Democracy is a cause that is never won, but it is also a cause that is never lost.

—CHARLES BEARD

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The real price of everything is the toil and trouble of acquiring it.

—ADAM SMITH

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November 23 Deadline

Education Awards Increased to 14 Million Safe Manhour Mark

1960 to children of employees has been increased from 10 to 14.

The increase is made possible by new contributions to the American Electric Power System Educational Trust Fund. These contributions, amounting to \$50,000, were made by the American Electric Power Company and its operating company subsidiaries. The additional four \$500 awards will be allocated among the System companies based as equally

The number of AEP \$500 Edu- as possible on the number of emcational Awards to be granted in ployees in each company. The 14 awards will be allocated as follows:

· Four to Appalachian

Pinned Man Saved By Three

After Auto Flips Over Bank

P. L. Sowers, R. P. Asbury, Jr. and Johnny R. Kidd re-examine the spot where

a car overturned, pinning a man underneath. The three rescued the man,

using first aid knowledge learned in company training.

- · Four to Ohio Power
- Three to Indiana & Michigan

 Three to AEP Service Corporation and group of rest of AEP companies, including Kentucky Power, Kingsport, Philip Sporn plant, Wheeling Electric and Beech Bottom Power, as follows: 1 to Service Corporation, 1 to balance of companies, and 1 to either of above, based on evaluation

of contestants from Service Corporation and balance of System companies, taken as a single group.

Enter Now

Now is the time for employees' children to register for the 1960 competition. Each personnel department has complete information and forms for entering the competition, which opened November 2, two months earlier this year. This material may be obtained by the employee or by the son or daughter. However, this should be done immediately in order to make sure all entry forms are completed and returned to the personnel supervisor by November 23.

Eligible to enter the competition is any employee's son or daughter who plans to enter the freshman year at a degree-granting institution in the fall to pursue a course leading to a baccalaureate degree. To try for an award, applicants must take a competitive examination—the standard College Entrance Board Scholastic Aptitude Test.

Exam Locations

This exam will be given Saturday morning, January 9, in key cities in or near our service area. These cities

Huntington, Charleston, Bluefield, Clarksburg and Parkersburg, W. Va.; Roanoke, Lynchburg and Chatham, Va.; Bristol, Tenn.; Pikeville, Lexington and Danville, Ky.; and Portsmouth and Marietta, O.

Cost of the examination will be paid by the company but each contestant will bear his or her expenses, if any, to and from the city where the test will be given.

All examinations will be prepared, administered and scored by the Educational Testing Service of Princeton, N. J. Test results then will be turned over to an impartial and prominent educator who will be the judge. This year's 14 winners will be determined on the basis of (1) test scores, (2) school records furnished by each contestant's high school principal, and (3) additional information about each contestant provided by the contestant.

Logan Plant Employees Set

Logan plant successfully completed one million manhours without a disabling injury on the morning of October 26.

Logan is the second Appalachian plant to attain the million manhour figure. Its safety record began September 16, 1954.

"We've been looking forward to this day," said P. T. Schneider, plant manager. "The fellows have been working very hard at safety and we all decided today (October 26) that we're just at the halfway mark; we're shooting for two million

now."
"It hasn't always been easy. During the floods of 1957 a number of hazardous conditions we couldn't control developed, things like slippery floors. To me, the fact that we got through those times without a disabling injury indicates that we are safety minded, and I'm proud of our achievement," he added.

In setting the record, Logan plant employees become eligible to receive the Edison Electric Institute's Safety Achievement Award, top recognition in the utility field.

Kanawha River plant, in December 1957, also reached the million manhour mark.

Other company units running up one million manhours include Roanoke (four times), Welch (twice) Logan, Lynchburg, Pulaski, Beckley and Charleston districts. Highest mark on the system was reached by Lynchburg district, which recorded 1,552,460 manhours before a disabling

Governor Cecil Underwood Dedicates Total-Electric Point Pleasant Hospital



Appalachian employees chat with West Virginia Governor Cecil Underwood, right, at the dedication of the new Mason County total-electric hospital. The others are Point Pleasant district manager G. E. Hervey and Jean S. Golway, home service representative.

Mason County's new hospital, believed to be the only total-electric hospital in the country, was officially dedicated last month. Doing the honors was West Virginia's Governor Cecil Underwood, assisted by G. E. Hervey, Point Pleasant district manager, in his role as president of the Point Pleasant Chamber of Commerce.

Each patient's room is equipped with its own heat pump, allowing independent temperature settings. Larger heat pump installations serve the operating room and maternity areas. A total-electric kitchen, water heaters and electric steam sterilizers round out the hospital's modern

Dedication marks the end of a four-year effort to build the \$588,000 building. Funds raised in a local campaign were matched by Federal grants under the terms of the Hill-Burton Act. It is the county's first

State Group Hails Kentucky Power For Area Efforts

The pages of the company's first

aid manual came to life October 13

for Robert P. Asbury, Jr., Pulaski

co-op engineer, when he took part

in a rescue with two other employees.

Paul L. Sowers and Johnny R.

Kidd, Hillsville linemen, and Robert

were testing and installing capacitors

The Kentucky State Chamber of Commerce has recognized Kentucky Power Company as one of the state's leading organizations in the field of industrial development. were so named in the October issue of Kentucky Business, official publication of the state chamber.

Kentucky Power is one of the "team" working for industrial development. A story in the magazine, 'Pay-Off In Payrolls—Teamwork Tells-and Sells-Kentucky," says that team efforts range from teaching local communities the fundamentals of industrial development to conducting industrial tours for out-of-state industrialists.

Rufus P. Thomas is Kentucky Power's representative on the team.

The magazine cited figures to prove that the team's work last year was successful. "Despite the (recession) trend, 70 new or expanded plants, representing an investment of \$72 million, created more than 3,600 new jobs in Kentucky. Personal income rose by \$11 million in spite of some layoffs and production cutbacks."

Other utilities and railroads were also listed as members of the team.

on lines in the Meadows of Dan area when their lunch break came. While they were eating they were told a car had rolled over a bank and a man was pinned underneath.

They hurried to the scene, where bystanders told them 65-year-old Babe Spangler was trapped under the car between the door and the driver's seat, and that they were afraid to touch the car, because it was resting precariously against some laurel bushes.

The three employees promptly jumped into action, attaching hand lines to the upperside of the car and making them fast to trees on the opposite bank so the car wouldn't turn over or slip. Then they examined the man, who for 40 minutes had been trapped and was beginning to show signs of shock.

Mr. Sowers grabbed a screwdriver and removed the arm rest and trim from the car, and dug the victim's feet free of the dirt on the bank. They checked him carefully for broken bones, slipped him from the car, covered him with their jackets and used a three-man carry to transport him to the road. He was then removed to Stuart.

The next day the three employees were back in the area and called on Mr. Spangler, who was recuperating from severe bruises of both legs and hips. He said the doctor told him that the way he was removed prevented two broken legs, and he expressed his thanks to the three.

Co-op student Asbury, after it was all over, expressed admiration of the cool, calm, methodical manner in which Mr. Sowers and Mr. Kidd put their first aid training into

AEP Achieves Largest Common Stock Sale

A check for \$55,512,000 changed hands on October 21 and thereby

was completed the largest single sale can Electric Power System. of stock in the history of the Ameri-

This piece of paper, worth \$55,512,000, represents a lot of brick and mortar and steel and equipment that have gone into the expansion of the AEP System over the past several years. Here AEP President Philip Sporn, left, received the check from Duncan Linsley, right, vice chairman, The First Boston Corporation, and Joseph H. King, senior partner. Eastman Dillon, Union Securities & Co., for purchase of 1,200,000 shares of AEP common stock.

On that date, the AEP Company delivered to an investment syndicate 1,200,000 shares of its common stock which the latter had purchased for \$46.26 per share. The purchasing group was jointly headed by the New York firms of The First Boston Corporation and Eastman Dillon, Union Securities & Co.

The check was immediately turned over to a group of 10 banks in New York, Chicago, Pittsburgh and Boston in payment of the company's notes and short-term bank loans due 1959 and totaling \$56,500,000.

The stock sale was the largest in AEP's 53-year history and also the largest ever carried out by an electric utility holding company, It was the company's first sale of stock since 1953, when AEP raised \$22,120,000 through the sale of 800,000 shares of common stock.

The latest sale raised the total number of shares outstanding to 21,369,889—an increase of 5.9 per-

Home Is Where The Hurt Is

In the course of this year, about 30,000 men, women and children will be killed in accidents occurring in the home; home accidents will injure another 4 million persons. These sobering statistics should demolish once and for all the notion that a man is as safe "as if he were in his own home."

The list of causes of accidents reads like a police blotter: fires, poisons, falls, cuts. It's hard to believe just how many dangers lurk in a home for the unwary and unthinking.

"House-traps" are the omissions, the things left undone; the things done improperly that add up to home injuries. Take a house room by room and examine for house traps.

Is there a loose tread, a weak railing on your steps? Are there loose scatter rugs at the head or foot of the stairs? Are the stairs well-lighted? Is your living room furniture arranged to allow free and clear walking areas? Are there ample large ash trays? Does the fireplace have an adequate screen?

Power company employees should know enough not to overload outlets with extensions. Watch for them. Are electric cords safely out of the way? Is all insulation still in good condition?

In the kitchen, are burnable things kept away from the stove? Is there a fire extinguisher available? Are pot handles turned away out of reach when they're on the stove? Are such household necessities as lye, ammonia, disinfectants and other poisons kept on a shelf out of reach of children? Are flammables such as wax and cleaning agents kept in sealed metal cans?

Is there a rubber suction mat in the bathtub? Water and wires don't mix, so don't touch appliances with wet hands. Is the medicine cabinet up-to-date? Are medicines kept out of reach of small hands?

And the list can go on and on and on. It's unthinkable that a home can be a death trap, but it is . . . for 30,000 people this year. Don't be one of them.

About Socialism

Socialism is a system which grows in direct ratio and proportion to the surrender of individual responsibility. When the state gives us what we have, it will not be long until the state owns what we are.

—BISHOP FULTON J. SHEEN

One Means The Other

Just as truly as each of us has a stake in America, so too, do we have a stake in Capitalism, for without Capitalism, America as we know it today would not exist.

-Los Angeles Times

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Your Opinion

What do you think are some of the more essential safety rules that a child should be taught?



James M. Sullivan's sons, Mike, 6, left, and Marvin, 8, put away their toys.

