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By 1975: Four Times Bigger

Managers Given Look At Future AGE System By President Sporn In Huntington Speech

A breathtaking look into the future of the American Gas and Electric System 20 years hence was provided by President Philip Sporn at the annual AGE Managers' Meeting in Huntington, November 9-11.

In his opening address to an audience of about 275, Mr. Sporn told of the company's projections two decades in the future and its plan to bring into reality a System four times its present size in that period of time. He envisioned a tremendous electric power system with a generating capacity of 17 million kilowatts and annual energy sales of 83 billion kilowatt-hours.

Steps To Goal

"What are we doing to bring this long-range project—dream, if you will—into realization?" he asked. Then, in answer to his own question, the president outlined the following major steps:

1. Continuation of the Company's planning and building ahead. As an example, the System's ambitious three-year program (1956-58), which Mr. Sporn revealed at the meeting, calls for the addition of 1,700,000 kw of new generating capacity, close to half of which is currently under construction.

2. Vigorous work on the company's technological program on all fronts.

3. A drive for new markets in every field of electric power application, including industrial, commercial, residential and farm.

4. Increasing efforts in the fields of area development and industrial development.

5. Expansion of efforts to obtain and train the increasing numbers of executives, technicians and supervisors who will be required to man such a dynamic system.

Expansion Underway

Mr. Sporn pointed to the 1956-58 program of expansion as the stepping stone for continued growth of the system. In addition to 800,000 kw of capacity now under construction at Ohio Power's Muskingum River and Philo plants and Appalachian's Glen Lyn plant, "it is obvious that, if only some of the new industrial load prospects materialize, more capacity will have to be built and put in operation by 1958," he said. "A good guess as to what this additional capacity will be is 900,000 kw, or a total of 1,700,000 kw in three years," Mr. Sporn added.

A system peak of 6,500,000 kw, system energy input of more than 30-billion kwh, annual revenues of \$330-

million, and an annual average residential electric power usage of 3,800 kwh were predicted for 1958—only three years away.

"Every one of these figures is an exciting one," he said. "But the more exciting figures are not the 1958 figures but what these portend beyond 1958 and for as far ahead as we

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Lucky Mishap?

A little girl near Point Pleasant is lucky or unlucky, depending on the way you look at it.

She was unlucky when she wandered near Ten Mile Creek and got in almost over her head. The one-year-old tot was lucky because Lorain Crump, Point Pleasant district lineman, was walking nearby and heard her screaming.

He jumping the creek bank and waded out to rescue her. Grateful parents credit him with saving her life.

Accident Victim Is Rescued By Logan Servicemen



Paul Sammons, left, and Lester Toler look happy after helping an accident victim.

The accident victim was still in his car lying in about three feet of water in the Guyandotte River near Bruno. He looked like he had a back injury. Then fire broke out.

This situation faced Lester Toler and Paul Sammons, Logan district meter servicemen. They had seen the car from their service truck.

Lester called for an ambulance with his two-way radio after he and Paul saw the victim seemed to have a back injury. They hesitated to move him but were forced to when the car caught fire.

Using first aid learned in the Red Cross course, they supervised and helped move him to safety. They took precautions necessary in back injuries.

The victim, Calvin Ellis of Gilbert, is now recovering from a fractured back and collar bone. Quick thinking saved the man from serious burns and careful handling prevented further injury.

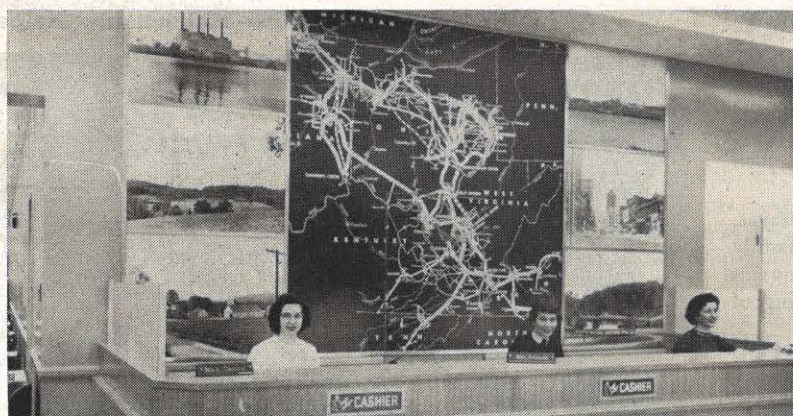
Huntington Office Ready For Open House

The new Huntington office building at 1125 Sixth Avenue has been occupied. An open house is scheduled December 1-2.

The building is a modern two-story structure with full basement. It has an 80-foot frontage and extends back 200 feet.

On the first floor is the accounting department, district commercial department and a 300-seat auditorium which is available for civic and charitable groups. A demonstration kitchen is located on the curtained stage of the auditorium with a preparation kitchen to the rear.

The second floor has the offices of the division and district managerial department, division and district personnel departments, division payroll, division commercial, division engineering and system billing.



In the Huntington office lobby is this cashier's cage backed with the AGE System map and scenes. Pictured from left: Peggy Grose, Lucille Arbaugh and Lorene Hardwick.

An employees' canteen and commercial kitchen equipment are located in the basement. The building boasts an electric heat pump for year-round air conditioning.

The new office building is adjacent to the service building completed in June 1954. Announcement was made July 1954 of construction plans for the office.



This is the new Huntington office building at 1125 Sixth Avenue.

Listen To 'Greatest Story Ever Told'



These Sunday school children in Hazard listen to Margaret Baker reading a part of "the greatest story ever told." The Hazard district accounting department employee, co-leader of the First Baptist Church primary department, is one of seven employees who explained on Page 2 the cheerful feeling during the Christmas season. Their answers to the question this month show how we can all help spread a bit more cheer around. Here's wishing you and your family a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Five \$500 Scholarships

Children Of Employees To Register In January For Annual Education Awards

Registration begins next month for the second annual American Gas and Electric Education Award Competition. Sons and daughters of employees will try for \$500 college education awards.

In addition to this year's \$500 award to the highest ranking entrant among those from all the AGE system companies, four additional \$500

awards will be given.

Competitors for the additional awards will be divided into four AGE System groups based, as equally as possible, on the total number of employees in each group. The highest ranking entrant from Appalachian, I&M and Ohio Power each will receive an award. The fourth award will go to the top competitor among entrants from Kentucky Power, Kingsport Utilities, Central Operating, Wheeling Electric, Beech Bottom Power and the AGE Service Corporation.

January 25 Deadline

Registration will begin the first week in January. Deadline for entering has been set for January 25.

Any son or daughter of an employee of any company of the AGE System who plans to enter freshman year in a degree-granting institution and pursue a course leading to a baccalaureate degree may compete for one of the awards by taking a competitive examination on Saturday morning, March 17. The exam is the standard College Entrance Board Scholastic Aptitude Test.

John E. Winesdorfer, son of a Wheeling Electric Company clerk, won the first annual education award. He is now a freshman at Kenyon College in Ohio.

A total of 82 sons and daughters of AGE System employees last year entered the competition which Winesdorfer won and six contestants received honorable mention. They included Elizabeth Desmond, Lynchburg; James R. Stidham, Hazard, and Clarence E. Bryan, Kingsport.

Additional information for entrants for this year's competition will appear in the January issue of THE ILLUMINATOR.

'Illuminator' Wins Kentucky Contest Award

THE ILLUMINATOR won honorable mention in a Kentucky contest among industrial publications. The annual competition is sponsored by the Associated Industries of Kentucky.

Publications were judged on news content, makeup, readability and originality.

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Your Opinion

How can you account for the cheerful feeling during the Christmas season?

IN THE SPOTLIGHT

Editor's Note: We think these answers to the question this month provide a good editorial on the Christmas season. Looking at the many activities represented here makes us better appreciate the cheerful feeling that fills the air during this month. Each of us gives to others according to our own situation. But every year we all find that sharing love and kindness can be the most cheerful thing of all about the wonderful Christmas season.

MARY MILLS, Utility Clerk, Local Accounting, Roanoke District



Mary, left, joins two members of her Sunday school of Villa Heights Baptist Church in fixing a basket for a needy family. With her are Mrs. H. E. Divers and Mrs. Allena Lowe.

threads that are interwoven into the seasonal tapestry we call Christmas Cheer.

MARGARET BAKER, Accounting, Hazard District (See Picture on Page 1)

As Christmas approaches, there appears a definite change in the people. Their cares and worries diminish and a cheerful feeling is prevalent everywhere. It seems these people are thinking, not of themselves, but of the Savior whose birth changed the world so much. They turn back the pages of time as they recall the greatest story ever told, in Luke 2:11, 12:

"For unto you is born this day in the city of David, a Savior, which is Christ the Lord. And this shall be a sign unto you; Ye shall find the babe wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger."

When people remember these glad tidings, their hearts are filled with awesome wonder of them, their faces are transfigured and cheerfulness spreads from one to another. Even the poorest individuals feel rich in the knowledge that the Savior is their friend and is always ready to help. They revel in the gladness that fills the air and they know there will be "Peace on earth, good will among men."

BERNIECE DETTINGER, Stenographer, Local Accounting, Charleston District



Selecting some cards for her friends, Berniece likes to send and receive expressions of Christmas cheer.

There must be something in the air at Christmas time that makes everybody so cheerful and happy. It could be the spirit of the Christ Child and the celebrating of His birthday, the bringing of gifts as the Wise Men gave gifts to the Christ Child many years ago. The giving of gifts is an old custom and a happy one.

We all get pleasure from giving, and when we are happy our cheery smiles and hellos help others to be happy, and the cheery feeling spreads until everybody is greeting each other with a merry Christmas wish, and we all have a better feeling toward each other.

It isn't hard for me to be cheerful at Christmas. I wish the Christmas spirit could last the whole year.

Foot-Path To Peace

To be glad of life, because it gives you the chance to love and to work and to play and to look up at the stars; to be satisfied with your possessions, but not contented with yourself until you have made the best of them; to despise nothing in the world except falsehood and meanness, and to fear nothing except cowardice; to be governed by your admirations rather than by your disgusts; to covet nothing that is your neighbor's except his kindness of heart and gentleness of manners; to think seldom of your enemies, often of your friends and every day of Christ; and to spend as much time as you can with body and spirit, in God's out-of-doors—these are little guideposts on the foot-path of peace.

—HENRY VAN DYKE

WILLIAM M. CARTER, Shift Supervisor, Radford Arsenal Plant



The Carter family gets ready for Christmas with some gift wrapping. Pat, Shirley and Billy lend willing hands to their parents.

The Christmas season to my family and me manifests many cheerful feelings that warm the heart and lift the spirit. I think the feeling that inspires us most at Christmas time is the joy and privilege of commemorating the Savior's birth in a country of freedom such as ours.

It is truly a time of tranquility and prayer, as we sincerely enjoy the association of family with friends and neighbors. And it brings us closer and gives us a greater understanding of "Peace on earth, good will to men."

GEORGE MORRISON, Groundman, Kingsport



This Kingsport employee is shown with a little friend with whom he shares Christmas cheer.

There are many things that account for the cheerful feeling during the Christmas season: the Yuletide music, which is the best ever written; the street and store decorations in Kingsport; seeing the colorful trees and outside decorations of the homes as you ride by in your car; the facial expressions of little children as they look in the store windows longing for the toys.

But the happiest moment for me during the holiday season is when I give dolls to several little girls who are very close friends of mine. Their happy smiles of gratitude are the best pay that can be received. Of course, the most important is the knowledge of the birth of Christ and what it means to us.

S. M. HAINOR, Mechanical Maintenance Helper, Logan Plant



The S. M. Hainor family finds plenty of interesting items in the store.

Here are five reasons why it is a must to start Christmas shopping early at our house: Lewis, 6, Ronnie, 10, Carol, 12, Sue, 15 and Peggy, 17. But this is what really makes Christmas Christmas.

On Christmas morning the children get out of bed (quite early) to look at what Santa has left under the tree. Then you see the sparkle in their eyes and hear them. That is when you are repaid for all you have gone without and corners you cut to give them this little bit of enjoyment. Of course, the spirit of Christmas is in children and from a religious standpoint, too.

Wishing you and yours a Merry Christmas.

Season Of Christmas

This is the season of Christmas,
The season of love and good will;
Of prayers for peace, and thankful living,
Of open hearts and glad forgiving,
Of children's laughter and church bells ringing,
Of family gatherings and carol singing,
This is the Christ-Child born again
At Christmas for us mortal men.

—V. AVERY

A. E. LEMONS, Dealer Sales Representative, Pulaski District



Lots of things call for second looks as A. E. Lemons takes his children, Bobby and Martha, on a shopping tour.

I believe the cheerful feeling most of us experience during the Christmas season is a composite of all the things we normally associate with Christmas—the birth of our Savior and the promise of eventual prevailing peace, the studied good behavior of not-so-long-ago mischievous children, the gaily wrapped packages with their oh! so mysterious contents, the friendly hellos from total strangers.

These are only part of the many emotional

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need to look at the present time—and that is the year 1975.”

Forecast For 1975

Mr. Sporn forecast for 1975—granted that the “present basic trends” continue—these exciting figures:

- a national population of over 200-million,
- gross national product of \$700-billion,
- average AGE residential consumption of 9,500 kwh,
- AGE industrial sales of 45-billion kwh,
- AGE residential sales of 22.5-billion kwh,
- total AGE sales of 83-billion kwh,
- AGE system input of 92-billion kwh,
- AGE system peak of 15-million kw,
- AGE generating capacity of 17-million kw, and
- operating revenues of over \$1-billion.

“On the average,” he said, “we are going to have to spend over the next 10 years well over \$100-million a year. The additional 12-million kw or so of capacity that we will be called upon to supply by 1975 will involve an expenditure of \$1.5-billion—only a fraction of the 20-year total additional investment of \$4-billion.”

