

# AEP Announces Plans To Build First Nuclear Plant

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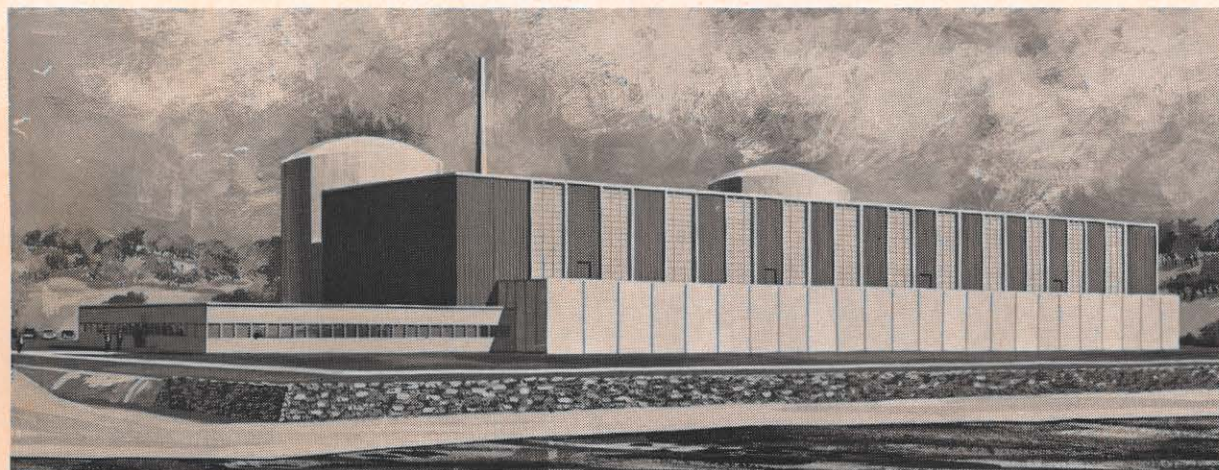
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An artist's rendition of AEP's first nuclear plant

### Company Starts Necessary Steps

## SEC Approves Acquisition Of MG&E

American Electric Power Company announced late last month that it will proceed at once with the necessary steps to effect the acquisition of Michigan Gas and Electric Company.

The announcement came in the wake of a decision by the Securities and Exchange Commission which approved AEP's proposal to acquire the Michigan utility.

Donald C. Cook, president of AEP and of our companies, said that he was pleased and gratified with the SEC decision and that AEP would take immediate steps to carry out the commission's order. The first step will be an invitation to MG&E shareholders to tender their common stock to AEP at the SEC-approved price of \$115 per share.

When sufficient shares have been tendered by AEP which, when coupled with a large block of shares now held by a third party, Michigan Gas Utilities Company, would constitute a majority of the outstanding MG&E stock, AEP would proceed to buy the MG&E shares held by MGU and the shares tendered. At that point, MG&E would then be a majority-owned operating subsidiary of AEP.

Eventually, under terms of the SEC order, the gas utility assets of MG&E are to be sold to Michigan Gas Utilities, while the electric utility assets of MG&E will be retained in the AEP System Mr. Cook said.

### Logan-Williamson First To Achieve Street Light Goal

Logan-Williamson is the first Appalachian division to achieve the company-wide goal of securing new ten-year street lighting contracts with both municipalities and private concerns throughout the entire division.

The objective was reached last month when the city of Logan signed its contract to replace the existing 350 incandescent lights with new mercury vapor units. Conversion of the Logan system is expected to be completed in December.

Logan-Williamson's accomplishment came about about one year ahead of the three-year goal set for all company divisions. Completion date for converting the company's entire street lighting system to mercury vapor units was set for June, 1968.

Huntington division, which reported signing of all municipalities in its area, still has one private concern's contract outstanding. So, at present, Logan-Williamson is the first, and only, Appalachian division with mercury vapor lights prevailing throughout its entire service area.

### Ohio Announces Options On Site For Future Plant

Ohio Power Company, sister American Electric Power System firm, announced last month that it has taken options on approximately 750 acres of land on the Ohio River near Cheshire, Ohio, for possible future development as the site of a large coal-burning generating plant.

The site is about midway between Gallipolis and Pomeroy, Ohio, on State Route 7.

A. N. Prentice, executive vice president of Ohio Power, said the size of the plant and construction schedule have not yet been determined. He also said that the company owns coal reserves in the area that should be adequate to provide fuel on an economical basis for a power plant in the 2.5-million-kilowatt range.

## Lake Michigan Shore Site Selected For 2.2-Million-Kw Project In I&M's Territory

Indiana & Michigan Electric Company on July 20 announced plans to build a major nuclear power plant at Bridgman, Mich.

The 2.2-million-kilowatt plant, expected to cost about \$300-million, will consist of two 1.1-million-kw generating units and will be the biggest of the Appalachian Electric Power System's 19 power stations, existing or projected. It will be built on a 650-acre site on the shore of Lake Michigan.

Donald C. Cook, president of AEP and of our companies, pointed out that construction was subject to licensing by the U. S. Atomic Energy Commission and that I&M would file for such a license in the near future.

He said that, while the new plant represents the AEP System's entry into the nuclear power field after 60 years of almost exclusive reliance upon coal-fired electric generation, system engineers have been actively and extensively engaged in nuclear research and development for the past 15 years. He explained that a large portion of the system is located in the heart of the nation's richest coal fields, providing it with low-cost fuel and thus delaying until now the point at which nuclear fuel might compete with coal on an economic basis at some location in its territory.

Mr. Cook said that present schedules call for operation of the first generating unit in 1972 and the second in 1973. Their completion, together with other generating units now under construction or projected for completion within the next six years, will raise the AEP System's total generating capability to about 16-million kw, doubling its capacity in just eight years.

The two nuclear reactors, which will be among the largest yet projected and the largest generating units of any type on the AEP System, will be furnished by Westinghouse Electric Corporation. Westinghouse won the contract for the reactors in three-way bidding announced last December; the other bidders were General Electric Company and The Babcock & Wilcox Company.

The turbine-generator for the first unit will be provided by General Electric. Manufacturer of the second one has not yet been decided.

The Westinghouse reactors will be of the pressurized water type, which has compiled an outstanding record of safety and reliability in commercial operation for the past 10 years. The original Shippingport (Pa.) atomic plant, which went into

operation in 1957, was the first of 36 such PWR units built, placed under construction or announced prior to today's AEP announcement.

The outstanding feature of the new AEP reactors is their proposed unique ice condenser reactor containment system—first in the world. Such a design has two principal advantages:

**SAFETY**—The ice condenser, a cold storage compartment surrounding the nuclear steam supply system, immediately and safely absorbs any heat released to the container interior, thus eliminating any prolonged rise in the pressure and, in turn, enhancing plant safety. With this system, an interior containment design pressure of 10 pounds per square inch is possible, contrasted to 47 p.s.i. for the conventional reactor.

**ESTHETICS**—Because of the features of the ice condenser system, the resulting low-profile silhouette will provide the most attractive structure in keeping with the surrounding topography of the site.

Mr. Cook explained that southwestern Michigan, a fast-growing area with an even faster-growing demand for electric power, was the ideal location for the AEP System's first venture in nuclear construction because it was the farthest point from the coal fields and thus the likeliest area in which nuclear energy could be competitive with conventional fuels. The Bridgman site, located near the utility's major load centers of Benton Harbor-St. Joseph, Michigan and South Bend-Elkhart, Indiana is some 200 to 400 miles from the major coal fields.

He said that analysis had shown

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## Thomas H. Sayre Elected Secretary Of AEP Groups

Thomas H. Sayre, vice president and chief counsel of the American Electric Power Service Corporation, has been elected secretary of that company, of Appalachian, Kentucky and Kingsport Power Companies, of the three other operating companies and all other subsidiaries of the American Electric Power System.

In these posts, Mr. Sayre succeeds W. J. Rose, who will continue as vice president and secretary of the parent American Electric Power Company.

Mr. Sayre was elected vice president and chief counsel of the Service Corporation in April. He had been assistant chief counsel since 1954. A veteran of 45 years with the AEP System, he had worked with Appalachian before joining the Service Corporation in 1936 as a legal clerk. He became one of the company's attorneys upon receiving his law degree from New York University in 1942.



Mr. Sayre



## Ground Broken At St. Albans

Taking part in groundbreaking services for Appalachian's new office and service building at St. Albans, West Virginia, were: (from left) Julian C. Hansbarger, Charleston division manager; G. K. Meadows, St. Albans vice-mayor; W. B. Cutlip, Kenhill Construc-

tion Company; C. M. Cunningham, city councilman-at-large and president of St. Albans Chamber of Commerce; Rex Pruden, ward councilman, and John Hill, co-owner of the construction firm. (Story on page 3.)



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## Coal And Nuclear Power: Compatible In AEP System

AEP's entry into the nuclear generating field, after being a front-runner in nuclear research for 15 years, marks another milestone in the history of the nation's largest investor-owned electric utility.

It's a milestone which introduces a new friend to the company's two long and compatible comrades—coal and water—and, a milestone indicative of the diversity and foresight required in the successful operation of an electric utility serving a seven-state area.

"Coal By Wire," which couldn't be a better description of electricity in our operating area, will continue to grow in meaning. For, Appalachian, Kentucky and Ohio, three of AEP's six operating companies, have the good fortune to be located in the midst of the nation's richest coal fields.

In Indiana & Michigan's territory, it's a different story. The company's nuclear plant will be located 200 to 400 miles from major coal fields. It doesn't take a financial wizard to realize cost of delivering coal that distance is going to be high. Choosing the more expensive alternate for generating electricity would not be fair to our stockholders, or to our customers, to whom we are dedicated to deliver the best electric service possible at the lowest possible price.

Although AEP has been a leader in nuclear research, our goal never was to be first to construct a nuclear generating plant. We were waiting for the right time and the right place. The Michigan site is the right place; now is the right time.

Any suggestion that AEP is forsaking coal for the nuclear field is unwarranted, to say the least. Coal is too integral a part of our operations, and the economy in Virginia, West Virginia, Kentucky and Ohio. It's rather obvious when you note the millions of dollars AEP is investing right now in coal-burning plants to meet our customers' growing demand for electricity, namely: construction of Appalachian's \$200-million 1.6-million-kw Mitchell Plant near Moundsville, West Virginia; Kentucky's 800,000-kw unit at Big Sandy plant; Ohio's 615,000-kw unit at Cardinal plant, or the announcement last month of acquisition of a site on the Ohio River for a future steam plant.

Mitchell plant alone will burn 4.4-million tons of coal per year. Right now, 96½ per cent of Appalachian's electricity is produced in coal-burning plants. Not including Mitchell, the company burns about 5.4-million tons of coal per year, making the company the largest user of coal in the area. This amount of coal is enough to keep 1,600 miners busy for a work year, and represents \$9.5-million in miners' wages—which doesn't include jobs created in relation to the coal industry, such as transportation.

Nuclear power—like our hydro-electric projects—supplements our basic coal burning steam plants.

Nuclear power is just a new member of a growing family.

### Electric Utility Future Rosy

Edison Electric Institute predicts that by the year 2000 the United States will be using 28 times as much total energy as it did in 1880, just before the electric utility industry was born. About half the energy used in 2000 will be converted to electricity.

To provide the country's energy needs for that year, the industry will have installed seven to eight times the power-producing capability it has today.

All this paints a rosy picture for our companies, and it shall be, as long as we continue to give first consideration to that most important person—the customer.

### Briefs Of Interest

## Developments In Our Industry

**REA DISCLOSURE RULES**—The Rural Electrification Administration has issued a set of rules under which it will disclose information as required under the new Freedom-of-Information law. Specifically exempted are loan applications and supporting data, information relating to a borrower's power requirements as well as its engineering, marketing and financial plans, proposed REA loans and other contracts, and reports of any investigation of an REA borrower's operations.

**DICKEY-LINCOLN FUNDS**—The House Appropriations Sub-committee on Public Works voted to appropriate \$1,676,000 for continued study of the Maine Dickey-Lincoln hydro project as requested by the Corps of Engineers. It is understood that a motion to disallow the request for additional funds was defeated by a tie vote. The full appropriations committee was expected to consider the measure.

**ACTING BPA HEAD NAMED**—Secretary of the Interior Udall has announced the appointment of Henry R. Richmond as acting administrator of the Bonneville Power Administration to replace David S. Black. Black was named recently under secretary of the Interior to succeed Charles F. Luce, Consolidated Edison's new chairman.

**NRECA REAFFIRMS OPPOSITION TO BANK BILL**—The board of directors of the NRECA has reaffirmed by a vote of 30-to-6 its opposition to H. R. 10190, the proposed REA bank bill that carries restrictions on 2 per cent loans for generation and transmission purposes. At the same time, the board set up a special committee to study "alternative approaches to supplemental financing." The bill, reported out by the House Agriculture Committee, now goes to the rules committee.