JAMES M. SULLIVAN, Stationman, Logan

Here are some of the safety rules that I teach my children. Always play in a safe place, away from the road or machinery of any kind; cross streets only when the lights are green; don't talk to strangers or accept anything from them; stay away from electrical outlets, fans, heaters and breakable objects; walk, don't run up or down stairs; don't leave toys lying in halls, on stairs or on walks; always turn a light on when entering a dark room; and most important of all is to teach them the right things to do in an emergency, such as a fire, sickness, or getting lost.

If they know this, it may save their lives or someone else's sometime.



Sue Sheets talks to her 4-year-old son, Rocky, about putting his toys back in the proper place.

SUE SHEETS, Merchandise Order and Billing Clerk, Charleston

All toys and play equipment should be put away in their place. Low shelves are a good place for toys so the youngster can easily get to them without having to dig down to the bottom of a box. Toys should never be left on the stairs, floors or sidewalks where others might fall over them. Teach the child to put his toys away.

The hazards of living near a river have been drilled into my three children since they were born. In 10 years, they have not ventured down the bank.



G. D. Ison, Jr. and his son, Doug, 12, talk about home safety.

G. D. ISON, JR., Engineering Aide, Pikeville

To me there are three essential safety rules for children. Safety in the home, should be impressed very early. This includes teaching them the importance of proper storage of toys and personal belongings and that a neat, clean home makes a safe home.

Second is safety in school. Teach them the importance of the school traffic patrol system. Teach them to respect the instructors, and that the instructors know the correct and safe way. Impress upon them that horseplay will, or may, lead to serious injuries.

Third is safety in sports and play. Teach them to respect the rights of others, and that there is a proper place for every game. Impress upon them that they are human and only chickens can be "chicken".



Safety with medicines is taught his son, George, by W. L. Collins.

W. L. COLLINS, Meter Service Helper, Kingsport

When thinking of essential safety rules for children, each rule is very important. First though, and as a small child when everything goes to the mouth, medicines and various poisons should be carefully placed out of reach. Then at the same time, the child should be taught not to put things in his mouth. About the same time the danger of fires and playing with matches should be impressed on the child.

As the child starts to walk and play outdoors additional hazards begin with the heavy traffic and speed of our present day automobiles. This to me becomes the greatest hazard. Teaching the children to stay out of the streets is of the utmost importance and when large enough, teaching them how and when to cross the street.

Safe ways and habits should begin when the child is old enough to understand and a subject that never should cease to be taught.



Seven-year-old Kim listens to his mother, Alice Coalter, as she talks to him about home safety.

ALICE H. COALTER, Division Power Billing Clerk, Bluefield

Safety rules should be taught children at an early age. Safety practices, along with other principles, should begin at home. In this way, a child learns what he must do in order to protect others as well as himself.

Some would-be hazards in the home that the child should be cautioned against are: leaving toys on steps, soap in bathtub, putting pencils or other sharp instruments in the mouth. He should also be taught how and when to cross the street. This is very important, especially to children starting to school for the first time.

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If we teach our children to obey safety rules, both at home and away, in this way they will be putting these rules into practice, thus contributing a great part toward the elimination of accidents.



Proper use of tools to repair a toy gun are taught his sons William, left, and Thomas, right, by Edward O. Baldwin.

EDWARD O. BALDWIN, Maintenance Man, Sporn Plant

It is essential that children be taught the daily rules of safe living and playing about the Old Homestead. That jumping rope can become an instrument of strangulation if an over active back yard cowboy is not properly cautioned. The shade tree is a fine thing to play under but not in. Tools that become familiar to little Bill because he is often called upon to "fetch" them for mom or dad can be dangerous if Bill decides to work over his favorite toy without proper instruction and supervision. The garage is a nice place for the family car but a poor playhouse. We found it necessary to lock our fuse box to keep out an inquisitive little guy who happened to see dad change a fuse one day.

All too often we are too busy with the problems of adults to give much attention to the safety habits of our children in and about our own homes.



Edith Rusher reminds her son, Derwood, 4, to be careful on his bicycle.

EDITH M. RUSHER, Secretarial-Stenographer, Roanoke

Approaching a child riding a bicycle, I immediately become cautious in driving, for children are so unpredictable. I continually remind my son, Derwood, that he should likewise be ever observant of traffic while at play. He has been instructed to always ride on the side of streets, facing approaching traffic.

A child has so much to remember in observing safety in their world of play, that they must constantly be reminded to cross only at intersections or crosswalks—never elsewhere; cross only on green signal light or "walk" sign; never run into street, even after toys, until looking both way, etc.

This modern age has brought forth increasing hazards which make it imperative that parents and adults ever stress the importance of safety to our children.

Role Of Energy And Its Future Discussed By Sporn Before Congressional Committee

In testimony before a Congressional committee last month, Philip Sporn, president of American Electric Power Company and of this Company, discussed the role of energy in the United States, the outlook for future energy requirements of this century, and the ability of the electric utility industry to meet the challenge of rapid growth with new technological advances. He was a witness before a subcommittee of the Joint Economic Committee on Automation and Energy Resources.

Mr. Sporn stated that the cost of fuel and its availability were relatively minor factors compared with the importance of other significant social, political and economic factors. Among the most important of these is the availability of capital and the ability of a society to organize its capital resources in a productive manner.

He emphasized that, in the home as well as in industry, the cost of electric energy and of the plant necessary to produce electric energy is relatively small in contrast to the cost of the equipment necessary to utilize this energy.

For the Future

In projecting the nation's energy requirements for the remainder of this century, Mr. Sporn estimated that 1975 will see the need for the energy equipment of 23/4-billion tons of coal. He estimated that 2trillion kilowatthours of electric power a year will be generated by 1975, and that over 65% of it would be produced by coal-fired plants (burning 475-million tons of coal) and approximately 71/2% by atomic plants. The latter figure, however, will represent only 2% of the total U. S. energy requirements.

By the year 2,000, he continued, total energy requirements will have risen to an estimated equivalent of 4-billion tons of coal. By that time approximately 6-trillion kwh will be generated annually, of which, even under the most optimistic assumption, at most only about 55% will be supplied by atomic means and almost 40% will still be produced from coal (an estimated 600-million tons). Even with this most optimistic projection atomic energy at that time will still represent only a little more than 21% of the total energy require-

Importance of Fossil Fuel

"It is clear," Mr. Sporn said, "that our total energy requirements in the year 2,000 and in the intervening period will necessarily require very large amounts of fossil fuel. I believe there is grave danger that so great an emphasis will be placed on

atomic power development that we will tend to forget the essentiality of fostering the continued development of an adequate supply of coal, oil and gas for the long period during which atomic energy will only gradually assume an increasing part of our total energy burden. must not forget the continuing importance of our fossil fuels and we must make certain in our policy considerations that they will be capable of fulfilling their important role of providing the far larger share of our total energy needs that nuclear power, even under the most favorable conditions, will not be able to satisfy, at least for the remainder of this century.'

Mr. Sporn then went on to cite the impressive technological developments of the power industry over the past 25 years and the change which they have brought about. He pointed to the more than one-third improvement in the conversion of fuel into electric energy, and the development of larger-sized generating units, of generation at super-high pressures and temperatures, and of superhigh-voltage transmission. Such progress has made possible the industry's ability to meet the rapidly growing demand for electric energy and still at lower costs.

Our Industry

The AEP president expressed confidence that in the 40 years ahead the utility industry will continue to meet the growing demands upon it and will further its record of technological advance. He cited, for example, three possible developments in power generation which offer exciting prospects for both increased efficiency and reduced cost: thermionic generation, thermoelectric generation and the application of the magnetohydrodynamic prin-

In the latter regard, he said, the AEP System and the Avco-Everett Research Laboratory have completed a preliminary survey of the possibilities of the magnetohydrody-

Death Claims Plant Retiree

Woodrow W. Brammer, in ill health for some time, died in Ironton, Ohio in August. Mr. Brammer was electrical maintenance helper at Logan plant at the time of his retirement January 1, 1953. He was first employed in 1939.

Mr. Brammer was making his home with his mother at the time of

His father, the late Eph Brammer, was also a retired Appalachian em-

Grading Begins At Catawba



Grading work has begun at the site of the new 138-ky Catawba station near Hanging Rock in the Roanoke district. The station, scheduled for completion next summer, will provide greater continuity of electric service to the Roanoke area, and provide ample power to meet additional customer demands. It will be the fifth large station serving the Roanoke area.

namic principle: the passage of a high-temperature gas through a magnetic field to produce electric This survey has shown energy. promise sufficient to justify further exploration.

Purpose of the hearings was to review the adequacy of the nation's resources and to study the impact of technology on the production and efficient use of the energy resources required for sustaining economic growth.

In addition to Mr. Sporn, other witnesses included: Francis L. Adams, chief of the Federal Power Commission's Bureau of Power; FPC Commissioner Arthur Kline; Walter Zinn, president of General Nuclear Engineering Corporation; and President Joseph Moody of the National Coal Policy Conference.

Gracie Had No Respect For Hydro



Heavy rains and floodwaters, brought by Hurricane Gracie, lashed parts of Appalachian territory, leaving some damage in their wake. Here, A. D. Clark, Pulaski district superintendent, watches as logs and trash are being worked through Buck hydro plant's sluice gate. Note the large quantity of debris in the background. Mr. Clark reports that more water passed through the spillways at Byllesby and Buck hydros than at any other time since 1949. Elsewhere, small streams and rivers overflowed their banks, doing some damage, while winds toppled trees and limbs into lines.

AEP Participates

Dresden NPG Plant Sustains Chain Reaction

The reactor for the nation's first full-scale, privately financed nuclear power station sustained its first chain reaction October 15.

The history-making event took place at the Dresden, Illinois, atomic power plant after scientists and engineers had placed about six percent of its 488 fuel elements in the reactor core.

American Electric Power is one of the eight member companies of the Nuclear Power Group, Inc., one of the co-sponsors of the project. The plant is actually owned by Commonwealth Edison Company of Chicago, and was built by General Electric.

The 180,000-kilowatt station is six months ahead of schedule. It will be in full operation by mid-1960.

Harry Miller Is **Ashland Retiree**



Mr. Miller

Harry Miller, power sales engineer for Kentucky Power's Ashland district, has retired with more than 18 years of service with the company.

In the course of his career he made a notable reputation as a power salesman. In 1958 he won top honors among the nation's utility power sales representatives, honors which included a \$1,000 prize.

