

There's always tomorrow with its promise of better things.

—HELEN KELLER

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Winners never quit:
Quitters never win.

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Safety Meeting Pays Off When Students Handle Line Danger

Results of the company safety programs bore fruit in Richmond when Hurricane Hazel marched through that area. Freddie Carrico, drafting student at the VPI extension of RPI and summer employee in the Pulaski district drafting office, acted on knowledge learned at office safety meetings in a storm incident.

He and a fellow student were getting off a bus near their school when they saw a man lean over to pick up a power wire knocked down by Hazel's winds. They yelled and when he paid no attention they ran over and knocked him away from the line. He was a little irritated at first—he thought it was a television lead-in wire—but when a gust of wind carried the hot line over the street and he saw the hot end acting up, he was grateful.

They directed traffic away from the line, but as things got worse they tried to phone. Hazel had taken care of that too, cutting off phone service. So they turned in an alarm at a nearby fire alarm box. Police and firemen arrived to set up a road block and isolate the wire.

They continued on to school among cracking trees and falling limbs, glad that knowledge of hot wires and safety precautions are not for linemen only.

Ashland Employees Help In Radiothon

It's real sincerity when you can get out of bed at 1:30 a. m. and work for four and a half hours for a fund drive.

Charles Pope and Nancy Eads, Ashland district employees, did that recently when a Cerebral Palsy Radiothon was held in Ashland. The two worked until 6 in the morning on the 20-hour show. Held in the company auditorium at Ashland, the radio show used local talent to raise funds for victims of the disease, of which there are 150 cases in eastern Kentucky.

Other employees who helped during the radiothon were Fern Gesling, Lorayne Watson, Mimi Shope, Mary Lee Jenkins, Alberta Gevedon, Louise Woodie, Felicia Billips, Marilyn Wellman, Martha Hankins, Bettye McGinnis, Kathy Jenks, Iona Koriath, R. L. Gordon and Doc Johnston.

C. J. Aders Is 1955 Kiwanis Club Leader

Clifford J. Aders has been elected president of the Beaver Valley Kiwanis Club for 1955. He is Beaver Creek substation operator in the Pikeville district.

A charter member of the club since its organization in 1949, he has been on the board of directors all five years and last year was vice president.

Mr. Aders and his wife reside in Hi-Hat, Kentucky, where he is active in other civic and county projects.



Mr. Aders

Hurricane Hazel Hits Virginia Hard



Trouble from Hurricane Hazel was left throughout the Roanoke division. Here, C. E. Firebaugh's crew works to restore service Friday night at 13th street in southwest Roanoke while city workmen cut the fallen tree off lines.

Record Peak Of 3 Million Kw Hit On AGE System As Load Continues To Rise

History was made for the AGE System on October 18 when system peak load hit three million kilowatts for the first time.

This was the first time that a utility system operating in a nonmetropolitan region had reached that demand. The three million kw mark previously had been passed by Pacific Gas & Electric Company of San Francisco and Commonwealth Edison Company of Chicago.

Why is the peak load climbing? H. E. McCormack, superintendent of system operations, says it's an expected seasonal increase with some improvement being shown in some of the heavier industries.

Previous high peak on the AGE System was established in December of last year. It was 2,996,000 kw.

Hardly had the new peak been established on October 18 than the following day it was exceeded by 15,000 kw. Actually, a system peak of 3,250,000 kw is predicted by the

Meter Readers Aid Heart Attack Victim

Bill Barker and Bill McGlothlin were reading meters near Chilhowie one day recently when they came upon a customer, Mrs. Effie Buckley, lying unconscious on the ground under the clothesline.

The two, working out of Marion of the Pulaski district, rendered assistance to Mrs. Buckley, made her comfortable and called a physician, ambulance and nearby relatives of the woman. Then they stayed with the woman until the doctor arrived.

Doctor said Mrs. Buckley, age 69, had apparently suffered a heart attack and had not recovered sufficiently to move when the employees found her.

end of this year so the three million mark should be exceeded many times before January 1.

As far as the Appalachian system is concerned, our share of the October 18th peak was 1,153,000 kw. We contributed more on the next day with 1,182,000 kw. The Appalachian system, includes Kentucky and Kingsport.

It is expected that Appalachian peak will continue to rise, paralleling the rising AGE peak. By the end of the year, Appalachian peak is predicted to reach 1,250,000 kw. Highest previous peak for Appalachian was 1,207,000 kw on November 24, 1953.

Employee Gives First Aid To Injured Man

Being on the scene and knowing what to do probably helped James M. Cole save a man's life.



Mr. Cole

Mr. Cole, Abingdon district commercial representative, came upon an automobile accident just when it happened. A car had side-swiped a trailer truck and the car's driver had had his arm almost cut off.

Mr. Cole parked his car and rushed to the man's aid. He took off his belt, made a tourniquet and then made the man as comfortable as possible until the ambulance arrived.

Afterwards Virginia State Police praised Mr. Cole for his quick thinking and action.

Widespread Damage To Roanoke Division As Appalachian Helps Vepco

Hurricane Hazel breezed through Virginia on October 15. The latest of a season of tropical storms with feminine names bore down a path through eastern Virginia while skirting much of the Appalachian area.

Although scheduled for an appearance near Lynchburg, she took her command performance back to the east coast. She made her debut at Wilmington, North Carolina, earlier that morning.

Like most devastating females, she left wreckage and broken hearts in her wake. She also left a mass of tangled utility lines.

Windy Hazel blew into our area with gusts up to 70 miles per hour and brought a deluge of crocodile tears as rain poured down for hours. Although the Roanoke division had over 19,000 service interruptions, Virginia Electric and Power Company was even harder hit with lines down by the score. Of a total of 620,000 Vepco customers, over 330,000 lost their electric service.

Help To Vepco Sent By Five Districts

Help from Appalachian was asked by Vepco at 4:10 p. m. on the day of the hurricane. Aid for the stricken area was sent that night with three line crews and four service crews leaving from Charleston, three service crews from Beckley, three service crews from Roanoke as well as two full line crews from Elliott Construction Company and a full line crew from Richardson-Wayland Construction Company. On Saturday, October 16, four men left from Bluefield and six from Pulaski.

A total of 52 Appalachian men, five line trucks and 10 service trucks were dispatched to the Vepco area near Norfolk. They returned Saturday, October 23, after helping to clear all major trouble.

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Three Districts Work Long To Clear Mess

Sweeping northward, Hazel hit the Fieldale district early on the morning of October 15. By night there were about 850 miles of line out of service, affecting about 5,500 customers. Service was restored to all customers by Sunday night except a few isolated cases.

First trouble for Roanoke came Friday at noon. By the end of the storm, 580 miles of line had been interrupted with 7,090 customers affected. Noon Sunday saw almost all trouble cleared with only a few isolated cases remaining.

Hazel hit Lynchburg about 2 p. m. Friday afternoon. When she left about 5 p. m. there were five inches of rain and seven substation and three feeder circuits out of service. An esti-

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Open House For 500 Persons Given As Wayne Office Moves In New Quarters



Sitting in the new Wayne office are, from the left: Maggie Watts, Charles H. Ferguson and Patricia MacAllister.

About 500 persons were on hand when the formal opening of the new Wayne office in the Huntington district was held September 27.

The new office includes a combination front office and auditorium with seating capacity of 50, a modern electric display kitchen, electric utility kitchen for food preparation, a line crew room with truck stall and loading platform and a storage room.

The quarters are located in a new building recently constructed by Dr. W. J. Porter of Wayne. The 500 persons attending the opening were served refreshments and given favors, including Reddy hats for the children. Door prizes were also awarded.

Personnel of the Wayne office include Charles H. Ferguson, area sales representative; Maggie Watts, cashier-clerk; Patricia MacAllister, home economist, and Maggie Hutchinson, part-time janitress.



Wayne Grade School band serenades the new Wayne office with a rendition of the "Reddy Polka".

The line crew consists of George Akers, working foreman; E. C. Berry, lineman, and Clarence Copley, truck driver-groundman.

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Apathy At The Polls

Apathy is a word defined by Webster as meaning "want of feeling." In other words, indifferent.

An indifferent person is one who just doesn't care. There must be millions of indifferent people in our nation if the number of voters in any election is an indication.

If any person is apathetic or indifferent about voting, our wish is that they could read the answers on this page to our question this month. These answers should make many realize why they should be interested enough to vote.

Why, then, should all of us be concerned about voting? Simply, lack of voting in elections poses the greatest single threat to our freedom. Men elected to governmental posts have control over almost every part of our life. It is possible they could control all phases of our living—at work, at home, at school, at church—everywhere.

Therefore, we come back to apathy. Did you ever know anyone who was really interested in anything in which he did not take part? It's unlikely. When we are interested, genuinely absorbed in something, we are going to take part in it.

So it is with voting. Our welfare, like that of our nation, depends on us assuming our responsibility for citizenship. Voting is a privilege that goes with that responsibility.

Pause And Give Thanks

A man once said, "The only reason the average American family doesn't own a white elephant is that they haven't been offered one for a dollar down and a dollar a week."

Whether truth or exaggeration, this bit of witticism points out one thing. Where else in the world could this remark be made and still mean anything? Taking the good things of life for granted is common practice in our great nation, but once a year a time is set aside to take inventory and see how things are going.

It's called Thanksgiving, and even in bad times Americans have had things to be thankful for. God has been good to us here in America—prosperous land, individuality of mind, strength among the world nations.

This season more than any other we need to pause and give thanks—for the first time in many years there is no sound of gunfire on any battlefield in the world. Scientists have made rapid approaches to curing diseases like cancer and polio; the United Nations has made steps toward world unity and peace. These are only a few of our blessings.

Let's reflect on our lot this Thanksgiving—we will find ourselves giving thanks for many things.

Your Opinion

Why should you vote?

IN THE SPOTLIGHT

FRANCES HUFFMAN, Cashier, Pikeville District



Without the privilege to vote, this could not be a democracy; and we are fortunate to live in a democracy where we are free to express our opinions as we please.

I believe that we are forgetting the main objective of voting. You and I should vote, regardless of our political

beliefs, for the candidate that we think is best qualified for the office. We should consider the man, the office, and the qualifications; not the political party, social position or influence of others. The government should be based on high standards and principles rather than corrupt political power and influence.

We are the ones responsible for these conditions; so you and I must vote to keep this democracy for this and future generations.

W. J. BUCHANAN, JR., Maintenance Supervisor, Kanawha River Plant



Lack of interest is one of the most deadening influences in our lives. Today, apathy marks a large percentage of us Americans. We often pride ourselves on our even temperament; we don't get "riled" easily.

But wouldn't we get better government "of the people, by the people,

for the people" if we did have strong convictions about our liberties and showed them by going to the polls in strong force?

E. W. HOLLAND, Meter Serviceman, Roanoke District



In this great democratic country, with a government of the people, for the people and by the people, it is the duty of every adult citizen to exercise his right to vote.

By voting, we naturally take more interest in the affairs of our government and community.

Voting is the only proper way of deciding a question or an issue. We should support our candidates with our vote on election day.

The government provides voting facilities and personnel for our convenience. We should all register and qualify ourselves to vote. By voting we set a good example in our community. Voting is democracy in action.

JUNE ELLER, Commercial Department, Roanoke System



It is very essential to the nature of man that he, as an individual, be recognized and made to feel a useful and participating member in his community and nation. It is this feeling of belonging and usefulness that inspires the average person to accomplish bigger things and to find

better ways of life.

We in America are proud of our heritage and of our rights. Here above every other place men are truly equal in their rights. Voting is just one of these—but a most important one. We would not call it a hard and fast duty. Rather we would say it is a privilege

to share in our government—and we should and must vote in order to keep the proper people leading us, not only in our national government but in our state and local as well.

Many of us fail to realize the importance of our votes. It is much too easy to say "Oh my vote won't make any difference," but it may make all the difference in the world in the final outcome. Think what would happen if everyone took that attitude.