**TVA CONSTRUCTION BUDGET**—The Tennessee Valley Authority's construction program for the new fiscal year which began July 1 is expected to total more than \$200 million. Of this amount, \$164 million has been budgeted for continuing work on projects to increase capacity, including the Browns Ferry Nuclear Power Plant in Alabama and a third generating unit being added to Paradise Steam Plant in western Kentucky.

### 540-Mile Extra-High-Voltage Loop In Service Touching Five States

One of the largest electric power transmission loops in the world—a 540-mile circle encompassing parts of five states and involving six electric utilities, including Appalachian Power Company—is now in service.

Three investor-owned electric utility systems last month announced the closing of the extra-high-voltage transmission loop,

covering parts of Pennsylvania, Maryland, Virginia, West Virginia and Ohio. The 540-mile loop of 500,000-volt and 345,000-volt lines was closed when the newest section of the five-state circuit was put in service: a 74-mile, 500,000-volt line connecting the Fort Martin Plant near Morgantown, W. Va. and the Mount Storm Plant in Grant County, W. Va.

The utilities involved are: Appalachian Power and Ohio Power Companies of the American Electric Power System; Monongahela Power, Potomac Edison and West Penn Power Companies of the Allegheny Power System; and Virginia Electric and Power Company. The three systems together serve a population of 12-million in an area of 110,000 square miles covering parts of 10 states including, in addition to the five previously mentioned, Indiana, Kentucky, Michigan, North Carolina and Tennessee.

Joe P. Gills, executive vice president of Appalachian, said that the loop's closing will have three major benefits for the three power systems and their customers: to augment reliability of bulk power supply, to provide additional opportunities for economies of operation, and to improve mutual assistance in emergencies.

He pointed out that closing of the extra-high-voltage loop was significant in that it provides a two-way flow of bulk power to any major substation on the loop. Should an emergency occur at any point on the line, he explained, that section can be isolated and power dispatched around the loop to maintain service via other substations on the loop.

Mr. Gills said that planning for the several 500,000-volt interconnections provided in the loop concept began back in 1963. These lines and related terminal facilities were completed at a cost of \$31-million. Appalachian's portion is between Cloverdale substation near Roanoke, and Vepco's Dooks substation near Waynesboro, Virginia.

**TVA RAISES RATES**—TVA has announced a rate increase to bring in an additional \$27 million in revenues. The residential rate, on the average, will be an increase of 22 cents a month for small users and \$1.43 a month for large users. TVA and its 160 distributors are discussing how the rate schedules will be applied locally.

**WEST PENN REDUCES RATES**—West Penn Power Company announced reduction of rates of about \$1 million annually. Robert G. MacDonald, president, said that the reduction would affect 87 per cent of the residential customers.

**FLORIDA ADOPTS ANTIPOLLUTION LAWS**—The Florida legislature has passed a tough air and water pollution measure which sets up an antipollution agency empowered to fine a company or revoke its permit to operate if found guilty of violations. The agency, headed by the governor, has the power to issue injunctions in cases of pollution emergencies.

**DUQUESNE BUYS TOWN SYSTEM**—Duquesne Light Company announced the purchase of the power distribution system of Aspinwall, Pennsylvania for \$510,000. One of the factors which impressed the council was the residential rates would be reduced about \$1.70 a month for the 1,300 customers as a result of the sale.

**INTERCONNECTION IS ORDERED**—The FPC has ordered the Georgia Power Company to interconnect with the Crisp County Power Commission and has set a date to establish terms of the agreement. Crisp asked for the interconnection last December.

**ASKS RULE ON REA BANK BILL**—House Agriculture Committee Chairman William R. Poage (D-Tex.) has asked for a rule on H. R. 10190 in order to get it to the floor of the House. There is no immediate indication of when the Rules Committee will choose to act on the request.

**UNDERGROUND EHV STUDY APPROVED**—Westinghouse Electric and EEI have signed an agreement for a research study of high voltage underground lines. The study will be carried out 25 miles southeast of Pittsburgh and will test underground lines up to 1.1 million volts.

### Ohio, Appalachian Leading In AEP Safety Categories

With the year half over, Ohio Power Company continues to lead in the 1967 American Electric Power System Safety Competition. Appalachian is leading in the power plant division.

Figures through June 30 show Portsmouth, Zanesville, and Tiffin divisions leading in Group A, each with a safety performance of more than one million manhours since a disabling injury. Portsmouth's first place mark is 1,316,619.

Indiana & Michigan's Benton Harbor division is fourth, and Appalachian Power Company's Lynchburg division is fifth.

In Group B, covering power plants, Appalachian holds the top three spots. Cabin Creek leads with 1,356,773 manhours, followed by Radford Army Ammunition plant, and Glen Lyn. Fourth is I&M's Breed plant, followed by Ohio Power's Windsor plant.

Ohio Power and Appalachian dominate Group C, covering large department organizations. Ohio Power's general office is first with 649,611 manhours. Appalachian's general office accounting is second, Ohio's general office accounting is third.

### William J. Cooley, AEP Veteran, Dies

William J. Cooley, 33-year employee of the American Electric Power Service Corporation and head of its statistical department's accounting and financial section, died July 13 in a Queens, New York hospital after suffering a heart attack six days earlier. He was 50.

Mr. Cooley had joined AEP as a mail clerk in 1934, just after high school graduation, and had been a member of the statistical department for 30 years. He was named section head in 1963.

He is survived by his wife, Mary, and two daughters and three sons.



Dr. Folsom

"Dr. Folsom's resignation was received on July 11 and, while his wise counsel and thorough knowledge of the electric utility business will be greatly missed by American Electric Power, we fully understand and appreciate his desire to serve the people of New York State through the Governor's committee," Mr. Cook said.

Folsom had been an AEP director since 1964.



## St. Albans Office Building Construction Is Under Way

Ground was broken last month on Appalachian Power Company's new office and service building in St. Albans, West Virginia. Construction started immediately after.

The new building, to be located at 620 Sixth Avenue and which will serve the company's 19,000 customers in the St. Albans and Nitro area, will cost \$350,000. Kenhill Construction Company, of Charleston, is contractor.

Julian Hansbarger, Charleston division manager, said at the ceremonies, "The new building, designed for efficiency, will better

aid us in our continuing efforts to improve service to our customers."

The new facility, with 6,600 square feet of floor space, will house operations for the accounting, commercial and distribution departments. There also will be a materials storage area and a truck storage area. All operations in the present leased building at 103 Sixth Avenue will be moved to the new location.

The building will feature an 80-seat auditorium for employee and public use.

"For the customers' convenience," Mr. Hansbarger said, "there will be a drive-in cashier window." The sidewalks will be equipped with snow-melting cables and the total-electric building will be centrally heated and cooled.



Mr. Martin

## J. R. Martin Retires After Long Career

J. R. Martin, Lynchburg consultant, retired after 47 years of service in the Lynchburg division. He was first employed in 1920 as a clerk in the distribution department. He became distribution superintendent in 1929, line and station supervisor in 1953 and was named to his retiring position in 1965.

A member of the Timberlake Methodist Church, he also belonged to the Lynchburg Elks Lodge 321 and the Timberlake-Brooksville Lions Club.

He is married to the former Miss Mabel Hamilton of Bedford County. They have a daughter and four grandchildren.

Mr. Martin is affiliated with the Campbell County Utility Service Authority.

## Tipton Hatcher, Kingsport, Dies



Mr. Hatcher

Tipton Hatcher, retired Kingsport T&D clerk, died June 25 at the Holston Valley Community Hospital.

He retired in 1962 after 16 years of service.

A veteran of World War I, he was a member of the American Legion and the First Christian Church, which he served as an elder for nine years.

Survivors include his wife, Glenna, and one brother.

## Nine-Year Study Ends In Degree For J. R. Loving



Mr. Loving (left) accepts congratulations from D. C. Kennedy, Roanoke division manager.

J. R. Loving, Roanoke division meterman, received his electrical engineering degree from the ICS after nine years of study.

Mr. Loving studied under the company's Educational Assistance Program of which he said made the decision to start and to continue much easier. His study schedule totaled about 10 hours a week spread over two or three nights. In nine years, that adds up to 4500 hours.

During that period, he contributed several items to AEP's Operating Ideas magazine.

A native of Covington, Virginia, he graduated from Jefferson High School at Roanoke. He served in the Army in World War II on the island of Luzon in the Philippines for three years.

He is married and the father of two sons, Jimmy, 6, and Tod, 8. He is a four-gallon blood donor and a member of the Colonial Presbyterian Church.

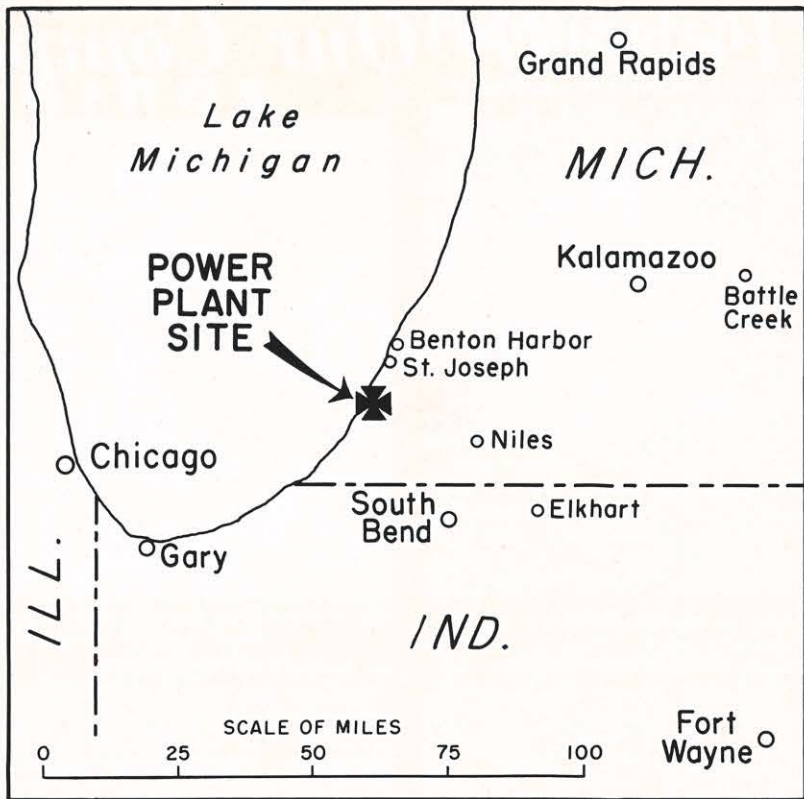
Mr. Loving received his 20-year pin from Appalachian in May of this year. All of his service has been in the meter department.

## Ditman Is Named To State Committee

William D. Ditman, right-of-way maintenance supervisor for Appalachian, was appointed to the Virginia General Resources Task Force of the Commission of the Industry of Agriculture. He will be serving on the land assessment study committee.

The commission was created by the 1962 session of the General Assembly and is composed of 15 members. Members represent all facets of the total industry of agriculture, including off-farm segments.

It is the responsibility of the commission to advise the governor on the industry and on a course of action that will promote its development and to counsel with persons, agencies, organizations and industries for its development.



Map shows location of nuclear plant

## Nuclear Plant Announced

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that it would be less costly to construct and operate a large nuclear plant at the Michigan location than a conventional steam-electric station, with fuel costs playing a large part in the decision.

To supply the fuel requirements of a conventional plant of the same size would have involved shipping about 6-million tons of coal a year from 200 to 400 miles. The expense of mining and moving this much coal would have resulted in a fuel cost at the Michigan site of about 25¢ per million British thermal units. But, to equal the energy cost of a nuclear plant of this size at the site, a delivered price for coal of only 21¢ to 22¢ per million Btu's would be required.

Thus, figuring on a conservative difference of 3¢ per million Btu's, the nuclear plant, producing an estimated 15.4-billion kilowatt-hours in a year, will save an estimated \$4.8 million annually over its coal competition.

The new plant, Mr. Cook said, will be tied in to the rest of the

AEP System via new 345,000-volt and 765,000-volt transmission lines to be constructed from Bridgman to the south. The latter lines will become an integral link in the AEP System's projected 765,000-volt transmission backbone announced last year: a 1,050-mile, \$200-million power delivery network that will be capable of shipping large blocks of electric energy to all points on the seven-state system.

Even as the nuclear licensing procedure is going forward, the AEP System simultaneously will be constructing almost 4-million kilowatts of conventional coal-fired generation at several locations elsewhere in its service territory: one 615,000-kw unit in Ohio, one 800,000-kw unit in Kentucky, two 800,000-kw units in West Virginia and another 800,000-kw unit at a site still to be determined. These are scheduled for operation during the period 1968-72.

