

When two do the same thing, it is not the same thing after all.

# The Illuminator

Remember locomotives don't whistle at railway crossings to keep up their courage.

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KENTUCKY AND WEST VIRGINIA POWER COMPANY

APPALACHIAN ELECTRIC POWER COMPANY

KINGSPORT UTILITIES, INC.

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## Sites Selected For Power Plants To Supply Atomic Project

### Furr Succeeds Funk As General Manager

G. L. Furr has been named vice president and general manager of Appalachian Electric Power Company, effective November 1. He succeeds M. C. Funk as operating head of the company.

Mr. Funk will continue as a vice president and director of the company. He will devote the major part of his time to general policy matters for Appalachian and other companies in the American Gas and Electric System.

Mr. Furr has been assistant general manager of the company since October, 1946. He started with Appalachian at Bluefield in 1916 shortly after being graduated from Virginia Polytechnic Institute. He has served in many operating capacities in the company, including operating engineer, division superintendent and manager of the Bluefield division.

Mr. Funk, who has been vice president and general manager of Appalachian since 1943, completed 40 years of service on October 4. He



Mr. Furr



Mr. Funk

started in the electric utility business in 1912. He served as construction superintendent and manager of Tug River Power Company, and later as manager of the Kentucky and West Virginia Power Company. In 1938 he was named vice president and

general manager of the Kentucky and West Virginia Power Company with headquarters at Ashland, the position he held until he was made operating head of Appalachian. Mr. Funk will continue to maintain his office in Roanoke.

### Contract Let On New Huntington District Service Building

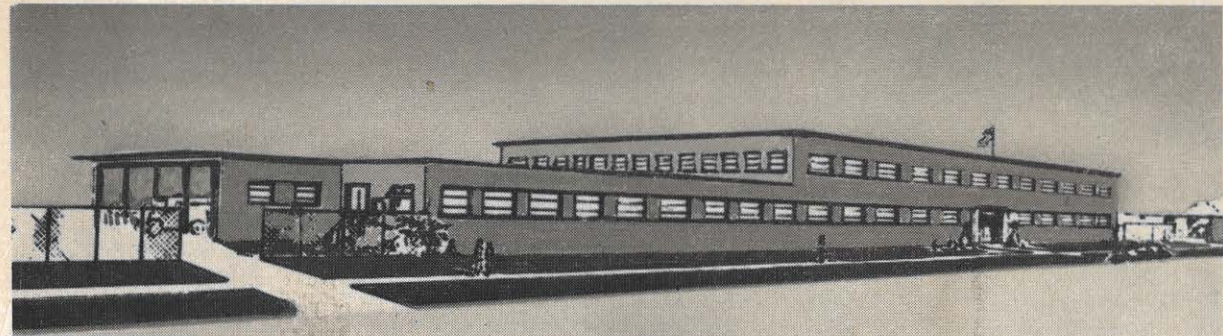
A contract for construction of a new Huntington district service building has been awarded to Lambert Construction Company. The new building will be located at Seventh Avenue and Eleventh Street.

Fronting on Seventh Avenue for 170 feet, the building will run back 132 feet. The first floor will house the stores, garage and line depart-

ments along with the meter shop and the electronic shop.

A second floor over half of the structure will house the drafting, engineering and blueprinting departments, the offices of the district superintendent and other supervisors and a meeting room. Outside storage sheds for company vehicles will be provided.

The present three-story service building was bought by the company in 1926. It fronts on Second Avenue. Upon the completion of the new building, the old service building will be sold. The present garage, housed in an adjoining building, will be razed and a new substation will be installed on that site.



Artist's Conception of Huntington Service Building

### Rebecca Moore, Home Economist, Is Chosen Outstanding Kingsport Woman In Business

Rebecca Moore, home economist at Kingsport Utilities, was chosen the outstanding woman in business and was presented a certificate of recognition at the Business and Professional Women's Club banquet on October 2.

Two other awards were made at the banquet. Mrs. E. E. Wiley, wife of the pastor of Broad Street Methodist Church, was chosen outstanding in the field of religion while Mrs. R. O. Hubbard, candidate for Sullivan County delegate to the constitution convention, was chosen in the field of politics.

A graduate of Dobyns-Bennett High School in Kingsport, Miss Moore received her B.S. from East Tennessee State College in 1951, majoring in home economics.

Miss Moore attends Broad Street Methodist Church where she is treasurer of the Wesleyan Service Guild. She is a member of the Civil Defense first aid team, holding a first aid instructor's certificate.

Mrs. Rose Quillen, Business and Professional Women's Club president who made the presentation, said,



Rebecca Moore, home economist on the right who was chosen outstanding Kingsport woman in business, shows her certificate of recognition to Barbara Goddard of the meter department.

"Miss Moore's greatest service to business this year has been her personal contact with area rural and urban people with the accompanying good will that she has brought to the business of Kingsport."

### J. C. Hansbarger Heads Two Civic Organizations

J. C. Hansbarger, Logan district manager, has been named general chairman for the Community Chest Campaign. Last year he was chairman of the Initial Gifts Committee.



Mr. Hansbarger

He was recently reelected chairman of the Community Concert Association, making the third successive year he has headed the organization which sponsors the presentation of outstanding musical attractions.

Active in civic and public affairs, he has served as chairman of the Logan County Red Cross Chapter and as a member of the House of Delegates from McDowell County from 1939 to 1949. He has been employed by Appalachian since 1937 and was assistant district manager at Welch before becoming Logan district manager in 1950.

### One Plant To Be Located Across River Near Point Pleasant, Other In Indiana

Sites have been selected for the world's two largest steam electric generating stations which will supply power to the new Atomic Energy Project near Portsmouth, Ohio.

A five-unit plant of 1,000,000 kw will be built in Ohio across the river from Point Pleasant, West Virginia. A six-unit plant of 1,200,000 kw will be built at Madison, Indiana.

Construction will start immediately,

said Philip Sporn, our president who was elected president of the Ohio Valley Electric Corporation, formed by 15 electric utilities of the Ohio Valley region. Construction of the plant in Ohio near Gallipolis will be handled by the Ohio Valley Electric Corporation and of the Madison plant by the Indiana-Kentucky Electric Corporation, an Ohio Valley subsidiary.

Cost of the two electric power plants, plus the transmission and related facilities required to deliver energy to the atomic plant, is estimated at \$400 million. The sites were selected by the Board of Directors of Ohio Valley after an exhaustive study by its engineers of a number of locations along the Ohio River.

Combined capacity of the two plants will be 2,200,000 kilowatts, of which 1,800,000 kw has been contracted for by the AEC for a 25-year period. This represents the largest single block of power ever supplied to a single consumer in the history of the electric power industry.

Mr. Sporn said that many details of construction of the two power plants have yet to be worked out. The first 200,000 kw unit at the Indiana plant is scheduled to be in operation in January of 1955. Thereafter, a staggered schedule of completion dates for the remainder of the individual units will bring all 11 of them on the line at intervals up to June, 1956, according to present plans.

When in full operation, the two power stations are expected to provide the AEC project a total of 15 billion kilowatt-hours annually, a power consumption about 25 per cent greater than the present consumption of New York City with its 8 million people. It is estimated that 7½ million tons of coal will be used annually at the combined plants.

Mr. Sporn said that electric power generated at the two stations will be delivered over four 330,000-volt double circuits which will be built to the AEC project, two from each power plant. In addition to the direct superhigh voltage lines from the two power plants to the diffusion center,

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### Appalachian Gets National Honors For Advertising

Appalachian Electric Power Company has been awarded national honors for its advertising. The nationwide contest is sponsored by Public Utility Ad-views and the advertising of several hundred utilities is judged by a board of advertising experts.

First place in the contest was won by Dayton Power and Light Company. Appalachian was second, followed by Philadelphia Electric Company; The Illuminating Company of Cleveland and the Connecticut Light and Power Company.



Mr. Rainsley

Much of the credit for Appalachian's high standing in the annual event belongs to Wm. E. Rainsley, director of commercial advertising for the American Gas and Electric Service Corp. Mr. Rainsley creates, designs and produces the advertising, not only for Appalachian, but for the other companies in the A.G.E. System.

He has a background of 20 years' experience in the advertising field, including a great deal of agency work and has been associated with A.G.E. for the past four years.

Appalachian received the honor for its advertising which was judged on this basis: (a) the idea to sell goods or an idea; (b) layout and illustrative technique, and general effect on the company's relation with the public.

### Contract Signed



Philip Sporn, right, president of the newly formed Ohio Valley Electric Corporation, signs a 25-year agreement with the Atomic Energy Commission under which the Ohio Valley Company will provide 1,800,000 kilowatts of electric power for the new AEC project near Portsmouth, Ohio. Looking on is R. W. Cook, director of production for the AEC.

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## Let's Give Thanks

As we celebrate Thanksgiving Day this year, we indeed have much for which to be thankful.

We can thoroughly rejoice in our American blessings of freedom and opportunity for all.

The daily newspaper headlines reveal the lack of freedom and the lack of opportunity in other less fortunate countries of the world. As we read those headlines, let us repeat our thanks for living in free America.

Let us remember the struggle for freedom on the part of our forebears and rededicate ourselves this Thanksgiving Day to keeping the torch of freedom bright in every highway and byway of our American way of life.

## Keep Smiling

A smile buys more friends than money—there is no doubt of that.

When a person has a pleasant manner about him, when he gives forth with a pleasant smile when you speak with him, you immediately are favorably impressed with him. You think he's a "wonderful person." You remember his smile long after he's disappeared from sight.

The man with the smile makes friends. The man with a million dollars—who can't smile—is still considered a "grouch."

And when you think it over, it's really not so hard to smile. Just keep thinking of the many good things you share in life. Keep thinking of how wonderful it is to be alive. Keep thinking that way—and you can't help but keep smiling.

It's so true—a smile buys you more friends than money—any day of the week.

## The Easiest Way

It is a perfectly human instinct to try to get any job done the easiest way. What is the easiest way?

Too often many of us have a job to do—but all we do is hem and haw—and never get right down to doing it. Then, we fall behind—we get upset—we begin to worry—and then a job becomes a hundred times as hard as it was originally.

If we have a job to do, the easiest way to get it done is to get right down to it—and do it.

When we "dig in" to any job—when we don't waste time, but get it done as quickly as possible—then we have selected the easiest way of doing our work.

On the other hand, the easiest job becomes tremendously difficult—if we simply sit around—and don't do it. There is no harder task than to try to catch up on a group of easy jobs, each of which would have been a cinch if it had been done on time.

# Your Opinion

Good manners are essential. What three qualities are most essential for good manners? Why?

## IN THE SPOTLIGHT

**MRS. FRANCES F. BUSSEY, System Real Estate and Right-of-Way, Roanoke.**



The first requisite of good manners, in my opinion, would be—Self-Respect. If the great commandment "Do unto others as you would have them do unto you" were kept as a guide, one would live a life demanding respect of self. Take interest in yourself and set a good example.

Respect for others. In this category we place manners in the office, home and social life. This includes respect for others' belongings and liberties.

Be genuine in one's kindness and thoughtfulness to others. Do not pretend to be something you are not. Kindness leads us to avoid embarrassing others either by word or glance.

Good manners are more vitally needed than ever before. They become a natural quality if we abide by the above qualities.

**COY A. ARNOLD, Substation, Kingsport.**



Being courteous at all times would be the first quality I would choose for good manners. Courteous means being polite, civil and considerate. It must apply to all people alike rather than to a select few who we want to impress. It is one of the best means of winning and impressing people.

Behavior on the job and off the job is very essential for good manners. If a person is well behaved, he usually has a good reputation and is thought of highly by his friends.

Cleanliness and neatness would be my third quality. Cleanliness and neatness is a perfect background from which courteousness and good behavior may grow.

**HOBART S. TAYLOR, Transmission and distribution Department, Abingdon.**



The three qualities most essential for good manners are courteousness, friendliness, and thoughtfulness.

Being courteous to everyone on or off the job is very important to our everyday living. After all, we wouldn't want to work with someone who wasn't very friendly or sociable.

We must be polite and friendly with our customers at all times. They expect us to be and are always eager to discuss their problems with us if they feel free to do so. Always be thoughtful and considerate of the other person's feelings.

**MRS. PHYLLIS BLANKENSHIP, Coal Office, Glen Lyn Plant.**



The three qualifications that I consider most essential for good manners are courtesy, kindness and obedience.

Courtesy we should practice at all times, and in our contacts we should be mild and as gracious as possible. We should be quick in responding when spoken to and conform to the customs of those who are in our presence.

Kindness should be shown at all times whether the circumstances necessitate sympathy,

gentleness, or one of benevolence. It is one of our greatest assets, as every human being expects a word of kindness. We should train ourselves to practice it constantly, although at times it may belittle our dignity.

Obedience is a qualification we should attain early in life as it improves one's manners to yield to the interests of others.

**CALEB WHITE, Accounting Department, Logan.**



Courtesy, Politeness, and Respect are most necessary for good manners. Courteous words such as: "Good morning, Sir; May I; Please pardon me, and Thank you" are a few of the remarks that show courtesy.

Politeness is that manner in which we approach people. It is a mark of good breeding that makes us want to be well-groomed, kind, and willing to please.

Respect is to have regard for objects as well as people. When I say objects, I mean any material things that are entrusted to your keeping. Take care of them, and do whatever is necessary to keep them in good condition. Respect your friends and those who supervise your job.

Be a good listener, never butt into a conversation, but wait your turn.

**DOSHIA SIZEMORE, Accounting Department, Hazard.**



Good manners are essential. Without good manners, we have few friends. This applies to business as well as our social life. The three qualities most essential for good manners in my opinion are thoughtfulness, patience, and affability.

We must be thoughtful of other peoples' feelings and treat them with the courtesy all people are entitled to. Patience is an essential quality for good manners because good manners are impossible when we do not have the patience to listen to the other person's side of the story. And when we are busy and think we do not have the time or patience to talk with someone, then surely we do not have good manners.

We must be, to have good manners, able to get along with other people and be sociable.

**JANE RUTHERFORD, Authorization Clerk, Montgomery Office.**



When we say that one is well-mannered, exactly what do we mean? We are merely saying that one is gracious, simple, and sincere.

Good manners should be so much a part of us that they come as easily and unobtrusively as breathing. The well-mannered person is thoughtful of another's feelings.

Silly affectations are not marks of good manners. Neither are good manners something that one reads from a book. They are intangible—they are evidence of culture and breeding. Few people think of them as a graciousness that comes from within without any practice sessions if one honestly feels cordial.

It, too, think integrity plays a major role in our manners—which are, after all, only a mirrored reflection of one's inner self.

**M. G. COVEY, Meter Department, Roanoke.**



Manners, whether good or bad, are a reflection upon the physical, mental, social and spiritual education of an individual.