We would like to hear the proud remark, "We think we have a good man in there"—and not, "Look who they chose."

L. P. LUCAS, Turbine Operator, Logan Plant



You should vote, because you should be interested in the affairs of your country.

We know that the government has only such power as is granted to it by the governed. We know that a person who does not vote expresses his silence, a "don't-do" policy, that may lead to

the loss of our freedom and liberty, which we in America prize as a gift of God attained through the prayers and shedding of blood of our forefathers. You know that the true sentiment of our people can be expressed only at the polls. All good and upright citizens, of this, our free country, should vote in all elections. This is one time when we can do as we please.

My plea is that we all be as one and vote our sentiment on election days.

PATSY DEAN, Accounting Department, Kingsport



Of all the freedoms which we have, I believe the freedom to vote for the candidate of your choice is the most important.

An individual in a country governed by a dictator cannot think as he pleases, but only under a form of government that permits free expression at the polls can an individual maintain a society that will permit him to say what he thinks by marking his "X" on a ballot. Only at the polls can we vote for the man who we think is the man to run our government—a man that will uphold the standards of our government as we think they should be upheld.

Years ago our forefathers fought to give us this privilege of voting, and it is our duty to preserve this freedom by placing our vote for the person of our choice at the polls.

H. ALLEN CROSS, JR., Commercial Sales Representative, Williamson District



We often hear remarks such as, "What is this country coming to?" many times from people who haven't exercised their right to vote in years. We have also heard the expression used by nonvoters that they know nothing of the person running for office.

Who's fault is that?

Surely not various political parties, but it is the responsibility of each of us as voters. We should find out all we can about the people who are aspiring to lead our country.

If we give up our right of election, we are forsaking our forefathers and our children

who will become the voters and the leaders of tomorrow. Do we want our families of the future to live and believe as do those of many alien countries? It could come to that if we gave up our power of vote.

RUTH H. WILSON, Managerial Department, Beckley District



Any organization—and we will use our own company as an example—must have maintenance crews. We know that if our company did not keep in constant repair its equipment and services to the customer, we would soon lose our efficiency as a public utility. Political institutions

are not unlike business corporations. Our democracy needs constant maintenance, and one way to provide the efficiency and upkeep necessary in our political institutions is by voting. Voting keeps democracy strong and in good repair.

In our lifetime we have seen, in countries such as Italy and Germany, what happens when people allow a democracy to deteriorate. The demagogue and dictator are the result.

Efficiency is kept at its highest by constructive criticism. Voting is democracy's constructive criticism and its maintenance.

L. H. SAUNDERS, Division Personnel Supervisor, Bluefield Division



Let's not lose our liberty by default. That can easily happen if we fail to vote.

Would you consent to a large part of your income being taken and spent without your consent or voicing your wishes as to how and for what it should be spent? Do you consent to others

voting for legislation that adversely affects your job or business? That's what happens when we fail to vote.

More than half of our citizens give up their right to rule by not voting. If this trend continues we will be allowing the minority to rule. History has shown this is the road to the loss of liberty. You can prevent this from happening. Pick out candidates who stand for what is good for your country, your company and your job. Then work and vote for those candidates regardless of party label.

Let's not fail to vote November 2.

Reddy Rates Replies

(NOTE: The new Reddy Kilowatt courtesy notice has prompted these replies from customers.)

I know you have worked with all your might, You gave your best both day and night. I am sorry I forgot to pay, So here is what I owe today.

Roanoke customer

Your work is done and my bill past due, A kind reminder comes from you. May I hurriedly blush to say, Accept my apologies with the pay?

Pikeville customer

Passing Through

I shall pass through this world but once. If, therefore, there be any kindness I can show or any good thing I can do, let me do it now; let me not defer it nor neglect it, for I shall not pass this way again.

—ETIENNE DE GRELLET

New Kind Of Show

'Fashions In Light For Living' Given In Roanoke By Appalachian And Others



This is one scene of the lamp fashion show in Roanoke. Shown are, from the left: Mrs. Helen Riley, Heironimus junior shop assistant buyer; Mrs. Jean Trent, model; Earnest Charlebois, Heironimus home furnishing merchandise assistant manager; L. A. Fulcher, Appalachian rural-residential sales supervisor; Mrs. Betty Bond, Radio and TV commentator; and Mrs. Sara Lee Satterfield, model.

New kind of fashion show, called "Fashions In Light For Living," was presented in Roanoke recently by Appalachian, General Electric and Heironimus, Roanoke department store.

Idea of the show was to present to the public the latest in lamps, furniture, fabrics, floor coverings and wearing apparel. Six models displayed new clothes as well as modern lamps. Robert D. Lynn, president of Heironimus, was the introductory speaker and James D. Powers, also of Heiron-

imus, was narrator. Aileen Page, home lighting specialist from General Electric's Nela Park, in Cleveland, Ohio, spoke to the 650 people attending, and L. A. Fulcher, rural-residential sales supervisor, brought the program to a close.

In addition the Appalachian building held many lamp displays, including ones in the show room, auditorium, windows and lobbies. Free lamp bulbs and \$60 in limerick contest prizes were given those attending.

House Near Claytor Lake Becomes Retirement Hobby Of Graham Claytor



Graham Claytor adjusts his Hi-Fi record unit in one of the rooms of his house on Claytor Lake.

House near the lake named for him has become the hobby and interest of Graham Claytor, who retired July 1 as AGE vice president.

He has spent most of the summer working on the house near Claytor Lake, fixing it for his ham radio outfit and for visits from his friends. His amateur radio station is on the air a good part of the time, and Mr. Claytor has talked with persons not

only in the United States and Canada but in many other parts of the world. He is operating a 1,000-watt rig as well as a 125 watt Collins set. Mr. Claytor's call letters are W4HYE.

His interests don't stop there. He has installed a Hi-Fi record unit and has spent much time in his machine and lathe shop. Fishing, too, has gotten a lot of attention from Mr. Claytor.

To Direct Bluefield Benevolent Association



Officers of the Bluefield Employees Benevolent Association are shown above following an annual meeting in October. From the front: Earle Wood, chairman; Howard Meadows, treasurer; Letha Thompson, secretary; and L. W. Robinette, Lena Moseley and Fred Mullins, directors. Purpose of the organization is to make group contributions to charitable organizations which otherwise would be done through individual solicitations.

Eight Promoted To Fill Vacancies At Philip Sporn Plant

Eight promotions were made recently at Philip Sporn plant to replace employees transferred to OVEC and IKEC. Promoted were Arnold, Frey, Ward, Mossman, Dudding, Harbour, Karschnik and Teaford.

Keith E. Arnold went from second assistant shift operating engineer to first assistant shift operating engineer. A native of Philo, he was employed in 1936 as a sootblower operator at the Philo plant. He transferred to Sporn in 1949 as a control operator. Married and the father of two children, he is a member of the Masonic Lodge and Lions Club.

Jack W. Frey, second assistant shift operating engineer, became first assistant shift operating engineer. A native of Lima, he was employed in 1940 at Lima plant as boiler operator. He transferred to Sporn in 1949 as assistant control operator. Married and the father of three sons, he is active in church work, Scouts and Lions Club.

Frank M. Ward was promoted from control operator to second assistant shift operating engineer. A native of Hazard, he was employed in 1939 at Hazard plant as laborer. He transferred to Sporn in 1949 as auxiliary equipment operator. Married and the father of a son, he is a



Mr. Arnold

Mr. Frey

Mr. Ward

Mr. Mossman



Mr. Dudding

Mr. Harbour

Mr. Karschnik

Mr. Teaford

member of the Masonic Lodge and Lions Club.

Esleie E. Mossman went from control operator to second assistant shift operating engineer. From Vinton County, Ohio, he was employed at the Newark plant in 1941 as a laborer. He went to Sporn in 1949 as auxiliary equipment operator. He is married and has four children.

Willis Dudding was promoted from assistant control operator to control operator. From Nitro, he was employed in 1950 as a laborer at Sporn. Married, he lives in Mason.

Stanley Harbour, assistant control operator, went to control operator. From Hogsett, he was employed in 1950 as a laborer at Sporn. Married, he has three children.

Louis Karschnik, assistant control operator, was promoted to control operator. A native of Chicago, he was employed in 1951 as a laborer at Sporn. Married and the father of three sons, he is a member of the Moose and lives in Point Pleasant.

Harold Teaford, assistant control operator, went to control operator. He is from Meigs County, Ohio, and was employed in 1950 as a laborer at Sporn. Married and the father of two daughters, he is a member of the Legion and lives in Pomeroy.

Help Sent . . .

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Veeco really had the trouble. Lines were twisted, cross arms broken off, wires torn down, trees lay across the lines and poles were broken.

Most Appalachian men averaged 16 hours a day until Wednesday when they worked 10. Thursday and Friday were normal eight-hour days.

Working conditions, of course, were not normal. All had to work carefully, following each line to its source. Only one mishap hit Appalachian men. R. A. Perolio, Charleston Meter Section, had his foot run over by a truck that was being pushed. He suffered a fractured toe and two dislocated toes.

Appalachian crews were broken up with two men joining a Veeco cut-in man. Their main job was to restore service and then toward the end of the week to clean up and restore parts.

They ate meals wherever they were working. The Appalachian crewmen said they were treated well by Veeco and made to feel as much at home as possible.

Line crews sent from Charleston were those of I. C. Lavender, M. D. Prowse and O. W. Kallmerten, foremen. They included H. M. Bailey, Dick Jones, Major Elmore, W. P. McDonough, O. C. Meador, H. H. Jacobs, K. P. McCoy, W. W. Champe, Clifford Picklesimer, N. R. Keeling, R. C. Callison, George Arthur, H. H. Wills, R. N. Orth, G. R. Young, T. K. Rhodes, Tom Hardman, R. E. Jones and W. L. Miller.

Meter service crews from Charleston included R. C. Carte, F. L. Russe, J. B. Eplin, R. A. Perolio, J. C. Nutter, L. E. Duff, P. F. Curry and D. R. Huffman.

From Beckley district went linemen W. W. Bennett, R. L. McGraw and R. R. Smith. Servicemen going were Paul Hancock, Tommy Dickinson and R. H. Price.

From Bluefield went George Slade, working foreman, and Robert Crowder, lineman, as well as W. H. Kahle, lineman and Wilbur Sluss, groundman, of the Princeton crew.

Pulaski district employees flown to Norfolk were R. C. Nichols, M. C. Spangler, Christie Hurst, Everette Crawford, Joe Custer and E. A. Martin. Roanoke meter section employees helping Veeco were T. E. Goad, H. M. Underwood, G. T. Brown, J. S. Payne, H. E. Williams and B. T. Bryant.

Districts Work . . .

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mated 6,700 customers and 710 miles of line were out of service in the Lynchburg area. By midnight all feeder circuits and all but one station was back in operation.

Scottsville was especially hard hit. At midnight Saturday the crews were being called in for a rest when more trouble developed at Scottsville because a tree fell over a line, putting out Aliberoid station serving 125 miles of line. H. C. Metts' line crew was dispatched and made repairs to restore service by 4:25 p. m. Sunday. This meant Metts and his crew worked about 60 hours without rest.

Sunday saw mopping up in the Lynchburg area with E. N. Leftwich's crew and two crews from Bartlett Tree company also working in the Scottsville area. They stayed there until 5 p. m. Tuesday, sleeping there in order to save time.

About 5,000 telephone calls were answered by five emergency operators until all service was restored in the Lynchburg district. Over 250 man-hours were spent by office and engineering personnel in handling calls and dispatching crews.

As far as the Roanoke division personnel were concerned, Hazel's departure was "good riddance." One thing sure, Hazel's gone but not forgotten.

A. F. Horne Elected Chamber President

A. F. Horne, Welch district manager, was elected president of the Welch Chamber of Commerce at the quarterly meeting held recently.

Mr. Horne was elevated to the presidency after serving on the board of directors and heading several committees.