President Cook told the press conference that, in his opinion, the AEP System was well staffed and thoroughly oriented in nuclear technology, being one of the first utilities to organize a nuclear engineering staff and to participate in advanced nuclear research and development. He cited his company's active participation in two such cooperative endeavors: Nuclear Power Group, formed in 1953, and East Central Nuclear Group, formed in 1957, with the latter today engaged in intensive studies of advanced reactor concepts.

"From the dawn of the nuclear age," he said, "there has never been a time when the company was not convinced that there was a great future in atomic power. We have said all along that, when the day arrived that nuclear power were to become economically competitive with power generated by conventional means in our part of the country, we would be ready to adopt and exploit its use for the benefit of our customers and our shareholders."

"In this particular part of the area we are privileged to serve, that day has now arrived."

## Glen Lyn Plant Retiree Claimed

Claude B. Wills, retired Glen Lyn plant employee, died July 1 in a Bluefield hospital. He was 83.

Retiring in 1949, he had resided at Peterstown all his life.

He is survived by his wife, five daughters, one son, one sister, one brother, 12 grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Burial was in Peterstown Cemetery.



Mr. Carson

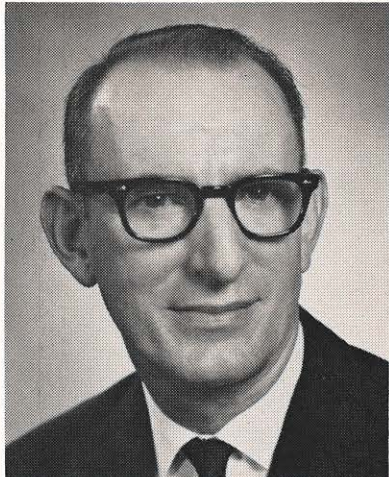
Robert Daniel Carson, 49, died July 1 at his home in Pulaski. He was division engineer at Pulaski.

A native of that city, he graduated from VPI in 1941 and was a veteran of World War II.

He served the company for 26 years.

Survivors include his wife, Peggy; a daughter Jane; a son, Robert D., and a sister, Mrs. Mary Carson Dunn, former company employee at Pulaski.

Burial was in Oakwood Cemetery.



Mr. Chapman

## C. N. Chapman, Of Huntington, Retires Early

Clifton N. (Chappie) Chapman, Huntington auto repairman-A, has taken early retirement due to health reasons. He served for 22 years.

Chappie, as he is known to fellow workers, plans to visit his family in Richmond, Virginia, and to do some fishing in Virginia lakes, including Smith Mountain Lake with Tom Watkins, Roanoke retiree.

Born in 1907 at Ona, West Virginia, he attended schools at Huntington. Before joining Appalachian, he worked for three other companies at Huntington as a garage man.

He joined the company in 1945 as an auto mechanic-B and was named auto repairman-A in 1953.

He recalled that when he used to get a call from a line crew that a truck was broken down, he would arm himself with ice cream and watermelon. He said he didn't have any trouble getting some help that way.

Chappie, who enjoys hunting and fishing as his hobby, is a member of the St. Peter's Episcopal Church.

He is the father of two daughters, Carolyn and Betty, and resides at Huntington.



Mr. Rusmisell

## D. M. Rusmisell Taken By Death

D. M. Rusmisell, retired Roanoke division employee, died July 13 at Rockingham, North Carolina. He was 68.

He retired in 1964 after 37 years of service. His company experience was varied and included pioneering in the field of electric heat promotion.

He was preceded in death by his wife and is survived by one stepson and a brother.

Burial was in Evergreen Cemetery, Roanoke.

## Emmett Adkins, Retiree, Claimed

Emmett H. Adkins, 86, died June 18 in a Huntington hospital. He retired in 1947 after 24 years of service at Huntington.

He had been residing with a niece, Mrs. Charles Bellamy, at Kenova, West Virginia. A daughter, Agnes Wright, also survives.



# A Page Of Our Companies' Brides



Mrs. Davidson

## Price-Davidson

Sandra Price became the bride of Jan Davidson on June 17 in the Bascom Methodist Church, Rupert, West Virginia. Mrs. Davidson is the daughter of Robert H. Price, line foreman, Beckley.



Mrs. Cahn

## Edgerton-Cahn

Kathleen Paxon Edgerton was married to Stephen H. Cahn on June 4 in the Wesley Methodist Church, Hopewell, Virginia. Mr. Cahn is an electrical engineer, Huntington.



Mrs. Brown

## Justice-Brown

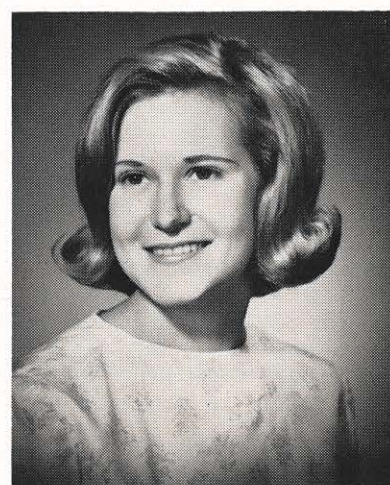
Sandra Sue Justice and Ronald H. Brown exchanged nuptial vows on July 7 at the Church of the Nazarene. Mr. Brown is a laborer at the Kanawha River plant.



Mrs. Wooldridge

## Minnich-Wooldridge

Sally Ann Minnich and Landon M. Wooldridge were married June 9 at Green Ridge Presbyterian Church. Mrs. Wooldridge is the daughter of Owen R. Minnich, general office T&D department, Roanoke.



Mrs. Lambert

## McClung-Lambert

Martha Hall McClung became the bride of Ty Henry Lambert of Tazewell, Virginia, in a July 29 ceremony at the Christ Episcopal Church, Roanoke. She is the daughter of W. A. McClung, Appalachian's public affairs director. Mr. Lambert is serving in the U. S. Air Force.



Mrs. Cyrus

## Wellman-Cyrus

Diana Lynn Wellman and Marvin Wayne Cyrus were united in marriage in a double ring ceremony at the Winston-Salem Baptist Church, North Carolina on June 21. Mrs. Cyrus is the daughter of James F. Wellman, assistant advertising supervisor in the public affairs department, Roanoke.



Mrs. Hubbard

## Robertson-Hubbard

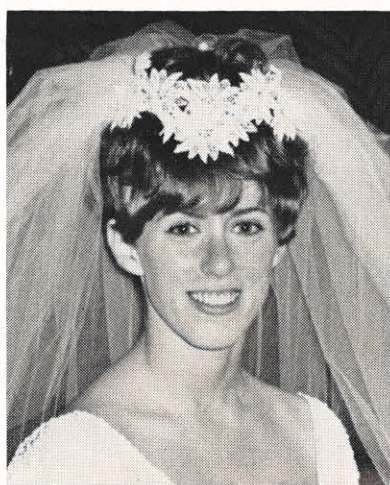
Rochelle Elaine Robertson became the bride of Henry H. Hubbard on June 24 in the West Lynchburg Baptist Church. Mrs. Hubbard is the daughter of Nelson Simpson, agricultural engineer, Lynchburg.



Mrs. Painter

## Allen-Painter

The Bancroft Church of God Mission was the setting of the May 5th wedding of Molly Allen and Kenneth L. Painter. Mrs. Painter is the daughter of Ralph B. Allen Sr., accounting department collector, Charleston.



Mrs. Mittelman

## Champe-Mittelman

Rebecca Louise Champe was married to Michael Joseph Mittelman on June 3 in a double ring ceremony at Charleston's Emmanuel Baptist Church. Mrs. Mittelman is the daughter of W. W. Champe, T&D general service man, Charleston.



Mrs. Herring

## Horen-Herring

June 24 was the wedding day of Janice Rosalind Horen and Richard Carrier Herring, who were married in a double ring ceremony performed at the Christ Evangelical Lutheran Church. Mrs. Herring is a clerk-stenographer in the general office accounting department, Roanoke.



Mrs. Bowers

## Ramey-Bowers

Elaine Ramey was married to Richard Bowers on June 18 in the Greek Orthodox Church. Mr. Bowers is the stepson of Lewis C. Jones, station man, Beckley.



Mrs. Gill

## South-Gill

Linda Sue South and Ronnie D. Gill were married on June 27. Mr. Gill is a station man helper, Abingdon.



Mrs. Guill

## Vest-Guill

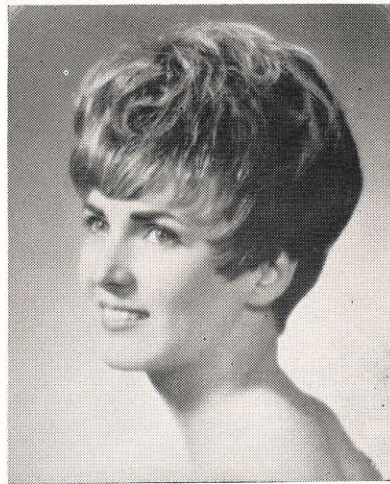
Shirley Sue Vest became the bride of George Michael Guill in a double ring ceremony performed at Calvary Memorial Baptist Church on July 16. Mrs. Guill is a forms and office supply clerk in the general office accounting department, Roanoke.



Mr. and Mrs. O'Dell

## Redden-O'Dell

Beatrice Louise Redden and Robert Ralph O'Dell were married on June 10 in the Glen White Missionary Baptist Church. Mr. O'Dell is employed as a station man helper, Beckley.



Mrs. Skeens

## Oakes-Skeens

Rosalie Oakes and Bill Skeens were married June 3 at the First Methodist Church, Williamson. Mrs. Skeens is a home sales representative, Logan.

## They're Engaged

OLA MARIE BROWNING to William Thomas Money Jr. Miss Browning is the daughter of Carlos Browning, material clerk, Huntington.

CYNTHIA ANNE WARREN to Chester D. Cook. Miss Warren is the daughter of Wayne E. Warren, head T&D clerk, Logan-Williamson.

ANN GORDON to Jimmie Morrisette. Miss Gordon is a cashier in the accounting section, Lynchburg.

## Conner-Bunn

Linda Louise Conner and Barrie Marshall Bunn were married on July 21 at the Enon Baptist Church. Mrs. Bunn is an employee in the general office accounting department, Roanoke.

## Huffman-Sink

Nancy Kay Huffman became the bride of Glenn Alan Sink on June 24 in the Oakland Baptist Church. Mrs. Sink is an employee in the general office accounting department, Roanoke.



## New Arrivals



### Abingdon Division

MR. AND MRS. ROBERT A. SHEFFEY JR., a son, William David, June 29. Mr. Sheffey is division engineer.

### Cabin Creek Plant

MR. AND MRS. LARRY E. MOORE, a daughter, Melissa Gail, July 5. Mr. Moore is a laborer.

### Kanawha River Plant

MR. AND MRS. LEWIS A. JOHNSON, a son, Charles Lewis, June 27. Mr. Johnson is a test engineering aide.

### Pikeville Division

MR. AND MRS. STAFFORD S. DAMRON, a son, Stafford Russell, June 30. Mr. Damron is a meter reader in the accounting department.

## Rowe-Sowards

Grace Kathryn Rowe and Jack D. Sowards exchanged nuptial vows on June 17. Mrs. Sowards is credit and collection clerk in the accounting department, Pikeville.

## Edelman-Mullins

Audra M. Edelman and Holley H. Mullins were united in marriage in a double ring ceremony at the Presbyterian Church, Winifrede, West Virginia, on June 2. Mrs. Mullins is a clerk-stenographer at the Cabin Creek plant.



## Pikeville

Larry R. McFaddin, draftsman in the engineering department, was drafted into the U. S. Army. His two-year military leave of absence began July 5. He started to work in the division on completion of a drafting course at Mayo Vocational School at Paintsville, in May.



Teresa

Mr. McFaddin

Teresa Bartley, daughter of Jerry Bartley, appliance serviceman in the commercial department, was winner of the Living Textbook essay contest sponsored by the Huntington (W. Va.) *Herald Dispatch* in its tri-state area. She is 12 years old and a seventh grader at Robinson Creek elementary school. She received a \$50 savings bond and a trip to Huntington as the guest of the newspaper.

Donald K. Belcher, son of Clyde Harmon, T&D department serviceman, line section, received an academic scholarship for his senior year at the University of Kentucky. He is in the engineering college.

Three ardent fishermen, H. H. Kincaid, division manager; R. H. Flynn, customer accounts supervisor, and Chester Smith, commercial and power sales representative, reported a great week of fishing in Canada. The three drove as far as they could then flew by bush plane into the wilderness. The plane left them and returned in a week.

## General Office

Mrs. Jewell Woolridge, secretarial stenographer to W. S. Kitchen, safety director, was elected president of the Roanoke Chapter of the National Secretaries Association. In 1966, she was honored by the chapter as "Secretary of the Year." One of her first official acts of office was to represent the Roanoke Chapter at the annual international convention at

Mrs. Woolridge

Toronto, Canada, last month. Approximately 1,400 members from around the world attended. Mrs. Woolridge has been extremely active in the organization, having served as secretary, first and second vice president and on various committees. She has been with Appalachian since 1951 and is a graduate of William Byrd high school at Vinton, where her daughter, Cathy, graduated in June.