Training begins at home and the home is the very foundation of one's manners and undoubtedly, the greatest single influence upon them.

Consideration for others starts first in an individual—in you—and works its way through the family and those you love best into the world outside.

Courtesy is the delicacy and power which comes from knowing how to get along with people. It includes both the desire to appreciate others and to be appreciated. It includes respect for those organized rules of conduct which promote the beauty of living.

Thus, I believe, good training, consideration for others and courtesy are three important essentials of good manners.

**C. B. BURNER, Personnel Supervisor, Cabin Creek Plant.**



The statement that good manners are essential will not be questioned but there will be a difference in opinions as to the three essential qualities for good manners. Mannerisms that are pleasing to one individual may not be recognized as such by another individual.

The quality of being able to display, day in and day out, a pleasing personality not affected by the whims of one's own feelings is most essential. It is important to have the ability to do the right thing at the right time so that every action has the appearance of being right and fair.

Another quality is defined by Emerson in this all inclusive quotation, "Good manners are made up of petty sacrifices." The desire to please others and to adjust one's self to situations which require petty sacrifices is one of the requisites of good manners.

## 'The Big Boss'

He's the hardest guy in the world to please.

If you don't do a good job, he'll get someone who can. He always lets you know what he wants. He'll decide what kind of work you do—and how much work you do.

When you make good, there isn't anything he won't do for you. As long as you do a good job, he'll back you to the limit. But you can't rest on your laurels with this guy. You might fool him for a while—but don't count on being able to get away with anything for very long.

He never has any trouble getting people to work for him, tough as he is. You've got to admit that he makes jobs for a lot of people and that your whole future is pretty much in his hands.

The boss? Well, a good many bosses might fit the description. But this fellow is better known as the customer. He expects a lot from us, and he gets it.

The beauty of the whole deal is that everyone fits into this fellow's shoes as well as he does. Yes, customers are the real big bosses of business.

## Dan Veasey Is Given Brazilian Medal Of War



Dan wears the medal awarded him in Washington by the Brazilian government.

H. Dan Veasey, Roanoke division civil engineer, was recently presented a medal from the Brazilian government at a ceremony at the Brazilian Embassy in Washington.

The award, the Medalha de Guerra or Medal of War, was presented by Ambassador Walther Moreira Salles, recognizing Colonel Veasey's service with Brazilian troops in Italy during World War II. The medal was actually awarded in 1945 but Dan left Italy before he received it.

An executive officer of the 107th Anti-Aircraft Group, Dan assisted the combat replacement center for Brazilian forces in Italy and helped process 5,000 replacements from Brazil. He spent about six years in the Army, starting as a first lieutenant.

He was employed by the company in Roanoke in 1936 as a draftsman. He is a lieutenant colonel in the 2154th Organized Reserve Army Service Unit. A member of the Virginia Heights Baptist Church and the Business Men's Club, he is married and the father of two boys, Bill and Steve.

### Fieldale AEP Club Elects Officers

Derwood Merriman has been elected president of the Fieldale AEP Club. Other officers are Virginia Mullins, secretary, and Irene Minter, vice president and treasurer.

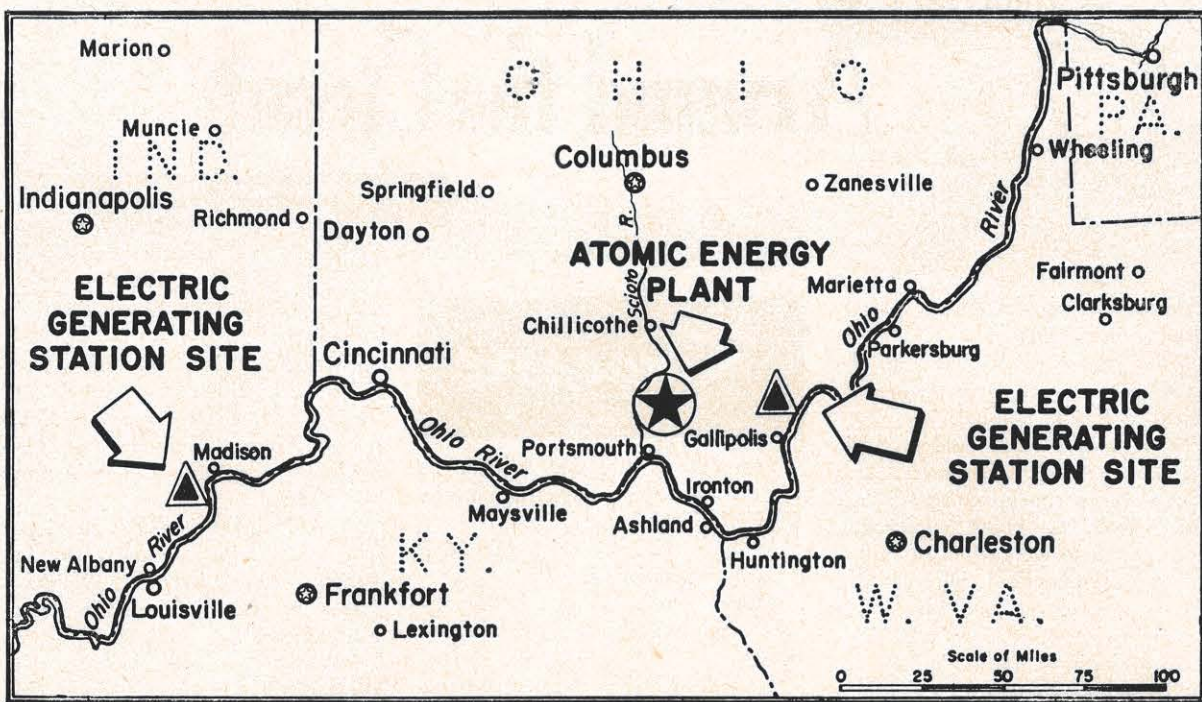
Department representatives elected at the meeting were: L. L. Rakes, local accounting; Betty Baker, commercial; Nancy Kitts, meter; Bernard Kellan, distribution; Irene Minter, right-of-way; W. L. Nichols, line, Alvin Hundley, line, and Douglas Martin, managerial.

### Colombian Visits KUI



J. E. Wright, left, general manager of the Kingsport Utilities, explains the Cumberland Station's switching gear to Alvero Hernan Mejia of Sogamoso, Colombia, South America. Alvero is a graduate of the University of Tennessee. He returned to the United States recently from Empresa Paz De Rio, a steel mill city, for graduate work at the University. Hearing of KUI, Alvero contacted Mr. Wright for an inspection of the properties.

## Power Plant Sites For Supplying AEC Project



This map shows the locations, indicated by the arrows, of the sites of the two steam generating plants which will supply 1,800,000 kilowatts of electric power for the new AEC plant near Portsmouth, Ohio.

### Plant Sites

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the supply of electric energy will be "backed up" by the existing integrated high-voltage electric transmission systems of the 15 participants in Ohio Valley Electric Corporation.

Construction power and power for operation of the atomic center up to 465,000 kilowatts will be required before the new generating facilities can be completed. This will be supplied to AEC from existing systems of the companies. Thus, one 132,000-volt line has been rushed to the atomic plant site and a second is under construction.

Appalachian, Ohio Power and Indiana & Michigan are the three AGE companies in the 15-company corporation. In addition to Mr. Sporn who is president of both corporations, other officers include: H. A. Kammer, of AGE, vice president of both corporations, and W. J. Rose, of AGE, assistant secretary and assistant treasurer of both corporations.

Directors of the corporations include G. L. Furr, vice president and general manager of Appalachian, and C. V. Sorenson, vice president of Indiana & Michigan Electric Company.

### 'A Howling Success'

## Appalachian Families Help Mt. View Community Win County Contest



Appalachian employees and their families who are members of the Mt. View Community Improvement Club attend a meeting at the school. Left to right are: Mrs. A. M. Roseberry, Bernard Smith, Mrs. Irvin Akers, Mrs. Bernard Smith, Irvin Akers, Claude Hale, Mrs. Claude Hale and son Stephen, Gerald Roseberry, Mrs. Garland Covey and daughter Judy.

"You can't be a howling success by just howling." With that motto as a guide, the families in Mt. View community went on to work together and win the Pulaski County Community Improvement Contest sponsored by the Pulaski Chamber of Commerce.

Most of the Claytor hydro employees live in this community and, with the help of their wives, did a lot of work to help put Mt. View on top and in the running for Roanoke area contest prizes. Mrs. I. R. Akers, wife of Irvin of Claytor hydro, was vice chairman of the club.

Gerald Roseberry, Pulaski store-room, and Claude Hale, Pulaski meter department, were active in the contest along with the following hydro employees: J. B. Smith, A. M. Roseberry, Floyd King, K. C. Phillips, Garland Covey, B. E. Thompson and Irvin Akers.

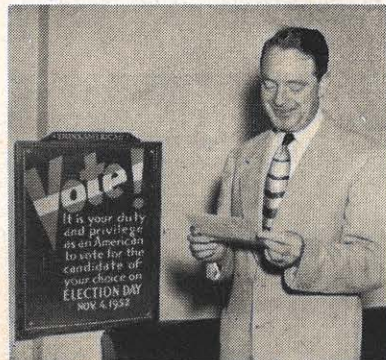
Curtis Graham, brother of Andy

who is Pulaski area sales representative, was chairman of the Mt. View club which won the \$60 cash award in the Pulaski County contest.

Some indication of the winning record is evident by the fact that 41 families in the neighborhood spent \$43,074 for farm and home improvements. Their work together was evident from the report that there was a 25 per cent increase in church and Sunday School attendance; 18 per cent increase in farms using contour stripping; 29 per cent increase in putting in running water and 290 per cent increase in dollars spent for home improvement.

Six families provided running water in their homes, four added bathrooms, seven bought electric ranges, five bought washing machines and nearly all of the Appalachian families provided for running water in their homes and purchased food freezers.

### A. E. Lemons Receives Wythe Kiwanis Award



Mr. Lemons smiles as he reads the text of the certificate recently presented to him by the Wytheville Kiwanis Club.

A. E. Lemons, Pulaski district dealer representative, recently was awarded the outstanding speaker's certificate by members of the Wytheville Kiwanis Club, Wytheville, Va. Mr. Lemons won this outstanding recognition as a result of his address, "This Is Our Problem."

Mr. Lemons' talk is based upon extensive study and research on communism and socialism. His discussions on this subject have won him considerable praise throughout southwest Virginia.

## Hodges Is Named President Of Utilities Group



Mr. Hodges

R. E. Hodges, manager of the Charleston division, has been elected president of the Utilities Association of the Virginias. Mr. Hodges was named to the office at the annual meeting of the association held at White Sulphur Springs. He succeeds Hugh Sprinkle, of the Monongahela Power Company.

The membership of the association is composed of utility companies in West Virginia and Virginia.

A graduate of West Virginia University, Mr. Hodges has been employed by Appalachian since 1926. He went to work at Sprigg, West Virginia, in the meter department during that year.

He later was transferred to Pikeville, Ky., where he became manager of the Pikeville district of the Kentucky and West Virginia Power Company. In 1940 he was moved to Ashland as assistant general manager of the Kentucky company and became general manager in 1943. In March, 1948, he was named manager of the Charleston division.

### A. J. Darrah Is Named Red Cross Chairman

A. J. Darrah, retired vice president of Appalachian and former Huntington division manager, has been named chairman of the Huntington-Cabell County Chapter of the American Red Cross. Mr. Darrah's appointment was announced following a recent meeting of the board of directors.

### Funk Honored For 40 Years' Service



Mr. Funk, left, and Mr. Claytor hold the plaque which was presented to Mr. Funk.

Vice President M. C. Funk was honored at a dinner in Roanoke on October 3, the day before he completed forty years of service in the electric utility business.

Graham Claytor, vice president of A. G. E. and Appalachian, presented Mr. Funk with his 40-year service pin. In addition Mr. Funk was given a plaque on behalf of the employees and in recognition of "his leadership,

courage and consideration during the 40 years he has given to our company." The plaque was signed by the managers and system department heads on behalf of the employees of the three companies.

In making the presentation, Mr. Claytor recalled many of the contributions Mr. Funk has made to the development and growth of the companies.

## Bluefield Division

### Glen Lyn Plant

Mrs. W. B. Thompson, Mrs. G. A. White and Mrs. Raymond Chambers, wives of employees, are recuperating after recent operations.

Sympathy is extended Floyd F. Ferguson on the death of his mother.

F. D. Spangler has returned to work after a recent back injury.

Willie R. Raines, laboratory attendant before being called into the Army, has been discharged but undergoing treatment at a Veterans Hospital.

Tom Powell, Mike Dent and A. H. Hare have returned to work after recent illnesses.

Norma Jean Lambert is a new employee in the coal office.

Ninety members of the Pearisburg Junior and Senior Women's Club toured the plant.

### Welch District

John L. Horton, maintenance man at Switchback, received notice from the War Department that his son, Tenton, was wounded in Korea. Extent of his injuries has not been received.

Sympathy is extended Clyde Dangerfield, serviceman at Pocahontas, on the death of his brother.

Bill Smith, engineering department employee stationed in Wyoming with the Air Corps, and his wife, Jean, a former employee of the accounting department, visited the office.

Sympathy is extended Juanita Lawrence, payroll department, on the death of her grandfather.

Helen Brinegar and Juanita Lawrence, clerks in the payroll department, moved to Bluefield to assume duties there.

Frank Compton, meter reader, resigned to accept a job in Portsmouth, Ohio.

Mrs. Jessie Hill, Pocahontas cashier, has returned to work after an illness.

Billy Horne, son of A. F. Horne, district manager, has been pledged to Phi Delta Theta fraternity at Davidson College.

Miles Charles, Grundy lineman, has returned to work after an illness.

### Pulaski District

H. H. Sumner, buck hydro operator, has returned to work after an illness.

Nancy Bargar, daughter of F. M. Bargar who is Byllesby hydro maintenance mechanic, is recovering after an appendectomy.

K. H. Mustard, Byllesby maintenance foreman, and Mrs. Mustard visited their newly-married daughter and son-in-law at Buckroe Beach.

Sympathy is extended R. G. Doss, Wytheville working foreman, on the death of his mother.

Pvt. Jerry O. Cox, stationed at Camp Pickett, visited his parents. He is a former employee at Wytheville and is the son of G. D. Cox, local superintendent at Wytheville.

Mrs. Lattie B. Smythers, wife of G. K. Smythers of the distribution department, is recovering after a knee operation in a Roanoke hospital.

Nancy Lee Kidd, daughter of Okie Kidd who is Pulaski local superintendent, has returned from the Medical College of Virginia after seven months of nurse's training. She is a member of the Junior Class at Radford Community Hospital.

