. Texas has boots, guns and hats. Wisconsin has milk, grain and dairy products, and Ohio has a set of presidents."

Tom adds, "Once you get to know people, you trade pins through the mail. I trade with people from Ohio and Texas. Sometimes the pins come in sets, and it takes a while to accumulate all of them."

He continues, "Virginia has a pin traders club, which meets twice a year just to trade pins rather than doing it at a state convention. The club finally has put together a list of every pin in the state—it took about two years. The list will have to be kept up-to-date, though, because

Tom Ruble places another Lions pin on his son Chad's vest.





"Happy Together" proved to be an appropriate theme for Kingsport's Fun Fest '84, an event sponsored annually by industrial and commercial firms of the Tri-City area.

Rainy weather ushered in this year's Fun Fest but did not dampen the spirits of those attending the Old-Fashioned Hoedown or the Miss Kingsport pageant on Friday, July 27.

At 12:01 A.M. on July 28, the "Midnight Road Race" got underway, with four Kingsport Power employees participating. Gary Williams, line mechanic A, completed the five-mile course in 32 minutes. Andy Hall, electrical engineer, ran it in 34 minutes; Bob Caldwell, station supervisor, in 38 minutes; and Rick Tunnell, drafter B, in 40 minutes.

One of the most popular annual events, the Crazy Boat Race, occurred on Saturday when boats of all shapes, sizes, and colors floated down the Holston River. The Shack-Out-Back Race, making its Fun Fest debut this year, proved to be a crowd-pleaser as "outhouses" competed for "The Best Little Outhouse in Kingsport".

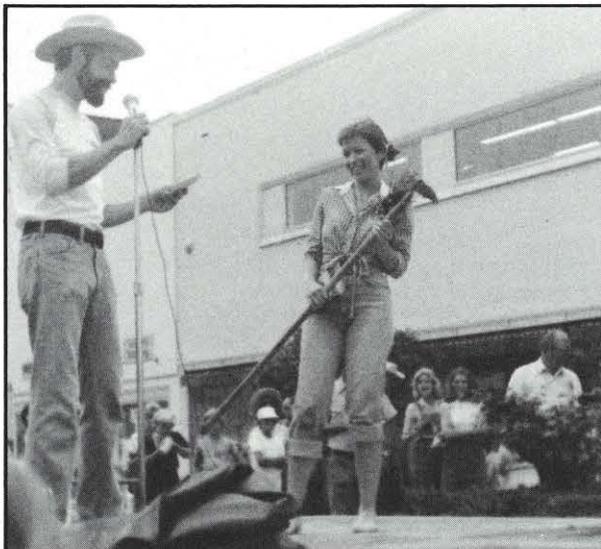
Sunday's highlight was a community picnic. Free hot dogs and drinks, team competitions, and entertainment

by local groups led up to a Dave and Sugar concert that evening.

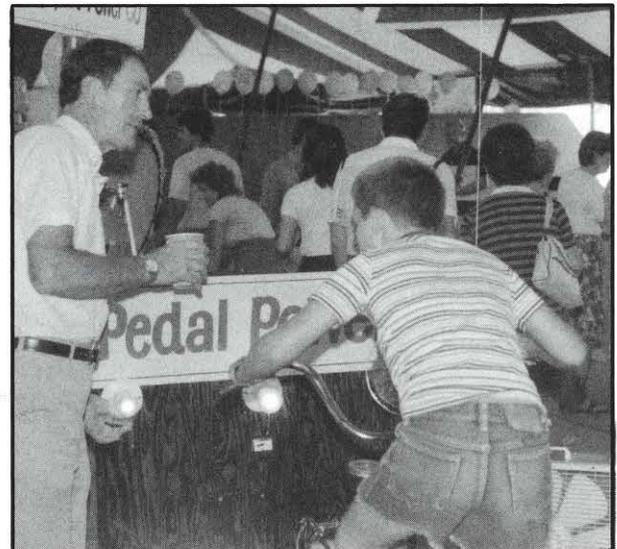
The following week's activities included dinner theatre performances, concerts for all ages, funshops, ice cream and sporting events.

Fun Fest '84 drew to a close on Friday and Saturday evenings with attractions surrounding the J. Fred Johnson Stadium area. During the Tent Event, Kingsport Power's exhibit drew lots of attention. It was a bicycle with a generator mounted on the front wheel. If the bicycle is pumped fast enough, the generator powers three light bulbs, a radio and an electric fan. A meter below tells when the rider is producing 100 watts of electricity. The average youngster powering the bicycle was able to generate 100 watts for about 10 seconds before tiring. The display also featured helium-filled balloons and an assortment of literature.

Hot air balloons filled the skies over Kingsport in the early morning hours on August 4 and again that evening as spectators filled the stadium for the "Happy Together '84 Tour" concert and a fireworks display. An added attraction this year was music electronically coordinated with the fireworks. □

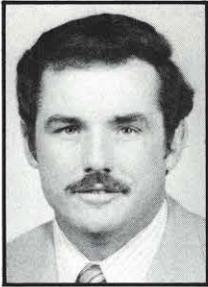


Carolyn Hubbard, customer accounts clerk C, was Kingsport Power's entrant in the Ms Hayseed Contest.

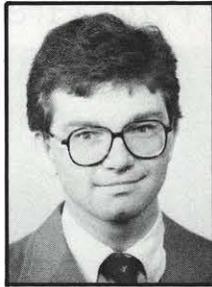


Marketing and Customer Services Director Carl Bacon, left, watches as a youngster pedals to "generate" electricity.

# Promotions



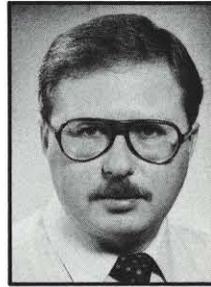
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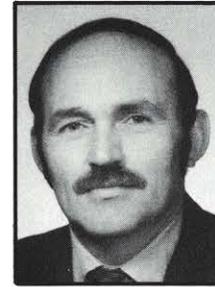
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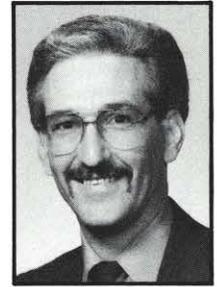
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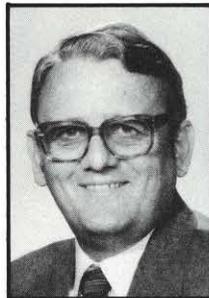
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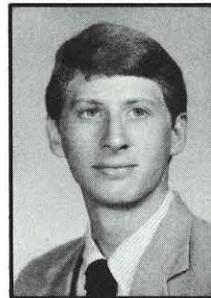
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**C. Michael Thacker**, administrative assistant to the president, GO Executive, Roanoke, was promoted to hydro staff engineer, GO Hydro, Roanoke, on August 1. Thacker holds a bachelor of science degree in civil engineering from Virginia Military Institute.

**William Bosta**, rate analyst, GO Rates & Contracts, Roanoke, was promoted to administrative assistant to the president, GO Executive, Roanoke, on August 1. Bosta holds a bachelor of arts degree in economics from Virginia Polytechnic Insti-



Ferguson



Kindrick

tute & State University and a masters degree in industrial management from Lynchburg College.

**Barry Lee Snodgrass**, energy services supervisor, was promoted to Charleston marketing and customer services manager on August 1. Snodgrass holds a bachelor of science degree in electrical engineering from Virginia Polytechnic Institute & State University and has attended the AEP Management Program at Ohio State University.

