

The art of progress is to preserve order amid change and to preserve change amid order.

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Too many people look backward when there are so many things to look forward to.

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Medical Expense Premiums Upped Due To Rising Costs

An increase in the premium rates for the American Electric Power System's comprehensive medical expense plan—brought about by higher costs of medical care—will be necessary beginning July 1.

Cost of the increase will be shared by the company and its employees on

PUAA Honors 'The Illuminator' With First Place

THE ILLUMINATOR has been awarded first place for employee newspapers in the 1959 international Better Copy Contest sponsored by the Public Utilities Advertising Association.

The publication was competing against those of other utility companies with 400,000 or more customers. Ohio Power Company's *Ohio Power Review* placed third in the same classification. Judging was based on material printed during 1958. Five years ago, in 1954, THE ILLUMINATOR also won first place in this contest.

The Better Copy Contest is conducted annually to determine and give recognition to the best advertising and other material by public utility companies internationally. Announcement of the awards was made at PUAA's annual convention in Dallas, Texas. There were over 2,000 entries in the various classifications of judging.

This is the second major award won by THE ILLUMINATOR this year. Earlier, Freedoms Foundation of Valley Forge awarded the publication its George Washington Honor Medal.

the same 2-to-1 basis as they now share in the plan's premiums.

Announcement of the increase, which will average a little less than 20 per cent, was made in a letter from our vice presidents and general managers to all employees late in May. It is the first increase since the plan was adopted by our companies almost three and a half years ago.

The letter explained that the increase was necessitated by the fact that costs of the plan had appreciably exceeded total premiums paid during 1958 and that this gap had widened during 1959 to date.

On the other hand, the letter pointed out that, even with the increased premiums, the plan is "one of the best, if not the best, comprehensive hospital and medical expense plans in existence today." It further stated that the current increase in the premium rates was much less than rate increases put into effect by Blue Cross over the same period of time.

Monthly payroll deduction changes beginning in July will be as follows: employees with no dependents \$1.40 (old rate was \$1.15); employee with one dependent \$3.35 (old rate was \$2.80); employee with two or more dependents \$4.45 (old rate was \$3.75).

The company's cost increase will be approximately double the above figures per employee.

The letter states that the AEP System pioneered in bringing to its employees one of the earliest comprehensive medical expense plans and that the original cost estimates were based on experience under other types

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Paintsville Office Now Open For Business; Open Houses For Employees, Customers

Open Houses for employees, their families and the general public marked the beginning of operation of the new Paintsville office in the Pikeville district.

A two-hour Open House for employees and their families April 24 was followed by a nine-hour opening the next day for the general public. The office began conducting business April 27.

Invitations to visit the office were extended employees in neighboring districts, and guests were welcomed by T. E. Steele, area supervisor at Paintsville, and his wife, joined by

other Paintsville employees. There were games for children and refreshments and favors for all.

The modern features of the new building were explained to visitors during the public open house by employees of the district. Of particular interest was an electric heat display and the modern kitchen facilities. The local radio station staged an on-the-spot program at noon, during which a tour of the facilities was described for listeners. There were also interviews with both employees and visitors.



Edison Electric Institute awards and certificates for life-saving are presented to Lynchburg district employees. D. C. Duncan, system safety director, is at left. Others

are E. B. Pinkard, the man whose life was saved, J. T. Davis, E. L. Baker, R. H. Porter and M. E. Campbell. The latter four were honored for lifesaving.

Four Earn EEL Lifesaving Medals For Help Given Lynchburg Man

Four Appalachian employees, whose quick thinking and training saved the life of a fellow employee last fall, last month received top industry recognition of their action in the presence of company officials, the man whose life they saved, and district line crews.

Awarded the Edison Electric Institute Medal for the artificial respiration that saved the life of Ernest R. Pinkard, Lynchburg district truck driver-groundman, were J. T. Davis, street light attendant; E. L. Baker, lineman; R. H. Porter, working foreman; and M. H. Campbell, groundman. Mr. Davis received a medal and certificate for the resuscitation work, and the other three miniature medals and certificates for assistance given during the incident.

The accident occurred November 9, 1958 in Bedford County when the men were doing maintenance work. Mr. Pinkard's breathing was sus-

pending when he came in contact with an energized conductor. The others in the crew immediately began manual artificial respiration.

The medals were presented by D. C. Duncan, system safety director. It was the 13th time life-saving action by Appalachian men has been recog-

nized by the Edison Electric Institute since the award system was inaugurated in 1933.

The medals are made of copper taken from the world's first underground electric light and power system laid in New York City by Thomas A. Edison.

Award Cites Contributions To Virginia By Appalachian



Pausing to chat during a Roanoke affair where Appalachian received the Bank of Virginia's second annual Salute to Virginia Industry Award, were the three principal speakers for the evening. They are from left: J. Lindsay Almond, Jr., governor of Virginia; Herbert C. Moseley, president of The Bank of Virginia; and Philip Sporn, president of AEP and of Appalachian. Photo courtesy Roanoke Times.

"In recognition of outstanding industrial enterprise and significant contribution to economic progress in the Commonwealth," Appalachian has been presented The Bank of Virginia's second annual Salute To Virginia Industry Award.

Presentation of the 1959 citation came at a banquet in Roanoke May 5, where Philip Sporn, president of our company, accepted the award from Herbert C. Moseley, president of The Bank of Virginia.

The citation reads in part: "This company demonstrates that corporate vision can make better living a reality for customers and communities. Its use of coal for kilowatts fosters the material progress of a 52-county region. Its improvements in technical efficiency benefit the industry and the nation. Its imaginative research is developing new tools for the common advancement in this century."

The Salute to Industry Award was initiated by The Bank of Virginia to encourage Virginians to appreciate the importance of a balanced industrial growth and of the chain-reaction

values of investment in industry for all segments of Virginia.

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TVA Finance Bill Passed By House

Following two days of debate on May 6-7, the House of Representatives on the latter date passed the TVA self-financing bill (HR-3460) in the same form as it had been reported previously by the House Committee, except for two minor amendments which were adopted.

The House refused to adopt approximately six different amendments that had been offered by the minority, which would have exercised some control over TVA in the realm of budgets and the issuance of its securities.

A motion made to re-commit the bill for further study was rejected by a vote of 231 to 182.

A vote of 245 to 170 resulted in final passage of the bill in the House of Representatives.



Modern in appearance and construction, this new Kentucky Power office is now serving customers in the Paintsville area of the Pikeville district.

The Knock At The Door

Each day an opportunity of one sort or another knocks on the doors of our lives.

How loud the knock is depends on the hearer. Many opportunities pass us by simply because we do not recognize the knock for what it is. It is true that we could not possibly take advantage of every opportunity that comes our way. But the man who turns a deaf ear too often is a man who will stand still in life.

In this issue of THE ILLUMINATOR there is a story about an opportunity for all of us. It is the Educational Assistance Program.

Many employees in our three companies have already taken advantage of this plan. In it, the company pays more than half of the cost of approved courses. So far, 861 employees have completed or are taking school courses in many subjects allied with their jobs in an effort to improve competence in their work and to prepare themselves for jobs ahead. This, of course, is of benefit to both the employee and the company.

It has often been said that no one ever gets enough education, that we really never stop learning. The Educational Assistance plan offers all of us a good opportunity to do our learning through accredited courses from accredited schools.

Opportunity is at our door every day. Are we listening for the knock?

When Man Is Right, So Is The World

The young daughter was very boisterous and her father wanted it quiet, so he could read. He clipped a large map from the paper, tore it into bits like a jigsaw puzzle, and told his daughter to sit down and put the map together again. This, he thought, would keep her occupied for several hours.

The little girl was delighted and took the handful of torn paper. In just a little while she was back, the map all neatly arranged and perfectly put together. "See here, Daddy; here it is!" she shouted, as she ran up to him with the map on a magazine.

Her father was much surprised. "How in the world did you do it so quickly?" he asked.

"Well, you see," she replied, "there is a big picture of a man on the other side, and so I just put him together and turned it over. You see, Daddy, if the man is right, the world comes out all right, too."

—Ohio Power Review

History Of Liberty

The history of liberty is the history of limitations of governmental power, not the increase of it.

—DANIEL WEBSTER

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Your Opinion

IN THE SPOTLIGHT

What are your pet peeves in traffic concerning other motorists and pedestrians?



SANDRA ARRINGTON, Clerk-Stenographer, Clinch River Plant

Here is an example of what I consider one of the most exasperating pet peeves to me. You are driving along the highway at a speed well within the limits of the law, and a driver in front of you will proceed to go at an extremely low rate of speed through all "no passing" zones and then open up at full throttle when a passing zone is reached.

After this has continued through several passing zones, it does get on one's nerves and, I am of the opinion that these people who, for some unknown reason, do not wish to allow you to travel in a normal way are big contributors to head-on crashes.

There ought to be a law!



O. C. HALL, District Superintendent, Point Pleasant

My pet traffic peeve involves motorists who stop in a traffic lane to pick up or discharge passengers, make conversation, make deliveries, etc., despite the fact there is ample room to pull out of the traffic lane.

This practice can be dangerous in that it forces other motorists to stop and wait or proceed around in the face of oncoming traffic.

I often recall an incident in which an acquaintance of mine was forced to stop. He looked in the direction of the thoughtless motorist and quipped, "I wish I owned a section of the pavement on this busy highway." Indeed, real estate of this type could be very valuable—especially to motorists who needed to cross it to reach their destination.



RUSSELL A. FULLER, Senior Station Engineer, System

Believe it or not—people are funny; and

most pet peeves concerning other motorists and pedestrians stem from the oddities of human nature. It is extremely distasteful to practically all to be outdone or vanquished. Likewise, people in general dislike being caused to wait their turn.

These two human characteristics cause a large percentage of the peeves of one motorist or pedestrian for another. If you don't believe it, just pull up behind some guy poking along at about twenty miles per hour, then at the first safe opportunity start to go around. The poking car will suddenly zoom ahead.

You can see pedestrians risk their lives every day dashing in front of speeding cars to avoid waiting five seconds for one to pass. People really are funny.



EDWARD R. BARRETT, JR., General Serviceman, Kingsport

Motorists encounter a number of peeves each day. My favorite pet peeve occurs in downtown alleys and it usually happens just about the same each time.

As a beginning, two women will emerge from the rear exit of a store and right in the middle of the alley discuss what they are doing today, what they did yesterday and what they plan on doing tomorrow. Finally, they realize what is happening and move to the side. Then proceeding, I always encounter about half a dozen transfer trucks, either loading or unloading. After waiting with patience, I will then meet a car traveling in the wrong direction in the one-way alley.

Finally arriving at the desired address, I look back down the alley and think "Boy, I finally made it."



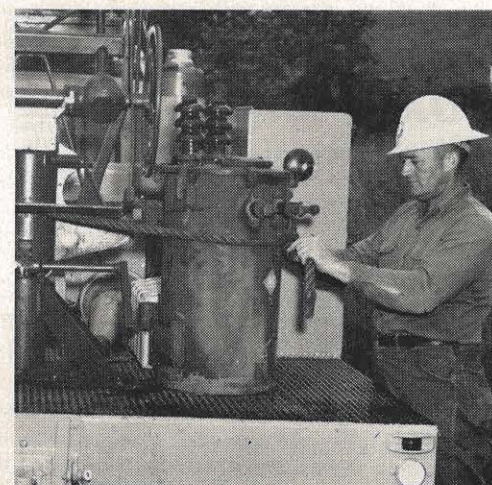
LOUISE E. BROWN, Private Secretary, Huntington

Consideration of others is the oil that makes the many facets of everyday living move smoothly with the least "rub" on the individual involved. In traffic, "the law requires it and courtesy demands it", and the discourteous driver is not only a "peeve", he's a safety hazard.

But reducing courtesy to the minimum, those in traffic behaving as though regulations do not apply to themselves really tempt my

temper. My pet peeves are the double-parkers in heavy traffic and the one who has to save the time it would take you to pass an intersection; so he cuts in front of you when there're no cars at all behind you.

Jay-walking pedestrians seem to share this attitude, which doesn't make very good sense to me either.



C. T. RADER, Lineman, Roanoke

I can't think of anything that annoys me more than bright lights, particularly from the rear. Even as much as I dislike it, I fail to use my dimmer switch occasionally.

How about the real slow driver who chooses the inside lane to travel in! He has no place to go and doesn't care when he arrives. What should we do with the motorist who has two broken arms and uses both lanes to negotiate a right turn?

"Speed is a killer." I disagree there. Stupidity and bad judgment, mixed with any of our activities, will cause us trouble.

For the pedestrian, why do they not obey traffic signals when they read, "Don't Walk"? That and jay walking in heavy traffic, I believe, are the worst faults in downtown Roanoke.

"Courtesy is Contagious." Think about it, concerning what I have written.



JEAN CARTER, Home Service Representative, Ashland

"Pet peeves? Certainly!!" Every driver, from the moment he steps on the accelerator, until he drives, exhausted but thankful, back into his own garage, has little minor irritations that make traveling on our streets and highways less than pleasant. Anything that slows him down, speeds him up, or moves him over, becomes a peeve.

For instance (this is my pet peeve), at busy intersections that now have the "walk" and "wait" lights, I have a definite driving problem. I wait through two green lights for my chance to make a right turn. Two gentlemen pause through two "walk" lights to make conversation. Light is green, I start. Their light is "wait". They walk. We meet. I wait—amid blasting horns, snorting engines and nasty glances. "Peeved? Certainly!!!"



"That's where it landed," H. E. Brown tells Joe P. Gills, Charleston division manager, as he describes how his safety hat protected him from injury, and thereby won him membership in the Turtle Club. Mr. Brown, assistant hydro utility operator at Marmet hydro plant, received his club certificate from Mr. Gills at a Kanawha Valley Power Company dinner last month.

Safety Hat Between Tree And Head Wins Turtle Club Bid For H. E. Brown

A hard hat between a falling tree and H. E. Brown's head won a membership in the exclusive Turtle Club for him recently. Mr. Brown is assistant hydro utility operator at Marmet Hydro plant of Kanawha Valley Power Company, Charleston District.

The certificate relates that Mr. Brown was present at the Marmet plant in January when a tree was being moved on a chain fall. Suddenly out of balance, the tree pulled the hook loose and fell, the tree end striking Mr. Brown on the back of his head. His safety hat completely protected him from serious injury. An employee since 1942, Mr. Brown has never had a disabling injury.