In addition to his work in the Chamber he has been an active member of the Welch Rotary Club, member of the official board of the Southern District of Boy Scouts of America, active worker in the Presbyterian Church and Men's Club and president of the Welch Rifle Club.



Mr. Horne

J. N. Lopes New AGE Advertising Manager

Joseph N. Lopes, former senior account executive for Shephard and Edwards Advertising Agency in New York, has been named advertising manager of AGE Service Corporation.



Mr. Lopes

A native of Petersburg, Virginia, Mr. Lopes attended the University of Notre Dame and worked for the Newark (N. J.) News and Associated Press prior to entering the public relations and advertising field. He since has worked for the National Gypsum Company, Lewyt Corporation and Crosley Division of Avco Corporation in both public relations and advertising. He joined Shephard and Edwards Advertising Agency in January, 1951.

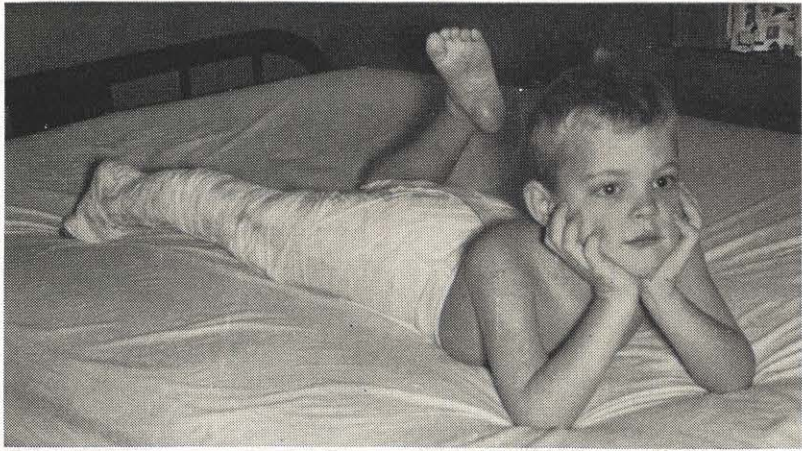
Capacity Increased At Abingdon Stations

Higher voltage and a new transformer have increased the capacity of the Gate City and Sunbright stations in the Abingdon district.

The Gate City 22,000-volt line from Lovedale station at Kingsport was increased to 33,000 volts. It had been extended to the Sunbright station last year. In addition, a 33,000-12,000 load ratio transformer was installed at Gate City and a 33,000-2,300 transformer was installed at Sunbright.

Tough Break

Boy In Back To School Feature Starts Late Because Of Serious Injuries



Philip Blizzard is probably wondering what his classmates are doing right now, but by studying at home after his accident he's kept up with them. This picture, courtesy "Charleston Daily Mail", was one of two illustrations with Adrian Gwin's story of Phil's misfortune.

Although he hated to say goodbye to fishing, even for a short while, young Philip Blizzard was ready for school.

The six-year-old son of Paul B. Blizzard, Kanawha Valley Power Company mechanical engineer, Phil was pictured holding a fishing pole in front of his school in a September ILLUMINATOR "back to school" feature.

But Phil didn't start school with his classmates. On August 25 he forgot to look one way while crossing a street and was struck by an automobile. The car knocked him 40 feet and put him in a semi-coma for 48 hours with a skull fracture, broken thigh bone and numerous cuts and bruises.

Phil hopes to rejoin his classmates sometime in December. His story was related by Adrian Gwin in his column "Roving the Valley," appearing in the Charleston Daily Mail. Mr. Gwin interviewed the boy and told how he was hit, how he wore a cast resembling a pair of pants and how the youngster has been studying at home so that his classmates wouldn't get too far ahead of him.

A teacher visits Phil every day to help him with his lessons and always leaves him with homework. Mr. Gwin goes on to say that school isn't the only reason Phil wants to get out



This picture of Philip Blizzard appeared in the September "Illuminator" as a "back to school" feature and was also reprinted in the "Charleston Daily Mail".

of bed. There are fishing and hunting trips planned with his Dad that have been hampered by the injuries.

Mr. Gwin approached Phil's story from a safety viewpoint in his column and finished with the boy's outlook and feelings. Mr. Gwin says: "Phil was mighty lucky. He lived. He grins a snaggle-toothed grin, sort of wry-like, and guesses there won't be a second time."

Birthday Gifts Given Employee In Hospital

When Eugene P. Hogan's birthday rolled around recently, it found him in the hospital recovering from an operation.

But fellow employees in the Lynchburg district accounting office made the day brighter when they presented him several gifts. Bessie L. Johnson, head cashier, and Warren T. Sublett, collector, took the gifts to Mr. Hogan's hospital room for the club.

John E. Hammer Elected VPI Alumni Chapter Head

John E. Hammer, Beckley district personnel supervisor, has been elected president of the Smokeless Coal Chapter of the VPI Alumni Association. He has been an active member of the chapter for six years.

He is also a member of the Civitan Club board of directors, vice president of the Junior Chamber of Commerce and a member of the Traffic Control Commission.

Club Tours 'Wonder' Nominee



Montgomery Rotarians recently toured the Kanawha River plant, which has been nominated as one of the "Seven Engineering Wonders" in the United States by West Virginia members of the American Society of Civil Engineers. W. L. Wilshire, maintenance foreman at the extreme right in the control room, was guide for the club members, and plant manager H. C. Skaggs spoke to the group. The plant joins many other engineering wonders across the nation in competition for one of the Seven Engineering Wonders. The final selections will be chosen on the basis of contributions to civilization's advancement, conveniences and comforts of life in the nation and community, triumph over obstacles, uniqueness of solution of an engineering problem and the opening of permanent employment opportunities.

F. M. Cloyd Tells Clubs How To Attract Industry

F. M. Cloyd urged community organization as a means of attracting new industries in a recent series of community development talks.

The Lynchburg district commercial manager brought his talk before several area civic clubs, including Rustburg Lions Club, Scottsville Lions Club, Shipman Civic Club, Amherst Junior Chamber of Commerce and Amherst-Monroe Ruritan Club. He also spoke of Appalachian's cooperation in helping a community or area secure industry.

Bluefielder Appears On National TV Show

Dave Garroway was the interviewer when Paul W. Parks and his wife appeared on "Today", a national television program from New York.

The Bluefield district commercial sales representative and his wife were vacationing in that city when they appeared on the morning program. One of the questions asked Mr. Parks was "What was the best thing he liked about his mother-in-law?" Mr. Parks looked at his wife and replied emphatically, "The best thing I like about my mother-in-law is her daughter."

Frank Young With Company 35 Years

Frank C. Young, Charleston district senior T&D clerk, records section, received his 35-year pin October 1.



Mr. Young

Born at Cedar Grove, he attended schools in that area. He saw front line action with the Army in France during World War I. He was in the Army from April 2, 1918, until June 12, 1919.

He is a member of the Central Methodist Church and has not missed Sunday School once in the past 40 years. He is a 32nd degree Mason and a member of Beni Kedem Shrine Temple A.A.O.M.M.S. He is also a member of the John Brawley post of the American Legion and a past member of the executive board of that organization. He is married and has two sons.

Three Move Up In Williamson



Mr. Hatfield

Mr. Bevins

Promotions of three men in the Williamson district became effective recently.

E. J. Clouser, stores supervisor of Sprigg, was promoted to personnel



Mr. Clouser

supervisor of Williamson district. He will be succeeded at Sprigg by A. O. Hatfield. Third promotion was of E. L. Bevins, personnel clerk, to assistant credit supervisor. Mr. Clouser joined the company in 1945 as a storeroom helper, later became assistant storekeeper and in 1947 moved up to store supervisor. He is on the board of directors and chairman of the membership and attendance committee of the Kiwanis Club, a member of the Chamber of Commerce and belongs to the First Baptist Church. He is married and has one daughter.

Mr. Hatfield was employed in the distribution department in 1946 and was later transferred to the stores department. He is married and attends the Baptist Church.

Mr. Bevins was employed as a meter reader in 1946 and later promoted to collector. He was moved up to personnel clerk in 1953. He is married and has one son and attends the South Williamson Presbyterian Church.

'Earrings For Every Occasion'



All you need is two odds and ends and you have a pair of earrings. That's the philosophy of Sue Carey, Hazard home economist, shown here with some of her finished products. Miss Carey buys earring backs at a store and then takes almost any pair of odds and ends, pretties them up, glues them to the backs and has earrings to match some piece of clothing she is planning to wear. She says this sort of thing comes in particularly handy when she goes out on a date and finds she has no earrings that are "just right". So she makes some. She uses toothpicks, pieces of coal, acorns, Reddy pins, buttons, pine cones—anything small.

Two Point Pleasant Men To Head Scout District

M. C. Clark and Carl H. Murray, Jr., have been named to head the Scout and Cub Leaders for the Mason County, W. Va., and the Meigs and Gallia counties, Ohio, Scout district.

Mr. Clark, district line and station supervisor, and Mr. Murray, line inspector, both in the Point Pleasant district, have been named district commissioner and assistant commissioner, respectively.

President Sporn Is Charter Member Of Nuclear Society

The American Nuclear Society, first professional organization of scientists and engineers working in the field of atomic energy, was established in Washington in mid-October. Philip Sporn, president of AGE and of our companies, is one of the society's 29 charter members.

The new group includes members engaged in research, development and application of nuclear technology. One of its principal objectives is to foster the integration and advancement of nuclear science and technology through an interchange of information and ideas in all branches of research.

One of the society's first official acts was to offer its cooperation to the U. S. Atomic Energy Commission in arranging for the proposed international conference on nuclear energy. The conference was proposed by Secretary of State John Foster Dulles before the United Nations General Assembly. UN sponsorship of it is under consideration.

R. C. Scarlett Appointed To City Electric Board

Reese C. Scarlett, Kingsport Utilities station supervisor, has been appointed by Kingsport's city manager to serve two years on the City Board of Electrical Examiners.

He joins two other experienced men in the electrical field and two city officials, a city engineer and a city building official on the board, which will study and pass on applications of contractors for electric contracting permits.

Saved By A Shoe



The shoe is the only thing that's been cut and E. L. Baker, Lynchburg truck driver-groundman, on the right, is glad they were safety shoes. Examining the shoe are, from the left: Morris A. Langford, lineman, and Joe T. Davis, street light attendant. Mr. Baker was loading a pole trailer to a truck when the end of the trailer suddenly dropped and struck him across the foot. The leather toe of his shoe was sliced open but that was the extent of the damage.

Employee Honored At Party

Mrs. Helen Frye was the guest of honor at a dinner held by the women office employees at Kanawha River plant September 24. Mrs. Frye, clerk-typist in the stores department, has resigned to join her husband in Colorado, where he is stationed in the Army.

Hit High Spots

'Reader's Digest' Science Writer And Wife Touring AGE System For Article

Tour of AGE facilities, including those in Appalachian territory, will end in an article on the company in *Reader's Digest*.

Touring the facilities are Wolfgang Langewiesche, scientific writer on the magazine's staff, and his wife, also a writer. The two are piloting a private plane through the territory and one of their recent stops was in Charleston.

Mr. and Mrs. Langewiesche were met in Charleston by J. P. Gills, division manager, and C. B. Talley, district manager. First stop was at the North Charleston service building to watch the dispatching of line and substation trucks. They accompanied a crew into the field for operation of hot line transfer work.

The group visited a new installation where right-of-way had just been cleared and a 44-kv line and substation constructed to get a first-hand picture of the rugged terrain crews work. Kanawha River plant was next on the agenda, where the Langewiesches observed the plant in action, the 330-kv line termination point and the river dock that handles coal.



Wolfgang Langewiesche, science writer, and his wife, stand beside the plane they are using to tour the AGE system for a magazine article.

Both Mr. and Mrs. Langewiesche are flyers and take turns at the controls of their plane. Because of their flying background they both have a rapid grasp of the coverage and growth of the AGE system by looking over maps of the area they have covered.