Carol Lee Lester, daughter of Ray Lester of the rural department, has



entered training at Stuart Circle Hospital in Richmond.

Mrs. Jim Nichols, wife of the Pulaski serviceman, was a pneumonia patient at Pulaski hospital.

Mrs. Barbar King, cashier at the Christiansburg office, has returned to work after an appendectomy.

Bradie Kidd, Floyd serviceman, has returned to work after an illness.

Mrs. Lila Shepherd, wife of Alva who is a lineman, and Mrs. Tula Jenkins, wife of Refort who is a lineman, both of Hillsville, are recuperating after recent appendectomies.

### Bluefield District

Mildred Bishop, distribution records department, has transferred to (See Bluefield, page 8)

## Charleston Division

### Philip Sporn Plant

New employees at the plant include: James H. Bearhs, labor department; Mantford J. Arrowood, Leland C. Bumgarner and Kenneth E. Carter, all of the yard department.

### Cabin Creek Plant

Earl Lynn Searls, son of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Searls of Chelyan, received a skull fracture in a bicycle accident.

F. A. Drennen has returned to work after an extended illness.

J. L. Kern has returned to work after about a year and a half in the Navy.

### Beckley District

Sympathy is extended H. H. Wills on the death of his brother.

Sympathy is extended J. P. Hughes on the death of his father-in-law.

New employees are: Bill Turner, office messenger, and Marjorie Sue Wills, clerk in the transmission and distribution department.

Sympathy is extended G. D. Covey on the death of his brother-in-law.

Mrs. Margaret Webber, engineering section clerk, resigned to move to Mississippi.

Rebecca LaFon, daughter of Waldo S. LaFon, district manager, is recovering from polio.

### Charleston District

Dennis H. Caldwell, storeroom, has returned to work after an appendectomy.

Robert A. Legg, Samuel J. Dunn and Charles E. Curry have returned to work after serving in the armed forces.

Bob Wright, accounting department, resigned.

Katie Reynolds is a new employee in the commercial department.

Leo Thompson, meter helper, has returned to work after an illness.

R. C. Carte, serviceman, has returned to work after an illness.

Betty Kimble, Kanawha River (See Charleston, page 11)

## Kingsport

Sympathy is extended William L. Beeler, meter department, on the death of his mother.

William E. McAmis, substation department, resigned.

Deacon Jones, commercial department, has returned to work after an illness.

Kathryn Kinkaid, former accounting department employee living in Nashville, visited the office.

Alvin B. Pairgin, distribution department, has returned to work after an illness.

John Faust, commercial department, represented the Junior Chamber of Commerce and was elected chairman of the Law and Ordinance Committee of the recently organized Kingsport Fire Prevention Council.

R. A. Rankin, distribution department, has been discharged from the Armed Forces.



A compliment sure helps get the day started right.

## Huntington Division

### Logan Plant

Sympathy is extended T. H. Johnson, watchman, on the death of his mother.

R. L. McComas is a new employee in the plant office.

### Williamson District

Jeanette Murphy, commercial department, has returned to work after a tonsillectomy.

Mrs. Juanita McCoy has returned from Richmond where her father-in-law underwent an operation.

Sonny Runyon, Don Hatfield, V. A. Harris and Ira Conn attended a football game in Lexington as winners in a sales contest.

Ralph Jackson has returned to the meter department after serving two years in the Navy.

Ann G. Ardigo is a new employee in the accounting department.

Mary J. Dingess, accounting department, resigned and is living in Roanoke.

### Logan District

Merrill Atkinson, lieutenant governor of the third division of the Kiwanis, attended the district con-

vention of Kiwanis International in Wheeling.

Gene Edward Leeson was elected president of the sophomore class of Bowling Green College of Commerce. He was freshman class president last year. His father is stores supervisor.

S. C. Halstead is a new employee in the transmission and distribution department replacing W. J. Walsh.

Dorothy Craddock, home economist, resigned.

Several employees' children were featured in the Fire Prevention Parade. Joan Vannoy, daughter of Paul of the commercial department, appeared on the Lions Club float. Kay Kirchman, daughter of Mrs. Irene Kirchman of the commercial department, appeared on the Pure Oil float. Charlene Anderson, daughter (See Huntington, page 7)

## Kentucky

### Pikeville District

Lynn A. Jennings, John H. Turnley and Leon Huffman attended a football game in Lexington as winners of a recent commercial department contest.

Charles R. Robinett, PBX operator, resigned.

New accounting department employees are Bonnie Sue King and Fannie Mae Potter.

Macie Boston, commercial department, resigned to move to Indiana with her husband.

Sherlie Thomas, formerly of the accounting department, replaced Macie Boston in the commercial department.

William Curtis Charles transferred from Jess Collier's crew to the substation department.

Bill Harris, formerly on Oscar Hamilton's line crew, transferred to the meter department as PBX operator.

Sally D. Hatcher, home economist, resigned to live in Louisville.

Warren H. Taylor, serviceman, resigned.

Gherlene Brown, accounting department, returned to work after recovering from a broken arm suffered in a fall.

### Hazard District

Leyburn Bell Cody and Mrs. Louis Smith Graef attended a football game in Lexington as winners of a commercial department sales contest.

Sympathy is extended Sue Carey on the death of her father.

J. W. Scholtens, assistant district manager, was one of a delegation of business and professional men of the Kentucky Chamber of Commerce to visit industrial cities and towns in the central part of the State on an industrial development tour.

### Ashland District

Mrs. Elizabeth Ellis, wife of Wes Ellis of the engineering department, is recovering after an illness.

Edward Gordon, son of Mr. and (See Kentucky, page 8)

## Roanoke Division

### Fieldale District

David Puckett, local accounting, was among those cited by the Martinsville Rotary Club as having been observed driving carefully in the Martinsville area. The citations were part of the club's "courteous driving campaign."

Paul Byrum, commercial department employee on military leave, visited the office as did W. R. Naff, distribution real estate and right of way employee stationed at Turners Air Force Base.

Karen Duckworth, student nurse at a Roanoke hospital, completed a course in biology and chemistry at Hollins College. Her father is employed at Fieldale.

### Lynchburg District

Joyce G. Via is a new employee in the accounting department.

W. W. Dennis, commercial department, resigned.

### System

Sallie A. Eanes and Virginia Lee Clark are new employees in the system accounting office.

G. G. Nicholson has returned to work after an extended illness.

Sympathy is extended Clarence Brown, billing office, on the death of his mother-in-law.

Members and guests of the Trifori Club attended a square dance on the night of October 25 at Rockledge Inn on Mill Mountain.

Betty C. Carper, who recently resigned from the personnel department to make her home in Richmond, was honored with a dinner at Archie's by the girls of the fourth floor. She was presented a gift of china.

Mrs. Eula Bradford and Mrs. Barbara Williams honored Betty Carper, bride-elect of John B. Schug, with a miscellaneous shower at Mrs. Bradford's home on October 17.

Ruth Sachers and Mrs. Jeanette Kidd are new employees in the personnel department.

Mary Jo Watkins and Oneda Loyd are new employees in the billing office. Mary Jo was formerly employed in the Williamson local office.

### Roanoke District

Mrs. R. C. Snyder, rural-residential sales department, attended the graduation of her niece from Depaul Hospital School of Nursing in Norfolk.

Pvt. Charles P. Williams, on military leave from the meter department and the husband of Barbara who is a cashier, was home on furlough before going to Camp Rucker, Ala.

Mrs. Eunice Pillow, PBX operator, has returned to work after an operation.

R. O. Dennis, local accounting office, has returned to work after an operation.

Cpl. Douglas Wirt, son of E. L. Wirt of the garage and nephew of Mary Lou Wirt of the local accounting office, recently returned from Korea. His brother, Herbert, is stationed in Germany and playing on the 102d Army Division football team.

J. Arthur Deyerle is a new PBX operator. He replaced Steve Sneed who transferred to the mail room.

### Children Of Pikeville Employees Win Honors And Take Part In Parade On 4-H Club Fair Day

Children of Pikeville district employees were honored and represented in a recent 4-H Club Fair and parade featuring high school bands, floats and 4-H groups.

At the front of two bands were Frances Rasnick, 13-year-old daughter of John Rasnick who is rural sales representative, and Jane Craig Fields, 5-year-old daughter of Craig H. Fields who is rural and residential sales supervisor. Frances is a majorette for the Elkhorn City High School Band while Jane shares equal honors with the Pikeville High School Band.

On the championship float were Peggy Ann Scott, 15-year-old daughter of Ernest Scott who is a meterman. She was county champion for housekeeping projects. Another county champion on the float was Lawrence Newsom, 16-year-old son of Lawrence M. Newsom who is district records supervisor. He was county champion for metal roofing and poultry projects.

Frances Rasnick who performed as a majorette was county champion for home freezer project while her 9-year-old brother, Walter, was champion for the special frier project.

All four champions, along with other Pike County champs, competed in the district contest with 7 other counties. Frances and Peggy Ann won out as district champions in their projects.



Frances Rasnick parades in front of the Elkhorn City High School Band.



Little Jane Fields performs with the Pikeville High School Band.



Peggy Ann Scott Lawrence Newsom

### Jonah Parks, Retired, Improves Flavor Of Melons By Experiments On Farm



Jonah Parks holds one of the watermelons and displays some of the "banana" melons, muskmelons and cantaloupes grown on his farm. His successful experiments last summer improved the flavor of the muskmelons, those melons that look like long cantaloupes.

Jonah H. Parks believes in finding new ways of producing better melons on his farm in Botetourt County. The retired employee of the Walnut Avenue steam plant in Roanoke has quite a reputation on the Roanoke City Market for his successful experiments with cantaloupes and melons.

Last summer he alternated rows of "banana" melons, "Hale's Best" cantaloupes and the "old-fashioned" muskmelon in a patch on his farm about 17 miles from Roanoke. Then by placing his bees near the patch he had them carry the pollen from one variety to another, transferring the sweet and mellow flavor of the "Hale's Best" and "banana" varieties to the muskmelons.

His prize muskmelons of the season weighed up to 13 1/4 pounds. Three of these filled a bushel basket. Several

of these prize melons sold for \$1 each and several of his regular customers said the melons were "second to none."

In addition to his cantaloupes and melons, he raises "Stone Mountain" watermelons. Some of these weighed 40 to 45 pounds last summer.

Although Mr. Parks started his garden partly as a hobby, it has grown into a good source of supplementary income. He has 87 acres of land, only a small part of which is cultivated, and rents some pasture land to his son-in-law to raise beef cattle.

Mr. and Mrs. Parks now live alone on the farm. They have raised nine children, six daughters and three sons. One son lives in Florida, one daughter in New York and the rest reside in Virginia.

### Kent And Jean Sharp, Pulaski Employees, Work As Husband-Wife Team To Build Boat

Kent and Jean Sharp are a real husband-wife team. In addition to both being employees in the Pulaski district, they have built a boat in their spare time.

The motor boat, a "runabout" type, was built in their garage from plans secured from a boating magazine. Incidentally, Kent had previously built the garage.

The boat is 15 1/2 feet long and 6 feet across the beam. Constructed of oak and marine plywood, it will accommodate six people. It is painted white with a natural finish in the interior.

Kent says Jean really did her share of the work. He says she did all the wood filling, sanding and part of the painting. He added that she used a sewing machine to turn out the tarpaulin to cover the boat.

The Sharps recently acquired a trailer for their boat. This winter they plan to install a windshield and steering wheel. Jean is employed in the rural department and Kent in the substation maintenance crew.



Jean and Kent Sharp are shown in the boat they built in their spare time.

No Handicap

### Unusual Dealer Gets Certificate At Company School



Mr. Ingram, left, receives his certificate from Frank H. Board.

For several years Appalachian has been conducting sales schools for electric dealers and their appliance-men. One division which has held many such schools, Bluefield, recently completed its Electrical Living School at Hungry Mother Park near Marion, Virginia.

Conducted by Frank H. Board, Bluefield division sales representative, and Shirley M. Brown, division supervisor of rural and residential sales, the school included not only discussions in selling techniques, but also showed films from many manufacturers of electrical appliances.

At this school was Raymond Ingram, blind dealer from Pearisburg, Virginia. Mr. Ingram took part in all of the discussions and showed that he had profited much from the school. He operates one of the outstanding furniture stores in Giles County.

### See You At The Polls

### Jack Burnett Heads Jaycee Work Making Roanoke Top City

Roanoke leads all major Virginia cities in per cent of registered voters. A major share of the honor for this record belongs to the Roanoke Junior Chamber of Commerce and Jack M. Burnett.

Jack, power sales engineer in the Roanoke district, is chairman of the Jaycees' citizenship division. He and his division have been working for several months on many projects to turn out a record vote in November.

An outstanding contribution of his division, working with the Jaycettes,

was the research through the Poll Tax Book and Registration Cards to find citizens who had paid their taxes but had not registered. Post cards were then mailed to those citizens—thousands of them.

Of the 39,700 taxpayers assessed in the City of Roanoke for 1951, 30,785 are registered, about 77 per cent. This is particularly noteworthy in light of Virginia's poll tax requirement.

According to the report of Jack's division, 33.4 per cent of the total Roanoke population as of the 1950 census is now registered. This registration is 9,000 more than in 1948 and 3,500 better than on July 15 of this year.

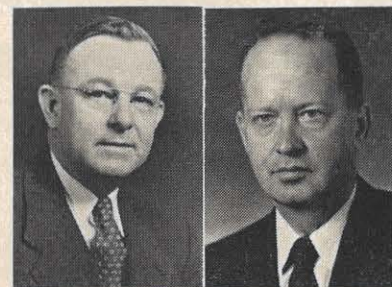
With record registration behind them, Jack and his division are working on a campaign to "get-out-the-vote." As a climax to many other activities, they are planning a block party and parade the night of November 3 to get eligible Roanoke voters to the polls.

All this has meant a lot of work. But as Jack says, "A record turnout at the polls will make our efforts a real success." He threw in a reminder in closing, "See you at the polls." And, you know, he's right.

### Just A Reminder

A corporation may spread itself over the whole world . . . may employ 100,000 men . . . yet the average person will form his judgment of the corporation through his contact with one individual.

### Amos, Newland Are Promoted In Pulaski District



Mr. Amos Mr. Newland

O'Neal Amos, Pulaski district personnel supervisor, has been promoted to administrative assistant in the district. He is succeeded by H. B. "Red" Newland, former engineering record clerk.

Mr. Amos was employed as assistant storekeeper at Pulaski in 1936. He was a clerk before becoming personnel supervisor in March of 1949.

Active in civic and church groups, he is a member of the Industrial Management Club, of the New River District Boy Scouts of America, a Mason, publicity chairman of the Red Cross and on the governing board of the Lutheran Church.