His service began in January 1941, when he started as new business solicitor. He worked also as residential service representative, and rural representative before transferring to the Paintsville office as local superintendent in 1946. Two years later he returned to Ashland as power sales engineer.

He is active in church, civic and scouting work, and holds scouting's Silver Beaver award.

Commercial department employees presented him a savings bond at a retirement party. Immediate retirement plans include a Florida trip, and later, selling electric heat for a local contractor.

Loading of the fuel into the reactor core involves removal of 11foot-long fuel elements from a nearby storage vault and moving them through a 40-feet deep water-filled tunnel to the water canal above the reactor. Technicians load the elements into the honeycomb-like core from overhead, using long grappling rods supported by cranes.

When the core contains its full load of 65 tons of fuel-slightly enriched-it will contain a fuel supply expected to last three-and-a-half

Plants, Kingsport **Pace AEP Safety**

Kanawha River and Logan plants and Kingsport Utilities are setting the pace at the three-quarters mark of the American Electric Power Safety Contest.

Kanawha leads with a record of 1,218,810 consecutive manhours without a disabling injury at the end of September. Kingsport, with slightly over 1-million manhours is second, and Logan plant, with 931,990 manhours, is third (Logan plant has since exceeded the 1-million manhour mark—see story on page 1).

None of these three have had disabling injuries since the contest began in January 1955.

Other locations in the top 15 include Philip Sporn plant, sixth; Clinch River plant, eighth; Glen Lyn plant, twelfth; Roanoke, fourteenth; and Charleston, fifteenth.

New Foreman Named At Sporn Plant

William R. Hayes, master maintenance man, has been promoted to maintenance

foreman at

Philip Sporn

First employed at the

helper March 20, 1950, he

became main-

tenance man in

1951 and

master mainte-

plant.

plant



Mr. Hayes

nance man in 1952.

He is a native of Syracuse, O., and a graduate of Pomeroy, O., High School. He served in the Navy in 1945 and 1946. Active in Cub and Boy Scout work, he is a member of the Racine Lodge 461, AF&AM, and a member of all three bodies of York Rites. He is married and has three children.

years. This would be long enough for a coal-fired plant of the same size to burn two million tons of coal.

Young Lady Chosen Anniversary Queen

Frances Fair Merriman was recently crowned queen of

Greensboro, N. C.'s Station WFMY-TV. The 10-year-

old daughter of

D. G. Merri-

man, Fieldale

station man,

she was chosen

to reign over



Frances Merriman

the station's 10th anniversary celebration. Frances was selected from among 10 finalists out of more than 225 entries from Piedmont North Carolina and Virginia. All entries were born in September 1949, the

Jimmy Dean of national television fame was master of ceremonies during the celebration, and Frances and her parents were special guests at a football game and a party. She was also given an engraved wrist

year WFMY-TV began operation.

Henry Dearing Dies In Roanoke



Mr. Dearing

Henry W. Dearing, 63, died September 23. He was a retired Roanoke district collector.

Mr. Dearing started in August 1926 as an electrician, and worked in various capacities until he became a collector. His work carried him to all parts of the district. Retirement came July 1, 1954 because of ill health, after 28 years of service.

He is survived by his wife, one son and seven grandchildren.



Welch District

An electric house heating demonstration was conducted by Lovis Mitchell, home service representative, at the home of Betty Marino, accounting clerk-typist.

J. M. Spence, Grundy serviceman, has returned to work after being off several weeks with an infected leg.

H. S. Harris, retired employee, visited the office recently.

W. C. Groseclose, administrative assistant, served as general chairman of the Halloween party sponsored by the Welch Kiwanis Club.

Bobby Cline, Grundy groundman, has returned to work after being off several weeks due to an injury.

Sympathy is extended L. J. Mills, lineman, on the death of his mother.

Pulaski District

Mrs. G. K. Smythers, wife of the T&D clerk, has been elected district secretary of the Wesleyan Service Guild of First Methodist Church in Pulaski.

R. P. Asbury, Jr., co-op student engineer, has returned for his work tour.

John F. Spencer, station supervisor, returned to work last month after being hospitalized since July. Mrs. Spencer, injured in a fall while visiting her husband at the hospital, has returned home and is showing improvement.

Mrs. R. Odin Thomas, widow of the deceased employee, died recently.

Sympathy is extended Carl G. Powers, Wytheville T&D clerk, on the death of his mother.

Bluefield District

Anne Turner, stenographer, won low gross honors in the annual dividend golf tournament for ladies at the Bluefield Country Club.

(See Bluefield, Page 6)



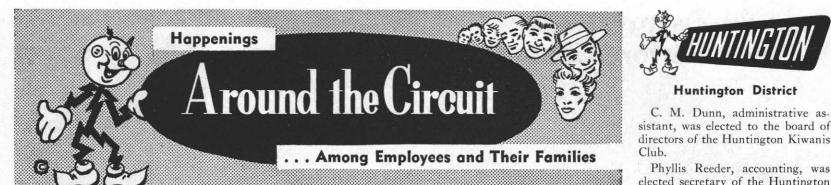
Kanawha River Plant

W. W. McColgan, results engineer, was elected vice president of the Cedar Grove Lions Club.

Dorothy Samples and A. D. Drennen are back at work after extended illnesses.

Philip Sporn Plant

Wives of four plant employees were installed as officers of the New



Haven Woman's Club. They are Mrs. Paul Scally, president; Mrs. Frank Ward, secretary; Mrs. John Morgan, vice president; and Mrs. Jesse Abel, treasurer.

Elton G. Clevenger, laborer, is a new employee.

Claire Blackwood, clerk-typist, was elected secretary of the Alfred Grange No. 1839. Lloyd Blackwood, her husband, was elected master of the grange.

Charles B. Gordon, maintenance man, and Angus N. Howard, test engineer, have resigned.

Sympathy is extended Lawrence Parsons, guard, on the death of his stepmother.

Beckley District

J. P. Hughes, electrical engineer, has been named president of the Teel Elementary Grade School PTA.

Ruth Wilson, managerial secretarial-stenographer, and Meta Akers, T&D clerk, have returned to work after six weeks' illnesses.

Point Pleasant District

Rose S. Martin, clerk-stenographer, and J. K. Shinn, engineering aide, have returned to work after illnesses.

Phyllis Miller, managerial clerkstenographer, was selected songrecreation leader of the Mason County 4-H Leaders Association.

Roger, son of W. M. Pancake, draftsman, was elected treasurer of the Point Pleasant Junior High School student council.

Bessie S. Jones, clerk-stenographer, was elected recording secretary of the Pleasant Valley Hospital Women's Auxiliary.

J. A. Ferrell, retired employee, has returned home after hospitalization.

W. C. Gilmour, administrative assistant, was elected second vice president of the Point Pleasant Kiwanis Club. O. C. Hall, district superintendent, and M. C. Clark, line and station supervisor, were elected to the club's board of

Mrs. Ethel Scholz, mother of clerkstenographer Rose S. Martin, was the first patient admitted to the new all-electric Pleasant Valley Hospital.

(See Charleston, Page 8)

First Aid School Conducted



Ten employees recently completed the First Aid Instructors School conducted by W. S. Kitchen, system safety supervisor, standing third from right. Those taking the course were from left: I. H. Mace, L. C. Valley, W. A. Denny, J. B. Frier, C. L. Spangler, Jack Hawks, Dave Davis, W. H. Cox, Mr. Kitchen, C. M. Jackson, and V. W. Garrett. All but Mr. Spangler of Glen Lyn plant and Mr. Hawks and Mr. Davis of the Bluefield district are Abingdon district employees.



Pikeville District

Ernest Scott, meterman, was elected vice president of the John's Creek Boosters' Club.

Milford Layne, records clerk, was elected at a state meeting of the IOOF Lodge as president of the secretaries and scribes association.

Helen Lowe, daughter of Ked Lowe, serviceman, was elected treasurer of the junior class of Pikeville College.

Mrs. Ed Marrs and Mrs. John Lafferty, wives of the retired employees, have returned home after extended hospitalization.

Sympathy is extended Gene B. Hale, AEP Service Corporation office manager and former district employee, on the death of his father-in-

Ashland District

Juanita Ennis, local accounting clerk trainee, is a new employee.



Frances Smith, system accounting, has resigned.

Sympathy is extended W. F. Keehne, system accounting, on the death of his father-in-law.

Lynchburg District

Kenneth W. Winger, groundman, has resigned.

The thirty-second degree was conferred on W. L. Booth, Jr., a member of the Valley of Lynchburg, Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite of Freemasonry. He is an electrical engineer.

G. C. Hensley, line foreman, has returned to work after a seven months' absence due to hospitalization and surgery.

R. L. Hatch, hydro plant supervisor, has been elected chairman of the health and safety committee of the Piedmont Area Council, Central District, Boy Scouts of America.

Sympathy is extended R. H. Porter, working foreman, and D. E. Booth, assistant hydro operator at Reusens station, on the death of their father-in-law.

Roanoke District

R. B. Kilgore, electrical engineer, is a new employee.

J. L. White, division supervising engineer, discussed a paper presented by R. L. Ware, entitled "Effective Distribution Line Maintenance Program" at the Southeastern Electric Exchange meeting.

D. R. Spicer, lineman; R. I. Musser and C. E. Firebaugh, line foremen, have returned to work after illnesses.

Mrs. R. L. Unrue, wife of the electrical engineer; Mrs. W. B. Fulcher, wife of the division payroll

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Evelyn Surgenor and Joy Allen, accounting, are new employees.

Janet Deatherage, accounting, has resigned.

Fred Pierce, line section, has returned to work after hospital treat-

High School Band Boosters Club. Willie F. Kates, janitor, has returned to work after a two months' absence due to surgery.

Huntington District C. M. Dunn, administrative as-

sistant, was elected to the board of

Phyllis Reeder, accounting, was

elected secretary of the Huntington

Club.

Laura E. Gouldman, secretarialstenographer, is recuperating at home following surgery.

A. T. Wilks and T. W. Hardy, retired employees, are recuperating at home following hospitalization.

Sympathy is extended S. W. Mustaine, Jr., on the death of his father-in-law, and J. M. Wysong on the death of this stepbrother.

Williamson District

Mrs. E. E. King, wife of the district superintendent, was installed as worthy matron of Stone Chapter No. 533, Order of Eastern Star.

Billy Williams, meter service helper, has resigned.

Mary L. Kessinger, home service representative, was honored with a baby shower given by the K Appa K Girls Club upon her resignation.

Mrs. J. R. Hartzog, wife of the meter service foreman, was re-elected president of the West Williamson PTA.