Mr. Langewiesche will report on his findings and reactions for *Reader's Digest* after accumulating and consolidating information gathered in his tour.

British Authorities Note Differences In Tour Of Our Plants

Three representatives of the British government recently toured Kanawha River, Philip Sporn and Kyger Creek plants. The men were J. Eccles, chairman of the British Electricity Authority; J. S. Pickles, chairman of the Scottish section of the organization, and Fred Shakeshaft.

The men wanted to tour some of the newer AGE plants after their attendance as delegates at the International Electrotechnical Commission meetings in Philadelphia. J. P. Gills, Charleston division manager, was host to them.

The visitors were highly impressed by the automatic controls in our plants as they do not use the amount of relay and other mechanical control in use here. Therefore, a far greater number of personnel is needed at their plants. They also noted differences in distribution and said their average domestic consumer uses less than half as much as the average Appalachian domestic consumer.

After concluding their tours, Mr. Pickles and Mr. Shakeshaft returned to England. Mr. Eccles flew to Toronto to study methods used by Canadian electric utilities.

Electric Industry Work Recognized In Proclamation By Governor Marland



Governor William C. Marland, seated right, plans his proclamation for West Virginia "Electrical Week" with members of the electric industry. Seated with the governor is R. E. Wilson, Inspection Bureau and an officer in the International Association of Electrical Distributors. Standing are, from the left: Guilford C. Smith, Appalachian administrative assistant in Charleston and representative of the Electric League of Charleston; J. E. Swan, executive secretary of the West Virginia-Ohio Valley chapter of National Electrical Contractors Association; E. D. Knight, president of Virginian Electric, Inc.; R. S. Baer, Galperin Music Company; George Unangst, Appalachian meter supervisor in Charleston and chairman of the West Virginia section of AIEE; and E. H. Cobb, General Cable Company.

In conjunction with the electric industry's celebration of Light's Diamond Jubilee, Governor William C. Marland proclaimed October 18-24 as "Electrical Week" in West Virginia.

The proclamation was issued in recognition of the fact that "the use of electricity in the industrial, domestic and scientific areas of human endeavor has become so extensive that the mind can hardly imagine any sort of progress without it, and that pioneers in harnessing of this great natural force to the tasks undertaken by mankind must be recognized as among the foremost of the benefactors of the world . . ."

During the week Appalachian, along with other segments of the electric industry in the Kanawha Valley, banded together in local advertising based on a central theme of adequate wiring, among other ac-

tivities. The company and other electric industry members in the state worked closely with Governor Marland in the observance of "Electrical Week."

L. B. Ferguson Goes To Sporn Station

L. B. Ferguson has been transferred from Hazard plant of the Kentucky Power Company to Sporn station and



Mr. Ferguson

promoted to assistant chief station operator. He was plant supervisor at Hazard.

He has been at the Hazard plant since 1916 with the exception of two years at Sprigg, then the Tug River Power Company, and two years in the Navy. He returned to Hazard as a blacksmith on April 1, 1922, and since has worked as watch engineer, master mechanic, mechanical maintenance man and supervisor.

Mr. Ferguson is married and the father of four children. Two of his sons are employed at Hazard and Sporn. He is president of the Hazard Shrine, has served as past master of Hazard Lodge No. 676, F.&A.M. and High Priest of Hazard Chapter No. 185, R.A.M. Master of the Allison-Holland Council No. 94; R.&S.M. of the Hazard Commandery and Senior Warden in the Knights Templar. He is also a member of Oleika Patrol of the Shrine at Oleika Temple in Lexington.

Whitesville Gets New Offices



Whitesville area office in the Charleston district moved into these new quarters recently. The new building provides modern offices for the accounting department, service and meter supplies and appliance repair shop. Future plans call for installation of an all-electric kitchen and appliance demonstration facilities in the building's 42 by 32 foot auditorium.

C. D. Stalnaker Named Ordnance PTA President

C. D. Stalnaker, Point Pleasant district electrical engineer, has been elected president of the Ordnance School P.T.A. He presided at the first regular meeting of the new school year September 27.

Mr. Stalnaker joined the company as an engineer junior July 12, 1948. He moved up to engineer senior in 1949, and became distribution engineer on January 16, 1951. He was reclassified electrical engineer on September 1, 1953.

Zoellers To Direct Scout Fund Campaign

C. A. Zoellers has been appointed chairman of the Kentucky River Boy Scout Finance Campaign. The Hazard district commercial manager has had wide experience in activities of this type — he was chairman of three successful polio drives.



Mr. Zoellers

He is president of the 4-H Council of Perry County, director of the Kentucky River Chapter of Professional Engineers, past president of the Kiwanis Club, president of Methodist Men and a member of the official Methodist board.

Mr. Zoellers joined the company on January 1, 1947, as a power engineer. Married and a father, he is a graduate in engineering from the University of Kentucky.

Beckley Facelifting Starts

Beckley office building is getting a facelifting. Workmen have been rebuilding steps and loading platform in the storeroom at the rear of the building. They also cleaned and waterproofed the front of the building and rebuilt the steps there.

AGE Officers And Director Elected

Dr. Jacob B. Taylor, vice president and business manager and treasurer of Ohio State University, has been



Dr. Taylor

elected a director of AGE. His election raises the board membership to 12.

The board also elected M. P. McGlone and Robert O. Whitman, both of New York, as assistant secretary and assistant treasurer, respectively, of AGE and subsidiary companies. Dr. Taylor has been associated with Ohio State since 1927, receiving the university's Distinguished Service award in 1952. Born in Perth Amboy, N. J., he received his B.S. in economics from Wharton School of Finance, University of Pennsylvania, his M.A. from the University of North Dakota, and the honorary degree of Doctor of Business Administration from Bowling Green University.

Dr. Taylor is co-author of several accounting textbooks, a certified public accountant and prominent in several professional organizations.

Mr. McGlone, a 34-year veteran with AGE, is in charge of the AGE accounting department. He is also assistant treasurer of AGE and the subsidiary companies. Mr. Whitman, who joined the Service Corporation last April, will assist the treasurer principally in matters relating to system accounting problems and procedures.

James Tilson Of System Gets Gift Upon Retiring



Pleased with this bench saw presented him by fellow employees, James Tilson can add another activity to his plans for retirement.

James T. Tilson has his work cut out for him in retirement. The system joint use pole inspector in the Re&Rw department was presented an electric bench saw by fellow employees on his retirement.

The 39-year veteran retired October 1 and was honored with a dinner in the Roanoke auditorium. W. E. Coleman, system superintendent of real estate and right-of-way, presented the gift before the 35 attending.

First employed with the Logan County Power and Light Company in 1915, he worked in various capacities until the company became a part of the Kentucky company and later part of Appalachian. As construction engineer, he helped build and rebuild many of the transmission lines in the system at a time when heavy equipment consisted of a wagon and mule team with a Tilson-made boom pole for erecting towers.

From 1945 to 1948 he worked in the valuation department of AGE. He transferred to the system real estate and right-of-way department in 1948 where he has been performing duties in connection with joint use of poles agreements with various telephone companies.

While employed by Appalachian he has lived in Marion where he plans to continue fishing and hunting pastimes. The Tilsons have a married daughter living in Richmond and a son in the Navy Air Corps in Florida.

Light's Diamond Jubilee Float Theme



Light's Diamond Jubilee was the theme of this float built by the Abingdon district for the annual Burley Tobacco Festival parade. The huge bulb, the Jubilee emblem and gold lettering all paid tribute to the light that led the way to the conveniences of today. On the float are Shirley Grubb, clerk-stenographer, and Millie Edwards, home economist. Bob Weisfeld, area representative, is the driver dressed as Reddy. Reddy figures also rode on the four boats attached to the float that bore the company signature on the side.

Bluefield Division

Abingdon District

Samuel E. Gittings, retired commercial department employee, and Mrs. Gittings are spending several weeks with their son in California.

Sympathy is extended W. H. Conner, Sr., on the death of his father-in-law and W. H. Conner, Jr., on the death of his grandfather. Both are employees in the T&D department.

Claud K. Kirkland, district manager, attended the annual meeting of the School Board Trustees Association in Richmond, October 27-28. He was a delegate from the local school board.

Con Breeding, engineering, and D. C. Landreth, stores, have returned to work after four years in military service.

Several employees were members of the host crew at the Virginia State Life Saving Crew convention held recently in Abingdon. J. M. Orr, substation, vice president of the host crew, and A. C. Hutton, Jr., accounting, were in charge of the parade, and V. O. Armentrout, line crew, assisted in the preparations for the night barbecue and dance. Their wives, members of the Auxiliary, helped with registration and information booths.

Welch District

Mrs. Sank Smith, wife of the personnel supervisor, is recuperating from recent major surgery.

Brontë Charles, Grundy home economist, has resigned.

Sank Smith is chairman of the publicity committee for the McDowell Vocational School open house on November 10.

Roy Franklin was chairman of the ticket sales committee for the Jaycee-sponsored Concord-Glenville football game at Gary. Other employees serving on committees were Bill Belchee, Perry Hatmaker and Don Miller.

Mrs. Patricia Smith, engineering, president of the McDowell County Junior Woman's Club, was general chairman for the district convention of the club in Welch recently.

Pulaski District

Christine McPeak, payroll department, has been named associate president of the First Baptist Church Bible Class.

Sympathy is extended J. B. Nickols, line section, on the death of his brother-in-law, and G. K. Sands, distribution, on the death of his infant son.

Sympathy is also extended O. D. Rhudy, Byllesby hydro, on the death of his father-in-law.

Ivan K. Stoots and E. C. Porterfield have returned to work after recent illnesses.

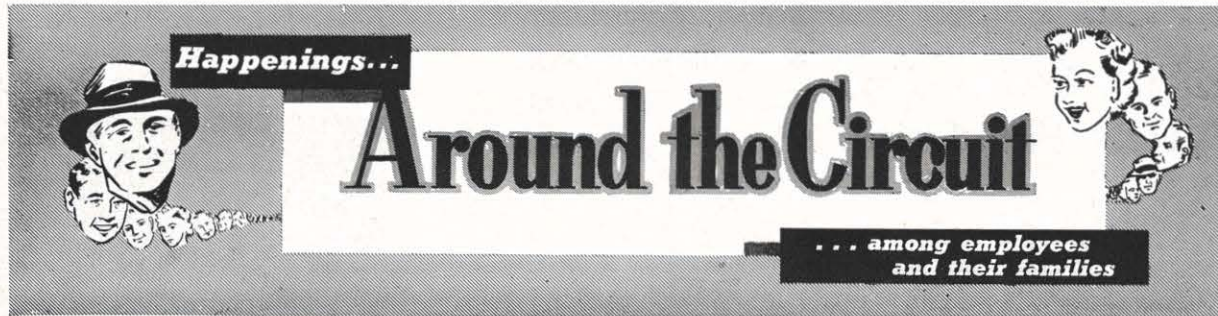
R. L. Sharp, Buck hydro operator, recently killed a two-foot copperhead at the plant when it entered the building at 2 a. m.

Bluefield District

Earl E. Gragg, Mullens line crew, and Millie Bishop, Princeton office, have returned to work after recent illnesses.

W. J. Gillespie, Jr., district manager, is serving as chairman of the Initial Gifts Committee of the Bluefield Community Chest drive.

Sympathy is extended L. H. Saunders, division personnel supervisor, on the death of his brother.



Glen Lyn Plant

E. C. Weatherly is recuperating from a hunting accident in which he lost his right index finger.

Carlos Whitt, son of J. B. Whitt, is improving at the Milton Hospital after confinement for polio.

Huntington Division

Logan District

Mary Elizabeth Davis, commercial department employee, was appointed director of the MYF sub-district choir for the Logan area.

Sympathy is extended Dawna C. Perry, main office cashier, on the death of her father.

