

Happiness is not perfected until it is shared.

—JANE PORTER

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Trifles make up perfection and perfection is no trifle.

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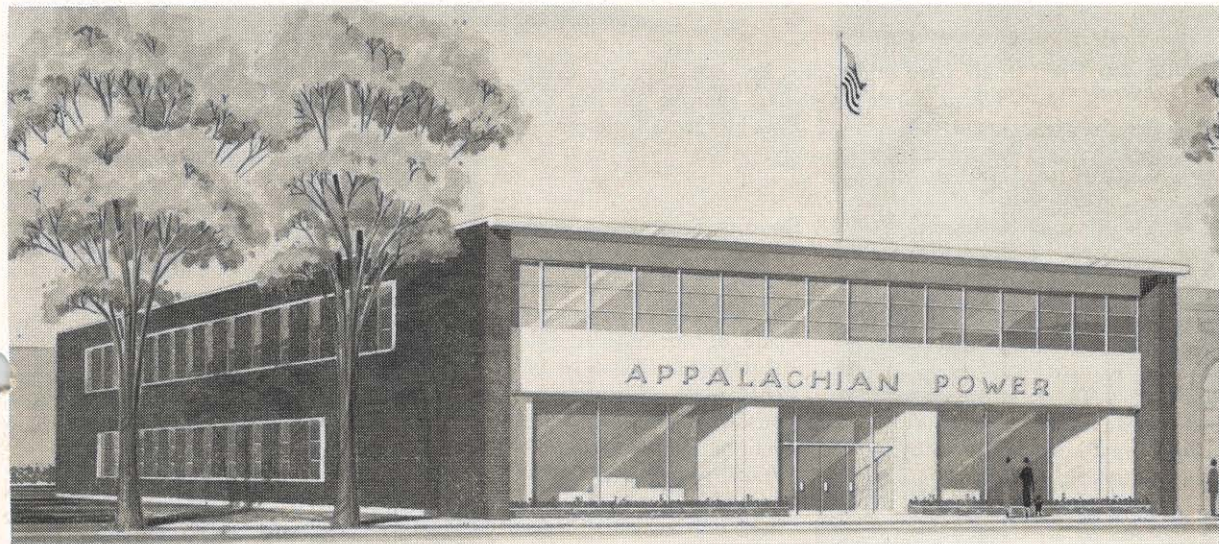
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New Huntington Office Building To Be Built



Architect's Sketch Of Huntington Office

A new office building will be built in Huntington.

It will be located on the south side of Sixth Avenue between 11th and 12th streets, near the company's new service building. Construction will begin as soon as contracts are let.

Plans call for a modern two-story building with full basement. With an 80-foot frontage and extending

back 200 feet, it will be built to accommodate a future third floor if needed.

A 300-seat auditorium for use by civic and charitable groups will be featured on the first floor to the right of the main entrance. A demonstration kitchen will be located on the curtained stage of the auditorium with an additional preparation kitchen to its rear.

A cashier's counter will face the main entrance. To the left of the door will be a large display area with public contact employees located in offices to the rear. Also located on the first floor will be the accounting offices.

The second floor will accommodate offices of the Huntington division and district managers and the administrative personnel, commercial, industrial and engineering groups. The billing department also will occupy a large portion of the second floor. An employees' canteen and heavy-duty kitchen equipment will be located in the basement.

Hugh D. Stillman, Huntington

division manager, in making the public announcement said: "This will be another in the steps by Appalachian to provide facilities which enable us to better serve our customers in the Huntington area. By putting our new office building near the recently completed service building, we will have a central unit of operations."

Sporn Sub Operator Saves Drowning Girl But Loses His Watch

H. O. Buckland went swimming recently with his shoes on and lost his wrist watch. Sounds crazy? Well, that's what happened when the chief system substation operator at Sporn station saved a young girl from drowning.



Mr. Buckland

While fishing with a friend at Cottrell's Lake near Harrisonville, Ohio, he noticed two girls swinging on a swing over the lake. Suddenly they fell into deep water.

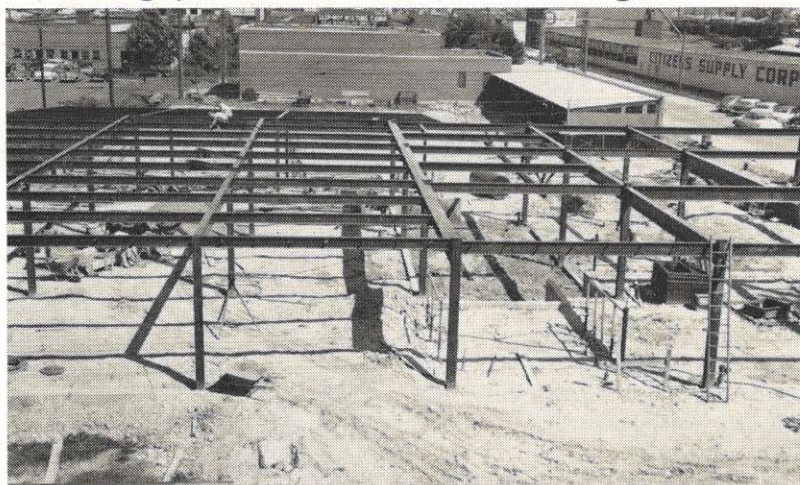
One of the girls was able to swim ashore; the other, unable to swim, went under. Buckland, with no time even to remove his shoes, jumped out of the boat and swam to her rescue. He was able to bring her ashore safely but lost his watch in the rescue.

Bruce Cox Elected Rotary Vice President

Bruce Cox, Fieldale district manager, was recently installed as vice president of the Fieldale Rotary Club.

Mr. Cox is a charter member of the organization and has served on the board of directors as well as acting as chairman of various committees. The club was organized in 1946.

Kingsport Storeroom Work Progresses



New Kingsport storeroom and service building is beginning to take shape as the steel structure work progresses. Located beside the Cumberland distribution substation, shown at top of picture, the new building will house the stores, line and substation departments and garage. The stores department will be located on the left of the center steel beam. The space between the new building and the substation will be used for storage of such things as transformers and wire. Completion date has been set for early fall.

Problems Overcome

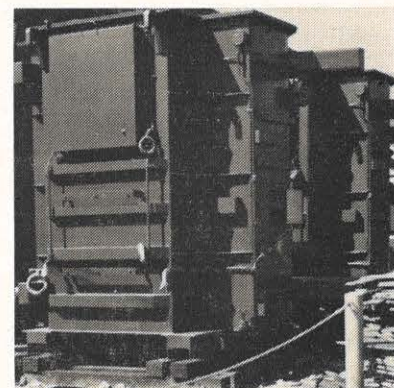
Charleston Underground Work Goes On As Concrete Structure Is Completed

Two years' work on the Charleston underground cable project finds almost all concrete structure complete. Weikel Construction Company completes its part of the system this month.

Of this, 40%, which is being energized from the Washington Street substation, is now serving Capitol Street in the downtown area. However, much remains to be done. Cable and transformers have to be installed and other necessary electrical connections made before the changeover will be complete.

Much has been accomplished in the past 25 months and many problems overcome. Early in 1953 the underground crews, who jokingly call themselves the "gopher boys," struck an old water cistern about 13 feet underground. The cistern had once served the town's horse-drawn fire wagons. It had to be filled and tamped with dirt to prevent a cave-in. Also found were remains of a small stone bridge as well as a section of old street car track. The track had 200 oak ties which had to be removed before work on the underground could continue.

Noise was a serious problem that had to be overcome. In one case, concrete was cut a few hours at a time around the Kanawha County Court House to make it easier on



Feeding Charleston's new underground cable system will be these two 10,000 kva transformers to be installed at Brooks Street substation. Each weighs 50 tons.

court cases. Again near the Kanawha Valley Hospital the noise problem was severe. To prevent disturbing patients, three of whom were critically ill, no open cutting of concrete was done. A channel was bored under the streets and galvanized steel pipe was forced through by the use of a pipe pusher.

Welch Servicemen Stop Fire Damage



Charles Taylor and Walter Thomas, Welch servicemen, stopped possible serious fire damage with their quick thinking.

Time and time again alertness and know-how on the part of company employees have paid off in the saving of life and property.

And it paid off again recently in the Welch district. Charles Taylor and Walter Thomas, servicemen, were patrolling a line in Bradshaw during a severe storm when they noticed smoke coming from a building owned by Charles Hamilton.

Mr. Thomas scaled a nearby pole and saw that a fire was just getting started in the building. Mr. Taylor entered the building after awakening the owner from his home. They discovered that a neon light transformer was the cause.

Remembering lessons from the company safety manual, the two servicemen cut wires to the transformer and put out the fire with water. Consequently they saved Mr. Hamilton's building as well as company property on the nearby pole.

Furr Is Presented Replica Of Coffin Award By G. E.

G. L. Furr, Appalachian vice president and general manager, received July 27 a medal for his company symbolizing the electric utility industry's highest honor. The bronze medal is a replica of the 1953 Coffin Award presented AGE in June.



Mr. Furr

Presentation was made during a luncheon at the Shenandoah Club by C. R. Stouch and J. H. Pharis, managers of the General Electric Company's offices in Charleston and Roanoke, respectively. The Coffin Award is presented annually by General Electric to the electric utility company whose achievements during the preceding year have been outstanding "in the development of electric light and power for the convenience of the public and the benefit of the industry."

Each of AGE's operating companies shares the award and will receive the bronze medals.

The award was based specifically on two important engineering advances during 1953: the initial operation of the nation's first 330,000-volt transmission line by Appalachian and Ohio Power and the initiation of the manufacture and installation of the nation's first electric power generating unit to utilize ultra-high-pressure steam.

Cohn And Sayre Named To AGE Legal Offices



Mr. Cohn

Mr. Sayre

Appointments of Herbert B. Cohn as chief counsel and Thomas H. Sayre as assistant chief counsel of AGE Service Corporation have been announced.

Mr. Cohn, who has been an attorney in the legal department of the Service Corporation since October, 1948, succeeds C. E. Moore, who retired June 30 after 31 years as an attorney for AGE.

A native New Yorker, Mr. Cohn was graduated from Yale University with a B.A. degree in 1933, and from Harvard Law School magna cum laude in 1936. He worked from 1936 to 1942 on legal work for the Securities and Exchange Commission, and after more than three and a half years in the Navy returned to the SEC to become executive assistant and director of the division of opinion writing respectively, from 1946 to 1948.

Mr. Sayre, a native of Lawrence County, Ohio, has been an attorney in the legal department of AGE since he was graduated from New York University's law school in 1942. A veteran of 32 years in the AGE system, he started in 1922 as a draftsman for the Interstate Power Company, a predecessor of Appalachian at Huntington after attending public schools in Huntington. After doing civil engineering work at Charleston and Roanoke, he joined the Service Corporation on February 16, 1936, as a clerk in the legal department.

Employee's Son Is First In Jaycee Driving Meet

Robert David Curtis, Jr., was recently named winner of the Lynchburg Junior Chamber of Commerce Teenage Road-E-O contest of driving skill.

He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Curtis, engineering section. Mastering the complicated driving and written tests brought the 18-year-old high school senior a \$20 cash prize and a trip to the state contest.

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Your Opinion

What would you like to be able to do when retiring?

IN THE SPOTLIGHT

LORRAYNE COREA, Accounting Department, Williamson



The day I retire is quite a few years in the future and one can only imagine what they would like to be able to do. However, I would like to be in a position financially to visit the many places that time would not permit me to visit while working. This would include an extended visit to Europe and to the many historic points of interest in this country and Canada.

I would also like to be able to devote more time to my work in civic and church organizations. I want to be able to retain a sense of humor and a youthful and cheerful outlook on life. I feel that the above will allow me to enjoy my leisure and lead a full and useful life.

W. B. JONES, Dealer Representative, Kingsport



That's a wide-open question if I ever saw one, but I'll be reasonable and stick to possibilities.

For some time after I'm 65, I'd like to be physically and financially able to enjoy the old 3 squares a day—be of help to my family and friends, be active in my church and lodge work, and engage in some type of sales promotion work that will get me out from under foot at home, and be so interesting that I would welcome each new day as a challenge for real activity and not feel as some do—that I just have to get-the-hell out of bed and go to work.

VIRGINIA E. RORRER, Stores Department, Pulaski



At the present time the thought of retirement is furthestmost from my mind. However, it is good to feel that I am employed by an organization that is interested in my welfare after the time I will be able to render them service as an active employee.

Because of plans made for us, I have a feeling of security about retirement. And because of this secure feeling, I can dream a little and hope to be able to realize a life-long dream come true by continuing my study in piano and voice. With everything working so advantageously I can then travel extensively and throughout my travel be a goodwill ambassador for—the A. E. P. Co.

E. C. RANKIN, System T&D Department, Roanoke



Everyone expects to be able when he retires to do all the things that his job interfered with while he was working. Some of this may include "just sitting" but most everyone has some hobby. My hobby time is divided between my never-ending repair and additions to my property and my home music system.

Of course it is 25 years until I retire, so I

may have other ideas by then; but one thing I plan not to do is start running all over the country in a car. I think by then a little traveling will go a long way.

O. W. BOND, Results Engineer, Glen Lyn Plant



All of us should have hobbies and interests outside of our regular job that will be a source of enjoyment during our off-duty hours and after retirement. I have several: gardening, craftsmanship, stamp collecting, reading and I take an active interest in my church and community affairs.

My main hobby is gardening and landscaping. My wife and I are developing an acre of land into a (we hope) livable and beautiful spot where we can spend our declining years. Also, I am building up a power woodworking shop which I plan to have completed by retirement time.

And so to answer the question—I expect to retire to my "little acre" and enjoy my home, my friends and my hobbies. I also pray for many years of good health that I may be of useful service to my church and community.