Retired employee J. T. Herald visited the local office recently.

Retired employee E. C. Funk suffered a slight stroke recently and is recuperating at his home in Pompano Beach, Fla.

Woodrow Holbrook, district sales supervisor, was appointed chairman of the auditing committee of the South Williamson PTA.

Patsy Hackworth has been elected sponsor of the Senior Tri-Hi-Y at Williamson High School.

Logan Plant

Gary V. Mauck, test engineer, has reported for duty in the U.S. Army at the Aberdeen, Md., Proving Grounds.

Arthur N. Jessee, results engineer, was elected president of the Men's Club of the Holy Trinity Episcopal Church.

Zack Browning, guard, has returned to work following a three months' illness.

Sympathy is extended Paul M. Hefner, control operator, on the death of his father-in-law.

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Home Hazards Depicted In Roanoke



"The Honeymoon is Over" was the apt name for a skit depicting unsafe conditions in the home put on by Roanoke employees recently. During different home scenes hazards were shown by the actors. One such scene was this one, where R. S. Haskins, the groom, extinguishes a grease fire with baking soda while his frightened bride, played by Peggy Collins, looks on. Other actors were J. E. Hopkins, Jewell Woolridge and J. G. Hunt. The play was written by Bob Yobaggy.

Student At Georgia Tech



John W. Vaughan, left, Roanoke division commercial manager, pores over a textbook with J. R. Barrington, Gulf Power Company. Both attended Georgia Tech's 1959 Public Utility Executive course this summer. There were 54 men from privately-owned utilities enrolled. -Georgia Tech Short Courses photo.

Five Articles In 'Operating Ideas' Written By District And Plant Men

Men from the Hazard, Roanoke, Charleston, and Huntington districts and Philip Sporn plant had articles in the October issue of AEP Operating Ideas.

F. G. Bruce, Huntington station



man, wrote "Cleaning Old Connectors.' He describes the use of round bronze wire brushes to clean wire and tubing connectors. It replaces a method of disassembling the

connectors for cleaning.

John Pennington and Wesley Yonts, Hazard linemen, contributed "Easy Way To Carry Small Transformers." They tell of a carrying bar that two men can use to transport distribution transformers from trucks to their destination. The new method is more efficient and safer than the method formerly used of rope slings.

W. W. Krebs, district superintendent, and R. A. Armistead, line and station supervisor, of the Roanoke district, were the authors of "Silicone Compound Prevents Station Flashovers." They tell of using silicone grease on station insulators and bus supports, preventing the building up of dust that might result in flashovers. The article describes use of the grease at the company station at a cement plant near Roanoke. The writers pointed out that the use of the grease on this one application is resulting in a savings in maintenance labor and supplies of \$2,484 a year.

"Safeguard For Slag Blowers" was written by Glen L. Hensler, unit foreman at Philip Sporn plant. The article describes the use of a device to



Mr. Pennington



Mr. Yonts

Mr. Krebs

Mr. Armistead



Mr. Hensler

Mr. Unangst

prevent slag blowers from entering the boiler without the proper steam supply, preventing slag blower tube damage.

George Unangst, Charleston district superintendent, wrote "Bumpers From Scrap Hose," in which he describes the use of discarded line hose on the edges of I-beam columns in their garage. The hose provides protection for car doors, preventing them from getting banged and chipped when they are opened against the beams.

Dusk-To-Dawn Lights Snowballing In Williamson; Campaign Sells 41

The dusk-to-dawn automatic light, offered last spring by Appalachian, is really catching on in Williamson.

Forty-one have been installed at residences, coal mine tipples, roadside markets, filling stations, and at least one toll bridge, and applications for many more have been taken.

The bridge represents perhaps the most unique use the light has so far been put to. The bridge is at Kermit, W. Va., and links that town with Martin County, Ky. Previously it had no lighting of any kind, which worked

a hardship on the many people who used it. With the installation of the light, all complaints have ceased.

Another sale, to the Triplett Appliance store in Warfield, Ky., touched off a wave of interest. Six lights were installed in that town, and more are being planned.

The lights work on a photoelectric principle, and cut on automatically at dusk, and cut off at first light in the morning. The service is available for \$3.00 per month per light.

Clyde H. Allen, Of AEP, Retires After 46 Years

Clyde H. Allen, assistant treasurer of the American Electric Power Service Corporation, and head of its General Auditing department, retired November 1 after 46 years of service with the AEP system.



Mr. Allen

Mr. Allen, oldest employee in point of service in the Service poration, started in June 1913, with the Rockford (Illinois) Electric Company, then a part of the

former American Gas and Electric System. In 1922 he came to New York as a bill checker in the Service Corporation's general auditing department. He was promoted to assistant chief auditor in 1945, and in 1954, department head and assistant treasurer. Mr. Allen attended the University of Illinois.

Charleston Vet F. C. Young Has 40th Anniversary

Frank C. Young of Charleston observed his 40th year with the company on

October 1.

Mr. Young

The T&D clerk joined the company on that day in 1919 as a bookkeeper and worked in accounting until 1944 when he moved to the T&D depart-

Born at Cedar Grove, he attended schools in the area and worked for The New York Central Railroad before joining Appalachian. He served in France during World War I.

A record he is quite proud of is the fact he has not missed Sunday School a single time in the last 45 years. Wherever he happens to be he attends Sunday School in that town. He is a 32nd degree Mason and a member of the Beni Kedem Shrine Temple, A.A.O.N.M.S. He is also a member of the John Brawley Post of the American Legion and a past member of its executive board. He is married and has two

The Scouting Hayses: In front, Mrs. Hays, Cub Billy; back, Tenderfoot Philip, Mr. Hays.

Nolan Hays Has All-Scout Home

In the Nolan Hays home, it's not just one voice that calls out "I'm going to my Scout meeting!" It's a

For in this four-person family, there are four active in various Scouting activities. Mr. Havs, Hazard district station man, is Cub Master for Hazard's Pack 91; Mrs. Hays is den mother for Den 4; 11-year-old Philip is completing his tenderfoot requirements in the Boy Scouts, and eightyear-old Billy is a Cub working on his Bob Cat requirement.

Mr. Havs has received a number of awards for his scouting work, including the Presidential Citation. Mr. and Mrs. Hays are also active in church work, where both teach Sunday school, and in the Parent-Teachers Association, in which Mrs. Hays

Bluefield Has Course On Industrial Light

The first of a series of systemwide industrial lighting schools was held recently in Bluefield. Industrial customers, electrical contractors, equipment salesmen and Appalachian industrial and commercial personnel attended.

Purpose of the six-week, one night a week course was to encourage better lighting, and discuss effective lighting installation techniques.

J. C. Smith, division power sales engineer, conducted the Bluefield course. The course consisted of the Science of Seeing, lectures, demonstrations, design lighting, and lighting systems. Proper applications for flourescent, incandescent and mercury vapor lighting were shown with practical demonstrations on actual

D. C. Duncan Honored By Safety Veterans

D. C. Duncan, system safety director for Appalachian, has been

elected Southern vice president of the Veterans of Safety.

The election came at a meeting of the Veterans in Chicago, where the group was attending the annual National Safety Con-



Mr. Duncan

gress. The international organization was founded in 1942 and is made up of people with a minimum of 15 years of activity in the field of accident prevention.

Mr. Duncan, as one of five regional vice presidents, will coordinate activities of the membership in the South, and promote the organization of new chapters in his territory.

Actively engaged in work with several other state and national safety groups, Mr. Duncan has been in safety work with Appalachian for many years. He joined the company in 1925 and rose to his present position in 1941.

Veteran Dies: Was Line Foreman



Mr. McKibbin

Lee M. McKibbin, who retired in January 1955, died last month in Germantown, Ky.

At the time of his retirement, he was line foreman in the Charleston district. He joined the company at Beckley in 1928, transferring to Charleston in 1934. He worked there in various jobs in the T&D department until his retirement because of

He was at his mother's home when he died. In addition to his mother he is survived by a daughter, Mrs. Margaret Austin, of St. Albans, and three grand-daughters.

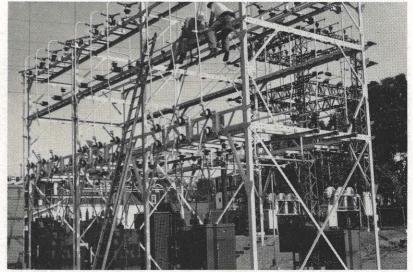
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There are a number of people who have con- No doubt some criticisms leveled at us are justified. tributed copy to The Illuminator and who, when but we often, for various reasons, have to edit and their efforts saw print, failed to recognize the material as their own. We are told that to some this example from the morning's mail to prove that

Fourscore and seven years ago our fathers brought forth would be on this continent a new nation, conceived in liberty) and saunds awkward Say with the dedicated to the proposition that (all men) are created equal. "idea of freedom How about the women? get the lig (Now we are engaged in a great civil war testing) whether make this the first paragraphthat nation or any nation so conceived and so dedicated can we're taking too long (endure) We (are met) on a great battlefield of that war. long to get into our story what? We have come to dedicate a portion of that field as a final make it "last resting-place) for those who here gave their lives that that nation might live. don't beat about the tush-say "cernetery"

Conversion Begun In Roanoke



A new station was energized and the first step of a \$200,000 conversion program was completed recently in Roanoke. The Melrose station, stepping power down from 34,500 volts to 12,000 volts, was put into service. several line and station employees are working on the station before it was energized. The conversion of the northwest portion of the city from 4,000 to 12,000 volts was brought about largely by the rapid growth of the area. The first step in the program affected 500 customers.

Repairing, Winding

Clocks Keep Snead's Mind, Hands Busy

If one night all the clocks in his house suddenly stopped their ringing, chiming and buzzing on the hour, Parks H. Snead would wake up out of a sound sleep and wonder what had happened.

Mr. Snead, Lynchburg district general serviceman, is a clock fancier. He likes to assemble, repair, tear down and keep up with clocks of all sorts, leaving him with a sense of pride and satisfaction, a mind-challenging assignment to remember which clocks need winding and when, and a solid distaste for the old joke about having "time on his hands."

His collection includes about 60 clocks of various sizes, distributed at least one to each room for utilitarian purposes; the bulk of them are on display in a basement room, and still others are in horological surgery in his basement workshop.

The oldest clock in the collection goes back about two centuries. Its works are handbeaten and its glass handmade. Its vitals are powered by two springs and it needs winding only every 40 days. Mr. Snead is uncertain about the origin, but believes it to be American. His newest old clock, just acquired from another collector, is about 150 years old. It's an Eli Terry English Clock.