Frank D. Stone, Jr., accounting, was delegate from the First Presbyterian Church in Logan to the national convention of the Men of the Presbyterian Church of the United States in New Orleans. P. M. Vannoy, commercial manager, delivered the Sunday morning service at the local church during the absence of the minister, who also attended the convention.

Meter department held a picnic at the Sportsmen's Club on Mill Creek for employees and their guests.

David Roomy, son of Nicholas Roomy, Jr., assistant local office manager, was elected worship chairman of the executive committee of the West Virginia Christian Youth Fellowship Commission at the Disciple of Christ 85th annual convention in Huntington.

P. M. Vannoy, commercial manager, and three other Chamber of Commerce members, participated in an industrial development panel before the Junior Woman's Club of Logan.

Huntington District

Sympathy is extended Claude Woods on the death of his wife and Claude Woods, Jr., on the death of his mother.

Sympathy is also extended S. W. Mustaine, Jr., on the death of his mother and Mrs. Minnie Dalton on the death of her father.

Logan Plant

Sympathy is extended J. A. Patterson on the death of his father, George Frey on the death of his sister and Raymond Ray on the death of his father-in-law.

Kingsport

Herbert H. Benton, T&D department, has returned to work after a recent illness.

Donald Castle is a new engineering department employee.

Sympathy is extended Kenneth Rowland, Holston station, on the death of his father, and A. D. Reynolds, meter section, on the death of his father-in-law.

Kentucky

Ashland District

Louise Cash, managerial, attended the Third District Conference of Altrusa International at Frankfort.

Hazard District

Robert Muncy, son of Russell Muncy, engineering, is recuperating from injuries received in an automobile accident.

Adrian R. Brashear, meter, has returned to work after a recent illness.

Russell Muncy, engineering, attended the Kentucky-Tennessee Kiwanis International convention in Nashville.

A farewell party was given recently for L. B. Ferguson who transferred to Sporn station. Attending were A. R. Barber, J. W. Scholtens, Bradley Dixon, C. A. Zoellers, M. J. Ozee, J. R. Burdsal, Gaine Stidham, W. C. Haddix, Newton Mooney, Grayson Vanover, Charles Turner, A. N. Steele and H. C. Branson.

Pikeville District

Arle Wright, auto repairman, has returned to work after an operation.

Bill Donaldson, meter reader on military leave of absence, has resigned.

Charleston Division

Point Pleasant District

Mrs. Dorothy Stricklen, wife of W. H. Stricklen, has returned home from Holzer Hospital.

Fay L. Johnson, former accounting department employee, is the new mother of a baby girl.

Members of the commercial department took part in the planning and conducting of the Mason County Farm Youth Show recently.

Like 'Em King Size?



"Bragging is all right if you can back it up like this," says Herbert H. Benton, Kingsport lineman. Here's the story behind this picture as told by Herbert: "I was not bragging when I told fellow lineman, Jesse Williamson, that my tobacco crop this summer averaged over 8 feet tall. Jesse wanted evidence so I brought a tobacco stalk to our line headquarters for all the fellows to see, explaining I had to bring in one of the smallest as I could not get a large stalk in my car."

Kanawha River Plant

Clifford C. Bostic, test engineer on military leave of absence with the Air Force, visited the plant with his parents.

Mary Lee Grogan is a new employee.

Beckley District

James R. McVey has returned as station man helper from military leave of absence.

Mrs. Dorothy Barker, home economist, has resigned.

The Appaleisure Club sponsored a Halloween dance for employees and guests.

Employees who are taking the Dale Carnegie public speaking course are J. E. Hammer, P. W. Burks, P. E. Pauley, Lloyd Pomykata, W. E. Zopp and E. F. Eager.

Charleston District

Joe Bedinger, division commercial sales representative, has returned to work after an extended illness.

New employees include William Haskel Jones, David Murray and Willie Leslie Clay, Jr., T&D engineering; Marshall Lee Humphreys, T&D line; and Stanley C. Milton, T&D station section.

Employees who have resigned are Roger Davis, T&D engineering; Erma Calvert, T&D meter; and Betty Johnson and Sheldon Luxenburg, system meter.

Russell S. Garten, credit supervisor, has been elected to the board of directors of the Charleston Retail Credit Association.

Employees of the T&D meter section presented their contribution three days before kick-off date in the Charleston Community Chest. There was 100 percent participation in that department.

Philip Sporn Plant

Officials recently elected by the Kanoth Camera Club include George Hout, Jr., chemist assistant, president, and Rome Williamson, supervisory assistant, vice president.

Sympathy is extended Mr. and Mrs. Paul D. Nease on the death of her mother, and Robert G. Rhodes on the death of his mother.

Barbara Rader, daughter of Howard Rader, maintenance supervisor, recently graduated from the Holzer Hospital School of Nursing.

Harold Fry, maintenance department helper, and Robert Layne, junior maintenance man, have returned to work after illnesses.

Bluefield Service Club Sees Bakery In Action

Members of the Bluefield district Girls Service Club recently visited the L. D. Feuchtenberger Bakery, Inc., as a part of its October meeting.

In their tour the girls saw sweet buns being iced and wrapped, cakes iced and packaged and bread and cakes baked. They were given a pie and pencil on completion of the tour.

Roanoke Division

Fieldale District

Betty Baker and Paul Bryum, commercial department employees, participated as members of Methodist youth of the Fieldale area in wrapping Christmas gifts for Navaho children. Betty is counselor for the Henry County Subdistrict and Paul and his wife are MYF counselors for the Fieldale Methodist Church.

Corrol Lenor Hewitt received her registered nurse degree of nursing at the summer session at Berea College. She is the daughter of C. P. Hewitt, Stuart hydro operator.

June K. Leftwich, local accounting, recently received her degree in business at the Perry School of Business in Martinsville.

Virginia Hancock, home economist, has returned to work after an extended illness.

M. W. Brown, local office manager, attended the state P.T.A. meeting in Richmond as president of the Fieldale Elementary School P.T.A.

Lynchburg District

William T. Desmond, meter section; Joan P. Smith, personnel; and Raymond L. Davis, assistant stores supervisor, have returned to work after extended illnesses.

Sympathy is extended George D. Capito, stores supervisor, on the death of his mother-in-law.

Eleanor B. Wood, clerk-stenographer in the engineering section, has resigned.

Employees who gave blood to the recent Red Cross Bloodmobile during the past month include: H. M. Figg, Jr., R. D. Curtis, J. D. Harker, G. W. Stone, Jr., G. C. Hensley, J. A. Martin, R. E. Wells, J. K. Reid, M. E. Campbell, C. E. Jordan, B. G. Gilbert, G. A. Volk, Jr., J. E. Howard, E. L. Baker, W. C. Boblett, W. H. Stinnette, M. A. Langford, R. E. Thomas, C. D. Ross, W. L. Booth, Jr., C. W. Hogan, C. E. Stahl, T. H. Pillow, Joan L. Harrod, D. C. Kennedy and L. G. Dougan.

System

Katherine M. Matthews, system accounting, was elected president of the Dorcas Class of the Waverly Place Baptist Church.

Mrs. Edith Nickell, system public relations, and Robbie Sink, billing, have returned to work after extended illnesses.

Nancy Hurt is a new system personnel employee.

Sympathy is extended Mr. and Mrs. V. W. Brust on the death of her father.

Burnette Caldwell, system accounting, was elected for the third consecutive time as treasurer of the Williamson Road Kiwanis Club.

Roanoke District

Ralph Patsel, switchboard operator, did the Charleston and record mimics on the television show "The Roaring Twenties."

Peggy Anne Layman is a new division engineering employee.

J. L. White, division supervising engineer, attended a meeting of the Southeastern Electric Exchange in Birmingham.

F. N. Kellerman, garage superintendent, was elected president of the Baracca Bible Class at the Greene Memorial Methodist Church.

Miller Presented High Scout Award



With his wife looking on, Harry Miller receives the Silver Beaver Award from H. S. Scott, representative, at left, of the Tri State Area Council and assistant general manager of Kentucky Power Company. The award, one of Scouting's highest, was presented the Ashland district employee for his many Scout activities. Mr. Miller was first a troop committeeman in 1937 and three years later became a scoutmaster. In 1946 he became a member of his district committee and of the executive board of the Council. And in 1952 he was named chairman of the local Council Camping and Activities Committee. His youth activities don't stop with Scouting—he teaches Sunday School at the Presbyterian Church, where he is a member of the Board of Deacons. He is past president of the Rotary Club and member of the RO committee of this group. He recently was chairman of a fund raising drive for a new swimming pool at Camp Arrowhead.

Employees Active In Big Ashland Centennial Show Men Get The Break At Kanawha River

Four Ashland district employees took part in the recent Ashland Centennial Parade.

Libby Harrell, local accounting, portrayed Betsy Ross on one float while Annis Ketterer, main accounting, took part in the square dance. John Via, main accounting, was an Indian in the Pageant and Hugh F. Eads, main accounting, portrayed a captain of a showboat in the Pageant. His daughter, Midge, was an entrant in the beauty contest.

Growing trend has been picked up and promoted by a group of men at Kanawha River plant. The trend is showers for men—baby showers, wedding showers, all kinds of showers.

Women have been doing this sort of thing a long time. But when Jim Bowling became an expectant father, men on the Lease shift at the plant gathered at Tiny Lease's house for a shower. Harold Higginbotham was next on the list to be honored, and later one was held at Mattie Mathews' house.

R. O. Stricklen Has Article In 'Notes'

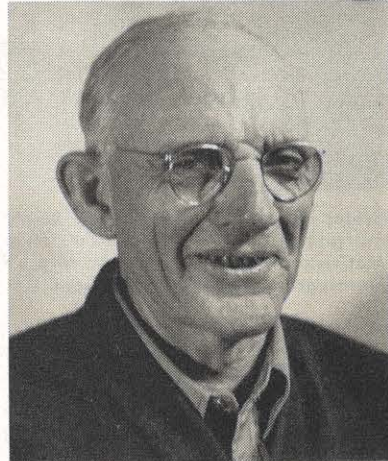
R. O. Stricklen contributed an article to the September issue of AGE's *Monthly Operating Notes*.



Mr. Stricklen

The Whitesville area serviceman in the Charleston district wrote "Removing Frozen Connectors From Meter Bases," in which he told how he had developed a device attached on the rear step under the tail light of a service truck which makes removing of seized connectors on meter bases easier.

Chaffin Of Ashland Has Retired



Mr. Chaffin

William Chaffin retired from company service September 30 after 11 years with the Kentucky Power Company.

Mr. Chaffin, Ashland district station man helper, has been in the substation department his entire 11 years.

Rest and completion of odd jobs around his home will occupy Mr. Chaffin during his retirement.

Paul Harlan Gets Huntington Position

Paul E. Harlan was promoted to assistant line supervisor in the Huntington district. He will be assistant to C. D. Bassford.

Employed by Appalachian in Huntington on April 17, 1928, as a groundman, he served as truck driver, clerk, chief clerk and inspector. He has been lines inspector from July 1, 1953, to this promotion on September 1.



Mr. Harlan

A graduate of Huntington High School, he is married and has two children. His hobbies are woodworking and gardening.

Flat Top Power Gets New Office Quarters

With customer convenience in mind the Flat Top Power Company recently moved its office to new quarters in Northfork. Office is now in the Carrol building in the Clark section on Main Street.

Northfork section of the city was the former site. Claude S. Breeding is manager and secretary-treasurer of the company. He has been an employee since 1919. Robert Anderson, mayor of Northfork, is a meter-serviceman while Flora Ann Evans is cashier. Both Mr. Anderson and Flora Ann have worked for the company two years.

Service Veterans Receive Pins



Employees who received service pins for 20 or more years' service in recent weeks are pictured above. TOP ROW, from the left, all 20 years: A. D. Thornton, Pulaski; E. L. Whitley, Pulaski; A. M. Roseberry, Pulaski; and William A. Kelley, Lynchburg. MIDDLE ROW, from the left: Parks H. Snead, Lynchburg, 20 years; Robert J. B. Barns, Welch, 25 years; J. C. Burnette, Kanawha River plant, 25 years; and C. E. Firebaugh, Roanoke, 25 years. BOTTOM ROW, from the left: Fred Barnett, Hazard, 25 years; F. R. Frishette, Charleston, 30 years; and C. E. Williams, Cabin Creek plant, 30 years.