FRANCES THURMAN, T&D Department, Engineering Section, Roanoke



First of all if I were financially able after retiring I would like to do some traveling not extensively but just go to some place of interest which I haven't been able to do. Then I would want to get located in some nice spot with pleasant surroundings and congenial people where I could like a fairly easy life relaxing and, of course, working some as all play and no work would soon become monotonous.

There are hobbies which could be interesting for me such as painting, cooking, interior decorating, etc.

And last, but not least, if the opportunity comes I could forget the easy life for a while and do some community or perhaps social service work which would be a pleasure to help others.

HARRY F. ARNOTT, Credit Department Supervisor, Beckley



I suppose I am like most people who have quite a number of years to work before reaching retirement age. I have not given much thought to the things I would do to pass the time away. It is true that I, like many others, would not be happy unless I were able to keep busy doing the things I enjoy most.

I have a great many things I hope to be able to do when I have time. I would like to have a home with a few acres of land in the country where the climate is mild the year around, close to good fishing streams. Then I would be able to occupy a lot of my time fishing, hunting and gardening. Also, I hope to be able to travel and see various points of interest in the United States and Canada.

I think just to know I have time to do anything which appeals to me will be a wonderful feeling.

RODMAN CRUTCHFIELD, Inspector, Pikeville District



After twenty-five enjoyable years with the Power Company, and only a few more to go, the question is, "What would I like to be able to do when I retire?"

I feel that after I retire my wife and I will have several good years before us which I hope we both will be able to enjoy together as we have in the past.

I would first like for us to be able to travel for awhile, and to have a small comfortable home in Florida, with garden space, and space for a dog kennel as I would like to raise fine bird dogs as a hobby and extra income. I would like to be able to fish and hunt as these are the sports I have always enjoyed very much.

I want always to be interested in people and in all progressive affairs. These are the things that would make retirement happy and interesting for me.

HELEN M. FRYE, Kanawha River Plant



Maybe I'm a little old fashioned in my ideas of retiring, but I believe I would like to be able to start this phase of my life off with a long vacation trip exploring all the places I've always wanted to visit.

After I have completed this trip I would like to settle down in my own home and enjoy life as it should be. This won't be at all boring to me because I have several very interesting hobbies which would fill my spare time.

My husband, being in the Armed Service at the present time, has influenced my viewpoint a good deal. So as time goes on my ideas might change to some extent; but I don't believe the change will be very great.

Same Old Tale

When an old South African native was told he had to be taxed because the government performed many functions, and for these purposes needed money, the old native said:

"Yes, I understand. It is like this: I have a dog and the dog is hungry. He comes to me and begs food."

"I say to him: 'My dear faithful dog, I see you are very hungry. I am sorry for you. I shall give you meat.'"

"I then take a knife, cut off the dog's tail, give it to him, and say, 'Here, my faithful dog, be nourished by this nice piece of meat.'"

Recipe For Success

What is the recipe for successful achievement? To my mind there are just four essential ingredients: Choose a career you love . . . Give it the best there is in you . . . Seize your opportunities . . . And be a member of the team. In no country but America, I believe, is it possible to fulfill all four of these requirements.

—BENJAMIN F. FAIRLESS

Be Sure Before You Pass

This safety slogan, submitted by Clifford Picklesimer, line section employee, was the winner in Charleston district's monthly safety slogan contest.

Two Storms But One Result

Storms in our business always mean bad news. They mean service must be restored to customers as fast as possible under the worst possible conditions. But storms can emphasize a point.

For example, March 1 saw the worst snow storm in our companies' history. On the other hand, July 14 was a black day for Wheeling Electric Company. A tornado with cyclonic winds over 85-miles per hour left 8,000 homes without electric service that Wednesday night.

The destruction was too great to cope with quickly. Service to customers had to be restored without delay. As we did in our time of need, they called for help and got it. Charleston division sent 35 men with equipment to help the tired Wheeling crews. Working together, service was restored to all areas by Saturday morning, July 17.

This is an example of helping when help is needed. But it also emphasizes the value of being part of the AGE System.

Any unit of the System can call upon all the other units for emergency help. Not only is this a real service to the employees in a trouble area, but also is an assurance to our customers that all the assistance needed is ready to restore their service.

So a system such as ours is more than a unit for supplying power through an integrated network. Trouble cases like that of Wheeling and the one of our own prove that the AGE System is tied together by more than lines. We are bound by united effort to reach a common objective of service.

Our Goal Draws Nearer

Outlook for our business is increasingly bright with the news that electric house heating opens a new era in our business. As veteran employees in our three companies can testify, each new electric appliance introduced in the past had tremendous impact upon our customers' increased use of electricity.

Now, with the growing acceptance of electric house heating, the last obstacle that prevented us from serving truly "all electric homes" is being overcome. Both the electric heat pump and electric resistance heating offer new horizons for our business.

This development comes at an opportune time as we have extended service to practically every home in our areas. Our growth in future residential sales will have to depend largely upon our existing customers using more electricity to do more household tasks.

Both types of electric space heating equipment not only assure more residential use of electricity but also promote the use of other electrical appliances. Homes using this modern type of heating make electricity the single source of energy.

Electric house heating is the key that has opened the last door leading to our goal of the all-electric home.

Plant First Aid



Cabin Creek employees have been receiving first aid training for the past several weeks. Twenty are under training now and plans call for another 100 to complete the course in the near future. Above, from the left, R. W. Fleming, L. G. Samples and R. J. Rader apply a cravat to the "broken" arm of T. A. Graham during the course. Others of the first in completing the course are K. E. Farley, G. E. Woody, M. G. Williams, R. E. Snodgrass, D. A. Murphy and C. E. Petry, Jr. F. E. Hoyt, safety supervisor, is the instructor.

Tornado Strikes

Wrecked Wheeling Helped By Crews From Charleston

The second tornado in 10 years hit the Ohio Valley on the night of July 14, causing one death and damage near \$200,000. Hard hit by the 85-mile per hour winds were lines of Wheeling Electric Company.

More than 8,000 homes were without service after the storm. Restoring service was a tremendous job. One Wheeling Electric Company lineman was electrocuted.

Too much had to be done in short time so the company sent a plea for help to Appalachian at Charleston at 2:30 p. m. As a commercial airline did not have enough seats soon enough and as a charter plane also was too late, Governor Marland declared a state of emergency, allowing a fighter-bomber plane to fly 11 linemen to the stricken area. In addition, 2 line trucks, four service trucks and 11 other men followed from the Charleston district.

Going to Wheeling from Beckley were four men with two trucks and Point Pleasant sent nine men with a line truck, service truck and car.

Those who flew were escorted from the Wheeling airport by deputy sheriffs. The men worked as high as 30 hours without sleep or rest until power was restored in Wheeling and surrounding towns. By Saturday the main lines had been restored and the crews returned Sunday.

An indication of how their aid was appreciated is evident in the Wheeling Electric Company *News Letter* of July 20. Under a heading of "Thanks, Appalachian," the following appeared: "One of the most beautiful sights we have ever seen was the trucks of the Appalachian Power Company, gleaming under the street lights outside our window when the relief crews arrived shortly after midnight last Thursday. Our grateful thanks to our 'buddies' from Appalachian who left their regular jobs and came by plane, trucks, and passenger cars to assist in restoring electric service."

Men who went from Charleston were L. W. Price, I. C. Lavender, L. E. Jones, Bob Moss, R. H. Taylor, H. R. Allison, C. C. Willis, Paul Hull, John Hull, Daniel Acela, R. F. Jones, S. E. Reed, L. C. Shaffer, Bob Smith, W. P. McDonough, E. L. Spencer, R. C. Carte, F. L. Russe, J. C. Nutter, W. F. Smith, Jr., C. C. Harper and W. G. McGinnis.

From Point Pleasant went R. D. Miller, J. W. Morrison, W. H. Stricklen, L. I. Roush, Harold Walters, H. J. Patterson, G. C. Fowler, C. E. Fowler, Jr., and J. R. Hoffman.

From Beckley went A. W. Bonds, Charles Flint, Harry Wilton and W. E. Ward.

Five Promoted In Charleston



Mr. Kallmerten

Mr. Price



Mr. Thompson

Mr. Didier

Five men have received promotions in the Charleston district.

Milton W. Scott, dealer sales representative, has been moved to Point Pleasant as residential and rural sales representative; Oscar W. Kallmerten and Leland W. Price, linemen, have been promoted to foremen in the line section; and C. V. Thompson and Steve Didier, station men, have moved up to foremen in the station section.

Mr. Scott, who assumed his new duties August 1, began company employment in 1948 as senior residential sales representative. He was promoted to dealer sales representative in 1950. He served two years in the Navy as a yeoman in personnel work. He is married and has one daughter.



Mr. Scott

Mr. Kallmerten joined the company in 1937 as a clerk in the distribution line crew and was promoted to lineman in 1946. He is married and has one son. He served three years in World War II in the Army as an intelligence observer.

Mr. Price started work for the company as a groundman in 1945 and was promoted to lineman the next year. He is the son of Walter Price, 37-year veteran with the company. He also is married, has one son and served as an electrician for the Air Force during World War II.

Mr. Thompson is a 30-year company veteran, beginning in 1924 as an electrician in the station section. He served over two years as an equipment mechanic in the infantry during World War I. He is married and has one son.

Mr. Didier joined the company as a line section laborer in 1946 and was transferred to the station section as maintenance man helper in 1948. He was promoted to station man last year. A World War II veteran with four years in the Army, he is married and has one son.

W. C. Kidd Named Bluefield Superintendent And Meadows Promoted As Compton Resigns

With the resignation of J. W. Compton as Bluefield district superintendent, William C. Kidd, district engineer, has been promoted to superintendent. Howard S. Meadow, electrical engineer, succeeds Mr. Kidd as district engineer.

Mr. Compton, who resigned to devote his time to the operation of his business in Bluefield, came with the company after his graduation from V. P. I. in 1935. He was made assistant district superintendent in 1946 and became superintendent in 1947.

The new district superintendent is a native of Bedford and graduated from V. P. I. in 1928 with a B.S. degree in electrical engineering. He came with the company in 1937 and became distribution engineer in 1945. Mr. Kidd was promoted to district supervising engineer in 1950.

Married and the father of two daughters, Mr. Kidd is a member of the College Avenue Baptist Church, former member of the Board of Deacons and teaches Sunday School. He is a registered professional engineer and member of the West Virginia Society of Professional Engineers and of the Pocahontas Electrical and Mechanical Institute.

Mr. Meadows who moves up to district engineer is a native of Mar-



Mr. Kidd

Mr. Meadows

linton and attended schools in Pocahontas County. He received his B.S. degree from West Virginia Institute of Technology in 1940. He came with Appalachian in 1941, served as draftsman until 1948 when he became an engineer. He was later distribution engineer and electrical engineer.

He is married and has three daughters. He is on the board and president of the Men's Bible Class of Bland Street Methodist Church. He also is a member of the Pocahontas Electrical and Mechanical Institute and the Kiwanis Club.

Guilford C. Smith Of Charleston Given August 1 Promotion

Guilford C. Smith assumed new duties August 1 as staff assistant to C. B. Talley, Charleston district manager.

Mr. Smith, administrative assistant in the district since 1951, will handle the company's public relations and promotional activities for the Charleston district.

Mr. Smith joined AGE as a rural solicitor for the Kentucky Power Company in 1937. He transferred to the Point Pleasant office in the same capacity in 1943 and came to Charleston in 1946. There he was residential sales representative and rural sales supervisor until he became administrative assistant.



Mr. Smith

Herman W. Endres, AGE, Has Retired

Herman W. Endres, AGE Service Corporation purchasing agent, retired July 31 after more than 41 years' service in the AGE system.

A native of Akron, Ohio, and an electrical engineering graduate of Stanford University, Mr. Endres began his AGE System career in March, 1913, when he joined the Indiana General Service Company at Elwood, Indiana.

In 1914 he helped form the former valuation department of AGE and ten years later became head of that department. He was named director and vice president of the Service Corporation at its inception in 1938 and in 1950 was appointed purchasing agent.

His retirement plans call for extensive travel, including a journey through the western United States this year and a possible 1955 trip to Europe.



Mr. Endres

Major Coal Project Under Way At Sporn

Major improvement is being made at Philip Sporn plant. Coal barge moorings, a gantry crane and a lowering well for coal are being built at the plant coal storage area.

About 50,000 tons of coal was moved for the improvements. The coal dock project includes four piling cells for the foundation of the unloading tower on which the gantry crane will be placed, rubber belt conveyors and a 104-foot high lowering well. When the project is finished 1,200 tons of coal an hour will be unloaded direct to the lowering well and on the plant feeders.

Officers Elected For Kanawha Plant Club



Officers were recently named for the newly organized Kanawha River plant service club. They are, from the left: D. O. B. Matthews, president; B. J. Farry, vice president; Jeanne Creasey, secretary; W. E. Williams, treasurer; and C. E. Murphy, board of directors member. Immediate business confronting the new officers is selection of a club name and planning of activities. Already plans have been completed for the employee picnic early this month at Beckwith 4-H grounds.

Sporn Man's Daughter Honored With Camp Trip

Carolyn Ann Christy recently returned from a Lake Erie camp she attended under the auspices of the Pomeroy, Ohio, Ladies Guild of the Methodist Church.

The group had chosen her earlier to attend because of her outstanding youth leadership activities in the church.

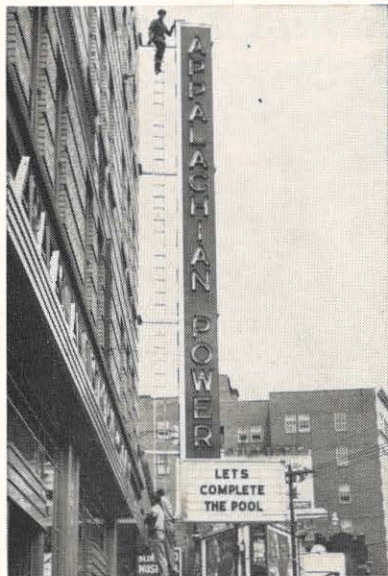
She is the daughter of Howard Christy, control operator at Philip Sporn plant.