Mr. Sporn said that increasing population, increasing industrial productivity—and with it enormous increases in the amount of power utilization, the all-electric home, and new industry, particularly chemical, electrochemical and electro-metallurgical operations, all will contribute greatly to this picture for 1975.

Progress And People

“In such a program,” he continued, “330,000-volt transmission and the additional high-voltage research necessary to supply a more solid basis for it; 400,000-kw generating units; atomic power; new steam cycles; new gas turbine cycles in combination with steam cycles—all these things—already are beginning to take their position both in the time scale and in the space scale.”

In his remarks at the conclusion of the Managers’ Meeting, Mr. Sporn paid tribute to the 12,800 people who plan, design, build, operate and maintain the AGE System. “We have a System with the greatest power generating system in the world without question, a marvelous transmission system—certainly the best in the United States—and I think we have a grand group of people. They are capable, imaginative and industrious, perhaps with their imperfections, but yet I do think they are the finest group of people in the utility industry.”

President Sporn Named To Chamber Committee

Philip Sporn, president of AGE and our companies, recently was appointed to the 1955-56 Committee on Commercial Use of Atomic Energy, U. S. Chamber of Commerce.

Among the other appointees to the 19-member committee are Alfred Iddles, president, Babcock & Wilcox Co.; Francis K. McCune, vice president and general manager, Atomic Products Division, General Electric Co., and Walter H. Zinn, director, Argonne National Laboratory.

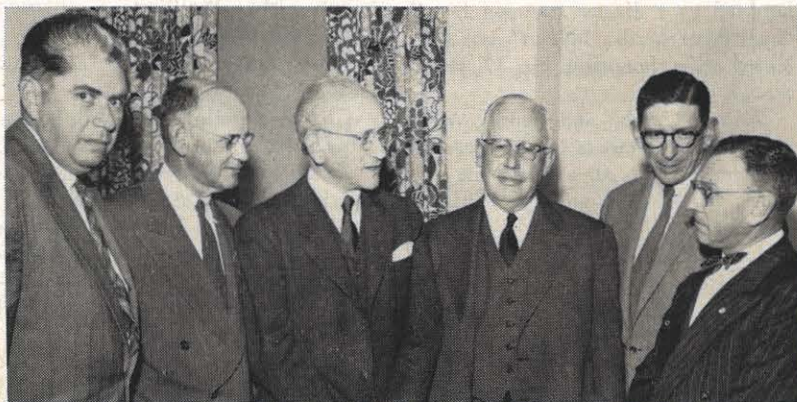
Helped Make Huntington Meeting A Success



Shown with President Philip Sporn, seated third from right, and Appalachian executives are employees who served on the committee for arrangements at the AGE Managers’ Meeting in Huntington. Seated from left: Helen Parks, Williamson district; J. C. Hansbarger, assistant Huntington division manager; S. R. Pritchard, Huntington district manager; G. L. Furr, Appalachian vice president and general manager; Mr. Sporn; H. D. Stillman, Huntington division manager, and June Davis. Second row from left: Alice Gilchrist, C. J. Akers, K. D. Moore, Genny Taylor, R. T. Hibner, Laura Gouldman, Paul Baker, C. A. Beatty and S. W. Mustaine, Jr. Third row from left: J. M. Scites, Paul C. Kelsey, R. D. Kuster, Carl L. Phillips, Ann Kennedy, Jim Wysong, Owen Minnich and Bill Langstaff.

Charleston Address

Kanawha Valley Future Is Bright Says Mr. Sporn At Chamber Meeting



Attending the Charleston Chamber of Commerce annual meeting where Philip Sporn, AGE president third from left, gave the principal address were, from left: Joe P. Gills, Charleston division manager; G. L. Furr, vice president and general manager; Mr. Sporn; M. C. Funk, vice president; R. E. Hodges, assistant general manager, and C. B. Talley, Charleston district manager.

Philip Sporn, in Appalachian territory for the AGE Managers’ Meeting, delivered an address at the annual meeting of the Charleston Chamber of Commerce on November 10. The president of AGE and of our companies spoke on “The Effect of Changing Patterns in Competitive Sources of Energy on the Industrial Growth and Development of the Kanawha Valley.”

In his opening remarks he credited

Gallon Club Pin Given C. H. Rhett, Pulaski

Charles H. Rhett, Pulaski district engineering aide, recently was presented his Gallon Club pin for giving eight pints of blood to the Red Cross.



Mr. Rhett

The 18-year company veteran is married and has four children. He is president of the Northwood School PTA, member of the Episcopal Church where he sings in the choir, member of the Chamber of Commerce and a Cub Scout leader.

Magazine Features Employee

The current issue of *Life at The Greenbrier*, publication of the Greenbrier Hotel, featured a picture of Sandra Waggy and her mother. Sandra, Charleston personnel clerk-stenographer, was “Miss West Virginia” for the “Miss Universe” pageant and spent a week at the hotel last summer as part of winning the state title.

Kanawha Valley industrial growth in the past 35 years to “character and quality of its people, climate, transportation, water, salt, coal, natural gas and electric power.” He then traced the importance of low-cost energy to the valley’s resources and the relationships of competing energy resources.

In conclusion he said: “There is every promise of the competitive position of coal-based energy coming into relatively more favorable position than has been the case for more than a decade. We have only to back up our optimism with hard work and enterprise to realize a solid, broad-based, further growth of industry, and the chemical industry in particular, in the Kanawha Valley. I believe that the industrial future that is open to us in this section can be one of almost boundless possibilities.”

Engineering Degree Is Earned By Pulaski Man

Warren F. Childers, Pulaski engineering aide, has received a degree in electrical engineering from the International Correspondence School.



Mr. Childers

An employee since January 1946, Warren attended Princeton University under the Army Service Training Program. He was discharged from service as a corporal in 1945.

Married, he attends the Christian Church, bowls and plays softball.

A. C. Hutton, Jr., To Head Red Cross

A. C. Hutton, Jr., was elected chapter chairman of the Red Cross at the annual meeting last month of the Washington County Chapter. He is area sales representative in the county in Abingdon district.



Mr. Hutton

He is a member of the Washington County Life Saving Crew, Abingdon Junior Chamber of Commerce and the Abingdon Baptist Church. Employed in the local accounting office in November 1947, he transferred to the residential and rural department in October 1955.

Formosans Taking Plant Course Point Out Unusual Facts About Their Country

“In Formosa, there is such a scarcity of electricity that no one has electrical appliances such as washers, dryers, refrigerators, freezers, air conditioners, fryers and so on. These items are considered luxurious.”

That was one of many facts garnered recently when two Formosan electrical engineers took a two-week course at Cabin Creek and Kanawha River plants. The two, Tsung-Shang Huang and Show-Shan Chen, were selected by the International Cooperation Administration to spend a year in the United States with various utilities and related industries learning things they could use to advantage on their return to Formosa.

Mr. Chen, who adopted the American name of Henry while here, and Mr. Huang, who chose the name of Power, are employees of the Taiwan Power Company, Taipei, Taiwan (Formosa). Mr. Chen is assistant plant manager of a 78,000-kw steam generating power plant and Mr. Huang is head of the generating division for the company which has a total capacity of 500,000 kw, of which approximately 30 per cent is steam power and 70 per cent hydroelectric. All the utilities in Taiwan are government-owned.

The two had this observation to make about Appalachian: “Of your company you have good coordination between departments, you have a much less number of employees than we have, and your preventive maintenance program is very successful. Your people are very kind and helpful; they are easy to contact. Your desire to constantly improve and make things better is very wonderful.” They went on to comment about their country: “We have had so many destructive wars and if we should have the peace you have, then we will become a great country too.”

The two also pointed out several interesting facts about their country. For instance:

- (1) An employee belongs to the company; he cannot quit the company. And the company cannot quit him except for good cause such as violation of national laws.
- (2) The office workers work from 8 until 12 and from 2 until 5:30, six days a week. The two-hour break at noon is for lunch and a nap.
- (3) Skilled labor rate is one dollar a day in American money or approximately 30 Chinese dollars.
- (4) Employees have two pay days a month—one is payment for work or their wages, and the other is rice pay. The amount of rice pay depends upon the worker’s age and the market price of rice. An employee who is 30 receives more pay than one



Recently completing a course at Cabin Creek and Kanawha River plants are these two electrical engineers from Formosa. Pictured are from left: Tsung-Shang Huang, C. G. Coughlin, Cabin Creek plant manager, and Show-Shan Chen.

25, and a 40-year-old worker is paid more in rice than the one who is 30. Their reasoning is that a man is presumed to be single until he is 30 and when he is 40 he is presumed to be married with a family.

(5) A person born in China has his first birthday when he is born. Therefore a child born in 1955 would celebrate his second birthday in 1956.

(6) The game of bridge is universal, for Mr. Huang knew and played the Culbertson, Blackwood and Goren systems.

Real Paint Job



Rollers help these Cabin Creek plant employees do a real paint job. They painted over 4,000 feet of 7-foot fencing in record time. G. W. Abshire, near side, and E. E. Crist, also of the labor department, used the rollers to cut painting time by 40 per cent. A third man touched up spots with a brush to complete the job.

Frier Heads S-D Day

Safe Driving Day in Abingdon was headed by Jack B. Frier, district personnel and safety supervisor. Appointed by the mayor, he also served as last year’s chairman.

Charleston Division

Philip Sporn Plant

Earl H. Keefer, chemist assistant, was recently elected vice president of the Mason County Parent-Teachers Council and named chairman of the membership committee.

Sympathy is extended Joseph Cullem, labor, on the death of his father, and Frank Titus, maintenance foreman, on the death of his father.

Donald C. Brown, chief chemist, recently attended a two-day meeting of the Water Conference of the Engineers Society of Western Pennsylvania in Pittsburgh.

James F. Gibson, maintenance helper, has returned to work after an illness, and Ferris Justice, maintenance man, has returned to work after recovering from an injury.

Kenneth Finley, plant accounting clerk, was committee chairman for the Pomeroy Jaycee "Voice Of Democracy" contest in Meigs County, Ohio.

Wyllis F. Davis, Jr., maintenance helper, returned to work after four years in the Air Force. He was a staff sergeant.

Beckley District

Jennings William Begley is a new Rainelle area line section employee.

Mrs. Billie Ann Sanford, Rainelle area home economist, has resigned.

Sympathy is extended Mrs. Parthenia Winner on the death of her mother.

Point Pleasant District

Delbert C. Miller, groundman, is a new Ripley line crew employee.

Recent blood donors include J. R. Ware, W. M. Pancake, W. F. Machir, P. H. Steenbergen, Jr., M. W. Scott, Mavis Jordan, C. W. Jewell, G. E. Roberts, L. C. Bias and J. R. Crump.

Mrs. F. H. Taylor, Jr., wife of the district power engineer, has recovered from a recent illness.

Kenneth Roush, son of Bernice Roush, secretary to the district manager, has recovered from injuries suffered in an automobile accident and returned to school.

J. L. Darby, agricultural engineer, has completed a series of classes for the Vocational Agricultural classes at the Buffalo, Wahama, Ravenswood, Ripley and Point Pleasant High Schools. The class covered electricity on the farm, electrical wiring and repair and use of electric motors.

J. L. Twitty, meter superintendent, was recently elected second vice president of the Point Pleasant Kiwanis Club. M. C. Clark, line and station supervisor, was elected to the board of directors.

Charleston District

New employees include: Arthur Dunn, North Charleston service building janitor; John Dolan, commercial sales representative; R. W. Sheaff, system meter; Pat Donnally, station section; Carol Blackburn, meter section; Tom Craft, line section; and Nellie Wenzel, Montgomery commercial.

Margaret Ann Taylor, summer accounting employee, has been elected junior queen of Marshall College home-coming activities.

Harry M. Silling, residential and rural sales supervisor, was one of 29 West Virginians invested with the



rank of Knight Commander of the Court of Honor of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite Masons. In addition, Mr. Silling has been named by the Electric League of Charleston as chairman of the nominating committee.

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Huntington Division

Logan District

Mr. and Mrs. M. A. White entertained the Gleaners Class of the Stollings Christian Church at their home Halloween. Mr. White is a lineman.

Ann Valley, daughter of T. F. Valley, local office manager, sang with a female barbershop quartet at a talent show at West Virginia University.

Janice Brumfield is a new accounting employee and Bruce Davidson, Jr., is a new line and station section employee.

Williamson District

Beverly Lowe, daughter of Ada J. Lowe, accounting, has been elected "best all-around" girl of the Williamson High School senior class.

M. A. Cole and H. A. Cross, Jr., commercial sales representatives in the Sprigg district, received cash prizes for appliances they sold during a Hotpoint contest set up for Kentucky Power Company.

Helen Parke, home economist, attended the annual convention of the Southwestern District, West Virginia Federation of Women's Clubs, junior department, at Point Pleasant as a delegate from the Tug Valley Junior Woman's Club. Miss Parke is chairman of the American home committee.

Employees who have returned to work after illnesses include Irene Kirchman, commercial; G. B. Trent, engineering; and G. H. Felty, line and station section.

W. F. Giles, district commercial manager, recently attended the annual meeting of the Laymen of the Southern Convocation of the Episcopal Church at Princeton.

Jeanette Murphy, a former commercial employee now living in Frankfort, Ky., visited the office recently.

Walter Holbrook, son of Woodrow Holbrook, district residential and rural sales supervisor, is recuperating at home after a recent operation.

Huntington District

Mrs. C. C. Sullivan, system billing, is a member of the fine arts committee of the junior department of the Barboursville Woman's Club which was in charge of the November meeting in the Huntington Galleries.

Sympathy is extended Mrs. Margaret F. Dial, system billing, on the death of her brother, and Mrs. Reba H. Hanshaw on the death of her father.