Not the oldest but by far the most interesting specimen is a cooking clock, or processing clock. This gadget, forerunner of the modern electric range timer, consists of two clock faces. In the center on each side of the pendulum are spaces for dry cell batteries, which can be connected to a bell. Directly behind the pendulum is a chart which shows recommended cooking times for various foods. Around the face of the bottom clock are holes in which pegs can be placed for the appropriate time. When the clock hand makes contact with a peg the bell rings, and the housewife is informed that the food has cooked long enough.

Mrs. Snead says she has grown interested in clocks in self-defense, but this disclaimer conceals her own expert knowledge and skills. She not only helps her husband in repair work, but also refinishes the wooden cases, and paints intricate designs on the glass in silver and gold. It usually



Parks Snead shows the workings of one of his prize clocks, a process clock, predecessor of today's electric range timers. It's one of some 60 clocks he collects, rebuilds and repairs. Mr. Snead is general serviceman in the Lynchburg district.

falls to her to do the winding, too, and that's a job. Some need winding every 24 hours, some every eight days, some longer, on up to the 40-day item.

Roanoke . . .

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employee; Mrs. O. S. May, wife of the lineman; and Leroy Hall, head meter reader, have returned to their homes following hospitalization and/or surgery.

McKindred Nance, Jr., part-time employee in the duplicating room, has resigned.

B. H. McKeever, division meter supervisor, attended the 31st annual meeting of the International Association of Electrical Inspectors, Southern Section.

Sympathy is extended W. C. Reynolds, division meterman, on the death of his father.

they all strike the hour is truly spectacular, but the Sneads never notice. It's not too much to say that they enjoy every minute of their hobby.

The uproar that takes place when

Tree Tall



Tree tall is the way I. F. Huston grows cucumbers. This year Mr. Houston, working foreman in the Tazewell line gang, was faced with a desire for cucumbers and with limited space. Six vines came up from one hill, and his attempt at vertical cultivation is shown here. The vines, trained to a pole, climbed 14½ feet, and produced two bushels of cucumbers.

Kingsport Employees Take Driving Course

Seventy Kingsport employees whose duties include driving company equipment recently participated in a short driver training pro-

Statistics of this year's experience were presented by F. W. Isley, supervisor of area development, following remarks by J. E. Wright, vice president and general manager, who pointed out the need for a driver training program.

The group was divided into three classes. W. S. Kitchen, Appalachian assistant system safety director, handled the program, which included a written quiz, the Keystone eye test, vision and glare tests and foot reaction tests. The film, "Seven-tenths Of A Second," was also shown.

More Retired Employees, Addresses

The names of eight men should be added to the list of retired employees and their addresses that were carried in The Illuminator last month.

These eight, and their addresses, are:

ABINGDON DISTRICT—ALEXANDER D. ROSENBAUM, 4338 Pates Drive, S. E., Washington 22, D. C.

BECKLEY DISTRICT—LESLIE D. McGRAW, Rt. 2, Box 210, Beckley, W. Va.

CHARLESTON DISTRICT—JOHN E. BEALE, 1700 McClung St., Charleston, W. Va.; JAMES O. GRISSINGER, 697A Oakwood Rd., Charleston, W. Va.; ALVIN T. REED, 237 Staunton Ave., South Charleston, W. Va.

FIELDALE DISTRICT—CORROL J. HEWITT, Stuart, Va. GLEN LYN PLANT—LAWRENCE E. TURNER, Narrows, Va. LOGAN PLANT—ANTHONY ADAMS, Box 941, Logan, W. Va.

Bluefield, Abingdon Personals . . .

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Lewis C. Thomas, commercial sales representative, has been elected chairman of the board of deacons of the Bluefield College Avenue Baptist Church.

Richard J. Wood, assistant district manager, attended the state convention of the West Virginia Society of Professional Engineers of which he is a director. Mr. Wood has also been appointed a deacon of the Bluefield Westminster Presbyterian Church.

Mrs. R. S. Weimer, wife of the material clerk, and Alisa Carol, infant daughter of Bobby S. Hylton, Mullens groundman, have returned home after hospitalization.

Wade L. Nash, meterman, is recuperating after sustaining a broken bone from a fall in his home.

Mrs. C. A. Peirce, wife of the deceased employee, has been elected treasurer of the American Legion Auxiliary of Narrows.

Robert S. Hylton, Bland meter serviceman, has returned to work after an extended illness.

Sympathy is extended Henry T. Goforth, Jr., meter clerk, on the death of his grandfather.

John E. Weaver, auto repairman, served as a delegate from the Greenview Methodist Church at the West Virginia Methodist Layman's Institute.

J. P. Gills, executive assistant to the vice president and general manager, has been appointed chairman of the industrial committee of the Bluefield Chamber of Commerce.

Jackson E. Boyd, merchandise order and billing clerk, continues to improve at home after an illness.

Mary Lou Roach, daughter of Greever C. Roach, has been named a member of Phi Theta Kappa, national honorary society, at Bluefield College.

Robert D. Lawrence, office messenger; O. Clifford Hawley, appliance serviceman; and Mary H. Kirby, Pearisburg home service representative, have returned to work after hospitalization.

Abingdon District

John O. Rasnick, Gate City lineman, was elected vice president of the Yuma Ruritan Club.

Mrs. Charley R. Hefner, wife of the T&D clerk, is recuperating from surgery and hospitalization.

Dean T. Robinson, Pound meter serviceman, has returned to work after being hospitalized.

Anne Poff, clerk-trainee, represented the company in the Burley Tobacco Festival beauty contest.

Brownie E. Yeager, managerial, attended the board meeting of the Virginia Federation of Business and Professional Women's Clubs.

A. D. Rosenbalm, retired employee, visited the office recently.

Bluefield Sets Up Twice-A-Day Program To Re-Emphasize Safety Responsibility



C. L. Shockey, district personnel supervisor at Bluefield, reviews a few of the safety cards turned in to his office since the origin of the new keep-safetyin-mind campaign in Bluefield.

A new system, based on interdepartmental competition, has been devised in Bluefield to re-emphasize safety principles and responsibility. Results to date indicate the new idea is working.

The program is set up like this: each week, a billfold-size card is issued to each physical employee. A safety slogan appears at the top, with blank spaces for the holder's name and date. There are also spaces for the days of the week, and spaces for the holder's initials. Each employee is asked to initial his card twice a day: first before starting the

day's work, and second, after lunch, when the afternoon's work begins. Taking the time to bring out the card and sign it brings safety forcibly to mind.

Each week departments turn in their employees' cards after a review by supervisors checking on proper initialling. The records of each department, by individuals, are posted in departmental headquarters.

Departments are competing for the best record. Winner at the end of the year will receive an appropriate award.

Alas, Poor Woody



For a while, a Logan woodpecker had a nice warm, private home; and then, one day it got too warm, and there went Woody. He succeeded in pecking a hole in the side of a locked wooden box housing 12,000-volt transformers for metering equipment, located at Phico. After numerous trips spent in hauling grass for a nest in the bottom of the box, the bird came in contact with the high voltage wires he had previously avoided. Exit Woody, bottom left. A. C. Fife, station foreman, has his fingers through the hole the woodpecker made.

New Truck Now Makes Hole Digging, Pole Setting Easier Job In Roanoke



Working with the new equipment are, from left: R. D. Turner, foreman J. H. Witt and S. R. Ferguson. In this picture, the pole-setter is in action, the digger pulled up out of the way.

An unusual and convenient piece Lions Club Elects of motor equipment, only one in the company, has been put to use in the Roanoke district.

It's a truck equipped to dig holes and set poles quicker and easier than ever before.

The truck has a hydraulically operated telescoping boom mounted on a swivel base. The digger, tipped with an 18-inch auger, can dig a standard six-foot hole in a few minutes; the boom can lift a pole up to 70 feet long, can set a transformer, move heavy equipment within 180 degrees, 26-foot radius of the truck. It can be used to work across a ditch, dig a hole over a fence.

In the Roanoke district there are around 175 holes dug every month. The new equipment, with a crew consisting of a foreman, lineman and truck driver-groundman, will dig the majority of these holes, set the poles and install the anchors.

Kanawha River Man

The Cedar Grove Lions Club has elected a company man president. He is S. E. Kees, Kanawha River plant

maintenance



Mr. Kees

Interested in many community activities, he is now president of the Cedar Grove High School band boosters club, a committeeman for Glasgow Cub

Scout pack No. 73, and BYF leader for the Handley Baptist Church.

Mr. Kees was first employed at Cabin Creek plant in November 1950. He transferred in March 1953 to Kanawha as junior maintenance man and was later promoted to his present position. The Kees have three children.



The amazing record of lifesaving efforts by Appalachian employees continues. The latest such effort concerns Wayne Herald, Williamson meter reader.

Mr. Herald was at his home on a recent Sunday when his brother phoned to say there had been an auto accident near home. Mr. Herald went immediately and found that the car had gone over a steep embankment and its occupant had suffered a badly cut leg.

While an ambulance was called, Mr. Herald attended to the profuse bleeding. He used a tourniquet above the knee to stem the bleeding, made the victim comfortable and treated him for prevention of shock. By the time the ambulance arrived, Mr. Herald's actions had contributed to the saving of the man's life.

Neal Buckland Is Glen Lyn Retiree



Mr. Buckland

Retirement November 1 closed out 24 years of continuous company service for Neal A. Buckland, auxiliary equipment operator at Glen

He began his permanent service October 17, 1935 in the maintenance department at Glen Lyn, transferring in 1944 to the operating department. He had prior service with the company in 1926 and 1927.

He is a native of Monroe County. Mr. Buckland and his wife have three daughters and three sons, one of whom, Donald, is a mechanic at Glen Lyn plant.

Mr. Buckland is a member of the Peterstown Town Council, Peterstown Masonic Lodge and Peterstown Baptist Church.

After retirement Mr. Buckland plans to follow his hobby of wood-

Big Dusk-To-Dawn Lighting Campaign Conducted By Elk River Lions Club



Lions Club officers examine a dusk-to-dawn light and accompanying literature. The club, located in Elk River, is sponsoring a campaign to have the lights installed in an unincorporated area outside of Charleston. From left, Ronald Collins, director, Raymond Adkins, secretary-treasurer, Kim Kennedy, tail twister and W. K. Price, president.