Carnegie Diplomas Awarded Eight



Seven of the eight Williamson district employees who received diplomas as graduates of the Dale Carnegie Effective Speaking and Human Relations course are shown above. The men graduated recently in dinner ceremonies. They include: W. F. Giles, Harrison B. Taylor, managing director of the course, E. L. Bevins, Woodrow Holbrook, Moir Nowlin, J. E. Runyon, Claude Ward, Clyde Runyon, C. R. Wilson, Jr., and E. J. Clouser.

Bluefield Sign



Workmen put the finishing touches on the new sign on the front north corner of the Bluefield office. The 42-foot sign also boasts a changeable letter panel similar to that of a theater marquee which will be used for announcements of special and public interest. The display above features the greater Bluefield Swimming Pool Campaign. In addition to being visible from three approaching streets, the sign will provide a prominent marker from the air.

Huntington Holds Dance

Approximately 50 Joule Club members and their guests held a Huntington district dance July 9 at St. Cloud Commons Clubhouse. Refreshments were served.

More Retired Employees

ton, W. Va.; MISS EMMA McCOY, Buffalo, W. Va.
 JAMES E. MATHEWS, Marmet, W. Va.; W. E. MATHEWS, 507 1/2 Grant St., Charleston, W. Va.; G. B. MOIR, Sr., 2008 Washington St., E., Charleston, W. Va.; B. F. MONTAGUE, 5 Maple Terrace, Charleston 1, W. Va.; C. W. MORAN, 212 Greenbrier Ave., St. Albans, W. Va.; W. A. NIEMANN, RFD 1, Box 165, Conneautville, Pa.; C. T. OLDER, 121 Forest Ave., South Charleston, W. Va.
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 LEWIS SPENCER, Malden, W. Va.; WALTER STRICKLEN, Station A, Charleston, W. Va.; E. M. TYLER, Marmet, W. Va.; JOHN WALTERS, % Harry P. Walters, Rt. 2, Staunton, Va.; STEPHEN F. WEBB, 519 Wyoming St., Charleston, W. Va.; S. W. WHAPLES, Box 83, Station B, Charleston, W. Va.; H. V. WISE, 105 9th Ave., South Charleston, W. Va.; D. R. WORKMAN, Marmet, Va.

Point Pleasant District

MILLIE BUMGARNER, New Haven, W. Va.; G. C. JEWELL, 91st St., New Haven W. Va.; J. W. JEWELL, 2206 Jefferson Ave., Pt. Pleasant, W. Va.; GUY W. JORDAN, 832 Second Ave., Gallipolis, Ohio; W. A. SALLAZ, Ripley, W. Va.

Cabin Creek Plant

MRS. ANNA I. ARMSTRONG, 4017 Richland Ave., Roanoke, Va.; J. F. BECHER, Box 200, East Bank, W. Va.; H. N. BELCHER, Cabin

F. M. Lawson Heads Saltville Chamber

Fred M. Lawson, charter member of the Saltville Chamber of Commerce, has been elected president of the organization for one year.

Mr. Lawson, chief operator in the Pulaski district, has previously been director and vice president of the COC. He is also a member of the Episcopal Church, the Kiwanis Club, is a Mason and is active in Boy Scout work.

A 25-year veteran, he was first employed as a helper in Roanoke in 1929, has twice worked in the Bluefield district and was a superintendent there before coming to Pulaski in 1946 as chief operator.

He is married and the father of a son and daughter.

Honor Graduate From College

Graduating with honors from West Virginia University was Carol Virginia Raines, daughter of Mrs. Gretis Raines, Charleston PBX operator. She holds a BS in business administration and is a member of the Women's Recreational Association and the YWCA.

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Creek, W. Va.; E. M. CALE, Pomeroy, Ohio; B. E. CANTERBURY, % General Delivery, Charleston, W. Va.; A. L. CARNIFAX, Victor, W. Va.; L. H. CARTER, Marmet, W. Va.; M. H. COOK, Sr., Chesapeake, W. Va.; A. O. COOPER, Chesapeake, W. Va.; F. H. COUNTS, Chelyan, W. Va.

M. C. COUNTS, Chelyan, W. Va.; P. J. CREASEY, Cabin Creek, W. Va.; J. W. EASTWOOD, Rt. 3, Box 310, Charleston, W. Va.; ARTHUR ELLIS, Liberty, W. Va.; U. G. ELLIS, Chelyan, W. Va.; L. E. FARLEY, Cabin Creek, W. Va.; JOHN FERGUSON, Cabin Creek, W. Va.; E. H. GEORGE, 217 West Randolph St., Lewisburg, W. Va.; CHARLES GREEN, % Arnold Crowder, Rt. 2, Pliny, W. Va.; ELMER GRIFFIN, Rt. 1, Beckley, W. Va.; JAMES M. HARRIS, % Mary Clendenin, 403 Beuregard St., Charleston, W. Va.

J. K. HODGES, Cabin Creek, W. Va.; E. B. HOLSTEIN, Hershaw, W. Va.; DAVID LEE JARRETT, Cabin Creek, W. Va.; S. W. JARRETT, 26 E. Washington St., Winchester, Ky.; H. C. KINCAID, Cabin Creek, W. Va.; E. R. LAMBERT, Quincy, W. Va.; O. O. LUCAS, Rt. 6, Box 195A, Charleston, W. Va.; C. V. MARSHALL, Hebron, Ohio; RICHARD MAY, Cabin Creek, W. Va.

O. F. OAKS, Chelyan, W. Va.; E. M. PARKER, Cabin Creek, W. Va.; G. W. PAULEY, Rt. 1, Box 114, Hurricane, W. Va.; S. M. PICKENS, Rt. 2, Box 422, Sanford, Fla.; E. A. RICHARDS, Rt. 6, Box 228, Charleston, W. Va.; EDWARD STEVENS, % General Delivery, Charleston, W. Va.; E. C. TINCHE, Chelyan, W. Va.; C. A. VEALEY, East Bank, W. Va.; ENOCH WELLS, Marmet, W. Va.; I. F. WILLIAMS, Chelyan, W. Va.; L. A. WILLIAMS, Chelyan, W. Va.; W. A. WILLIAMS, Marmet, W. Va.

Philip Sporn Plant

BENJAMIN C. STRINGER, Rayland, Ohio.

A. T. Blizzard Constructs Scale Models Of U. S. Navy Craft During Retirement



A. T. Blizzard, retired Charleston employee, adjusts one of the 1,000 pieces that went into this scale model of the Navy's Constitution.

Although he's retired, A. T. Blizzard of Charleston is a very busy man.

Mr. Blizzard has just finished two major scaling jobs—one a scale model of the first ship commissioned in the United States Navy, the Constitution, and the other a scale of the first high-tension steel tower erected by Appalachian in West Virginia, the 44,000-volt line from Scarbro to Packs Branch, now torn down.

Mr. Blizzard presented the model tower to H. F. Fennell, division supervising engineer, when he retired April 1. Actually constructed of thin fibre wood, it has the appearance of steel. It is precise in every detail, in-

cluding steps fashioned from straight pins, insulators made from tiny bits of wood and even authentic red and white danger signs. Mr. Blizzard spent the major part of his company experience under Mr. Fennell's supervision and presented him the tower for Auld Lang Syne's sake.

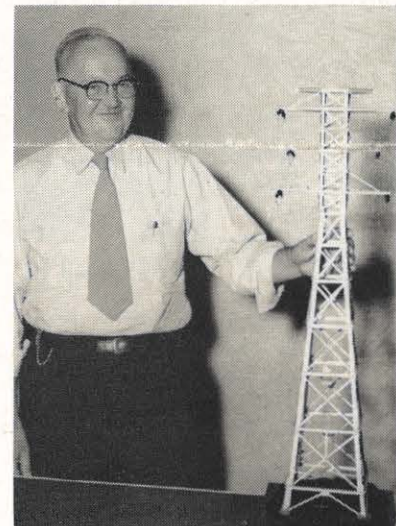
The ship he built is a 40-inch model constructed from plans he ordered.

He estimates that there are more than 1,000 different pieces in the model, including 300 wooden pulleys for the ropes and sail-hoists. There are also 34 carved portholes, 54 tiny brass cannon, which he ordered already built, and 54 gun mounts whittled out of walnut. The masts, 30 inches tall, are made of birch, the hull is sugar pine, spars for the sails are birch, wild cherry and walnut. Altogether there are 10 different kinds of wood in the model.

He sets a personal valuation of \$1,000 on the model and says "Sure, I'd sell it if someone comes along and wants to pay my price."

This is the second model he has built. The first one, a scale model of the famous brigantine Flying Cloud, is about 30 inches long by 20 inches high.

Ships are nothing new to Mr. Blizzard. He served 16 months overseas in World War I aboard the U. S. S. Buffalo, a converted cruiser type ship with steam and sails. He called the ship a "half and half," neither one nor the other. It was used mostly as a destroyer-tender off the shores of the Azores and Gibraltar.



H. F. Fennell proudly displays his gift of a model high-tension tower from retired A. T. Blizzard.

C. J. Bryan Elected Chest President

Clarence J. Bryan has been elected president of the Kingsport Community Chest for 1954-55.



Mr. Bryan

The Kingsport Utilities assistant general manager has been active on the Chest for a number of years, serving on the board of directors and executive committee. For the past three years he has also steered Kingsport's United Fund Drive over its goals, and was awarded the Red Feather Oscar in 1951 for outstanding community work.

In addition, he has been on the school board, a member and past president of the Kiwanis Club, a director in the Chamber of Commerce, a member of the Executives Club, a deacon in the First Baptist Church where he has been Sunday School teacher and choir member and council member for Scout work.

Two Bluefield Men Are Promoted



Mr. Grinstead

Mr. Rich

A. R. Grinstead, Bluefield district records supervisor, has been promoted to Bluefield division administrative assistant, succeeding A. C. Dilcher who retired July 1. Promoted to records supervisor was M. E. Rich, supply and maintenance building clerk.

The new administrative assistant was born in Chillhowie, Virginia, where he attended public schools and later went to National Business College in Roanoke. He came to work for the company in 1925.

He is married and they have one daughter. He is a charter member and past secretary of the Civitan Club, member of the Triangle Sportsman's Club, the Pocahontas Electrical and Mechanical Institute and member of the Advisory Board of the Salvation Army.

Mr. Rich, who became district records supervisor on July 1, is a native of eastern Virginia. He attended Emory and Henry College and graduated with an A.B. degree. He was employed by the company in 1942 with the Glen Lyn construction department in accounting. He later became storekeeper, from which he transferred to the operating plant at Glen Lyn as stores supervisor. In 1945 he transferred to the distribution department in Bluefield.

Married, he has two sons. He is active in social and civic affairs and a member of the First Methodist Church where he has held several offices.

Young And White Promoted In AGE

Ralph C. Young, Jr., former Appalachian employee and assistant head of the auditing department of the



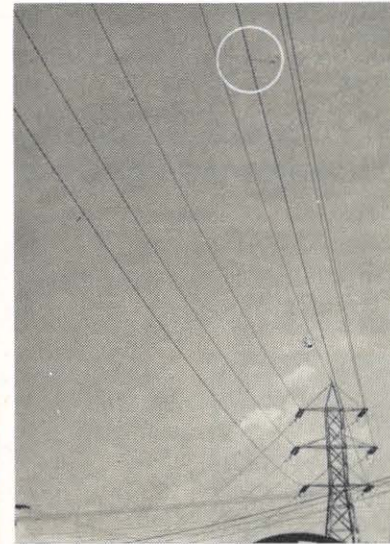
Mr. Young

AGE service Corporation, has been promoted to supervisor of customer accounting. He will supervise the work of the various auditors assigned throughout the AGE system. At the same time W. S. White, former administrative assistant to the president, has been named office manager and will direct all office management of the Service Corporation. Both men in their new positions will assume supervision previously assigned Warren H. Waterbury, assistant secretary and assistant treasurer of AGE Company and Service Corporation, who retires the last of this month.

Mr. Young has been with the AGE System more than 19 years, starting as a payroll clerk in Appalachian's Charleston office in 1935. He was transferred to New York in 1943, became a senior auditor in 1947 and assistant department head in 1953.

Mr. White joined the Service Corporation's system planning department in 1948. He held several positions before becoming administrative assistant to the president in 1952.

Lost And Found



Employees at Glen Lyn plant have apparently found the arrow that Henry Wadsworth Longfellow "shot into the air. It fell to earth, I knew not where." Actually, the arrow seen lodged in the bottom phase of the Glen Lyn Switchback No. 1 line came from the bow of a boy doing some target practice shooting. This poses a question: What was the young "William Tell's" target?

For Safety's Sake

Rubber Gloves Run Through Monthly Laboratory Tests

"About seven out of 10 accidents in the electric power industry are electric-shock and burn cases, and the outstanding type involves contact with the hands. Most accidents of this type can be prevented by the simple practice of wearing rubber gloves . . ."

That's how the story is told in the AGE Safety Manual.

Every lineman in the entire system depends on rubber gloves as an important means between life and death when working hot lines. Therefore, it is vitally important that extreme care be taken to keep these gloves in perfect condition.

Once each month gloves issued to workmen throughout the Charleston division are replaced with newly tested ones, and the old ones are returned to the Charleston meter section. There B. C. Currence, a 20-year division veteran at this job, runs them through a rigorous battery of tests. This same process goes on in Roanoke, Huntington, Bluefield and Ashland.

When the gloves are received for their monthly inspection, they are first paired according to a number printed on the cuff. They are then washed in an agitator type clothes washer.

After the cleansing process they are placed on an air testing device and blown up, much like a balloon. The slightest break or crack in the glove signs its doom—it is thrown away.