Mr. Newland was employed as payroll clerk in January of 1937. He was a clerk and engineering record clerk prior to his promotion to district personnel supervisor. He served in the Air Force over four years and was discharged in September of 1946 with the rank of a major.

He is a member of the Industrial Management Club, a major in the Reserves, a commander of the 9473d Volunteer Air Force Reserve Training Unit, member of the American Legion and of the Methodist Church.

### Jimmy Ozee Captains Aid Team To Honors

Jimmy Ozee, son of Morgan Ozee, who is Hazard district personnel supervisor, was captain of the winning First Aid Team in the Junior Class of the Kentucky River Mining Institute First Aid Contest held at Hazard on September 27. His team was also runner-up in the state contest.

A Scout for about three years, 13-year-old Jimmy is a Life Scout and only lacks four merit badges to become an Eagle. He plays right end on the football team and is an eighth-grader.



Jimmy Ozee

### Hawaiian Flowers Arrive In 36 Hours



Mr. and Mrs. Fred S. LaRue admire some unusual flowers recently received from Hawaii. According to the postmark, the flowers were delivered in Kingsport thirty-six hours after they were mailed at Kuluhi. The flowers, Anthuriums, were a birthday surprise for Mrs. LaRue from her brother, J. R. McConkey. Fourteen flowers included two varieties of blooms and large waxy-green leaves. So others might enjoy the rare flowers, Fred, a Kūl rural sales representative, displayed six of the blooms in the Utilities office where they attracted considerable attention.

# Service Anniversaries



## Kentucky and West Virginia Power Company

**Ashland District**—5 YEARS: Calvin C. Burnett, distribution department.

**Hazard District** — 30 YEARS: Bradley Dixon, meter department.

**Pikeville District** — 5 YEARS: Harlan Griffith, meter department; John Hunter, transmission and distribution department; Harry Trimble, meter department; Walter Smith, transmission and distribution department; and Mary Stewart, accounting department.

## Kingsport Utilities, Inc.

10 YEARS: Henry Gilreath, production department. 5 YEARS: James L. Kesterson, commercial department.

## Appalachian Electric Power Company

**Abingdon District** — 10 YEARS: George L. Fields, transmission and distribution department.

**Beckley District** — 10 YEARS: June Winner, accounting department.

**Bluefield District** — 15 YEARS: Heber G. Stafford, payroll department. 5 YEARS: Jack Newland, transmission and distribution department.

**Cabin Creek Plant** — 10 YEARS: Arch Richards, production department. 5 YEARS: Norma McCormick, production department.

**Glen Lyn Plant** — 25 YEARS: James E. Thompson, shift supervisor. 10 YEARS: H. M. Mann, maintenance man, and C. R. Meadows, operating department.

**Huntington District** — 25 YEARS: A. L. Merrifield, transmission and distribution department. 15 YEARS: Blanche Wood, billing department. 10 YEARS: Virginia Stark, accounting department, and William B. Jackson, miscellaneous department.

**Logan Plant** — 5 YEARS: W. W. Dalley, maintenance department.

**Point Pleasant District** — 20 YEARS: W. O. Sallaz, transmission and distribution department. 10 YEARS: Edith Q. Nickell, managerial department.

**Pulaski District** — 15 YEARS: G. P. Williams, engineering department, and W. E. Miller, engineering department. 10 YEARS: J. E. Wolford, transmission and distribution department. 5 YEARS: V. E. Rorrer, transmission and distribution department.

**Roanoke District** — 15 YEARS: R. F. Miller, transmission and distribution department. 10 YEARS: L. E. Hopson, J. J. Jordan and Muncie Warren, building service. 5 YEARS: J. W. Thomas, Jr., and Robert H. Caldwell, transmission and distribution department.

**System** — 15 YEARS: W. H. Coffey, accounting department. 5 YEARS: Nedra M. Wade and Helen M. Shanks, accounting department; William H. Viperman, real estate and right-of-way.

**Welch District** — 10 YEARS: Dorothy W. Lawless, accounting department, and Robert L. Wills, miscellaneous department.

## Four Veterans Receive Service Pins



Four veteran employees receiving pins during the past month for twenty years or more service included, top row, left to right, Bradley Dixon, Hazard, 30 years, and W. A. Merrifield, Huntington, 25 years. Bottom, left to right, J. E. Thompson, Glen Lyn, 25 years, and W. O. Sallaz, Point Pleasant, 25 years.

## Lena Schrader, Of Pulaski District, Is Retiring



Lena works at her desk in the Wytheville office.

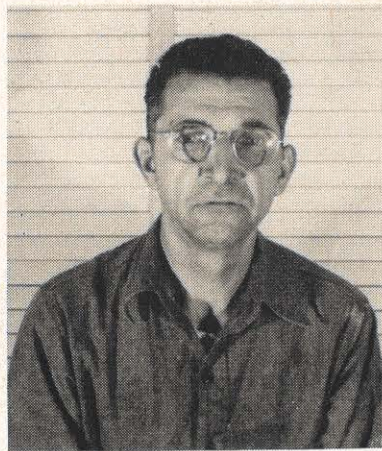
Lena Schrader is retiring the first of November, the first woman in the Pulaski district to retire. Miss Schrader, senior bookkeeper at the Wytheville local accounting office, has 35 years' service with the company.

A native of Wytheville, Miss Schrader was employed by R. L. Pierce on December 15, 1917, as a cashier-stenographer. She worked there until 1925 when she transferred to Pulaski.

When the Wytheville office was expanded in 1931, she returned. The office force at that time was composed of Miss Schrader, Miss Shirley Miller and J. D. Ryan. She has worked at Wytheville since 1931.

Wytheville office employees honored Miss Schrader with a dinner at the George Wythe Hotel on October 24. Guests included friends from other offices in the district. She plans to maintain her residence at 160 Church Street in Wytheville.

## Harvey L. Clemons, Glen Lyn, Retires



Mr. Clemons

Harvey Lee Clemons, a Glen Lyn Steam Plant employee, has been retired.

Harvey, who was employed as a plant utility man, began his career with the company in September of 1935. He served in several capacities about the plant.

Mr. Clemons' sons, Dudley and Bobby Alvin, also are employed at the plant. Dudley is a boiler operator and Bob is a plant guard.

Harvey is a veteran of World War I and plans to continue living at his home at Glen Lyn.

## Happy Birthday!

Andy Lawson shouldn't have any trouble remembering the birthdays of his two children. His son, born October 2, made his appearance on the birthday of his sister, Linda Lee, born October 2, 1951. Mr. Lawson is field time and material clerk at Galax in the Pulaski district.

## Electric Utility Pioneer Honored



John W. Hancock, retired Roanoke division manager, poses with a facsimile of a bronze plaque, bearing his likeness. A bronze plaque, like the one in the photograph, will be mounted at the John Hancock transmission station near Roanoke next spring.

Mr. Hancock, for whom the station is named, was honored recently at a dinner in Roanoke and Graham Claytor, vice president of the American Gas and Electric Company and Appalachian, presented Mr. Hancock with the facsimile.

In making the presentation, Mr. Claytor, who was first employed by Mr. Hancock, reviewed many of Mr. Hancock's contributions to the electric utility industry.

Mr. Hancock, who retired in 1943, began his long career in the electric utility business in 1895 when he

became associated with the old Roanoke Railway and Electric Company. He was serving as general manager of that company in 1926 when Appalachian acquired the property. He served as Roanoke division manager from 1926 until his retirement.

## G. E. Hill Is Author Of Magazine Article

Garlin E. Hill, Jr., a Bluefield district employee, is the author of an article recently appearing in *The Electrical World* magazine.

The article was based upon Mr. Hill's article "Portable Work Tables Aid Maintenance of Reclosers," which originally was published in *A. G. & E. Monthly Operating Notes*.

Mr. Hill is a member of the Bluefield district substation maintenance department.

# Familiar Faces IN NEW PLACES

## Appalachian Electric Power Company

**Abingdon District** — Ray DeBord from Abingdon district to Pulaski district, S. J. Grizzle from field, time and material clerk to truck driver groundman.

**Beckley District** — Russell Miller from draftsman to distribution record clerk, A. W. Bonds from groundman to lineman C, and D. S. Bozo from contract clerk to collector.

**Bluefield District** — Charles C. Beard, Jr., from distribution engineer to system engineering department, Roanoke.

**Logan District** — Jean Williams from commercial department to accounting department.

**Logan Plant** — B. J. George from laborer to utility operator C, and C. F. Herbert from laborer to utility operator C.

**Philip Sporn Plant** — Edward O. Baldwin from labor department to yard department, Troy S. Sayre from yard department to maintenance department, Carl D. King from yard department to maintenance department, Richard G. Ash from yard department to maintenance department, Frank E. Titus from maintenance department to maintenance foreman, William J. Buchanan, Jr., from maintenance foreman to maintenance supervisor, Kanawha River Plant, Howard J. Rader from operating department to plant engineer, Charles E. Carroll from assistant shift operator to shift operator engineer, Harry A. Davis from second assistant shift operating engineer to first assistant shift operating engineer, Howard F. Wagenhals from control operator to second assistant shift operating engineer, Willis L. Dudding from equipment operator to assistant control operator, John A. Carpenter from labor department to maintenance department, Samuel E. Holliday, Jr., from maintenance helper to maintenance man, Girard M. Fowler from maintenance man to master maintenance man, Glenn Huffman from tripper operator to tractor operator, Gilbert C. Hart from coal handler to tripper operator and Robert E. Smith from labor department to maintenance department.

## Kentucky and West Virginia Power Company

**Pikeville District** — Mae Nell Crum from accounting department to home economist of the commercial department.

## Kingsport Utilities, Inc.

Ray Cloud from laborer to plant maintenance man helper and Joan Clayman from clerk to PBX operator.

# Charleston Service Building Was Occupied Last Month

## Busy Moving Days Marked Completion Of Modern Structure Housing Five Departments

Last month the Charleston service building was completed and employees started moving into the 35,100-square-foot building.

Under construction less than a year, the location at the corner of 26th Street and the New York Central Railroad tracks consists of the building and four carports. A concrete apron covers 110,000 square feet.

The stores, garage, substation, engineering and transmission and distribution departments are housed in the new building. Frank Aldred of the AGE Service Corporation was company supervising engineer; Kuhn Construction Company of Charleston was the builder.

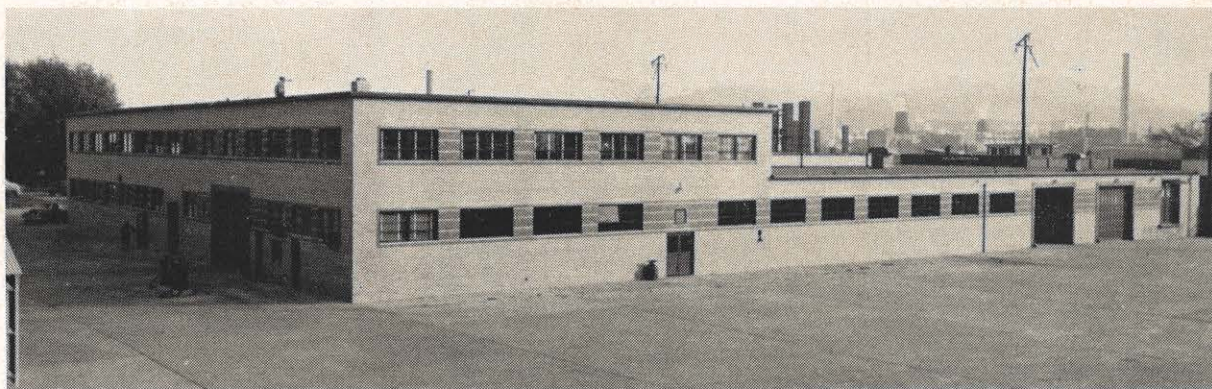
The building is of brick, cinder

block and steel with all roofs and floors of concrete. The entire location, including the carports and concrete apron, covers 1½ city blocks.

The storeroom has 11,600 square feet of storage space and is equipped with automatic equipment to transport goods about the room and to the loading platform. Offices in the north end house the office force.

The garage department has about 13,400 square feet of floor space. It is designed to handle major truck body work for the Charleston, Point Pleasant, Beckley, Ashland, Hazard, Pikeville, Huntington, Williamson and Logan districts.

There are offices for the car dispatcher and the garage supervisor.



North Charleston service building now houses the stores, garage, substation, engineering, transmission and distribution departments. At left can be seen the edge of one of four carports. The concrete apron covers 110,000 square feet while the building covers an additional 35,100 square feet.

In addition to a supply room, there is a carpenter shop and machine shop. There are 11 repair bins for equipment in the garage, as well as the room for exchanging and building truck beds. In this room are two electric cranes, a 2-ton and a 5-ton.

The transformer shop is equipped with a monorail chain hoist to unload transformers from trucks and pit. The transformer pit doors open on one side into the garage paint shop, permitting transformer casings to be painted in the automotive paint shop

without undue handling.

The second floor of the service building is 74 by 161 feet and houses the offices of the transmission and distribution, engineering and substation departments. Also on this floor is a 150-seat capacity conference room.



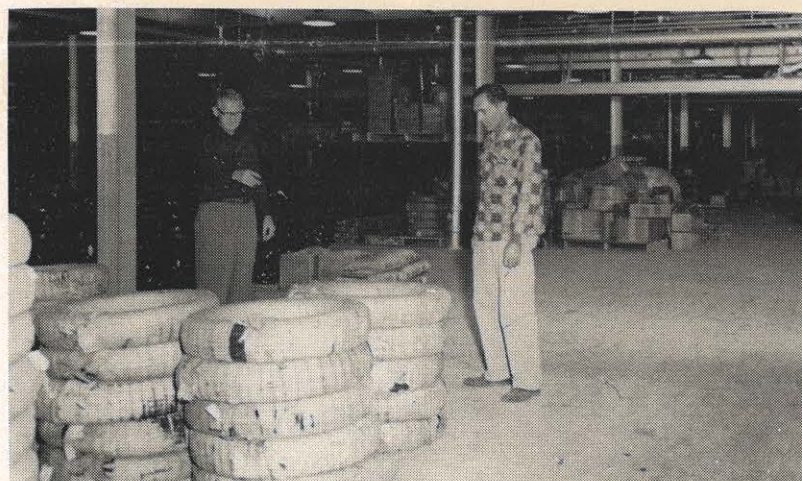
Ray Cole, garage supervisor, controls the automatic hoist as a press is unloaded in the garage.