**William T. Bradford**, electrical engineer, was promoted to electrical engineer senior, Huntington, on April 1. He holds a bachelor of science degree in electrical engineering from the University of Kentucky.

**Kenneth E. O'Neal**, unit supervisor, was promoted to assistant shift operating engineer at John Amos Plant on May 1.

**William R. Camden**, unit supervisor, was promoted to assistant shift operating engineer at John Amos Plant on May 1.

**Jimmy L. Ferguson**, assistant shift operating engineer, was promoted to shift operating engineer at John Amos Plant on May 1.

**Gregory M. Kindrick**, forestry technician, GO T&D Forestry Control and Utilization, Charleston, was promoted to line construction and maintenance representative, Beckley, on July 1. Kindrick holds an associate in science degree in forestry technology from Glenville State College. □

## Siemiaczko named assistant manager at Kanawha River

Michael Siemiaczko, Jr., was promoted to assistant plant manager of Kanawha River Plant on September 1. He rises to the position from that of maintenance superintendent. Siemiaczko succeeds Earl Adkins, who elected early retirement June 1.



Siemiaczko holds a bachelor of science degree in mechanical engineering from the West Virginia Institute of Technology. He has also attended the American Electric Power System Management Program at Ohio State University.

Siemiaczko worked for General Electric Company, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, before joining Appalachian Power in 1970 as a performance engineer at Kanawha River. He was promoted to maintenance supervisor in 1974 and maintenance superintendent in 1982. □

## Probert named OCPM manager

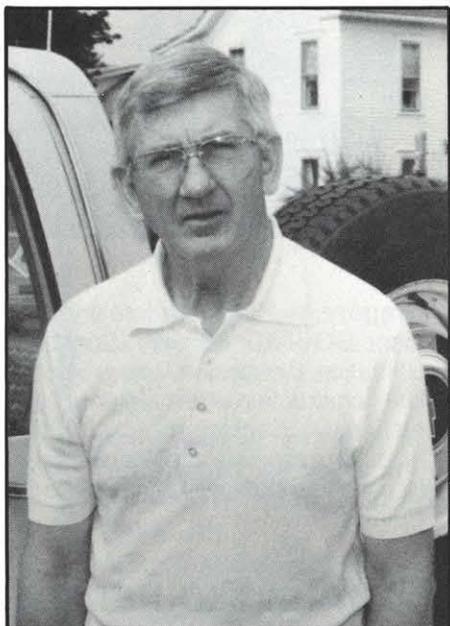
William J. Probert, assistant plant manager of Philip Sporn Plant, will become manager of Ohio Power Company's Ohio Centralized Plant Maintenance (OCPM) group on September 16. He succeeds Robert F. Albert, who has been appointed assistant plant manager of the Kammer-Mitchell Plant.

Probert is a mechanical engineering graduate of Ohio University and attended the American Electric Power System Management Program at the University of Michigan. He is a registered professional engineer in Ohio and West Virginia.

Probert joined Ohio Power in 1950 as a maintenance engineer at Tidd Plant and was maintenance foreman before going to Windsor Plant in 1962. He went to Kammer Plant in 1964, where he became maintenance supervisor. He was named assistant plant manager at Sporn in 1974. □

# Retirements

## Bill Myers



What began as a parttime summer job with Appalachian Power evolved into a 37-year career for Princeton Meter Reader Bill Myers, who retired September 1.

Bill joined the company as a laborer and had worked as a groundman before transferring to the Meter Department in 1952. Bill has no idea how many miles he traveled on his meter reading routes in Monroe, Summers and Mercer Counties, but he claims, "I wore out three trucks, four or five Broncos, two or three jeeps and a couple of automobiles."

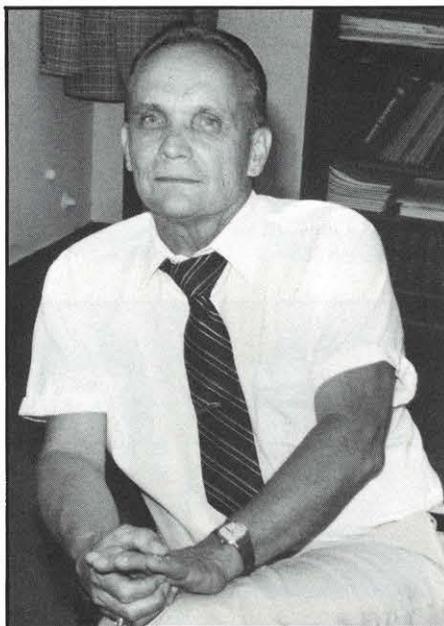
Bill adds, "Appalachian is a good company to work for, and you can't beat our benefit program. I have been on long term disability leave (LTD) for a while, and LTD has served me well.

"We have some fine people in the Bluefield Division, and I miss everybody. That's why I come down to the office once a week to see them. They look after me, and I appreciate them all."

Bill concludes. "At the present time, I am not sure about my retirement plans. We have two daughters in Alabama and one in Colorado, and we want to visit them. The daughters in Alabama want us to live permanently with them, but it's hard to tear up roots."

A deacon in Princeton's First Baptist Church, Bill does "right much church work in my spare time." □

## A. K. Miles



"I've only been retired a month," says former Bluefield Head T&D Clerk A. K. Miles, "but I really feel relaxed. I haven't felt this good since I was discharged from the Army."

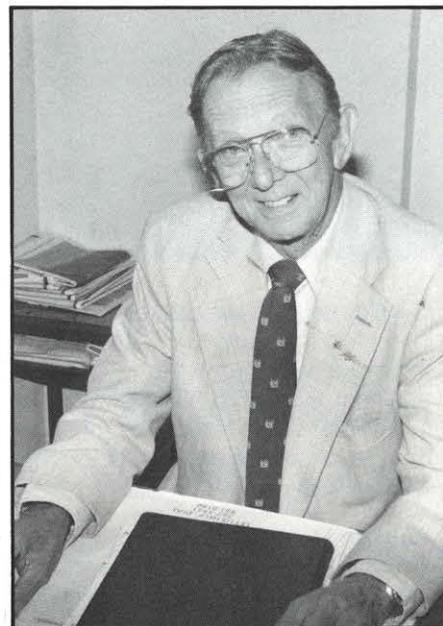
He continues, "The company was very good to me. I asked them for a job, they didn't ask me. That is why I have been a company person all these years. I hope to keep in touch with some of the people I worked with."

A. K. recalls that he was paid 88 cents an hour when he began work as a laborer in the Welch-Clinch Valley area in 1948. "I moved to Bluefield in 1964 when there was an opening in the Meter Department. We had over 250,000 meters from Pulaski, Abingdon and Bluefield Division to take care of."

A. K. continues, "People ask me what I am going to do, and I don't really know. Uncle Sam gave me quite a bit of traveling, and I haven't gotten over that yet. Maybe when my wife retires from Consolidation Coal we will make some plans.

"I am a garden and yard man, and I do enjoy that. I saved coins beginning in the 1940s until they stopped making the silver ones. I don't know how much I have in my collection because it's in a lockbox at the bank. That will be something good to get into on a rainy day this winter." □

## Paul Gress



"I am leaving with mixed emotions," confesses Paul Gress, Pulaski energy services technologist, who retired September 1. "I have had a wonderful career with this company. It is one of the best companies anywhere, and my fellow workers in this division have been like close family. It is somewhat sad to leave, but time has a way of catching up with you!"