The gloves must now face the supreme test—their resistance to electric shock. A grounded tank is filled to a desired level with ordinary tap water and gloves are inserted in glove cans. The gloves themselves are filled with water to within one and a half inches of the top, and the cans are placed in the tank. Copper electrodes are placed on a copper buss at one end and in the water at the other. The safety gate is let down, the switch is thrown and the electric test is on.

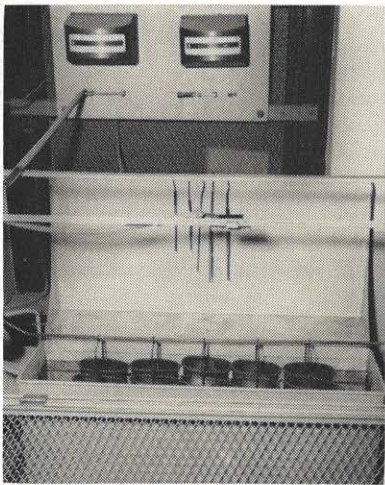
The gloves are removed from the tank, dried for 24 hours, dusted with powder inside and out and returned to the field in boxes.

About 500 pairs of gloves are tested each month in the Charleston division. Laboratory officials warn that the test does not end with them. The lineman using the glove that came out of the laboratory perfectly safe must take care of it. Any unknowing abuse on the lineman's part can render the glove unsafe.

But with once-a-month testing of gloves in the laboratory and all-month glove care on the part of the lineman, workmen can be surer of safety on the job.



No, this isn't a "Shmoo." It's a rubber glove being inflated on the air testing device. Here any punctures or abrasions can be easily detected.



These gloves are ready to be electrically tested. Electrodes are in place on the buss and in the water, and as soon as the safety gate is lowered a switch will be thrown to begin the test.



B. C. Currence, who has been testing gloves for 20 years in the Charleston division, removes a pair from the electric testing device. He will place them on a rack for a 24-hour drying period.

Canadian Visit Won By Charleston Youth

Winning free trips is beginning to be a habit with Buster Shaffer, 15-year-old son of L. C. Shaffer, Charleston district lineman.



Buster Shaffer

The Charleston Daily Mail newsboy recently won his third trip in a sales contest sponsored by the newspaper. This time he went by chartered bus with 125 other

boys to Windsor, Canada, via Detroit and scenic spots in Canada. He has also received two trips to Coney Island in Cincinnati. Buster is a ninth grade pupil at Jefferson Junior High in Charleston.

H. D. Smith Appears On National TV Show

Harry D. Smith recently appeared on the NBC-TV program "Welcome Travelers" to help honor Dr. Jack W. Witten, famed North Tazewell physician.



Mr. Smith

Mr. Smith with three other of "Doc's boys," told briefly of their experiences while members of the doctor's household. Dr. Witten did not know the men were appearing.

Mr. Smith, Tazewell meter reader in the Bluefield district, went to Chicago at the program's expense. He has been with the company since 1946.

Plant's Water Supply Checks Fire Damage

Cabin Creek plant's water supply recently came to the rescue to save property endangered by fire.

When the home of Harry Ellis, mechanical maintenance man, caught afire about 3 a. m. on July 16, fire departments from Chesapeake and Cedar Grove answered the alarm. Although they were unable to save his home, they credited the water supply made available to them at the plant with saving adjoining property.

The Chesapeake fire department pumper truck was connected to a plant fire hydrant while the Cedar Grove truck used its tank supply. Acting Chief Lawson of the Chesapeake fire department commended the plant for its service in making water available.

Clifty Creek Post Filled

Hiram I. Lamphier has been named assistant manager of the new \$175 million Clifty Creek steam-electric generating plant now under construction on the Ohio River. Mr. Lamphier, who is operations supervisor for Pennsylvania Power Company and a 29-year veteran in the electrical field, assumed his new post August 1.

M. W. Brown Assumes Fieldale PTA Reins

Melvin W. Brown, Fieldale district local office supervisor, has been elected president of the Fieldale P.T.A.

Mr. Brown has been active in the organization for several years and on numerous occasions served as chairman of various committees.

Past president of the Fieldale Service Club, he has also served on the board of directors of the Community Center and is a Sunday School teacher in the Fieldale Baptist Church.

Mr. Brown came with the company as a telephone operator in Roanoke in 1936. He is married and has three children.



Mr. Brown

James R. Reeves Goes To Oslo For Summer Study

James Robert Reeves, son of Mrs. Sadie Bundy, Bluefield office employee, has received a scholarship for summer study at the University of Oslo in Norway.

The school is a teachers' institute for English speaking teachers from all countries and offers courses in Norwegian culture, social, economic and political life. Mr. Reeves will return this fall to his sixth grade class in Fairfield, Connecticut.

R. R. Griffith Is Promoted In Beckley

R. R. Griffith, electrical engineer in the Beckley district engineering department, has been promoted to area supervisor of the Rainelle office.

Born at Pemberton, W. Va., where he attended public schools, he graduated from West Virginia University with an electrical engineering degree in 1949. He was employed by the company that year. He served in the Navy during World War II.



Mr. Griffith

Survives Direct Hit



Lightning can play havoc with electrical facilities, as shown here when a bolt hit the 44,000 volt Prince to Layland line. One of the poles was hit directly but the steel arm swung into a near-vertical position, eliminating an outage. Pieces of the structure hit directly were found almost a mile away. A customer reported the damage which was soon repaired.

Hagaman Named To Engineering Post

Homer P. Hagaman, Huntington district electrical engineer, was recently elected chairman of the Ohio Valley Section of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers.

He has been an active member of the organization for several years. Mr. Hagaman attended Marshall College and the University of Cincinnati, receiving an BSEE degree from the latter



Mr. Hagaman

in 1949. In addition to four years in service during World War II, he has been associated with Western Electric Company and the Union Light, Heat and Power Company of Covington, Kentucky.

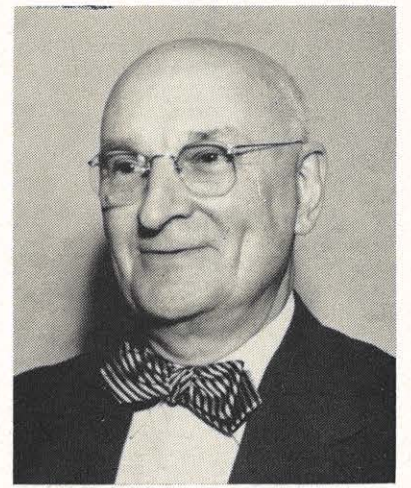
He joined Appalachian in 1949.

Three Beckley Birdmen Fly With C. A. P.



Three Beckley district employees are actively engaged in flying missions and taking part in the Civil Air Patrol program. The Beckley flyers above, left to right, are: M. E. Weikle, P. E. Pauley and L. D. Bolen. All maintain private pilot's license and Pauley is owner of his own ship which is often used in local CAP activities.

W. H. Waterbury Retires August 31



Mr. Waterbury

Warren H. Waterbury, assistant secretary and assistant treasurer of both AGE and the Service Corporation, will retire August 31 after 46½ years in the electric utility industry. Thirty-six of those years were spent with AGE.

Born in Courtland County, New York, September 14, 1889, he was educated in New York City schools, later attending New York University and studying business administration via correspondence school. He joined the Public Service Electric & Gas Company of New Jersey, March 16, 1908, at the age of 18.

Ten years later he came with AGE, on September 16, 1918, as an auditor. He traveled extensively throughout the system until 1922 when he was made assistant general auditor. He later became chief auditor of customer accounting and in 1945 was named assistant secretary and assistant treasurer.

He continued to direct customer accounting after becoming an officer, a responsibility which by 1953 had grown to the accounting of some \$220 million in annual revenues. In addition, he served as Service Corporation office manager and directed its personnel program.

He is a member of the National Office Managers Association and for a number of years served on the customer accounting committee of the Edison Electric Institute and its predecessor association.

Reminiscing recently on his many years in the system, Mr. Waterbury singled out the countless friendships that he has made and "the wholehearted cooperation I have received from my fellow employees" as his most cherished memories. "Looking back, I must say that I have had a lot of fun in my work. My life has been full with the many friends I have made and I am truly grateful," he said.

He and his wife will travel after his retirement, once again "to visit some of the gang in the field with whom I worked so long."

Vote Test



Eldivia Cline, Charleston district accounting department, on the left, listens as one of 500 new voting machines is explained. A few minutes later she tested the machine, recording a sample ballot. The machines, being explained by Mrs. William Ten Eyck, representative of Charleston's League of Women Voters, on the right, were used this month for the first time in the Kanawha county primaries.

Watch the Birdie!

Jane Abbott, Her Camera And Picture Albums Are Charleston Landmark

Wherever you find Jane Abbott you are pretty sure to find a camera close by. Mrs. Abbott, secretary to L. M. Cobbs, Charleston division personnel supervisor, is an enthusiastic amateur photographer.

You can relive Charleston district employee activities since 1936 through her many snapshot albums. Swimming parties, picnics, softball games—they're all recorded. Mrs. Abbott estimates that 120 employees who have died or left the company are pictured in her albums. In two cases she had the only known pictures of deceased employees and gave them to the families.

The picture that has brought Mrs. Abbott the most recognition was one of the Morris Harvey College student activities building, which first appeared on the cover of the school's alumni quarterly. Next it was used in the college yearbook, and then the Charleston newspapers incorporated it into the college advertisements.

Its final appearance was for two months on the New York Central Railroad Company menus on their New York to Chicago run.

It is not unusual for Mrs. Abbott to do confidential photoprint jobs for her friends. Last spring a friend had her make a copy of a photograph to be used as a part of his special stamp exhibit at the Royal Canadian Stamp Show. It was of the Dalai Lama, himself, and was entirely too rare to leave at an ordinary commercial shop.

She is often asked to photograph special occasions for her friends, since she has a dark room where she develops her own film and experiments with various printing techniques.

Mrs. Abbott was first employed by



Mrs. Jane Abbott adds another picture to her photographic history.

Appalachian in 1930 and worked until 1938 in the Charleston payroll department. She then transferred to the division personnel office.

Perhaps the most anxious she ever was to process a pack of film was when Carter Burnette, safety supervisor at Kanawha River plant, did the photography, and she developed the prints, of her own wedding. This is probably one of the rare times that Mrs. Abbott was glad someone else was taking the pictures.

Apelcoes Enjoy Dance Party

Members and guests of the Lynchburg District Apelcoes Club enjoyed a dance party recently. Awards were made to Mr. and Mrs. James R. Dorman and Anne Carson and her guest, Courtney King. Earl Driskill, Anna Lackey, Bill Hogan and Joe Wilson planned the affair.

Vacated Charleston Storeroom Being Remodeled For Meter Department Use

Remodeling of the vacated Goshen Street storeroom in Charleston has begun. The building will house Charleston district's meter department, which has outgrown its present headquarters.

Using facilities designed for 17,000 watt-hour meters the meter department has been handling 91,000. In addition to the meter department the building will house the record office, a modern meter testing shop, high voltage testing laboratory for rubber gloves and transformers, quarters for the crews and storage for meters and service materials.

Another major improvement will be new loading platforms designed to fit ten trucks at once. They replace the old one, which could not handle more than one truck.

General construction work, done by E. L. Harris & Son, will be completed in September, when electrical installations and finishing touches are added. The building will be equip-



Workmen lay cinder blocks for partitions in the remodeled Charleston meter building. Jagged edges in the foreground are remains of old partitions.

ped with three GE Weathertron heat pumps, the same unit now on public sale. It is the first time package units have been installed in an Appalachian building.

The Goshen Street building was vacated in October, 1952, when the district stores department moved to their new building.

Japanese Visitors Take Tour Of Sporn Plant



Japanese visitors to the United States recently toured Philip Sporn plant. Shown above, from left: N. Yamaki, resident representative of the Mitsubishi Denki K. K.; Yasuke Anzo, ex-chairman of the board, Tokyo Electric Power Company; G. D. Wilhoit, Westinghouse Electric Corporation; Masamota Arai, chief of the switchgear section, Mitsubishi Electric Mfg. Co., Ltd.; Itami Works, J. Trimble of Armco and Philip Wolpert, supervisor of operations at the plant who acted as guide.

Confusion Is Spice Of Life In Fieldale

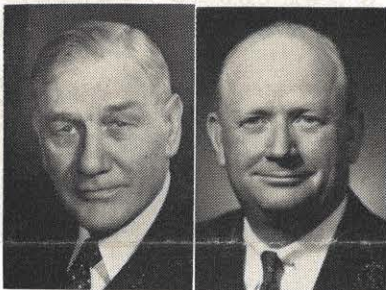
Destructive storm, a man doing his job, prowlers and a policeman became involved in an array of confusion in Martinsville recently.

Here's what happened: The storm caused power failure in Martinsville and one line was down on a family's front yard. The trouble call came into the Fieldale office about 3 a. m., and since the crew was out on another call, W. G. Gourley, district superintendent, went to see what he could do. All he could do was sit in his car at the front of the house and make sure no one stepped on the line until the crew could get there.

But someone in the house, remembering that the city had been bothered with prowlers recently, called the police. The chief was out, but his son, who had been deputized, was in. He answered the call, and not knowing Mr. Gourley said: "What are you doing here this time of the morning?"

Mr. Gourley answered in kind: "What are you doing here?" The conversation went back and forth and finally Mr. Gourley convinced the policeman that he was performing in the line of duty. Confusion ended when the line truck arrived and everybody went home to bed.

Ex-Gov. Battle, Dr. Brown New AGE Directors



Mr. Battle Dr. Brown

Former Governor John S. Battle and Dr. Courtney C. Brown, dean of the Columbia Graduate School of Business, have been elected directors of AGE.

The directors met at AGE's newest steam-electric generating station, the Ohio Power Company's \$50-million Muskingum River plant near Beverly, Ohio. Their election brings to 11 the number of members of the board.