Mr. Brown is the 13th employee of Appalachian to win membership in the Club.

LeMasters Goes To Kanawha Post

Gerald E. LeMasters has been named assistant manager of Appalachian's Kanawha River plant. He will assume his new post June 15.



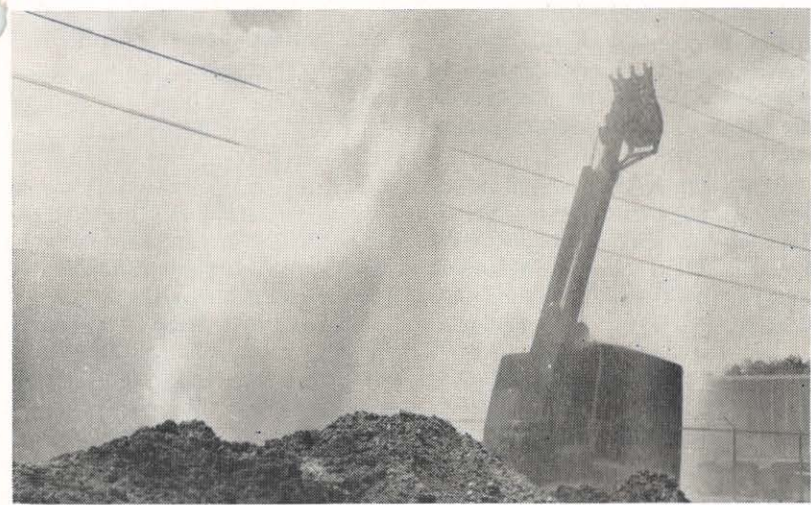
Mr. LeMasters

Mr. LeMasters had been staff engineer for the American Electric Power Service Corporation in New York.

He joined the organization in January 1951 as test engineer at Philip Sporn plant. He transferred to the Service Corporation in 1953 as engineer in the steam generating section, spending several months at Kanawha River plant in that capacity. In June 1958 Mr. LeMasters was promoted to staff engineer.

Mr. LeMasters is a 1950 graduate of the University of Kentucky, with a B.S. degree in mechanical engineering. He is married and has two sons.

Unusual Kingsport Outage



A series of events led to a rather unusual outage in Kingsport recently. This power "back-hoe" was being used to dig a deep ditch right under the Holston-Hillcrest 12,000-volt line. When the bucket accidentally smashed into a 10-inch water main, rupturing the main, the blast of high pressure water whipped the bucket high in the air and smashed the boom into the cab. Another explosion ripped overhead as a phase of the power line gave way under the terrific force of the geyser and fell amidst balls of fire around the bucket. A few spans away, another phase of the same line fell under the strain of the short circuit, which was only a few hundred feet away from Holston station. Several system and Kingsport employees arrived on the scene a few minutes after the accident, guarding the line from onlookers. Despite the fact water continued pouring for 15 minutes, efficient Kingsport crews restored service in 25 minutes to serve a heavy noon-time load. The back-hoe driver escaped unhurt.

Spare-Time Learning

861 Persons Granted Educational Assistance

A survey of our three companies recently showed that employees are wholeheartedly in support of the Educational Assistance Program, designed and put into operation in September 1953 as a means of providing financial aid to employees improving their education and ability.

The survey, conducted by the employee relations section of the personnel departments, revealed that 861 employees in our three companies have participated in the program since its inception. This number represents practically a cross section of employees: among them were sales representatives, draftsmen, clerks, rodmen, engineering assistants, linemen, inspectors, bookkeepers, meter readers, foremen, messengers, office managers, and linemen.

Courses taken by participants last year indicated a strong desire on employees' parts to learn more about job- and industry-connected matters which will be, as the program's statement of purpose said, "of benefit to employee and company."

During 1958, employees studied advanced accounting, air conditioning, heating and refrigeration, business administration, chemistry and mathematics, basic electrical theory, algebra, geometry and differential calculus, economics, electrical engineering, English, physics, business law, secretarial science, shorthand, speech and welding.

Courses such as these are available in many places in our service area. Colleges and universities frequently offer night extension classes, high schools have night class programs. Further, the development in recent years of correspondence schools of high integrity and quality, and the institution of home study programs by a number of major universities—

Roanoker Attends Advanced School

J. B. Whitmore, Roanoke division planning engineer, was one of 24 electric utility representatives from the Western Hemisphere to recently complete the Westinghouse Advanced School in Electric Utility Engineering.

The 24, all graduate engineers employed by power companies in the United States, Canada and South America, were selected to take the 12-week course at Pittsburgh, Penn. The material presented pertained to every aspect of utility engineering, including generation, transmission, distribution, operation and system planning. Taught at graduate level, the courses were designed to provide an understanding of electric utility problems which are subject to engineering and mathematical analysis.

In addition to the six courses taught, the men heard 20 lectures, worked in the analog and digital computer laboratories, and made visits to manufacturing and research facilities and other plants of interest in the Pittsburgh area.

Also of interest to the students were visits to Westinghouse's transformer division at Sharon and steam division at South Philadelphia.

This course was completed in 1957 by A. I. Samuelson and in 1958 by J. A. Tillinghast. Both are in the AEP Service Corporation.



Mr. Whitmore

Chicago, Wisconsin and Columbia, among others—has put further education within reach of the working man and woman.

The Educational Assistance Program provides for payment by the company of more than half of the

cost to an employee for every approved course he takes. Approval is granted through the normal lines of supervision, plus plant or division education assistance committees. Final approval rests with a central committee.

Industry Award . . .

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During the banquet, attended by more than 250 business leaders and their wives, talks were made by Mr. Sporn and Mr. Moseley, and by J. Lindsay Almond, Jr., Virginia governor. Following are excerpts from their talks.

Herbert C. Moseley, president, The Bank of Virginia:

"Two comprehensive programs merit our attention in particular. The first is Appalachian's contribution to the economy of its service area. The second is the company's continuing program of research and development."

Pointing to serious problems that exist in the economic well-being of southern Virginia and West Virginia, Mr. Moseley said: "Appalachian's endeavors over the years as a citizen of each community it serves, therefore, are the more significant."

Describing Appalachian's contributions to the economy of the area, he pointed to payment of taxes and payroll, use of coal, the company's area development department which works with communities in a program of self-improvement and with industries.

Going on to research, he spoke of Appalachian's part, as a member of the American Electric Power Company System, in the development of the nation's first 345,000-volt line, the development of the Philo supercritical steam pressure unit, the world's largest units at Philip Sporn and Breed plants, and many others.

Philip Sporn, president of AEP and of Appalachian:

In accepting the award, Mr. Sporn called for an "energetic and imaginative area development program" to help Virginia realize its potential. He pointed out that this was much more than bringing or helping to bring plants to a community. Further planning of community facilities is necessary to make any community attractive for new industry, and afterward these facilities must continue to be maintained and if necessary, expanded.

"Virginia has many resources and advantages which form the basis for growth, for looking ahead with optimism, which can be exploited and developed for the benefit of its present and future generations." Among several of these, he listed coal, other raw materials, the proximity to the highly industrialized markets of the Middle West as well as the emerging Southern markets, the abundance of water, the availability of skilled labor and the availability of large quantities of economical electric power.

He concluded by saying that it is the responsibility of every citizen to help Virginia realize its potential. ". . . And we in Appalachian hope that we have been good citizens. While we are proud of the recognition being accorded us, we believe this is an occasion . . . for dedicating ourselves to assuring the kind of performance in the future that will continue to justify the honor you have accorded us."

J. Lindsay Almond, Jr., Governor of Virginia: In remarks on the award, Mr. Almond called Appalachian "a corporate enterprise which in 32 years has become one of Virginia's outstanding business concerns and public utilities."

Mr. Almond went on to describe a program of area development in the state, pointing out that the success of such a program depends in part on the support of business and industry itself. He described Appalachian's contributions in area development, saying that the company "has played roles in varying degrees in persuading at least 13 concerns to settle in Virginia."

"Probably the outstanding example is in Patrick County," he went on. There United Elastic Corporation was shown a plant site in Stuart, liked it and built a plant. A few years later the company established a second plant at Woolwine. Two years ago, East Hampton Thread and Rubber Company, a United Elastic subsidiary, placed a plant at Stuart. These three plants employ more than 1,000 persons.

"It is a dramatic example of what can be accomplished in small communities of Virginia. We must see to it that the Patrick story is repeated again, again, and again."

AEP Wins Top Management Award

For the seventh consecutive year, American Electric Power Company in New York has been awarded the American Institute of Management Certificate of Excellence.

The award was based on accomplishment in ten categories, determined by a management audit by the AIM.

H. B. Cohn Elected To Four Boards

Herbert B. Cohn, chief counsel and president of American Electric Power Service Corporation, has been elected a director of Appalachian and Kingsport.



Mr. Cohn

At the same time he was named to serve on the boards of Indiana & Michigan Electric Company and Wheeling Electric Company. Mr. Cohn, who has been vice president and chief counsel since 1954, joined the organization as senior counsel in the Legal Department in 1948. He is a graduate of Yale University, and received his law degree from Harvard Law School. He is a member of the American Bar Association Public Utilities Section, and of the Legal Committee of Edison Electric Institute, and served as an attorney with the U. S. Securities and Exchange Commission.



System

Alfred Reed, system instrument man, has returned to work after being off with a broken collar bone.

Prince E. Thornton, public relations assistant, has been elected to a two-year term on the Roanoke Lions Club board of directors.

E. L. Shaver, classification clerk in system accounting, has been elected treasurer of the Roanoke Junior Chamber of Commerce.

Helen West, system personnel, has returned to work after hospitalization.

G. S. Dunn, public relations director, has been appointed head of the public relations division of Roanoke's United Fund.

Billy E. Earls is a new employee of the system transmission line department in Bluefield.

Earl N. Maynor, Bluefield system transmission line employee, has been awarded the designation of Knight of the York Cross of Honour, highest in the York Rite of Freemasonry and conferred only on those who have held the highest office in each of the four bodies of the rite. He was also elected a member of the West Virginia Priory.

Roanoke District

E. W. Holland, Rocky Mount meter serviceman, and his wife have been elected treasurers of the Franklin County High School PTA.

R. R. Snedegar, electrical engineer, was elected state director of the Roanoke Junior Chamber of Commerce.

M. L. Waggoner, groundman; J. R. Slaughter, engineering aide; C. J. Puffenbarger, groundman; D. B. Roberts, air conditioning engineer; and J. L. Ashworth, payroll clerk, have returned to work following hospitalization.

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Pikeville District

William W. Zoellers, distribution engineer, was elected first vice president of the Pikeville Junior Chamber of Commerce.

Judith Ann Newsom, daughter of records supervisor L. M. Newsom, was an honor graduate at Virgie High School.

William Kennedy, groundman, is recuperating at home following an extended illness and operation.

H. H. Kincaid, district manager, and J. R. Burdsal, district supervising engineer, appeared before a congressional committee in Washington, D. C., for the purpose of presenting the valley's case for flood control on Big Sandy River.

Hazard District

Robert Trent, head T&D clerk; Roy Napier, meter clerk; and C. B. Cornett, power sales engineer, are new ILLUMINATOR reporters in Hazard district.

Mrs. A. R. Barber, wife of the district manager, has returned home following surgery.

Roy Napier, meter clerk, has been promoted to technical sergeant in the Air Force Reserve.

Ashland District

Calvin Burnette, truck driver-groundman, received his Gallon Certificate from the Red Cross Blood Bank.

Donald P. Wade, commercial, was elected president of the Dale Carnegie Class. Gene Moore, distribution; Dick Nash, commercial; Charles Stayton, local accounting; and O. O. Henderson, engineering, attended the class. Mr. Moore was the only three-time award winner for best speech of the evening.

Kay Taylor, daughter of lineman Herman Taylor, was elected to attend Kentucky Girls State.

Mrs. Alex Kirk, wife of the commercial department employee; "Brownie" Schweitzer, son of R. W. Schweitzer, commercial department employee; and Arthur Duren, husband of Mary Beth Duren, local accounting, have recovered from recent surgery.



Welch District

Don Lane, Keystone meter reader, has returned to work following six months' service with the National Guard.

Mrs. O. R. Nunnery, wife of the meterman, has been elected secretary of the Coal Valley Garden Club.

Thomas B. Henly, R/w agent, and G. E. Adams, Pocahontas area supervisor, have returned to work after several weeks' absence due to pneumonia.

Walter Thomas, meter serviceman, has returned to work after being off four weeks for surgery.

Retired employee Grover C. Shumate has returned home following surgery.

George Mitchell, husband of Marlene Mitchell, Grundy contract clerk, was elected chairman of District 12, Virginia Conference of Social Work.

Sank Smith, district personnel supervisor, and Otho Bragg, commercial sales representative, are teaching a first aid class for the members of the Welch Fire Department.

Sympathy is extended Betty Marino, clerk-typist, on the death of her mother-in-law.

Pulaski District

Dorothy N. Whitaker, personnel stenographer, has been installed as president of the Wesleyan Service Guild of the Pulaski First Methodist Church.

Lois K. Collins, contract clerk, has been installed as first vice president of the Junior Woman's Club.

Mrs. Elmer B. Davis, wife of the Bylesby retired employee, is now at home following hospital confinement.

Walter M. Taylor and Lester J. Ayers, Bylesby hydro operators, have returned to work after illnesses.

Bruce B. McCall, power sales engineer, has returned to work after surgery.

Sympathy is extended Roy L. Madison, T&D clerk, on the death of his mother.

Employees' children were members of the first prize band in the 1959 National Cherry Blossom Festival in Washington, D. C. They are Freddie and Ronald Lee, sons of C. A. Shepherd, line foreman, and David, son of H. B. Shepherd, area serviceman.

Glen Lyn Plant

Charles L. Via, janitor, has resigned.

L. E. Turner has returned home after undergoing surgery.

Sympathy is extended Robert R.



Coffman, chemist assistant, on the death of his mother.

Clinch River Plant

Thomas D. Watson, test engineer on military leave of absence, visited the plant while on furlough.

Kenneth H. Darnell, test engineer, has returned to work after hospitalization.

Bluefield District

L. W. "Red" Robinette, power sales engineer, attended the State Junior Chamber of Commerce Convention as president of the Bluefield Chapter.