Paul continues, "My wife and I have been formulating some retirement plans. We hope to travel later on but not now since I have a garden to harvest. We will travel in the United States, but sometime in the future I hope to see close relatives in Germany." Paul, who grew up in York, Pennsylvania, recalls that he never heard English spoken at home unless his mother didn't want him to understand. "I picked up English when I went to elementary school," he says.

A member of the First United Methodist Church in Pulaski, Paul is also high priest of the Royal Arch Chapter, Masons. He says, "Sports are my hobby. I have always been interested in Virginia Tech sports, and I'd like to get in on the promotion end of those."

He adds, "I haven't hunted for years, but I plan to do that as well as see if I can master that game of golf. I want to stay active. I can't just go home and sit down." □

## A. R. Vaught



A 37-year utility career came to a close September 1 with the early retirement of A. R. "Booby" Vaught, Roanoke line crew supervisor NE.

Booby says, "I have worked in the same department ever since I came to work in 1947. The work is a lot easier now than it used to be because of the diggers and bucket trucks. We have less men on a crew now, but, of course, we don't need as many men with modern equipment."

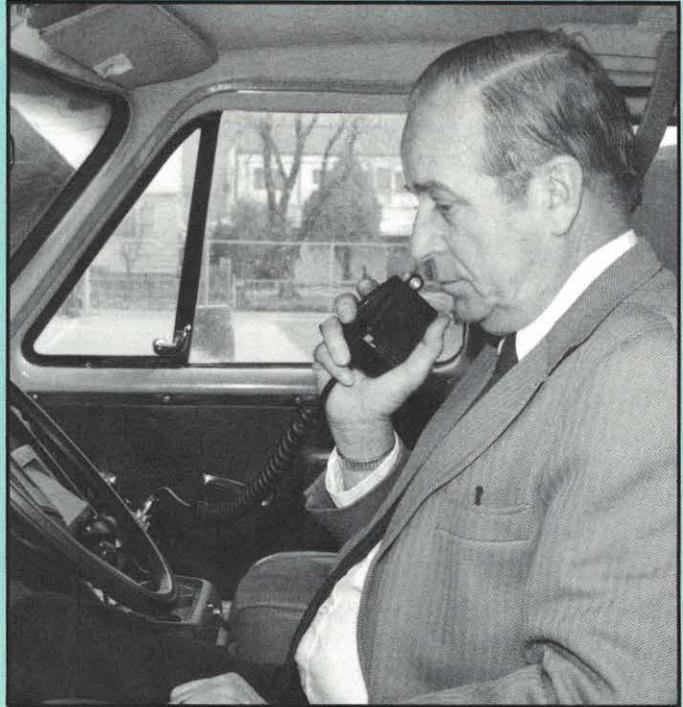
Booby is proud of the fact that he climbed poles for 25 years without a disabling injury. An encounter with yellow jackets spoiled an otherwise perfect safety record.

Booby says, "Appalachian is a good company to work for, and we have good employees to work with. The company has been good to me, and I appreciate it. Our benefit program is good, too. I just wish the savings plan had started earlier.

"I'm sure I will miss working, but I know I will enjoy retirement. We have people from Portland, Oregon, to Miami, Florida, so we are going to travel some. We'll take a couple of vacations a year, and next year I plan to have a garden."

A member of the Jehovah's Witnesses, Booby also plans on doing more church work in retirement. □

## W5LFL from Columbia



Charleston Records Supervisor Clyde Marshall has been a licensed amateur radio operator for twelve years, but it was only a few months ago that he received his first transmission from 'outer space'. The transmission was from Dr. Owen K. Garriott aboard the Space Shuttle Columbia.

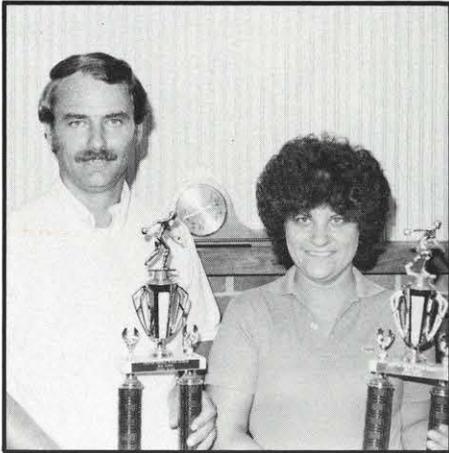
Clyde explains, "Dr. Garriott is an amateur operator and he took the first amateur radio in space to operate during his free time. He used a modified Motorola MX-300, 2-meter FM transceiver, hand-built by the Motorola Amateur Radio Club in Florida. His transmit power was 4.5 watts, about the same as a CB radio."

Clyde continues, "I was in my car both times I heard him. My first reception was December 4, 1983, about 8:30 A.M. while I was on Route 34 between Winfield and Scott Depot. Dr. Garriott's signal was readable but had a lot of noise, and I could not hear his location. The second reception was on December 6, 1983, at 5:25 P.M. while I was on Teays Valley Road, near Scott Depot. Columbia was starting down the Mississippi Valley, and Dr. Garriott said it was beautiful. This time the signal was loud and clear.

"I was using an Azden Model PCS-2000, 2 meter FM radio with an Avanti Model AP 151.36 antenna. Since I was mobile, I had no chance to tape the contact. I tried to call Dr. Garriott at various times, but apparently my signal wasn't good enough to get through," Clyde adds. "I sent in what we amateurs call a QSL card, stating the dates, times and frequency on which I listened to him. When the information I sent in was checked out and found to be right, the people handling QSL cards sent me a confirmation with Dr. Garriott's picture on it. The bureau handling these was the Amateur Radio Relay League, located in Connecticut, the largest amateur radio association in the world. As far as I know, there has been no confirmed two-way contact with any amateur in West Virginia." □