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Kentucky

Ashland District

Ralph Evick, Jr., and his parents were recently honored by the commercial department employees and families. Ralph, 19 months old, was recently adopted by the Evicks. Mr. Evick is power sales engineer. The youth was showered with gifts.

Hazard District

Newton Mooney, station employee who retired in November, was honored by a dinner attended by all department heads. "Newt" was presented gifts honoring his 37 years' service.

Walter Combs and family were honored by members of the accounting department at a party in the office. Mr. Combs, going to Ashland, was given a gift.

Jesse Payne, T&D, has returned to work after a recent illness.

David Begley and Kenny Brashear are back with the commercial department after four years in the Navy.

Pikeville District

The K. P. O. Girls Club held its annual Thanksgiving banquet at a recent club meeting.

Bluefield Division

Pulaski District

Carl G. Powers, Wytheville T&D clerk, has returned to work after being hospitalized by a heart attack, and W. M. Gilmore, Christiansburg groundman, has returned after being hospitalized.

Mrs. W. F. Stoots, wife of the Byllesby operator, is recuperating from recent surgery.

J. B. Brillheart, Jr., engineering, has been elevated to vice president of the Pulaski Junior Chamber of Commerce.

Glen Lyn Plant

W. M. Woodyard represented the Midway Community of Giles County at a recent Roanoke meeting in connection with community improvement.

George L. Evans has completed engineering training and is now a permanent employee.

Visitors at the plant during the month include retired employees A. P. Whitt, J. C. Neely and G. C. Johnston.

Abingdon District

Recent blood donors include Maebelle Grace, Virginia Lester, Barbara Connelly, H. S. Fogleman, W. L. Smythers, A. C. Hutton, Jr., D. C. Landreth and Paul S. Dunn.

Sympathy is extended Verlin Parris, transportation, on the death of his father.

Henry M. Jones, lineman, has returned to work after an operation.

Claud K. Kirkland, district manager, chairman of the Central School Board, spoke on the school system of Washington County at a town hall meeting.

Bluefield District

Employees resigning include Harry Bradshaw, janitor; Jack Wisor, meterman; Mrs. Zeldia Robinette, commercial; and Mrs. Ernestine Foresman, division commercial.

Sympathy is extended S. E. Porter, engineering, on the death of his grandfather, and Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Wellford, Jr., on the death of her father. Mr. Wellford is division supervising engineer.

James Donald Haynes is a new accounting employee.

Charles R. Minton, payroll, has returned after a tour of military service.

C. C. Yost, meter serviceman, has returned to work after an illness.

Mrs. Lois K. Rounion, division commercial, attended the Southeastern District Convention of the National Secretaries Association in Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

The Bramwell High School home economics girls recently prepared and ate their lunch in one of the front display windows of the Bluefield office in connection with National Education Week.

Welch District

William B. Belchee, power sales engineer, played the part of Senator Savage in the recent Footlighters Club presentation of "The Curious Savage" before Welch and War audiences.

Mrs. William R. Clarke was recently honored with a miscellaneous bridal shower in the Grundy community room. Mrs. T. P. Lockhart, Jr., Mrs. Thomas Belcher, Lovis Mitchell and Guineine Mitchell were hostesses.

Employees participating in the Veterans Day parade and program were Dick Jones, Jerry Clements, Otho J. Bragg and W. C. Groseclose.

Sympathy is extended Mr. and Mrs. Carl Peery on the death of her sister.

R. H. Ruff, power sales engineer, was recently elected secretary-treasurer of the newly formed Tri-County Officials Association. The group will give instructions to football, basketball and baseball officials of Mercer, McDowell and Wyoming Counties.

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Kingsport

Rebecca Lee, home economist, recently attended the Southeastern Home Service Conference, Edison Electric Institute in Atlanta, Ga. She also attended the Georgia Power Company Home Service Workshop.

George W. Gott, meter section, has returned to work after an illness, and Herbert H. Benton, line section, has returned after an operation.

Clarence C. Potts is a new station section employee.

Roanoke Division

Lynchburg District

Returning to work after extended illnesses were L. D. Wright, meter serviceman; Warren T. Sublett, collector; and F. D. Giles, Jr., credit manager.

New employees are Harry P. Ewers, Jr., office messenger; Billy R. Lemar, groundman; Richard H. Martin, Jr., area sales representative; Charlie H. Lumsden, junior contract entry and final bill clerk; and Anne W. Hale, cash poster.

A. A. Ferguson, senior T&D clerk, has resigned.

Sympathy is extended Elmer T. Johnson, power sales engineer, on the death of his mother.

M. E. Campbell, groundman, is scoutmaster for the newly organized troop at Sandidges.

Three employees were re-elected to offices in the Lynbuck Hunt Club. J. T. Hill, Jr., R/w agent, was re-named vice president; H. M. T. Garrison, meter reader, was re-elected secretary; and Ben C. Cook, material clerk, was re-named treasurer.

Fieldale District

Betty Baker, commercial, was initiated into the Bassett Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi Sorority. She will serve as chairman of the ways and means committee for the coming year.

Recent blood donors include W. G. Gourley, Earl Joyce, W. R. Naff and Michael Pitches.

Melvin Brown, local office manager, recently won the Bassett Country Club golf championship.

Virginia Hancock, home economist, was a member of the judging team of the area community improvement contest.

System

Frances Q. Chittum was honored with a china and linen shower recently. Hostesses were Jane Roberts, Virginia Phillips, Lindell Littrell, Eileen Montgomery and Guyda Hall.

Sympathy is extended Ruby Weddington, accounting, on the death of her aunt, and Donna Young, accounting, on the death of her grandmother.

Phyllis Howell, accounting, has returned to work after an operation, and Frances Whitlock, accounting, has returned after an illness.

Elizabeth Dillon, system station stenographer, is recuperating after surgery in the Retreat Hospital in Richmond.

About 140 attended the Tri Fori Club dinner-dance at Dixie Caverns on November 18. Winner of the grand prize, a radio, in bingo was James Kidd, husband of Jeanette of system safety. Prince Thornton was party chairman, assisted by Jewell Woolridge, Jeanette Kidd, Mary Hall, Edith Nickell and Arch Gravely, Jr.

Roanoke District

Returning to work after recent illnesses were Mary Lou Wirt, cashier; G. C. Likens and R. E. Barkley, line department; J. G. Hunt, Jr., area sales representative; Henry Altieri, general utility man; and R. A. Shelton, Rocky Mount meter reader.

Oden Dooley, husband of Mrs. Victoria Dooley, local accounting, has returned home from the hospital.

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Open House Held At New Marion Office

Open house was held November 18 at the new Marion office in the Pulaski district. About 1,200 people toured the building which serves the Marion and Smyth County area.

Employees were guides and explained features to the visitors. The office on Broad Street is about 90 feet wide and 97 feet deep.

Especially interesting to the guests were the 200-seat auditorium for use by civic and charitable groups, the demonstration and commercial kitchens, the all-electric heat pump units which will furnish year-round air conditioning and displays.

Supervising arrangements for the open house were J. S. Sutphin, local area supervisor; Shirley Miller, local accounting office supervisor; Fred Poe, rural area representative, and Ellen Bell, home economist. C. N. Robin-



Marion office on Broad Street, one of the modern buildings in the city, was toured by the public at open house on November 18.

son and J. L. Marshall, Jr., of the Pulaski office explained heat pump operation and A. E. Lemons, also from the Pulaski office, did an on-the-spot radio broadcast over WMEV,

Marion radio station.

An employee open house for employees was held the night before the public open house with employees' families as guests.



Marion office employees who served as guides for the open house are pictured in the auditorium. Front row from left: J. G. Leonard, S. R. Moser, Rosenell Rymer, Ann S. Poe, Shirley R. Miller, Annie E. Francis, J. S. Sutphin,

Nancy C. Bogle and Ellen K. Bell. Back row from left: C. B. Sharpe, W. B. McGlothlin, J. G. Butts, J. J. Cassell, W. C. Mitchell, E. E. Fanning, W. M. Haulsee, William Barker, Fred R. Poe and W. B. McGlothlin, Jr.

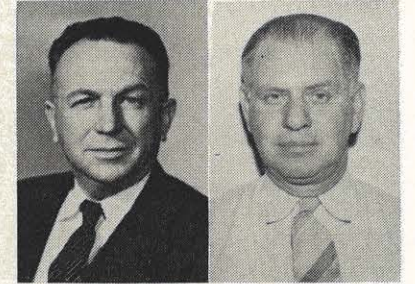
Early Christmas

Christmas came early for the children of Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Harlow. The AGE auditor working in Williamson and his wife won a miniature automobile on a chance given by a Huntington auto dealer.

The car that brought such joy to their children runs on a battery and will go up to 5 miles per hour. About 5 feet long, it seats one adult or two children. Luckily their Huntington apartment has a basement that now serves as a garage.

From Our Area

Three Articles In 'Operating Notes'



Mr. Carter

Mr. Scarlett

Articles from Kingsport, Philip Sporn plant and Bluefield system were featured in the November issue of AGE's *Monthly Operating Notes*.

William H. King, Philip Sporn plant results department employee, contributed "H. P. Manifold Speeds Calibration of Excess-Air Analyzers." The article described a simple manifold which effected considerable saving in manhours required to calibrate Bailey oxygen or excess-air analyzers. The manifold also prevents wear of threads on gas bottles and fittings.



Mr. King

W. Price Carter, system transmission line superintendent in Bluefield wrote "Time-Saving Reel-Lift", which described a reel-lift designed to enable a small force of workmen to load or unload cable reels by using the same truck for loading and hauling.

"Steam Jacket Reclaims Potheads At \$16 Each" was contributed by R. C. Scarlett, Kingsport station supervisor. The steam jacket is used to reduce the cost of reclaiming terminal potheads of lead cables replaced while building a distribution station by draining the compound.

Electric Heating Put On Map In Williamson

Electric house heating has been put on the map in Williamson.

M. A. Cole, commercial sales representative, originated the idea of using a large district map with ribbons pinned to the location of the electrically heated homes and running to photos of the actual house. The caption under the photos show owner's name, address and type units.

Huntington . . .

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New employees include Marjorie A. Toney, Kathleen Simmons, Eulah M. Harless, Ronald W. Stiltner and LaVeeta E. Peters.

Employees resigning include Michael Fotos, engineering section; D. B. Dawson, line section; and Mrs. Leah C. Wagner, accounting.

Nancy Jo Bunn attended the recent Pittsburgh-West Virginia football game in Pittsburgh. Nancy's husband, Gary, is left end for the Mountaineers.

Mr. and Mrs. Ross Fulks, who are moving to Lakeland, Fla., were honored at a recent reception at the Beverly Hills Methodist Church in Huntington. He is retired substation foreman.

June Davis, accounting, is president of the Faithful Workers class which just celebrated its fiftieth anniversary. The class presented its church, Central Christian, with a silver tea service.

Welch . . .

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Lia Pais, home economist, was the guest speaker at the Bramwell High School PTA meeting recently. She spoke on home lighting.

W. C. Sexton, Switchback station man, has returned to work after an illness.

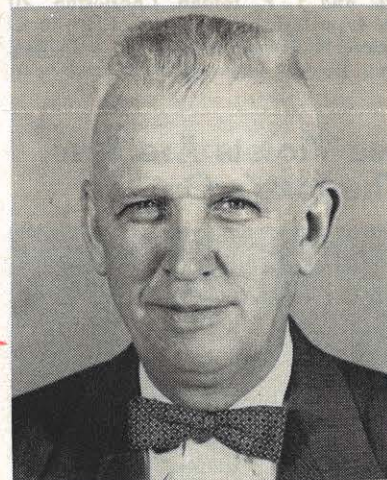
Mary Ellen Lanter is a new accounting employee.

Irma Lane has resigned as credit and collection clerk.

Charleston Article In 'World'

An article by C. B. Talley, Charleston district manager, and George W. Unangst, meter supervisor, was carried in the November 14th issue of *Electrical World*. The article was entitled "Field Test Kw/hr Meters and Save 30 Cents Each."

E. S. Brown Gets 40-Year Pin



Mr. Brown

E. S. Brown, Charleston district electrical engineer, observed his fortieth year with the company November 1.

He began his employment with the old Virginian Power Company as water boy for a line crew in 1915. He served with the Second Division of the Marine Corps and saw front-line action during World War I. When he returned he became assistant storekeeper and in 1933 moved up to radio interference man. He worked as radio engineer and carrier current engineer until 1940 when he entered the Navy as a lieutenant. He came out in 1945 as a lieutenant commander and rejoined the company as an engineer. He became an electrical engineer September 16, 1954.

Mr. Brown is a past president of the Cabin Creek Rotary Club, past master of the Chelyan Masonic Lodge, a 32-Degree Mason and Shriner, past Chef 'de Geare of the 40 & 8 of the American Legion and a member of the Army and Navy Club. He also has served as past post, district and state vice commander of the American Legion. An active member of the Naval Reserve, he is commanding officer of a South Charleston company. Mr. Brown is married and has one son who is working in Java.

Your Reporters Behind The News

Roanoke Division

Fieldale District

MRS. BETTY ROMERO, correspondent; J. W. WRIGHT, JR., local accounting; BETTY J. BAKER, commercial; VIRGINIA MULLINS, transportation and distribution; NANCY KITTS, meter; ALVIN HUNDLEY, stores.

Lynchburg District

L. R. HUDSON, correspondent; HAZEL B. BELL, local accounting; VIRGINIA G. DEANER, commercial; G. W. STONE, JR., stores; W. R. WORLEY, Reusens hydro station; J. O. FRANKLIN, T&D meter section; JEANETTE T. ALMOND, T&D engineering; E. L. BAKER, E. B. PINKARD, J. H. WARD, R. C. REYNOLDS, and KAY V. HUDSON, T&D line and station section.