Earl A. Jackson, Jr., Pearisburg local office supervisor, has been appointed director of the annual Lions Club minstrel show.

Mrs. Phil Fry, wife of the Princeton meter serviceman, was elected treasurer of the Princeton Knob School PTA.

Eulalia K. Footo, records stenographer, attended the state Junior Woman's Club convention.

E. Vance Dunn, Bland area serviceman, is recuperating at home after an attack of pneumonia.

James Donald Haynes, Princeton general clerk, has returned home after hospitalization for an appendectomy.

Sympathy is extended James S. Dodd, district sales supervisor, on the death of his brother, and Mrs. Ira W. Henderson, wife of the administrative assistant, on the death of her mother.

Beth Meadows was a member of the upper court and Freda Thomas was a member of the lower court at the crowning of the king and queen of Fairview Junior High School. Beth is a daughter of Howard S. Meadows, district engineer, and Freda is the daughter of Lewis C. Thomas, commercial sales representative.

W. J. Gillespie, Jr., district manager, was elected second vice president of the Bluefield Lions Club. Alfred H. White, photographer and reproduction man, was elected tail twister.

Fred J. Mullins, meterman, is recuperating in the hospital.

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Williamson District

Three children of E. E. King, district superintendent, received recent school honors. Landon Thomas King and Eugene Lawson King received bachelor of science degrees in electrical engineering at the University of Kentucky. Linda King made the highest grade in Pike County in the freshman class of Belfry High School and received an achievement award certificate in recognition of her outstanding work.

Amos Fields, retired employee, is confined to the hospital due to a leg amputation.

Scout Honor For Beckley Boy



Jimmy Mac Snider stands proudly as his mother, Mrs. Earl O. Snider, pins his Eagle Scout Award on his shirt. Jimmy, son of Beckley district administrative assistant, has been a member of Troop 6 since September 1957, and has 29 merit badges. That's his dad at left. Photo courtesy 'Raleigh Register'.

Sympathy is extended J. B. Harris on the death of his father-in-law.

Logan Plant

When students from the Chapmanville Grade School toured the plant recently Gary V. Mauck and Paul J. Musser, test engineers; Frank E. Hay, test engineering aide; and Robert L. Carter, chemist, served as guides.

Elizabeth L. Egnor, stenographer, was elected treasurer of the Nazarene Foreign Missionary Society of the Logan Church of the Nazarene.

Elias Adams, assistant boiler operator, has returned to work after a six weeks' illness.

Sympathy is extended George Frey, supervisor of maintenance, on the death of his niece, daughter of deceased retired employee Julius J. Frey.

Logan District

Robert Porterfield, son of the district manager, was elected treasurer of the Sophomore Honor Roll Club at Logan High School.

Merrill Atkinson, administrative assistant, attended the National Congress of the Sons of American Revolution as a delegate from the State of West Virginia.

M. C. Porterfield, district manager, attended a meeting of the National Rivers and Harbors Congress in Washington, D. C., as president of the Logan County Chamber of Commerce.

Mrs. Dallas Kinser, wife of the station man, was elected third vice president of the Logan County PTA Council. H. J. Collins, personnel, and M. A. "Sonny" White, line, were honored as past PTA presidents by this council.

James L. Richmond, district superintendent, has been elected to serve as president of the Justice Grade School PTA.

Huntington District

Evelyn M. Ellis, division T&D, and James H. Lackey, district T&D-meter section, are new employees.

B. C. Connelly, engineering aide, is the president-elect of Cabell Elementary School PTA for the coming year.

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Beckley District

Lois Ann Arnott, daughter of credit supervisor Harry F. Arnott, was elected executive vice president of the Baptist Youth Fellowship.

Hubert H. Farley, Jr., district stores, has been elected superintendent of Sunday School of the Maxwell Hill Baptist Church.

Mrs. J. R. Lowery, wife of the meter serviceman and former employee of the T&D meter section, is recovering at home from surgery.

E. C. Robertson, lineman, has returned to work after a two weeks' absence due to injuries received in an automobile accident.

A. B. Bailey, East Rainelle area serviceman recuperating at Roncerverte hospital and his home, will enter a Charleston hospital for further treatment.

Mildred Webb, accounting, is still off from work due to an illness.

Patsie Mollohan was sponsored by the Beckley district in Beckley's Miss Teen Queen Contest. She is the daughter of L. C. Mollohan, station foreman.

Philip Sporn Plant

Philip J. Wolpert, operations supervisor, was elected vice president of the New Haven Rotary Club.

Thomas R. Vance, son of unit foreman Bethel R. Vance, was chosen to be a member of the Pi Gamma Chapter of Pi Tau Sigma, honorary mechanical engineering fraternity at West Virginia University.

William R. Dean, equipment operator, is recovering at home after receiving a broken jaw in an automobile accident.

Point Pleasant District

O. C. Hall, district superintendent, and C. A. Burdette, stores supervisor, are members of the newly-formed Citizens' Support Council for the Pleasant Valley Hospital.

Sympathy is extended J. L. Stewart, truck driver-groundman, and Bernice M. Roush, secretarial-stenographer, on the death of their sister and stepmother, respectively.

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Five Veterans Of Lengthy Service Honored With 45, 40, 35-Year Pins

Veterans reaching their 45, 40 and 35-year service milestones have been honored during the last month.

H. C. Arthur of Roanoke completed 45 years of service, while R. K. Gaw of system operating has reached the 40-year mark. Honored for 35 years of service were Harry Matney of Ashland, Homer C. Williams of system T&D and J. L. Twitty of Charleston.

H. C. Arthur

The second oldest employee in Appalachian from point of service, and the oldest in the Roanoke district, Mr. Arthur joined the company May 1, 1914. He first worked at the old Walnut Avenue steam plant in maintenance and operation, rising to turbine operator.

When the plant was taken out of service in 1953, he became stationman in the district's station department.

Married, he is the father of a daughter, and attends the Belmont Christian Church.



Mr. Arthur

R. K. Gaw

Mr. Gaw joined the company as an operator at Logan May 1, 1919 and seven years later became watch engineer at Charleston.

In 1939 he moved to system operator and was promoted to his present position, system operations coordinator, in 1955.

He is married and has one son, and includes golfing and hunting as hobbies.



Mr. Gaw

Harry Matney

On May 1, 1924 Mr. Matney joined the company in Ashland as a serviceman. He became serviceman A in 1949 and serviceman, senior, in 1958.

Married, Mr. Matney has one daughter. He attended Louisa High School and lists reading and hunting as hobbies.



Mr. Matney

H. C. Williams

Mr. Williams, system working foreman in the system station department, joined the West Virginia Meter and Electric Company May 15, 1924 as a salesman in the commercial department. He continued with the company when West Virginia Meter was merged into Appalachian, and became an operator in 1935.

He became electrician at Turner station in 1939 and went to his present position in 1947.



Mr. Williams

A native of Kanawha County, he is a veteran of World War I, serving 2½ years with the Navy Engineers. He is married.

J. L. Twitty

Mr. Twitty, Charleston division meter supervisor, joined the company May 15, 1924 at Charleston as a meter man. He became a meter tester in 1937 and Point Pleasant district meter superintendent in 1949.

Nine years later he moved to Charleston district meter supervisor and later in 1958 went to his present position. A native of Gainesville, Ga., he attended North Georgia Agricultural College, and spent two years each in the U. S. Maritime Service and the National Guard.

He is a member of the International Association of Electrical Inspectors, past member of Kiwanis, a member of Beni Kedem Shrine and the Loyal Order of the Moose. He is married.



Mr. Twitty

Medical . . .

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of plans. Experience of the past three years showed a continuing upward trend of costs which made it necessary for the carrier, Aetna Life Insurance Company, to increase its premium rates effective July 1.

The letter also pointed to the possibility of still further premium increases if medical care costs continue to rise, but said that employees could help avoid this possibility by "cooperating to reasonably control the amount of the charges for which you may seek reimbursement under the plan." At the same time, the letter continued, the company and Aetna "plan to make similar efforts to control these rising costs."

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Sympathy is also extended Mavis I. Weaver, PBX operator, on the death of her sister-in-law.

Charleston District

Thomas R. Poole, son of Montgomery area serviceman Thomas Poole, had a paper published in the *American Journal of Physiology* concerning work he did in the department of pharmacology at the Medical School of West Virginia University.

Renee Snyder, daughter of Jo Snyder, Clendenin general service clerk, won an encyclopedia for submitting a question used in the "Tell Me Why" column of the *Charleston Daily Mail*.

Barbara Jo Waggy, local accountant, modeled in a fashion show at Spencer.

Guilford Smith, administrative assistant, attended the Virginia Farm and Home Electrification Council meeting as chairman of the West Virginia Council.

Joyce Britt, commercial clerk-typist, and Bob Stealy, office messenger, are new employees.

Claudette Midkiff, division commercial clerk-typist, has resigned.

Wesley Zinn, Montgomery local office manager, and Betty Smith, Montgomery merchandise bookkeeper, have returned to work following hospitalization.

To Attract Industry Improving Area Theme Of Workshop

Business, labor and industrial leaders pooled ideas on community improvement during an Area Development Workshop at Logan recently.

Nearly 300 persons from Logan, Boone and Mingo Counties attended the all-day session, highlighted by a talk by West Virginia's Governor Cecil H. Underwood. Purpose of the workshop was to discover and discuss ways and means of making the area more attractive to industry. The workshop was co-sponsored by Appalachian and the Tug Valley, Logan County, Madison and Whitesville Chambers of Commerce. A similar workshop was co-sponsored by Appalachian in the Beckley area earlier this year.

"How To" was the theme of the session, with experts in their fields speaking on resources of the area and how these resources can be used to attract new industry. During the day such topics as income of the area, natural and industrial resources, human resources, facilities and services were discussed.

Employees among the speakers were Prince E. Thornton, system public relations, speaking on "Blueprint For Better Living"; J. R. Davenport, Appalachian administrative assistant, speaking on "New Dollars Through Home Grown Industries"; and Dorman M. Miller, Appalachian area development director, speaking on "How To Finance Industry In Your Town". Jack Lloyd, Huntington-Charleston division area development representative, presided at the afternoon session of the meeting, while Williamson attorney Zane Grey Stalker presided in the morning.



Pictured at a luncheon during the Logan Area Development Workshop were the following, from left: Hon. C. C. Chambers, circuit judge of Logan County; M. C. Porterfield, Logan district manager of Appalachian and president of Logan County Chamber of Commerce, who coordinated arrangements for the meeting; Hon. Cecil H. Underwood, governor of West Virginia; and Hon. K. K. Hall, circuit judge of Boone County, who presided at the luncheon.

Copper Brite Closes Successful Year As Appalachian-Backed JA Company

Junior Achievement of Roanoke Valley, Inc., has reached the end of its second year of operations, and again the Appalachian-sponsored company has distinguished itself.

Copper Brite Products, run by 13 high school students, with seven Appalachian employees as advisors, was one of four in Roanoke to win local industry awards. The company also won honorable mention in Region I (Virginia and northeastern states) in competition with other JA companies.

During the year Copper Brite manufactured 1,150 copper ash trays and candy dishes and sold them for \$1,047.90. Their earnings enabled them to pay the highest wages of any Roanoke JA company, and still return a 10 percent dividend on each share of stock in the company.

The high school students formed their own company, sold stock, set up

officers, made the product, sold it and handled all the company's affairs, thus learning first hand the lessons of free enterprise.

Appalachian advisors were C. G. Price, Jr., M. G. Capasso, M. G. Covey, W. M. Mills, H. P. Laughon, J. G. Hunt, Jr., and Henry Altieri.

Student Engineer Honored For Work

In a traditionally difficult major, Virgil L. Brewer, Jr., of Ashland is distinguishing himself at the University of Kentucky.

Virgil, a freshman engineering student, and son of the Ashland draftsman, completed his first year in the upper three percent of the engineering college. Last year's AEP Educational Award recipient from Kentucky Power, Virgil was recognized for his academic excellence at Honors Day ceremonies at the school.

Office Association Elects J. D. Murray

The new president of the Roanoke Chapter of the National Office Management Association is J. D. Murray, system assistant office manager.

Before joining the company in 1943 as administrative assistant, Mr. Murray was associated with the District of Columbia Public Utilities Commission, and later was a member of the accounting staff of the West Virginia Public Service Commission. He was chief accountant of the Commission for five years.



Mr. Murray

Hazard Lions Choose Ozee As President

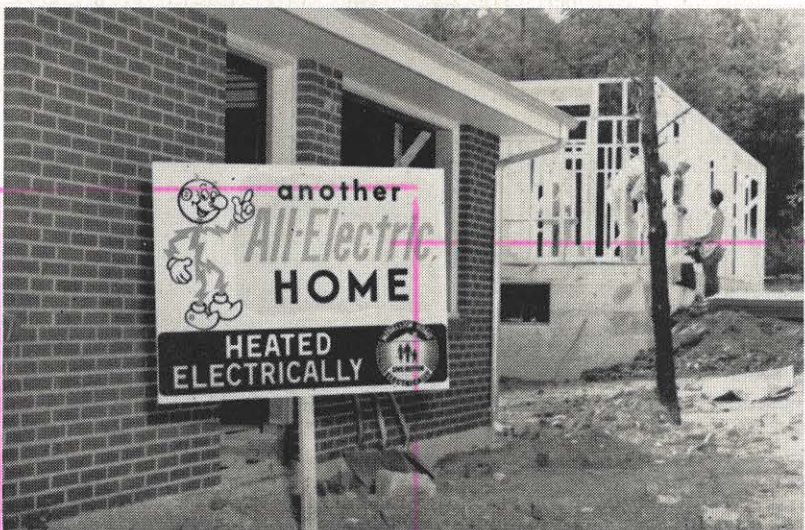
The Hazard Lions Club has elected Morgan J. Ozee as its president for 1959-60. The Hazard district personnel supervisor or will take office July 1.

An active member of the club for several years, he has served as editor and secretary. He is a past recipient of the Silver Beaver Scout Award for Distinguished Service to Boyhood and was recently appointed player-manager of the Babe Ruth and Little Leagues of Perry County.



Mr. Ozee

Over 500 Roanoke Homes Use Electric Heat, Heat Pump



An example of the increasing enthusiasm for electric heat in the Roanoke district is Mill Mountain Estates, a new subdivision of Roanoke, where 25 electrically heated homes have been sold. These two are part of the five now under construction.