Two employees were honored by the Roanoke Jaycees last month. Thomas A. Rothenberry, accountant, received the "key man" award for internal affairs. He is retiring vice president of the group. J. Emmett Blackwell, administrative assistant, received the president's cup for being the most helpful to the board. He is a past president of the Jaycees.

E. D. Sayers has returned to the T&D transmission section at Bluefield after a military leave of absence.

New T&D employees are: transmission section, R. T. Carbaugh, D. R. Dent, T. L. White (Bluefield), and L. C. Searles (St. Albans); distribution section: Lucy P. Drain and Lonnie H. Moran; station section: Irvin B. Smith, David Lee Reid and Thomas R. Holland; civil engineering section: Rodney W. Gentry, Michael H. Heptinstall, James H. Bradley, Winston S. Carter and Richard L. Childress. Stephen M. Hale is a new employee in the communication section.

Linda L. Conner is a new employee in the accounting department.

# Happenings Around The Circuit

## Bluefield

E. W. Linkous, assistant stores supervisor, received trophies for high series, 678, in the Bluefield City Bowling League and for high average in three Bluefield leagues, 186, 181 and 180.

Mrs. C. R. T. Ryan, wife of the service coordinator, was installing officer in the Newcomers Club. She was also elected garden club committee chairman.

Glenn B. Nash, lineman at Tazewell, had an article in AEP's Operating Ideas "Barrel Stores Hot Line Jumpers" which has been accepted by Electric Light & Power Magazine for publication.

Linda Jean, daughter of Grever C. Roach, truck driver-groundman, was selected by the Radford College faculty and students for listing in "Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities". She is a junior English major and a member of Pansophia Literary Society.

Danny W. Farley, son of Clyde L. Farley, Tazewell area supervisor, was one of 700 archers to vie for top honors at the National Field Archery Association's 22nd annual tournament in Jackson, Mississippi. He is an active member of the National Field Archery Association and the West Virginia Archery Association. He was in barebow competition.

L. W. Robinette, Power Engineer, was elected second vice commander of the American Legion Riley Vest Post 9.

Nancy Kidd, summer student and daughter of W. C. Kidd, division superintendent, portrayed the princess-contender, Anastasia in the Recognition Scene from that book. A recent graduate of Queen's College, she had played the same part before in high school. The playlet was performed before the Bluefield Quota Club and is available to civic groups and other organizations as a means of furthering public interest in the newly formed community theatrical group, The Summit Players.

## Cabin Creek

Harold H. Carrico, mechanical maintenance man, was elected a city councilman at Marmet, West Virginia.

James E. Pyles, turbine operator, and Wilbur N. Moss, boiler operator, were elected city councilmen at East Bank, West Virginia.

Claude Foster, husband of Dixie Foster, secretarial stenographer, was elected a city councilman at Chesapeake, West Virginia.

James E. Perdue, janitor, is a new employee.

## Clinch River

Employees turned to the stage recently when Sandra Arrington, B. C. Ferrell, Alfred Lambert and Mrs. Charlie Lowe were members of the cast presenting "Ma's New Husband", at the Cleveland high school auditorium. The three-act comedy received high ratings from "critics". Proceeds went to the Cleveland Scholarship Fund for worthy students.

## Glen Lyn Plant

The annual employees' picnic was held at the Narrows Recreational Park on June 24, with approximately 300 attending.

J. P. Montague, electrical engineer, was elected a director in the Greater Bluefield Jaycees.

Grady L. Parker, area supervisor, was elected a director in the Princeton United Fund.

W. J. Gillespie Jr., Bluefield division manager, was elected president of the Bluefield Area Development Corporation.

Alfred H. White, photo and reproduction man, received a certificate of appreciation from the Heart Fund in the 1967 Mercer County Campaign for outstanding service in advancing the heart program and stimulating public support.

New employees are: Myrtle Louise Hawks, Princeton accounting; James G. Williams, Switchback station and Thomas R. Martin, Switchback station.

## Welch

Brenda M. Sigmon, clerk typist, was elected secretary of the City Association of the Women's International Bowling Congress.

Janice Farmer, wife of Henry E. Farmer, Grundy meter serviceman, has been elected president of the Wesleyan Service Guild of the Grundy Methodist Church. The installation meeting was held at the home of Mary Brown, wife of Forrest C. Brown, T&D clerk.

Judith Dee Farley, daughter of Lonedra Rose, Pineville general clerk, was named to the dean's list at Marshall University for the spring semester.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard H. Ruff attended the Lions International Convention held in Chicago. He has served for two years as an International Director. Mr. Ruff is a power sales engineer in the Welch area.

Jack P. Allen Jr., lineman helper, is a new employee in the Welch line crew.

## Hazard

Four children of Hazard division employees took 16 awards at graduation time.

Teresa Combs, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Adrian Combs, was salutatorian and won six awards as follows: first English, DAR Good Citizen, debate, home economics, library, and an award for competing for four years in speech and debate on the state level.

Nell Rose Turner, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Billy Turner, won a special four-year Latin award; also awards for economics, sociology, library; and the W. W. Reeves scholarship.

Larry Hurt, son of Mr. and Mrs. Vernon Hurt, was a straight-A student and won awards for math and English; was voted "all around boy", and was a member of the all-state band and orchestra.

Alexa Ann Cornett, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Cornett, won a special scholarship of \$300 presented by the FHA.

Color slides were provided by our public affairs department which gave an over-all story of the uses of electricity in the city of Huntington and the way that the company delivers that service.

Two associated posters were placed beside the slide viewer, one, a copy of the advertisement used on New Year's Day, and the other, a pictorial story of how electricity is generated.

## Huntington

Mrs. Bessie Wilson, clerk-stenographer at Point Pleasant, was elected president of the West Virginia Gamma Chapter of Lambda Chi Omega Sorority. She assumed her duties last month, moving up from recording secretary. She is active in civic groups and is a member of the Trinity Methodist Church. She and her husband are the parents of a son, Patrick Andrew, who is a junior at Marshall University. She started with the company in 1957.



Mrs. Wilson

Linda Hall, 17-year-old daughter of O. C. Hall, Point Pleasant office manager, had the rare opportunity of sitting in the United States Senate gallery in Washington and witnessing the censure hearing of Senator Thomas Dodd. She was winner of a contest sponsored by Congressman Ken Heckler and spent a week at Washington.

Peggy Ann Templeton, daughter of Thomas R. Templeton, transportation department foreman, graduated with high honors from Chesapeake high school. She was salutatorian of her class, graduating with a cum laude with an average of 3.94. She was vice president of the National Honor Society, president of the Beta Club, treasurer of the senior class and a member of the pep club. She also was elected "student of the year" her senior year. She is enrolled in pre-pharmacy at Marshall University and expects to complete her education at Ohio State University.



Peggy Ann

Virginia C. Halstead, wife of W. Lester Halstead, meterman, was installed as worthy matron of Barbourville Chapter No. 95 of the Order of the Eastern Star at the Masonic Temple at Barbourville, West Virginia.

OH-KAN Wanderers, Point Pleasant chapter, was formed recently as a local chapter of the National Campers and Hikers Association. Active members of the Huntington division, Point Pleasant area and officers of the chapter include: Ken Morris, president; Jerry Jordan, secretary and Fred Nibert, treasurer. All are employees of the engineering department.

Lenzie J. Hedrick, area superintendent, Point Pleasant area, was named as a member of the Board of Directors, Rotary Club, for the coming year.

Rebecca Hensley, clerk-stenographer, is a new employee in the commercial department.

Linda Martin, daughter of Rose Martin, utility clerk, was graduated from Marshall University with a degree in elementary education. She was a member of Alpha Xi Delta Social Sorority, a member of an English honorary, and was listed on the dean's list a number of times during the past two years.

Sympathy is extended to J. A. Kovich, electrical engineer, on the death of his wife, Virginia, who died July 13, at a Huntington Hospital.

## Ashland

C. C. Darrah, division manager, was elected president of the Catlettsburg Rotary Club.

James Linkenauger, former departmental assistant in the system accounting department, graduated from the U. S. Army Infantry School at Ft. Benning, Georgia. He was commissioned a second lieutenant.

John Broughton, son of C. D. Broughton, supervisor of safety and employee relations, is one of 145 teenagers participating in the 32nd annual Stephen Collins Foster music camp at Eastern Kentucky University.

## Pulaski

John A. (Tony) Blair, son of R. J. Blair, sales supervisor, commercial department, is one of 12 VPI language students spending the summer abroad. The group will study German and the students will reside in German homes. Following the six-week study, they will spend four weeks, accompanied by German students, touring the country. Time also will be spent in other European countries. Students were selected on basis of grades in the language and other interests.



Tony

Mrs. Elrica S. Graham, wife of A. L. Graham Jr., commercial department, attending graduate school at Radford College, has been appointed an instructor of general science at the college.

Mrs. Mildred P. McCall, wife of Bruce B. McCall, commercial sales manager, was elected fine arts department district chairman for the Southwestern District of the Virginia Federation of Woman's Clubs.

J. C. Buckner attended the annual conference of the First Church of the Brethren at the University of Oregon campus as a delegate on the standing committee representing the southern district of Virginia.

Mrs. Gerolean Buckner, wife of J. C. Buckner, accounting department, is serving as manager of "Camp Bethel" this summer. It is the First Church of the Brethren camp for First and Southern Districts of Virginia. A new group attends each week and the camp can accommodate 125 persons.

## Abingdon

Mrs. Lorene Nester and Lovis Mitchell, home sales representatives, were named co-editors for the newsletter for Virginia Home Economists in Business.

Virginia Ellen Wood, daughter of George G. Wood, accounting supervisor, was awarded a three-year NDEA fellowship for graduate work in French at Bryn Mawr College in Pennsylvania. The National Defense Graduate Fellowship Program provides a full scholarship plus a stipend. She received her BA from Agnes Scott College in June. She was extremely active at college being president of the judicial council, member of mortar board and other campus groups.

New employees are C. R. Matney, transportation, and Linda Vanover, Clintwood accounting.

Rebecca Wagner, daughter of C. M. Wagner, sales manager, was named a representative from the Abingdon Methodist Church's MYF to attend the United Nations Seminar in New York City. All expenses for the trip were paid by the church. Rebecca won the right to go by preparing a theme explaining why she would like to visit the United Nations.

S. R. Moser, line foreman at Marion, completed the industrial safety course sponsored by the Department of Labor and Industry. The class included 20 hours of instruction.

(More personals on page 8)





## Here's To Jackson's Mill...

A visit to historical Jackson's Mill is a visit to the past. It also is a visit to present—and future—farm and home electric living.

Since 1921 when the West Virginia legislature established Jackson's Mill as the country's first state 4-H camp, it has been an example for other states to follow. Starting with a five-acre tract of land, the camp has grown to 523 acres. Today, records show that more than 18,000 people visit the facilities annually.

There are 14 dormitory cottages which were donated by various West Virginia counties. They can comfortably house 450 persons. The Mount Vernon dining hall will accommodate 500. A grist mill, dating back to pre-Civil War days, is about 250 feet from where General Stonewall Jackson's boyhood home once stood. Also on the camp site are a swimming pool, chapel and the West Virginia building, which was on

exhibit at the 1933 Chicago Exposition. The building was taken down piece by piece and reassembled at Jackson's Mill.

Only organized groups with educational purposes are eligible to use the camp's facilities. This includes 4-H boys and girls, farm women, farmers, ministers, church groups, cooperative associations and youth groups. Some hold annual meetings and training schools at the camp. Farm Bureau, Future Farmers and Future Homemakers hold state conventions. West Virginia's Dairy Cattle Show and Fall Livestock Roundup also are held at the camp.

To add to the educational facilities, electric utilities in the state agreed in 1940 to finance, as a group, construction of a Farm and Home Electrification Laboratory. Included were Appalachian Power Company and Wheeling Electric Company, both of the seven-state

American Electric Power System.

Responsibility of establishing policy and method of operation, including updating and upgrading equipment, was vested in the West Virginia Farm and Home Electrification Council. Several Appalachian employees have been and are active in council work and at the laboratory. A story of the more active ones appears on these pages.

Over the years, state utilities have invested approximately \$25,000 towards equipment and for renovation of an old building to house the laboratory.

The electrification laboratory, which is just that, is full of displays and exhibits available to groups for demonstrations. Within the building are five kitchens, three complete home laundry outfits, a modern home lighting laboratory and displays of modern appliances. In the basement

## Appalachian Employees Contribute Much To Council, Camp



Charles Ferguson explains operation of working model of home water system to vocational-agricultural students.