Appalachian Electric Power Company

Abingdon District

HERBERT CONAL BREEDING from rodman to T&D clerk; D. C. LANDRETH from axman to material clerk.

Fieldale District

PEGGY EDWARDS from Fieldale district to Rocky Mount, Roanoke district.

Huntington District

JAMES O. TRIPLETT from lineman A to general serviceman, T&D line section.

Kanawha River Plant

D. R. BARE from results helper to instrument maintenance man C; C. R. DUNBAR from instrument maintenance man C to instrument maintenance man B.

Logan District

RALPH HALL from utility man, Logan plant, to car washer, Logan district.

Point Pleasant District

JUDITH RAY from clerk-typist to clerk stenographer.

Roanoke District

H. M. UNDERWOOD from garage to meter department; S. E. MURRAY from Niagara hydro plant to meter department; C. R. BROGAN from Niagara hydro plant to meter department; F. T. McLEMORE from Niagara hydro plant to meter department.

Philip Sporn Plant

RICHARD S. BARTON from helper, maintenance department, to auxiliary equipment operator, operations department; EDWARD D. SAYRE, tractor operator, yard department, to auxiliary equipment operator, operations department; GEORGE M. BUSH from laborer, labor department, to helper, maintenance department; ROGER C. PHILLIPS from helper, maintenance department, to filter plant operator sampler, laboratory department; CLARENCE A. BRADFORD from chemist assistant, laboratory department, to auxiliary equipment operator, operations department; OLIN D. BOOTH from auxiliary equipment operator, operations department, to assistant control operator, operations department; WILLIAM D. COSSIN from auxiliary equipment operator, operations department, to assistant control operator, operations department; FRANKLIN H. BAILEY from auxiliary equipment operator, operations department, to assistant control operator, operations department; WILLIAM G. BARONICK from senior payroll clerk, to assistant payroll supervisor, accounting department; WILLIAM R. DOOLITTLE from helper, maintenance department to auxiliary equipment operator, operations department.

Welch District

ROY L. FRANKLIN from junior personnel assistant to administrative assistant B.

Kingsport Utilities

JAMES W. OVERBY from lineman B to meter serviceman B; JOE B. BAKER, JR., from meter serviceman B to lineman B.



Appalachian Electric Power Company

Abingdon District—5 YEARS: H. C. Breeding, Jr., T&D engineering section; D. C. Landreth, material clerk, stores department.

Beckley District—5 YEARS: Charles Flint, Jr., T&D line section; Bonnie J. Evans, accounting department; Thomas L. Humphries, commercial department; Carl W. Smith, T&D line section.

Bluefield District—15 YEARS: Jackson E. Boyd, commercial department.

Cabin Creek Plant—30 YEARS: C. E. Williams, assistant shift supervisor; 15 YEARS: J. A. Reffett, boiler maintenance man; Leonard Isaacs, boiler maintenance helper; R. W. Kunsman, boiler operator; J. W. Darlington, maintenance mechanic; Basil Jarret, maintenance mechanic; 10 YEARS: S. E. McConihay, boiler auxiliary equipment operator A; L. M. Coen, maintenance helper; R. H. Treber, results maintenance mechanic.

Charleston District—35 YEARS: F. C. Young, T&D record section; 30 YEARS: F. R. Frishette, division T&D department; 10 YEARS: L. F. Nichols, T&D line section; 5 YEARS: J. F. Melton, T&D engineering section; F. R. Scholl, T&D meter section.

Glen Lyn Plant—10 YEARS: Gladys B. Mann, senior PBX operator.

Huntington District—5 YEARS: Albert Lewis, T&D meter section.

Kanawha River Plant—25 YEARS: J. C. Burnette, safety supervisor.

Lynchburg District—20 YEARS: Parks H. Snead, T&D department, line and station section; William A. Kelley, T&D department, line and station section.

Pulaski District—25 YEARS: Virginia N. Roberts, secretarial-stenographer; 20 YEARS: E. L. Whitley, district commercial manager; A. D. Thornton, hydro maintenance man; A. M. Roseberry, hydro maintenance helper; 15 YEARS: B. E. Yeager, stenographer; Ruby M. Lowman, commercial department; 10 YEARS: Lois K. Collins, accounting department.

Roanoke District—25 YEARS: C. E. Firebaugh, T&D line and station section; 10 YEARS: Mary B. Spangler, local accounting department.

Philip Sporn Plant—15 YEARS: Frank M. Ward, 2nd assistant shift operating engineer; 5 YEARS: Don F. Ohlinger, guard; Frank E. Titus, maintenance foreman; George G. MacKnight, head bookkeeper.

Welch District—25 YEARS: Robert J. B. Barns, T&D line inspector.

Williamson District—10 YEARS: Clyde Runyon, right-of-way agent.

Kentucky Power Company

Hazard District—25 YEARS: Fred Barnett, line foreman.

Pikeville District—15 YEARS: Hylton Williamson, lineman A; 10 YEARS: Edward Lykins, draftsman.

Football Fashion



Ready for the Turkey Day football games is Zeldia Ann Robinette, Bluefield district commercial department employee. She is modeling a Betty Jean of Kansas City green pepper Wickerstweed suit with a brilliant bold plaid and box jacket. The jacket is merged with a slim tweed skirt and has abundantly full sleeves and pointed lapels. It is worn with a complimentary jersey blouse with black accessories. A golden mum completes Zeldia's football fashion. She is modeling the outfit in Nannie Rae's and Schuylers, twin shops in the South Bluefield Shopping Center. Her mother, Mrs. Nannie Rae Alderson, is one of the shop owners. Her husband is L. W. Robinette, Bluefield office power sales engineer.

Shirley Long Takes College Club Reins

Shirley Long, a sophomore at Bluefield College, was recently elected president of the school's Business Administration Club. The club will publish the school newspaper and secure pictures for the college annual.

Shirley makes her home with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Saunders. He is Bluefield division personnel supervisor.

She was also recently initiated into the Gamma Pi chapter of Pi Theta Kappa, national honorary scholarship society for junior colleges. She attended Beaver High School and her grades there won her a scholarship to Bluefield College.

Roanoke Trifori Club Has Dance, Bingo Party

Bingo and dancing highlighted an evening of festivity for members of Roanoke's Trifori Club and their guests recently.

The club, made up of employees on the third and fourth floors of the main office building, awarded 20 bingo prizes in addition to the grand prize, a radio, won by Dotty Mitchell, system civil engineering.

They're Engaged

BARBARA CUMMINGS to Paul Westfall. Miss Cummings is employed in the Charleston accounting office.

KATHERINE MILAM to James M. Abbess. Miss Milam is a Bluefield district commercial department employee.

EVELYN THOMPSON to Clark Hansbarger. Mrs. Thompson is employed in the Huntington district, and Mr. Hansbarger is the son of J. C. Hansbarger, Huntington assistant division manager.

HARRIET BYRD MINICHAN to Hayes Napier Thomas. Miss Minichan is the daughter of D. P. Minichan, Pulaski district manager.

ALLENE SMITH to S/Sgt. Lawrence Watts, U. S. A. F. Miss Smith is employed in the Hazard accounting department.

MILDRED ANNE EDWARDS to Landon M. Woody. Miss Edwards is home economist in the Abingdon district.

BETTY ANN HAMMACK to Bill Carte. Miss Hammack is the daughter of E. C. Hammack, an employee in the Charleston district.

New Arrivals

A daughter, DEBORAH LEE, arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Junior Stanley, September 19. Mr. Stanley is employed in the T&D Dept., line and station section, Williamson district.

Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Taylor are the parents of a son, HENRY CLINTON, born October 9th. Mr. Taylor is employed in the T&D Dept., line and station section, Williamson district.

A son, SAMUEL J. JR., was born to Mr. and Mrs. Samuel J. Dunn, October 20. Mr. Dunn is a lineman at Nitro, Charleston district.

A daughter, BRENDA SUE, was born to Mr. and Mrs. J. R. Skelton on October 6. Mr. Skelton is employed in the T&D meter section, Charleston district.

Mr. and Mrs. Roger C. Phillips are the parents of a daughter, RITA LOU. Mr. Phillips is a filter plant operator and sampler at Philip Sporn plant.

BRET ALAN was born to Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert C. Hart on September 20. Mr. Hart is a tractor operator at Philip Sporn plant.

Mr. and Mrs. William A. Ohlinger are the parents of a daughter, DEBORAH KAY, born September 15. Mr. Ohlinger is a helper in the maintenance department at Philip Sporn plant.

CINDY RAYNE is the new daughter born to Mr. and Mrs. Clarence S. Jordan. Mr. Jordan is a helper in the maintenance department at Philip Sporn plant.

MARK THOMAS was born September 24 to Mr. and Mrs. Clyde T. Clark. Mr. Clark is a conveyor operator at Philip Sporn plant.

Mr. and Mrs. D. B. Andy are the proud parents of a son, STEPHEN D., born September 30. Mr. Andy is employed at the Kanawha River plant.

A son, PAUL EDWARD, was born October 7 to Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Higginbotham. Mr. Higginbotham is employed at the Kanawha River plant.

STEPHEN WAYNE was born October 6 to Mr. and Mrs. Harold Coon. Mr. Coon is employed in the Bluefield district as a garage mechanic.

A son, BRUCE MILTON, was born to Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Hutcheson, October 18. Mr. Hutcheson is employed in the Bluefield district commercial department.

A girl was born October 2 to MR. AND

MRS. F. F. FERGUSON. Mr. Ferguson is employed at Glen Lyn plant.

On September 28th MR. AND MRS. KENNETH BEASLEY became the parents of a girl. Mr. Beasley is employed at Glen Lyn plant.

A boy was born October 15 to MR. AND MRS. J. L. STALLINGS. Mr. Stallings is employed at Glen Lyn plant.

A daughter, DEBORAH LINDA, was born October 6 to Mr. and Mrs. B. E. McCall. Mr. McCall is employed in the Pulaski district.

On October 3 a daughter, NANCY JEAN, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Glenn A. Brillheart. Mr. Brillheart is employed in the Pulaski district.

WILLIAM SMITH was born September 20 to Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Conner, Jr. Mr. Conner is employed in the Abingdon district.

Mr. and Mrs. Carson Carmichael, Jr., are the parents of a son, CARSON III, born September 29. Mr. Carmichael is employed in the Abingdon district.

A daughter, ABRA LYNN, was born September 29 to Mr. and Mrs. Chester E. Elkins. Mr. Elkins is employed in the Logan district.

A son, CURTIS IRWIN, was born to Mr. and Mrs. C. I. Taylor, October 12. Mr. Taylor is a meter serviceman in Welch district.

DONNA JO was born to Mr. and Mrs. Don L. Miller, October 15. Mr. Miller is employed in the Welch accounting department.

A son, ROBERT DOUGLAS, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Francis Keilling. Mrs. Keilling (Dorothy Burton) is a former employee in the Welch district.

A daughter, SUSAN, was born October 14 to Mr. and Mrs. Gene B. Hale. Mr. Hale is the personnel supervisor in Pikeville district.

Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Whitenack are the parents of a son, RICKY ALAN, born September 30. Mr. Whitenack is employed in the Roanoke billing office.

SUZELLE DAWN was born September 29 to Mr. and Mrs. DeWitt Livengood. Mrs. Livengood is a former employee of the Roanoke payroll department.

A daughter, TERRY LEE was born to Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Stover, September 22. Mr. Stover is a Charleston district groundman.