Roanoke district reached an important milestone in the sale of electricity when the number of homeowners in the district installing electric heat exceeded 500 on April 30.

A total of 513 customers have resistance heat or the heat pump in their homes, enabling the district to become the first in Appalachian to pass the 500 milestone. Of the 449 customers using resistance heating, 385 installed it in new homes and 64 converted. Sixty-four residential customers in the district have installed heat pumps—59 new homes and 5 conversions.

As an indication of how enthusiasm for electric heat is growing in the district, installations have more than doubled in less than two and a half years, from 241 in 1956 to today's

513. In addition, 58 installations have already been made in the first four months of 1959, compared to 31 during the same period last year. In April, the average residential customer in the district averaged using 4,250 kilowatthours annually; the electric heating customer averages 19,708 kilowatthours annually.

So far in the Roanoke division there are 1,093 residential electric heating customers, including 360 in the Lynchburg district and 220 in the Fieldale district. The division's heating saturation—the number of customers with electric heat compared to the total number of customers—has reached 1.16 percent. Fieldale shows a saturation of 1.59 per cent, Lynchburg 1.30 percent and Roanoke .98 percent.

Dusk-To-Dawn Lighting Service Available

Availability of an automatic dusk-to-dawn lighting service has been announced for Appalachian customers.

For a flat monthly charge of \$3.00, Appalachian will install and maintain for any customer—urban, rural, residential or commercial—a photoelectric lighting unit on existing company facilities that will turn on automatically around sunset and off automatically shortly after first light in the morning. If no poles are available at the point the customer wants his light, charges for such installation of pole and equipment will be made to the customer. Maintenance includes replacement of the 2500 lumen bulbs.

Announcement of the service comes at the time when householders are beginning to move outdoors for the summer. In addition to providing ample light for night garden work and recreation, the service offers safety, security and comfort to householders returning home late at night.

Commercial uses are equally varied. In both rural and urban areas, the service offers the same protection against vandalism. Further by installing lights in parking areas, at highway entrances and exits, and at strategic locations on the property, commercial users can turn the lights to advertising and promotion purposes.

Farm customers can light up long driveways and illuminate farm work and recreational areas.

Two major light patterns are available, depending on the use the customer has in mind. One is circular, throwing out illumination in an area 200 feet in diameter; the other is lateral, especially useful for alleys and



This is the new Dusk-To-Dawn light being offered customers by Appalachian. Nancy Hamlett, Roanoke district cashier, points to the light's photo-electric cell, which enables the light to cut off and on automatically.

driveways, measuring 250 feet long and 40 feet wide.

Employees and other customers should contact their nearest Appalachian office to obtain dusk-to-dawn lights.

'Mr. Anthony' Presents Check

The effect television has on life is amply demonstrated by children, who remember and repeat commercials, jingles and everything else they see and hear on TV screens.

Even a program like CBS-TV's "The Millionaire," where Michael Anthony passes out checks for a million dollars each week, has its effect.

Claude Ward, Williamson district dealer sales representative, found this out recently when he delivered a range wiring allowance check to a customer. He was greeted at the door by a small boy who called his mother. Claude gave the woman the check, and she signed a voucher.

As Claude turned to leave, he heard the little boy ask, "Mommy, is that Mr. Anthony with a check for a thousand dollars?"

Four Reusens Men Complete First Aid

First aid certificates, indicating successful completion of the standard first aid course, were awarded recently to the four-man maintenance crew at Reusens hydro station.

Earning the certificates were C. D. McCarthy and George Elder, maintenance mechanics, and Ashby R. Hodges and Morris Lewis, maintenance helpers. Thomas M. Sandidge was instructor.

Two Boys Honored In May Day Court



Larry Corea Walter Holbrook

South Williamson Grade School's annual May Day Court this year included two sons of employees serving as princes from their respective grades.

They were Walter Holbrook, son of Woodrow Holbrook, district sales supervisor, representing the third grade, and Larry Corea, son of Mrs. Lorraine Corea, secretarial-stenographer, from the sixth grade.

The boys were chosen for their royal assignments on the basis of character, scholastic achievement and all-around ability. Both earned a certificate of achievement for their work in the last school term.

Lynchburg Men Join Donor Club

Ten Lynchburg employees are charter members of the city Red Cross "Gallonteers" composed of persons who have donated a gallon or more of blood to the blood bank.

Appalachian members are Paul L. Bailey, W. L. Booth, Jr., Robert D. Curtis, L. G. Dougan, H. M. Figg, Jr., R. C. Foster, Jack D. Harker, D. C. Kennedy, Thomas H. Pillow, George W. Stone, Jr. The most generous of the group is Mr. Dougan, who donated his 32nd pint of blood in January.

Plant And District Employees Write Articles In "AEP Operating Ideas"

Ideas for saving time, work and money in district and plant operations by five Appalachian employees appeared in the May issue of *AEP Operating Ideas*.



Mr. Frey

George Frey, mechanical maintenance supervisor at Logan plant, wrote "Easy Way To Inspect Fan Blades." In the article he describes a dial indicator attached to an aluminum rigid yoke used to measure blade thicknesses on fans. The tool enables a safer, quicker inspection of the blades.

"Map For Routing Men To Jobs" was written by W. P. Horton, Welch district T&D clerk. Pointing out that considerable time can be lost by line crews getting to job sites in rough, unfamiliar terrain, he describes a map designed to help correct this condition. The map of the county is cross-ruled into pole-map sections, and using the map a foreman can determine quickly the best route to jobs.

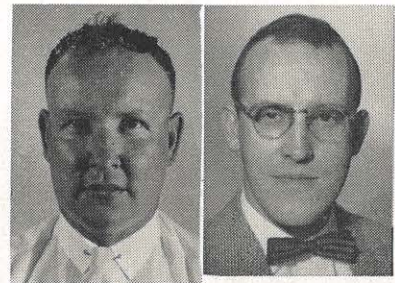
"Temporary Patch For Coal Leaks" was contributed by Charles E. Hannum, Philip Sporn plant utility operator, and tells of a patch found that will last for weeks, rather than hours, when it is used to repair coal hoppers or pipes.

A. R. Lively, assistant shift supervisor at Cabin Creek, was the author of "Using Vented Steam Saves



Mr. Horton

Mr. Hannum



Mr. Lively

Mr. Kern

\$20,000." His article points out a method developed at the plant which allows for the effective use of steam that would normally be wasted by venting superheaters to the atmosphere during boiler start ups. Based on the present schedule at the plant calling for 11 boiler bank-outs per week, the savings in steam returned to the cycle will be worth an estimated \$20,000 per year.

"Tool Cleans Stepping Switches Faster" was written by J. L. Kern, instrument maintenance man at Kanawha River plant. A new tool, replacing pipe cleaners and solvent, is now being used at the plant to clean stepping switches to insure positive contact of the switch points.

Viper Needed PTA, Hazard Employees Helped Form One, Furnish Facilities



Relaxing at one of the tables they designed and built for the Viper PTA are from left: C. B. Cornett, Wallace Cornett and Robert L. Trent. These three and S. J. Cornett, all Hazard district employees, were instrumental in the organization of the PTA. Mr. Trent has just been elected president of the group for the coming year.

Four Hazard district employees recognized a need in their home town of Viper in 1955, and then did something about it.

The need was for a Parent-Teachers Association to assist in raising the standard of the school system and to give organizational unity to parents' and teachers' efforts to provide a good education for the school children. The four who did something about it—who were instrumental in the organization of a PTA—are Robert L. Trent, head T&D clerk, who has just been elected president of the PTA for the coming year; Wallace Cornett, engineering aide; Chalmer Cornett, lighting engineer; and S. J. Cornett, meter reader.

The four began by generating interest among neighbors, relatives and friends. Their campaign has been so successful that the PTA, in its fourth year, now has over 100 members.

With organization of the group, the problem of a meeting place cropped up. Contacts with the County officials and School Board re-

sulted in obtaining the use of a building on the school premises. Working nights and week ends, the four Hazard district employees completely furnished the building with tables, chairs, lighting, heating and electric cooking facilities.

An added benefit of this work is that the facilities are now being used as an up-to-date lunch room for students at Viper School.

Bob Trent, newly elected president, joined Kentucky Power in 1948 and has worked in the engineering, commercial and T&D departments in Hazard. A veteran of World War II and the Korean conflict, he is married and has two children.

The Viper PTA just climaxed another year of activity with a program and tea for the eighth grade graduating class. The four employees and their neighbors who worked so hard for a PTA have proven to themselves, and to others, that when you recognize a need and are willing to do something about it, the result will be a better community in which to live.

Fieldale Senior Gets \$2,400 Scholarship

Richard Wray McBride, a senior at Fieldale High School, has been awarded a \$2,400 DuPont Regional Scholarship to the University of Virginia.



Richard McBride

The son of A. W. McBride, Fieldale auto repairman, Richard was chosen for the scholarship from over 50 students who were tested and interviewed at the University. In addition to high scholastic work, Richard has been active in athletics, music and school activities.

He is a member of the National Beta Club, Music Study Club, Hi-Y and Glee Club. He is president of the Student Cooperative Association. A member of the debating team, he also plays first chair trombone in the All State Concert Band. Last year he was a member of the All State Sight Reading Band and won a six-week music scholarship to the Brevard, N. C., Music Center.

Proper Lifting Described In First Aid



How to lift weights and how not to lift weights was one subject of Charleston district standard first aid class recently. Here John Frazier, class instructor, uses an articulated model, borrowed from the Post Office, to show the group where lifting strain occurs. In the picture are, from

left, seated: Sylvia McClure, Jenny Hall, George Sevy, Jo Ann Asbury, Sue Sheets, Bess Westerfield, Judy Hackney; standing: Charlotte Canterbury, Mr. Frazier, Hubert Shabdue, Guilford Smith, Walter Purvis, Frances McHenry, Jane Abbot and Delores McDowell.

Everyone's Ideas On Saving Time And Money Valuable

'Operating Ideas' Looking For Them; Two Successful Idea Men Give Tips

All employees have an interest in *AEP Operating Ideas*. A revision of *Monthly Operating Notes*, which generally adhered to engineering, maintenance and operation subjects, *Ideas* covers the entire scope of operations in our companies.

The idea behind the publication is that an employee who has found a better way to perform one of his duties—one who has discovered a way of doing things that will save time, labor and money—can share his idea with others. And at the same time his idea can mean money to him, since *Ideas* pays for articles it publishes.

The best way to find out how to do something is to talk to people who have been successful. ILLUMINATOR correspondents at Cabin Creek and Kanawha River plants, Carl Burner and T. H. Whited, did just that.

W. J. Buchanan, Jr., Kanawha maintenance supervisor, who has had 14 articles published, and O. A. Hesson, Cabin Creek maintenance foreman, who has had four articles published and two more in preparation, in answering the correspondents' questions, hope their experiences will be helpful to other employees. Quotes from their comments follow.

Have you had any ideas turned down? What was your reaction?

Mr. Buchanan: It is only natural that there would be a degree of disappointment when an idea you have formulated and put into practical use is not accepted. However, it can be readily understood that all ideas will not necessarily be of general interest. I try not to look at it as a personal affront, which can be the first reaction, but take a second look and see the reasoning behind a rejection.

Mr. Hesson: Yes, I have had ideas turned down for publication, but since the idea had local application we continue to use them in our work. I have never been discouraged because an idea was not published, because I still have the satisfaction of seeing a job done easier, safer and with less expense.

How does an idea occur to you?

Buchanan: When a problem is presented, I usually try to approach it on a methodical basis in an effort to cut

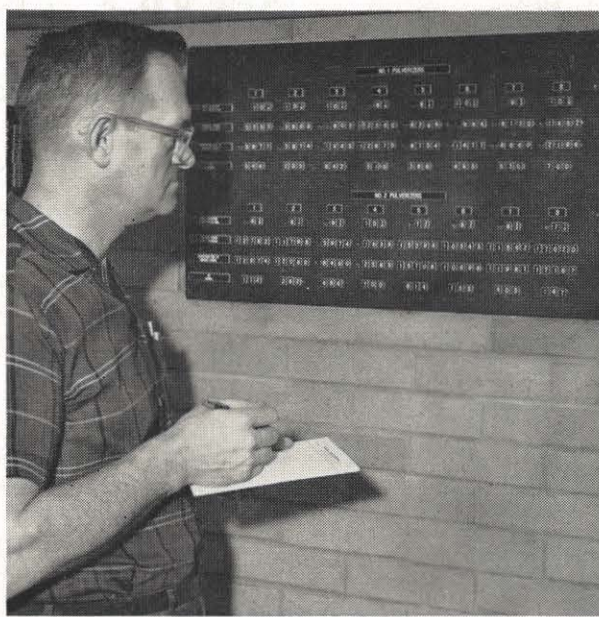
corners and make the job simple and efficient. Ideas usually occur to me as I try to find a better way to do a job.

Hesson: Most of my work involves an outage on a piece of equipment which must be returned to service as quickly as possible. In order to utilize manpower to best advantage, and to reduce the cost of material, labor and save time I try to think of ways to improve our past practices. There is a definite challenge to do the job safer, easier and with less expense. To meet the challenge I think on and off the job, and thinking produces ideas.

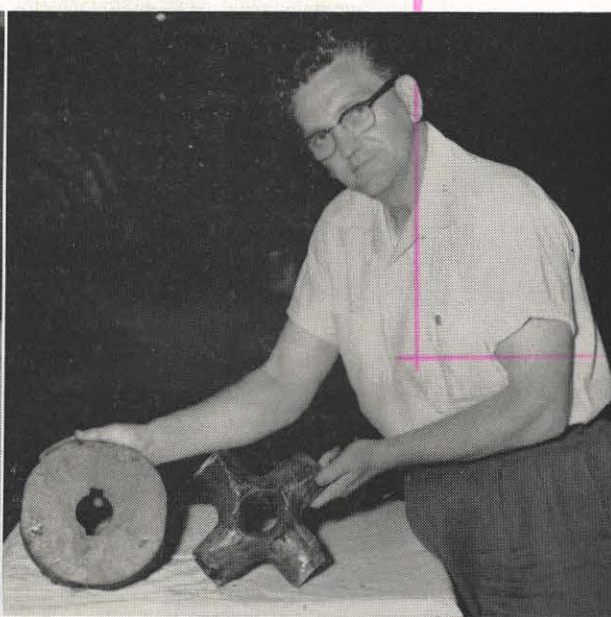
Do you use any special method to come up with ideas?