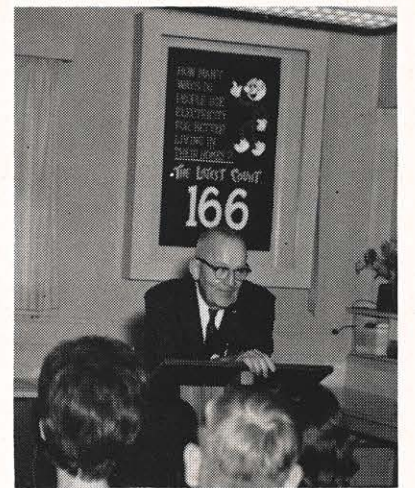
John Griffie points out electric circuitry and wiring to a senior high school group.



Sylbia Hinchman explains laundry equipment features to a group of Future Homemakers.



Joe E. Collins talks to touring youth group about the electric home heating display.



Guilford Smith lectures a youth group about the Farm & Home Electrification Laboratory.

Several Appalachian employees are extremely active in the West Virginia Farm and Home Electrification Council and in operation of the Farm and Home Electrification Laboratory at Jackson's Mill.

The ones more active at Jackson's Mill are featured below, but it should be remembered that our companies have numerous employees performing similar services in other areas.

**Charles Ferguson**, Huntington division residential and rural sales development representative, served three years on the council's conference planning committee, heading several committee functions. He has served as judge at state 4-H events at the laboratory and instructed Future Farmers and Future Homemakers in use of electricity in farm and home living. He has been involved in 4-H work for more than 17 years, including judging, leader training and camp planning. His home county won

the Westinghouse award for the best overall electric 4-H program in West Virginia in 1965 and 1966.

**John W. Griffie**, Charleston division residential and rural sales development representative, has taught 4-H classes at camps throughout central West Virginia. He has served on several council committees, including conference planning, safety, tourism, registration and attendance and the wiring committee, through which numerous fact sheets were developed for use in the state and Virginia. He also has served on the maintenance and operating committee of the laboratory.

**Sylbia Hinchman**, Charleston home sales representative senior, has been extremely active with the council's conference program planning committee, working with workshop groups on small and large appliances. She was chairman of a committee that produced a booklet

on proper applications of light for the home. She also helped design several folders on various lighting, appliance and safety subjects for youth groups. As a member of the committee on operations and maintenance of the laboratory, she designed the stage kitchen when it was rebuilt a few years ago. She also worked with the committee for designing the lighting room. Much of her time has been spent performing demonstrations for state-wide and local groups.

**Joe E. Collins**, company agricultural sales engineer, Roanoke general office, is one of two Appalachian employees who are official voting members of the council. He has served on the program planning committee several years, once as chairman. He also has helped rewrite the by-laws and constitution and served on several other council committees. It was his recommendation that led to establishment of specific youth committees

within the council, once each for 4-H, FFA and FHA. And, it was his suggestion that council present an electrification certificate to the winner in FFA, similar to the 4-H award.

**Guilford Smith**, Charleston division administrative assistant and the company's other voting member of the council, is a charter member of the 20-year-old organization as it is known today. He has served on the board of directors of the council for a total of 12 years. He served three years as secretary-treasurer, two as vice chairman, two as chairman and 20 on the maintenance and operating committee for the laboratory. He has served more than once on all major committees. For the past five years, he has been Appalachian's representative on the council's youth committee working with Future Farmers and also was the council's representative to the West Virginia Safety Council. He presently is

serving as secretary-treasurer of the council. A major portion of his time is spent with adult leaders of the youth groups. In 1963, he received a citation from the West Virginia Vocational Association in recognition of contributions toward advancement of vocational education in the state. He was the first person outside the education field to receive the award. In 1952 and 1953 he received honorary state degrees from the FFA and FHA.

**L. L. Koontz**, company residential and rural sales supervisor, Roanoke general office, played a major role in the formation of the council. He, and Mr. Smith, were charter members when the organization formed in 1946 from two previously separate groups. For years he was one of the official company representatives, being succeeded by Mr. Collins. Through the years he has made a major contribution to guidance of the council.



## and electric farm and home living

are a modern farm workshop, farm lighting display and an electric heat pump. Other displays include farm water system, home heating and wiring and miscellaneous farm equipment.

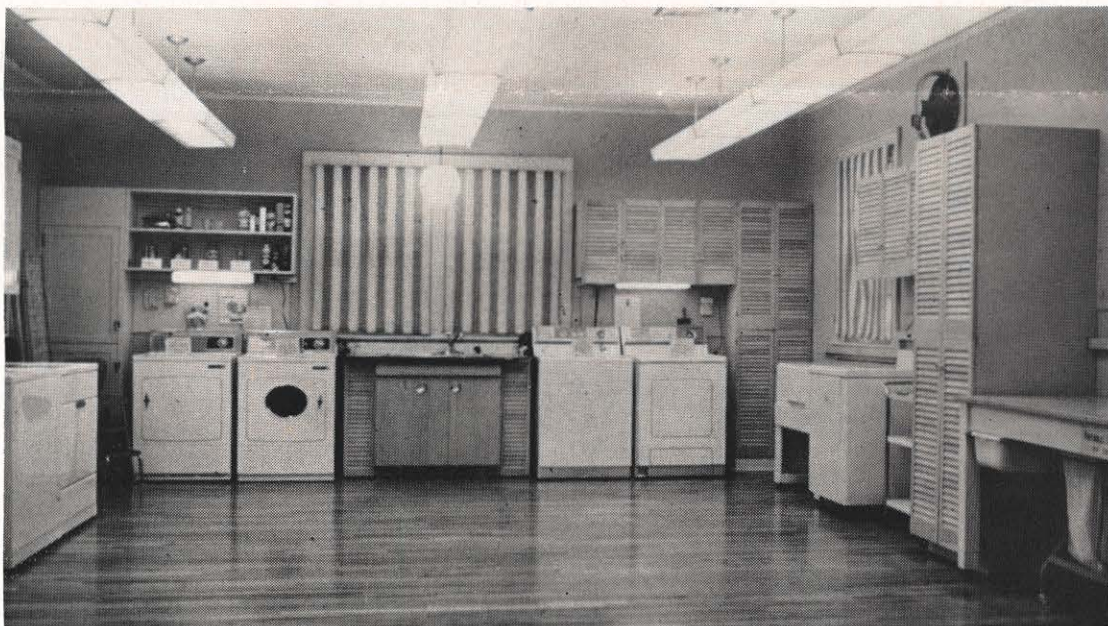
Since the laboratory was established in 1940 more than 363,000 persons have toured the building or participated in demonstrations.

About 35 per cent of the figure represents groups from Appalachian's service territory which corresponds with the fact that the company has about 35 per cent of the total meters in the state. More than 127,000 of the visitors came from Appalachian country.

Jackson's Mill is located in Monongahela Power Company's service area and the company is active in support of the laboratory and camp. Other participating utilities, besides Appalachian and Wheeling, are Potomac Light & Power Company and Virginia Electric and Power Company.



Stage kitchen emphasizes the most modern and economical electrical cooking and home equipment.



Home laundry is one of several display and demonstration facilities for groups to use.



One of the 4-H "tribes" is shown above performing a safety skit at the summer camp. The skit, featuring ghosts as traffic victims, is one of many educational programs presented by 4-H groups.

## A History, Folklore All Its Own

Jackson's Mill has a history and folklore all its own. It even has its own song, "Here's to Jackson's Mill," which fills the air each camping session.

The state camp established West Virginia as a leader in 4-H work in 1921. Since then it has inspired the state to maintain that leadership.

Nestled in the central portion of the state about four miles from Weston, today's camp spreads over 523 acres with broad green lawns shaded by huge native trees, forested hills and glens.

It was here, on the west fork of the Monongahela River that young Thomas Jonathan Jackson played, worked and

attended school. A constable at 17, he was appointed to West Point at 18. Beginning was the storied career that saw his bravery at First Manassas win him the title "Stonewall."

Jackson's Mill was the boyhood home of the man who was to ride Little Sorrel at the head of the Stonewall Brigade in a series of battles that won him acclaim as a military strategist. More important, it was here that his Christian character was molded.

Young Jackson went to live at his uncle's mill shortly after his father died. His uncle, Cummins Jackson, had both a grist and saw mill powered by the

waters of the West Fork. The "Old Mill" was part of the camp's original tract of five acres and today is a museum.

Stonewall's boyhood home was lost to fire before the camp was established, but a granite monument marks its location near the little log McWhorter Cabin. The cabin, a landmark at the Mill since 1927 was first built in 1793 at nearby Jane Lew.

It seems fitting that 4-H youths attending leadership-accented sessions at Jackson's Mill are doing so at the boyhood home of one of America's most famous leaders.



## Mrs. Jack Martin Receives Honors

Evelyn Martin, wife of Jack D. Martin, Pineville meter serviceman, recently was honored by the Beckley Newspaper Corporation as the Raleigh Register's "Outstanding Correspondent of the Year."

It was the most recent honor paid to the civic-minded woman. She was selected by the Woman's Club to represent Pineville in the 1965 edition of "Outstanding Young Women of America," and this year was named "Pineville's Citizen of the Year" by the local Jaycee Club. She is a member of the First Methodist Church and has held an office for the past eight years in the Woman's Society of Christian Service. She is serving her third consecutive term as president of the Parent-Teachers Association and is a charter member of the Past-Presidents of the Beta Sigma Phi Sorority.

In addition to these activities, she's kept plenty busy as the mother of three sons and three daughters.



Mrs. Martin

## Roanoke Retiree, H. K. Stone, Dies

H. K. Stone, 82, died June 1 in a Roanoke hospital after a short illness.

He was a retired Roanoke division meterman. He joined the company first in 1912 at Roanoke and had continuous service since 1925.

He was preceded in death by his wife and is survived by a son, Hal K., of Washington, and two sisters.

Burial was in Fairview Cemetery, Roanoke.

## Ernest Bailey, 57, Dies After Illness



Mr. Bailey

Ernest Bailey, 57, retired Williamson line foreman, died June 8 at his home in Williamson following an extended illness.

Joining the company in 1928, he retired in 1965 due to ill health.

A member of the Memorial Methodist Church and the Masonic Lodge, he is survived by his wife, Margaret.

Burial was in Memory Gardens Cemetery, Huddy, Kentucky.



Max Gordon

## Wounded Soldier Returns To Home

William Maxwell Gordon Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Gordon of Princeton, who was wounded while fighting with the U. S. Armed Forces in Viet Nam, has returned home. He spent two months in hospitals.

Max, a paratrooper with the 173rd Airborne, was wounded in the leg.

A 1965 graduate of Princeton high school, he joined the Army soon after graduation. His tour of duty in Viet Nam was completed in June.

His father is a meter serviceman at Princeton.

## Jessie C. Chase Dies At Roanoke



Mrs. Chase

Mrs. Jessie C. Chase, retired Roanoke commercial department employee, died June 29 at Roanoke after a lengthy illness. She was 69.

She joined the company in 1936 and also worked in accounting, managerial and payroll departments. She retired in 1963 after 27 years of service.

She was preceded in death by her husband, James, and is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Nancy C. Jerichow of Flushing, Michigan, and three sisters.

Burial was in Forest Lawn Cemetery at Norfolk.

## R. L. Kirk, Retiree At Logan, Dies After Long Illness

Roy L. Kirk, 70, died July 15 after a lingering illness. He had resided at Catlettsburg, Kentucky, for the past two years.

Mr. Kirk was employed at the Logan plant from January 15, 1935 until his retirement on October 1, 1959. He worked in the coal handling and maintenance departments.

He is survived by his wife, a son, a daughter and several grandchildren.

## Happenings Around Circuit

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### Logan-Williamson

Coonie Hager was elected second vice commander of the Gunther-McNeely-Nowland American Legion Post No. 19 at Logan.

Doug Blevins, son of R. D. Blevins, engineering, was a representative to Mountaineer Boys State at Jackson's Mill, West Virginia, a leadership and citizenship school for qualified junior high school students.

Merrill Atkinson, retired administrative assistant, attended the Kiwanis International convention at Houston, Texas.

Ohley L. Bennett, retired residential and rural development sales representative, recently visited the Logan office.

### Kingsport

C. S. Lingar was elected secretary of the Downtown Optimist Club. Jack Goodman is a new employee in the T&D department.

### Charleston

W. C. McMahan, Beckley area manager, was re-elected president of the Big Eight Development Association to a second consecutive term. He was elected at a meeting at Nicholas Memorial Park near Summersville. The Big Eight was formed in 1959 to assist the economic development of Raleigh, Fayette, Mercer, Summers, Greenbrier, Nicholas and Monroe counties. Mr. McMahan is very active in civic affairs at Beckley and the surrounding area. He is married and the father of four sons.



Mr. McMahan

New employees are: James R. Kidd, office messenger, and Susan L. Lewis, home sales representative, both at Charleston.