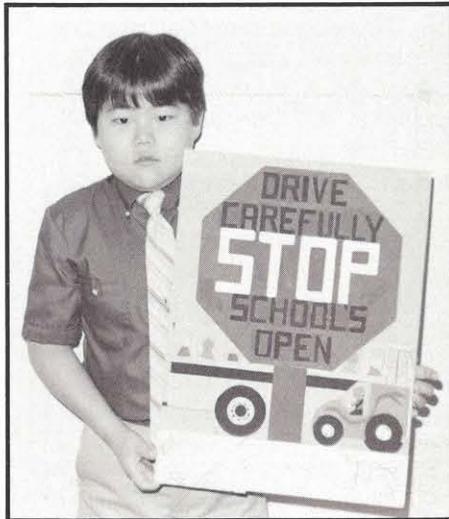
# Who's News

## Lynchburg



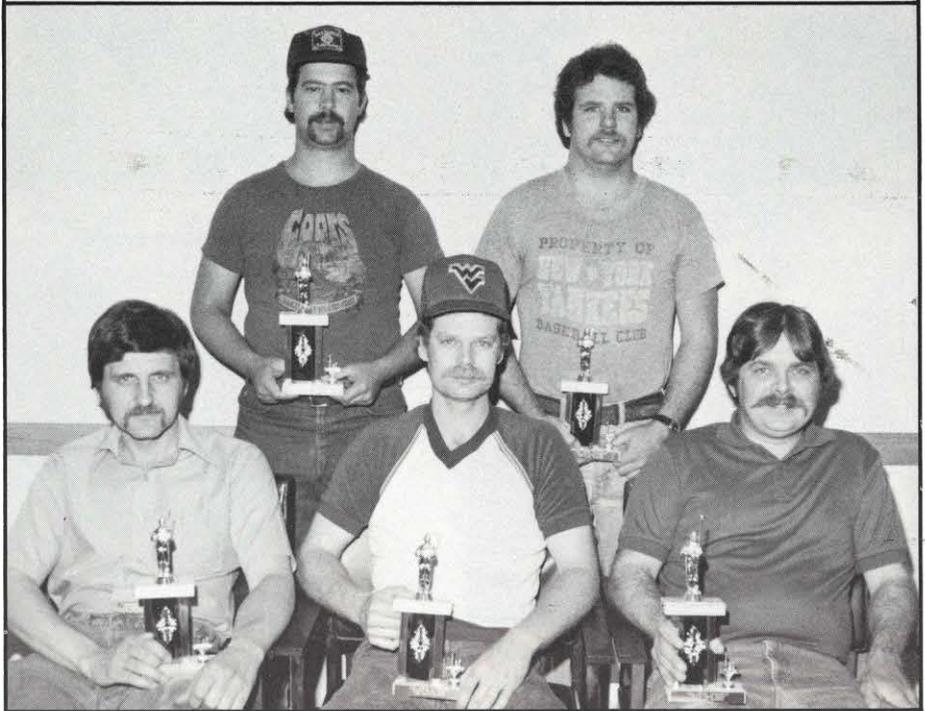
**Grady Blake**, stores and garage supervisor, and his wife **Vicki** were members of the College Hill Baptist Church bowling team which placed second in Lynchburg Mixed Church League for 1983-84. He also received an individual trophy for bowling a 222-pin game.

**April**, daughter of Larry Ring, stores attendant, was fourth runner-up in the junior division of the 1984 Miss Central Virginia Beauty pageant. The contest was sponsored by Campbell County and the Spindle Spinners of Lynchburg.



**Ronald**, son of Don Casey, garage supervisor nonexempt, received a merit citation certificate from the National School Traffic Safety Poster Program

## Fishing tourney winners



Philip Sporn Plant's second fishing tournament drew 48 entries, with winners in each of five categories determined by the length of their catches. The fish were caught in local streams, with appointed judges ruling over each entry. The winners are, seated, l. to r., Mike Hudnall, maintenance mechanic B, perch; John Halstead, auxiliary equipment operator, sauger; and Ray Sisk, tractor operator, crappie. Back row, l. to r., John Taylor, maintenance mechanic B, bass, and John Barton, auxiliary equipment operator, catfish.

and an honorable mention certificate from the Virginia School Traffic Safety Poster Contest for this poster he designed. He also received a school letter and a scholastic award for maintaining an "A" average during his four years at Monelison Junior High. □

## Pulaski

**Dan**, husband of Debbie Grubb, customer accounts representative C, was recognized as "key man of the year" by the Virginia Jaycees. He also was one of three individuals to receive the Gilbert W. Haith award for outstanding dedicated service. Dan served as state membership vice president this past year and led the state organization to the "Top Twelve" finish among the U.S. Jaycees Parade of



States competition. He attended the U.S. Jaycees National Convention in June to compete as one of the top state vice presidents in the nation. Dan will serve as chapter management vice president of the Pulaski County Jaycees for 1984-85.

**Debbie Grubb**, customer accounts representative C, received the Keglerette Bowling League's award for high scratch game (245) for the 1983-84 season. Debbie, who ended the season with a 157 average, was recognized as most improved bowler with a 9-pin increase.

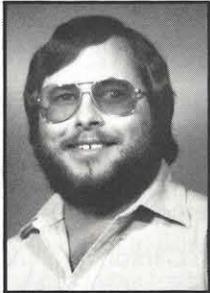
Division Manager **Jerry Whitehurst** hit a hole-in-one on the 17th hole of Thorn Spring Golf Club.

**Joe Weddle**, marketing and customer services supervisor, has been appointed to the Town of Pulaski Recreation Com-



mission. He is also vice president of the Claremont Elementary School Parent-Teacher organization and is serving a two-year term as director of the Pulaski Lions Club.

**Don Abernathy**, electrical engineer, was selected Jaycee of the year by the Pulaski County Jaycees. He is currently community development vice president of the local chapter. His wife, Val, is secretary of the Pulaski County Jaycee Women.



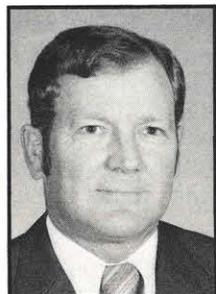
**Dorothy Beasley**, T&D clerk C, was selected as outstanding Jaycee woman of the year by the Pulaski County Jaycee Women. She is executive vice president of the local chapter.



**Shelly**, daughter of Frank Young, head T&D clerk, has been awarded a \$100 scholarship from the National Honor Society at Pulaski County High School. She was also named an Academic All-American by The National Secondary Education Council. She is a recent graduate of Pulaski County High.

**Carol**, wife of Wally Brockmeyer, line mechanic A, has been named branch manager of the Bank of Virginia Dublin office.

**Susan**, daughter of Warren Vaughan, personnel supervisor, and **Shelly**, daughter of Frank Young, head T&D clerk, have returned from a ten-day tour of England and France along with other members of their Pulaski County High School French class.



**Dan Tickle**, Hillsville area supervisor, has been elected president of Hillsville Rotary Club for 1984-85.

**Elizabeth**, daughter of Gleaves Shrader, meter supervisor nonexempt, won a first place award in the junior high category in the 1984 Sherwood Anderson Short Story Contest, Marion, Virginia.

**Jennifer**, daughter of Jim Blankenship, line crew supervisor nonexempt, was selected for inclusion in the 1984-85 edition of "Who's Who In Music."

**Fred Bennington**, retired Galax residential representative, was presented a plaque by the Independence Lions Club for 41 years' service to the club. Acting President John Crvich referred to Fred as "Mr. Lion in Grayson County", noting that Fred had given untold hours to club money-raising projects for the purchase of eyeglasses for disadvantaged persons.

**Martha Horne**, customer services advisor, was presented a "citation for outstanding service to 4-H" during Virginia's 34th 4-H Electric Congress in Richmond. The theme of this year's congress was "Electric Energy/A Dynamic Future."

**Shannon**, son of Bill Brewer, line construction and maintenance representative, was selected as carrier of the month for District One in July by *The Southwest Times* Circulation Department. He also won a \$100 gift certificate from Roses in a recent carrier contest.

**Chester Robinson**, Galax meter reader, won the annual tournament at Crestview Golf Club. He recorded an eagle on the par 5, #7 hole with a 60-yard wedge shot.

**Lee**, son of Buddy Smith, line construction and maintenance representative, has been promoted to Charleston division manager for United Parcel Service.

**Wally Brockmeyer**, line mechanic A, was among the fitness competition winners at Pulaski Nautilus Center during June.

The daughters of Stuart Gibson, Wytheville line mechanic A, received school honors recently. **Annette** was elected secretary of the Rho Chi Pharmacy Honor Society at the Medical College of Virginia. Rho Chi recognizes certain students who, at the end of their third year of pharmacy, have demonstrated outstanding scholastic excellence. **Annette**, a former AEP educational award winner, has been on the dean's list since entering the MCV School of Pharmacy. **Michele** has been notified that the

Admission Committee of Radford University's School of Nursing has recommended her for admission to the Upper Division in Nursing for the 1984 fall semester.