Buchanan: I try to keep a list of all known problems on my desk so they can be reviewed frequently. As I read magazines and papers I try to let my imagination run wild, so to speak, in adapting new materials and methods to our problems.

Hesson: If you look at the overall job you fail to see the particular segment of the job which needs improvement, and so I break the job down



Two successful ideas are displayed by their originators, who themselves have been successful in developing many ways of saving time, labor and money in company operations. LEFT: W. J. Buchanan, Jr., of Kanawha River plant checks a schedule board which he devised for the inspection of pulverizers. This board provides operating and maintenance information as to the status of pulverizers, so that all concerned can easily determine the need for inspection



and repairs. RIGHT: Saving over \$1,000 annually on cost of equipment and maintenance labor, a new mill inlet spider, at left on table, was designed by O. A. Hesson of Cabin Creek plant. The old spider is at the right on the table. The old spider, used in the plant pulverizers, wore out too quickly, became ineffective with repairs. The new spider, designed and built at the plant, is far superior.

into segments. Then I study each segment until I find one which presents a problem. After studying this problem I begin to get ideas. I first ask myself, "Does this idea present any safety problems, what effect will my idea have on the other segments of the job, what effect will my idea have on the entire job, will this idea correct the problem and will it create any new problems?"

How do you prepare articles for publication?

Buchanan: After an idea has been well tested and proven to be a good solution to a problem, I assemble all the facts showing the advantages of an idea, have drawings or pictures made and write up the story.

Hesson: I try to select a title which will attract attention. Then in the first paragraph, usually in the first sentence, I try to state exactly what the application means in saving time, labor, material and ease with which

the job is accomplished. The balance of the article which is usually accompanied by drawings and pictures describes in detail the application of the idea. The Field Editor at the plant and I go over the article and together we mold it into shape for publication.

Do you think such a program of printing, and having rewards for ideas is a good thing?

Buchanan: Yes, because it gives stimulation to idea creation.

Hesson: You can say I am 100% in favor of this program. The monetary reward is an incentive certainly, but people inherently like to be recognized and derive a great deal of self-satisfaction from recognition.

What benefits do you see for the company and employees in such a program?

Buchanan: Monetary saving for the company, monetary reward and recog-

nitiation for the employees plus an added interest in their work.

Hesson: (1) Employees will be encouraged to and will train themselves to think—better employees make a better company. (2) There will be economies instituted which will result in greater efficiency. (3) Work will be done easier and safer. These benefits are mutual.

Any other comments?

Buchanan: There are a number of ideas being used around the system that somehow stay at the point of origin. There should be some way to pass this information around although it may seem to be of minor importance to the individual who originated it. More ideas could be stirred up if an up-to-date list of problems were passed around the system.

Hesson: The man who thinks is more productive, more creative and receives more satisfaction from his work. *AEP Operating Ideas* is a program designed to give recognition to such people and I encourage everyone to participate in this new program.

40 Bluefield Teachers Tour Company During Business-Education Day



Bluefield teachers gather around Bluefield district engineer Howard S. Meadows, who explains the workings of a substation to them as part of the company's participation in Business-Education Day.

Appalachian in Bluefield was host to 40 school teachers during part of the annual Business-Education Day there recently.

Richard J. Wood, assistant district manager, spoke to the group in the company auditorium following refreshments, and explained briefly what they would see during their tour of Appalachian facilities. After a department-by-department visit of the office building, they were taken in a special bus to the Bluefield Avenue substation. Howard S. Meadows, district engineer, and Lloyd B. Lee, district superintendent, were the guides for this part of the visit.

The teachers' day was concluded with an address by E. J. Stahr, Jr., president of West Virginia University.

Crew Illustrates Pole Top First Aid

A team of Lynchburg district employees demonstrated pole top resuscitation to a large gathering at the annual Amherst County Day program last month.

They showed how a man who had received a shock while working at pole top could be given artificial respiration there while men on the ground made arrangements to lower him.

Participating were linemen M. A. Langford, C. E. Jordan, S. L. Drumheller and E. L. Baker, truck driver-groundman J. H. Ward and groundman R. E. Wells.



Appalachian Power Company

Bluefield District

McKINLEY CORNETT, JR., from division electrical engineer to division senior station engineer; MARY ALICE NUNN from credit and collection clerk to T&D clerk; JOHN E. M. SCOTT from lineman C to lineman B; DAVID K. SPIVEY from tracer to draftsman.

Clinch River Plant

N. JACK BURK from laborer to utility man; BOBBY G. HOBBS from laborer to utility man.

Glen Lyn Plant

JAMES E. BROWN from instrument maintenance helper to instrument maintenance man; BETTY F. FREEMAN from clerk-typist to clerk-stenographer; PAUL H. MANN from instrument maintenance helper to instrument maintenance man; MARION R. WILEY from clerk-typist to clerk-stenographer.

Logan District

ERNEST L. BEVINS from assistant credit supervisor, Williamson, to utility clerk senior, Logan.

Pulaski District

ANDREW L. GRAHAM, JR., from electrical engineer to commercial sales engineer; ROBERT H. LOVE from power sales engineer to electrical engineer; BRUCE B. McCALL from power sales engineer to power sales engineer, senior; M. M. STAMBAUGH from area sales representative to heating and builder sales representative.

Roanoke District

NANCY HAMLETT from clerk-trainee to cashier; JOYCE KRAIGE from cashier to petty cash clerk.

Welch District

HENRY E. FARMER, JR., from lineman C to lineman B.

Williamson District

C. J. MAYNARD from collector to assistant credit supervisor.

Idea Criterion And The Rewards

The criterion for an idea to be acceptable for publication in *AEP Operating Ideas* is that it must be tried and proved valuable. The new policy of expanded scope of the publication to cover all phases of company operation makes it possible for any department and its members to receive System-wide credit and recognition for ideas.

Beginning last April 1, \$25 will be paid for each published idea. An idea considered especially valuable will be awarded an additional \$25 for merit. Merit ideas will be eligible for annual prizes. Judges will award up to a maximum of five annual prizes. Value and number of prizes will be determined by the judges and President Philip Sporn, based on quality of the ideas. First prize can be as high as \$500, second prize as high as \$200, and third, fourth and fifth prizes, if awarded, at least \$100.

A list of Field Editors, who will help you prepare ideas for publication, is carried in each issue of the monthly *AEP Operating Ideas*. The listing also appeared in the April issue of *THE ILLUMINATOR*.

Service Milestones Observed



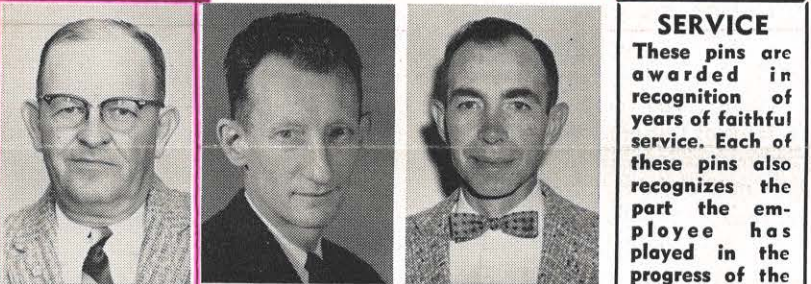
C. H. McCarthy, Jr. Lynchburg 30 Years
J. T. McLain Roanoke 30 Years
J. E. McClain Kanawha River 25 Years
S. C. Smith Pulaski 25 Years



C. L. Stacy Bluefield 25 Years
Lincoln Bloebaum Ashland 25 Years
E. C. Brown Welch 25 Years
A. J. Hendricks Roanoke 25 Years



W. H. Ribble System 25 Years
C. C. Lance System 25 Years
H. O. Buckland System 25 Years
C. D. McCarthy Lynchburg 25 Years



R. H. Porter Lynchburg 25 Years
C. R. S. Garten Beckley 20 Years
G. E. Roberts Point Pleasant 20 Years

Child Plays Part In Act Of Mercy

Lennie Justice is two years old. Young though he may be, Lennie has a presence of mind many older people wish they had.

Lennie, son of Leonard Justice, Williamson meterman, proved this recently when he was playing in his yard and a man on a tractor was landscaping a neighbor's yard. Suddenly the tractor toppled over.

Without hesitation, the youngster ran to his door, crying "Mommie, bulldozer fall down." Mrs. Justice went outside to see how badly hurt the man was. The injured man's co-worker had missed him by this time, and came looking for him. The two made him comfortable and Mrs. Justice called the Life Saving Crew, the man's employer and a wrecker.

At the hospital they found the man had a broken left leg and injured left arm.

Lennie hasn't forgotten what he saw and did. With the compassion that only a small child can muster, each time he looks up the road he shakes his head and says, "Bulldozer fall down . . . poor man . . . broke leg."



Lennie Justice

Roanoke . . .

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Connie Smith, local accounting stenographer, has resigned.

Ann Campbell, payroll, is hospitalized following an injury.

Lynne Echols, daughter of division radio engineer E. E. Echols, has been initiated into Pi Delta Epsilon, national honorary journalistic fraternity at Lynchburg College.

Fred E. Bowman, division sales representative, has been re-elected treasurer of the Williamson Road Lions Club.

Lynchburg District

L. G. Dougan, personnel supervisor, was elected vice president of the Lynchburg Safety Council.

Approximately 65 employees and their guests attended the bingo party sponsored by the Apelcoes Club. James R. Dorman, engineering aide, was chairman of the event.

At a meeting of the Lynchburg Chapter of the American Red Cross, James H. Haley, Jr., and Mrs. Baxter McIntosh were awarded 10-year service pins for their services in first aid and the Gray Ladies, respectively. Mr. Haley is customer service representative, and Mrs. McIntosh is the wife of the meter service foreman.

Sympathy is extended Thomas L. Bailey, retired employee, on the death of his wife.

Charles E. Sanderson, groundman, has returned from two years' military service with the U. S. Army.

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

SERVICE ANNIVERSARIES

Appalachian Power Company

Beckley District—20 YEARS: C. R. S. GARTEN, assistant local office manager.

Bluefield District—25 YEARS: CHARLES L. STACY, division power sales engineer. 15 YEARS: JOHN R. PENDLETON, JR., T&D clerk. 5 YEARS: MCKINLEY CORNETT, JR., division senior station engineer.

Cabin Creek Plant—15 YEARS: EDWARD HUFFMAN, boiler maintenance helper; R. E. LARABEE, JR., transformer maintenance helper.

Charleston District—35 YEARS: J. L. TWITTY, division meter supervisor. 10 YEARS: SYL BIA M. HINCHMAN, division home service section leader. 5 YEARS: HELEN A. HOFFMAN, contract clerk.

Clinch River Plant—10 YEARS: J. R. BLANKENSHIP, safety supervisor. 5 YEARS: CHARLES M. WHALEY, equipment operator.

Glen Lyn Plant—15 YEARS: HERMAN W. DENT, maintenance helper; KYLE WADE, maintenance helper; JAMES L. WILEY, maintenance helper.

Huntington District—25 YEARS: OAKLEY E. FREEMAN, station man. 5 YEARS: ALBERTA C. LUNSFORD, cashier clerk.

Kanawha River Plant—25 YEARS: J. E. MCCLAIN, unit foreman.

Logan District—15 YEARS: MARY L. GOODMAN, maid.

Logan Plant—15 YEARS: ARTHUR R. EVANS, auxiliary equipment operator; WILLIAM G. WORKMAN, utility operator.

Lynchburg District—30 YEARS: CHARLES H. MCCARTHY, JR., Reusens hydro operator. 25 YEARS: CLARENCE D. MCCARTHY, Reusens hydro maintenance mechanic; ROBERT H. PORTER, working foreman.

Point Pleasant District—20 YEARS: G. E. ROBERTS, utility clerk. 10 YEARS: J. K. SHINN, engineering aide.

Pulaski District—25 YEARS: STANLEY C. SMITH, line inspector.

Roanoke District—45 YEARS: H. C. ARTHUR, station man. 30 YEARS: J. T. MCCLAIN, air conditioning engineer. 25 YEARS: A. J. HENDRICKS, janitor.

Philip Sporn Plant—10 YEARS: CLYDE T. CLARK, conveyor operator; PAUL E. HUBER, labor-janitor foreman; ROBERT L. PARSONS, unit foreman; WILLIAM W. WENTZELL, unit foreman.

System—40 YEARS: R. K. GAW, system operations coordinator. 35 YEARS: HOMER C. WILLIAMS, working foreman. 25 YEARS: H. O. BUCKLAND, regional chief dispatcher, Huntington; C. C. LANCE, regional dispatcher, Switchback Station; ROY S. NASH, system transmission man; W. H. RIBBLE, system operations coordinator. 15 YEARS: JOHN N. HELTON, system transmission man.

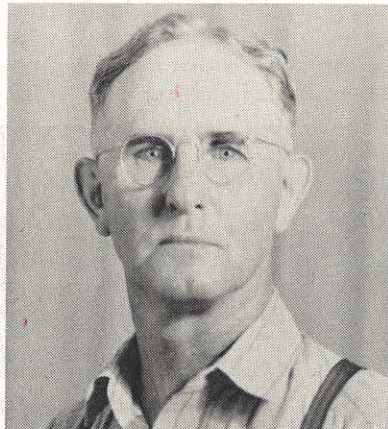
Welch District—25 YEARS: EMORY C. BROWN, station man. 5 YEARS: FLORA A. EVANS, cashier clerk.

Kentucky Power Company

Ashland District—35 YEARS: HARRY MATNEY, serviceman. 25 YEARS: LINCOLN BLOEBAUM, meterman.

Pikeville District—15 YEARS: JAMES E. BAILEY, auto repairman helper.

Cheatham Dies; Was Ashland Vet



Mr. Cheatham

Dan H. Cheatham, 79, retired Ashland district employee, died May 15.

He began work with the company July 7, 1924, and retired on the last day of 1945.

Serving as pallbearers were James Simpson, Frank Huffman, Lincoln Bloebaum, John Kinney and Walter Venters, all of the meter department, and George Price of the distribution department.