Gov. Battle, Virginia's immediate past governor, is a member of Charlottesville law firm of Perkins, Battle and Minor. He was educated at Wake Forest College and at the University of Virginia, where he received his bachelor of law degree in 1913 and was Phi Beta Kappa. He was admitted to the Virginia bar that same year and began practice in Charlottesville. He became a member of the House of Delegates, Virginia General Assembly, in 1930, and a state senator in 1934, serving until he was elected governor for the 1950-54 term.

Dr. Brown joined Columbia last February after eight years as an executive with the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey. He was assistant to the chairman of the board of Standard Oil and a director of Esso Standard Oil Company.

After graduation from Dartmouth College in 1926, where he received his B.S. degree, he spent 10 years in investment work in New York. In 1937 he joined the faculty at Columbia, instructing in economics and received his doctor of philosophy degree there in 1940. On leave from the university in 1941, he was associate director of research of the Chase National Bank. During World War II he spent 3½ years in government service in Washington. He joined Standard Oil in 1946.

Five Employees Contribute Articles As AGE Notes Celebrates 25th Year

Five Appalachian employees contributed four articles to the June issue of AGE *Monthly Operating Notes* as the publication celebrated its 25th year of existence.

Operating Notes began its employee idea recognition when the first issue was published in June, 1929.

Three Charleston district employees wrote articles for the latest issue. E. A. Stone, garage foreman, and G. M. Kapp, auto repairman, combined on "Fork-Lift Is Versatile," which tells how they devised a platform for their fork-lift truck which made many jobs easier. The platform can be attached without removing the goose-neck crane and can be used up to heights of 20 feet safely. It is especially useful for such things as replacing high lamps and repairing secondary building circuits in high places. The two authors believe it is superior to a ladder from the safety viewpoint.

C. J. Neeley, Charleston general serviceman, contributed "Modified



Mr. Neeley

Hot-Line Skinning Knife More Versatile" in which he suggests that a portion of the end of a hot-line knife be grinded out and sharpened for easier skinning of the bottom portions of a

conductor. T. W. Testerman, Bluefield district area supervisor, wrote "Indoor Pole Removable In Seconds." A story on the pole appeared in the April ILLUMINATOR. The pole is used for indoor resuscitation and hot line training courses during bad weather. The pole is secured on the ceiling when not in use and can be lowered or raised in seconds.

F. E. Hornbeck, Cabin Creek plant engineer, contributed "Protecting Trip Mechanisms From Dirt," which told how dirt could seriously injure machines and how, in illustration, dirt was prevented from entering one machine at Cabin Creek plant.

Boy Scouts Name Sporn Men To District Posts

Five Philip Sporn plant employees became district members at large at a Mason-Gallia-Meigs district, Boy Scouts of America, meeting at the plant.

The five were Jack Frey, Paul Nease, Robert Johnston, George Hout and Howard Andrews. Other employees attending the session as representatives of local troupes were: Edwin Stein, John Dyer, Harold Marquis, Ferris Justice, Wyatt Chadwell, Gene Athev, Wilbur Dennis, Frank Harris and Ralph Warner.

Daughters Of Abingdon Employees Give Recital

Daughters of two Abingdon district employees presented a piano recital recently in the Meadowview High School auditorium.

Charlotte Duncan, daughter of L. W. Duncan, T&D clerk, and Freda Kay Thomas, daughter of L. C. Thomas, merchandise order and billing clerk, played numbers they have learned under the guidance of Mrs. D. A. Jones, music teacher at the high school.

Charlotte, a sixth grade student, has studied music for four years while Freda Kay, a fourth grader, has had one year of piano instruction.



Mr. Stone

Mr. Kapp



Mr. Testerman

Mr. Hornbeck

New Faraday Station In Welch District Opened

New Faraday 88/33 station in the Welch district has been put into service. A 7,500 volt transformer was installed in the new station.

Attending the station's opening were McKinley Cornett, Switchback electrical engineer; C. R. Settle, Welch district superintendent; J. W. House, Faraday station man; Paul Hilliard, Bluefield division substation department; Frank Bingham, Bishop station man; Marvin Bostain, Bluefield division station department; and Bus Kirk, Bluefield company inspector.

Ohio Power Is Ohio Power

Second company in the AGE system has changed its name. Effective the first of June, Kentucky and West Virginia Power Company became Kentucky Power Company. Now The Ohio Power Company has changed its name. Effective last month, The of The Ohio Power Company is no more.

AGE, Coffin Money To Employee Welfare

AGE has contributed \$1,000 to match the check earmarked for employee welfare which the company recently won in connection with the Charles A. Coffin Award.

President Philip Sporn said the \$2,000 fund will be administered by a newly-appointed committee consisting of the AGE System's personnel directors. The committee has been designated to recommend the best method for use of the money to promote employee welfare. Meanwhile, the money has been placed in a special interest account.

AGE was presented the coveted Coffin Award—a gold medal and the check—in June at the Edison Electric Institute meeting in Atlantic City.

Frances Pennington Crowned Pool Queen

Frances Pennington was recently crowned beauty queen at the new Princeton park swimming pool.

She is the daughter of Glenn E. Pennington, Princeton lineman in the Bluefield district. Frances won the crown over 12 other contestants.



Frances Pennington

Roanoke Division

Lynchburg District

Samuel M. Cloyd, son of F. M. Cloyd, commercial manager, and Shelton W. "Peter" Henderson, son of W. E. Henderson, area sales representative, are taking part in Navy European cruises. Sam is a student at the Naval Academy and is stationed on the USS *New Jersey* for two months. Peter, assigned to the USS *Macon*, is a NROTC student at the University of North Carolina.

Roy A. Tibbs, commercial, and William T. Desmond, meter section, have returned to work after extended illnesses.

Virginia G. Deaner, commercial department clerk-stenographer, has been elected secretary of the local Ladies Auxiliary of the National Association of Letter Carriers.

Tech. Sergeant James H. Haley, Jr., appliance serviceman A, recently completed his 17th annual summer training period with the U. S. Marine Reserves at Camp Lejeune, North Carolina. His 20-year-old son recently enlisted in the Marines and is awaiting overseas orders.

Sympathy is extended Claude E. Jordan, lineman A, on the death of his wife.

Fieldale District

Patsy Weaver is a new local accounting employee.

Sympathy is extended J. W. Vaughan, commercial, on the death of his father.

Barry Wright, son of J. W. Wright, local accounting, is improving from a serious illness.

Mrs. E. D. Arnold, mother of Anita Few, local accounting cashier, recently underwent surgery in Charlottesville.

Members of the commercial department recently honored Joe Higgins and his bride-to-be, Mary Campbell, with a picnic supper at the home of Betty Baker in Stanleytown.

Members of the meter section honored F. D. Duckworth, meter supervisor, with a birthday party at the home of Nancy Kitts in Stanleytown.

Betty Baker was recently elected counselor of the Henry County sub-district of the Methodist Church. The commercial department employee attended a young peoples' and youth workers' workshop in Danville July 9-11.

Roanoke District

Mrs. Wayne Holt, Savannah, and Mrs. Fred Barger, Philadelphia, recently visited the local accounting office. Both are former employees.

F. D. Wells has returned from Milwaukee where he attended, as a guest of the council, the U. C. T. convention.

Jack Good, president of state 4-H Clubs, recently presided over their annual state short course at VPI. The son of A. J. Good, serviceman, he is a student at Emory and Henry College.

Harold P. Laughon, commercial, and his wife, Leslie T. Laughon, switchboard operator, and their son attended the Elks National Convention in Los Angeles. Mr. Laughon represented the local lodge, of which he is the Exalted Ruler.

Sympathy is extended J. G. Brittain, local accounting, on the death of his mother.

District meter department held their annual picnic at Douthat State Park on July 10. Swimming and eating were enjoyed by the 45 present.

A. J. Good, service, has returned to work after an operation.

M. E. Maxey, residential and rural sales department, was elected third vice president of the Vinton Lions Club recently.

System

Sympathy is extended C. O. Roberson, administrative assistant, on the death of his father.

System real estate and right-of-way employees held their annual picnic at Bedford Lake recently.

Women in billing office honored Mrs. Mildred Hudson Smith, who recently resigned, with a dinner and shower.

Betty Moore, summer employee, has resigned.

Martha White is a billing office summer employee.

Virginia Lee Clark, bride-elect of Kenneth Shaver, was honored with a breakfast-shower July 17. Hostesses were Mary Lee Farrier, Helen Overstreet, Tida Long and Edna McNeil.

Helen I. Kasey is a new accounting employee.

Bluefield Division

Pulaski District

J. K. Duncan, PBX operator, and Mrs. Billie G. Frazier and Carl Powers of Wytheville have returned to work after recent illnesses.

Sympathy is extended C. P. Bailey, engineering section, on the death of his father.

Winifred B. Jackson, payroll department, recently resigned and was guest at a party given by office women employees and received a gift of silver.

W. H. Spangler, district safety supervisor, just completed classes of instruction in standard first aid at Wytheville and Christiansburg.

C. H. Rhett, P. C. Payne and Earl P. Owens are recent graduates of the 16-lesson Dale Carnegie class.

Engineering and personnel sections entertained at a steak fry at Claytor Lake recently. Opal Newland was in charge of arrangements.

H. B. Newland has returned from two weeks' active duty at Camp Kilmer.

Happenings...



Around the Circuit



... among employees and their families

Huntington Division

Williamson District

Sympathy is extended R. T. Williams on the death of his father-in-law.

W. H. Stratton has returned to work after a recent illness.

Huntington District

Included among employees who have returned to work recently after illnesses are: J. W. Fiscus, Homer C. Smith, Boyd Thompson, Sr., Joseph L. Holley, Clarence Copley, Sally L. Marrow, John B. Browning, Harold R. Ball and H. V. Mayo.

New employees include Patricia L. McAllister, commercial, and Stanley Adkins, Jr., T&D records section.

John John has been named chairman of the newly organized Central Area Safety Council, a chapter of the West Virginia Safety Council, Inc. He is the brother of Virginia John Black, commercial department employee.

Logan District

W. E. Bivens, dealer sales representative, attended a Huntington meeting of the West Virginia State School Board Association recently.

Sympathy is extended Glenna Perry on the death of her father.

Syreen D. Baker, accounting employee, was recently installed as Adah in the Order of the Eastern Star.

Neal D. McCloud is a new meter reader.

G. Fred Schwartz, engineer, was recently installed as first vice commander of American Legion Post 19 in Logan.

Bluefield District

Dorothy Hawley, division substitution department, has resigned.

Sympathy is extended Bess Hodges, accounting, on the death of her father.

John E. M. Scott is a new engineering employee and Bettye G. Hull is a new Tazewell home economist.

Ryland Bailey and Archie Phlegar are new engineering trainees.

Glenn E. Pennington and Dewey W. Barnette have returned to work after recent illnesses.

Ray Heldreth, commercial, has been named to the National Army Affairs committee of the Reserve Officers Association.

W. J. Gillespie, Jr., district manager, has been elected second vice president of the Bluefield Chamber of Commerce.

Welch District

Grace Hajash, accounting, has returned to work after an illness.

Sympathy is extended Mr. and Mrs. Sank Smith on the death of his mother, and Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Settle on the death of her mother.

Raymond Dalton, son of line supervisor J. D. Dalton, is home on furlough after 18 months on Okinawa.

New employees include J. C. Callaway, Jr., stores, and Lorene Parks, home economist.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Smith, Jr., celebrated their silver wedding anniversary on July 3.

Fred Adams, line inspector, has been elected senior warden of the local Masonic Lodge.

Recent visitors were former employees Barbara Weaver of Morgantown and Barbara Reed of Newport, R. I.

Abingdon District

Recent blood donors include James M. Cole, commercial sales representative; A. C. Hutton, Jr., senior general clerk; Paul S. Dunn, administrative assistant; and J. D. Russell, T&D clerk.

Gordon Craig, agriculture sales engineer, attended ROTC camp at Blackstone for two weeks.

Mrs. Margaret Rowland, wife of Kelly Rowland, local office supervisor, has been appointed Public Health Nurse in Dickenson County.

Carl Carrico, Jack Carter, A. D. Rosenbalm and Henry Pierce have returned to work after recent illnesses.

Sympathy is extended Paul Dunn on the death of his aunt and Jack B. Frier on the death of his father-in-law.

Glen Lyn Plant

Mrs. Ira O. Dunn, wife of the mechanical maintenance helper, is recuperating after a recent operation.

Roy M. Trent and Frank B. Duncan have returned to work after recent illnesses.

Plans have been completed for the plant's annual picnic on August 28.

Charleston District

John W. Sholes has returned to the accounting department after two years in military service.

William T. Witzel, Kanawha Valley Power Company employee, resigned to enter military service.

Larry Hemmings is a new VPI co-op student working in the district office.

New employees include: Patricia Anne Michels, home economist; Betty Jo Rodeheaver, junior home economist; Lawrence R. Shamblen, meter; and Carol Cole, accounting.

Resignations include: Carol Silman, PBX operator; Maxine Urwin, accounting department; and Helen Boothe, T&D record section.

Cabin Creek Plant

J. E. Brown, mechanical maintenance, recently attended camp with the Air National Guard at Travis Air Force Base, Savannah.

C. D. Goldsmith and Earl Cremons, labor department, recently resigned.

Power Makers' Club members and their families held a picnic and swim party at the Rock Lake Pool July 12. Plans were formulated for another August 20.

Two plant employees received in-
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Kingsport

Paul Tucker, engineering, has resigned to accept an appointment at the United States Naval Academy.

Marbeth Carroll, accounting, also resigned.

New employees include James Ford, Jr., commercial, and Carl McClellan, T&D line section.

Sympathy is extended F. S. Russell, line foreman, on the death of his father.

John Faust, commercial, has returned to work after a recent illness.