Diane Keatley, daughter of Kenneth K. Keatley, area serviceman at Beckley, was named auditor of the Board of Public Works at Rhododendron Girls State at Jackson's Mill. Diane was one of 18 Raleigh County representatives recently attending the 25th annual Girls' State. She will be a senior at Woodrow Wilson high school this fall where she serves as a cheerleader and is very active in all school clubs and activities.



Diane

Richard

Richard Elliott, son of Paul C. Elliott, lineman in the Oak Hill area, attended Camp Horse Shoe in Parsons, West Virginia as a representative of the Oak Hill Lions Club. Richard attends Collins High School where he is an honor student and serves as manager of the football team. He also serves as president of the District Methodist Youth Fellowship.

Mrs. James Browning was recently elected secretary of the Business and Professional Woman's Club in Beckley, her husband is an auto repairman in Beckley.

Alvin W. Bonds was recently appointed to the office of "Supreme Assistant Kings Guard" and his wife Virginia was appointed "Supreme Page" of the Judea Shrine No. 13, order of the White Shrine.

### Lynchburg

Robert L. Hatch, station and hydro supervisor, was elected president of the Lynchburg Lions (Downtown) Club. A 15-year member of the club, he has been active on various committees. He also is very active in church work as a member of the Holy Trinity Lutheran Church and is a member of Lynchburg Society of Engineers and Scientists. He joined the company in 1939 at Reusens Hydro plant. He is married and the father of two children.



Mr. Hatch

Mrs. Earle Pearson, home sales representative, was a judge in the annual state-wide 4-H Home Management contest at VPI. There were 1,200 4-H members from 98 Virginia counties competing.

Jane O. Middleton, clerk trainee, is a new commercial department employee.

Mrs. C. Raymond Daniel, personnel department secretary, was elected corresponding secretary of the newly formed ladies auxiliary of the Lynchburg Elks, No. 321.

### Roanoke

Fred Bowman, service coordinator of the commercial department, was elected to a three-year term on the Official Board of the First Virginia District of the Church of the Brethren. On the expiration of his one-year term as moderator recently he assumed his new duties. He has served on the board ten years previously and has been secretary of the church's Commission on Ministry for several years. He is a member of the Williamson Road Church of the Brethren where he is Sunday School superintendent, a deacon and trustee.

M. G. Covey, division meter supervisor, and J. R. Loving, meterman, attended the 36th annual Electric Meter School and Conference at Wilmington, North Carolina. The conference is jointly sponsored by Wilmington College and the University of North Carolina. The purpose is to help meter workers keep abreast of advanced meter procedures. Both men have attended previous conferences.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Hart (Lois), both company employees, returned to their respective jobs in the division T&D and general office right of way and real estate departments after their seventh trip abroad. The latest trip was a three-week visit to Russia, along with seven other "camera bugs". Lois shot still pictures, about 275, and Winnie took movies, about 2,000 feet. They develop their own film and Winnie already is booked for several club programs.

J. B. White, manager at Fieldale, returned to work after an absence of six weeks following surgery.

New employees are: Basil A. Smith, lineman helper, T&D department; Waverly Thornhill Jr., janitor, building service department; Robert W. English, lineman helper, T&D department; Leslie J. Browning, commercial sales engineer, commercial department; and Richard J. Street, electrical engineer, T&D department.

### Philip Sporn

Debbie Tennant, daughter of Carl L. Tennant, master maintenance man at Sporn, was named Miss 4th of July in the New Haven, West Virginia 4th of July celebration.

Charles P. Coughlin, utility man-B, is a new utility department employee.



Mr. Jones

## Walter H. Jones, Huntington, Dies

Walter H. Jones, retired Huntington division billing inspector, died June 17 at Orlando, Florida. He was 83.

He retired in 1949 after 43 years of service. All of his time was spent in accounting, auditing and billing. He helped organize centralized billing at Huntington.

He is survived by his wife, Cora, of the Florida home, and one son, Walter L., of Charlotte, North Carolina.



Mr. Hensley

## George Hensley, Lynchburg, Dies

George C. Hensley, retired Lynchburg employee, died July 7 after a long illness. A line foreman, he retired early in 1961 for health reasons after serving the company since 1933. He was 62.

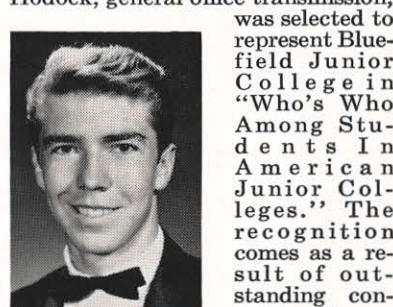
He was an active member of the Randolph Memorial Baptist Church.

Survivors include his wife, four stepsons, four stepdaughters and two brothers.

Burial was in Fort Hill Memorial Park.

## Son Of Employee Cited At College

Donald W. Hodock, son of G. J. Hodock, general office transmission,



Donald

was selected to represent Bluefield Junior College in "Who's Who Among Students In American Junior Colleges." The recognition comes as a result of outstanding contributions through scholarship, leadership, participation in educational and extracurricular activities, general citizenship and promise of future usefulness. Don is a sophomore at Bluefield College and plans to attend either Virginia Polytechnic Institute or Concord College next fall.



# Service Anniversaries Noted Across Our Companies

30  
Years



C. C. McClellan  
Kingsport



G. L. Staples  
Lynchburg



J. T. Hill  
Lynchburg



W. C. Gilmour  
Huntington



G. P. Chain  
Huntington



John W.  
Scholtens  
Ashland



J. B. Frier  
Abingdon



S. S. Snidow  
Roanoke



J. W. Engleby  
CO-T&D



C. A. Kidd  
Pulaski



A. E. Lemons  
Pulaski



Russell Muney  
Hazard



H. C. Mosley  
Charleston



A. R. White  
Glen Lyn



G. O. Watkins  
Charleston



D. D. Campbell  
Clinch River

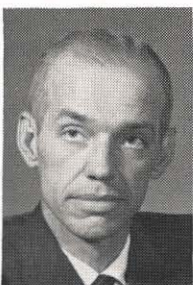


R. B. Bibb  
Ashland

25  
Years



W. S. Jones  
GO-T&D



M. C. Simpson  
Kingsport



G. M. Kelly  
Charleston



C. W. Jewell  
Huntington



W. H. Holley  
Huntington



E. C. Berry  
Huntington



P. F. Rairden  
Huntington



Freda Simmons  
Huntington



J. B.  
Bartholomew  
Huntington



Victor Coleman  
Pikeville



Jewell Ramsey  
GO-Accounting



Vonice Gish  
GO-Accounting



R. M. Cooper  
Bluefield



R. E. Slaydon  
Roanoke



G. N. Hairston  
Logan-  
Williamson



C. E. Elkins  
Logan-  
Williamson



M. E. Weikle  
Charleston



H. B. Boyd  
Pulaski



J. L. Marshall  
Pulaski

**SERVICE**  
These pins are awarded in recognition of years of faithful service. Each of these pins also recognizes the part the employee has played in the progress of the company during these years of service.

## 45th-40th Anniversaries Observed

## Kentucky, Appalachian Men Are Honored

Appalachian and Kentucky employees were recipients of long term AEP service pins ranging from 40 to 45 years.

First, in terms of service, was Allen Blackburn, Kentucky's Pikeville division stationman, who was presented a 45-year pin. Mr. Blackburn started service on an Appalachian line crew as a laborer helping build feeder lines into Kentucky. He became a truck driver or team driver in 1925 and transferred to Kentucky in 1930 as a truck driver. He is the oldest employee in service in the Pikeville division and is not due for retirement until May of 1970. He resides at Pikeville with his daughter and her family.

Forty-year pins went to R. A. Macomb, of Kentucky's Ashland office; W. L. Nuhfer, Appalachian's Cabin Creek plant; H. R. Miller, and R. S. Hicks, both Appalachian general office, and E. F. Lacy, Roanoke division of Appalachian.

Mr. Macomb, general residential and rural sales supervisor, started with Kentucky in residential sales in the Ashland commercial depart-



Mr. Nuhfer



Mr. Miller

ment. In 1944 he was named district commercial manager. In 1959 he was promoted to his present position. An active civic worker, he has won several awards in community and farm development. Also active in youth work, he holds the Boy Scout Silver Beaver award. He is the father of a son and has one grandchild.

Mr. Nuhfer started service as an electrician's helper at Cabin Creek. On August 1, 1966, he was promoted to supervisor of maintenance. He has held several other positions in the electrical department, including chief electrician. He is the father of one son.

Mr. Miller, payroll records supervisor in the general office accounting department at Roanoke, started as an office messenger 40 years ago. In 1950 he was named Roanoke district payroll supervisor and later was named Roanoke division payroll supervisor. In 1955 he was promoted to his present position. He is a member of the First Baptist Church which he serves as deacon. He also is past master of the Masonic Lodge

and a member of the Roanoke Valley Bird Club. He has a daughter and a son.

Mr. Hicks, lead draftsman in the general office right of way and real estate department, started in the construction department. He has advanced through various positions and departments to his present position. A native Roanoker, he is a member of the Belmont Methodist Church and served in the Army during World War II. He has two daughters.

Mr. Lacy, Roanoke division head meter clerk, has spent all his service in meter work. He started at Lynchburg as a clerk, advanced through various positions and moved to Roanoke in 1958 when the meter records were consolidated between the two divisions. He served in the Signal Corps of the Army for two years until 1946. He is still active in Army Reserve work and holds the position of regimental personnel officer at the Salem headquarters. He is a member of the St. Andrews Catholic Church and the Roanoke Elks Club. He has a son and a grandson.



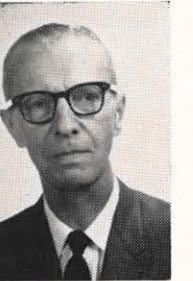
Mr. Hicks



Mr. Lacy



Mr. Blackburn



Mr. Macomb



Service  
Anniversaries

## Appalachian Power Company

ABINGDON DIVISION—30 YEARS: JACK B. FRIER, division personnel supervisor. 10 YEARS: G. L. MCCLELLAN, T&D clerk. 5 YEARS: R. P. CUSSINS, lineman; C. W. ROSE, meter reader.

BLUEFIELD DIVISION—20 YEARS: ROBERT M. COOPER, material clerk. 10 YEARS: JOHN A. DANLEY, utility clerk; BOBBIE L. CLINE, lineman; BERNARD E. FRENCH, station man.

CHARLESTON DIVISION—25 YEARS: H. C. MOSLEY, truckdriver-groundman; G. O. WATKINS, janitor. 20 YEARS: MARSHALL E. WEIKLE, auto repairman; G. M. KELLY, maintenance mechanic, Kanawha Valley Power Company. 15 YEARS: W. A. MARTIN, truckdriver-groundman; J. E. JARRETT, maintenance mechanic, Kanawha Valley Power Company.

CLINCH RIVER PLANT—25 YEARS: DORUS D. CAMPBELL, unit foreman.

GLEN LYN PLANT—25 YEARS: A. R. WHITE, janitor.

HUNTINGTON DIVISION—30 YEARS: G. P. CHAIN, chief draftsman; W. C. GILMOUR, administrative assistant. 20 YEARS: C. W. JEWELL, area serviceman; P. F. RAIRDEN, right-of-way agent; J. B. BARTHOLOMEW, general serviceman; E. C. BERRY, line foreman; W. H. HOLLEY, line foreman; FRED A. SIMMONS, general clerk.

LOGAN-WILLIAMSON—20 YEARS: GEORGE N. HAIRSTON, janitor; CHESTER E. ELKINS, service coordinator. 10 YEARS: JERRY AKERS, meter serviceman.

LYNCHBURG DIVISION—30 YEARS: GLOVER L. STAPLES, line foreman; JACOB T. HILL, right-of-way agent. 25 YEARS: AGNES L. DILLARD, office messenger.

PHILIP SPORN PLANT—15 YEARS: CHARLES D. KENNEDY, maintenance man.

PULASKI DIVISION—30 YEARS: A. E. LEMONS, dealer sales representative; C. A. KIDD, line foreman. 20 YEARS: J. L. MARSHALL, Jr., commercial sales representative; H. B. BOYD, lineman.

ROANOKE DIVISION—30 YEARS: S. S. SNIDOW, auto repairman. 25 YEARS: MARY M. JACOBS, personnel clerk. 20 YEARS: R. E. SLAYDON, heating and builder sales representative. 10 YEARS: K. W. WINGER, meter serviceman. 5 YEARS: MARGIE V. LEE, home sales representative.

GENERAL OFFICE—40 YEARS: R. S. HICKS, lead draftsman; H. R. MILLER, payroll records supervisor. 30 YEARS: J. W. ENGLEBY, Jr., senior civil engineer. 25 YEARS: RUTH H. WRIGHT, payroll clerk. 20 YEARS: VONICE C. GISH, secretarial stenographer; JEWELL C. RAMSEY, payroll clerk; BETTY M. GOODE, private secretary; WILLIAM S. JONES, electrical engineer. 15 YEARS: H. R. BALL, general bookkeeper. 10 YEARS: VELMA JO SCOTT, payroll clerk; B. N. SMITH, regional dispatcher. 5 YEARS: MARTHA L. WORRELL, stenographer.