Mr. Cheatham is survived by one son, and two daughters. Burial took place in Catlettsburg.

Cabin Creek Man Writes Article For May EL&P

An article by Earl O'Neal, boiler operator at Cabin Creek plant, appeared in the May 15 issue of *Electric Light and Power*.

The article, in the Utilityman's Notebook section, was entitled "Feed-water Tie Line Reduces Operating Cost."

Huntington . . .

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Ted R. Smith, service foreman, was a member of a team competing in the ABC Bowling Tournament held in St. Louis.

Retired employee Roscoe S. Strother is convalescing at the home of his daughter following surgery.

Jane Swann, T&D record section, has returned to work following surgery.

Mrs. Richard P. Mallory, wife of the heating and builder sales representative, was elected secretary of the PTA Grand Council of Cabell County.

Sympathy is extended Charles E. Hoschar, Jr., on the death of his father, and E. S. Boyer on the death of his brother.

Sympathy is also extended W. C. Rose, Jr., on the death of his father-in-law, and Elza Lett, retired employee, on the death of his wife.

Employee's Son Wins Horsemanship Honors

Three ribbons and permanent possession of a trophy fell to Jan Schneider in the Little International Stock Show at Ohio State University. Jan, son of P. T. Schneider, Logan plant manager, is a senior at Ohio State, majoring in animal science.

The awards were all won in the horse showmanship and equitation classes, and they add to Jan's considerable collection of ribbons and cups won in horse shows.

He spends much of his out-of-class time at the University barns taking care of riding horses.

Milton Jaycees Name Two Company Men

The affairs of the Milton Junior Chamber of Commerce will be partly in the hands of two Appalachian men in the coming year. At a recent election James R. Drenan, Milton area lineman, and William H. Holley, area working foreman, were chosen chapter president and vice president respectively. Milton is in the Huntington district.



Mr. Drenan

The current project of the Milton chapter is converting 122 acres of land into a roadside recreational area, with outdoor ovens and play facilities. Plans have also been made for a swimming pool. The area was opened to the public May 31.

Mr. Drenan has been an Appalachian man since October 1948, when he was employed in the Huntington district T&D department. In addition to his Jaycee work, he is active in the Milton High School Band Booster's Club, and is a member of the Volunteer Fire Department.

AEP Lab Veteran Marks 40th Year

Robert G. Call, senior engineer and head of the AEP Service Corporation general laboratory in Huntington, has completed 40 years of service.



Mr. Call

He came to work in 1919 as the first chemist in the AEP System, working in the Beech Bottom power plant at Power, W. Va. He became head of the Service Corporation laboratory

at Power in 1937, and came to Huntington in his present position when the general lab was moved into new quarters in Huntington district's service building. Most of the chief chemists in the system received their early training under Mr. Call.

He is a member of the Elks Club, Ohio River Valley Water Sanitation Commission, American Society of Testing Materials, American Standards Association and American Society of Lubrication Engineers, of which he is past chairman. A native of Jackson, O., he is married and has one daughter and two grandchildren.

Life Saver



The importance of two-way radio to customers as well as company service was demonstrated again recently by Robert Adams, Hazard stationman. When a 10-year-old boy was struck by a car, Mr. Adams, who was close by, quickly summoned an ambulance to the scene. The use of the radio is attributed with saving valuable time in getting the boy to a hospital, where he is now recovering. Says Mr. Adams: "It's a wonderful feeling to know you may have contributed to the saving of a life."



Pausing during "The Illuminator" workshop in the auditorium of the new Paintsville, Kentucky, office were these Kentucky Power representatives for the publication. They are from left: district correspondents Bill Barnett of Pikeville, Paul Lumbard of Ashland and Morgan Ozee of Hazard, and Associate Editor R. F. Millikan.

'Illuminator' Workshops Are Launched In Kentucky

A series of workshops designed to result in improvement of THE ILLUMINATOR was launched in Paintsville, Kentucky, last month.

This first meeting was between THE ILLUMINATOR staff from Roanoke and Kentucky Power correspondents, reporters and others tied into ILLUMINATOR work. The second meeting of the series was held the next day at Huntington for the Huntington division. The Roanoke staff will also attend workshops planned later for the Bluefield, Charleston and Roanoke divisions of Appalachian and for Kingsport.

Purpose of the workshop is to enable the home and field staffs to get together to discuss problems, suggest ways of improving coverage of ILLUMINATOR news and find ways of bringing the two groups into closer cooperation.

Such topics as planning the issue, how we get the news, problems we face, ways to better pictures and THE ILLUMINATOR and your local paper were discussed.

Twenty people took part in the Kentucky workshop, including representatives from Ashland, Hazard and Pikeville districts and from Roanoke and New York. Appearing on the program from Ashland were R. F. Millikan, J. A. Palmer, Waldo LaFon and Paul Lumbard. Morgan Ozee represented Hazard and Bill Barnett, Pikeville on the program.

G. South Dunn, C. Richard Lovegrove and J. Donlan Piedmont were on the program from Roanoke. Harold R. Johnson and Vince Biunno represented the public relations department of the AEP Service Corporation in New York.

The next day the Roanoke and New York people moved over to Huntington to meet with over 30 representatives of the Huntington, Logan and Williamson districts and Logan plant. Representing these latter groups at the meeting on the program were Hugh Stillman, S. R. Pritchard, W. R. Witzel and Genny Taylor from Huntington, H. J. Collins from Logan district, Marvin Morrison from Logan plant and E. J. Clouser from Williamson.

Bondurant To Lead Abingdon Civitans

Rufus M. Bondurant has been elected president of the Abingdon Civitan Club. The Abingdon district superintendent takes office this month.

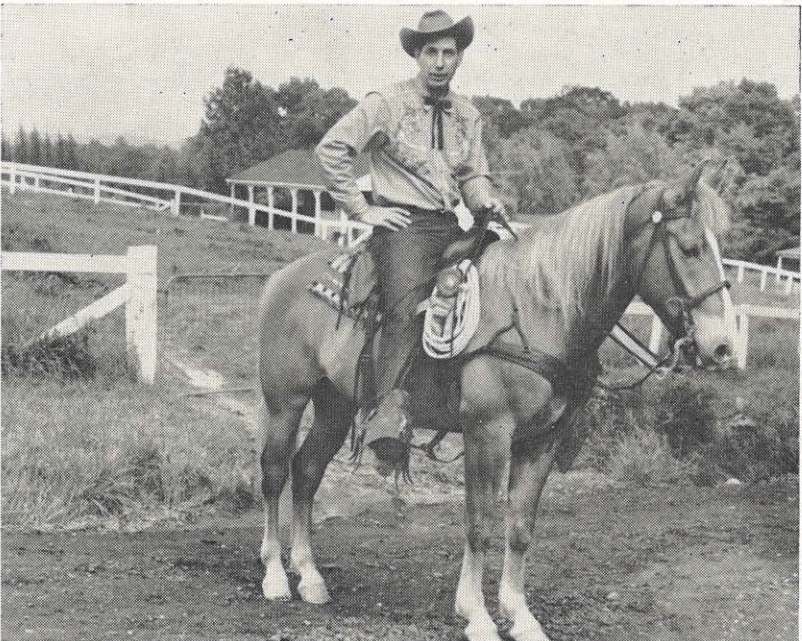


Mr. Bondurant

A native of Roanoke, he attended Bluefield College and VPI, where he received his electrical engineering degree. He joined Appalachian in 1938 in Bluefield engineering, and became Abingdon district engineer in 1951. Three years later he moved to his present position.

He is a deacon of the Sinking Spring Presbyterian Church, vice president of the Abingdon Chamber of Commerce and secretary of the Appalachian district of Civitan International. He is married and has one daughter.

Grand Prize Horse At Ashland



Taking second grand prize at the spring rodeo of the Cherokee Horse Club in Ashland was Charles Walter Keeton's "Champ", a three-year-old sorrel. Mr. Keeton, Champ's owner and trainer, is trouble man of Kentucky Power's T&D department at Ashland. He has 13 years of company service.

Mother Nature's Fury Unleashed As Tornado, High Winds, Hail Lash West Virginia Areas

A tornado, high winds and hail hit areas in the Beckley, Williamson and Welch districts last month, leaving in their wake heavy damage.

The severest storm occurred at Crab Orchard near Beckley, where a tornado injured 10 persons, destroyed two houses and damaged several others. Hail stones larger than moth balls, accompanied by winds, left wreckage of homes and company facilities in its wake in the Pigeon Creek area of the Williamson district. And at Welch, roofs were lifted off when high winds suddenly hit the area.



Searching the rubble for belongings, these Crab Orchard residents took the full brunt of a tornado which hit the Beckley district area recently.

Beckley Tornado

Damage estimated in the thousands of dollars, and many injuries were left in the wake of a tornado at Crab Orchard. Beckley district crews hurried to the scene to restore service as quickly as possible.

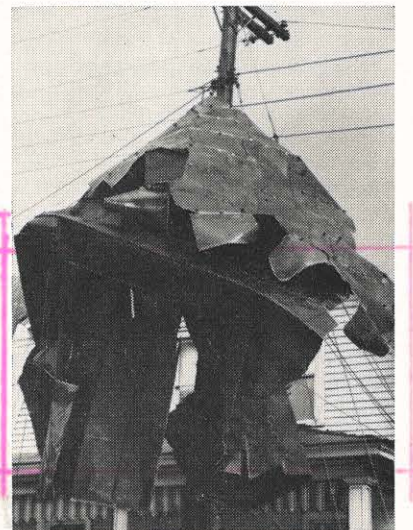
J. C. Bright, who lives near the stricken area, said that he saw the tornado's funnel shape as it approached. He saw the dark cloud settle on one house, lift and then settle on another. He estimated the cloud to be the size of a house at the top and smaller at the bottom.

Mr. Shrewsbury, whose house was destroyed, didn't see the tornado but heard it. He and his wife thought the roaring noise outside was a diesel train on a nearby track, but suddenly windows in the house shattered and Mr. Shrewsbury ended up beside a tree with mattresses and spring on top of him. His children were scattered throughout the garden. After the storm abated, the family got together, and happily, found only minor injuries.

Vernon Dunn's family was not that fortunate. All four in his household were hospitalized, and scattered bits of his house were found over the entire area, some of it on the West Virginia Turnpike some distance away.

Welch Winds

Winds that swept across the Welch section of West Virginia lifted roofs and threw them into streets and elsewhere. The severest damage done by the storm, wrapping a roof around a company pole, is pictured here.



A freak result of a wind storm in Welch is this rooftop wrapped around a power pole. The tin roof was blown off the Peerless Company store, around a tree, across service wires and ended up tightly hugging this pole. Service wires had to be cut before the rooftop could be pried loose. Even at that, damage was not as bad as it could have been—just a little higher and the roof would have gotten into the primary lines.

Hail At Williamson

Power service on Trace Fork, Upper Pigeon Creek, Red Jacket and Rockhouse Fork was interrupted by the high winds, lightning and large hail stones. In addition, several houses were unroofed, porches blown away and trees uprooted.

The falling trees presented problems in themselves—services at 19 houses were pulled or torn loose by trees uprooted in the wind. Ten spans of conductors were broken or burned down, a fuse at Borderland station went out, five transformer fuses were blown and three cutouts burned up. Despite the variety and extent of damage, all service, except for one or two isolated cases, was returned within six hours after the storm began.

Bluefield, Abingdon Personals . . .

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Helen Sue Spangler, division secretarial-stenographer, has been elected corresponding secretary of the Bluefield Garden Council.

Mrs. Woodrow W. Munsey, station operator, is convalescing after undergoing major surgery.

George Wingate, Princeton groundman, and Roy J. Kidd, meter serviceman, have returned to work after illnesses.

James R. Boulton, heating and builder sales representative, has returned to work after hospitalization.

Sympathy is extended Thalia B. Mathena, commercial stenographer, on the death of her mother, and William H. Vance, tracer, on the death of his father-in-law.

Artie R. Grinstead, outgoing president of the Bluefield Civitan Club, has been chosen a delegate to the West Virginia State Convention of Civitan International. Mr. Grinstead is division administrative assistant.

Frances Carolyn Wilburn, daughter of division chief-of-party George Wilburn, was chosen to take part in the May Pole festivities at Bluefield College. She has also been elected secretary of the Business Club of the college.

Abingdon District

George G. Wood, office manager, served as general chairman of the

12th annual Abingdon Rotary Club minstrel. L. C. Peck, Jr., distribution records supervisor, and James E. Prater, heating and builder sales representative, participated in the event.

Larrie L. Bucklen, heating and builder sales engineer, was elected secretary of the Gate City Rotary Club and re-elected to the board of directors.

Paul S. Dunn, administrative assistant, was re-elected to the board of directors of the Glenrochie Country Club.

Brownie E. Yeager, managerial, was re-elected secretary of District I of the Business and Professional Women's Club.

Employees elected to offices in the Abingdon Lions Club were: James Cole, vice president; A. S. Buchanan, lion tamer; L. C. Angle, Jr., tail twister; and W. L. Smythers, board of directors.

W. H. Ferguson, Jr., dealer sales representative, was elected vice president of the Abingdon Jaycees and A. C. Hutton, Jr., dealer sales representative, was elected to the board of directors.

Sympathy is extended Paul S. Dunn on the death of his uncle.

House Retiring, Feted By Friends



Mr. House accepts the new 40-year service pin from L. W. Bates, Bluefield division manager. Mr. House retired May 1.

Retiring May 1 after more than 44 years of service, John W. House, area serviceman at Amonate, Welch district, was given a retirement dinner by 40 of his fellow-workers in Welch. They gave him a salt water fishing rod and reel.

Because he was the company's sole representative in the Amonate community, Mr. House was regarded as "Mr. Appalachian" by many residents. He joined the company in February 1913, and in his long career has worked as laborer, patrolman, inspector and troubleman, district serviceman, local representative, maintenance man, station man, and area serviceman.

A veteran of the first World War, Mr. House's hobbies are gardening and fishing. He will continue to make his home in Amonate.

Wedding Bells Ring For Six Couples In Recent Weeks



Married in recent weeks were, from left: Mrs. Thomas L. Lineberry, Pulaski; Mrs. Sammie Devona Shawver, Welch; Mrs. Dennis Lee Woodall, Lynchburg;

Mrs. Arthur Howell Garrison, Lynchburg, and Mrs. Fred James Ball, Welch.