Roanoke District

IRA B. PETERS, correspondent; BERTHA BALDWIN and MRS. MARION BRATTON, local accounting; ANITA MOOMAW, P. A. HARTMAN, MRS. CATHERINE SWAIN, MARGARET ANN SMITH and MRS. JEAN CASSELL, commercial; DIANA BOHON, division engineering; MRS. VIRGINIA AYERS and FRANCES THURMAN, T&D engineering section; MRS. LOIS GORDON, T&D meter section; A. L. STEBAR, T&D line and station section; ELMER HAGA, stores; MRS. PEGGY EDWARDS, Rocky Mount; MARY SPANGLER, division managerial and payroll; S. S. SNIDOW, transportation.

'Coal By Wire' Float Highlights Parade



One of the floats in the Williamson "Old Fashioned Bargain Days" parade was this Williamson district one, using the "Coal By Wire" theme. A service runs from a lump of coal weighing 300 pounds to a pole to a house on the front of the float. The float was planned and constructed by the commercial department and station crew.

National Award Presented Mr. Sporn



Philip Sporn, center, president of AGE and our companies, receives the John Fritz Medal at Chicago on November 17. He is being congratulated by Titus G. LeClair, engineering assistant to the vice president of Commonwealth Edison Company, Chicago, and chairman of the John Fritz Medal Board of Award. Watching is Glenn B. Warren, vice president of General Electric Company who assisted in the presentation. The Fritz Medal, one of the highest honors bestowed by the engineering world, is sponsored by four professional societies. They are the American Society of Mechanical Engineers, American Institute of Electrical Engineers, American Society of Civil Engineers and American Institute of Mining and Metallurgical Engineers. The citation read: "distinguished engineer, pioneer in utility engineering practice, eminent executive, and human administrator."

Veterans Receive Service Emblems



Veterans among employees who have received pins for 20 or more years' service in recent weeks are pictured above. TOP ROW from left, all 30 years: Robert L. Widner, Logan district; Katherine M. Matthews, system; B. P. Gibson, Roanoke; and G. S. Dunn, system. MIDDLE ROW from left: Harold I. Simmons, Huntington, 25 years; R.

T. Adams, Roanoke, 25 years; W. B. Abele, Kanawha River plant, 20 years; and T. F. Jordan, Charleston, 20 years. BOTTOM ROW from left, all 20 years: J. R. Beckett, Logan plant; Thelma H. Hiner, system; H. J. Collins, Logan district; Hursten Swiney, Logan district; and J. A. Ebeling, system.



Appalachian Electric Power Company

- Abingdon District**—10 YEARS: R. R. GREGORY, meter serviceman; 5 YEARS: HAROLD PARKS, lineman.
- Beckley District**—10 YEARS: P. P. HANCOCK, area serviceman.
- Bluefield District**—10 YEARS: C. E. BLANKENSHIP, Princeton meter serviceman; R. H. STOWERS, station man.
- Cabin Creek Plant**—15 YEARS: T. A. GRAHAM, boiler maintenance man.
- Charleston District**—40 YEARS: E. S. BROWN, electrical engineer; 20 YEARS: T. F. JORDAN, lineman; 10 YEARS: E. D. DAHMER, meterman; E. O. DAVIS, meterman; C. L. WILKINSON, lineman; K. P. McCOY, lineman; D. G. McCALLISTER, truck driver-groundman.
- Fieldale District**—5 YEARS: JACK BURNETTE, district commercial manager; PAUL BYRUM, power sales engineer.
- Huntington District**—25 YEARS: HAROLD I. SIMMONS, meter serviceman; 15 YEARS: L. M. SMITH, station man; 10 YEARS: HOMER C. SMITH, meter serviceman; 5 YEARS: ALICE D. GILCHRIST, accounting; CHARLES D. JACKSON, meter reader.
- Kanawha River Plant**—20 YEARS: W. B. ABELE, chief chemist.
- Logan District**—30 YEARS: R. L. WIDNER, truck driver-groundman; 20 YEARS: H. J. COLLINS, district personnel supervisor; HURSTEN SWINEY, working foreman; 10 YEARS: C. E. YEAGER, engineering aide; 5 YEARS: N. G. BALL, meter reader; LOLA BRUMFIELD, junior T&D clerk.
- Logan Plant**—20 YEARS: J. R. BECKETT, auxiliary equipment operator; 10 YEARS: L. H. McDONALD, mechanical maintenance man; 5 YEARS: B. C. FERRELL, electrical maintenance helper.
- Lynchburg District**—10 YEARS: JOE F. WILSON, JR., engineering aide.
- Point Pleasant District**—10 YEARS: R. R. ROUSH, appliance serviceman.
- Pulaski District**—10 YEARS: B. B. McCALL, electrical engineer; C. N. ROBINSON, dealer sales representative; P. T. GRESS, meterman.
- Roanoke District**—30 YEARS: B. P. GIBSON, line foreman; 25 YEARS: R. T. ADAMS, working foreman; 10 YEARS: R. E. BARKLEY, truck driver-groundman; C. E. MOORE, commercial sales representative; J. M. PECK, JR., area sales representative; 5 YEARS: DIANA K. BOHON, division T&D clerk-typist.
- Philip Sporn Plant**—5 YEARS: WILLIAM F. FRY, maintenance man; CECIL A. SMITH, maintenance man.
- System**—30 YEARS: KATHERINE M. MATTHEWS, head material accounting clerk; G. S. DUNN, public relations director; 20 YEARS: THELMA H. HINER, senior billing machine operator; J. A. EBELING, system supervising engineer; 15 YEARS: E. W. WOODY, system supervising control engineer; 10 YEARS: HELEN E. OVERSTREET, junior work order cost clerk; 5 YEARS: R. E. MARTIN, system operating clerk; W. S. WOOD, JR., system relay engineer; CLYDE E. BISHOP, JR., Radford Arsenal plant turbine operator.
- Williamson District**—10 YEARS: H. A. CROSS, JR., commercial sales representative; E. J. CLOUSER, district personnel supervisor; 5 YEARS: LEE COMPTON, groundman.
- Welch District**—10 YEARS: FRED ADAMS, line inspector.

Logan Father And Son Are Honored



Mr. Roomy David Roomy

Several honors recently came to the Roomys, father and son. Nicholas Roomy, Jr., Logan district assistant local office manager, was elected president of the Logan Kiwanis Club. His 16-year-old son, David, was named head of the West Virginia Christian Youth Fellowship at a convention in Beckley. A high school junior, David also won the county-wide sixth annual Voice of Democracy contest sponsored by the Logan Jaycees, Radio Station WLOG and the National Association of Radio and Television Broadcasting. He will go to the state contest. Mr. Roomy rose from the Kiwanis vice presidency. He has also been active with the churches committee. He recently appeared as guest speaker at a meeting of the Chapmanville High School Key Club and is an active Scout worker. He joined the company December 1938.

David belongs to one of 38 local Christian Youth Fellowship groups in the state and represented West Virginia in August at the International CYF convention in Bloomington, Indiana. An Eagle Scout, he has received the God and Country Award.

The Roses Are Red, Those Violets Are Blue, But If You Sniff Them, The Joke's On You

Chances are the roses Mrs. W. C. Sexton has in her Bramwell home don't have an odor. Visitors often have been fooled by her realistic artificial flowers. The mother of three sons and wife of the station man at Switchback in the Welch district makes her flowers out of a special material which is a kind of wool fibre. If her flowers "wilt" or become mashed, she puts them in the refrigerator where they regain their shape. Although she just started her hobby this year, she has made over 12 dozen roses and carnations, 13 corsages, one tree of apple blossoms and several other kinds in smaller numbers. She adopted the idea from her mother who lives in Rhode Island and who sends her the material.



The corsages at left, carnations in the center and roses at right are just a few of many artificial flowers Mrs. W. C. Sexton has made.

Costumes Highlight Williamson Party



All dressed up with somewhere to go are these Williamson district Girl's Club members and guests. These costumes were seen at the annual Halloween party in the company auditorium. Shown are front row from left: Alberta DeWese, Hazel Farris, Lila Thurston, Jim Thurston (who won prize for funniest costume), Dorothy Riggins, Myrtle Bevins (who won prize for most unusual costume), and Lila Clouser. Back row from left: Russell Shelton, Frances Keadle, Betty Wilson, Dick Wilson, Jason Riggins and Helen Parke.

Kentucky Power Company

- Ashland District**—15 YEARS: FERN R. GESLING, assistant payroll supervisor; 10 YEARS: WALTER S. VENTERS, meter serviceman; CARL D. HOPSON, engineering aide; WILLIE C. CONLEY, lineman; 5 YEARS: JOHN T. CORNETTE, groundman.
- Hazard District**—15 YEARS: C. A. McKINNEY, T&D; 10 YEARS: CRUSOE HOLLIDAY, T&D; EARNEST PENNINGTON, T&D; CHALMERS CORNETT, commercial; 5 YEARS: LEWIS CRAFT, commercial.
- Pikeville District**—10 YEARS: JESS COLLIER, lineman; CHARLES CAMPBELL, general serviceman.

Kingsport Utilities, Inc.

- 15 YEARS: PHILIP S. NELSON, appliance serviceman; 5 YEARS: WAYNE MATTHEWS, collector; JAMES R. MURDOCK, station man helper.

Some Winners At Bluefield Halloween Party



Winners in the couples contest at the Bluefield Halloween party from left are: "Buster" and Judy Johnson, Pauline Bowman, Norma Jean Longanacre, and Neel and Iris Rich. Individual winners were Lloyd B. Lee, Helen Sue Spangler, Elsie Heifner and Ann Williams.

Electric Guitar

Hobby And Work Tied Together By Williamson Man



Red Williams shows his electric guitar he made from old radio parts with the help of a fellow employee in the Williamson district.

R. T. Williams went "all-electric" with his hobby. He took his old guitar and made it into an electric one.

Red, Williamson district station man, had the guitar which cost him \$9 about 12 years ago. Last Christmas his wife gave him a good one, replacing the old one.

Then he decided to make the old one into an electric guitar which he had wanted. He first sanded and varnished it. From an old radio he took the speaker, transformer, and the volume control. He installed these in the guitar.

After this he decided he needed an amplifier. He went to Leonard Justice, meterman, who knows radio work. Together they took another old radio and disconnected the IF section, installed a jack on the base of the radio and used the audio stages of the radio.

Now Red has an electric guitar which cost nothing but the parts of an old radio. The hobbyist is married and has two daughters.

Over 14,000 Stamps Are Given In Sales Contest

Five all-electric homes, 42 water heaters and many other appliances were sold during a recent sales promotion contest in Williamson district.

Employees were given over 14,000 S&H Green Stamps for turning in prospects resulting in sales during the contest. Ira Conn, meter section, received the most stamps for prospects and V. A. Harris, area serviceman, was runner-up.

Bright Future For Industry Seen By G. L. Furr At Forum

A bright economic future for industry was predicted by G. L. Furr before a group of over 150 industrial leaders recently.

Mr. Furr, vice president and general manager of Appalachian, was the keynote speaker at the Industrial Productivity Forum November 7 at the Roanoke Country Club. The all-day meeting was attended by industrial leaders from the Roanoke and Bluefield division areas and was jointly sponsored by Appalachian and General Electric. The meeting also featured a talk by R. E. Hodges, Appalachian assistant general manager. B. D. Painter, industrial commercial sales supervisor, was general chairman of the forum.

Mr. Furr pointed out that at the present rate the country's population by 1964 will be 184 million people. This means, according to Mr. Furr, that production will also have to increase at a high rate because "we can expect a corresponding increase in demand for almost everything, and this demand can be met only by expanding mechanization and complete electrification."

Mr. Hodges described plans of Appalachian to provide vital electricity as industry continues to expand. Ten GE engineers discussed different aspects of production.

Roanoke Girl Tapped By Honorary Society

Molly Ann Harvey has been tapped by Alpha Kappa Gamma, national honorary society standing for leadership in community service.



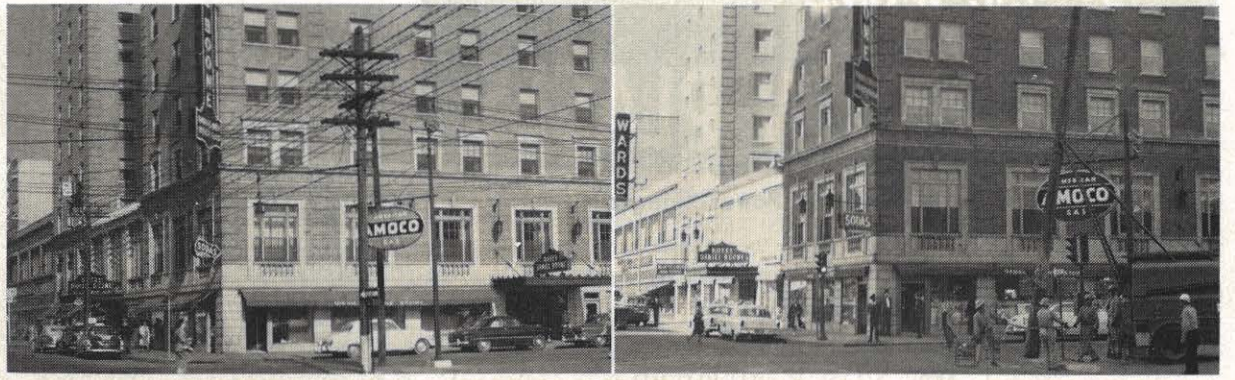
Molly Ann Harvey

The daughter of J. G. Harvey, Roanoke division personnel supervisor, is a senior at Longwood College. She has worked for four summers in the system personnel department.

Eligibility requirements for Alpha Kappa Gamma include fine character, conscientious service to the college and recognized leadership on campus.

Molly Ann is co-editor of The Colonnade, song chairman of the senior class, vice president of Alpha Sigma Tau social society, figure leader of the Cotillion Club, member of Phi Delta Epsilon literary fraternity and a member of the student standards committee.