## Kentucky Power Company

ASHLAND DIVISION—40 YEARS: R. A. MACOMB, general residential and rural sales supervisor. 30 YEARS: JOHN W. SCHOLTENS, administrative assistant. 20 YEARS: R. B. BIBB, general heating and air conditioning appliance and service engineer.

HAZARD DIVISION—30 YEARS: RUSSELL MUNCY, senior distribution engineer.

PIKEVILLE DIVISION—45 YEARS: ALLEN BLACKBURN, station man. 20 YEARS: VICTOR COLEMAN, heat pump installation coordinator.

## Kingsport Power Company

30 YEARS: C. C. MCCLELLAN, truck driver-groundman. 20 YEARS: M. C. SIMPSON, Jr., commercial manager.



## Ashland Team Regains Trophy



Wilbur Stone holds trophy presented by Waldo LaFon (right) as the victorious "Mad Dogs" look on.

## Baker Captures Huntington Golf Tourney Trophy



Paul Baker with trophy

Paul Baker, of Point Pleasant, won the low gross trophy and Byron Hunt, of Huntington, took low net honors in Huntington division's annual golf tournament last month.

The 18-hole tourney, played at Hidden Valley Country Club at Point Pleasant and the Rivera Country Club at Huntington, attracted 55 employee-golfers.

John Browning took runner-up honors for low gross while Bill Witzel and Otis Hesson tied for second in low net.

Probably the most spectacular shot of the game was turned in by B. L. Moore. When chipping onto a green, the ball hit the pin and dropped into the hole for a birdie. Bernie, of course, claims it was skill and not luck.

## King, Stepp Win Logan-Williamson Golf Tournament

Thirty-two employees participated in the Logan-Williamson division's annual golf tournament at the Logan County Club.

Top winners were: E. E. King, low gross, and Gene Stepp, low net. Other winners were: Harry Ruloff, second low net; R. C. Atkins, most pars; J. L. Richmond, most fours; Ralph Bragg, low on three blind holes; W. E. Bivens, high net; Bill Bias, most bogeys; R. B. Waggoner, J. Elswick, J. Runyon, C. R. Wilson, four-way tie for most birdies, and Dallas Kinser and Harold Trussell, closest ball on separate holes.

The tournament consisted of 18 holes with scoring by the Calloway Handicap system. An awards luncheon was held after the tourney.

Ashland's 15th Street "Champs" battled gamely against the 25th Street "Mad Dogs," recently but came out on the short end of the score in the annual softball contest for the Kentucky division.

The score was 14-9, which sent the traveling trophy back to more familiar surroundings at the service building.

Bronson Callihan, the winning

pitcher, went all the way, as did Waldo LaFon for the losers. Both reportedly turned in sterling performances with the difference (the losers claimed) in the young "rookies" picked up by the winners since last year.

A good turnout of employees and families watched the game and seemed to be partial to the under-dog desk workers.

## Familiar Faces In New Places

### Appalachian Power Company

#### Abingdon Division

R. D. BLACKBURN from pre-audit clerk to utility clerk; A. S. BUCHANAN from utility clerk to customer service representative.

#### Bluefield Division

WILLIAM C. SEXTON from station man A to engineering aide; JUDITH M. FRAGILE from division miscellaneous to division accounting department; LOIS K. MITCHELL from contract clerk to contract clerk, senior; TRUBIE P. DALTON from auto repairman B to auto repairman A.

#### Cabin Creek Plant

DONALD R. YOUNG from boiler operator D to boiler operator C; HAROLD W. BELCHER, from boiler operator C to boiler operator A; BERNARD R. RAY from utility operator A to boiler operator D; WILLIAM B. NUGENT from laborer to utility operator A.

#### Charleston Division

DALE E. MEADOWS from laborer to utility man; FRANKLIN J. MULLENS from lineman helper to lineman C; FRANKLIN D. PAYNE from lineman helper to lineman C; JOE C. THOMAS from lineman helper to lineman C; CARROL J. HOWARD from truck driver-groundman to lineman C; HOMER W. GREENE from meter reader, accounting department to material clerk, stores department; JACK C. KEATON from station man B to station man A; BONNIE D. PERRY from home service representative, Charleston to home service representative, Beckley.

#### Huntington Division

MARY J. STOWERS from clerk trainee to cashier clerk; R. E. MORRISON from instrument man to T&D clerk; JUDY FANNIN from clerk trainee to credit and collection clerk; MACK M. TERRY, JR., from meter service helper to meter serviceman; L. J. KING, regional dispatcher, from Sporn Station to the Tri-state dispatching office, Huntington; H. F. SAYRE, regional dispatcher, from Sporn Station to the Tri-state dispatching office, Huntington; TAMA FOLLOWAY, clerk stenographer, from appliance section to C&I, commercial department.

#### Logan-Williamson Division

FLORENCE A. DAVIS from clerk stenographer to stenographer.

#### Philip Sporn Plant

LARRY R. WILLIAMS from utility man B to utility man A; ROGER L. WALKER from junior maintenance man to maintenance man.

#### Pulaski Division

B. R. WHITE from customer service clerk to utility clerk; GLENDA J. WILLARD from clerk typist to clerk stenographer; PATRA E. ARMBRISTER from PBX operator, miscellaneous department to clerk stenographer, division T&D; GEORGE C. VIA from lineman helper to lineman C; JERRY S. ATWELL from lineman helper to lineman C; BRUCE J. STONEMAN from lineman helper to lineman A; EMMA B. TAYLOR from clerk typist to clerk stenographer; JOSEPH C. BUCKNER from meter reader to customer service representative.

#### Roanoke Division

W. R. ZIMMERMAN from service representative to air conditioning engineer; A. W. BONDS from car washer to garage attendant; H. N. MURPHY from car washer to garage attendant; R. H. HAMBLIN from meter service helper A to meter serviceman C; BETTY L. ROMERO from T&D clerk, division T&D department to stenographer, division commercial department; R. E. LEFTWICH from meter serviceman A to engineering aide.

### Kingsport Power Company

C. L. MORRISON from lineman helper to lineman C.

### Kentucky Power Company

#### Pikeville Division

SAMMIE A. CARTER from meter reader to material clerk; MARVIN B. SWORD from meter reader to engineering record clerk.

## Dad Misses Two Predictions, Much To Son's Delight

A recent visit to see the Cincinnati Reds play the Houston Astros will never be forgotten by Greg McComas, nine-year-old son of T. J. McComas, Huntington division T&D clerk. Chances are his father will never be able to forget it.

It seems dad missed a couple of predictions—consecutive ones at that.

It all started when they were standing in the ticket line and it was announced that several youngsters would be picked at random from the crowd to have their pictures taken with their favorite Red star. Greg asked what his chances were of being picked. His dad told him about 10,000 to 1.

Shortly after that outburst of wisdom, Greg's name was called and his picture was taken with catcher Johnny Edwards.

After settling in their seats, the youth asked what his chances were to catch a foul ball. After careful consideration, dad advised him not to get his hopes up for the



Greg and Red catcher

chances were about 30,000 to 1. No sooner had he made that prediction than Leo Cardenis fouled one into the stands and into Greg's hands.

Well, dad, you can't win them all.

## Witzel Making Golf Look Easy

W. R. Witzel, Huntington division personnel supervisor, is making golf history at the Spring Valley Country Club.

Last year in June he was recognized by Huntington newspapers for scoring a hole-in-one. He also received a trophy for the feat.

Last month he did it again on the same course, but a different hole.

Fortunately, since some of his fellow employees somewhat doubted the second hole-in-one, he had two reputable witnesses.

## Abingdon Girl Golf Runner-Up

Becky Bondurant, a sophomore at Longwood College and the daughter of Rufus Bondurant, Abingdon division T&D superintendent, was runner-up in a recent college golf tournament.

With a score of 65, she placed second in the University of North Carolina Greensboro Golf Tourney. She also had the lowest number of putts for the first nine holes which qualified for another trophy. A player could receive only one trophy, so the putting award went to another Longwood College player. Becky also is captain of her college team and the number one player.

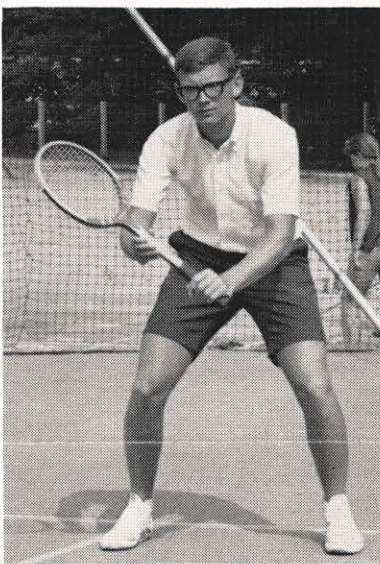


Becky

## Murray Wins



Daniel E. Murray, area serviceman in the Beckley area took top honors in the Charleston division golf tournament at Point Pleasant with a score of 81. Jerry West, also of Beckley, had high gross. Other winners from Beckley were Elmer Hutchinson, Jim Lowery, Emory Miller and Clyde Barker. Others from Beckley participating were Bob Thomas, Joe Stanley, Paris Hatcher, Jim Kirby, Ed Berginnis and John Wright.



Mike Farley

## Pineville Youth On State Tennis Doubles Team

Mike Farley, son of Loneda Rose, Pineville general clerk in the Welch area of Bluefield division, was a member of the West Virginia champion doubles tennis team. He and Tommy Atkins won the title at the state tourney at Parkersburg.

Playing for Pineville high school, they defeated teams from Parkersburg, St. Albans and George Washington high schools.

As a result of their efforts, Pineville's team placed third in the tourney. With the school's team only three years old, this is the third straight third place for the Pineville boys.

Mike also is an excellent student, graduating in the top ten of his class. He is a member of the National Honor Society.

He plans to attend VPI this fall and study chemical engineering.

## Pikeville Man's Son Named To All-Stars

Jerry Bellamy, son of Earl Bellamy, lineman in Pikeville's T&D department, was selected to the Babe Ruth League All-Star team to represent Pikeville, Kentucky, in a playoff tournament.

## Justice Wins Flight

Everett Justice, lineman in Kentucky Power's Pikeville division, won his flight in the Hazard Invitational Golf Tournament over the 4th of July weekend.



# People, Places and Things

## It's A Circus



It was a circus, literally, when Huntington employees' children who are members of the Cub Scout Pack 19 got together. The boys decided to stage a circus as a project, and, since the boys knew their parents would insist on adding their advice, they decided to let them "play," too. It was a real circus, complete with costumes, acts and music. Employees participating were Charles Hoschar, T. J. McComas, Gordon Chain and Bob King, and their families. Shown above (from left) are Mrs. King, Clown Hoschar and Ringmaster King.

## 'Tell It To Ann'



The Roanoke division has come up with an interesting display to feature its *Illuminator* reporters. Shown above are Ann Jamison, reporter in the commercial department and Jack Burnett, division commercial department sales manager, looking at poster with the reminder to "Tell It To Ann." Each department in the division has its own poster featuring a picture of its reporter.

## Employee Cited



James H. Haley, Lynchburg customer service representative, admires 30-year service pin he received from the Lynchburg Chapter of the American Red Cross for his long service, which includes instructing first aid courses for 30 years.

## 50 Years Of Kingsport Progress



With the 4th of July parade theme "50 years of progress" for the 50th anniversary of Kingsport, the Kingsport Power Company used the float theme "Up the years from the Boat Yard—from King's Port to Kingsport." This was portrayed by the horse and wagon line crew followed by a modern line truck with Reddy Kilowatt waving to the crowd from the bucket. Representing the line crew in the wagon were employees Carl Bacon, Joe McCarroll, Homer Hand and non-employee driver of the wagon, A. E. Barger.



Driver of the truck was J. D. Spivey, with Jeffrey Simpson as Reddy, the son of Kingsport Power's commercial manager. Using the same theme on the commercial float was Zack Trumbo, as carpenter-boat maker; Emily and Julia Simpson and James White as early pioneers of Kingsport; Jacob Melton as an industrial worker, J. A. Randall Jr., educator; Roy Ferrell, doctor, and the Reverend Richard Alvery representing the ministry.

## Bags Turkey



H. B. Shepherd, serviceman at Galax, Pulaski division, shows proof of success during this year's turkey season. He was hunting alone near Brush Creek, Carroll County, when he bagged the 21-pound bird.