Wedding Bells Ring For Thirteen Couples



Brides and bridegrooms among employees in recent weeks are pictured above. TOP ROW, from the left: Mrs. J. B. McCrickard, Rocky Mount; Mrs. Robert W. Hinshaw, Huntington; Mr. and Mrs. Roland Karr, Philip Sporn plant;

and Mrs. Henry Jones, Beckley. BOTTOM ROW, from the left: Mrs. Silas Alvin Maddox, Roanoke; Mrs. Thomas K. Moore, Roanoke; Mrs. Robert Lee Foster, Jr., Welch; and Mrs. Elton T. Jones, Roanoke.

King-Wolfe

Imelda June King and Eugene C. Wolfe were united in marriage at the Roxalana Evangelical United Brethren Church on August 10. Mr. Wolfe is employed in the Charleston accounting office.

Kitchen-Moore

Sandra Lee Kitchen was united in marriage with Thomas K. Moore at the Roanoke Huntington Court Methodist Church, October 23. Mrs. Moore is the daughter of W. S. Kitchen, system safety supervisor in Roanoke.

Banks-Jones

Corenthia Banks and Henry Jones were united in marriage on October 4 at the home of the bride's parents in Beckley. Mr. Jones is employed in the Beckley district.

Surbers Celebrate 50 Years' Marriage

Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Surber recently celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary at their home with relatives.

Mr. Surber was an Appalachian employee for more than 30 years and retired several years ago. His son, Hubert, is supervisor of operation at Glen Lyn plant.

They now live at Lurich where Mr. Surber does some farming. Asked about her formula for a successful marriage, Mrs. Surber glanced at her husband and said, "You'd better ask the boss."

Grimm-Karr

Shirley Grimm and Roland Karr were united in marriage on October 9 at the St. Paul Lutheran Church in New Haven. Both Mr. and Mrs. Karr are employed at the Philip Sporn Plant.

Ramsey-McCrickard

On October 9 Bobbie J. Ramsey and J. B. McCrickard were married in the Rocky Mount Methodist Church. Mrs. McCrickard is a former employee in the Rocky Mount office of the Roanoke district.

Oretha Lambert Is Sorority President

Oretha Lambert was elected president of Tau Phi Lambda sorority recently. She is an engineering department employee in the Logan district.



Miss Lambert

Woman's Club and the Presbyterian Church choir.

She was historian of the group last year. The sorority is made up of 25 business women in Logan. Miss Lambert is also a member of the Junior

Roush-Johnson

Cecil Yvonne Roush and Dennis Johnson were married on October 4 in Clifton. Mr. Johnson is an employee at the Philip Sporn plant.

Willis-Abshire

Dorothy Wanita Willis became the bride of Jake R. Abshire on September 17 in Pax, West Virginia. Mr. Abshire is employed in the Beckley district.

Maye-Jones

Joe Anne Maye became the bride of Elton T. Jones in ceremonies performed at the Oakland Baptist Church on October 2. Mr. Jones is employed in the Roanoke local accounting office.

Charles-Foster

Brontè Charles was married to Robert Lee Foster, Jr., in the First Christian Church in Radford on October 16. Mrs. Foster is a former home economist in the Welch district.

Dalton-Maddox

Betty Jean Dalton became the bride of Silas Alvin Maddox in the Huntington Court Methodist Church on October 9. Mrs. Maddox was formerly an employee of the Roanoke system billing office.

Mollohan-Knowlton

Betty Lee Mollohan became the bride of Leo H. Knowlton in ceremonies performed on September 11 at Nitro. Mrs. Knowlton is the daughter of C. L. Mollohan, an employee in the Nitro office.

Long-Glass

Juanita Long became the bride October 16, of John W. Glass in the parsonage of the Melrose Methodist Church in Roanoke. Mr. Glass is employed in the Roanoke distribution office.

G. A. Smith, Keystone, Gets Eastern Star Post

George A. Smith, area serviceman of Keystone in the Welch district, was honored by the Worthy Grand Matron of the Order of Eastern Star by being appointed Grand Guard at the recent session of the Grand Chapter which convened in Huntington.

Butler-Hinshaw

Manokel D. Butler and Robert W. Hinshaw were married on September 25 in the Central Christian Church in Huntington. Both Mr. and Mrs. Hinshaw are former employees of the Huntington district.

Roanoke Trifori Club Names Officers



New officers of Roanoke's Trifori Club pause for the photographer as they plan club work for 1955. The club, composed of employees on the third and fourth floors of the main Roanoke office, elected these officers and new representatives at a business meeting on October 13. The officers are, from the left: Bobby Main, president; June Eller, secretary, and Dick Lovegrove, treasurer.

C. R. Wilson, Jr., Is Promoted In Williamson

C. R. Wilson, Jr., electrical engineer, was promoted to acting Williamson district engineer on the first of this month. He has been serving in this capacity since the transfer to Huntington of James L. Richmond last spring.



Mr. Wilson

Employed in Williamson in October of 1950 as junior electrical engineer, he became electrical engineer in January, 1952. Mr. Wilson is sergeant-at-arms of the Rotary Club, second vice president of the Jaycees as well as state chairman of junior citizenship and a member of the Elks. He is married and the father of two daughters.

Landscapes, Flowers And Trees Favorites Of Paint Hobbyist



"Magnolia Blossoms" is the title of the painting Ann Williams holds. It is her favorite among the many she has done.

Translation of mental images to canvas has given Ann Williams an interesting and rewarding hobby.

She is a clerk in the Bluefield accounting department and wife of Paul E. Williams, system transmission lineman in Bluefield. Mrs. Williams has been painting since grade school days when she started on an elementary basis. Today she paints many pictures and gives them to friends. Her favorite subjects are flowers, trees and landscapes.

She has found that extensive traveling has quickened her interest in painting because when she saw something she particularly liked she would retain it in her mind and put it on canvas when she got home.

Kanawha River Employees Hold Successful Dance

Although members haven't given it an official name yet, the Kanawha River plant employees' recreation club is in full swing.

Latest event for the club was an October 1 dance in Charleston. Jess Walton and his orchestra furnished the music to club members, their guests and employees at Cabin Creek plant, who were invited and turned out in large numbers.

Club officers are now busy planning social events for the fall and winter seasons.

Cabin Creek And Kanawha Join In League



Cabin Creek and Kanawha River plants have entered three teams each in a joint-plant bowling league which got underway recently. Shown above are team captains. They are, from the left: C. B. Burner, Cabin Creek; Jeanne Creasey, Kanawha River; Leonard McKinney, Cabin Creek; Madge Hudnall, Kanawha River; Bill Rader, Cabin Creek; and Gil Farthing, Kanawha River.

Pony Stalwarts



Justly proud of their league are these three members of Fieldale's Pony Baseball League. The three are, from the left: Gary Sanders, son of Gerald Sanders, lineman; Larry Puckett, son of David Puckett, PBX operator; and Ronnie Fudge, son of Albert Fudge, local accounting. The boys competed against teams from their area and advanced to play-offs in Washington, Pennsylvania, before being eliminated by a team from Greensboro, North Carolina.

Ashland Employee To Co-Head Chest Drive

William Schweitzer has been elected co-chairman of the 1955 Ashland Community Chest. He is an Ashland district commercial department employee.



Mr. Schweitzer

He is past president of the Junior Chamber of Commerce and helped organize the Jaycee Youth Center, a new agency added to the Chest. He was also instrumental in the organization of the commercial department Benevolent Fund.

Chest quota is \$80,000 for nine agencies.

Roanoke Window Display Wins In Fire Prevention

For the second year in a row the Roanoke office has won a window display prize in the annual Fire Prevention Week window competition sponsored by the Roanoke Advertising Club.

The display, originated by Joy Nash, took second place. It pointed out the importance of locating and correcting electrical fire hazards with blow-ups of Reddy Kilowatt, in color, as illustrations.

L. C. Valley Named To Lead P-T Association

L. C. Valley, Scott County area supervisor in the Abingdon district, has been elected president of the Gate City P.T.A.



Mr. Valley

He has been active in the organization for the past several years. Mr. Valley joined the company July 1, 1934, as a lineman.

Duplicate Master To Head Bridge Group

A. Garfield Burton was recently elected president of the West Virginia Bridge Association at their annual meeting in Charleston.

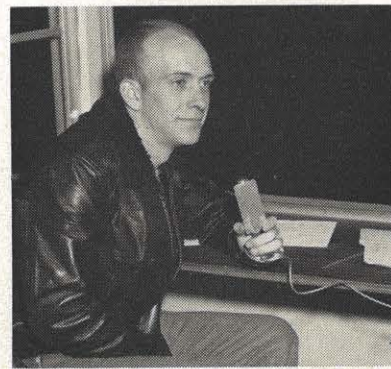


Mr. Burton

Mr. Burton, Bluefield district dealer sales representative, is an expert duplicate bridge player and a National Master. He and his wife have won numerous prizes and awards in duplicate bridge competition.

An employee since 1934, Mr. Burton is also president of the Mercer County Board of Education and past president of the Princeton-Athens Kiwanis Club.

Announces Games



"Welch breaks out of the huddle and moves up..." are becoming familiar words to football fans of Welch and McDowell County. They are coming from Jack Green, Welch district meterman, shown announcing a local high school football game. This is the first year for the already popular announcer who says it is very interesting work and his favorite hobby. He also handles the public address system for baseball games, officiates at junior high school games and is a member of the Blue Grass Basketball Officials Association.

Two Appointed To AGE Engineering Positions

Appointments of Harold L. Rorden as research and high voltage practice engineer and William S. Price as assistant research engineer for AGE Service Corporation have been announced by Philip Sporn, president.

Mr. Rorden, a 28-year veteran in the electric power field, joined AGE Service Corporation as a senior engineer in May this year. Mr. Price joined AGE system in 1939 with I&M as an electrical engineer. He was transferred into the Service Corporation in 1947 as an engineer and rose to senior engineer in 1953.

Collects Shakers



Mrs. T. C. Dorton, Jr., displays her two-year collection of salt and pepper shakers. The wife of the Kingsport lineman, Mrs. Dorton now has 178 sets in her collection, including many nursery rhyme shakers. Holland, Spain and all the states are represented. Mrs. Dorton is also a 4-H volunteer sixth grade leader and her education booth won prizes at three fairs this year. Money and ribbons were turned over to her 4-H group.

Sporn Sportsmen Elect Officers



Sleepy Hollow Sportsman Club of Philip Sporn plant recently elected officers. They are, from the left: Howard Rader, maintenance supervisor, president; Robert Cook, instrument maintenance man, vice president; Jack Frey, first assistant shift operating engineer, treasurer; and Karl Wiles, payroll supervisor, secretary. Directors for the club include Ed Layne, Les Ingels, Charles Weaver, Tom Hoffman, Don Brown, Cecil Smith, Edwin Hudson and Darrell Hoffman. Club is made up of men interested in fishing and other activities, and the new officers have already completed plans to build a road, including two bridges, to the lake constructed last year for fishing and other recreation.

Two Join 600 Club As Grimes Holds Sporn Lead

Grimes Shift has taken the lead in the young Philip Sporn plant bowling season as two employees joined the 600 Club.

Grimes has an 18-0 record, followed closely by Emmerts Shift. The two new members of the 600 Club are Robert Gilmore, who rolled a 624, and Buck Tennant who bowled a 618 game.

Jack Bragg Is Fullback On Carlisle Grid Team

When Jack Bragg entered Carlisle Military School in Bamberg, S. C. he fitted right into the plans of the football coach. Seems the team didn't have a fullback and Jack, the son of Otho J. Bragg, Welch district commercial sales representative, was accustomed to that position.

Jack, a junior, is one of the team's leading ground gainers and tallied the winning touchdown in a recent contest. He attended Welch High School last year.

Fieldale Leaguers



Little Leaguers hoping to become big leaguers are these sons of Fieldale employees. These boys played in a local league of four Fieldale teams and also met teams from other cities. Front, from left: Barry Hundley, son of Alvin Hundley, stores department, and Eddie Gibson, son of C. E. Gibson, real estate and right-of-way. Back, from left: Mike Hundley, also son of Alvin Hundley, and Larry Beheler, son of Alonzo Beheler, commercial.