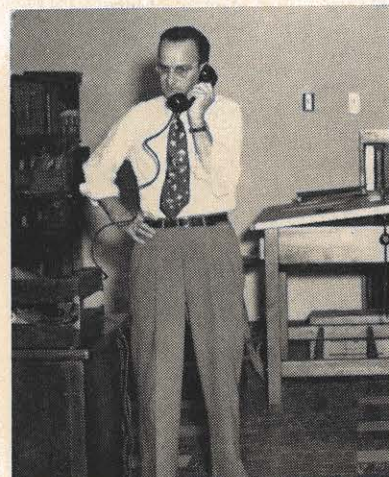
Moving day was helped with the use of this hoist to lift furniture.



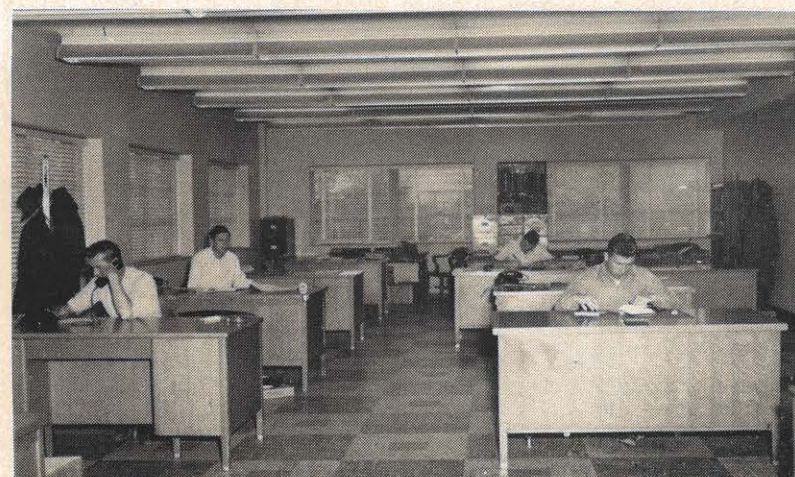
Going over building plans are George Hervey, district supervising engineer at left, and C. A. Perkins, district superintendent.



B. W. Clay, stores supervisor at left, discusses arrangement of supplies in the storeroom with G. T. Turley, material clerk.



Wallace Mason, substation records clerk, gets a call.



At work in the distribution engineering section on the second floor are, left to right: Ken Judy, Jr., John Harrison, Roger Fairfield and R. C. Coffman.

### J. E. Moran Elected AIEE Chairman For Ohio Valley Section

John E. Moran, Ashland district distribution engineer, was recently elected chairman of the Ohio Valley Section of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers.



Mr. Moran

This section, one of 90 in the nation, includes 10 counties in eastern Kentucky, three counties in southern Ohio and three counties in western West Virginia.

Mr. Moran has also served as program chairman of AIEE.

A graduate of West Virginia University, he went to work for Kentucky and West Virginia Power Company on June 23, 1947, as an engineer at Ashland.

### Beckley Reporters Hold Annual Meet

Beckley district's ILLUMINATOR reporters held their annual luncheon and meeting in mid-October. The luncheon was held at the Beckley Hotel and the business meeting was conducted in the company auditorium.

In the afternoon session, G. S. Dunn, system public relations director, and W. A. McClung, editor of company publications, both of Roanoke, lead a general discussion on the gathering and submission of news. Waldo S. LaFon, Beckley district manager, presided.

### Lynchburg Wins Trophy

The Lynchburg district recently was awarded a trophy by the Industrial Management Club of Lynchburg for maintaining the best safety record in the Small Industry Group for the month of September. Should the district continue its record, the cup will be retained month by month.

The company with the best annual record in the Small Industry Group retains the annual award. Lynchburg won the 1951 trophy.

### In Hazard Parade



Grumpy and Bashful live up to their names as this photo was made at the recent Perry County 4-H parade in Hazard. Grumpy is Ross Ekert, Jr., while Bashful is Michael Cody, son of John K. Cody, Hazard district lineman. They paraded with Snow White and five other costumed dwarfs as members of the Lothair School entry that won first prize in the 18-school contest. C. A. Zoellers, commercial manager, reviewed the parade from the courthouse steps as chairman of the Perry County 4-H Council.

### Huntington . . .

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ter of James of the accounting department, was a majorette with the Aracoma School Band.

Margaret Tyler, transmission and distribution department, attended the Beta Sigma Phi Sorority convention at Fairmont and participated in a skit presented at the forum. She is corresponding secretary of the organization.

### Huntington District

Sympathy is extended Jane Wright, Huntington system billing office, on the death of her mother.

Clifford B. Bolton returned to work at Kenova plant after being on military leave since September of 1950. Most of his Army time was spent in Germany.

New employees in the district: Virginia Lee Smith, billing department; Robert J. McClure, meter department; Samuel Y. Scruggs at Kenova plant; Dick D. Kitchen and Ralph M. Miller, transmission and distribution department.

### W. L. Pierce Elected Head Of Abingdon Lodge

W. L. Pierce, Abingdon substation operator, was recently elected Noble Grand of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, McCabe Lodge No. 56, at Abingdon. He became a member of the Lodge in 1949 and has since held all the Lodge offices.



Mr. Pierce

"Happy," as he is called, was employed by the Edmundson Electric Company of Abingdon in 1928 as hydro plant operator. He remained with the company when Edmundson Electric became a part of Appalachian.

His father, R. E. L. Pierce, is a retired employee of the company with 23 years of service. "Happy" is married and the father of one boy and three girls.

### Winners In Abingdon District Make Trip To Claytor Lake For Activity In Sales Campaign



Abingdon district "cowpokes" get ready to load up the "chuck wagon" headed for an all-day outing at Claytor Lake. These were some of the 35 employees who won the trip for their activities in the district's recent "5 Star Round-Up" campaign.

About 35 Abingdon district employees won an all-day outing at Claytor Lake for reporting sales in their recent "5 Star Round-Up" campaign.

The group went by "chuck wagon" bus to the lake where they toured the power plant and enjoyed a picnic lunch at the State Park. Swimming and motor boat rides were main events of the afternoon.

The contest found the district divided into four ranches. The reward went to the ranch reaching the

greatest per cent of its quota of sales. Star W Ranch, representing Washington County, went well over the 100% mark in all categories.

In addition to the Washington County winners, the top "cowpoke" in each of the other ranches was eligible for the "round-up" trip award. They were: Sylvia Darnell, Gold Star Ranch of Scott County; H. S. Taylor, R Cactus Ranch of Russell County, and Bill Coe, Bar D Ranch of Dickenson and Wise Counties.

### Three Appalachian Men Are Recognized In Operating Notes



Mr. Miller Mr. Orr

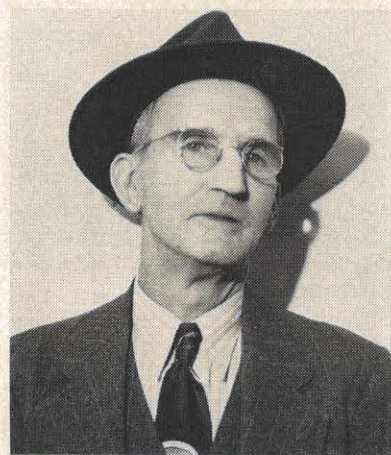
Three A. E. P. employees, R. K. McLaugherty of the Glen Lyn Steam Plant, and R. P. Miller and J. M. Orr, both of Abingdon, were authors of articles appearing in the September issue of A. G. & E. Monthly Operating Notes.

R. K. McLaugherty, who is an electrical maintenance mechanic at Glen Lyn, developed a tool for the removal and replacement of small sleeve bearings. The device has proved ideal where bearings of this nature have to be changed. The article was entitled, "Simple Tool for Replacing Small Sleeve Bearings."

Mr. McLaugherty

"Mounting 2-Way Radios on Pick-Up Trucks," was the title of the article prepared by the Abingdon employees. Their article describes a procedure for installing radio apparatus on pick-up trucks that are not equipped with a special service body. Their installation method does not take any of the useful loading space in the truck and makes a neat, easily accessible mount for two-way radio. Mr. Miller is the Abingdon district transportation supervisor and Mr. Orr is employed as a district substation maintenance man.

### William A. Williams, Cabin Creek, Retires



W. A. Williams

W. A. Williams, Cabin Creek Plant employee, retired October 1 after having completed more than eight years of service with the company.

Mr. Williams was first employed at the Cabin Creek Plant in February of 1944. He has spent much of his service in the operations department. He also has worked in other capacities. Prior to coming with the company, Mr. Williams was employed for more than 36 years in the coal mining industry.

Mr. Williams was born September 19, 1887, at Cabin Creek. He is married and the father of three daughters. He has three brothers who were employed by the company. Robert E. and Fred M. are now employed at the plant. Another brother, Lacy, retired in 1949.

Mr. Williams hopes to purchase a small farm or operate a small restaurant.

### Foresight Saves Eyesight Of G. C. Williams As Goggles Bring Membership In Wise Owl Club

By putting on safety goggles, G. C. Williams of Cabin Creek plant removed the "P" from the word "accident." So said D. C. Duncan, system safety director, last month when he presented the boiler maintenance helper with a membership certificate and pin in the Wise Owl Club of America.

Mr. Williams' foresight not only saved his eyesight but also enabled him to join a very select group. Only two employees of the Southern Properties have received the Wise Owl award.

The incident leading to the award happened on July 8. Mr. Williams was helping some fellow employees remove some boiler tubes. A sledge hammer was being used and a piece of metal chipped off, striking and shattering a lens of his safety goggles.

When Mr. Duncan heard the use of goggles prevented the loss of eyesight, he made application for Mr. Williams' membership in the Wise Owl Club, an organization sponsored by the National Society for the Prevention of Blindness. As Mr. Williams pointed out, "I can show anyone the reason why I am convinced safety goggles should be worn."



G. C. Williams, Cabin Creek plant employee on the right, receives the Wise Owl Club membership certificate and congratulations from D. C. Duncan, system safety director.

### Street Garden?



A Charleston resident picks a flower from the middle of Capitol Street, one of the city's busiest thoroughfares. Charleston merchants couldn't resist the chance to kid the city's utilities currently working together to modernize facilities. As a result, one morning flowers and corn were found growing on Capitol Street. A nearby florist is strongly suspected of furnishing the flowers but the "Investigating Committee on Street Vegetation" has not discovered where the corn came from. Another mystery yet unsolved was the sign posted in the street: "Picking of Flowers or Vegetables Within 50 Feet of Sidewalk Prohibited." Undaunted, work progressed. The project is rapidly nearing completion as Capitol Street is repaved and all duct work in for the underground electric system, though not in service. Work is underway on Washington, Broad and Court streets. There have been no additional reports of recent outcroppings of street gardens. This amusing incident serves to illustrate the need for a sense of humor in our business. (Photo courtesy "Charleston Daily Mail" by Earl Bender)

### Officers Of Bluefield Benevolent Association



New officers of the Bluefield Employees Benevolent Association are pictured at a recent board meeting. Left to right are: Jay Farley and John Kahle, directors; Lina Light, treasurer; Henry Harris, chairman; Elsie Heifner, secretary; W. E. Brooks and John Munsey, directors. The association was organized in 1934 to systematically contribute to charitable organizations, eliminating individual solicitations. With 222 members, the organization plans to contribute a day's pay to be divided among Bluefield charities.

### Bluefield . . .

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the division engineering department.

Sympathy is extended Randy Pendleton, engineering department, on the death of his father.

Mrs. Mary Kersey, accounting department, resigned.

W. H. Riley, Jr., was elected vice president of the Bluefield Junior Chamber of Commerce.

Ann Warden is a new employee in the Bluefield payroll department.

James M. Fox, appliance service man, has returned to work after an illness.

Rodney Hudson moved to Coal Creek from Princeton and Dewey Barnette moved from Coal Creek to Princeton.

P. M. Trent, retired employee living in St. Petersburg, Florida, visited the office.

sentative, is recovering after an operation.

Bill Conner, employee on military leave, visited the office while on furlough.

Entered in the Washington County Beauty Contest on October 9 were: Shirley Grubb, clerk-stenographer, representing Appalachian; Ruth Caldwell, cashier, representing Haga Furniture Company, and Jerry Wilkins, clerk, representing Piggly Wiggly Grocery.

### Kentucky . . .

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Mrs. R. L. Gordon, has entered V. P. I. and is majoring in chemical engineering.

Everett Vanover, stores department, has transferred to the engineering department.

Dave Leasure, engineering department, transferred to the local office.

The following have returned to work after illnesses: Roy Vanhorn, engineering department; Orville Henderson, district engineer; D. V. Lockwood, district superintendent; and Eugene Salyers, distribution department employee who underwent an operation.

Carolyn Tucker is a new employee of the local office.

Mrs. Charlene Roberts, local office, resigned to join her husband in Cincinnati where he is a television announcer.

Tom Layne, stores department, resigned.

### Abingdon District

Margaret Collins, home economist, has returned to work after an appendectomy.

L. C. Valley, line foreman, was elected to the Gate City Athletic Council.

Joe E. Collins, rural and residential sales supervisor, was a representative from the Abingdon Kiwanis Club to the Capital District Kiwanis Convention in Baltimore.

Mrs. Gordon Craig, wife of the Washington County area sales repre-

### Camavo Club Holds Dinner-Dance



New officers of the Camavo Club are, left to right: Barbara Boitnott, secretary; Elton Jones, treasurer, and Malcolm Reed, president.

About 75 members and guests of the Camavo Club attended a dinner-dance at the Elks Club on October 3. The club is composed of employees of the first and second floors of the general office building in Roanoke.

Jimmy Jones, master of ceremonies, introduced the new club officers. They are Malcolm Reed, president; Barbara Boitnott, secretary, and Elton Jones, treasurer. These officers serve until October of next year.

After the dinner, there was dancing until midnight. In charge of arrangements were: Alma Wright, dinner; Mary Ann Grisso and Jean Cassell, decorations, and Russell Dove, tickets.

### Lineman Builds Furnishings For Home And Friends In Small Hobby Shop

Worley H. Grizzle, an Abingdon district lineman employed in Scott County, Virginia, is one of those persons who can take a minimum of material and complete a handsome piece of furniture. His work with woodworking tools is reflected in each room of his home.

Worley has been interested in cabinet making as a hobby for a number of years but he did not take it too seriously until he began attending night classes at the Kingsport Trade School several years ago. Since then, Worley has built many unusual and well-constructed pieces of furniture. He also has accumulated a variety of tools to equip his hobby shop.

Furnishings completed for his home include a large modern desk, coffee tables, book cases, end tables, magazine racks, wall and base cabinets, bedside tables, chest of drawers and other useful items. In addition to constructing furniture, Worley also



Worley Grizzle tests the drawer on a solid walnut desk he recently completed.

built his garage.

Mr. and Mrs. Grizzle and their four-year-old son, Rodger Dean, make their home near Gate City.