Charleston Underground Program Finished



Charleston before and after the underground wiring program is shown in these two typical photos taken across from the Daniel Boone Hotel. At left is the corner of Capitol and Washington Streets before the wires were taken down. At right the last wooden pole comes down

at the same corner to complete the underground wiring program. Crew members from left are Basil Thaxton, "Bus" Shaffer, Everett Reed, C. B. Badger and foreman Mike Shafer in white hat.

End of the underground wiring program in downtown Charleston drew to a close last month with the removal of the last overhead power lines. The 3½-year project cost about \$2½ million and brought the city a modern power system capable of delivering up to four times the present electrical demand.

The overhead cables were replaced by underground duct and transformer rooms capable of handling 50,000 kilowatts. New street lights giving greater illumination also were installed in the modernization program.

Last wooden pole to be removed was at the northeast corner of Capi-

itol and Washington Streets, across from the Daniel Boone Hotel. This virtually ended the work started May 22, 1952.

The new transformers placed in the vaults are completely automatic. If a unit shuts off another picks up the load.

Many Christmas Party Plans Announced

Plans are underway throughout the Southern Properties for annual Christmas parties. Here is a brief roundup of activities in various locations.

Ashland: The children's party will be held the afternoon of December 15 in the company auditorium. The following day each department will have dinner parties for employees and their wives or husbands.

Hazard: The annual employees' party will be held December 16 at 6:30 p. m. in the company auditorium. A dinner, bingo and an evening of dancing to music provided by employees is planned. At 2 p. m. on December 17 the children's party will be held in the auditorium. Movies and gifts from Santa are highlights.

Pikeville: Dinner for employees' party will be served by departments at selected restaurants at 7 p. m. on December 16. At 8 p. m. all employees and guests will gather in the main office building for the following festivities: group singing, entertainment, door prize, bingo, games and dancing. December 17 at 2 p. m. the main office building will be the scene for the Kiddies' Party with movies and treats from Santa.

Kingsport: Employees' Christmas dinner party will be held December 16 in the auditorium where the following day the children will attend their party featuring Santa, amateur program and refreshments. December 27 a teen-age holiday party will feature folk dances and games.

Huntington: A dinner will be held December 9 at 7 p. m. at Hotel Prichard. Dancing will be from 9 to 12 in the new office building auditorium. A color movie and Santa are scheduled for the children's party December 17 from 2 to 4 in the auditorium.

Williamson: Dinner at the Mountaineer Hotel on December 16, starting at 7 p. m., will be followed by dancing, bingo and other entertainment at the office. Santa and a movie will entertain children in the auditorium at 2 p. m. on December 17.

Bluefield: Dinner is served at 7 followed by a program and dancing from 10 to 2 at the West Virginian Hotel on December 16. About 450 employees and guests are expected.

Welch: Welch, Pineville, Coalwood and Keystone employees and guests will have a dinner in Welch on December 22 with a party for this group's children held in the Welch

Community Room on December 17. Pocahontas and Switchback employees and guests will have their annual dinner jointly at Bramwell on December 21 with the children's party at Switchback that afternoon. Grundy employees and guests will attend a party December 16 in Grundy with the Grundy children's party held the next day.

Abingdon: The employee party will be held December 16 at the Abingdon office, starting at 6:30 p. m. Children's parties are scheduled for 3 p. m. as follows: Abingdon office, December 19; Clintwood office, December 20; Gate City office, December 21, and Lebanon office, December 22.

Roanoke-System: Party for white employees will be held at Hotel Roanoke on December 16 at 8 p. m. A program, bingo and a dance until 1 a. m. are scheduled with committee chairmen T. C. Smith, T. R. Carlton and R. M. Thomas making arrangements. Parties for children of white employees will be held December 20 in the afternoon in the auditorium. Colored employees will have a party at Hotel Dumas on December 17 at 8 p. m., highlighting a program, dinner and dance. Their children will be treated to movies and Santa at their party in the afternoon of December 17 at the Orange Avenue YWCA. In charge of arrangements are Elizabeth Sydnor, Catherine Swain and Laura Clair.

Fieldale: The Hut Restaurant in Martinsville is the location for the dinner-dance for employees and guests. It starts at 7:30 p. m. Betty Romero is chairman with the following committee chairmen making arrangements: Lewis Ingram, Gladys Walker, Alonzo Beheler and Virginia Hancock.

Lynchburg: Oak Wood Country Club is the site for the dinner-dance on December 17, starting at 6:30. Music will be furnished by the Darrin O'Brien Orchestra. Colored employees will begin their party at 7 p. m. on December 17 at the Elks Rest. Dinner, entertainment and prizes are planned.

Charleston: A dinner, special variety show, door prizes and dancing to the Lamplighters are planned for the adult party December 16 at the Shrine Mosque. The children's party will be held at the State Theatre at 10 a. m. December 10 when movies are scheduled and Santa will appear through arrangement of Bob Austin, Montgomery office.

Beckley: Dinner at 7 p. m. will be followed by employee entertainment and dancing to Lloyd Neely's Orchestra on December 9 at the Beckley Moose Club. Children are slated for movies and gifts from Santa on December 17 at 10 a. m. at the Moose Club.

Point Pleasant: The Moose Club is the setting December 16 for the dinner to be followed by dancing. Entertainment for employees and guests will be provided. The children's party will be held December 20, 7 p. m., at the Episcopal Church Parish House.

Cabin Creek Plant: The children's party will be held at the Brown Theatre on December 17 at 10 a. m.

Kanawha River Plant: A dinner-dance will be held at The Mountaineer at Belle on December 9, starting at 6:30 p. m. The children's party will be held at the Palmer Theatre at Cedar Grove on December 17 at 2 p. m. when movies and gifts from Santa will be the main attractions.

Glen Lyn Plant: Plans are underway with a committee making arrangements. Members are J. E. Thompson, J. O. Heslep, J. C. Hare, H. L. Nester, Ruth M. Thompson and R. B. Comer.

Philip Sporn Plant: The children's party will be held December 17 at the Haven Theatre. A movie will be shown and presents given by Santa.

New Line Foreman Named In Roanoke

D. R. Hunt has been promoted to Roanoke district line foreman. He rises to the position from lineman and succeeds R. G. Amos, who retired November 1.



Mr. Hunt

Before joining Appalachian in 1936 Mr. Hunt was with the Norfolk and Western Railway as a section hand and carpenter. He came with the company as a groundman and was promoted to lineman August 1, 1938.

Mr. Hunt is a member of the Brook Hill Community Church, where he is a deacon and past superintendent of the Sunday School. He and Mrs. Hunt have six children.

Logan Lifesaver Honored



The American Red Cross last month honored Robert Larry Goff, Logan district meter reader, for saving a life. Mr. Goff, second from left, receives the Certificate of Merit from William H. Honaker, chairman of the safety services committee of the Logan Red Cross Chapter and Logan district line and station supervisor. Mrs. W. T. Reed, whose life Mr. Goff saved, is at left and her husband at right. Mrs. Reed's automobile skidded on an icy road last December and plunged into the Guyandotte River. She was trapped in the car and Mr. Goff dove into the icy waters to pull her to safety. A story on the rescue appeared in the January 1955 issue of "The Illuminator." Mr. Goff has been an employee since August 1948, serving in the Navy from October 1950 to August 1954.

Familiar Faces IN NEW PLACES

Appalachian Electric Power Company

Bluefield District

MRS. PAULINE BOWMAN from junior clerk, accounting, to clerk-typist, division T&D; W. W. MUNSEY from station man B to station operator B; WILLIAM A. PERDUE from office messenger to clerk-typist, accounting; NORMA JEAN LONGANACRE from junior bookkeeper to junior petty cash clerk; MRS. NEVA F. SHEPHERD from junior cashier to senior cashier, Princeton; HARRY L. BUSTON from junior clerk, accounting, to material clerk, stores.

Charleston District

GEORGE WATKINS from janitor, system meter, to janitor, miscellaneous section; K. C. MORRIS from Charleston T&D clerk to Point Pleasant clerk.

Huntington District

REBA H. HANSHAW from senior billing machine operator to control clerk.

Logan District

RUBY J. WALLS from junior cashier to junior meter clerk.

Lynchburg District

MASSIE T. HOWARD from appliance serviceman B to appliance serviceman A.

Point Pleasant District

B. N. THOMAS from area sales representative to dealer sales representative.

Roanoke District

RONALD B. CREASEY from office messenger to contract clerk; O. B. MURPHY from appliance serviceman B to appliance serviceman A; J. L. McMANAWAY from lineman B to lineman A; B. T. HARTWELL from truck driver-groundman to lineman C.

Philip Sporn Plant

MARVIN G. BURT from maintenance man to master maintenance man; ROY E. REUTER from junior maintenance man to maintenance man.

System

H. M. HALL, system relay engineer in Roanoke to Bluefield system office.

Welch District

CAROL C. BRANCH from clerk-typist to clerk-stenographer; JAMES C. HUGHES from junior T&D clerk to Grundy area sales representative.

Kingsport Utilities, Inc.

SAMUEL E. RUSSELL from lineman B to lineman A; ELBERT H. PRESLEY from lineman B to lineman A; WILLIAM C. McCLELLAN from laborer to groundman.

Charleston . . .

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Visiting the Charleston office recently were L. M. Jordan, retired line foreman, J. E. Beale, retired groundman, and Bill Slappee, retired general serviceman. Mr. Slappee just completed a six-weeks tour of the West Coast with his daughter and son-in-law.

Mrs. Gretis Raines, senior PBX operator, recently attended an all-day program sponsored by the C&P Telephone Company of West Virginia at the Daniel Boone Hotel. The program was for the purpose of improving telephone efficiency and becoming a PBX-pert.

Sympathy is extended Jack Walters, assistant local office manager, on the death of his father, and Anne Surber, garage department, on the death of her brother.

W. P. McDonough, T&D line, has returned to work after an extended illness.

C. T. Older, retired relay engineer, is recovering from a cataract operation.

Barbara Gilliland, clerk-typist in division payroll, has resigned.

Roberta Sisson, commercial, and Phyllis Rowe, personnel, were given going away gifts on the last day of work November 11.

Mrs. A. W. Brendel, wife of the personnel assistant, helped direct the annual Lillian Herscher fair for the Charleston Woman's Club, raising money for charity.

Roanoke . . .

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W. P. Booker, district manager, has been elected to a second term as a director of the Roanoke Kiwanis Club.

Robert E. Slaydon, engineering aide, was awarded a jeweled fez for securing five new members for the annual fall ceremonies of the Kazim Temple. Present at the awards ceremony were Roby J. Jarrett, power sales engineer, and Robert Lowman, groundman.

E. T. Thurman, groundman, has resigned.

Don Pullen, son of "Elec," street light attendant, played several piano selections on the program of the first meeting of the Gallon Club members last month in the company auditorium.

Larry Laughon, son of Harold who is dealer sales representative and Leslie who is PBX operator, had one of the leading roles in the senior class play at Jefferson High School. The play was "Annie Get Your Gun." Larry is a member of the National Thespian Society, Hi-Y, French Club and school band.

Skaff Article In 'World'

An article by Paul A. Skaff, Charleston district engineer, appeared in the October 31 issue of *Electrical World*. The article was "Pushing UG Conduit Saves \$6 A Foot on Single Duct Runs."

Safety Given As Cause Of Joe Schmoe's Death



Logan plant employees pause for a last reading of the tombstone over Joe Schmoe's grave. Joe, fouler first class, was struck down by safety. Shown are from left: L. C. Houchins, personnel supervisor; L. D. Adams, electrical maintenance helper; W. E. Fortune, mechanical maintenance mechanic; E. R. Bias, coal conveyor opera-

tor; J. S. McNeely, mechanical maintenance mechanic; D. F. Brumfield, utility operator; Zack Browning, guard; and J. R. Blankenship, personnel assistant. Mr. McNeely made the wooden tombstone. Photo courtesy "Logan Banner."

Joe Schmoe, fouler first class at Logan plant, was struck down October 24 by safety.

Texas Cactus?



Mrs. T. W. Testerman puts some hats on her 7-foot cactus to make it look like a clothes tree. The wife of the Bluefield area supervisor was given the plant in 1947 when it stood about 2 feet high. It only grows every other year and has never been repotted. She says it has to be transplanted soon because it is getting top heavy.

Fancy Skirts Are Ideal Tots' Gift



Santa gets some mighty fancy whiskers on this skirt made by Mrs. Lena Mosley and modeled by Mary Anne Richmond, daughter of Fred who is in the division commercial department.

What to give children for Christmas? Mrs. Lena Mosley, Bluefield district home economist, is giving Christmas season skirts to her grandchildren in Texas.

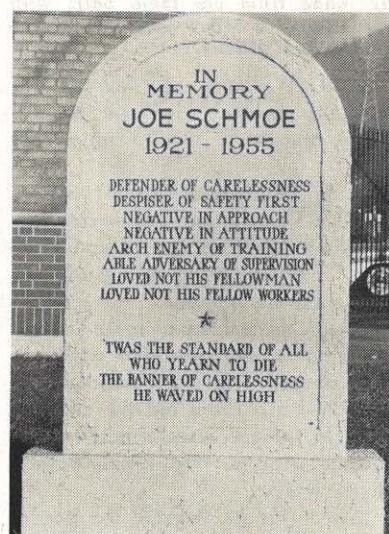
Each of the three skirts is a complete circle of red felt. The motif is carried out by designs of Santa, candy canes, Christmas trees and so forth being applied to the skirt.

The designs are each made separately by sewing rhinestones, beads, sequins and other ornaments on various colored pieces of felt. Patterns can be cut out from children's color books.