Kentucky

Ashland District

Mrs. Joe Sparks, wife of the substitution department employee, has recuperated after a recent illness.

Attending the Shrine Convention in Atlantic City were Wes Ellis, engineering department; Clarence Nester, distribution department, and Annis Ketterer and Don Keyser of main accounting office.

Local accounting office employees played host at a farewell dinner for Jamie Sue Stone at the MacArthur Hotel, Ironton. She has returned to Florida.

Pikeville District

Troy Lee, meter reader, fractured his foot while attempting to field a ball in a recent softball game. He is the district left fielder.

Hazard District

Mrs. G. C. Branson, wife of the stores supervisor, is at home recuperating after an operation.

Sympathy is extended Hershel Adams on the death of his mother, and Jack Caudill on the death of his mother.

Sympathy is also extended Thomas Bunton on the death of his mother, and H. C. Branson on the death of his sister.

Beckley District

Jake Abshire has returned to work as a groundman after being on leave of absence in the Navy.

H. C. Sessions, commercial, has returned to work after an illness.

Kanawha River Plant

Sympathy is extended W. L. Wilshire on the death of his mother.

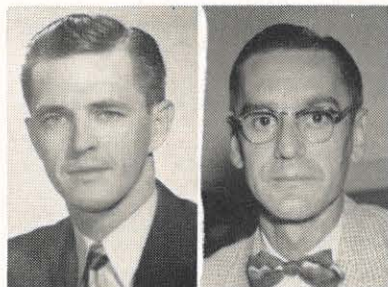
W. E. James is a new employee.

Veterans Get Service Pins



These veteran employees received service pins for 20 or more years of service in recent weeks. TOP ROW, from left, all 30-year veterans: R. F. Millikan, Ashland; J. W. Evans, Huntington; H. B. Hout, Huntington, and W. E. Keck, Huntington. SECOND ROW: J. E. Wright, Kingsport, 30 years; F. L. Thompson, Charleston, H. M. Eagle, Pikeville, and P. E. Hilliard, Bluefield, all 25 years. THIRD ROW, all 25 years: E. F. Eager, Beckley; R. C. Foster, Lynchburg; L. F. Valley, Abingdon, and Karnes Hoge, Bluefield. FOURTH ROW, all 20 years: R. L. Warren, Cabin Creek plant; F. B. Barns, Welch; T. E. Goad, Roanoke, and L. C. Valley, Abingdon.

Gilmour, Bias Are Promoted In Recent Pt. Pleasant Moves



Mr. Gilmour

Mr. Bias

W. C. Gilmour, Point Pleasant local office manager, has been promoted to district personnel supervisor. At the same time Leo C. Bias, assistant office manager in Beckley, will succeed Mr. Gilmour at Point Pleasant.

Mr. Gilmour joined the company on July 26, 1937, as a meter reader in Logan. He remained there in various positions until January 1, 1948, when he became local office manager in Beckley. He was moved to the Point Pleasant office managership on April 1, 1951.

Mr. Gilmour has military service from November, 1943, to December, 1945. He is an active PTA worker, serving both as president and head of several committees.

Mr. Bias, a native of Danville, attended Marshall College and joined Appalachian in 1937 as a helper in Huntington. In 1942 he was promoted to meter reader and the next year went on military leave.

He returned to Huntington in 1945 and transferred to Beckley in 1947 as a special clerk. He was promoted to assistant local office manager in 1950. Mr. Bias is married and the father of two children.

Hospital School Graduate

Hilma Ann Smith graduated from the Johnston Memorial Hospital School of Nursing on July 2 and is scheduled to become a registered nurse in September. She is the daughter of Lloyd G. Smith, Abingdon stores supervisor.

Excavation Work Begins On Island As Cabin Creek Plans Fly-Ash Collectors

Work has begun on the first stage in Cabin Creek plant's plan to install high efficiency dust collectors on the pulverized coal boilers to reduce fly-ash emitted from the stacks.

Work has also begun on Cabin Creek Island, where the collected fly-ash will be stored. Levees are being built across the east and west ends of the south channel which separates the island from the mainland. The north side of the island will be excavated and the main channel of the river will be dredged to increase the navigable area of the river.

C. G. Coughlin, plant manager, has announced that a contract for the installation of mechanical multicell dust collectors has been let to C. H. Jimison & Sons of Charleston. Installation of the collectors will take eight months and cost an estimated \$750,000.

Mr. Coughlin pointed out in making a public announcement that the installation is in keeping with Appalachian's cooperation with the Kanawha Valley Air Pollution Elimination Program. He said, "We are in whole-hearted accord with the program being carried out in the Kanawha Valley and are sure that the installation of the collectors will eliminate a major portion of the fly-ash from the stacks at the plant."

The collectors, which will be installed on the roof of the plant, consist of a number of collecting tubes through which the fly-ash laden gases enter. The gases pass through the tubes which set up a swirling motion that results in the separation of the fly-ash from the flue gas. The fly-ash drops into collecting hoppers and the cleaned gases are emitted from the stacks. The fly-ash from the collecting hoppers will be washed with water pressure from hoppers to a newly developed fly-ash disposal area west of the plant. It is expected that the collectors will remove between 85 and 90 per cent of the fly-ash.

Approximately 200,000 yards of material will be removed in the island excavation. Fly-ash will then be piped to the south channel from the

collectors and the island area will also be covered. Mr. Coughlin estimates that this will provide a disposal area for 15 years and at the end of that time the land could be used as an industrial site. C. H. Jimison & Son are also doing the excavating work at an estimated cost of \$350,000.

The completion of these two projects will terminate an anti-pollution program started at the plant three years ago. The initial phase involved the removal of two stub stacks that were installed during World War II. These stacks served the two main generating units of the plant. The two stub stacks were removed two years ago and a single 150-foot high velocity stack was erected to accommodate the emitted flue gas from four high pressure pulverized fuel boilers.

Logan Man Wins Quiz

M. R. Atkinson, Logan managerial department, appeared on the Romance of West Virginia quiz show held in the Appalachian auditorium July 15. Mr. Atkinson, in tying for first place, won \$40 in Ashland Oil Products.

In Beauty Pageant



These three were among 14 entrants in the Miss Kingsport Pageant conducted recently by the Kingsport Jaycees. All three girls are members of the KUI family. From the left: Linda Dishner, local accounting office; Linda Bryan, daughter of assistant general manager C. J. Bryan, and Barbara Ann Rowland, daughter of K. R. Rowland, Holston substation employee. The pageant was an official contest of the Miss America competition. In the talent competition, Miss Dishner sang; Miss Bryan played the piano, and Miss Rowland gave a musical reading.

Cabin Creek . . .

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juries in recent accidents. B. L. Ferrell, stores department, was seriously injured in an automobile accident while on the way to work June 9. And W. H. Rader, mechanical maintenance, fractured his left arm while playing softball June 8.



Appalachian Electric Power Company

Abingdon District—25 YEARS: L. F. Valley, T&D Dept., line & station section; 20 YEARS: L. C. Valley, T&D Dept., line & station section.

Beckley District—35 YEARS: J. E. Vickers, station operator; 25 YEARS: E. F. Eager, commercial manager.

Bluefield District—25 YEARS: Karnes Hoge, Division Managerial Dept.; Paul E. Hillard, Division T&D, station engineer; 15 YEARS: Paul W. Parks, commercial sales representative, commercial dept.; 10 YEARS: Smith Compton, T&D Dept., line section.

Cabin Creek Plant—20 YEARS: R. L. Warren, electrical maint. foreman; 15 YEARS: N. D. Burroughs, mechanical maint. man; Margaret A. Matheney, Sr., time record clerk; 10 YEARS: R. E. Snodgrass, electrical maint. mechanic "B".

Charleston District—25 YEARS: F. L. Thompson, T&D Dept., station section; 15 YEARS: J. E. Beall, system meter dept.; 5 YEARS: H. K. Shabdue, commercial dept.

Glen Lyn Plant—10 YEARS: Ruth D. Butcher, steam production dept.

Huntington District—30 YEARS: James W. Evans, T&D Dept., station section; Howard B. Hout, division T&D dept.; William E. Keck, division T&D dept.; 5 YEARS: Homer P. Hagaman, T&D Dept., engineering section.

Logan District—15 YEARS: George F. Schwartz, T&D dept., engineering dept.; H. G. Wilson, head T&D clerk.

Lynchburg District—25 YEARS: Robert Conner Foster, T&D dept., engineering section.

Pulaski District—15 YEARS: Fred Burnett, production hydro; 5 YEARS: R. H. Love, power sales engineer, Jr., commercial dept.

Roanoke District—20 YEARS: T. E. Goad, T&D dept., meter section; 15 YEARS: C. W. Brown, T&D dept., station section; D. B. Stoner, local accounting dept.; 10 YEARS: Bertha V. Baldwin, local accounting dept.

System—15 YEARS: F. R. Rynnion, system station dept.; Mary D. Graybill, system appraisal dept.; 10 YEARS: T. W. Old, system station dept.; Rosemary C. Price, system accounting dept.; 5 YEARS: J. H. Rodrian, system operating dept.; Louis E. Johnson, system public relations dept.

Philip Sporn Plant—10 YEARS: Earl M. Rottgen, yard foreman, yard dept.; 5 YEARS: Charles H. Evans, asst. results engineer, results dept.

Welch District—20 YEARS: Frank B. Barns, T&D dept., line section.

Kentucky Power Company

Ashland District—30 YEARS: R. F. Millikan, gen. safety & employee relations supv.; 15 YEARS: H. K. Johnston, main accounting; 10 YEARS: Charles D. Schiffler, commercial dept.; 5 YEARS: Joseph W. Pigg, commercial dept.

Hazard District—10 YEARS: W. H. Boggs, truck-driver groundman; Amos Nickles, meter serviceman.

Pikeville District—25 YEARS: Hale M. Eagle, general line foreman; 15 YEARS: Robert H. Flynn, asst. local office mgr.; 5 YEARS: Glen Whitt, Sr., meter clerk, meter dept.

Kingsport Utilities, Inc.

30 YEARS: James E. Wright, vice president and general manager; 10 YEARS: Winston Morrison, T&D dept., line section.



BECKLEY DISTRICT

A. W. BONDS, from groundman to truck-driver groundman, T&D line section; PARTHENIA WINNER, from clerk-stenographer to stenographer, district personnel; D. E. MCGINNIS, from groundman, T&D dept., to Appliance Serviceman "B", commercial dept.; TOMMY HUMPHRIES, from appliance serviceman "A" to area sales representative, commercial dept.; W. D. FOSTER, from truck-driver-groundman to lineman "C", T&D dept., line section.

CHARLESTON DISTRICT

JAMES F. DOOLEY, from lineman "B" to Lineman "A", T&D dept., line section (Montgomery); FRED O. HELM, from power sales engineer, Jr., to power sales engineer, Sr., commercial dept.; CAROL JEAN FERGUSON, from clerk-typist, local accounting, to clerk-stenographer, commercial dept.

FIELDALE DISTRICT

JOY WEBSTER, from Jr. bookkeeper, local accounting, to Jr. clerk, T&D dept.; J. W. WRIGHT, from Sr. contract clerk to bookkeeping section, accounting dept.

HUNTINGTON DISTRICT

WILLIAM T. LOCKE, from meter service helper to meter serviceman "C", T&D dept., meter section; PATRICIA W. SMITH, from stenographer to secretarial stenographer, division commercial dept.

LYNCHBURG DISTRICT

JOHN W. WINGFIELD, from truck-driver-groundman, line & station section, to Jr. T&D clerk, engineering section; JOHN H. WARD, from groundman, to truck-driver-groundman, line & station section, T&D dept.

PHILIP SPORN PLANT

FRED E. SMITH, from coal handler, to barge attendant, yard dept.

Fourteen Couples Are Wed In Recent Weeks



Recent brides and bridegrooms among company employees are pictured above. TOP ROW, from the left: Mrs. K. H. Shaver, system; Mr. and Mrs. William Howard Jackson, Huntington; Mrs. Julian R. Moore, Roanoke; and Mrs. W. J. Walker, Jr., system. MIDDLE ROW, from the left: Mrs. James R. Turpin, Welch; Mrs. R. L. Absher, Roanoke; Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Parsons, Charleston; and Mrs. Benjamin Drummond Smith, Lynchburg. BOTTOM ROW, from the left: Mrs. John B. Bell, Logan plant; Mr. and Mrs. James E. Hunter, Jr., Roanoke; Mrs. Joe Gray Shelton, Pulaski; and Mrs. Paul A. Skaff, Charleston.

Rose-Turpin

Miss Betty Rose and James R. Turpin were united in marriage on June 16 at the Baptist Church in Welch, W. Va. Mr. Turpin is employed in the Welch transportation department.

Sydnor-Moore

Miss Rolanda L. Sydnor became the bride of Julian R. Moore on June 26 at the St. Paul Methodist Church in Roanoke, Virginia. The new Mrs. Moore, daughter of Mrs. Elizabeth Sydnor, Roanoke building service department, and Mr. Moore are graduates of Fisk University, Nashville, Tennessee.

Meadows-Jackson

Miss Julia Ann Meadows and William Howard Jackson were united in marriage on June 11 at the Beverly Hills Methodist Church in Huntington, W. Va. Mr. Jackson is employed in the Huntington district.

Paul-Bell

Miss Florence Paul and John Bell were united in marriage on Friday, July 16 in the First Baptist Church of Logan, W. Va. Mr. Bell is a laboratory attendant at the Logan Plant.

Kirk-Skaff

Miss Maxine Kirk became the bride of Paul A. Skaff on Thursday, July 1 at the home of Rev. Hobson Fisher in Charleston, W. Va. Mr. Skaff is employed in the Charleston district.

Mann-Elliott

Miss Nancy Mann became the bride of R. G. Elliott on June 29 at the Methodist Church in Oakvale, W. Va. Mr. Elliott is employed at the Glen Lyn Plant.