Lightning Strikes Again

Lightning for the third time this season caused a complete outage in Beckley recently. This time a bolt struck three insulators on the Beckley No. 1 substation, interrupting service to the south portion of Beckley for an hour.

Wins Driving Award

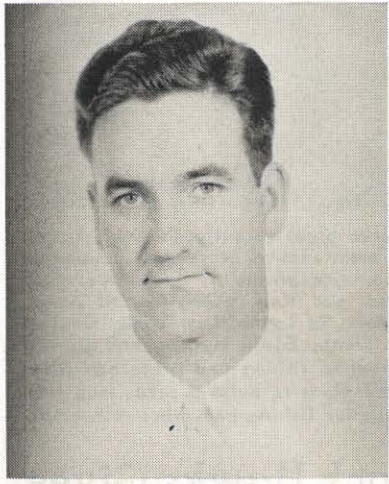
Mrs. F. O. Adams of Danville was the first winner of the Roanoke Business and Professional Women's Safe Driver Award. She is the wife of the Danville system operating department employee.

Wins TV Set At Hazard First Aid Meet



"Crit" and "Bessie" Back now enjoy television because he won that new TV set at a First Aid Field Meet recently held in Hazard. Crit is a real estate agent in the engineering department. Since they live out in a rural section, Crit was forced to build his own tower and a line about 2,700 feet long to get service to his home.

Ramsey Jones, 44, Dies At Welch



Mr. Jones

Ramsey A. Jones, 44, Welch district area sales representative, died October 5, after a lingering illness.

Born December 2, 1909, in Galax, he came to work for Appalachian on January 26, 1940. His employment was broken only by his leave of absence for military service during World War II. He served as a radio operator in the European theatre and participated in the African and Italian campaigns. He was discharged with the rank of sergeant.

He is survived by his parents, a brother and four sisters.

Funeral services were held in the First Presbyterian Church in Welch and the Midway Baptist Church at Iron Ridge. Interment was in the McKensy cemetery in Iron Ridge. Employees serving as pall bearers were F. L. Bocock, Otho Bragg, Perry Hatmaker, B. A. Widener and Alfred Perdue.

Kirkland, Dunn Are New Kiwanis Officers

Claud K. Kirkland and Paul S. Dunn were recently elected to offices in the Abingdon Kiwanis Club.

Mr. Kirkland, district manager, was named vice president and Mr. Dunn, administrative assistant, was elected to the board of directors. Mr. Kirkland has been an active member for several years and last year was on the board of directors.

Mr. Dunn has served as chairman of the finance committee and was chairman of the annual Kiwanis Halloween Carnival this year. They will be installed at the annual ladies' night banquet this month.

Edward Stump Becomes Huntington Foreman

Promoted to line foreman in the Huntington district is Edward Stump.

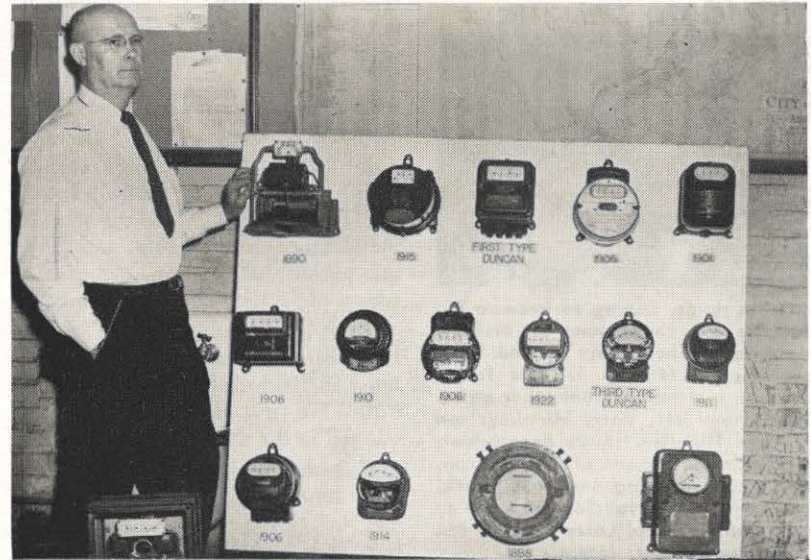


Mr. Stump

He assumes duties of James Dunlavy, who transferred to the engineering section of the T&D department.

A 20-year veteran, Edward attended school in Cabell County. He was first employed by Appalachian in Huntington as a lineman. On June 13, 1949, he was promoted to troubleman A and remained in that classification until April, 1953, when he became general serviceman. He was promoted to line foreman on August 16.

Meter Collection Hobby Ideally Suited To Ben Bates, Welch Meter Supervisor



Ben Bates shows his collection of old meters, dating back to the 19th century. Below each meter is the manufacturing date. The meter at top left was the first one in his collection. The one at bottom left which is only partly shown weighs about 50 pounds and was one of the first type direct current meters he ever worked on. This type was once used in metering Pocahontas Fuel Company service but has not been used for about 25 years.

A hobby has developed from business for Ben Bates, Welch district meter supervisor. He collects old meters, having 16 in his collection and hoping to add more.

He began collecting antique meters in 1938 when he was given one made in 1890. It had been found when a building in Northfork was torn down. Ben asked Bob Anderson of Flat Top Power Company for it as he had never seen one like it. After Mr. Anderson gave it to him, Ben started collecting meters as a hobby.

He added the second one, manufactured in 1915, to his collection ten years ago from the attic of Sol Bach of Pocahontas. A meter made in 1901 was given him by a friend in the coal mining business. The other meters also were given him by friends.

Other than display, the old meters are used to give younger employees

an idea of how they compare with newer meters in design, manufacture and construction. Ben says they also emphasize the hard work involved in carrying and installing the older and heavier meters.

An employee of the meter department for 31 years, Ben is an active member of the Welch Kiwanis Club. He has been a member of the Board of Directors for several years. He also is active in Masonic work and a member of the Bluefield, Virginia, Methodist Church where he has held several offices.

Named To Election Position

Lynn Jennings, Pikeville district area sales representative in Paintsville, has been appointed to the Johnson County Election Commission for a one year term. Selection was made by the Kentucky Election Commission.

Operation Hunt Hollow

Blitz Movement Of Substation Joins Plans And Work

Seldom is a substation literally picked up, moved over on the other side of a mountain and put in service—all in 6½ hours.

That's what happened in a "blitz" operation in the Charleston district when the station at Point Lick was relocated at Hunt Hollow. The 3-phase 44/4-kv transformer was moved because a coal company closed its mine and opened a new one across the mountain. Another transformer was installed at the old station to provide residential service.

Preparation for Operation Hunt Hollow began in late July. The right of way was cut and the line and substation built under the direction of C. A. Perkins and G. E. Hervey, district superintendent and assistant, respectively.

Early Saturday morning, September 25, the operation got underway. Blocks had been set to jack up the transformer. At 7:07 a. m. the line was switched out. By 8:45 all leads had been disconnected and the transformer loaded for the trip over the mountain.

A few slides were met but were not serious. By 9:30 the transformer had arrived at Hunt Hollow and was unloaded. By 11 a. m. it was resting on its new foundation.

Despite a phase rotation reversal which caused a 30-minute delay, the station was energized and the job completed by 1:36 p. m. The job was finished in almost half the time provided for the interruption, scheduled for 12 hours.

Steve Didier and Lyle Heldreth were foremen of the substation crews working under the supervision of J. M. Kauffman, station supervisor. Working with them were Leroy Goode and his line crew as well as the meter service crew supervised by Howard Mathews.

R. L. Zerkle, Sporn, Promoted To OVEC Plant

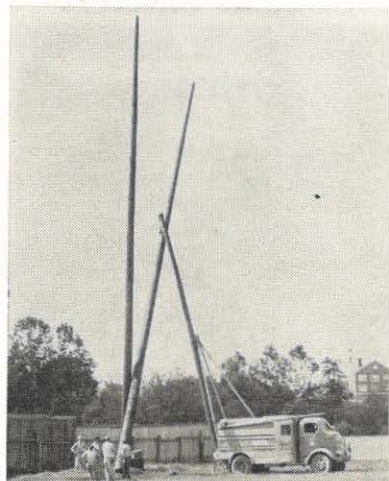
Raymond L. Zerkle, Sporn plant crane operator, transferred to Kyger Creek plant of OVEC as assistant yard foreman.

A native of New Haven, he attended Wahama High School. He was employed April 6, 1949, as a tractor operator at Sporn. He later became conveyor operator and crane operator.



Mr. Zerkle

Trouble Saver



Handling 80-foot poles sounds like it can be a pretty tough assignment, and it can be if the proper equipment isn't used. Above, the Tazewell line crew out of the Bluefield district showed how it should be done when they recently moved 80-foot poles from the Richlands High School athletic field. Using a 40-foot pole as a mobile gin pole to support the longer pole, the job was made easier.



Arriving at the site after its trip over the mountain, the transformer is ready to be installed. Despite a 30-minute delay, the entire job took little over half the time provided for the interruption.

W. S. Kitchen Heads Utilities Section Of Safety Council

W. S. Kitchen, Appalachian system safety supervisor, was elected general chairman of the Public Utilities Section of the National Safety Council in Chicago October 19.



Mr. Kitchen

The Section is composed of 535 electric communications, water and gas utilities throughout the nation. Mr. Kitchen's election also makes him chairman of the Section executive committee and a member of the Council's Industrial Conference. He has been a member of the executive committee since 1946 and has served as chairman of several subcommittees, editor of the *Newsletter*, program chairman, secretary and last year was vice chairman. D. C. Duncan, Appalachian system safety director, who spoke to the Railroad Section at the National Safety Congress, was general chairman of the Public Utilities Section in 1942-43.

Mr. Kitchen was also recently named to the executive committee of Alpha Sigma Phi, national social fraternity at their convention in Port Huron, Michigan. He attended the convention as a member of the Grand Council, of which he has been a member 20 years. For the past two years he has served as grand secretary of the organization and was a member of the nominating committee and chairman of the province committee at the convention.

In addition he is second vice president-elect of the Williamson Road Kiwanis Club. He has been an active member of the organization for two years. He also is chairman of Safety Services for the Roanoke Chapter of the American Red Cross.

Mr. Kitchen joined Appalachian at Bluefield as safety inspector in April, 1943. He moved to his present position in Roanoke on March 1, 1949. He is married and has one daughter.

AGE Report Rates Third In National Competition

For the second successive year, AGE has received a third place national award for its annual report.

AGE's 1953 report was one of 300 finalists in the 14th annual contest sponsored by *Financial World* magazine, which included an entry list of more than 5,000 entries. The AGE report received its award in the "Public Utilities Holding Company" category.

Charleston Man Retired On First



Mr. Clatterbaugh

E. W. "Buck" Clatterbaugh, Charleston district T&D station man, retired September 1.

He came to the company in 1939 as a laborer. He was advanced to rigger in 1942 and to maintenance man in 1944. He was promoted to station man in 1953 and remained in that capacity until retiring.

Born at Staunton, Virginia, he attended schools in that area. He is an infantry veteran of World War I, having seen action in many of the major battles in Germany and France. He was wounded just prior to the end of the war. An expert rifleman, he was a member of the Virginia State Rifle team for three years.

"Buck" has noticed many changes and improvements in the company's program during his years of service. "The safety program," he said, "has improved continuously all through the years."

He plans to spend considerable time hunting in retirement. After his two daughters graduate from school, he wants to return to Staunton to live.

Wins Diamond



Diamond ring was the prize when Mrs. Evelyn Akers was declared a winner in a contest sponsored by Fink's Jewelers of Roanoke. Mrs. Akers, stenographer in the Roanoke district accounting office, won the ring by correctly counting the number of diamonds drawn on a card and writing a winning answer to the question, "Why would you like to win a diamond?"