Mr. Schmoe had fought a hard but losing battle against this allergy toward which he had developed no immunity. Weakened by his long struggle against the rising tide of safety at Logan plant, Mr. Schmoe collapsed on the day the new AGE Plant Safety Manuals were distributed. According to relatives, he had lost all desire to live and work in a safety-conscious era.

Mrs. Schmoe first noticed periodic spells of illness in him following plant safety meetings. She stated that safety posters, safety slogans and the sight of protective equipment gave Joe nausea. The widow then went on to describe the violent convulsions brought on by the new plant safety manual.

Mr. Schmoe was buried in a prescribed safety manner on the plant property and his tombstone unveiled October 26.



A close-up of Joe Schmoe's tombstone, erected by employees on plant property for all to see. Photo courtesy "Logan Banner."

FHA Royalty



The E. C. Glass High School home-making queen and one of her attendants are shown riding a float during Senior Day festivities at the school. The queen, left, is Margaret Candler, daughter of Harry L. Candler, Lynchburg agricultural sales engineer. The attendant is Jane Capito, daughter of George D. Capito, stores supervisor. Both girls are 17 years old. Margaret, president of the FHA chapter of the school, and Jane rode on the home-making float in a parade preceding the Glass-Jefferson High of Roanoke football game.

Veteran Promoted To Supervising Engineer

C. A. Perkins has moved up to Charleston division supervising engineer, succeeding H. F. Fennell who retired November 1.

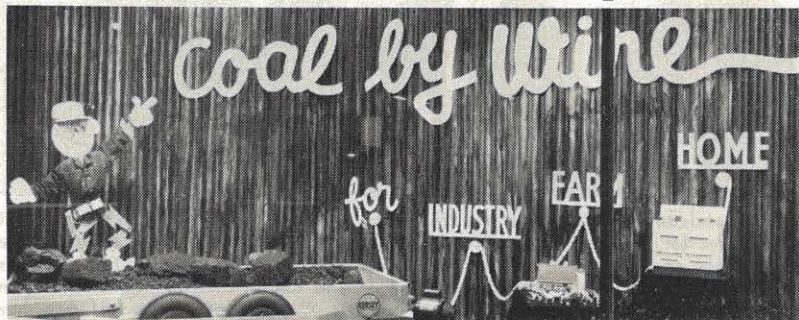
A native of Louisiana, Mr. Perkins has been assistant division supervising engineer since March 1, 1955. He joined the company in 1926 as a Charleston district superintendent of distribution and was promoted to assistant general superintendent in 1936. He became district superintendent in 1948. He is a graduate of Southwestern Louisiana Institute and did graduate work at Carnegie Institute of Technology. He holds a BS degree in electrical engineering.

Mr. Perkins is a member of the Masonic Lodge, Chapter, Commandery, Shrine and Eastern Star orders and is married.



Mr. Perkins

'Coal By Wire' Theme Stressed By Window



This "Coal by Wire" window in the Bluefield office was designed and built by Ray Heldreth, dealer sales representative. The background was painted black to represent a coal seam. A real mine car was loaded with coal and connected with the customer groups of industry, farm and home. Reddy Kilowatt, dressed in miner's outfit, completes the display which attracted much attention.

Your 'Hidden Wages'

Sick Leave Pay Plan Of Benefit To Lillys

Things were looking pretty bright for the Harold Lillys of Beckley this past February.

Harold, lineman, thought he had had his share of illnesses for awhile after recovering from a couple of minor ailments. He, his wife and three children were healthy. They were happily moving into their new home, the realization of a 12-year dream. All the house needed was finishing touches and landscaping. Harold was busy trying to get things in shape before spring when the children got out of school.

But Harold's plans went awry. He noticed a pain in his right shoulder and elbow. He went to the doctor and learned he had developed acute dio-humeral bursitis.

"I could use only one hand," Harold explained to our reporter, "and that was not enough when there was as much work at my job and at home to be done as there was."

"When the doctor told me, I just didn't know what. I knew some arrangements would have to be made about the bills and house payments."

His wife smiled and said, "I wasn't worried for I knew he had good benefits with Appalachian. Harold used to work at a place that had no benefits and I've seen families really in tough spots."

She glanced at her husband and went on, "Harold said if it hadn't been for the Sick Leave



Things weren't like this last February. Harold Lilly, in the plaid shirt, had developed bursitis and wasn't able to work around his new home. But the company Sick Leave Pay Plan enabled him to continue house payments so that today he can rake leaves in his own yard. His children are from left: Rebecca, J. A. and J. R.

Pay Plan, this house and all our dreams would be out the window. As it was, we were able to finish it and keep the payments up. Believe you me, that sure is a comforting feeling. We just couldn't have made it without the Sick Leave Pay Plan because everything we had was tied up in this house."

"When I knew I was going to be off awhile, it was a big relief to me to know that come payday my check would be there," Harold added. He was off work for about two months.

Harold went on to explain that he had been with the company almost eight years and so was eligible for 453 hours full pay and the same amount half pay. This is based on the schedule which allows 40 hours' full pay after six months' service, 113 hours' full pay and 113 hours'

half pay after one year's service, 170 hours' full pay and 170 hours' half pay after two year's service and so on, increasing the hours for each year of service up to 680 hours full pay and 680 hours half pay after ten year's service.

Our reporter pointed out that the employee must be absent from work because of a disability more than three consecutive working days to fall under the Sick Leave Pay Plan.

Harold had the look of a satisfied and happy man when he gazed around his home and said, "Yes sir! All this wouldn't be ours in any fashion if it hadn't been for the Sick Leave Pay Plan."

(Editor's Note: This is the fourth in a series dealing with employee benefits and what they mean in terms of personal experiences.)



Mrs. Lilly

Radford Arsenal Man Is Two-Gallon Clubber

A. J. Keatley recently became a two-gallon clubber. The Radford Arsenal auxiliary equipment operator gave his 16th pint of blood to the Red Cross when the bloodmobile visited Pulaski.

A veteran of World War II, he is married, father of two daughters and member of the Baptist Church.

He joined the company in August 1951 as a maintenance helper.



Mr. Keatley

Package-Wrapping Talent Of Frances Keadle In Demand At Williamson

Ever seen a gift package about which you've said, "That looks too nice to open.?"

That's the way with Frances Keadle's packages after she has given them her special treatment. The Williamson district cashier can take a hodgepodge of entirely unrelated things and turn them into the kind of Christmas wrappings you dream about. To the conventional paper, ribbon, glitter and so on she adds her own touches, like painted cockle burrs, leaves and wild weeds. The results have Frances in great demand in Williamson as a package-wrapper deluxe.

A. R. Barber To Head Two Hazard Groups

A. R. Barber, Hazard district manager, has been elected to the presidency of two local organizations.

He was named president of both the Perry County Development Association and the Hazard Golf Club. Mr. Barber, an active Scout worker, was last year presented the Silver Beaver Award. He is chairman of the finance committee and vice president of the Lonesome Pine Council, Boy Scouts of America. He is also deacon and Sunday School superintendent of the Presbyterian Church. Past president of the Hazard Lions Club, Mr. Barber is a member of the Salvation Army Advisory Board.



Mr. Barber

Welch Material Clerk Joins Gallon Club

Walter T. Lanter, head material clerk in the Welch storeroom, recently became a member of the Gallon Club when he gave his eighth pint of blood to the Red Cross.

Employed May 1935 as a groundman, he was promoted to his present position in October 1950. He is a deacon in the First Baptist Church, active in civic programs and a gardener.



Mr. Lanter

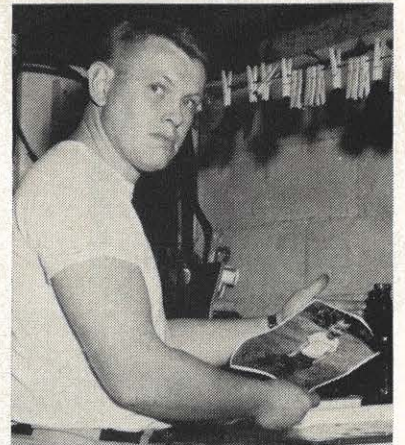
Roanoke Men Put Out Runaway Trash Fire

A trash fire that got out of control was extinguished by Roanoke district employees recently.

The fire was spreading into grass and a nearby woods on Mrs. Walter O. Hodges' property when R. E. Slaydon, engineering aide working in Rocky Mount, passed by. He jumped out and attempted to put the fire out with the help of Mrs. Hodges and another woman. He realized he would need more assistance and went to a nearby line crew. T. A. Kirby, district safety supervisor, and H. M. Smythers, area sales engineer, returned with him, while A. R. Martin, Rocky Mount area supervisor, went to his home to get two lengths of garden hose.

Thirty minutes later the fire was out and the men returned to Rocky Mount, where they attended a planned safety meeting. Mrs. Hodges expressed grateful thanks to the Appalachian employees.

Sporn Hobbyist Has Professional Touch In Work



Another good picture is printed by George Hout in his basement darkroom.

Ever hear of a professional amateur? George A. Hout, Jr., fits that classification with his hobby of photography.

The Philip Sporn plant chemist assistant is an experienced photographer, taking pictures for newspapers, industries and individuals. He has his own darkroom where he develops, enlarges and prints.

Photographer for his high school paper and school book, he spent three years in a local studio and was an aerial photographer in the Navy. He plans to get into color developing soon.

His darkroom has some home-made equipment which he says "serves the purpose and reduces expense." Most of his work is done at night after his two children have gone to bed. Employed in July 1952 as a laborer, he lives near Gallipolis.

George is president of the Kanoh Camera Club of Point Pleasant and winner of several awards for pictures. He says his hobby is "not only enjoyable but sometimes profitable."

Pikeville Man Named To State Legislature

Lynn Anderson Jennings has been elected representative of the Kentucky State Legislature from the 98th Legislative District comprised of Johnson and Martin counties.



Mr. Jennings

The Paintsville area sales representative in the Pikeville district won the Republican primary in August and was unopposed in the fall election. Mr. Jennings was born at Lone Mountain, Tennessee and educated there and at Tazewell, Tenn., schools. He came to Kentucky as a salesman for the P. Lorillard Company in 1930 and joined Kentucky as a rural representative in September 1950.

He is a member of the Masons, Royal Arch Mason, Knight Templar and the El Hasa Shrine Temple of Ashland. He is a Kentucky Colonel. Married, he and his wife are members of the Baptist Church at Paintsville.

Welch Meterman Named To Legion Boys' State Board

Richard A. Jones, Welch district meterman, has been appointed a member of the Board of Directors of the American Legion Boys' State, Inc. He represents the sixth district on the board.



Mr. Jones

A veteran of World War II, he is first vice commander of McDowell Post No. 8. Married and the father of two daughters, he was employed in March 1948 as a meter helper. He rose to his present position in October 1953.

Company Posters Also Serve Abingdon Class

A teacher's admiration of posters in Appalachian's Abingdon district office led to their use in her class.

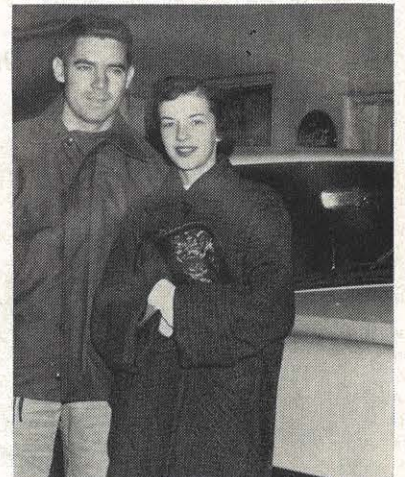
Miss Lucy Cooper, distributive education instructor, was given her choice of the posters used in the "Think American" series. Two students each week make up the class bulletin board with a poster theme following their plan of study.

Bill Pearman Named To Welch Cubmaster Post

Cub Pack 36 and Welch employees have been going steady for eight years. Since the pack was formed eight years ago an Appalachian employee has been cubmaster.

Latest leader of the Welch boys is Bill Pearman, lineman. For six years R. H. Ruff was cubmaster followed by H. H. Bivens for two years. Included in the 50-boy pack are Ronnie Pearman and J. William Belchee, sons of employees.

Winner Take All



One of these two happy people won a new Buick. Elba Sampson, Logan district collector, and his wife each had a ticket for the door prize. As one of the two tickets was the lucky one, it didn't matter which had held the lucky number. Elba was employed May 1953 as a meter reader and promoted to collector September 1954. The Army veteran and Jenny have a 3-year-old daughter.

Appa-Mo Club Members Entertain



Entertaining at the Appa-Mo Club dinner dance at Dixie Caverns on November 4 were these performers who took part in the skit called "The Magician Who Was Not A Fake." About 175 members of the Roanoke office fifth and sixth floor employees and their guests attended. Shown above from left are: Phil Ray, Paul Clower, Willard Sutor and Mrs. Don Murray, wife of the assistant system office manager. The magician was played by Howard Hamilton. A men's quartet featured Owen Hawkins, Noble Marshall, who also served as master of ceremonies, Willard Sutor and Kenneth Shaver, husband of Virginia. A women's quartet billed as the "Pumphandle Sisters" spotlighted Kathleen Thompson, Elinor Oliver, Helen Thompson and Virginia Shaver. Barbara Stanley was pianist. A sister act drawing its share of applause had Wallace Coffey and Norwood Turner in wigs. With trousers rolled, they swayed and used fans to accompany them in their pantomime number. Dancing after the program was to records.

Eleven Couples Take Recent Wedding Vows



Recent brides and bridal couples among employees and their families are pictured above. TOP ROW from left: Mrs. Kenneth Gregory Hartley, Charleston; Mrs. Arthur D. Kraft, Kanawha River plant; Mrs. V. Nick Williams, Roanoke; and Mrs. William R. Clarke, Welch. BOTTOM ROW from left: Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Christenson, Hazard; Mr. and Mrs. James R. Bradley, Charleston; and Mr. and Mrs. Maurice Newsom, Pikeville.