A Lions Club community project, plus dusk-to-dawn lighting, is bringing safety, convenience and protection to an unincorporated area between Charleston and Crede. The Pequonia Lions Club of Elk River hopes to install 100 to 150 of the lights along streets in the area.

With the project barely under way, W. K. Price, Lions Club president, reports 20 lights have already been contracted for. Boy Scouts are cooperating in the drive by distributing descriptive literature to residents of the area affected.

Appalachian installs and maintains the dusk-to-dawn light, which turns on and off automatically as

Roanoke Man To Head Cancer Society Unit

Prince E. Thornton, public relations assistant, has been elected pres-

ident of the Roanoke Unit of the Virginia Division of the American Cancer Society.

Active in this year's United Fund camppaign, Mr. Thornton is also chairman

Mr. Thornton of the health

and safety committee for the Roanoke-Botetourt Boy Scout Committee. He is a director of the Roanoke Lions Club, superintendent of the Adult Sunday School Department at the First Baptist Church, active in conservation work in the two Virginias and a member of the Toastmasters Club.

40-Year Veteran **Retires At Plant**



Mr. Dingess

Wiley J. Dingess, boiler operator at Logan plant, retired October 1, a few months after completing 40 years of company service.

Mr. Dingess joined the company February 1, 1919, and in the succeeding years worked as water tender and boiler room man until he was promoted to boiler operator in 1944. He received his 40-year pin in March of this year.

A lifelong resident of Logan County, Mr. Dingess in his career has marked many company changes, including names. Although he intends to spend some vacation time in Florida, he will make his permanent home somewhere in West Virginia. Mr. Dingess plans to spend some of his retirement time in hunting, fishing, raising flowers, and the remainder, just resting. He is a member of the Nighbert Memorial Methodist Church.

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Appalachian Power Company

Abingdon District-20 YEARS: BROWNIE E. YEAGER, secretarial-stenog-

Beckley District—10 YEARS: BONNIE J. EVANS, cashier; CHARLES FLINT, area serviceman; CARL W. SMITH, lineman.

Bluefield District-20 YEARS: JACKSON E. BOYD, merchandise order and Cabin Creek Plant-20 YEARS: J. W. DARLINGTON, mechanical maintenance

BASIL JARRETT, mechanical maintenance mechanic. 15 YEARS: R. H. TREBER, results maintenance mechanic. Charleston District-40 YEARS: FRANK YOUNG, T&D clerk. 10 YEARS:

FRANK R. SCHOLL, meter serviceman. Clinch River Plant-5 YEARS: HOWARD FERGUSON, assistant results engi-

Glen Lyn Plant-25 YEARS: N. A. BUCKLAND, auxiliary equipment operator. 15 YEARS: GLADYS K. MANN, PBX operator. 5 YEARS: O. S. ALLEY,

Huntington District-10 YEARS: ALBERT LEWIS, JR., meter clerk.

Kanawha River Plant-30 YEARS: J. C. BURNETTE, safety supervisor. 5 YEARS: MARY L. GROGAN, clerk-stenographer.

Lynchburg District—25 YEARS: WILLIAM A. KELLEY, general serviceman; PARKS H. SNEAD, general serviceman. 5 YEARS: RICHARD O. CASH, Pulaski District-30 YEARS: VIRGINIA N. ROBERTS, secretarial-stenographer.

25 YEARS: ANDREW M. ROSEBERRY, hydro maintenance helper; ANDREW D. THORNTON, hydro maintenance man. Roanoke District-30 YEARS: C. E. FIREBAUGH, line foreman. 15 YEARS:

MARY S. JAMISON, payroll clerk. Philip Sporn Plant-20 YEARS: FRANK M. WARD, second assistant shift operating engineer. 10 YEARS: DONALD F. OHLINGER, guard; FRANK E. TITUS,

System—25 YEARS: R. L. ALESHIRE, assistant general bookkeeping supervisor, system accounting.

Welch District-30 YEARS: ROBERT J. B. BARNS, line inspector.

Kentucky Power Company

Hazard District-30 YEARS: FRED BARNETT, line foreman. Pikeville District-15 YEARS: EDWARD LYKINS, draftsman.

Two Groups Name New Officers



Two groups in the Bluefield division have recently named officers. LEFT: Paul T. Gress has been named chairman and Ruby B. Lowman, secretary-treasurer of the Pulaski Employees' Flower Fund. On the board are George B. Chumbley, Sinclair A. Dewey, and O. B. Kidd. The group



is in its 11th year of operation. RIGHT: The Bluefield Benevolent Association named these employees to offices: from left, Anne B. Turner, secretary; M. E. Rich, chairman; and Grady L. Parker, treasurer.

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Service Veterans



Fred Barnett Hazard 30 Years



R. J. B. Barns Welch 30 Years



C. E. Firebaugh Roanoke 30 Years



J. C. Burnette Kanawha River 30 Years



P. H. Snead W. A. Kelley Lynchburg Lynchburg 25 Years 25 Years



A. M. Roseberry Pulaski 25 Years



A. D. Thornton Pulaski



R. L. Aleshire System 25 Years

Bluefield

20 Years

the whiteway system.

wood is 41.

Ravenswood Adds

27 New Street Lights

Point Pleasant district recently

completed the installation of 27

10,000 lumen street lights in Ravens-

wood. They represent additions to

Walnut Street, which is also state

route 56; the remainder are on

Washington Street, state route 2.

The total whiteway lights in Ravens-

Twenty-two of the lights are on



Brownie Yeager Abingdon 20 Years

F. M. Ward Sporn Plant 20 Years



J. W. Darlington Cabin Creek 20 Years



Basil Jarrett Cabin Creek

Roanoker President Of His Senior Class

Steve Hodges has been elected president of the senior class at Roa-

noke's Jefferson Senior High School.





Steve Hodges

Steve is also senior representative this year on the school's student government. Last year he was president of the junior class, and during the 1954-55 school term he was president of the student body at Woodrow Wilson Junior High School. A member of the National Honor Society, he attended Boys State at VPI last summer.

Keeping Tidy In Charleston



Two Charleston division girls examine a new gadget which will enroll company drivers in the anti-litterbug campaign in West Virginia. It's a plastic litterbug imprinted with the slogan "Electric Living is Safe and Clean—Let's Keep Our Vehicles the Same." The bags are now standard equipment on company cars in Charleston. The girls are Georginia Daniel and Jane Patterson.

Abingdon Employees Active In Festival

Appalachian was represented in the Annual Tobacco Festival at Abingdon last month by exhibit booths, a parade float, a beauty contestant, and by personnel working with their civic club projects.

An estimated 15,000 people attended the festival which included a parade, exhibits and a football game. The company's exhibit showed off electric home heating, dusk-to-dawn lighting, coal-by-wire, and power-for-The Gold Medallion progress. Home was featured on the parade

Anne Poff was the Appalachian beauty contest entry, and James Fleenor represented the Civitan Club in the parade. Chairman of the Kiwanis Club committee, which sponsored the Burley Bowl game between Abingdon and Saltville High Schools, was Paul Dunn.

Other employees participating in the event were Sue Sanders, Rufus Bondurant, James Booth, Jack Frier, James Prater, Bill Ferguson, J. E. Fields, A. C. Hutton, Jr., L. C. Angle, Gordon Craig, Lewis Smythers, A. S. Buchanan, and Jim

Mrs. Forrest Bocock won several blue ribbons in home economics

Charleston . . .

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Charleston District

Belva Jean Anderson, office messenger, and Gerald E. Carroll, system stationman helper, are new employees.

John C. Frazier, division safety supervisor, attended the 47th National Safety Conference in Chicago. He has been appointed to serve on the committee of safety standards of the American Society of Safety

Guilford C. Smith, administrative assistant, attended a session of the annual West Virginia agricultural extension worker's conference.

Jane Abbott, division personnel; Roy Young and Bill Garten, meter, have returned to work after extended

Retired employees Lewis Spencer and Steve Webb have returned home following hospitalization.

Peggy Evans, Montgomery cashier; Ted Hackney and Jim Willis, station; and Richard Wells, line, have resigned.

Willis Winebrenner was presented a folding suitcase at a party given in his honor by the Montgomery office employees. He is being transferred to system station.

Betty Smith, Montgomery cashier, has organized a Civinette Club in Montgomery and was elected secretary of the group.

Mrs. Romeo Gulley, wife of the Montgomery line foreman, is recuperating at home following an

Georgina Daniel, who resigned, was honored with a party at the Charleston Press Club.

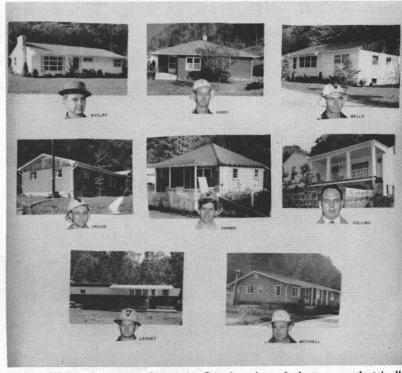
E. A. Murray, division commercial, attended the advanced lighting application conference at the GE Lighting Institute.

Nell Wenzel, Montgomery home service representative, attended the Capitol District convention of Woman's Clubs as president of the Pratt Woman's Club.

Walter Tibbets gave a party for the girls in the record section and their guests at his home in Milton.

Sympathy is extended Jackie Maffett, St. Albans commercial, on the death of her father.

Grundy Electric Heat Record



Of the Welch district employees in Grundy, nine of them own electrically heated homes. This is 66 percent of those who own their own homes, and is part of the 45 homes with electric heat in the Grundy area. Those employees contributing to this fine record are pictured above. From left to right beginning at the top they are Wyatt Ratliff, meter reader; Alonza Hardy, Jr., serviceman; F. E. Wells, working foreman; W. L. Crouse, serviceman; H. E. Farmer, Jr., lineman; W. T. Collins, local office supervisor; J. H. Looney, groundman and W. L. Mitchell, lineman.

Monkeys Win Bond For Pat Stinson

A pair of monkeys won a \$100 U. S. Savings bond for Pat Stinson. Pat, 11-year-old son of Joe Stinson, Charleston T&D Clerk, entered the names "Winky and Blinky" in a name-the-monkeys contest sponsored by a Charleston store.

Winky and Blinky-and Patwon. Pat collected his bond, and the monkeys had their names.

Scout Award



Scouting Achievement was awarded last month to Drannon Buskirk in Lebanon. He is the son of Eli Buskirk, shift operating engineer at Clinch River plant. Drannon has also earned the bronze, silver and gold palms, and 36 merit badges. Mr. Buskirk is scoutmaster of the local troup as part of his own civic work.