**Reeves Collins**, Hillsville meter reader, was elected chairman of the board of trustees of Mt. Olivet United Methodist Church, Galax. □

## Glen Lyn

For the second consecutive year, **Stewart Gillespie** won the Giles Country Club men's golf championship. He shot 75 the first day and 69 the next to win by one stroke. Earlier this year, Stewart tied the course record for nine holes. On the way to his score of 30, he had 6 birdies and 3 pars. Stewart is the son of Harvey Gillespie, plant performance superintendent.

**Diedra Atwood** participated in a two-week Summer Enrichment Program at the University of Virginia. The event is part of the Gifted/Talented Program and offers qualified students the chance to use university facilities and learn in a fun environment.



The daughter of Clayton Atwood, maintenance mechanic B, Diedra is a rising seventh grader. While attending the Narrows Elementary Annex, she has received two Olympiad medals in science and social studies, has won the school spelling bee contest, and is a member of the 4-H Club. She participates in basketball, softball, dancing, gymnastics, swimming and diving. □

## Kingsport

**Lisa**, daughter of Jack Hunt, line crew supervisor, was selected for inclusion in the 1983-84 edition of Who's Who Among American High School Students. She is a senior at South High.

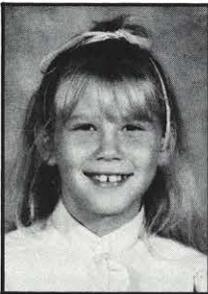
**Harold Gillenwater**, station mechanic A, has been appointed to the first aid committee of the Kingsport Chapter, American Red Cross. He is a certified Red Cross CPR and first aid instructor. □

## Philip Sporn

**Bridget**, daughter of Carl Swisher, utility operator, was named a 1984 United States National Award winner in band by the United States Achievement Academy. The Academy recognizes less than 10 percent of all American high school students. Bridget was also named to the all-area band.

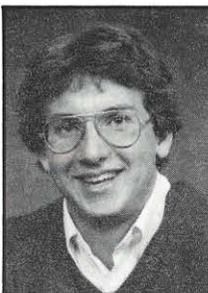


**Tiffany**, daughter of Alice Gardner, utility worker A, was the winner of the annual fourth grade poster contest sponsored by the Meigs County Soil and Water Conservation District. The theme of this year's contest was "Plants, Animals and Man, Sharing the Earth — An Ecology Story". Tiffany was first place winner at Chester Elementary School and co-champion for the Eastern Local School District. She received a trophy and blue ribbon. □



## Roanoke

**Glynn Loope**, representing the Virginia Jaycees, won third place in the national speak-up competition at Atlanta, Georgia. Previously he had won the district, regional and state competition. The son of Bill Loope, station crew supervisor NE, Glynn was selected to "Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges" and was elected president of the Student Government Association at Ferrum College for the 1984-85 school year. He was accepted for admission to the Harvard University summer programs for eight weeks, where he studied Chinese politics and foreign policy and Soviet foreign policy.



**Bill Loope**, station crew supervisor NE, received a Jaycee International Senatorship in recognition of his contributions to Jaycee and community activities. He is past president of the Botetourt Jaycees and past state vice president, Region XII, Virginia Jaycees.

**Lori**, daughter of J. E. Stanford, line mechanic A, was awarded a scholastic letter from Salem High School for having a 3.7 grade average. She also played basketball for Andrew Lewis Middle School and managed Salem High's



girls basketball team. For the second consecutive year, Power Engineer **Rob Glenn** has been selected as an "Outstanding Young Man of America". He was recognized for outstanding professional achievement, superior leadership ability and exceptional service to the community. Rob has also been elected to a one-year term on the board of directors of Junior Achievement of Roanoke Valley.

**Hugh** and **Kiki**, son and daughter of Nell Hughes, Fieldale customer representative, won several ribbons in the Ridge-way Lions Club Field Day competition. Hugh won first place in soccer kick, softball throw and 50-yard dash; second place in standing broad jump and running broad jump; and third place in softball toss. Kiki won first place in softball throw and 50-yard dash, and third place in standing broad jump, running broad jump, soccer kick and basketball throw. □

## Charleston

**Bob** and **Margaret Isner** were named "volunteer couple of the year" at the state conference of the West Virginia Division of the American Cancer Society. Margaret, a cancer patient, and Bob are members of the Kanawha County Unit's board of directors. They were the first volunteers trained in connection with Cansurmout, a new support program for cancer patients and their families. Bob is a retired engineering technician senior. □

## Abingdon

**Jim Hughes**, marketing and customer services manager, was named by the Washington County Chamber of Commerce to the local contact team of the Washington County Community Certification Program.

**Danny Plummer**, line mechanic A, has completed requirements for obtaining his private pilot instrument rating from the Federal Aviation Administration. This certification is required prior to a pilot flying an airplane by reference to instruments only.

Division Manager **Dan Carson, Jr.**, has been appointed to the general advisory "pulse" committee of the Virginia Highlands Community College Board. □

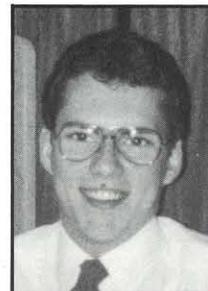
## Beckley

**O. J. Weldon**, engineering supervisor, was elected secretary-treasurer of the Appalachian Chapter, West Virginia Society of Professional Engineers.

While playing in the Walter Hagen American Cancer Society Golf Tournament, **Barry Graham** shot a course record 67 at the 6500-yard Grandview Country Club. His round consisted of 10 pars, 7 birdies and 1 double bogey. Barry is the son of Pete Graham, line mechanic A. □

## Huntington

Elder **John Paul Machir** recently participated in the bi-annual presentation of the American Choral Group in Asuncion, Paraguay. He was both soloist and pianist. The choral group is composed of U. S. Embassy workers and Paraguayan Ayundantes. The son of David Machir, Point Pleasant line crew supervisor NE, John is serving as a missionary for The Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints for 1½ years. His is a Spanish speaking mission with some Indian dialects. □



## Mountaineer

Jim Musgrave, personnel supervisor, was installed as president of the Point Pleasant Rotary Club. □

## Carter wins annual Roanoke golf tournament

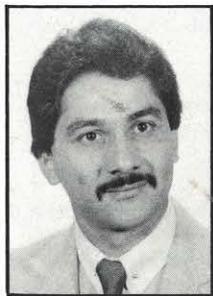
Fifty-two active and retired Roanoke Division and General Office employees competed in the annual golf tournament, held this year at Botetourt Country Club.

Winston Carter had a score of 73 to take first place in the championship flight with Ronnie Payne (75) as runner-up. Winners and runners-up, respectively, of the other flights were: 1st flight — Ron Jamison and Ron Hogan; 2nd flight — Ed Woody and Jay Divers; and 3rd flight — Rex Cassady and Larry Gearhart. Jack Kepner had the low score (82) for retired employees.