### Fourteen Couples Exchange Vows



Here are some of the recent brides and a bridal couple among employees of the companies. Top row, left to right, Mrs. Charles W. Ferguson III, Huntington; Mr. and Mrs. Wilmer Combs, Hazard, and Mrs. Paul A. Rowe, Charleston. Second row: Mrs. Harry D. Smith, Jr., Bluefield;

Mrs. Clyde E. Wysor, Bluefield, and Mrs. John A. Hankins, Roanoke. Third row: Mrs. William E. Ferrell, Jr., Bluefield; Mrs. Emery E. Miller, Beckley, and Mrs. Bill Arnett, Pikeville.

#### Hudson-Smith

Miss Mildred Hudson became the bride of Roy D. Smith, Jr., on October 4 at Roanoke, Va. Mrs. Smith is employed at Bluefield.

#### Greer-Arnett

Miss Phyllis Greer became the bride of Bill Arnett at Pikeville, Ky., on October 11. Mrs. Arnett is employed at Pikeville.

### Snug-As-A-Bug



If you'd like to pamper your feet or make a Christmas gift that will really be appreciated, those hand-made "Woolies" may be the answer to your problems. They are warm, comfortable and are pleasing to the eye. Springy soles are crocheted while the sock is knitted. They are easy to make; laundry well, and will withstand hard wear. Directions are given for small, medium and the large sizes. For free directions, write: "Woolies," c/o Illuminator, Appalachian Electric Power Company, P. O. Box 2091, Roanoke 9, Virginia.

#### Burke-Hodges

Miss Barbara E. Burke became the bride of R. E. Hodges, Jr., September 27 in Atlanta, Ga. Mr. Hodges is the son of R. E. Hodges, Charleston division manager.

#### Vickers-Miller

Miss Barbara Kay Vickers became the bride of Emory R. Miller on September 26 at Mt. Hope, W. Va. Mr. Miller is employed at Beckley.

#### Branson-Combs

Miss Jackie Laverne Branson became the bride of Wilmer Combs on October 11 at Hazard, Ky. Mrs. Combs is the daughter of W. C. Branson, who is employed at Hazard.

#### Wilson-Hankins

Miss Jacqueline Wilson became the bride of John A. Hankins on September 27, at Roanoke, Va. Mrs. Hankins is employed at Roanoke.

#### Shumaker-Ferguson

Miss Phyllis Jean Shumaker became the bride of Charles W. Ferguson III, on September 13 at Wayne, W. Va. Mrs. Ferguson is employed at Huntington.

#### Branson-Ford

Miss Lorrene Branson became the bride of Clay Ford at Hazard, Ky. Mrs. Ford is the daughter of G. C. Branson, who is employed at Hazard.

#### Richardson-Hopkins

Miss Virginia Blackwell Richardson and James Edward Hopkins were married on October 15 at Roanoke, Va. Mr. Hopkins is employed at Roanoke.

#### Hefner-Seldomridge

Miss Susan Kelly Hefner became the bride of Sgt. Eugene Seldomridge on September 20 at Logan, W. Va. Mr. P. M. Hefner, father of the bride, is employed at Logan Plant.

#### Richardson-Wysor

Miss Virginia Richardson became the bride of Clyde E. Wysor on September 13 at Tazewell, Virginia. Mr. Wysor is employed at Bluefield.

#### Cook-Smith

Miss Paulette Cook became the bride of Harry D. Smith on September 6 at Richlands, Va. Mr. Smith is employed at Tazewell, Va.

#### Brown-Ferrell

Miss Elizabeth Jeanette Brown became the bride of William E. Ferrell, Jr., October 10 at Bluefield, Va. Mrs. Ferrell is employed at Bluefield.

#### Burns-Rowe

Miss Phyllis A. Burns became the bride of Paul A. Rowe at Charleston, W. Va., September 20. Mrs. Rowe is employed at Charleston.

### Sporn Women Win At Flower Show



New Haven's Fall Flower Show winners are, left to right: Mrs. E. L. Stein, Jr., Mrs. P. J. Wolpert, Mrs. J. L. Stewart, Mrs. Robert Cooke and Mrs. Clyde Rice.

Members of families of Phillip Sporn Plant employees won honors at the recent Fall Flower Show which was held at New Haven, West Virginia. The show was sponsored by the New Haven Garden Club and the Nehaclima Garden Club.

Among those exhibiting floral arrangements were: Mrs. Philip Wolpert, chairman of the show, winner of a red ribbon for her arrangement of childrens' hour. Mr. Wolpert is supervisor of operations. Mrs. J. L. Stewart won two blue ribbons for

her displays of chrysanthemums and miniatures. Mrs. Stewart is the mother of Wallace Stewart, a member of the results department.

Mrs. Edward L. Stein, Jr., won a blue ribbon for her arrangement of mixed flowers. Mr. Stein is maintenance foreman. Mrs. Clyde Rice was awarded a red ribbon for her fine display of roses. Mr. Rice is a control operator. Mrs. Robert Cooke won a red ribbon with her arrangement of chrysanthemums. Mr. Cooke is a test man.

### New Arrivals . . .

MR. AND MRS. IRA B. PETERS are the parents of a son, Ira Gregory, born October 9. Mr. Peters is employed at Roanoke.

MR. AND MRS. ARNOLD CROTTY are the parents of a son, Stewart Martel, born October 9. Mr. Crotty is employed at Bluefield.

MR. AND MRS. C. O. PATTERSON are the parents of a daughter, Betty Arwanna, born September 19. Mr. Patterson is employed at Cabin Creek.

MR. AND MRS. G. B. TONEY are the parents of a son, Eric Wetzel, born October 7. Mr. Toney is employed at Cabin Creek.

MR. AND MRS. DALLAS KINSER are the parents of a daughter, Robin Dale. Mr. Kinsler is employed at Logan.

MR. AND MRS. GEORGE T. McCLURE are the parents of a son, Dwight Pryor, born October 9. Mr. McClure is employed at Huntington.

MR. AND MRS. JAMES BOOTH, JR., are the parents of a son, James Arthur, born October 12. Mr. Booth is employed at Abingdon.

MR. AND MRS. HAROLD W. COX are the parents of a son, Dennis Nelson, born September 27. Mr. Cox is employed at Gate City, Abingdon district.

MR. AND MRS. J. A. BOOTH are the parents of a daughter born September 21. Mr. Booth is employed at Glen Lyn Plant.

MR. AND MRS. G. L. SMITH are the parents of a son born October 14. Mr. Smith is employed at Glen Lyn Plant.

MR. AND MRS. G. A. BRILLHEART are the parents of a son, Richard Lee, born October 5. Mr. Brillheart is employed at Pulaski.

MR. AND MRS. PAUL GRESS are the parents of a daughter, Karen Brenda, born October 10. Mr. Gress is employed at Pulaski.

MR. AND MRS. ANDY LAWSON are the parents of a son, Dale Robert, born October 2. Mr. Lawson is employed at Galax, Pulaski district.

MR. AND MRS. MCKINLEY CORNETT, JR., are the parents of a daughter, Patricia Ann, born October 4. Mr. Cornett is employed at Switchback, W. Va.

MR. AND MRS. JOHN HULL, JR., are the parents of a son, John Thomas, born October 11. Mr. Hull is employed at Charleston.

MR. AND MRS. M. J. HARTLEY are the parents of a son, James Alban, born October 9. Mr. Hartley is employed at Charleston.

MR. AND MRS. DELT H. CROSIER are the parents of a daughter, Nancy Sue, born October 2. Mr. Crosier is employed at Charleston.

MR. AND MRS. DENNIS L. BLAKE are the parents of a son, born September 20. Mr. Blake is on military leave from the Charleston district.

MR. AND MRS. HARRY WALKER GARBNER, JR., are the parents of a son, Michael Stephen, born September 29. Mr. Garber is employed at Bluefield.

MR. AND MRS. G. L. SWEENEY are the parents of a son, Michael Lloyd, born on September 25. Mr. Sweeney is employed at Beckley.

MR. AND MRS. JOHN McWHORTER are the parents of a daughter, Georgia Lynn, born October 11. Mrs. McWhorter is a former employee at Ashland.

MR. AND MRS. WALTER KEETON are the parents of a daughter, Marilyn Jill, born September 28. Mr. Keeton is employed at Ashland.

MR. AND MRS. RICHARD T. CAMPBELL are the parents of a son, Edward Terrell, born September 22. Mr. Campbell is employed in Lynchburg.

MR. AND MRS. J. L. ASHWORTH are the parents of a daughter, Donna Marie, born September 27. Mr. Ashworth is employed in Lynchburg.

MR. AND MRS. J. F. WILSON, JR., are the parents of a son, Glendon Bascom, born September 29. Mr. Wilson is employed at Lynchburg.

MR. AND MRS. J. R. DORMAN are the parents of a son, James R., Jr., born October 12. Mr. Dorman is employed at Lynchburg.

MR. AND MRS. HENRY SPRADLIN are the parents of a son, Henry Michael, born October 10. Mrs. Spradlin is a former employee of Lynchburg.

### They're Engaged

MISS EVANGELINE COKER to Robert Lee Swain. Miss Coker is a home economist at Christiansburg, Pulaski District.

MISS JUNE A. BOOTEN to James C. Maynard. Miss Booten is employed at Huntington.

MISS THELMA JUDE to Ralph Jackson. Miss Jude and Mr. Jackson are employed at Williamson.

### Roanoke Home Economist Complimented By Agent

Anne Hervey, Roanoke home economist, was recently complimented for her outstanding work by Mrs. Dot C. Angle, Franklin County Home Demonstration Agent. In a letter to W. P. Booker, Roanoke district manager, Mrs. Angle, wrote in part:

"I feel as if we are fortunate in having Miss Anne Hervey in our county. She has done a wonderful job with one of our 4-H members in the electric project. Joyce Fralin was county and district winner in this project. I'm sure this would not have been possible without her help.

"Working with Miss Hervey has been a pleasure. I feel as if she has done a lot to promote the 4-H electric project in Franklin County."

### Daughter Of Logan Man Named Princess



Miss Carol Barker

Miss Carol Barker, daughter of Hal Barker of the Logan Plant, recently was crowned Princess at the Chapmanville Junior High School.

Such an honor at the Annual Junior High Homecoming Dance is equivalent to that of Senior High School Homecoming Queen.

Carol is a ninth grade student and is a member of the school's band and Glee Club.

Mr. Barker is employed at the Logan Plant as a turbine operator.

## Buchanan, Titus, Rader And Carroll Are Promoted At Philip Sporn Plant

Promotions affecting four Sporn men were announced last month.

William J. Buchanan, Jr., electrical maintenance foreman, has been promoted to maintenance supervisor of Appalachian's new Kanawha River plant. He is succeeded by Frank E. Titus, former master maintenance man.

Howard J. Rader, shift operating engineer, has been promoted to plant engineer and Charles Carroll, first assistant shift operating engineer, has been promoted to shift operating engineer.

Mr. Buchanan was employed at Ashland in 1937 as maintenance man and transferred in 1942 to the system relay department at Charleston as junior relay engineer. In 1945 he transferred to the Kanawha Valley Power Company as electrical engineer maintenance man, later going to Sporn plant in 1949 as electrical maintenance foreman.

He is a member of the Hartford Baptist Church and a past president of the Parent-Teacher Association of New Haven. He is married and the father of three children, Stephan, Philip and Karen. He plans to move his family to Glasgow in the near future.

Mr. Titus was employed at Sporn plant on October 10, 1949, as maintenance man and was promoted to master maintenance man in 1950. He assumed his new duties as electrical maintenance foreman on October 1.

A veteran of three years' service in the Navy as an electrician, he is a ham radio station operator. His hobby station's call letters are W8BOU. He is a member of the Grace Episcopal Church of Pomeroy, Ohio, and a member of the Masonic Lodge. He is married and the father of two children, Frank Allen and Stephan.

Mr. Rader was first employed by the company in 1927 at the Cabin



Mr. Buchanan Mr. Rader



Mr. Titus Mr. Carroll

Creek plant as boiler repair man. He was promoted to fireman, head fireman and in 1941 to assistant shift supervisor. He transferred to the Tidd plant of The Ohio Power Company as watch engineer in 1945. In June of 1949 he came to Sporn plant as shift operating engineer.

A native of Kanawha County, he is married and the father of a daughter, Barbara. He and his family live in New Haven.

Mr. Carroll was first employed at the Windsor plant of The Ohio Power Company on February 2, 1923, as helper in the turbine maintenance department. He later became turbine operator and then assistant boiler room foreman. He transferred to Sporn plant on June 1, 1949, as first assistant shift operating engineer.

A native of New Martinsville, West Virginia, he now resides near New Haven. He is married and the father of two children, Gerald and Joan.

## K. B. Crumb, Retired A. G. & E. Official, Dies

K. B. Crumb, retired treasurer and assistant secretary of the American Gas & Electric Company, died in his home at Basking Ridge, New Jersey, October 23. Death was caused by a heart condition.

At the time of his retirement last December, "Kit" Crumb had completed more than 43 years of service with the system. He began his lengthy career in the electric utility business following his graduation at the University of Wisconsin with the Rockford Electric Company in Illinois.

"Kit" became traveling auditor for A. G. & E. in 1912 and stayed on the road for the next nine years. He was promoted to general auditor, then assistant treasurer of the Service Corporation and finally treasurer and assistant secretary of the American Gas & Electric Company. He retained these positions until his retirement December 1.

Mr. Crumb is survived by his wife, Ethel.

## Son Of Marion Man Becomes A Jet Pilot

Billy L. Poe, son of Mr. and Mrs. Fred R. Poe of Marion, Va., recently was commissioned second lieutenant in the U. S. Air Force.



Lt. Poe

Lt. Poe is a qualified F-80 jet pilot and is now stationed at Moody Field, Georgia.

Mr. Poe is a rural sales representative assigned to the Marion office in the Pulaski district.

## Girls Service Club Honors Mrs. Simmons

Mrs. Evelyn Simmons was honored by the Bluefield Girls Service Club at a tea in the company auditorium. About 50 were present at the event complimenting Mrs. Simmons who was bride-elect of Charles C. Matthews, Jr.

Nancy Williamson, vice president, welcomed guests and Mrs. Carl J. Smith, sister of the honoree, was presented as a special guest. The club presented corsages of yellow mums to the honoree and her sister. Mrs. Simmons was also presented a percolator by Mrs. Robert Jones on behalf of the club.

Lois K. Rounion played piano selections throughout the tea. Patsy Mahoney, social committee chairman, was in charge.

## J. G. Harvey Elected Toastmasters Officer



Mr. Harvey

who has served as vice president for two terms.

## C. W. Moran, Retired, Honored At Game With Title Of 'Mr. Charleston Catholic'

Clarence W. Moran, retired Charleston special clerk, was named "Mr. Charleston Catholic" at halftime ceremonies of a football game between that school and Spencer High at Laidley Field on October 9.