Veteran Roy Kirk Retires At Logan



Mr. Kirk

A veteran of nearly a quartercentury of Appalachian service retired at Logan plant October 1. He is R. L. Kirk, coal and ash equipment operator.

Mr. Kirk started work January 15, 1935 as a laborer, and moved to the coal handling department later that year. Before joining Appalachian he had worked in three other jobs, including the Logan County Board of Education. In Logan he is a member of the Aracoma Church of God.

He loved every minute of his 24 years with Appalachian, Mr. Kirk says, and was never late a minute for

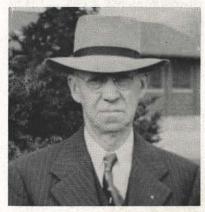
Mr. and Mrs. Kirk have two children, five grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Money And Effort For Church



Contributing not only financially but in physical work were these Appalachian men helping in the remodeling work of the Boozo Christian Church. The men, all Glen Lyn plant employees, and all members of the church are from left: Lloyd B. Jackson, T. B. Skelton, Studebaker Pennington, H. P. Jackson, Jr., and W. M. Woodyard. Three others were absent when the picture was made: R. K. McClaugherty, E. W. Ganoe, and J. C. Keatley.

Cabin Creek Man Dies After Illness



Mr. Belcher

H. N. Belcher, retired shift supervisor at Cabin Creek plant died September 22, after a long illness.

Mr. Belcher retired in April, 1951. He had joined the company in July, 1913 at Cabin Creek, and spent 35 years in various supervisory capacities before retirement.

He was a member of Chelyan Baptist Church, Masonic Lodge No. 158 of Chelyan, and Cabin Creek Post No. 80, American Legion.

Surviving are his wife, son, a stepson, F. E. Hemmings, shift supervisor at Cabin Creek plant, three grandchildren and four step grandchildren.

Services were held at Chelyan Baptist Church.

Glen Lyn Retiree Dies In Pearisburg



Mr. Hare

Albert H. Hare, retired Glen Lyn plant employee, died October 15 in Pearisburg. He was 70.

Mr. Hare retired in June 1954 as working foreman in the coal handling department. He had joined the company at Glen Lyn in December 1941 as guard, and was transferred later to the coal handling department.

Mr. Hare was a lifelong resident of Narrows, where he attended public schools, and where he worked as a town police officer.

His survivors include his wife, three daughters and a son, James, who is employed in the instrument department at Glen Lyn.

Familiar Faces NEW PLACES

Appalachian Power Company

Abingdon District

THOMAS G. BRABSON from commercial sales representative to agricultrual sales engineer; VIRGINIA N. LESTER from petty cash clerk, senior, to general clerk, senior.

Bluefield District

JOSEPH T. CLAYTOR from lineman B to lineman A; SAMUEL W. HYLTON, JR., from business administration trainee to cashier-clerk, senior; DAVID R. MANN from lineman C to lineman B.

Charleston District

JO ANN ASBURY from local accounting office messenger to T&D record clerk typist; CAROL BOGGESS from clerk-stenographer to stenographer; CHARLES GRAY from payroll clerk to pre-audit clerk.

Clinch River Plant

SANDRA C. ARRINGTON from clerk-stenographer to stenographer.

Glen Lyn Plan

E. W. COMER from auxiliary equipment operator to equipment operator; J. C. WEATHERLY from utility man to auxiliary equipment operator.

Logan District

BARBARA A. WILLIAMSON, home service representative, from Logan to Williamson.

Lynchburg District

RICHARD O. CASH from groundman to meter service helper; CHARLES E. SANDERSON from groundman to meter service helper.

Pulaski Distric

LESTER J. AYERS from assistant hydro operator B to hydro maintenance man; FRED BURNETT from assistant hydro operator B to hydro maintenance man; JOHN BURNETT from assistant hydro operator B to truck driver-groundman; HELEN R. COX from PBX operator to petty cash clerk; ELMER LEROY DALTON from meterman C to hydro maintenance man; CURTIS C. DELP from hydro operator C to hydro maintenance man; JOHNNY R. KIDD from truck driver-groundman to lineman C; HENRY H. SUMNER from hydro operator C to station man B; WALTER M. TAYLOR from hydro operator C to hydro maintenance man; S. C. WEATHERMAN from meter serviceman B to PBX operator, senior.

Roanoke District

J. L. ASHWORTH from payroll clerk, senior, to T&D clerk, senior; WAYNE JACOBS from office messenger to reproducing machine operator; C. R. MILLS from head cashier to head contract clerk; H. M. UNDERWOOD from auto repairman B to meter service helper; KENNETH W. WINGER from Roanoke meter service helper to Lynchburg groundman; COLLEEN ZORN, home service representative, senior, from Roanoke to Lynchburg.

Philip Sporn Plant

JOHN A. CARPENTER from auxiliary equipment operator to results helper; GEORGE E. HOLMAN from utility operator to auxiliary equipment operator.

Welch District

GARLAND B. GENT from truck driving groundman to lineman C; JAMES E. REYNOLDS from groundman to truck driver-groundman; B. C. WALLACE from lineman B to lineman A.

Williamson District

GLEN H. FELTY from groundman to meter reader; JAMES W. ROBINSON from meter reader to accounting collector.

Kentucky Power Company

Ashland Distric

LOUIS DOOLEY from stenographer to utility clerk.

Kingsport Utilities, Inc.

SHIRLEY HURD from PBX operator to pre-audit clerk; ADELE WILLIAMS from per-audit clerk to contract clerk, senior.

The Passing Parade Of Floats



These two floats entertained uncounted numbers of Southwest Virginians in recent weeks. At left, a lawn mower driven by Sebert Sisson, local office manager in Hillsville, pulls a Live Better Electrically sign; this minute float was in the Carroll County Fair. The float at right, designed



and built jointly by Pulaski and Abingdon districts, appeared in the Chilhowie Apple Festival and the Abingdon Burley Tobacco Festival. It plugs electric heat, full house-power, electric appliances and appliances.

Turbine Work At Clinch River



During an outage last month at Clinch River plant, these men worked on the control valves on Unit 1 turbine generator. They are from left: Lloyd McFarland, maintenance helper; W. H. Hall, maintenance man, and T. E. Peay, maintenance foreman.

Benevolent Group Begins Year



New officers of the Roanoke Area Appalachian Employees' Benevolent Association prepare for another year of activity. Shown are from left: Bee W. Hamilton, system T&D stenographer, secretary; J. G. Hunt, district dealer sales representative, president; and Lorena T. Walton, system personnel record clerk, treasurer. For the year 1958-59 a total of 624 employees paid \$10,839.90, or an average of \$17.37 per employee, to the association. The money was divided among several charitable organizations.

Home Builder Adds Wing



Mr. and Mrs. Tilden Justice spent most of the summer building a new wing to their home in Pikeville. The two did all the work on the project, and when it was finished, they had added a new kitchen, eating area, TV room, and attached the garage. Mr. Justice is meter serviceman in the Pikeville district.

A Star Is Placed



Melinda Hervey shows Hawaii's new Congressman, Rep. Dan Inouye, where the star representing his state will appear in the next flag. Miss Hervey, daughter of Point Pleasant district manager G. E. Hervey, recently completed a week's work in the office of Rep. Ken Hechler, second from right. She won the opportunity in an essay contest. With her, at left, is Donna Rawlings of Ripley, W. Va.

Six Couples Married







Married in recent weeks were, top row from left: Mrs. Roger A. Hickman, Beckley; and Mrs. Melvin D. Phillips, Beckley. Bottom row from left: Mrs. Robert Brooks Bibb, Hazard; and Mrs. Carson C. Rasnake, Clinch River plant.

Musick-Rasnake

Ima Jean Musick became the bride of Carson C. Rasnake in a ceremony performed September 11 in Lebanon. Mr. Rasnake is a work order clerk at Clinch River Plant.

Lane-Lane

The First Baptist Church of Welch was the setting for the September 12 wedding of Nancy E. Lane and Cur-

Nancy Blizzard Was Homecoming Queen

Reigning as Queen at Lebanon High School's Homecoming game was Nancy

Blizzard,

daughter of

Paul B. Bliz-

mainten-

ance foreman

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Nancy Blizzard

the October 9 game, and reigned at the school dance following the game. Last year she was princess at Homecoming.

She is a senior at Lebanon, and is active in a number of extra-curricular activities. Last spring she placed first in the District VII Forensic Meet in Abingdon.

tis Don Lane. Mr. Lane is a Welch meter reader.

Fitzpatrick-Hickman

Marriage vows were exchanged by Barbara Elizabeth Fitzpatrick and Roger A. Hickman on September 26 in the Memorial Baptist Church of Beckley. Mrs. Hickman is the daughter of C. D. Fitzpatrick, Beckley district working foreman.

Centers-Bibb

Mary Carolyn Centers and Robert Brooks Bibb were married October 18 at the First Baptist Church in Hazard. Mrs. Bibb is a home service representative and Mr. Bibb is a power sales engineer in Hazard.

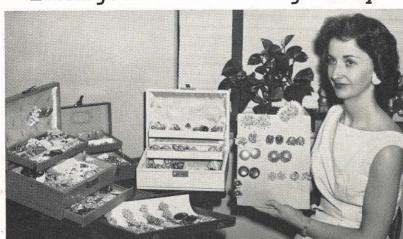
Crawford-Phillips

The wedding of Janet Marie Crawford and Melvin D. Phillips took place October 2 in the Rainelle Methodist Church. Mrs. Phillips is the daughter of H. H. Crawford, Rainelle area collector in the Beckley district.

Stark-Oakley

A double ring ceremony performed August 21 at the Centenary Methodist Church of Ashland united Lora Virginia Stark and Robert M. Oakley. Mrs. Oakley is assistant credit supervisor and Mr. Oakley is a meter clerk in Huntington.

Earrings Make Interesting Hobby



Earrings from all over the country make up the collection of Mrs. George Boothe, Williamson general clerk. Starting to collect them when she was a teenager, after an aunt had given her a pair of aquamarine ones, she had 55 pair at last count, but has added several since then. They come in all sizes and shapes, are different colors and made of different materials. Her latest pair are fan shaped and are from a friend in Florida. Her husband has become interested in her hobby to the extent that when he sees an unusual pair he thinks she might like, he gets them for her.