Hesson-Kraft

Doris Jean Hesson was married November 17 to Arthur D. Kraft at the Church of Christ in Shrewsbury. Mr. Kraft is a Kanawha River plant employee.

Combs-Christenson

Lillian Combs and Alexander Christenson were united in marriage November 12 at the Mount Olivet Baptist Parsonage. Mrs. Christenson is a Hazard district maid.

Gentile-Stepp

Patricia Ann Gentile became the bride of Paul G. Stepp on October 28 at the West Williamson Methodist Church. She is a Williamson senior bookkeeper.

Bevell-Keener

Anita Bevell and Robert W. Keener were united in marriage November 11 in a double ring ceremony at the Asbury Methodist Church of Charleston. He is a system meter helper in Charleston.

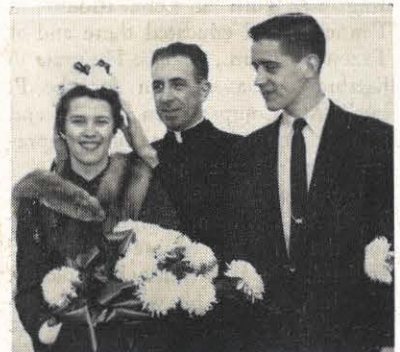
Dixon-Hartley

Mary Dixon became the bride of Lt. Kenneth Gregory Hartley October 29 in a candlelight ceremony at the Westminister Presbyterian Church. Mrs. Hartley is the daughter of Ray T. Dixon, Charleston meter service foreman.

Gilliland-Dillon

Barbara Gilliland and Second Lt. Willard Dillon were united in marriage October 21 in a double ring ceremony at the home of the bride's parents in Chelyan. Mrs. Dillon recently resigned as clerk-typist in the Charleston division payroll department.

Miss Fighting Irish



"Miss Fighting Irish" is crowned Home-Coming Queen of Charleston Catholic High School by Father Andrew. She is Anne Coughlin, daughter of C. G. Coughlin, Cabin Creek plant manager. With them is Anne's escort, Jerry Adams. The senior was chosen for both honors by the student body. She is a member of the staff of the school paper and plans to attend Mt. Saint Joseph College next year to study nursing. Photo courtesy "The Charleston Gazette."

Painter-Williams

Shirley A. Painter and V. Nick Williams were united in marriage November 5 at Our Lady Of Perpetual Help Catholic Church in Salem, Va. He is a Roanoke supply clerk.

Hardy-Clarke

Frances Ann Hardy became the bride of William R. Clarke on October 15 in a double ring ceremony at the First Methodist Church of Kingsport. Mrs. Clarke is a clerk-typist in the Grundy office of the Welch district.

McCallister-Bradley

Freda McCallister was married October 21 to James R. Bradley at the Randolph Street Baptist Church. Mr. Bradley is a Charleston groundman.

Kauffman-Pratt

The Grace Methodist Church of Aberdeen, Md., was the scene October 22 for the marriage of Helen Louise Kauffman and Charles Pratt. She is the daughter of John M. Kauffman, Charleston station supervisor.

Huffman-Newsom

Ruth Huffman was married October 28 to Maurice Newsom at Elkhorn City, Ky. Mrs. Newsom is Pikeville junior contract entry and final bill clerk.

They're Engaged

BILLIE JEAN STANFIELD to James Donald Haynes. He is Bluefield office messenger.
NELL BUTTRAM to J. D. Ashley. She is a Hazard managerial employee.

Lighting And Safety Is Topic Of Welch Meeting

Frances Brooks shed some light on safety during a recent Welch safety meeting.

The home economist spoke on "Home Lighting and Safety," stressing how adequate lighting can cut down home accidents. Frances also discussed other types of home accidents, pointing out that they are a major cause of deaths and injuries.

One Of Nice Things About Soapsuds As Christmas Decoration Is Cleanliness

How about a Christmas decoration idea that also helps mother clean up after the holiday festivities? Here's one that will do just that.

It's simple soapsuds, one of the prettiest yuletide season decorations. On windows, mirrors or the tree soapsuds resemble snow and every member of the family can make any number of designs.

And one of the great joys of soapsuds snow is that cleaning up doesn't plow you under when the festivities are over. This "snow" melts off mirrors and windows at the touch of a wet cloth, and leaves them as bright and shining as the new year. And because this decoration won't shed, your floor and rugs stay neat.

Besides being inexpensive, trimming with soapsuds allows your children to take an active part in bringing a cheery yuletide glow to your home. Making the soapsuds is an easy project.

Here's how: Use a rotary egg beater or electric mixer to whip up the suds in a pitcher or in a deep, narrow bowl. A very minimum of warm water should be added to the soap before beating. Whip until the suds are "dry" and the consistency of thick cream. That's all you do.

Before starting on a window, sketch the outline of your design with a sharp sliver of soap. Designs frequently used include Santa, snowmen, lettering, icicles or candles. Allow your first coat of soapsuds to dry and then add one or two more for richness and depth. Sparkle-sprinkles can add glitter to your design.



Soapsuds are a clean Christmas decoration that children can enjoy using on windows, mirrors and trees. A damp cloth is all that's needed to clean them off.

To Lead Club



Officers of the newly formed Junior Garden Club of Logan are pictured above. They are from left: Gayle Porterfield, president, and Karen Vannoy, vice president. Gayle is the 13-year-old daughter of M. C. Porterfield, district manager, and Karen is the 12-year-old daughter of Paul Vannoy, district commercial manager. The club, sponsored by the Midelburg Garden Club, is made up of Intermediate Girl Scouts of Troop 18.

Fieldale Girl Is Voted 'Miss FHA' At School

Patty Wyatt was crowned Miss FHA as a climax to National Future Homemakers of America Week in the Fieldale High School.

The daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Eanes was chosen by vote of the student body. He is Fieldale meter service man. Patty is also president of the Fieldale Chapter, FHA, representative to the Student Cooperative Association and a member of the Beta Club. A tea in her honor was attended by club members and the faculty.



Patty Wyatt



New Arrivals



MORRIS DWIGHT is the son born November 11 to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Murphy. He is a maintenance man at Philip Sporn plant.

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Halloween Spirits Seen In Roanoke

Witches, ghosts, black cats and pumpkins surrounded the main office building in Roanoke during Halloween.

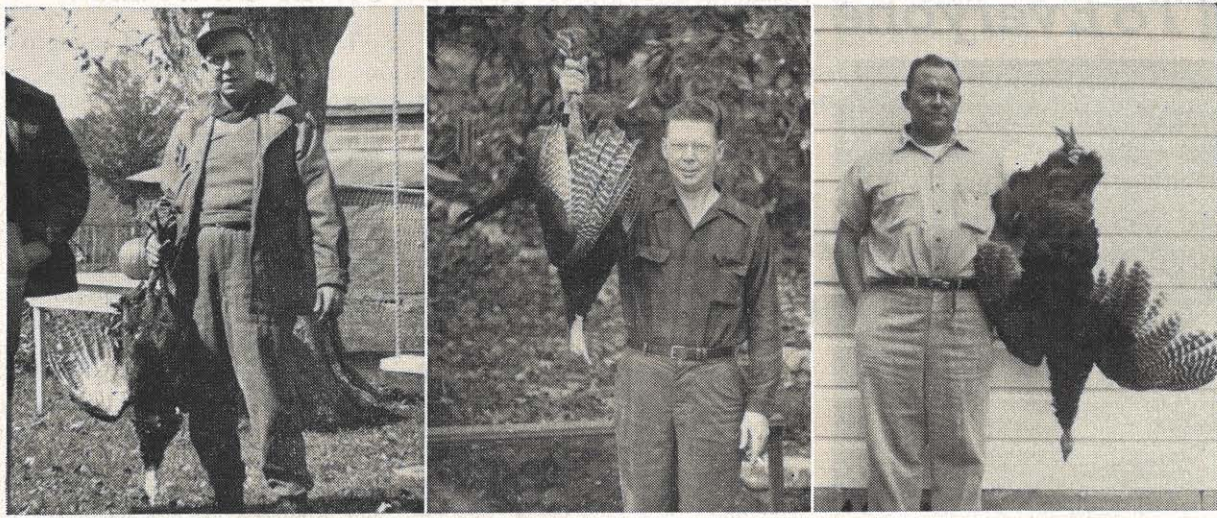
These symbols of Halloween were painted on company windows by junior and senior high school students during a recent window painting contest conducted by the Roanoke Department of Parks and Recreation. Idea behind the painting was to create a real atmosphere of Halloween in Roanoke. Many downtown stores and buildings were colorfully decorated by hundreds of students.

Club Honors Two Recent Brides



Two new brides were honored recently by the Bluefield Girls' Service Club. They were Mrs. Bob Artrip, personnel, the former Mary Jane Davis, and Mrs. Jackie Burton, system transmission, the former Velma Meadows. Pictured above are from left: Mary Ruth Whittington, Mrs. Mary Archer Murphy, Mrs. Burton, Mrs. Artrip, Mrs. Sibyl Sizemore and Mary Alice Nunn. Mrs. Murphy, system transmission, was a guest as was Mrs. Sizemore, sister of Mrs. Artrip. Miss Nunn and Miss Whittington presented the brides corsages and gifts of silver on behalf of the club. Mrs. Ann Williams, accounting, made the luncheon arrangements while the club president, Elsie Heifner, commercial, was mistress of ceremonies. Mrs. Lois Rounion, division commercial, provided music during the luncheon.

Company Nimrods Bag Turkeys In Hunt



At least three Appalachian families were eating in style after recent hunting trips resulted in turkeys. LEFT: In what he describes as "one of my most thrilling hunting experiences," Duke C. Wright brought down this 10-pound turkey. The Welch district record supervisor, was hunting with three other Welch employees, A. F. Horne, W. B. Belchee and F. B. Barns, when he downed the turkey in Pocahontas County. CENTER: L. E. Riggs, Bluefield line inspector, also made a success of his

turkey-hunting trip in Pocahontas County. RIGHT: Pocahontas County was also the scene of this kill by Claude A. Farley, Pineville employee in the Welch district. The bird weighed 11 pounds. In the hunting party were Claude's twin brother, Clyde, Bluefield district area serviceman; Ralph Hale, Welch district area sales representative, and Freddie and Danny Farley, sons of Claude and Clyde.

Coon Hunt Has Real Surprise Ending For Two Tazewell Linemen



Joe Claytor and Tod Harris with the result of a coon hunt, two bears.

An unsuccessful coon hunt on a frosty November night broke wide open for two Bluefield district employees.

James H. (Tod) Harris, lineman in Tazewell, and a friend, G. W. Ball, were hunting coon in countryside famous for bears, and after several hours of no luck, decided to turn back. Pandemonium broke loose off to their right. About the time they reached the spot the dogs took off to the chase, and the hunters figured the coon had jumped the tree and hightailed it.

Just by instinct Tod threw his flashlight up in the tree and saw "the biggest ring-tail in southwest Virginia." Ball got out the only weapon they were carrying, a .22 caliber pistol, when the "coon" turned its head. The "coon" was a bear.

The two kindled a fire and Ball stood guard while Tod went for help and a larger weapon. When he returned with Joe Claytor, lineman, and Ralph Harris, they discovered another bear up the tree.

A couple of shots from the new weapons brought the bears down and the men returned home, still excited about their "coon hunt."

Williamson Loop Led By Hi-Volts After 8 Weeks

The Hi-Volts have jumped into the lead in the Williamson district bowling league after eight weeks of play with a 17-7 record.

The Pots are second with 13-11 and deadlocked for third are Meter and Amps with 12-12 records. Sonny Runyon's 154.5 average is tops while his 528 leads in the three-game series department. Milton Cole has rolled the high single game of 211.

Picking Football Games Good Hobby

Picking football winners each week is an art in itself.

And A. S. Buchanan, Bluefield district retired power sales engineer, suggests this art for a hobby. It's what he does each week, and one week recently he was top picker in the Bluefield *Sunset News* guessing game among thousands of entries. He missed only two games—Duke-Ohio State and Kentucky-Mississippi.

Mr. Buchanan worked for Appalachian from 1931 to 1951.

Two Roanoke Teams Tied For Bowling League Lead

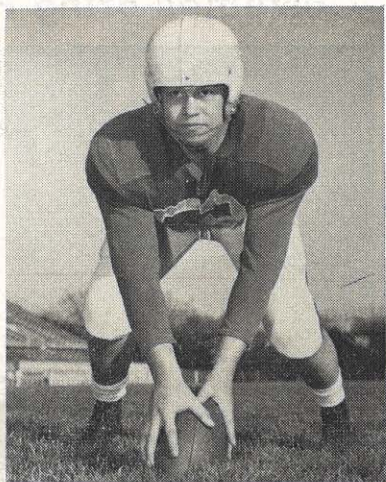
Two teams are still tied for lead in the Roanoke Bowling League. Both Real Estate and Stores have won 19 and lost 8.

Tommy Mitchell, system accounting, holds individual high average of 113 while Billy Mills, meter department, has individual high single with 158. Tommy Bryant, meter, maintains the individual high 3-game set with 385.

Charleston Gets Award

Charleston district employees received a "goal booster" citation from the Red Feather Kid for contributions 31% over last year. Their contribution of \$2,367.30 was 116% of their goal for the united fund.

Strong Middle



Tabbed as an outstanding defensive center for the University of Kentucky varsity is Lawson King. The son of E. E. King, Williamson district superintendent, is earning his letter as a sophomore. Last season he was a standout on the freshman squad. He is also a top electrical engineering student and at the end of his freshman year was selected for special first year honors at the annual Honors Day Program.

Titleholders



A record of 13-5 has given the Crimpts the first quarter title in the Beckley district Bowling League. Team members are shown above. They are, front row from left: Regina Slayton, R. D. Smith, captain and Jennie Gazzino. Back row from left: Paul Hancock and Archie Riner. Elmer Wright was absent. This team will meet the second quarter winners for the first half crown.