Harman-Shawver

Helen Louise Harman and Sammie Devona Shawver were united in marriage at the Maybeury Methodist Church. Mrs. Shawver is the daughter of J. J. Harman, Sr., Switchback area serviceman, and the sister of J. J. Harman, Jr., Welch electrical engineer.

Eskew-Pennington

Jolene Eskew was married May 2 to Sandy K. Pennington at the Methodist Church of Oakland, Md. Mr. Pennington is a test engineer at Glen Lyn Plant.

Dowdy-Garrison

Marsha Lee Dowdy became the bride of Arthur Howell Garrison in a ceremony performed May 1 at Bedford, Va. Mr. Garrison is the son of H. M. T. Garrison, Lynchburg meter reader.

Widener-Ball

Brenda Gay Widener and Fred James Ball were married on May 4 at Lebanon, Va. Mrs. Ball is the daughter of B. A. Widener, Switchback station man.

Dotson-Lineberry

The First Baptist Church of Galax was the setting for the wedding of Delores Ann Dotson and Thomas L. Lineberry. Mrs. Lineberry is the daughter of W. L. Dotson, Galax truck driver-groundman in the Pulaski district.

Moss-Woodall

May 1 was the wedding day of Gloria Fay Moss and Dennis Lee Woodall, who were married at the Wesleyan Methodist Church parsonage in Lynchburg. Mrs. Woodall is the daughter of William E. Moss, Lynchburg district lineman.

Laurel Garden Club Re-Elects Lina Light

Lina P. Light, Bluefield division private secretary, has been re-elected president of the Laurel Garden Club of Bluefield.



Miss Light

She recently attended the Landscape Design School in Richmond, sponsored by the Virginia state garden clubs. Miss Light is also program chairman of the Bluefield Quota Club.

Two School Girls Win Distinctions



Melinda Hervey Bettina Bias

Two Point Pleasant employees have excellent reasons to be proud of their daughters. Melinda Hervey, daughter of district manager G. E. Hervey, won a trip to Washington to watch the government in action, and Bettina Ann Bias, daughter of local office manager L. C. Bias, was named a state winner in the Golden Horseshoe contest for her knowledge of West Virginia history.

Melinda will spend a week in Washington watching Congress and its committees in action, meeting government officials, and working in the office of Representative Ken Hechler, who sponsored the contest she won. She was chosen for the honor on the basis of her letter to Representative Hechler telling why she would like to spend a week in Washington. In school, Melinda is a member of the debating team, honor society, Thespian Society, on the yearbook staff and is a cheerleader.

Bettina went to Charleston to accept her award from state superintendent of schools R. Virgil Rohrbough, and was congratulated by Governor Cecil H. Underwood. To win the title "Lady of the Golden Horseshoe," Bettina had to pass a written examination on West Virginia and its history. The annual event goes back to 1930. Bettina also won this year the Religious Award which goes to the student at Point Pleasant Junior High School who is most active in church and school work.

New Arrivals

Ashland District

MR. AND MRS. RICHARD BUYALOS, a daughter, Grechen Kai, May 5. Mrs. Buyalos is a former purchasing department employee and Mr. Buyalos is a PBX operator.

Beckley District

MR. AND MRS. KYLE ELLISON, a son, Kyle, Jr., May 8. Mr. Ellison is an electrical engineer.

Bluefield District

MR. AND MRS. ARDIS E. ANDERSON, a daughter, Denise Diane, April 27. Mr. Anderson is a Princeton groundman.

MR. AND MRS. ARCHIE G. PHLEGAR, a daughter, Sharon Beth, May 9. Mr. Phlegar is a Princeton area sales representative (ag. engr.).

Charleston District

MR. AND MRS. J. R. MCGINNIS, a son, Mark Robert, May 13. Mr. McGinnis is Montgomery area superintendent.

MR. AND MRS. E. L. SPENCER, a son, Bryan David, May 8. Mr. Spencer is a truck driver-groundman.

Clinch River Plant

MR. AND MRS. JAMES R. TRAIL, a son, William Elmer, April 21. Mr. Trail is a maintenance man.

Glen Lyn Plant

MR. AND MRS. CHARLES L. VIA, a daughter, Mary Laureen, May 7. He is a plant janitor.

Hazard District

MR. AND MRS. CRUSOE HOLLIDAY, a daughter, Mary Laureen, May 11. Mr. Holliday is a groundman.

Huntington District

MR. AND MRS. G. S. NEASE, JR., a daughter, Penelope Louise, April 23. Mr. Nease is an electrical engineer.

Point Pleasant District

MR. AND MRS. FREDRICK NIBERT, a daughter, Debra Dawn, May 4. Mr. Nibert is a T&D clerk.

Roanoke District

MR. AND MRS. C. R. L. BROWN, a daughter, June Marie, May 16. Mr. Brown is a Rocky Mount groundman.

System

MR. AND MRS. E. R. WEBB, a daughter, Brenda Kimary, May 4. Mr. Webb is a system accounting employee.

Welch District

MR. AND MRS. JAY WISON DORFF, III, a daughter, Christie Lynn, April 29. Mrs. Dorff is a former commercial department employee.

4-H Youths Meet In Hazard



Members of various 4-H Club chapters in Perry County met in Kentucky Power Company's Hazard auditorium recently for talks and demonstrations on lighting applications. C. B. Cornett, lighting engineer, shown here talking to the group, and Jack Caudill, rural representative, handled the program. Some of the 4-H members planned to perform the same demonstrations at the 4-H Rally Day at Hazard.

Senior Girls See Electric Living

Senior home economics students from Magnolia High School in Matewan of the Williamson district were recently taken on a tour of three all-electric kitchens, two of which were in all-electric homes.

At each home the students heard Mary Louise Kessinger, home service representative, describe the advantages and values of the all-electric kitchen, and Jay Runyon, heating and builder sales representative, extol electric heating.

Similar tours for senior students of the other two high schools in the Williamson district are being planned.

Pat Coleman Named Class Salutatorian

Patricia Sue Coleman was salutatorian for the Pikeville High School Class of 1959 at commencement exercises May 14.



Patricia Coleman

She is the daughter of H. M. Coleman, stores supervisor, Pikeville district.

Pat, who will attend Centre College in the fall, has taken part in numerous school activities during her career. She was a member of the Pep Club, the yearbook staff, was selected as the outstanding junior, and served as a delegate to Girls State where she was elected to preside over the Senate. She is also active in Scouting.

Sorority Selects Charleston Woman

The Charleston Theta Iota Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi sorority has chosen an Appalachian girl as its president. She is Ouida Miller, stenographer in the division commercial department, and she will guide the chapter through a year of activity in social service work.



Mrs. Miller

The sorority, an international organization, is the largest non-academic sorority in the world, working primarily with underprivileged, handicapped and mentally-retarded people. As another project the Charleston chapter is putting ten nurses through school.

Mrs. Miller has been a member of the group since 1954, and served as its vice president in 1957. She joined Appalachian in 1953 as clerk-stenographer in the residential section of the district commercial department.

Music Group Names Mary Ruth Chambers

Mrs. Mary Ruth Chambers, secretarial-stenographer in Bluefield, has been elected president of the Bluefield (Virginia) Music Lovers Club.

The organization, started in 1930, is affiliated with the Virginia Federation of Music Clubs and the National Federation. Nancy Tibbs, clerk-stenographer, was elected treasurer.



Mrs. Chambers

Mrs. Chambers, wife of Keith Chambers, system electrical engineer, recently attended the Virginia State Convention of Music Clubs.

In addition to her music interests, Mrs. Chambers is West Virginia Division recording secretary of the National Secretaries Association, Ruth in the Eastern Star, and secretary of the official board of the First Methodist Church.

They're Engaged

BARBARA JO WAGGY to John L. Wikoff. Miss Waggy is a clerk-stenographer in the Charleston local accounting office.

Skilled In Use Of Needle And Thread



Daughters of two Hazard district employees were blue ribbon winners during the recent Perry County 4-H Club sewing contest. LEFT: Sue Ann Trent, daughter of Robert L. Trent, head T&D clerk, displays the blue ribbon she won for her skill with sewing machine, needle and thread.



Kay, smile happily over the blue ribbon Henrietta won for the Big Sister and Little Sister dresses they are wearing. They are the daughters of Chalmer B. Cornett, power sales engineer. Henrietta also won third place in the Grand Champion's Division of the contest. Earlier, she took first place in the specialty event of the 4-H Club Talent Show.



LEFT: Cabin Creek plant bowling trophy winners are front row from left: Marge Crawford and Bob Herndon; back row from left: Bob Fleming, Harter Rupert, Carl Burner and Carl



Whittington. CENTER: Members of the winning Beckley bowling league team, the Hard Heads, are from left: Eddie McGinnis, Bob Thomas, Cecil Buckland, captain, and Harry Wilton.



RIGHT: Charleston bowling trophy winners for individual performance are front row from left: JoAnn Asbury, Dick Speas, Anne Calvert, Homer Bragg, Chris Christy and Denny Cald-

well. Members of the winning Reddywatts team are back row from left: Jack Jarrett, Bonnie Jarrett, Hurston Webb, Herman Summers, Judy Hackney, G. V. Loveday, Ted Hackney and

Harvey Brown. Judy Hackney carried home five trophies for her individual and team bowling efforts. N. J. Burnside, not shown, was voted the most improved bowler.

Bowling Leagues Crown Champions, Wrap Up Seasons

Five more districts and plants have climaxed bowling league seasons.

Beckley, Philip Sporn plant, Pulaski, Charleston and Cabin Creek plant have crowned their champions and honored bowlers at banquets.

Beckley League

The Hard Heads proved hard to master in the Beckley tenpin league by winning the second half and then going on to defeat the Jokers, first half winners, for the season crown. Maxie Dwornick was chairman of the loop during the year, and Emma Jean Wilson was secretary.

At a banquet, 60 persons watched as J. V. Mann, district manager, handed out awards. A dance followed

Logan Employees Lead Little League

No less than five employees are helping conduct the affairs of the Logan Civic Little League this year.

T. J. Hanley, heating and builder sales representative is president,



Mr. Hanley

For a distaff touch, Mrs. Hanley is league secretary.

The season opened May 16 with a parade through Logan to the ball park where Mayor Litz McGuire and Judge C. C. Chambers spoke.

Sons of employees participating are Eddie, son of Ed Yeager and Bruce, son of Jim Richmond. Bruce and Rhudy Hannah, nephews of Mildred Hannah, and Jerry and Randy Samson, nephews of Elba Samson, also play.

the banquet.

Sporn Bowlers

Tennant's Shift eked out a second half season win by one game, and then went on to crush E Shift, first half winners, for the championship.

Willie Dudding carried off individual honors for the season, with high average of 174, high set of 652 and high single of 276. Maintenance No. 1 had high set of 2,595 and Maintenance No. 2 rolled high game of 931. Rome Williamson was voted the league's most improved bowler.

The league also sponsored its annual tournament, with Maintenance No. 2 winning the team event. Nelson Roush, Wyatt Chadwell, Bill Hayes, Buck Tennant and James Russell were the team members. Roush combined with Robert Gilmore to take the doubles event, Oren Wright won the singles event and Delbert Murray took the all-events award.

Pulaskians Triumph

Surviving a rough season in the Industrial Bowling League, Pulaski AP No. 2 team got hot in the play-offs, took 11 of 12 games to become 1959 champs of the loop.

Good Opening



J. R. Hoffman, Point Pleasant district area serviceman, holds proof that the opening days of West Virginia's trout season were good. Some of the fish on the stick were caught by his companions, W. C. Gilmour, administrative assistant, and Howard Selby, on the south branch of the Potomac, in a spot known as Smoke Hole.

Holston Catch—53 Fish



An amazingly successful fishing outing, 53 bass and crappie, caught in Holston Lake one evening after work was staged by three Abingdon employees: l. to r., Dick Warden, district commercial sales representative; A. C. Hutton, Jr., dealer sales representative, and H. S. Fogelman, distribution records clerk. To haul in their catch, the men used a white fly of their own construction.

E. R. Coltrane rolled high set of 334 for the season, while P. T. Gress had high average of 101 in the duck-pin league.

Charleston Loop

Over 150 bowlers and guests attended a joint Charleston-Cabin Creek plant bowling banquet, where team and individual winners from both leagues were honored.

The Reddywatts won the Charleston Kilowatt Bowling League crown, edging the Eyeballers, who failed in an attempt to defend their 1958 title. Homer Bragg, Frank Larkins, Ben Larson, Jim Willis, Ronald Givens, Fred Clendenin and Charlie Clendenin rolled for the Eyeballers.

Individual honors for the season went to the following:

Minus Handicap: high average—Dick Speas (167) and Judy Hackney (158); high single—Denny Caldwell (252) and Judy Hackney (222); high series—Homer Bragg (636) and Judy Hackney (551).

With Handicap: high single—Denny Caldwell (290) and Judy Hackney, Jo Ann Asbury and Anne Calvert (tied with 258); high series—Homer Bragg (753) and Chris Christy (706).

The ABC Achievement Award to the most improved bowler went to N. J. Burnside, who raised his average from 119 to 140. Officers for the coming year include Jack Walters, chairman, Dick Speas, Herman Summers and Denny Caldwell, members of the board, and Chris Christy, secretary-treasurer.

Cabin Creek Keglers

The Kool Kats played it just that way, winning both halves of the Cabin Creek Plant Bowling League.

Individual honors for the season went to L. O. McKinney, who had high average of 169 and rolled high game of 237 and high series of 608. For the girls, Marjorie Crawford took all honors with high average of 111, high single of 176 and high series of 390.

No-Hit Seabiscuit Off And Running

One of Virginia's top softball pitchers has picked up this season where he left off in 1958 by standing the competition on its ear.

Robert (Seabiscuit) Simmons, Roanoke district groundman, recently pitched a no-hit, near-perfect game for the Independents of the Roanoke A Softball League. He struck out 11, walked none, and had only one man on base, the result of an error. He now has three shutouts in as many games.

Last year he won 24, including a no-hitter, and lost six, and pitched his Phillips 66 team to the state championship by winning three shutout games in the state tournament. He has been on the A League championship team for the past ten years.