Behind this honor is the story of Mr. Moran's work for the school dating back to 1935. In that year the coach quit, leaving the team without coach or schedule. Mr. Moran says he does not know why, but the situation was dropped into his lap.

The first thing he did was to get a coach who got off work at 3:30 every day and was able to coach in the evenings. Then Clarence arranged a schedule and took care of the business end as business manager, though he never had an official title.

For five years he worked with the school and was successful in helping organize the Charleston Catholic Athletic Association and a Boosters Club. After they were organized, he turned over to them all the business he had been handling.

At the game ceremony last month, he was presented a certificate and letter of recognition by Hugh Loder of the Charleston Catholic Athletic Association for his outstanding work from 1935 to 1940, enabling the school to remain active in sports.

Clarence came with the company in 1930 and retired in 1949. His favorite hobbies are fishing and baseball, the latter one of his favorite sports. In addition to playing on teams in the coal fields, he was instrumental in starting Charleston district's first company softball team.

He and some others held a bingo party in the Charleston lobby in 1940 to raise funds to purchase uniforms for the team. By his past record in sports activities, Clarence might also be titled "Mr. Softball" of the Charleston district.



Clarence is pictured shortly after halftime ceremonies when he became "Mr. Charleston Catholic."

## M. C. Clark Elected Kiwanis President

M. C. Clark, Point Pleasant district superintendent, has been elected president of the Point Pleasant Kiwanis Club. He served as vice president last year.

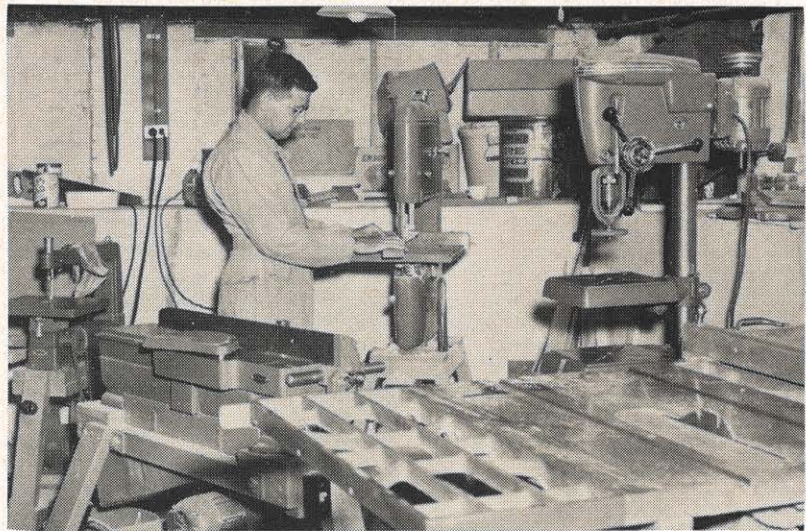
Employed by the company in June of 1938, he was a relay engineer in the Charleston division before coming to Point Pleasant as district superintendent when the district was formed in January of 1949.

A graduate of West Virginia University with a B.S. degree in electrical engineering, Mr. Clark is a member of the Moose Lodge, is married and the father of three children, Sylvia, Eloise and Arthur.



Mr. Clark

## Beats Current High Prices On Home Furnishings By Making Own As Hobby



Mr. Riley uses the band saw in his basement woodworking shop. He is constructing a set of new wall cabinets for his wife's kitchen.

W. H. "Bill" Riley, Jr., a member of the Bluefield district commercial department, discovered the best way to beat current price tags on home furnishings was to make them yourself. Bill makes his own furniture and these pieces, in many cases, turn out to be the envy of the neighborhood. His woodworking projects are far above average.

In his hobby shop, Bill has constructed a Hollywood bed with built-in shelves and other conveniences, night stands, flower bases, a vanity, and a kitchen table as well as many other pieces. He also has built storm windows for his home. Other items of which Bill is proud include a limed-oak desk and chair; two end

tables; two lamps and other specialties.

Although Bill has been in hobby woodwork but four years, he is a good craftsman. He started modestly with a small saw and a joiner and has gradually increased the equipment in his shop until he is in a position to undertake most projects. Much of the power equipment has been given Bill as Christmas gifts from his wife, Dorothy, and his daughter, Dale Elizabeth.

Bill has been an employee of the company for more than five years and is active in civic, church and social affairs about Bluefield. He is vice president of the Bluefield Junior Chamber of Commerce.

## Abingdon Meter Superintendent's Job Led Into Profitable Spare-Time Hobby



Mr. Johnson at his work bench.

C. W. Johnson, Abingdon district meter superintendent, discovered his knowledge of electric service meters led him into a fascinating hobby. Mr. Johnson repairs watches and clocks as a hobby and hopes to establish a small business after his retirement.

Mr. Johnson's early interest in small instruments resulted from working with clocks and electrical graphic instruments. In those days, Mr. Johnson's duties with the company included the maintenance of this type of equipment and he often worked with jewelers when the repair was more than routine. This contact soon widened Mr. Johnson's interest in small instruments and he decided to learn clock repair.

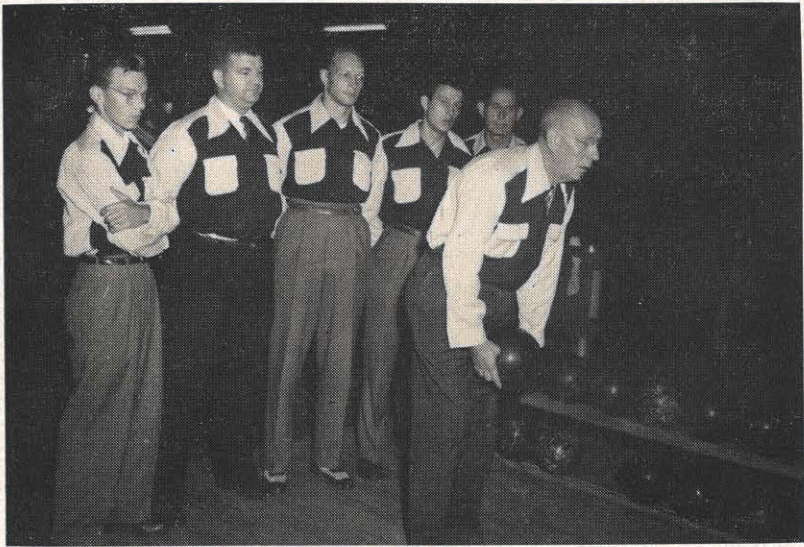
A local jeweler helped him to

master much of the early training with clocks. His progress was so rapid the jeweler urged him to study watches and other instrument movements.

Mr. Johnson took the advice, gathered a few tools and equipment, and was soon working with practice watches. During the war years, old clocks and watches that had been discarded were being brought in by friends and neighbors for repair. Since then, he has become a full-fledged watch repairman. He has followed his hobby enthusiastically and has gradually accumulated enough equipment to equip a shop.

It is Mr. Johnson's theory that a good hobby is a good investment in the future.

**KUI Bowlers Gain Strength In League**



Members of the KUI bowling team watch Captain Randall as he studies the pins at a Kingsport alley. Other members of the team, left to right, include: S. H. Chandler, Jr., J. G. Rayfield, Wilson Trumbo, Wayne Matthews and H. F. Wilhoit.

The Kingsport Utilities' bowlers, champions of the 1951-52 Kingsport Industrial League, are now looking forward to another successful season.

The KUI bowlers, despite a slow start, are now in third place of the eight-team loop. The company team, composed of six members, again is captained by J. A. Randall, KUI meter superintendent. To date, the Kingsport bowlers have nine victories and six set-backs.

The KUI bowlers also have new uniforms. Maroon and tan shirts

were purchased for the members of the team with prize money won bowling in last year's matches.

**Beckley Softball Squad Is Honored**

Members of the Beckley district softball squad recently were honored at a banquet which was held at the El Chico restaurant. All members participating in the 1952 schedule attended.

Following the dinner, an informal discussion of the past season and the Southern Properties' tournament was held. Waldo S. LaFon, district manager, also expressed his appreciation to the members of the squad and to members of the various committees assisting during the tournament.

**Pikeville Bowlers Start League Play; Girls In City Loop**

A six-team bowling league recently was formed in the Pikeville district. Already, four rounds have been played and from all indications the season is expected to be one of the league's best.

Lawrence Newsom's Hardheads hold a narrow edge in the opening rounds. Other teams and captains are: Hot Taps, Bob Weddle; D. C.'s, Ernest Brashear; A. C.'s, Corbin Bobbitt; Short Circuits, Virgil Carter, and the Disconnects, Charles Stayton.

Girls, members of the KPO Club, have entered their team in the City League for the second year. Members of the team include: Elizabeth Riddle, Dorothy Cardinal, Jacqualeen Akers, Mae Nell Crum, Guialene Smith and Gherlene Brown.

**Wins Bike**



Jimmy Harvey looks plenty pleased with the bike he won in a magazine-selling contest sponsored by the Raleigh Court Lions Club. Dressed for football, the 12-year-old youngster is the son of J. G. Harvey, Roanoke division personnel supervisor. An eighth-grader at Woodrow Wilson Junior High, he plays in the 115-pound sandlot league as offensive center and defensive line-backer for the Raleigh Court Lions. Profits from the contest are used to help support this sandlot team with equipment, trophies and a banquet at the end of the season.

**Employees Remove Swarm Of Bees**



There was no abundance of volunteers at the Glen Lyn Steam Plant to assist in the removal of a swarm of bees. The touchy task was accomplished by Charles M. Smith and Dan Hall. Mr. Smith explained, "It's simple. Just reach up and shake them off the vine into the box. Then all you have to do is take them home." Mr. Smith did exactly that as you can see above. He recently reported the Queen and her family are happy with their new home.



**Pulverizers Lead In Cabin Creek League**

The Cabin Creek Plant's Pulverizers, boasting a 13 to 5 season's record, took a commanding lead as the Power Makers' Bowling League reached the halfway mark of the first half of league play. The Handy Cappers are two games behind the Pulverizers in the four-team loop.

Official scoring gives the Handy Cappers 11 victories and 7 defeats; Boiler Room, 7 and 11; Control Room, 5 and 13.

L. O. McKinney maintains individual scoring honors with a 223 high single game and a 518 three-game series. Jeanne Creasey is the leading bowler for the women represented in the league. She holds a 174 pin single game and a 415 series.

**Point Pleasant District Hold Halloween Party**

Spookish surroundings and the atmosphere of a haunted house provided the setting for the Point Pleasant district's Halloween party. The Horror Chamber, square dancing and games provided the highlight of the annual outing.

The house in which the party was staged had been abandoned since the close of World War II. It was completely isolated and located inside a wild game reserve.

The 1952 outing was sponsored by members of the Watt-Hour Club. J. L. Twitty and C. W. Frishette were in charge of arrangements.

**Logan Girls Active In School Affairs**



Kay and Linda Kirchman

Kay and Linda Kirchman, daughters of Mrs. William Kirchman of Logan, are busy girls. Both are very active in high school affairs.

Linda, a Logan High School senior, is a member of the Thespians, Glee Club and the Student Council. She has been a junior attendant to Miss Logan High and recently was senior attendant to the Home-Coming Queen.

While Linda was appearing in the parade and the coronation ceremonies at the Logan-Huntington home-coming football game, Kay was leading cheers for Logan. Kay is a sophomore and a Logan High School cheerleader. For three years, Kay was a Junior High School cheerleader. She also has maintained a straight "A" average in her studies and is a member of the Tri-Hi-Y.

Mrs. Kirchman is an employee of the Logan district commercial department.

**Williamson Bowlers Elect New League Officers At Meeting**

At a recent dinner meeting in the company auditorium, Williamson bowlers completed final plans for the remainder of the 1952-53 season. Williamson Bowling League officers also were elected at this session for another year.

Officers elected to head the Williamson loop included: Ernest Bailey, president; Milton Cole, vice president; Henry Kiser, secretary, and Blake Oney, treasurer. T. M. Watkins was elected the league's commissioner.

Bowlers attending the meeting included: Kermit Epperly, Ernest Bevins, Milton Cole, Jack Akers, J. L. Gilbert, T. M. Watkins, Henry Kiser, O. P. Cornelison, Ernest Bailey, E. E. King, Blake Oney, Sonny Runyon, C. L. Miller, R. B. Waggoner, Aloys Williamson, Claude Ward, Bill Giles, Jack Lusk, Jack Maynard, Dick Wilson and Gene Hall.

Sonny Runyon, outgoing president of the league, presided.

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plant, was honored with a bridal shower.

Mary Lou Mascara, bride-elect of Joe Amick, was the honoree at a bridal shower at the Kimberly Community Hall. She is an employee at Kanawha River plant.

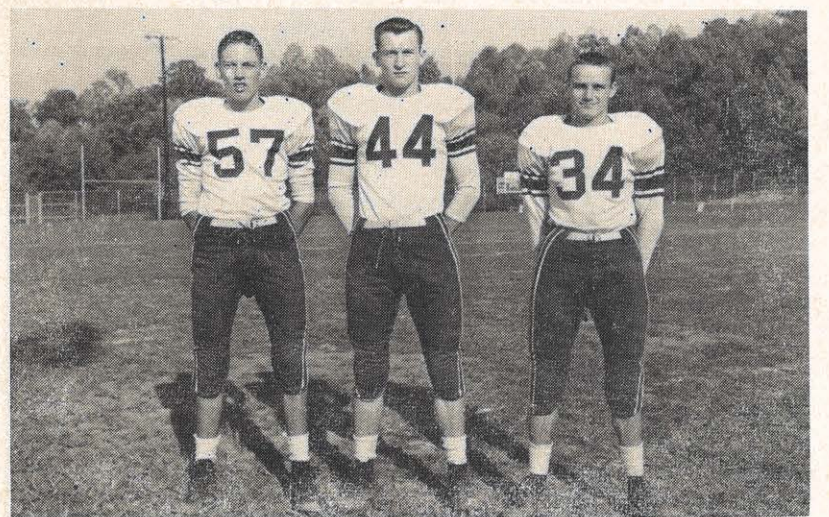
Mrs. Elizabeth Evans entertained several Kanawha River plant employees at her home in Montgomery.

**Point Pleasant District**

James L. Darby, agricultural engineer, assisted with arrangements for the third annual Mason County Farm Youth Show held last month at Harmon Field.

Anna R. Wetzel, home economist, attended a training course in Bluefield.

**Sons Of Sporn Men Wahama Regulars**



Jack Ford, Dick Athey and Tom Scally

Sons of three Philip Sporn Plant employees are regulars on the Wahama High School football team at Mason, W. Va.

Jack Ford, son of Kermit Ford, plays end. He is a junior. Mr. Ford is employed as a system substation operator.