Sharpe-Shelton

Miss Patsy Irene Sharpe became the bride of Joe Gray Shelton on Friday, June 11, at the Hillsville Christian Church. The new Mrs. Shelton is the daughter of Louis A. Sharpe, Galax area supervisor.

James-Parsons

Miss Mava James and Lewis Parsons were united in marriage on June 26 at the Trinity Methodist Church, Charleston, W. Va. The new Mrs. Parsons is employed in the Charleston district.

Meyers-Hunter

Miss Iva dell Margaret Meyers became the bride of James Everett Hunter, Jr., on June 20 at the St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church in St. Clair, Minn. Mr. Hunter is the son of J. E. Hunter of the System Transportation Department, Roanoke.

Peters-Walker

Miss Bonnie Peters became the bride of Pfc. William J. Walker, Jr., at the Brick Church of the Brethren, Wirtz, Virginia, on June 26. Mrs. Walker was formerly employed in the system personnel department, Roanoke.

Pettyjohn-Smith

Miss Joan Pettyjohn became the bride of Benjamin Drummond Smith on Saturday, May 29, at the Methodist Church in Monroe, Virginia. Mrs. Smith is employed in the Personnel department, Lynchburg district.

Leffel-Absher

Miss Joyce Leffel and Ray Lemuel Absher were united in marriage on June 6. Mr. Absher is the son of L. M. Absher, Roanoke General Serviceman.

McCarthy-Goddard

Miss Ann Walker McCarthy became the bride of Lieutenant Warren M. Goddard, Jr., USA, on June 26 at the Court Street Methodist Church of Lynchburg. Mrs. Goddard is the daughter of Joseph W. McCarthy, assistant local office manager of the Lynchburg district.

Clark-Shaver

Miss Virginia Lee Clark and Kenneth Harold Shaver were united in marriage Saturday, July 24, at the Salem Baptist Church. Mrs. Shaver is employed in the System Accounting office, Roanoke.

Prize Afghan



It's a mighty proud Welch home economist who displays this prize-winning afghan. She's Frances Brooks, who won first prize with her entry in the crafts and weaving division of the West Virginia Junior Woman's Club convention in Charleston recently. The afghan took her two years of spare time work to complete. The individual blocks were woven on a frame and a different design is used for each row. After completion the afghan was lined with red taffeta. Frances also collects antique cream pitchers and sugar bowls.

K.P.O. Club Girls Travel For Outing

K. P. O. Club of Pikeville girls recently spent a week end at Cumberland Falls, Kentucky.

They left Pikeville after work Friday and traveled 187 miles, arriving late Friday night. Swimming and sun bathing were main activities with time out to attend the open air theatre Saturday night.

Taking the trip were Elizabeth Riddle, Jacquelyn Akers, Dorothy Ford, Mary Stewart, Mary Lou Draughn, Dorothy Cardinal, Bonnie King, Lois Coleman, Glema Tackett and Guialene Smith.

The club also held their annual election recently with the following officers slated to serve: Elizabeth Riddle, president; Jacquelyn Akers, secretary, and Ruth Huffman, treasurer.

Hazard Girls Rate High In NPG Piano Audition

Three children of Hazard district employees made high ratings at a recent piano audition held by the National Piano Guild.

Patricia Jackson, daughter of Joe Jackson, watch engineer at the Hazard plant, was graded superior plus while Henrietta Cornett, daughter of C. B. Cornett, power sales engineer, was graded excellent plus.

The third girl, Linda Carol Combs, daughter of Walter Combs, assistant local office manager, received an excellent plus rating in the intermediate class. The adjudicator for the auditions was the famous concert pianist and teacher, Miss Jesse M. Peters.

Mrs. M. E. Maxey Named Head Of Secretary Club

Mrs. Dorothy Maxey has been elected president of the Roanoke Chapter, National Secretarial Association. She is the wife of M. E. Maxey, Roanoke residential and rural sales department employee.

Mrs. Maxey is secretary to the president of Johnson-Carper Furniture Company in Roanoke.



Mrs. Maxey

Autumn Art



Even in these hot summer days fashion-conscious women are turning their thoughts to a fall wardrobe. Mary Lee Jenkins, Ashland district accounting employee, picks out a 100 per cent worsted flannel suit styled by "Miss Mode Junior." The suit is sandalwood with belted back, jewel trimmed collar and raglan sleeves with turned back cuff. Miss Jenkins models the suit in Ashland's Rose Ann Shop. Matching jewelry is from Johnnie Burns of Merle Norman Studio.

Bluefield Brides Honored

Mrs. Betty Wolfe, Mrs. Zelda Robinette and Mrs. Lassie Keen, recent Bluefield brides, were honored at a luncheon by members of the Girls Service Club. Jane McNabb headed the social committee and Mrs. Maude McCulloch, Mrs. Keil Alderson, Mrs. Mayna Gilbert and Mrs. Louise Whittington were guests.

They're Engaged

ANN FORREN to Roy L. Franklin. Mr. Franklin is employed in the Welch district personnel department.

BRONTE CHARLES to Robert L. Foster, Jr. Miss Charles is a home economist in the Welch district.

TOSCA GLENN to David Parrish Minichan, Jr. Mr. Minichan is the son of D. P. Minichan, Pulaski district manager.

JACQUELYN AKERS to Luke Kidd. Miss Akers is employed in the Pikeville district accounting department.

MARY SPEROW to Robert R. Griffith. Miss Sperow is a junior home economist in the Beckley district. He is Rainelle area supervisor.

CHARLENE LITCHFORD to Fred W. Thompson. Miss Litchford is employed in the Lynchburg district accounting department.

New Arrivals

MR. AND MRS. KENT SHARP announce the arrival of a son, Kent Maurice II, on July 10. Mr. Sharp is employed at Pulaski.

A son, RANDALL CLARK, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Garnett Wood of Kimball, W. Va., on June 20. Mrs. Wood is a former employee in the Welch district.

A son, JAMES PAUL, JR., was born to Mr. and Mrs. James P. Sutphin. Mr. Sutphin is employed at Switchback in the Welch district.

MR. AND MRS. J. R. CHAPMAN are the parents of a son, David Douglas, born July 14. Mr. Chapman is employed at the Logan Plant.

A son was born July 17 to MR. AND MRS. WILLIAM TONEY. Mrs. Toney was formerly employed in the Huntington system billing office.

A daughter was born July 15 to MR. AND MRS. ETZEL D. VICKERS. Mrs. Vickers was formerly employed in the Huntington district office.

Born to MR. AND MRS. J. A. BOOTH on June 23, a daughter.

MR. AND MRS. E. C. QUESINBERRY are the parents of a daughter, Faye Elaine, born on July 11. Mr. Quesinberry is an employee at the Glen Lyn Plant.

MR. AND MRS. E. W. VEST are the proud parents of a daughter, Carolyn Frances, born July 4. Mr. Vest is employed in the Beckley district.

MR. AND MRS. E. M. PELL are the parents of a daughter, Phyllis Louise, born July 11. Mr. Pell is an employee at the Kanawha River Plant.

MR. AND MRS. W. B. CLATTERBUCK are the parents of a son, Gary Belling, born on June 26. Mr. Clatterbuck is an employee in the Abingdon district.

MR. AND MRS. PAUL S. DUNN are the parents of a daughter, Paula, born July 16. Mr. Dunn is employed in the Abingdon district.

SHERYL is the name of the new daughter born to Mr. and Mrs. William H. King, born June 25. Mr. King is employed at the Philip Sporn Plant.

MR. AND MRS. DENVER ROBERTSON are the parents of a daughter, Karen Lynn, born July 8. Mrs. Robertson is a former employee in the Hazard district.

FREDDIE LEE is the new son born to Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Hamblin on June 28. Mr. Hamblin is employed at the Logan Plant.

MR. AND MRS. MORRIS L. BRUMFIELD are the parents of a son, Mark Tate, born July 6. Mrs. Brumfield is a former employee in the Huntington district.

A daughter, CYNTHIA GALE was born June 14 to Mr. and Mrs. Granville N. Patterson. Mr. Patterson is employed in the Lynchburg district.

MR. AND MRS. E. M. PAYNE, Roanoke Stores department, are the parents of a daughter, Robbie Gayle, born June 19.

A daughter, ELLEN LOUISE, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Dick Nash on May 20. Mr. Nash is employed in the Ashland district.

Division, Plant Play-Offs Begin As Pairings Made For Tournament

Division and plant softball play-offs are in progress as final pairings for the Appalachian tournament August 27-28 have been set.

All games in the tournament will be played on the Wasena park field in Roanoke. Pairings and times are as follows: Roanoke division will play Charleston division at 3:30 p. m. Friday, August 27. At 7:30 that night the plant entry will play the Bluefield division victor. Huntington division draws a bye in the first round and will play the Roanoke-Charleston winner in the second round at 9 p. m. The winner of that game will meet the Bluefield-plant victor at 7:30 p. m., August 28 for the company crown.

The consolation pairings are as follows: The loser of the Roanoke-Charleston first round game will meet the loser of the Bluefield-plant contest at 10 a. m., August 28. The loser of the second round game between the Roanoke-Charleston first round winner and Huntington gets a bye in the consolation first round,

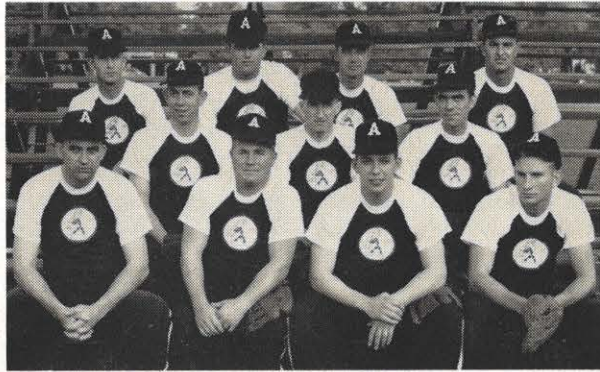
and will meet the other consolation winner for the consolation crown at 6 p. m., August 28.

One division play-off has been completed and another is in progress. Beckley edged Charleston 1-0, 2-1 in two tight ball games to win the Charleston division crown on July 24. And Roanoke district beat Lynchburg 11-4 in the first game of a two-of-three series the same night. The two teams will meet again August 7 in Roanoke for the final two games.

Miller Porterfield, Logan district manager, has extended an invitation for Huntington division teams to hold their play-off there on August 14. And the plants will stage their tournament the same day at Beckley. Philip Sporn, Glen Lyn and Kanawha River plant will participate in that tourney. Sporn and Glen Lyn vie at 3 p. m. and the winner meets Kanawha River at 7:30 that night.

Huntington prepared for their tournament by defeating Kanawha River plant 7-5 in an exhibition July 24, and Lynchburg beat Roanoke 6-5 in an exhibition the same night.

These Teams To Play In Kentucky Tournament In August



These two teams and one from Pikeville will compete in the Kentucky Company tournament at Ashland, August 20-21. LEFT: Ashland district softballers have emerged victors from the second half of their eight-team loop. Team members are, bottom row, from the left: Bill Holbrook, Ray Click, Donald Bryan and Tom Wheeler. Middle row, from the left: Eddie Stewart, Roy Sallee and Elmer Brown. Top row, from the left: Bronson Callihan, Clay



Daniels, Jessie Centers and Ray Adkins. RIGHT: Hazard diamonders are currently riding in fourth spot in the Perry County League with an 8-10 record. Team members are, bottom row, from the left: Schutchfield and Compton, batboys. Middle row, from the left: Trent, Bush, Hudson, Meadows and Skaggs. Back row, from the left: Pennington, Strong, Logan, Compton, Smith, Blackburn, Sizemore and Coach Muncy.

James Prater Directs Tournament Team

James E. Prater, Abingdon district appliance serviceman, has been appointed manager of Abingdon Little League's Tournament Team. He served as manager of the Jaycee team this season and has been active in the league since its organization in 1952.



Mr. Prater

Fifteen players selected by the league managing personnel from the six teams in the league will represent Abingdon in the district, regional and national competition.

Siamese Cucumber Is Rare

Another one of Mother Nature's oddities has been found in the Welch district. Ballard Belcher, truck driver-groundman, recently found a Siamese cucumber in his garden. Old-timers in that area say it is the first they have ever seen.

Plays In Tournament



Joey Collins is one of 14 Little Leaguers in Abingdon who will represent the league in nationwide tournament play. The shortstop is the 11-year-old son of J. E. Collins, Abingdon district residential and rural sales supervisor, and plays for the Kiwanis team. A three-year veteran, he was chosen from among 60 boys in the six-team league.

Second-Place Finish For Lynchburg



Lynchburg district softball team finished out the first half of the City Industrial League in second place with an 11-3 record. Team members include, bottom row, from the left: Joe Wilson, Bill Robertson and Jim Dorman. Middle row, from the left: Jim Martin, Tom Pillow, Earl Driskill, Ray Thomas and Herman Morris. Top row, from the left: Jack Collins, "Red" Wells, Pete Thompson, Houston Morris and Larry Dougan. Not present are manager Ernest Layne, Leroy Baker, Pete Durham and Sam Glass.

Pikeville Employee Gets Large Musky On Outing

V. A. "Bud" Syck and his son-in-law, Bob Lakin, were tired but happy when they hauled a 37½-pound musky into their fishing boat recently.

Bud, Pikeville district line foreman, and Bob were on a Canadian fishing trip when they made the giant catch. It took ten minutes of hard fighting before the musky was landed.

Office Gives Picnic

Employees of the Huntington system billing office entertained guests at St. Cloud Commons picnic supper July 16. About 70 people enjoyed the meal and dancing.

Pikeville Club Ends Third Shooting Match

Members of the Pikeville district Rod and Gun Club recently completed the third of four scheduled shooting matches to determine the grand prize winner for the year.