TOP: Members of the winning Pulaski entry in the Industrial League are from left: H. L. Morehead, P. T. Gress, E. R. Coltrane, M. C. Spangler and G. P. Williams. Missing from the picture are I. K. Stoots, K. M. Sharp, D. B. Smith and J. B. Nickols. BOTTOM: members of the Sporn plant bowling league champions are from left: Keith Arnold, Bob Couch, Lester Damewood, Clarence Tennant, Oren Wright and George Wright.

Brown Is Winner, Carroll Runner-Up In Annual Roanoke Golf Tournament



Presenting trophies following the annual Roanoke system and division golf tournament was Lynchburg district manager D. C. Kennedy, center. At left is Melvin W. Brown, winner of the 36-hole meet, and at right, runner-up Ted Carroll.

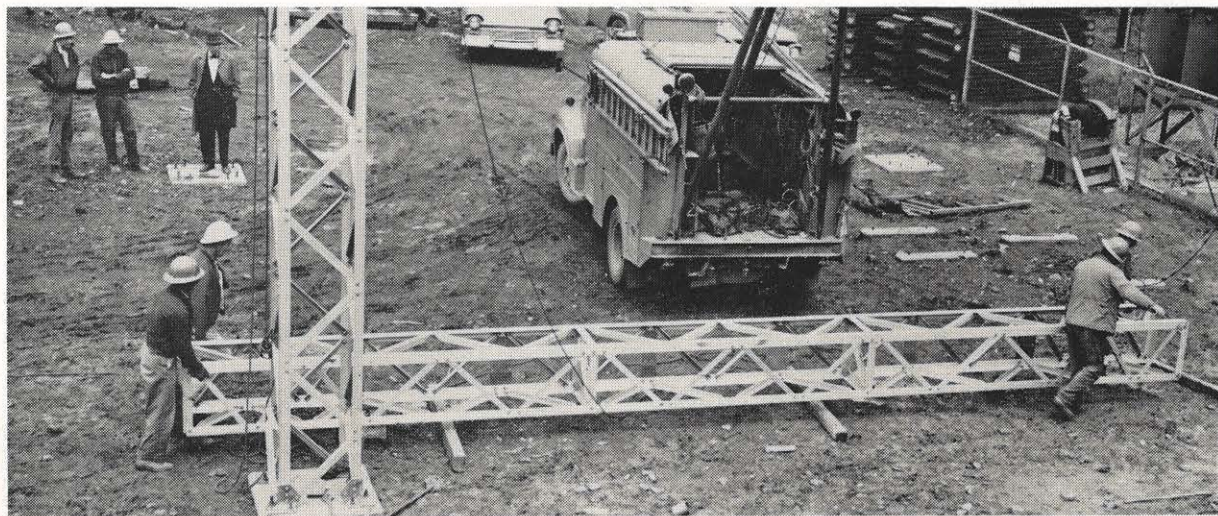
Melvin W. Brown, Fieldale district local office manager, walked away with top honors in the annual Roanoke system and division golf tournament last month, coming in with a low net of 142 and low gross of 152. He also won the tournament last year.

Tying for second in the low net category were T. D. Carroll, system senior station engineer, and E. F. Johnston, senior system operating engineer, with scores of 145. Mr. Carroll also was low gross runner-up (157), and consequently was judged second place winner.

Played over two week ends, the tournament attracted 107 golfers in

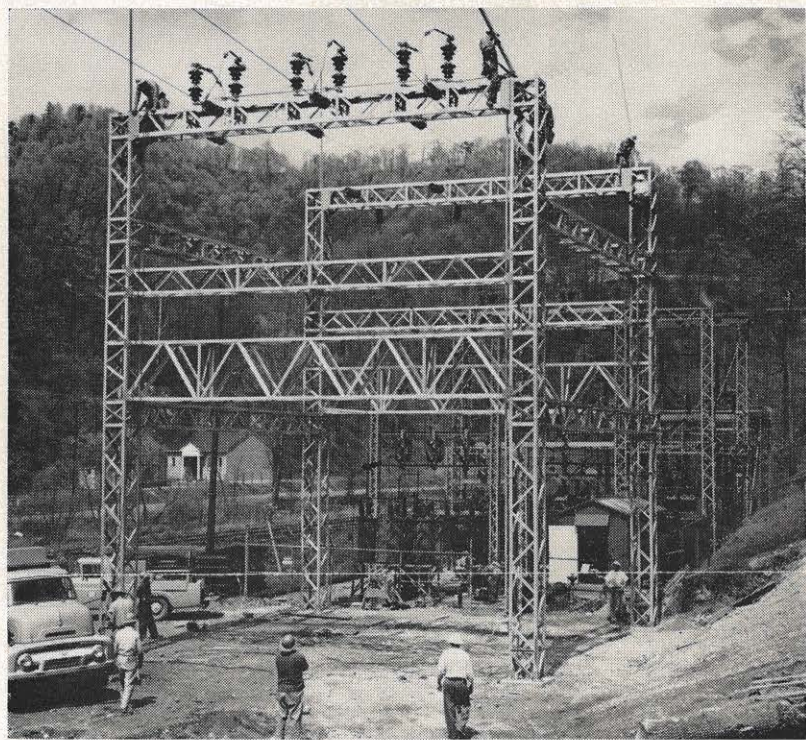
the first round at Roanoke, and 86 competed in the final 18 holes in Lynchburg. The Calliway Handicap System was used in determining scores.

Noble Marshall was general chairman of the tournament, assisted by Bob Davenport and David Trout. Serving on other committees were O. A. Hawkins, Curtis Roberson and Ted Carroll, handicap and pairing; Jesse Bussey, Lewis Mills and Dewey Henry, score keeping; Clarence Moore, Garnet Harvey and Roy Tibbs, food; Jimmy Hunt, J. E. Hopkins and Sam Kitchen, prizes, and Ira Peters, transportation.



Graphically illustrating the light weight of the aluminum being used in the construction of a new bay at Fleming station, four men carry a complete tower to its position for erection. The station is the first on the AEP System to be constructed of aluminum, and will be followed by three others.

Aluminum Station At Fleming First Of Four On AEP System



Erection of the aluminum structure for a new bay at Fleming station took only a little over two days. Here, the structure is rapidly nearing completion.

ASME Group Meets At Sporn Plant To Examine Superheat Test Results

Tests being conducted on superheater materials at Philip Sporn plant recently attracted a visit from the metallurgical subcommittee of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers research committee on high-temperature steam generation. Fourteen men from different segments of the industry, including two affiliated with American Electric Power Company, attended.

The group met to inspect the second group of test specimens removed from boiler tubes, and to discuss progress made on the research program first set up in 1956. In the course of the test 17 different high-temperature alloys were subjected to high pressure steam ranging from 1200 degrees to 1500 degrees to determine their resistance to internal corrosion and repetitive thermal shock, and to judge their metallurgical stability and the effects of oxide film on thermal conductivity.

The group's visit was timed to coincide with the completion of 8730 hours of service. The test is making major contributions to the body of knowledge available on superheater materials for high-temperature service.

AEP representatives in the group include G. E. Lien of the mechanical engineering division of the Service Corporation, and W. F. Chadwell of Philip Sporn Plant. Mr. Lien is also vice chairman of the committee, and Mr. Chadwell is resident supervisor of the test.



Members of the ASME special subgroup examining test results at Philip Sporn plant are from left: Dr. R. C. Ulmer, Combustion Engineering, Inc.; W. F. Chadwell, Philip Sporn plant; W. E. Clautice, U. S. Navy; R. P. Welden, Foster Wheeler; Dr. C. L. Clark, Timken Roller Bearing; D. F. McMaster, Allis-Chalmers; W. E. Leyda and J. B. Rutherford, both of Babcock and Wilcox; C. P. Weigel, Timken Roller Bearing; Dr. A. B. Wilder, National Tube; Prof. H. L. Solberg, Purdue University; W. R. Foley, Babcock and Wilcox; G. E. Lien, AEP Service Corporation, and R. C. Fitzgerald, Baltimore Gas and Electric.

A new structural concept is being utilized by Kentucky Power in building the new substation at Fleming in the Hazard district. Built of prefabricated aluminum components rather than conventional steel assembly, the station will have a number of advantages, engineers say.

Leading the list of advantages is weight. A 16-foot aluminum section weighs only 145 pounds compared with 443 pounds in steel. Low weight saves engineering field assembly time and costs, and corrosion resistance qualities of aluminum, by eliminating the need for painting, make future maintenance an extremely low cost item.

In the field, substation trusses are bolted together to form the columns and horizontal members, some of which can be raised into position by one or two men. The light weight again saves money by eliminating the need for heavy and expensive lifting equipment.

Use of aluminum extrusions permit single trusses up to 60 feet long, which is approximately three times the length of the conventional galvanized steel members.

The new substation was built to house the 20,000-kva transformer being installed to serve the area. Three similar units will be installed in the future by Appalachian at Big Island, Virginia, and by Ohio Power at Newark and Coshocton, Ohio. Erection of the bay at Fleming took approximately three days.

Components were constructed at the factory site by Kaiser Aluminum Company, which has two major installations on our system: at Ravenswood, Virginia, and Newark, Ohio.

C. C. Darrah Leads Tug Valley Chamber

C. C. Darrah has been elected president of the Tug Valley Chamber of Commerce. He takes office this month.

Mr. Darrah is Williamson district manager. He is a member of the area development committee of the Chamber, and has been active on several other committees. He is also a member of the Rotary Club and is a deacon in the First Presbyterian Church. He is married and has a daughter.



Mr. Darrah

Duncan Presides And Kirby Elected At Virginia State Safety Conference

Over 1100 persons attended the 25th annual conference of the Virginia Safety Association in Roanoke last month. D. C. Duncan, system safety director, presided over the Conference as the Association's retiring president.

The delegates, representing industry, government and educational institutions, met to explore ways and methods of furthering state-wide interest in conservation of the human and material resources of the state through safety and safe practices.

In the course of the three-day meeting, T. A. Kirby, Roanoke district safety supervisor, was elected chairman of the Utilities Section of the Association for 1960. He was co-chairman this year. Mr. Kirby has been safety supervisor since March, 1949.



Mr. Kirby

Other company personnel taking part in the meeting, besides Messrs. Duncan and Kirby, were L. L. Koontz, commercial department, Prince E. Thornton, public relations department, and H. L. Rorden, elec-

trical engineer, AEP, New York. W. A. Irving, system personnel, and W. S. Kitchen, safety, were on the Properties Committee.

J. Garnett Harvey, Roanoke division personnel, was chairman of the Registration Committee. Assisting him from various Appalachian departments were Rosemary Price, Evelyn Akers, Jewell Woolridge, Donna Wingfield, Nedra Wade, Barbara Creasy, Ruth Poindexter, Peggy Collins, Marie Ward and Jean Livesay.

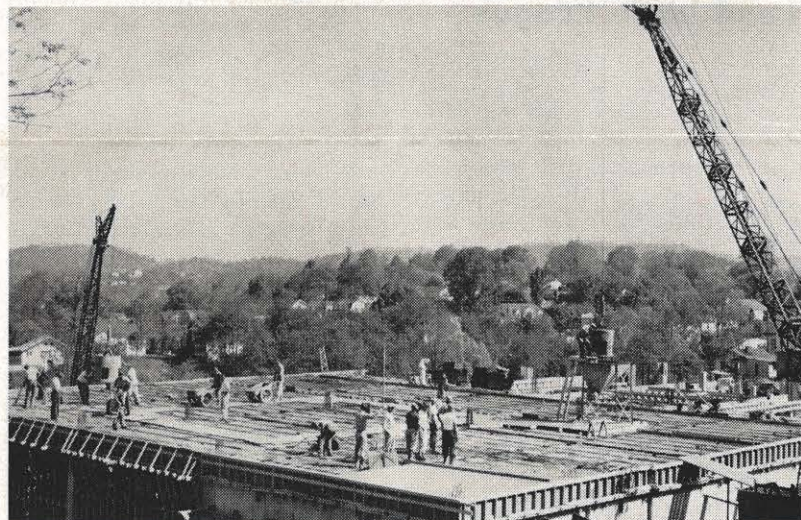
Kepner Addresses Kentucky Engineers

The Ashland Chapter of the Kentucky Society of Professional Engineers last month heard J. W. Kepner assistant superintendent of system operations, speak on operation of an integrated electric utility system, and on latest developments in the electrical industry.

Mr. Kepner is a graduate of West Virginia University with a B.S. in electrical engineering. He assumed his present post in 1950 after working in various power plants as electrical engineer for eight years.

O. O. Henderson, Ashland district supervising engineer for Kentucky Power, was program chairman.

Bluefield Service Building Work Progressing Rapidly



Workmen swarm over the partially completed Bluefield service building. The building is being constructed of monolithic reinforced concrete faced with brick.

Aiming for completion in early 1960, workers are progressing rapidly on construction of the new Bluefield service building.

Containing approximately 40,000 square feet, the building takes advantage of the contour of the hill it is located on. The two-story building will appear to be one-story at the front, with the first floor measuring 250 feet by 60 feet. The basement measures 250 feet by 110 feet.

When finished, the building will bring together service operations of

the district and free much space at the existing combined office and service building. The new building will house the storeroom, transmission storeroom, service and meter departments and will be headquarters for the Bluefield line, station and transmission crews and automotive equipment.

Two outstanding features of the building will be its use of 11 heat pumps for year round comfort, and electric resistance heating cable imbedded in the sloping driveway.

Pikeville Employees Help Charter High School Future Engineers Club

A Future Engineers Club in Elkhorn City High School was recently chartered by the Big Sandy Chapter of the Kentucky Society of Professional Engineers. A. H. Jopp, district commercial manager for Kentucky Power, and president of the Chapter, presented the charter to David A. Senters, a senior at the school.

Purpose of the Future Engineers Club in Kentucky high schools is the encouragement of students with scientific and engineering aptitudes to pursue programs leading to science degrees in college. There are six such clubs in Kentucky, including the one

in the Pikeville District; another is proposed for Pikeville High School.

At the charter presentation ceremonies, the ten student-members of the new club and their faculty adviser, Fon R. Belcher, heard three professional engineers describe their own practice. Gifts were presented to the students by R. C. Anders, Pikeville district T&D station foreman. H. H. Kincaid, district manager, prepared the program, and S. L. Dean, instructor of engineering mathematics at Pikeville College, was master of ceremonies.