Emmert's Holds 1-Game Lead In Sporn Bowling

Emmert's Shift has taken a slim one-game lead as the Philip Sporn plant bowling league moves into second third of the season.

Emmert's has won 16 and lost 8 to lead Results, which has a 15-9 record. Tied for third with 13-11 marks are Maintenance No. 2, Maintenance No. 3 and Grimes' Shift. Bob Gilmore has the high average of 174 while Cricket Searls holds two marks—high series with 602 and high game of 226. Maintenance No. 2 has the high team game of 887 and high team three-game set of 2,461.

Roberson Leads UVa Plebe Football Team

Jimmy Roberson, 182-pound left halfback, has been named captain of the 1955 University of Virginia freshman football team.

Jimmy, son of Curtis Roberson, system administrative assistant, was the team's leading ground gainer, averaging about 75 yards a game. He scored three times as the squad won three times and lost twice this season. He tallied both touchdowns as the Cavavearlings whipped the North Carolina freshmen 14-0 in the final game. The team also won games from VPI and Bullis Prep and lost to Maryland and Duke.

A graduate last spring from William Fleming High School in Roanoke, Jimmy won the B'nai B'rith award for combined athletic and academic excellence. He was also state 175-pound wrestling champion.

Dead Game

You just don't get that hungry for squirrel meat.

That's what James "Iggy" Nunnery is saying after a recent hunting trip with L. H. "Pete" Myers. Iggy is Welch district meter serviceman and Pete is area supervisor. They had been out quite a while with no luck when they decided to split up.

Pete had gone only a short distance when he heard shots from Iggy's gun. He ran back to find Iggy climbing a tree where in the fork of two limbs lay a squirrel.

Alas! When they examined the animal they found it had been dead for some time. Result—still no squirrel meat.

Ashland Youth Is Threat In Sports And Classroom

A triple-threat man in sports is Virgil Brewer, son of the Ashland district senior draftsman.



Virgil Brewer

is a guard on the basketball squad.

His sports don't interfere with his studies—Virgil is a straight-A student.

Record Catch



Called "the largest pike hooked in the Norris Lake vicinity for a number of years" is this 34-inch, 13 1/2-pound beauty. Kelly Buckland, left, Pulaski T&D clerk, landed the fish on a recent excursion. Shown with him is George W. Day of Middlesboro, Ky.

Personnel Leads In Tense Bowling Race

Only three games separate the first and fourth teams as the Charleston District Kilowatt Bowling League goes into the second quarter.

The Personnel team is in the top spot by a slim margin of two games over second-place Pulverizers. Tied for third and fourth, only three games off the pace, are the Engine-Ears and Eyeballers.

Paul Parsons tops all bowlers with a 171 average, but Dick Speas and Jennings Fulkner are hot on his heels with 170's. Pauline Lanham leads the women keglers with a 159 average followed by Pat Robinette with 156.

Lester Marshall with 244 and Pauline Lanham with 231 lead in the race for high single game while Bob Fleming has 608 for high series. Pauline Lanham returns for the third time to lead the women with a 542 three-game set high.

'Annie Oakley'



Holding turkeys they shot on a recent hunting trip are Clifton N. Chapman, Huntington district auto repairman, and his 14-year-old daughter, Carolyn. An avid huntress since she was three, Carolyn got her 10 1/2-pound turkey the same day her father shot his, which weighed two pounds more. Actually the two had been hunting squirrels and Carolyn was using a new shotgun for the first time. They had never been enthusiastic about turkeys until their recent kill. But now they've purchased a turkey call and Carolyn plans a little practice for future hunts. Carolyn accompanies her father and other hunting companions on many hunting and fishing trips and declares that this is "really the life." Her kill was recorded in a feature article by Jim Wright in the Huntington 'Herald-Advertiser.'

Two Tied For Pikeville Lead

The Regulators and the Kilowatts each have a 9-3 record to lead the Pikeville District Bowling League. Bill Zoellers captains the Regulators and Leon Huffman is captain of the Kilowatts.

Pulaski Sweeping Bowling Honors



Sweeping just about all team and individual honors in the YMCA Bowling League are these members of the Pulaski district team. They are front row from left: Gerald Roseberry, Paul Gress, B. B. McCall and Warren Childers. Back row from left: S. A. Dewey, J. B. Brillheart, Jr., R. D. Carson and H. L. Morehead. The squad leads the 20-team league with a 14-4 record. In addition it has the high team set of 1588 pins. Childers holds high average of 110 and Roseberry has high game of 131 and high set of 358. Brillheart is captain of the company team and statistical secretary of the loop.

'For Your Convenience'

Collection Agencies Of Benefit To Everyone



Mrs. E. B. McCormick of New Castle shows a customer a hunting jacket in the left picture. The Reddy Kilowatt sign on the cash register at the left, which says "For your convenience, you may pay your electric bill here," points to another of Mrs. McCormick's jobs, that of collection agent. At the right she returns the customer's electric service bill receipt after stamping it. Mrs. McCormick is one of many collection agents in our three companies.

"For Your Convenience." That's the idea behind the collection agency, a part of the company as old as the company itself. Collection agencies have been set up in small communities away from local and district offices and in sections of large cities so that customers may conveniently pay their electric bills. The agencies are usually set up in stores, where the owner or store employee acts as an authorized agent to collect and mail in payments for electric service bills.

Today there are over 100 agencies in Appalachian, 26 in Kentucky and one in Kingsport. About 25 per cent of all bills are paid in agencies.

Everyone wins when a collection agency is set up. The customer benefits because he has a convenient payment location. The store benefits because the agency brings more people into the store and the agent earns extra money for collecting. And the company benefits by customer good will while a portion of the payments are received away from the local offices.

Agency Needed

The way these agencies are set up is best illustrated by taking the actual case of the E. B. McCormick Furniture Company of New Castle in the Roanoke district. All agencies are set up along the same pattern.

O. C. Caldwell, local office manager, found a need for an agency here two years ago after studies of number of customers and location in relation to the nearest local office. He chose this particular store because it was in the center of activity of the area—near the post office and a bank and in the middle of the shopping section.

He approached the owner about becoming a collection agent. When he found Mr. McCormick interested, he prepared a bond application and sent it to New York. The next step was requesting establishment of the agency through a letter to the district and division managers and the vice president and general manager of the company. In the letter he told why this site had been chosen, showed the need for an agency, named the fee to be paid and stated that bond application had been made.

Approval came and Mr. Caldwell furnished Mr. McCormick all the equipment he would need as agent, including receipting stamp, duplicate bill forms, collection report forms, envelopes, postage stamps, etc.

Today Mrs. McCormick handles the collection agency and says that she enjoys the work. "I meet people this way I wouldn't ordinarily meet," is the way she puts it. Mrs. McCormick handles about 325 accounts during a two-month billing period, or almost all the bills in that section. She

remarked that collections had started slowly but picked up as people realized the convenience involved.

To aid new agents the company advertises in the area that such an agency has been set up "for your convenience" through postal cards, newspaper ads or stamping bills with the announcement.

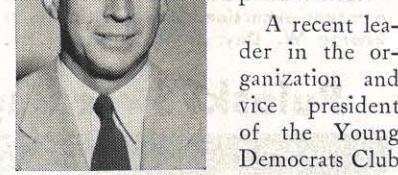
Location Important

Picking the right spot is important to the success of the agency. Drug stores make good agencies because they're open longer hours. But agencies have been set up in everything from restaurants to jewelry stores to groceries to undertakers' establishments. We also have agencies in dairies, banks, post offices, ladies' dress shops, lumber companies, electric appliance, furniture and hardware stores, service stations and so on.

As in the case of Mrs. McCormick, most agents report their collections daily to the local office. At times this method is not practical and other systems have been adopted. In return the agents are paid in one of two ways—by a set fee per account handled or by a set fee per month. The set fee per account handled is the most popular and the trend has been in that direction during the past few

J. M. Peck, Jr., Is Elected To Assembly

New member of the House of Delegates in the Virginia General Assembly for Botetourt and Craig counties is John M. Peck, Jr., Roanoke district area sales representative.



Mr. Peck

has been active in civic affairs since his return from military service in World War II. He is a member of the Fincastle Ruritan Club, a Mason and a member of the Fincastle Presbyterian Church where he is chairman of the board of deacons. Married, he is the father of three children, twin girls and a boy.

Three Win Prizes At Point Pleasant Party

Mary L. Walker, G. E. Roberts and Marilyn Casto won prizes when the Point Pleasant district held its annual Halloween party recently.

The party featured dancing and games, with Paul Rairden as master of ceremonies. Mary Walker and Mr. Roberts won costume prizes and Marilyn Casto won the door prize.

years. In addition, the agent is guaranteed a minimum to make up for slow business until the agency is really established and known.

A Growing Program

Practically all electric companies have collection agencies. Our companies started out by setting them up in small communities, and later branched out to sections of large cities. Night depositories, now located in almost all offices, are considered a part of the collection agency plan.

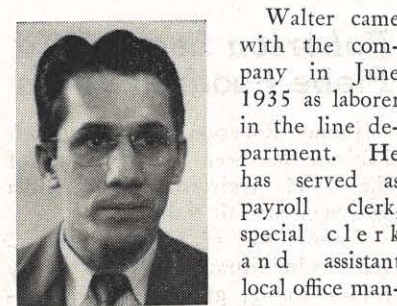
It's not uncommon for our collection agent to do the same job for other utilities in the area, like the telephone and gas companies. One agent decided after she had gotten the electric bill business she could just as easily do the same job for others. Today she collects for all utilities in that area.

And how does the customer feel about paying a collection agent? Mrs. McCormick probably answers for all agents when she says that several customers have remarked "this is really convenient." In her case, many of her customers had no bank accounts and had been buying money orders to pay their bills.

Collection agencies are a successful company venture because of the idea behind them—"For Your Convenience."

Hazard Man To Head Accounting Section In Ashland

Walter H. Combs, assistant local office manager in Hazard district, has been promoted to head of the new customers' accounting section in Ashland.



Mr. Combs

Before coming with the company, he taught high school mathematics. He is a graduate of Berea College where he majored in mathematics and accounting.

Married, he has three children. He is past president of the Kiwanis Club and a member of the Bowman Memorial Methodist Church. He also is a member of the Kentucky High School Athletic Association and serves as an official at many basketball games in the area.

Charleston Crew Saves Furniture In Witcher Fire

Hot work was performed by a Charleston district line crew on November 17. They helped save a Witcher family's furniture from fire.

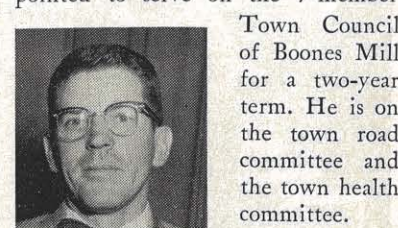
I. C. "Pinky" Lavender's crew was doing work at Belle when they learned from Joe Hill, operator at Cabin Creek plant, that a fire was underway in an apartment building in Witcher. They rushed to the scene to cut out the distribution.

While some of the men cleared off the poles, the rest of the crew helped carry out furniture from the lower apartment. Neighbors joined in to help clear five rooms of furniture, including kitchen stove, refrigerator and washing machine.

Although the building was destroyed, the fire was put out by volunteer firemen before it spread to a nearby filling station. Crew members in addition to the foreman were John Hull, Jr., Hubert Jacobs, Herndon Bailey, James C. King, O. C. Meador, W. P. McDonough and J. K. Bradley.

Boones Mill Man Serves On Council

L. R. Buchanan, building supervisor in the Roanoke district, was appointed to serve on the 7-member



Mr. Buchanan

Town Council of Boones Mill for a two-year term. He is on the town road committee and the town health committee. He is a member of the Isaac Masonic Lodge at Boones Mill, Rocky Mount Masonic Lodge 201 and Elmwood Arch Chapter 33 in Roanoke. A member of the Boones Mill Christian Church where he serves on the board of deacons, he is chairman of the finance committee for the building fund.

He became a member of the Red Cross Gallon Club in March 1955. Married, he is the father of two children.

Scout Troop Without Leaders Find Help With J. E. Ferguson And B. E. Wallace, Sporn Plant



John Ferguson, left, and Berl Wallace are shown with some members of the troop they lead. Third from left is Bill Frey, son of Jack Frey who is first assistant shift operating engineer, and sixth from left is Jerry Carroll, son of Charlie Carroll who is shift operating engineer.

A Scout troop without a Scoutmaster is a sad situation. That's why two Philip Sporn plant labor department employees took over.

John Ferguson is the new Scoutmaster and Berl E. Wallace is the new assistant of Troop 256 of New Haven. They took over when the former Scoutmaster moved.

Their 18-member troop has several sons of employees. John and Berl plan to teach first aid and help with merit badge work during the winter. Summer plans include camping, hiking, swimming and attending the district Scout camp at Camp Arrowhead.

John Robertson, 83, Retired Huntington Vet, Dies In Ashland

John Robertson, 83-year-old Huntington district retired employee, died November 15 in Kings Daughter Hospital in Ashland.

Employed November 1907, the 33-year veteran retired in December 1940 as operator and watch engineer in the production department. He is survived by four sons and one daughter.

Costumes Bring Prizes At Charleston



The Old Gold Twins, Reddy and an "attractive young lady" were the costume winners when the Charleston district held its Halloween party in the Virginia Street garage. Lois Walker, managerial secretarial-stenographer, and her husband, Bill, are the Old Gold Twins. Reddy is portrayed by Warren McGinnis, meter section, and the young lady is George Unangst, meter department supervisor. Fodder shocks, pumpkins, witches, ghosts, black cats and other decorations transformed the garage into a Halloween barn. Corn meal on the concrete floor provided a smooth dance surface and a four-piece band provided smooth dance music.