The winner, the man with the highest three-round total after four matches, will receive a .22 caliber rifle. The club was organized earlier in the year.

Among those attending the third shooting match were Oscar Hamilton, Bruce Prater, Bill Zoellers, Bobby Hamilton, Ireland Layne, G. D. Ison, Leck Prater, Garnie Edmonds, Leon Huffman, Bob Crutchfield, Ernie Brashear, Joe Lyons, James Bailey, Mac Baker and Marvin Prater.

Sporn And Kanawha River Boast Good Won-Lost Records



LEFT: Except for one loss, the Philip Sporn plant softball team has had a highly successful league. They have run up an 11-1 record in the Ohio Valley Softball League and are pointing to a successful defense of their Southern Properties' crown, won last year. Team members include, front row, from the left: Billy Woodward, batboy, Bub Stivers, Buck Tennant, Gene Hesson, Pee Wee Wright and Bob Layne. Second row, from the left: Al Smith, Chuck Stanley, Dorwin Clark, Sonny Haggerty, Bob Gilmore, Junior Gibbs and Harold Marquis, manager. Not pictured



are Gerald Clark, Dwight Sayre, Cricket Searls, Gene Athey and Pete Zerkle. RIGHT: Also sporting a top record is Kanawha River plant. The team has suffered one defeat against seven wins this season. Team members include, bottom row, from the left: Drannon Buskirk, batboy. Second row, from the left: Carl Payne, Bernard Gardner, Joe Carr, Bob Vickers, Russ Fields, "Kayo" Murphy and Lawrence Leiving. Back row, from the left: Arvie Frye, Jim Minder, Don Glover, Bill Scott, Bill Rexrode and Jim Bowling.

Employee's Son Outlasts 109 Others For Lynchburg Soap Box Derby Crown



A smiling Richard Laybon Booth receives congratulations from his mother, father and brother Jimmy. He is holding the Derby plaque and wears the winner's wreath. (Photo Courtesy Lynchburg News.)

Apparently a bit aroused by a 1953 second-place finish, Richard Laybon Booth piloted his light green car to the 1954 Lynchburg Soap Box Derby Championship on July 14.

The 13-year-old son of W. L. Booth, Jr., Lynchburg district electrical engineer, defeated 109 other aspirants and will represent his city at Akron, Ohio, this month in the All-American Soap Box Derby. He completely rebuilt his racer from last year, taking three months. It weighs 135 pounds, 35 more than its driver.

Also participating in the race, and for the first time, was Francis Harlowe, 11-year-old step-grandson of George C. Hensley, general serviceman. Francis lost out in the third heat.

Richard recorded his slowest time of the day in the final race. Races were run in a record-breaking 103-degree heat.

All-American competition is for \$15,000 in college scholarships and many other valuable prizes. Richard, his parents and Mrs. Dorothy S. Brooks, representing the sponsoring Lynchburg newspapers, will leave Lynchburg by plane August 11. Their trip will be climaxed by the races

on August 15.

Fish Story



Once upon a time there were three fish, one little, one middle size and one big. The middle size fish got hungry and swallowed the little fish, but hardly enjoyed his meal before the big fish swallowed him. But along came Billy E. Blake, Charleston district meter clerk, to end forever the sea-faring ways of the large fish. In a nutshell that's the story of the 44-pound catfish Mr. Blake is exhibiting above. Seems Mr. Blake's 3-year-old daughter, who weighs 28 pounds, wanted her father to catch a fish bigger than her recently and so he set off to New River with a small fish. It was eaten by a 15-inch blue cat, which in turn was swallowed by the 45-inch monster above. The New River scourge weighed 28 pounds when its head was cut off and that meat went in Mr. Blake's deep freeze. Although his arms are pretty scratched, Mr. Blake is happy about the whole thing. His only hope is that his daughter doesn't always expect such gratifying results to her wishes.

Maintenance No. 1 Leads Sporn Softball Circuit

Maintenance No. 1's spotless record holds the lead in the Philip Sporn plant softball league through July 16 games. They have won six games without a loss.

Behind the leaders are, in order, Results, Maintenance No. 2, Carroll's Shift and Labor Department (tie), Grimes' Shift, Coal Dock and Emment's Shift.

Dilcher 'Legend' Is Swelled With His Retirement



Mr. Dilcher

A. C. Dilcher, administrative assistant in the Bluefield division, retired July 1.

Upon retiring, he had 29 years' service with the company. He was honored at a retirement dinner recently when 80 guests watched L. W. Bates, assistant division manager, present him with a traveling bag on behalf of fellow employees.

It's said jokingly with a lot of truth that "anyone who knew Abner will never forget him." Part of this is due to his sense of humor, part to the ever-growing list of stories that enlarge the Dilcher legend.

Here's a story told by John Barnes, former Bluefielder and neighbor of Abner's before moving to Roanoke with the system real estate and right of way department. Seems Abner has a peculiar sort of double talk and can talk for 10 minutes without the listener being able to understand a word he's saying. John used to buy eggs from Abner and Abner brought over a dozen one time when John's sister-in-law was visiting. She answered the door. Abner talked for some time in his "unknown tongue" and handed her the eggs. After Abner left, John came down the steps to be told by her, "Some crazy man brought these eggs."

Another story told on Abner was the time one of his daughters brought a date from Concord College. A neighbor heard the young man talking extra loud and sometimes shouting. The neighbor later found out that Abner was "playing deaf."

Abner is also remembered for his tricks and novelties with which he kept fellow employees jumping. It is said that only one other employee could understand his double talk. He has been seen talking at some length with G. L. Furr, a former Bluefielder and vice president and general manager, in the "unknown tongue" without anyone else being able to understand what they were saying.

So grows the "Dilcher legend" of the man born in Mananoy City, Pennsylvania, where he attended schools. He is married and has three married children and four grandchildren. He is past member of the Board of Stewards of the Bland Street Methodist Church and member of the choir and secretary-treasurer of the Sunday School. An ardent sports fan, he enjoys traveling and gardening.

Madge Cushing Honored

Madge Cushing, daughter of H. L. Cushing, system commercial department, graduated from College of William and Mary on June 6 and was presented the Algernon Sydney Sullivan Award for outstanding leadership. During her college career Miss Cushing was a member of "Mortar Board", managing editor of the college newspaper, and on the Dean's List.

Tom Watkins Station Marks End Of Tug River Valley Era

End of an era in Tug River Valley came July 1 when the new Tom Watkins substation was energized.

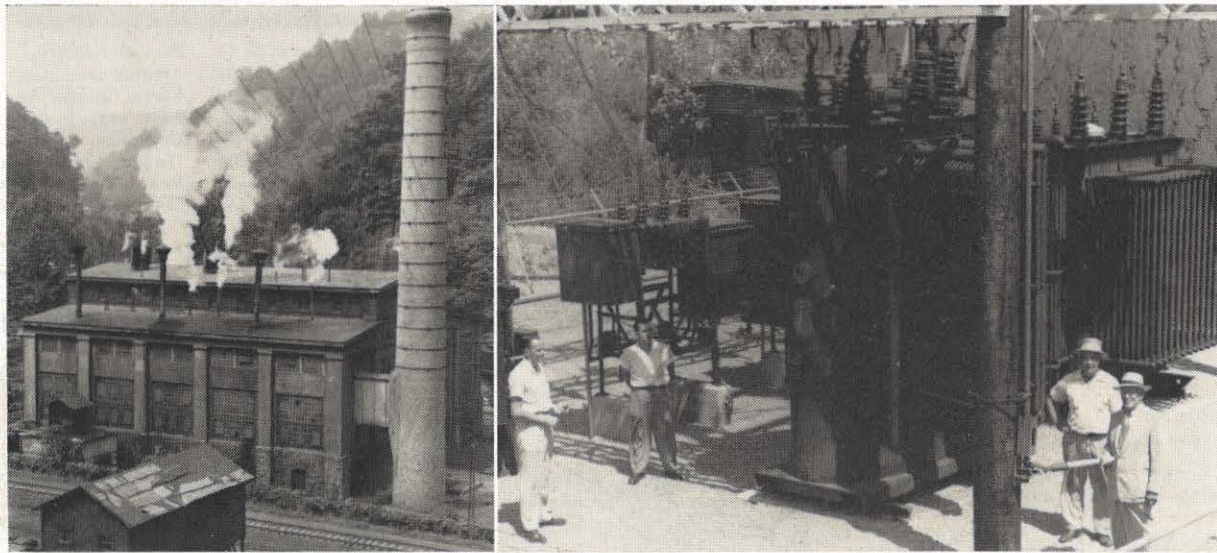
Energizing of the substation meant the end of individual power plants for coal companies in the valley. The final plant, that of the Eastern Coal Corporation, was shut down after negotiations between the company and Kentucky Power Company resulted

in the new station.

It is named for T. M. Watkins, 11-year district manager of the Williamson and Sprigg districts until his recent transfer to the Huntington division. Mr. Watkins joined the Kentucky Power Company in 1922.

The 5,000 kva coal company plant was built by the Pond Creek Corporation in 1912 and modernized by

Ford Motor Company in 1922. The new 5,000 kva Tom Watkins substation is served by two miles of 44 kv line strung over three mountains. The line and substation were built between the time negotiations were completed on May 15 and July 1 when the company wanted service. This marked an end to separate power sources in the valley.



Last coal company power plant in Tug River Valley, that of Eastern Coal Corporation, on the left, is shut down after Tom Watkins substation is energized. At right, T. M. Watkins throws the switch that energizes the station named for him. Watching from the left are E. L. Bevins, H. S. Kiser, Jr., and W. H. Stratton.

C. M. Bailey Heads Bluefield Lions

Chalmers M. Bailey, Bluefield division right-of-way supervisor, has been elected president of the Bluefield Lions Club. W. J. Gillespie, Jr., Bluefield district manager, was named third vice president.



Mr. Bailey

Mr. Bailey took office July 1, rising from the first vice presidency. He is also a member of Greater Bluefield Chamber of Commerce and vice-chairman of its recreation committee. He is a member of the executive board of Southern West Virginia Area Council, Boy Scouts of America, and chairman of the camping and activities committee.

He is also a member of the advisory board of the Salvation Army, Mercer County Board of West Virginia Department of Public Assistance, and the board of directors of the Greater Bluefield Swimming Pool Association.

Roanoker Promoted To Reserve Colonel

E. L. Munday, Jr., Roanoke district commercial manager, has been promoted from major to lieutenant colonel of the Officer Reserve Corps, 2012 Logistical Training Command.



Mr. Munday

Col. Munday served with the 10th Armored Division in France and Germany for five years during World War II.

He came with the company as a clerk on October 1, 1936, and two years later became junior power engineer. Upon his return from service in 1945 he was named power sales engineer, and on January 1, 1950, became rural and residential sales supervisor. He assumed his present position on August 1, 1951.

Three Logan Men Finish Dale Carnegie Course

Three Logan district and plant employees were among those who graduated recently from a Dale Carnegie Course. The three were members of the County Hicks, one of the political parties formed during the course.

The three are Emil Gore, commercial; Bart Montiegel, Logan plant, and Paul Jeffrey, commercial. Mr. Gore won a pencil for the best speech.

FFA Award Given



James Crouch is shown as he is honored by the Virginia Future Farmers of America. Presenting the Roanoke district administrative assistant with an honorary State Farmers Degree is Don Otey, FFA state president from Salem. The award was presented at the recent state convention in Blacksburg.

Want A Hobby? Try Taxidermy



Course in taxidermy and the stuffing and mounting of a pigeon when he was 18 has led James P. Smith to an interesting hobby. The Kingsport lineman practices the art of taxidermy any chance he gets, for both his own amusement and for friends who want to preserve souvenirs of a successful hunting trip, like the deer he mounts above. He's mounted over 100 various animals and birds, including a hawk he considers his best and a golden pheasant, his prettiest. He has given away or sold most of his mountings but each new hunting season brings him more of his interesting work. Mr. Smith recommends his hobby for everyone.

Two Sporn Men Promoted Lately



Mr. Smith

Mr. Rader

Two Philip Sporn employees were given recent promotions. Alfred L. Smith has been promoted to project engineer and Howard J. Rader has been named to succeed Mr. Smith as maintenance supervisor at the plant.

A native of Georgia, Mr. Smith has been associated with the company for more than 30 years. He was first employed by Ohio Power Company at the Beech Bottom plant in 1918 as an oiler. He later served as boiler maintenance department head at the Philo plant before coming to Sporn in 1949 as maintenance supervisor.

A member of the BPOE, Mr. Smith is a past president of the Exalted Rulers Association of the Elks and is a member of the Masonic Lodge at Duncan Falls and Zanesville, Ohio. He is a member of the Baptist Church in New Haven, where he lives with his wife and two children.

Mr. Rader is a native of Kanawha County. He was first employed by Appalachian at the Cabin Creek plant in 1927 as a boiler repairman. He also served as fireman, head fireman and assistant shift supervisor at the plant.

In 1945 he was transferred to Ohio Power's Tidd plant as watch engineer and four years later came to Sporn as shift operating engineer. He moved up to plant engineer in 1952, the position he held before his recent promotion.

A resident of New Haven, Mr. Rader is married and has one daughter. He is a member of the Methodist Church.

Unangst And Hively Assume AIEE Posts



Mr. Unangst

Mr. Hively

Two Charleston district employees have been elected to important offices in the West Virginia Section of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers.

G. W. Unangst, meter supervisor, was named chairman of the group while R. H. Hively, power sales engineer, was elected vice chairman. Mr. Hively has also been elected assistant secretary-treasurer of the West Virginia chapter of Professional Engineers.

Mr. Unangst, a member of AIEE since 1938, attended the summer general meeting of the group in Los Angeles, California, the week of June 21. He has been with Appalachian since his transfer from Ohio Power Company in 1949. He received his BSEE degree from the University of Pittsburgh.

Mr. Hively has been with the company since 1949, and received his BSEE degree from West Virginia University.