Heading up this year's golf committee was Calvin Sisson, who was assisted by Tim Earhart, Kim Wright, Ron Hogan and Don Howell. □

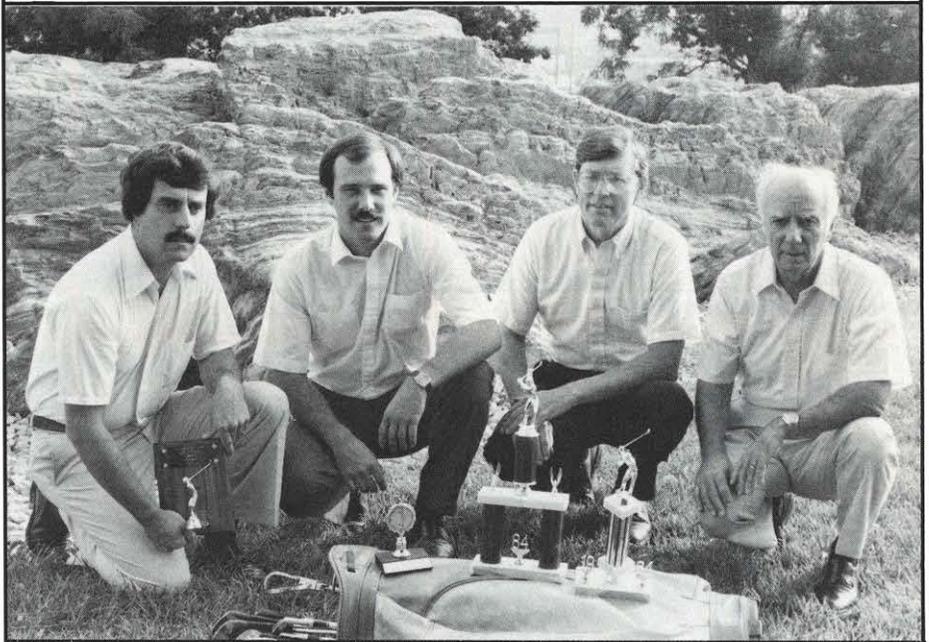
## Ahangardezfooli is loaned executive

Mohammad Ahangardezfooli, Charleston electrical engineer, is serving as a loaned executive to the United Way of Kanawha Valley during its annual fund-raising campaign.



Appalachian Power is one of several companies in the valley which are providing employees to work full time to assist in the campaign. Ahangardezfooli will assist in developing and conducting campaigns within the commerce and industry group. □

## Golf league winners



Making up the first-place team in Appalachian's Wednesday Evening Golf League are, l. to r., Frank Cook, Tim Earhart, Calvin Sisson and Ira Peters. Games were played at Roanoke's Countryside Golf Club. Cook walked away with four trophies: first place team for season, player of the year, hole-in-one, and captain's choice tournament winning team. The second-place team for the season was composed of Tom Abshire, Orville Napier, Frank Stiff and Leonard Thomas. The winning team for the captain's choice tournament was made up of Cook, Dick Reese, Chester Robison, Jr., and Calvin Sisson.

## Newcomers

### Abingdon

Mark Smith, line mechanic D, Lebanon. Virginia Humphrey, junior clerk.

### Bluefield

Cassandra Brooks, junior stenographer. Jeffrey Whittaker, automotive mechanic C.

### Central Machine Shop

David Shornak, supervising electrical engineer. Billy McGrew, machinist 3rd class.

### Clinch River

William Smith, performance engineer.

### General Office

Gary Woodford, engineering technician, GO T&D Station, Roanoke. Wayne Heninger, junior buyer, GO Purchasing, Roanoke. Aubrey Whitlow, Jr., communications engineer, GO T&D Communications, Huntington.

### Glen Lyn

Harold Dean Boggs, custodian.

### Huntington

Mark Booth, electrical engineer. Donald Ball, engineering technician.

### Mountaineer

Thomas Lumadue, performance engineer. L. A. Howell, coal handler.

### Pulaski

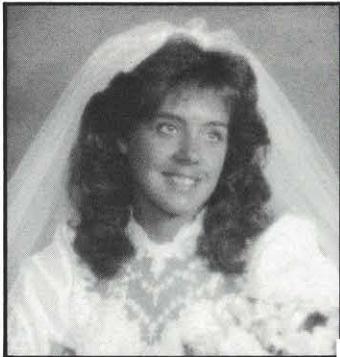
Leslie Hill, meter reader, Christiansburg. Gary Adkins, meter reader, Hillsville. Robert Kirby, engineering technician, Pearisburg. Mike Spence, engineering technician, Galax.

### Roanoke

Mary Ellen Hale, junior stenographer. Jennifer Aker, junior clerk, Rocky Mount. □

# Weddings

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Roberson-Webber



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Campbell-Bacchus



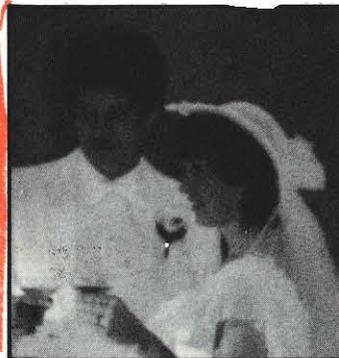
Riddle-Hill



Dawson-Nienke



Miller-Lett



Woolwine-Phillips



Puckett-Smothers

Becky V. Webber to **Dennis M. Rober-son**, reproduction machine operator, GO General Services, Roanoke, July 14.

**Brenda Jean White** to William Hamilton Sutherland, July 14. Brenda is the daughter of Benny White, Pulaski customer accounting supervisor nonexempt.

**Kimberly K. Caldwell**, Bluefield customer accounts representative C, to Thomas W. Helmandollar, June 22.

**Cheryl Ann Williams** to Howard E. Wilson, Jr., July 21. Cheryl Ann is the daughter of Dwight H. Williams, Beckley marketing and customer services representative.

**Velissia Annette Gibson** to Donald Wade Lephew, July 14. Annette is the daughter of Stuart D. Gibson, Wytheville line mechanic A, Pulaski Division.

Pamela Lynn Hill to **Marshall Stuart Riddle, Jr.**, Lynchburg station mechanic A, June 30.

Glenda Bradley to **Michael W. Arm-  
strong**, July 14. Michael is the son of James B. Armstrong, Kanawha River Plant maintenance mechanic A.

**Christi Ann Bacchus** to Carl Randell Campbell, August 12. Christi is the daughter of C. W. Bacchus, regional chief dispatcher, GO Operations, Abingdon.

**Patricia G. Nienke** to Mark J. Dawson, August 4. Patricia is the daughter of Francoise E. Nienke, John Amos Plant utility worker.

**Sharon L. Lett**, John Amos plant clerk A, to **Herbert S. Miller**, Rockport Plant maintenance supervisor, August 17.

Debra Kaye Phillips to **Terry Ray Woolwine**, June 30. Terry is the son of Don Woolwine, Pulaski line crew supervisor nonexempt.

Kim Smothers to **Roger Puckett**, Bluefield stores attendant, June 1.

Jennifer L. Matheny to **Roger W. Hal-  
stead**, John Amos Plant maintenance mechanic A, August 18.

Ann Gurney to **George Alan Thwaites, Jr.**, June 29. George is the son of George Thwaites, Glen Lyn Plant shift operating engineer.

**Sharon E. Reese**, payroll clerk A, GO Accounting, Roanoke, to **James E. McCallum**, data processing operator A, GO Accounting, Roanoke, August 10. □

## Births

### John Amos

Julie Christine, daughter of **John A. Miller**, maintenance mechanic C, July 25.

Janet Allison, daughter of **David E. Smith**, equipment operator C, July 19.

### Beckley

Lindsay Ruth, daughter of **Greg Shay**, engineering technician, August 5.