## Windows Thing Of Past



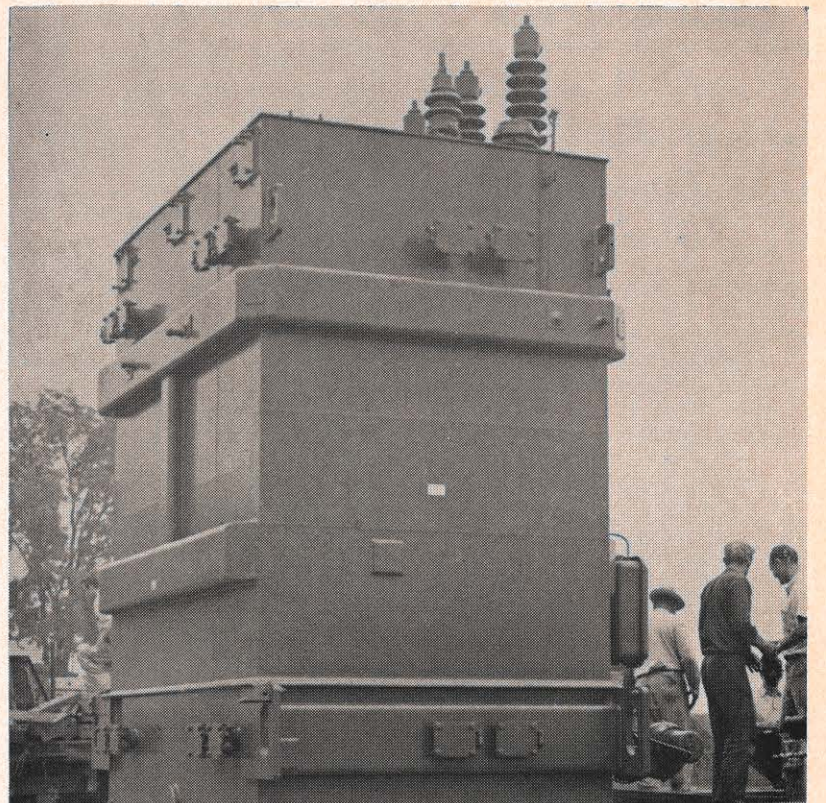
Elaine Bullion, clerk-stenographer in Huntington's personnel department, seems undisturbed by the workmen behind her. The men are bricking-in the former window areas on one side of the building. This was necessitated because of the new C&P Telephone Company building going up next door. The closeness of the building will make it impossible to wash the windows from the outside and they won't be serving any purpose, so it was decided to fill them in.

## Ohio Beauty



Gloria Jean Buck, reigning as Miss Southern Ohio, represented the area in the recent Miss Ohio Pageant at Sandusky. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Gail Buck of Pomeroy, Ohio. Mr. Buck is maintenance man at Appalachian's Philip Sporn plant. A 1965 graduate of Pomeroy high school, she attended Kent State University and is now employed as a doctor's assistant. The featured twirler at her high school for four years, she is a registered baton instructor and teaches a group of girls known as the Glo-Ettes.

## Substation Taking Shape



Today's transformers come big as shown by the bulk of the 133,000-pound one above on its concrete pad at the new Moseley 138 substation west of Bedford. The new 138-kv substation, which will be on the Roanoke-Lynchburg 138-kv line, is expected to be completed by September. It will contain a single unit three-phase 50,000-kva transformer from 138-kv to 69-kv. A new 69-kv line will be built from the Moseley substation to the Blue Ridge station on Route 460 between Roanoke and Bedford, giving it a two-way feed. Growing demand for more electricity from our customers in Bedford County area was reason for the addition of facilities.





Mr. Ellis



Mr. Barton

## Ellis, Barton Choose Early Retirement At Cabin Creek

Two Cabin Creek employees chose early retirement after more than 63 years of combined service.

Retiring are Sanford Ellis, shift supervisor in the operation department, and William Rassie Barton, plant janitor.

Mr. Ellis had more than 39 years of service, starting as an ash handler in 1928. He later served as pre-heater operator, boiler room man, boiler operator-A and assistant shift supervisor before being named shift supervisor in 1953.

Mr. Ellis, who lists fishing and working on automobiles as hobbies, plans to travel to various points in this country with his wife, Gatha Florence, during retirement.

Born at Charleston in 1905, he attended schools at Chelyan, West Virginia. He is an active member of the Chesapeake Methodist Church.

He and his wife are the parents of four children, Nora Kathryn Petry, Russell S., Jackie Lee, and

Jerry Don. There are six grandchildren.

Mr. and Mrs. Ellis reside at 14, 134th street, Chesapeake, West Virginia.

Mr. Barton, with 24 years of service, is a native of Summers County, West Virginia where he attended schools. He was born in 1903.

He and his wife, Elsie Mabel, also plan to travel in the United States. Idaho is one spot on the agenda.

Mr. Barton started at Cabin Creek in 1943 as a laborer, became janitor in 1944 and plant janitor in 1949.

Gardening, fishing and farming are his hobbies. He is a member of the First Free Will Baptist Church at Chesapeake.

He and his wife reside at Wini-frede, West Virginia. They are the parents of four children, Lilalee Ream, Leola Williams, Elmo and Asher.

Both retiring employees received wrist watches and lounge chairs from fellow employees at the plant.

## 'New Wrinkle' In The Modern Method

# Helicopter Strings Line On 46-Kv Project

A combination of the old and a "new wrinkle" in the new—hand tools and helicopters—joined forces to construct the 46-kv line from Williamson to Long Fork. The work was completed in one-half the time normally required.

The use of helicopters in itself isn't new since our companies and other AEP companies have utilized the "birds" on several occasions to set poles and towers. But, this was the first time helicopters were used by Appalachian to actually string the conductors.

A Sikorsky S-58 helicopter with a load carrying capacity of 5,000 pounds set poles and strung wire.

A perfect landing pad was the concrete floor of a burned-out warehouse. It was located near the river, the right of way for the line and the railroad siding. Poles were unloaded there and crossarms and other equipment bundled for easy delivery.

B. L. Curry, lineman-A, coordinated material handling and placement of structures for easy access. The poles were flown to their destination with the following items attached: pole caps, grounds, guys, tag lines, blocks, conductor stringing blocks and guides.

Pole holes were dug by hand and portable drills. The terrain prevented use of modern auger trucks without gouging out roadways. The natural appearance of the mountains was not disturbed.

Members of the line crews in the Williamson area under the supervision of F. B. Varney, line and station supervisor, approached this new method of construction with enthusiasm. For some, it was a dream come true to see the transition from delivery of material by horse or mule to the whirlybirds. Foremen on the job were Everette



Helicopter carefully feeds out wire in the rugged Williamson area.

Carrico, Kermit Epperly and Joe Hatfield.

The entire time for pole setting and conductor stringing by helicopter was eight working days. Conventional methods would have consumed about 60 days for pole setting alone. A side benefit of flying in material was that over 350 ten-inch disc insulators were installed without a single one being chipped or damaged. This seldom happens using the old methods.

The Williamson-Long Fork 46-kv line was completed in about one-half the time and at just under 70 per cent of the cost of past methods.

F. E. "Blackie" Carney, of Carson Helicopters, was the pilot. He is a retired Air Force colonel with 23 years' service, including World War II, Korean conflict and Viet Nam fighting. The flight engineer was John Jacquot, a native of Canada.

## New Tri-State Regional Dispatching Center Under Construction At Huntington Office

Construction has begun on Appalachian Power Company's new Tri-State Regional Dispatching Center in the basement of the Huntington office building.

E. L. Munday, Jr., division manager, who listed the cost of the center at \$350,000 in making the local announcement, said the major portion of that amount will be for equipment. E. P. Leach & Sons, Inc., of Huntington, is contractor on the project. Completion is expected by late fall.

The new facility, which will double as a fall-out shelter, will

centralize dispatching functions in portions of the three-state area between Appalachian, Ohio Power Company and Kentucky Power Company, all part of the seven-state American Electric Power System. The center is part of an AEP System-wide program to improve dispatching operations.

The centralization will reduce the number of Appalachian dispatching centers from five to four, removing operations from Kanawha River Plant, Philip Sporn Plant and Switchback near Bluefield, West Virginia. The four will be at Huntington, Roanoke, Clinch River plant, and Turner, near Charleston.

Partial operations have been handled in temporary quarters in Appalachian's service building at Huntington since February. Seven employees manning the temporary setup will operate the new center. The men were transferred from

Kanawha, Turner and Sporn dispatching offices.

In the temporary quarters, the Huntington area and portions of Kentucky Power are being served on a 24-hour, seven-day week basis. Ohio's operations and the remainder of Kentucky's will be added later. The center will continue to operate on an around-the-clock basis with a gradual buildup of dispatching territory.

The centralized operation is meant to better aid us in continuing efforts to improve customer service. It will provide means for pinpointing and correcting abnormal transmission conditions with a minimum delay. Remote control of company radio units will permit quick communications with switchmen and service crews resulting in faster restoration of service. The center also will handle after-hours and weekend service calls.

## George Boothe Gets Promotion At Williamson

George T. Boothe Jr. has been promoted to commercial sales engineer in the Logan-Williamson division. The move was effective August 1.



Mr. Boothe

Employed as a meter reader on November 2, 1938, he has served as meter tester, in several classifications of meterman and was promoted to commercial sales representative in 1957. Through the company's Educational Assistance Program, he completed three divisions of an electrical engineering course and received a diploma from ICS recently.

He served as a pilot in the Air Force during World War II and again during the Korean conflict, holding the rank of captain.

An avid sportsman, his hobbies are hunting and fishing.

He and his wife are the parents of three children and reside at Williamson.

## Three Cabin Creek Men Are Moved In Plant Chemist, Shift Promotions

Three Cabin Creek plant men received promotions last month. They were: Sherman L. Vealey, chemist, who was named chief chemist; Ralph H. Williams, assistant shift supervisor, who moved to shift supervisor, and Kenneth L. Williams, boiler operator-A, who became assistant shift supervisor.



Mr. Vealey

Mr. Vealey started continuous service at Cabin Creek as an assistant chemist in 1947 and was named chemist in 1951. He and his wife, Rosie, are the parents of five children and reside at East Bank, West Virginia.

Mr. Williams, who has been assistant shift supervisor since 1958, started at the plant in 1934 as a



R. H. Williams



K. L. Williams

maintenance man. He later served as turbine auxiliary equipment operator and turbine operator-A.

He and his wife, Thelma, have five children and reside at Chelyan.

The new assistant shift supervisor, Mr. K. L. Williams, started at the plant in 1936 as a laborer. He later was promoted to boiler room man, turbine room man and then to different classifications of boiler operator.

He and his wife, Nellie, reside at Marmet.

## Marion's Freddie Ray Poe Retires After Long Career

After more than 43 years of service, Freddie Ray Poe, Abingdon division dealer sales representative, took early retirement August 1.

Before his retirement, appliance dealers at Marion presented him gifts of a power saw and power sander—indicative of the friendliness and good relationships he had created in his work.

Mr. Poe and his wife, Annie, plan to visit a son and grandchildren in St. Louis this year, but have no other definite retirement plans.

A native of Mercer County, West Virginia, he was born in 1905 and attended schools at Bluefield.

He joined Appalachian in 1924 as an appliance serviceman and later served as area sales representative before being named dealer sales representative in 1959. He worked 35 years at Marion, six years at Bluefield and two years at Wytheville.

He enjoys working in his garden as a hobby and entertaining his grandchildren. He built a summer home at Hungry Mother Park.

He belongs to the Methodist Church, Marion Lodge 31 AF&AM, Chamber of Commerce and Kiwanis Club.

He and his wife, who reside at 160 Magnolia Street in Marion, have two sons, Gordon Ray and Billy Lee. There are six grandchildren.



Mr. Poe

## Roanoke Couple Takes Part In '67 Virginia Pageant

A. D. Stockton Jr., Appalachian general officer senior station engineer, and his wife, Anna Lee, enjoyed a week with some of the most beautiful girls in Virginia.

They had important "behind the scenes" parts in the Miss Virginia Pageant at Roanoke. Mr. Stockton was an usher for the tryouts and finals while his wife served as hostess to two of the contestants.

Mrs. Stockton has served as hostess for the pageant the past two years, but said she felt this year was the most rewarding. As hostess, she was responsible for two contestants for the week of the pageant.

She accompanied them to and from rehearsals, TV interviews and to and from performances. She was furnished a new convertible for use for the entire week.

This proved to be the most exciting for her since both contestants she served won in the finals. Miss Augusta County, Anne Webb Bryan, was second runnerup and Miss Roanoke Valley, Barbara Yost, won the Miss Virginia title.

## Fire Extinguisher Purchase Offered

Appalachian Power Company, through the general office program planning committee, and in co-operation with Jones Safety Supply, Inc., is offering for sale the Kidde Kompact VI Fire Extinguisher to all employees.

This extinguisher is approved by ICC, Coast Guard, and has a UL rating of 8-B:C. It is an all purpose extinguisher suitable for home, car, or boat.

The extinguisher sells for \$13.95, but is being sold to our employees for \$7.50 plus tax. It also has a replacement cylinder which can be purchased for \$3.45.