Dick Athey, son of Clayton A.

**Celebrate Victory**



Glenville Jewell, shown in uniform, and his brother, Lowell, sons of Thomas Jewell of Point Pleasant, celebrate Point Pleasant High's recent victory over a county rival, Wahama, of Mason, West Virginia. Glenville, a Point Pleasant High School junior, plays tackle and end for the "Big Blacks." Lowell, a senior, serves the 1952 grid squad as manager. Mr. Jewell is a member of the Point Pleasant line department.

**Lynchburg Entering City Cage League**

According to current plans, employees of the Lynchburg district will enter a basketball team in the City Industrial League during the 1952-53 season. The league is being sponsored by the Y.M.C.A.

To date, eight prospects have indicated their willingness to play in the league and practice sessions are expected to get underway in the near future. League play will begin about Christmas.

Basketeers making up the Lynchburg squad include: Alvin Ferguson, Tom Witt, Jimmie Dorman, Jack Shelton, Wesley Garner, Ernest Layne, Ralph Boze and Larry Dugan.

**Point Pleasant Holds Annual Employee Picnic**

About 150 Point Pleasant district employees and guests attended the annual picnic at Mason County 4-H Camp on September 20.

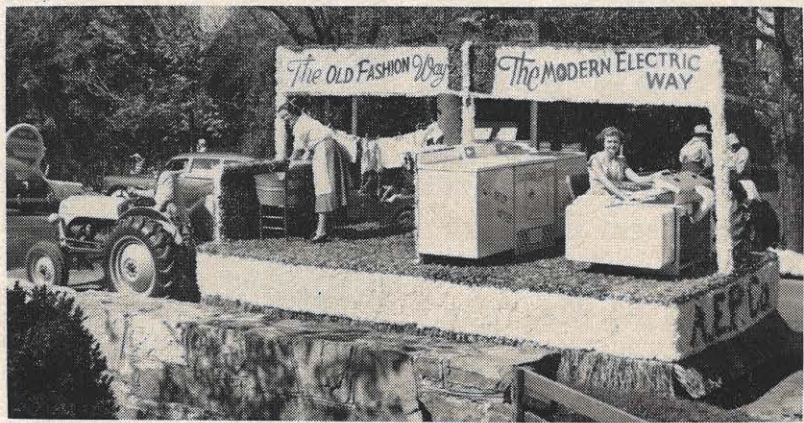
Horse and pony rides for adults as well as children were main attractions along with contests for horseshoe pitching, races, skillet throw, egg throw and husband-wife relay race.

Shirley Gilmour and Mrs. C. A. Burdette won door prizes, lamps contributed by the commercial department. The company movie was shown following the meal.

Athey, plays both end and halfback positions. Dick is a senior. Mr. Athey is employed as first assistant shift operating engineer.

Tom Scally, son of Paul E. Scally, directs the Wahama gridsters from the quarterback slot. Tom is a senior at Wahama. Mr. Scally is the plant personnel supervisor.

## Employees Do Many Jobs To Make Abingdon Tobacco Festival A Success



This float entered by Abingdon district employees won second place in the festival parade among 30 decorated entries. Kathryn Dobbins, home economist, uses some old-fashioned laundry equipment while Shirley Grubb, rural department, shows how today's washday is no chore with automatic washer, dryer, water heater and ironer.

Abingdon employees played a big part in the four-day Tobacco Festival and Farm Show held there last month. In addition to the farm show and exhibits, the second annual festival that attracted thousands of people featured a parade, beauty contest, football game, queen crowning ceremony and a square dance.

The company float built by employees won second place among the 30 decorated entries in the parade. Kathryn Dobbins, home economist, used old-fashioned laundry equipment while Shirley Grubb, rural department, used modern electric equipment. Bob Weisfeld, dealer sales representative, drove the tractor pulling the float.

Abingdon district displayed four commercial exhibits in the warehouse where the farm show was held. Modern electric laundry equipment was displayed and demonstrated by Kathryn Dobbins. Tobacco grading lights and a tobacco hawk moth trap were displayed in a booth manned by Gordon Craig, agricultural engineer.

"Power For Progress" was displayed by James White, power engineer, and Carson Carmichael, area sales representative. "Vote the Straight Ticket," a form of electrical bingo, attracted much attention to the games directed by Bob Weisfeld and Charlie Wagner.

Joe E. Collins, rural and residential sales supervisor, served as chairman of the festival steering committee for the second consecutive year and Shirley Grubb, rural and residential department, was stenographer for the committee. L. F. McPherson, commercial manager, was in charge of getting out-of-town bands for the parade which James E. Prater and Paul Dunn assisted in organizing.

C. K. Kirkland and Paul Dunn assisted in promoting town decorations. Helping with the wiring, lighting and arrangements at the warehouse where exhibits were displayed were Lewis Thomas, James Prater, Gordon Craig, Kathryn Dobbins, Charlie Wagner, Bob Weisfeld, James White, Gordon Barlow, Carson Carmichael and Fillmore McPherson. Joe P. Gills, district manager, was in charge of arrangements for the square dance climaxing the festival.



Gordon Craig, area sales representative, explains the tobacco moth trap to some students at one of the company's four exhibits at the farm show.

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### A. E. P. Office Visited By Concord Students

Members of the secretarial class, department of business administration, Concord College, Athens, West Virginia, recently visited the Bluefield office.

The tour of Appalachian facilities included an explanation of the activities of the company as well as a brief history of the development of electrical power in southern West Virginia. While touring the various departments, Appalachian supervisors gave the students an outline of departmental functions.

Cloyd P. Armbrister, head of the department of business administration, accompanied the students.

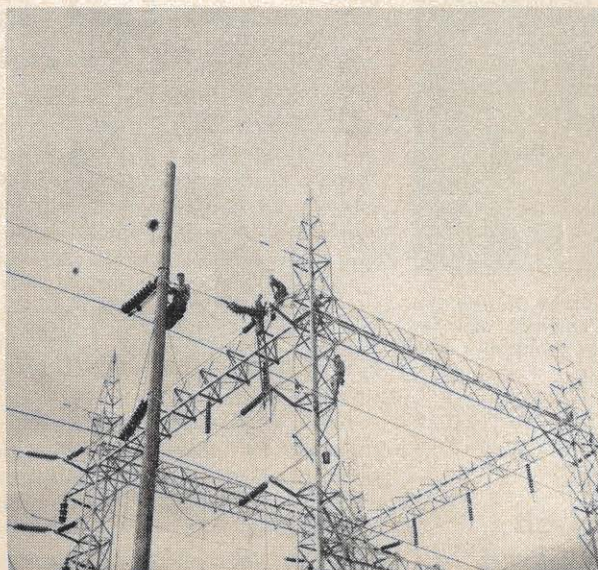
## Teamwork Very Important In Transmission Line Changes

The new Cave Spring Station, located near Roanoke, recently was connected to the company's 132,000-volt transmission system. Teamwork had much to do with the cutting of these lines through the station.

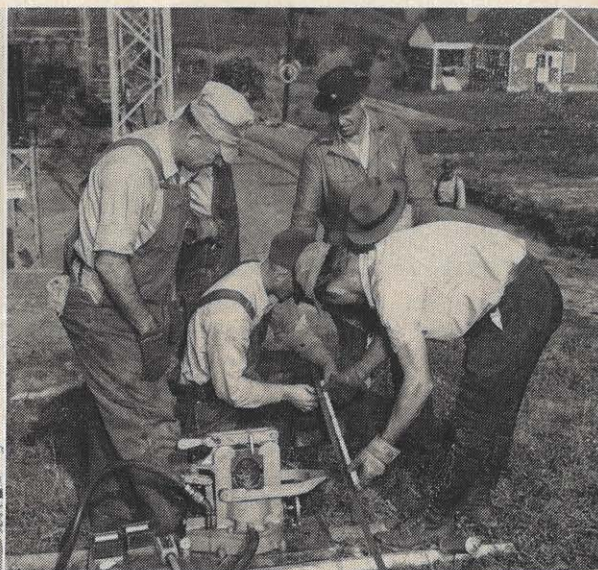
Prior to the building of the new 7,500 kva station, a new transmission line, linking the Roanoke and Hancock stations, had been constructed through the Cave Spring site. Lines straddled the building area and the conductors were on wooden poles.

With the completion of the structure, it became necessary to cut the transmission lines through the new station. Jobs of this nature, for the most part, are handled by members of the system transmission line department of Bluefield.

Roy Doss, general foreman, and two of his "hot line" crews completed the Cave Spring assignment. In the accompanying photographs, you will see several examples of teamwork required in the changing of a temporary installation to a permanent structure.



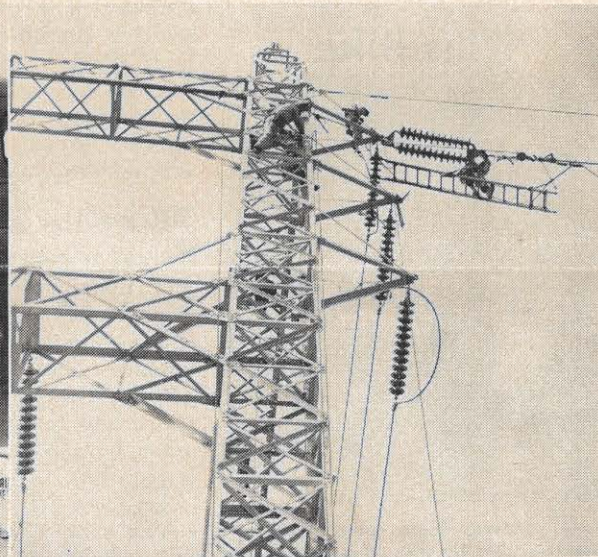
Crewmen have removed the top conductor of the Hancock-Roanoke line from the temporary pole in the foreground and have hauled it to the new structure for measuring. R. E. DeHart, on the pole in the foreground, works on the second line while other employees, left to right, K. A. Hayes, Sam Burchette, C. H. Hager and J. R. Wolford work on the station structure. Foreman Wolford directs the sagging operation from a lower point on the structure.



Accuracy in cutting is extremely important as one small error could cause the loss of the line or the making of a splice. Standing in the back of the group, left to right, W. R. Massie, R. E. DeHart and J. R. Tuggle with the cutters. In the foreground, C. W. Edmonds, left; Roy Doss, partially blocked from view; and Paul Williams is measuring the conductor. R. T. Hypes, moving up in the background, relays directions to the winch operator.



Left to right, C. W. Edmonds, D. C. Harman and Paul Williams install fittings to the conductor after it has been properly cut. The hydraulic ram is a press capable of applying as much as 100 tons pressure to the fittings to clamp them to the conductor. The small high speed gasoline engine, shown in the back of the truck, circulates fluid under pressure to operate the ram.



The conductor and insulators are being moved into position for installation. On the station structure, left to right, Wolford sights the conductor for the proper sag; Hager works inside the steel with a block and tackle, and Hayes and Burchette prepare to secure the conductor to the station. Six installations were completed in one day to route the circuits through the station.

### Daughters Of Three Logan Plant Men Active In Parades

Three daughters of Logan Plant employees, Miss Lois Ruth Frey, Miss Mary Eleanor Marshall, and Miss Sally Garrett were participants in either a fire prevention parade or home-coming activities.

Miss Frey, daughter of J. W. Frey, rode the prize-winning float in the parade preceding the Annual Home-Coming at Logan High School. Lois also helped decorate the float. Mr. Frey is employed as a shift supervisor at the Logan Plant.

Miss Marshall, daughter of C. E. Marshall, participated in both the home-coming and the fire prevention parades. Mr. Marshall is employed with the company as chief dispatcher.

Miss Garrett, daughter of Arden Garrett, was an attendant to the queen at the recent home-coming ceremonies at Chapmansville High School. Mr. Garrett is employed as a turbine operator.

### Promotions Of Abolin, Montiegel And Matthews Announced At Logan Plant

Promotions affecting three Logan plant men have been announced.

T. W. Abolin, supervising engineer, is being transferred to the new Kanawha River plant as operations supervisor. He will be succeeded by Bartlin Montiegel, results engineer. W. G. Matthews, junior results engineer, becomes results engineer.

Mr. Abolin graduated from Purdue University with a B.S. degree in electrical engineering and was employed as an electrician and engineer by Indiana & Michigan Electric Company in 1940. He served three years as lieutenant in the Navy, returning to I&M in May of 1946.

He transferred to Logan plant in January of 1948 as results engineer, later becoming supervising engineer.

Mr. Montiegel was employed by The Ohio Power Company as test en-



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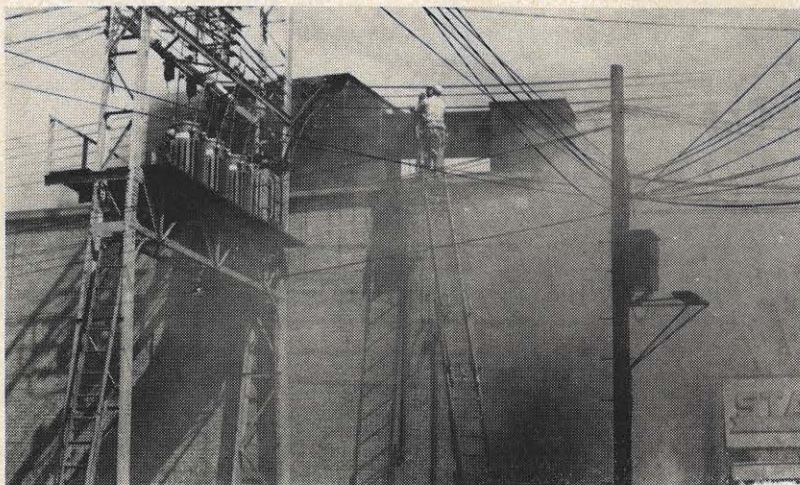
gineer in October, 1948. A graduate of Brown University with a B.S. degree in engineering, he served three years as ensign in the Navy.

He transferred to Logan Plant in April, 1941, as results engineer.

Mr. Matthews graduated from V. P. I. in 1949 with a B.S. degree in mechanical engineering. Prior to coming to Logan plant he was employed by the Electro-Plastic Fabric Company at Pulaski.

He came to Logan plant in July of 1951 as junior results engineer. A veteran of World War II, he is a member of the Nighbert Memorial Methodist Church of Logan.

### Disconnecting Service At Roxy Theatre Fire



As fire swept the Roxy Theatre in Huntington, Melvin Johnson was one of the Huntington district crews working to disconnect power service. Huntington's worst fire of 1952 swept the three-story building in the downtown area and left an estimated \$100,000 damage and a score of occupants of 12 apartments homeless. Firemen brought the blaze under control in about three hours. The fire started in an incinerator in the building's basement.