### Bluefield

Kalah JoBeth, daughter of **Vernon Crouch**, tracer, June 22.

Krista Leann, daughter of **Teresa Branham**, customer accounts representative C, July 28.

Bobby Alvin, Jr., son of **Sheila Rose**, senior telephone operator, Welch, August 7.

Nicole Marie, daughter of **Fran DeBellis**, electrical engineer senior, August 9.

### Central Machine Shop

Stephen Allen, II, son of **Debra Caldwell**, personnel clerk B, August 4.

### Charleston

Justin, son of **Robert Johnson**, engineering technician, July 29.

### Clinch River

Anthony Randall, son of **Randy Buckles**, maintenance mechanic B, July 24.

### General Office

Jenna Nicole, daughter of **James White**, station operator B, GO Operations, Danville, July 21.

Ian Phillip, son of **Phillip Camper**, civil engineer, GO T&D Civil Engineering, Roanoke, July 26.

Adam Tucker, son of **Tucker Holdren**, classification and accounts payable clerk C, GO Accounting, Roanoke, August 3.

### Glen Lyn

Benjamin Ross, son of **Norman Hollie**, utility worker B, August 1.

Nicholas Earl, son of **Theresa R. Bowles**, utility operator, July 9.

### Mountaineer

Holly Ann, daughter of **Carl Pettry**, stores attendant, July 31.

Jason, son of **Patrick Simpkins**, maintenance mechanic A, and **Pamela Simpkins**, plant clerk B, June 27

### Pulaski

Melissa Kay, daughter of **Ted Aaron**, electrical engineer, July 6. □

## Wed 50 years



Eugene and Nona Hall celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary August 4 with a reception hosted by their children and grandchildren at the Chelyan Nazarene Church, Chelyan, West Virginia. The Halls have two children and four grandchildren. Eugene is a retired shift operating engineer, Cabin Creek Plant.

# Service Anniversaries



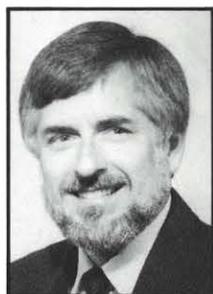
**Howard Basham**  
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GO-Roanoke  
45 years



**Robert Loudermilk**  
mk. & cus. serv. supv.  
Beckley  
35 years



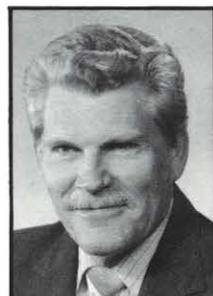
**Paul Keys**  
R/w agent  
Lynchburg  
25 years



**Billy Altice**  
eng. technician sr.  
Roanoke  
25 years



**Mary Campbell**  
secretary  
Lynchburg  
20 years



**John Morefield**  
eng. technologist  
Abingdon  
20 years



**Maurice Prillaman**  
station crew supv. NE  
Roanoke  
20 years



**Cecil Hill**  
eng. technician sr.  
Roanoke  
20 years

## Abingdon

15 years: **Paul Baker**, line mechanic A. **Darrell Lee**, line mechanic A. **Larry Leonard**, line mechanic A. **Robert McGlocklin, Jr.**, line mechanic A. **Marshall Hughes**, line crew supervisor. 10 years: **Ennis Fullen**, meter reader. **Daniel Plummer**, line mechanic A. **Johnny Vencill**, T&D clerk B. **Randy McCoy**, line mechanic A. 5 years: **Jesse Ashburn**, line mechanic B. **Danny Hensley**, meter reader. **Kent Lambert**, line mechanic A. **James Thomas**, meter reader. **Ryland Jennings**, line mechanic C.

## John Amos

15 years: **Dana Thompson**, maintenance supervisor. 10 years: **John Kirtley**, maintenance mechanic A. **Larry Goff**, maintenance mechanic A. **Stephen Raines**, maintenance mechanic B. **William Williams**, equipment operator B. 5 years: **Judy Hodge**, equipment operator C.

## Beckley

10 years: **Ed Tolbert**, area service restorer, Oak Hill. **Sam Winkfield**, line mechanic B, Rupert. 5 years: **Danny Windon**, line mechanic C, Rupert. **Mike Leftwich**, line mechanic C. **Butch Ellison**, meter electrician C.

## Bluefield

15 years: **David Hill**, engineering technician, Pineville. **John Rowan, Jr.**, line mechanic A, Tazewell. 10 years: **Steven Crumpton**, meter reader, Grundy. 5 years: **Richard Crigger**, line mechanic B, Welch.

## Central Machine Shop

10 years: **John Beane**, production supervisor. **John Burks**, welder 2nd class. **John Dunlap**, welder 1st class. 5 years: **Tom Waldorf**, stores/transportation supervisor.

## Centralized Plant Maintenance

5 years: **M. L. Anderson**, maintenance mechanic B. **C. A. Jeffries**, maintenance mechanic B. **G. R. Starcher**, maintenance mechanic B.

## Charleston

15 years: **Andy Faucett**, meter electrician A. 10 years: **Betty Haynes**, custodian. 5 years: **Dave Simmons**, line mechanic C. **Glen Sizemore**, meter reader, Montgomery. **Harold Ward**, line mechanic C.

## Clinch River

15 years: **Alvin Taylor, Jr.**, chief chemist. 10 years: **John Puckett, Jr.**, maintenance mechanic B. 5 years: **Ricky Holmes**, utility operator B. **Rickey Fogg**, utility operator B. **Claude Wilson, Jr.**, utility operator B. **Richard Gibson**, utility coal attendant.

## General Office

15 years: **Ronnie Linville**, transmission mechanic A, GO T&D Transmission, Charleston. **Eddie Lambert**, meter specialist, GO T&D Meter, Roanoke. **Judy Johnson**, secretary-stenographer B, GO T&D Transmission, Bluefield. **David Williams**, associate systems analyst, GO Accounting, Roanoke. 10 years: **Jean Shelton**, inserter operator and office supply clerk, GO

General Services, Roanoke. **William Stewart**, regional assistant chief operator, GO Operations, Bluefield. 5 years: **Kenneth Worsham**, maintenance mechanic C, GO Hydro, Smith Mountain. **Wil Newsome**, stores accounting clerk B, GO Accounting, Roanoke. **Dean Law**, engineering technician, GO T&D Station, Huntington. **Linda Gilbert**, classification and accounts payable clerk C, GO Accounting, Roanoke. **Jim Showalter**, electrical engineer senior, GO T&D Engineering, Roanoke. **William Lowe, Jr.**, electrical engineer, GO T&D Station, Bluefield. **Shirley Walton**, transmission clerk C, GO T&D Transmission, Bluefield. **Lloyd Mikels, Jr.**, engineering technician, GO T&D Station, Bluefield. **Mike Chewing**, station operator C, GO Operations, Roanoke. **Carl Persing**, civil engineer-hydro, GO Hydro, Roanoke. **Gary Kazanjian**, video services coordinator, GO Public Affairs, Roanoke.

## Glen Lyn

5 years: **Donald Gerber**, auxiliary equipment operator.

## Huntington

15 years: **Eris Lambert**, area service restorer, Point Pleasant. 5 years: **Raymond Nibert**, custodian, Point Pleasant.

## Kanawha River

10 years: **Harold Fout**, custodian. 5 years: **R. D. Harless**, auxiliary equipment operator. **B. I. Wright**, auxiliary equipment operator. **T. R. Childers**, auxiliary equipment operator. **E. G. Bryant**, auxiliary equipment operator.

## Kingsport

10 years: **G. E. Land**, meter reader. 5 years: **Wilford Gaines, Jr.**, line mechanic B.

## Lynchburg

10 years: **James Mann**, custodian. **Darrell Bradley**, line mechanic A. **Brenda Bennett**, meter reader. **Jackie Giles, Jr.**, line mechanic A. 5 years: **Karen Holbrook**, customer accounts representative C. **Sue Arthur**, customer accounts representative C.

## Mountaineer

10 years: **Bruce Goodnite**, maintenance supervisor. **Carl Circle**, maintenance supervisor. 5 years: **Joe Donahoe**, control technician. **Jim Tate**, maintenance mechanic A. **John Schneider**, maintenance mechanic A. **Jim Wilson**, maintenance mechanic A. **Steve Ashley**, maintenance mechanic A. **Jim Amsbary**, utility worker. **Melvin Mullins**, maintenance mechanic A. **Terry Damm**, performance engineer senior. **Willy O'Neil**, maintenance mechanic A. **Ray Fields**, maintenance mechanic A. **Fred Brinker**, maintenance mechanic A. **Alfie Plants**, coal equipment operator. **Benny McKinney**, control technician. **Ed Roach**, control technician. **Bob Imboden**, maintenance mechanic B.

## Puiaski

15 years: **Mike Cox**, line mechanic A. **Bob Frazier**, line crew supervisor NE, Pearisburg. **Dude Gregory**, area service restorer, Christiansburg. **Andy Jackson**, customer accounts repre-

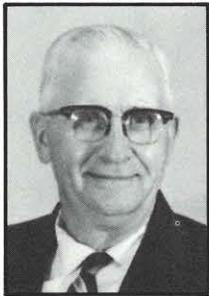
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# Friends We'll Miss

## Three employees earn PE status



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Rottgen



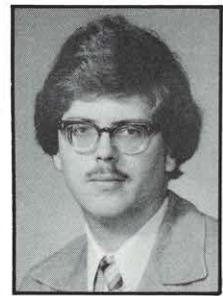
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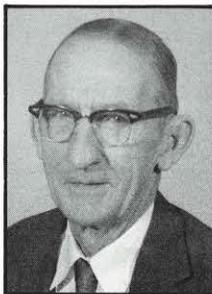
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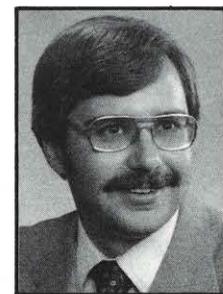
Rock



Riggins



Proffit



Talley

**Woodrow Ball**, 66, retired Kingsport truck driver-ground helper, died August 8. A native of Rogersville, Tennessee, he began his career in 1941 as a boiler operator at the Kingsport Utilities steam plant and retired February 1, 1983. Ball is survived by his widow Esther, 129 Crockett Drive, Kingsport, Tennessee; one son; one daughter and three grandchildren.

**Earl M. Rottgen**, 82, retired Philip Sporn Plant yard foreman, died July 25. A native of Tuckerville, Nebraska, he was employed in 1944 as a boiler operator A at Portsmouth, Ohio, and retired September 1, 1965. Rottgen is survived by two sons; three daughters; eighteen grandchildren; twenty-three great-grandchildren; and two sisters. His son, John is a maintenance supervisor at Sporn.

**Pauline Margaret Akers**, 84, retired Huntington proof clerk, died August 19. A native of Catlettsburg, Kentucky, she was employed in 1926 as a punch clerk and retired November 1, 1959.

**John James Keck**, 91, retired Logan Plant janitor, died August 22. A native of Myra, West Virginia, he was employed in 1942 as a laborer and retired May 1, 1958. Keck is survived by one son, five daughters, thirty-three grandchildren, fifty-four great-grandchildren and one great-great grandchild.

**Tom Proffit**, 86, retired hydro maintenance helper at Kanawha Valley Power Company's London Hydro, died August 27. A native of Franklin County, Virginia, he was employed in 1944 as a laborer at Cabin Creek Plant and retired February 1, 1963. Proffit is survived by his widow Myrtle, Route 1, Box 108, Hansford, West Virginia; one son, one daughter; three grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

**John William Howery**, 81, retired system transmission man A, GO T&D Transmission, Bluefield, died July 28. A native of Floyd County, Virginia, he began his career in 1941 as a lineman in Bluefield and retired July 1, 1957. Howery is survived by one son, two daughters, and six grandchildren. □

Three Appalachian Power employees have been certified as registered professional engineers in the Commonwealth of Virginia. They are Michael W. Rock, methods engineer, GO Executive; Roanoke; Michael D. Riggins, electrical engineer senior, GO T&D Station Design, Roanoke; and C. V. "Chuck" Talley, Marion area supervisor, Abingdon Division.

Rock holds a bachelor of science degree in mechanical engineering from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University. He began his career in 1978 as a performance engineer at John Amos Plant and transferred to Roanoke in his present position in 1981.

Riggins joined the company in 1979 as an electrical engineer and was promoted to electrical engineer senior earlier this year. He holds a bachelor of science degree in electrical engineering from the University of Kentucky.

Talley is an electrical engineering graduate of Virginia Polytechnic Institute & State University. He began his career in 1978 as an electrical engineer and was commercial engineer and energy services engineer before being promoted to his present position in 1982. □

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sentative B, Hillsville. **Porky Osborne**, line mechanic A, Christiansburg. **Barry Phillips**, line crew supervisor NE, Christiansburg. **Bill Phipps**, area service restorer, Galax. **Mute Wingate**, area service restorer, Galax. 5 years: **Jeff Worrell**, engineering technician. **Betty McClagherty**, T&D clerk C, Christiansburg.

### Roanoke

15 years: **Glenn Adams**, customer accounts representative A, NE. 10 years: **Kelvin Bradshaw**, station mechanic A-division, Fieldale. 5 years: **Curtis Thompson**, line mechanic C. **Wesley McMillian**, line mechanic B. **Louis Norton, III**, meter reader, Fieldale. **James Wheeler, Jr.**, station mechanic B, Fieldale. **Anthony Amos**, meter reader. **Benjamin Beagle, III**, engineering technician. **Ronald Jefferson**, line mechanic C, Fieldale. **Michael Price**, line mechanic C. **David Robertson**, automotive mechanic A. **Wanda Turner**, customer accounts representative C.

### Philip Sporn

10 years: **D. G. Edwards**, plant performance superintendent. 5 years: **R. R. Ohlinger**, auxiliary equipment operator. □

# More prizes offered in photo contest



In addition to the savings bond prizes announced in the August issue of The Illuminator, persons submitting the top six entries in The Illuminator "Christmas spirit" photo contest will also receive a Kodak 3100 disc camera outfit, courtesy of Eastman Kodak.

Color slides of Christmas scenes are preferable although good quality color prints are acceptable. Submit as many entries as you like, but be sure to wrap them carefully and

include the accompanying entry blank or a facsimile with each entry. All entries will be returned after judging.

The competition is open to active and retired employees, their spouses, and children living at home. All entries should be submitted to Betty Lou Carter, editor of publications, General Office Public Affairs, Roanoke, no later than October 15.

Winners will be determined by a panel of impartial judges, and their decisions will be final. Members of the General Office Public Affairs Department and professional photographers are ineligible for the competition.

## Photo Competition Entry Blank

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