Bluefield District MR. AND MRS. GLENN H. REYNOLDS, a son, James David, October 2. Mr. Reynolds is an electrical engineer.

Clinch River Plant

MR. AND MRS. BOBBIE J. GEORGE, a daughter, Susan Elizabeth, September 30. Mr. George is an auxiliary equipment operator. daughter, Debra Sue, October 7. Mr. Lasley

MR. AND MRS. CHARLES E MURPHY. a son, Jeffrey Mark. October 7. Mr. Murphy is an assistant shift operating engineer.

Glen Lyn Plant

MR. AND MRS. KENNETH E. BEASLEY a daughter, September 25. Mr. coal and ash equipment operator. Mr. Beasley is

Logan District

MR. AND MRS. CHARLES E. FRYE, a daughter, Tamra Lynne, October 6. Mr. Frye is a meter reader.

Logan Plant

MR. AND MRS. ANTHONY ADAMS, a daughter, Teresa Delaine, September 28. Mr. Adams is a retired employee.

Pikeville District

MR. AND MRS. H. R. FLANAGAN, a daughter, Susan Russell, October 13. Mr. Flanagan is Pikeville local office manager.

Pulaski District

MR. AND MRS. LEROY DALTON, a on, Stuart Leroy, October 16. Mr. Dalton is a hydro maintenance man.

Roanoke District

MR. AND MRS. ROBERT E. SMITH. a son, Mark Steven, September 4. Mrs. Smith is a former stenographer in the local accounting

Philip Sporn Plant

MR. AND MRS. CHARLES R. ALLENS-WORTH, a daughter, Debra Sue, October 14. Mr. Allensworth is a laborer.

MR. AND MRS. JAMES L. BEBBER, JR., a son, Charles Anthony, September 13. Mr. Bebber is a system transmission line department employee in Bluefield.

Roanoker Retires After 40 Years



Mrs. Hiner

Mrs. Pauline Whitaker Hiner, retiring November 1, is the first woman employee in the Roanoke district to retire at normal retirement date.

Mrs. Hiner was employed by the old Roanoke Railway and Electric Company in March 1920. Her first duties as clerk in the accounting department included calling delinquent customers and sending out notices. During her first 15 years with the company she also was petty cash clerk and contract clerk. At one time she was the only contract clerk in the district.

In January 1935 Mrs. Hiner transferred to the commercial department, and in 1950 was promoted to senior merchandise order and billing clerk. Working in appliance sales and service, Mrs. Hiner has seen the number of appliances in Roanoke district jump from 794 ranges, 124 water heaters in 1935 to 42,810 ranges, 25,848 water heaters and 5,401 dryers this year.

Retirement will give Mrs. Hiner the opportunity to enjoy more the company of her son and three grandchildren, her reading and her Missionary Circle work in Calvary Baptist Church.

MR. AND MRS. J. A. DEYERLE, JR., a son, James Arthur III, O-tober 14. Mr. Deyerle is a system accounting employee in

Welch District

MR. AND MRS. ESTIL CRABTREE, a son, Mark Anderson, September 21. Mr. Crabtree is a lineman.

50 Employees Take **Better Driving Course**

Fifty Logan district employees are better drivers today, thanks to a driver training course recently conducted there.

Instructors were W. S. Kitchen, system safety, and J. A. Mundy and W. E. Irving, system employee relations. Assisting them were R. C. Kuhn, C. W. Broughton and H. J. Collins of the Logan district.

Topics covered included driver knowledge, braking reaction, night vision, and visual perception.

Retirement Ends 29-Year Career



Mrs. Peery

Retirement after more than 29 years of service came to Mrs. Irene Peery, cashier-clerk at Tazewell, who ended her career October 1.

Mrs. Peery was employed December 1, in Tazewell in the Bluefield district, when there were only 600 meters in the area. Now nearly thirty years later, there are ten times that number. According to Mrs. Peery this is a graphic example of the extraordinary progress the company has made in that time.

Mrs. Peery has spent her entire life in Tazewell, where she was born, educated and worked. She is a member of the Main Street Methodist Church, the American Legion Auxiliary, and the Wesleyan Service Guild. Her hobbies are oil and china painting, reading and cooking, and her retirement plans include plenty of travel and rest.

She has three children and seven grandchildren.

Retirement Calls Mary Faulkner



Mrs. Faulkner

Mrs. Mary Faulkner, general clerk in Charleston local accounting office, retired November 1. She had 17 years of service.

She joined the company during World War II, at a time when most of the desks in the accounting department were occupied by two people. "Things have changed a lot since

those days," she says, "but still I think the power company can't be beat as a place to work-from the standpoint of company policy, fellow employees and supervisors.

Born in Kentucky, Mrs. Faulkner is a graduate of Bethal Academy and the Brewster Business College. Her first Appalachian job was bookkeeper, beginning in October 1942. She held various positions in the accounting department until in 1954 she was made general clerk.

She likes sewing, reading, and cooking, and plans to spend her time from now on cultivating all three pastimes at her home up Elk River near Charleston.

Accounting department girls gave her a going-away party and presented a gift at the time of her re-

Eastern Star Elects **Keystone Employee**

High honors in the Order of the Eastern Star have come to Dorothy



Mrs. Lawless

W. Lawless, Keystone cashier clerk.

Mrs. Lawless was installed as grand Electa of the Grand Jurisdiction of West Virginia Order of the Eastern Star at the 56th session of the

Grand Chapter in Wheeling last month. She is also Past Matron of the Northfork Chapter.

Mrs. Lawless, a member of the order for ten years, has been very active in the Northfork Assembly of Rainbow Girls. She has received the Grand Cross of Color.

The Laundry Story



A graphic contrast between home laundry methods in 1900 and 1960 formed the basis of Appalachian's exhibit at Roanoke's Harvest Festival last month. The exhibit, manned by home service and dealer sales representatives, attracted much interest with the 1900 model washing machine. An estimated crowd of 94,000 attended the four-day event.



Winners and their prizes in the Charleston Division Golf Tournament are pictured above. Front row from left: George E. Hervey, Point Pleasant, high gross (118); W. R. Woodyard, Charleston, most lost balls (4); Ed Braid, Charleston, low putts front nine (14); W. R. Witzel, guest from Huntington, high gross 4 par three holes (23); C. B. Talley, Charleston, most pars front nine (3); J. D. Porter, Charleston, most birdies (1); and T. J. Rose, Point Pleasant, most pars back nine (3). Back row from left: J. C. Frazier,

Charleston, low putts back nine (13); Paul Rairden, Point Pleasant, low gross 4 blind holes (17); Jack Lloyd, Charleston, low gross (83); P. H. Parsons, Charleston, low net (69); E. L. Hutchinson, Beckley, low gross 4 par three holes (13); Russ Garten, Beckley, runner-up low net (70); and Paul Hancock, Beckley, runner-up low gross (87). All received prizes of golf balls except the two winners, who were given trophies, and Mr. Hervey, who was given 3 practice balls, a regular ball and an instruction booklet.

Lloyd And Parsons Pace Charleston Golfers

Two Charlestonians, Jack Lloyd and Paul Parsons, had low gross and low net to take top honors in the 1959 Charleston Division Golf Tournament at Charleston.

Lloyd shot an 83 to win low gross

honors, while Parsons' 69 was the low net score. The Calloway System of scoring was used for the tourney, which was held at the Hawk's Nest Golf Club. A luncheon followed

J. E. Hammer, J. C. Frazier, Parsons, W. H. Zinn and J. R. McGinnis made all the arrangements for the tournament. Winners and their prizes are listed under the

Searls, Theis Win Gross, Net Honors Rare Bowling Feat In Sporn Plant Golf Tournament



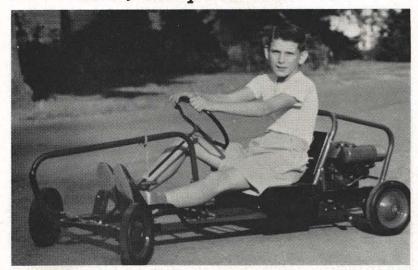
Top men in the Philip Sporn plant golf tournament. At left is Paul Theis, low net winner; at right, Carl Searls, low gross winner. Paul Scally, personnel supervisor, is in the center.

Carl Searls, with low gross, and Paul Theis, low net, were the top winners in the Philip Sporn plant golf tournament at Chester, Ohio, September 19. Forty-two golfers competed.

Other winners in the day-long event were Keith Arnold, low gross runner-up; Oren Wright, low net

runner-up; high gross, Nelson Roush; Darrell Hoffman, most putts; Oren Wright, closest to No. 3 pin; Carl Searls, closest to No. 11 pin; George Wolf, longest drive on No. 1; Keith Arnold, longest drive on No. 14, and Clarence Tennant, least number

Now Johnny Has Own Car



Johnny Murray sits proudly in the speedmobile auto he won recently in a contest sponsored by a Point Pleasant pharmacy. Johnny, the son of C. H. Murray, Jr., Point Pleasant line inspector, won the auto as first prize in the 10-15-year boys' division of the contest. Bonnie Hervey, daughter of District Manager G. E. Hervey, won a manicure set for second in the girls' division, and Kent Pancake, son of W. M. Pancake, draftsman, won an air rifle in the 5-9-year boys' division.

Recorded In Roanoke

An event probably rarer than a 300 game occurred during recent play of the Roanoke Tenpin Bowling League.

Bill Henley of Operations No. 2 team rolled three successive games of identical 171 scores. This is so rare that the American Bowling Congress recognizes the feat with a shoulder

Henley's team leads the league after six weeks of rolling. Stores is in second among the 10 teams. W. B. Poff, Jr. of the leaders has high game of 246 and his teammate, W. H. Ribble, has high set of 572. D. L. Buckingham of Operations No. 1 has high average of 174. Operation No. 2 also has high team set of 2,492 and high team game of 912.

Logan . . .

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Logan District

C. E. Yeager, engineering, was re-elected player agent for the Logan Civic Little League.

Gayle and Robert, children of M. C. Porterfield, district manager, were elected to offices at Logan High School recently. Gayle was elected vice president of the French Club and corresponding secretary of the National Honor Society, and Robert was elected vice president of the Honor Roll Club.

Ernest, son of E. L. Bevins, local accounting, and H. R. Jackson, stores supervisor, have returned home after hospitalization.

Paul H. Adams, stationman, is recuperating following surgery.

J. H. Raper, line inspector, has returned to work after hospitaliza-

Mrs. Mary Hager, mother of E. P. Hager, commerical, is recuperating from a broken hip received in a fall at her home.

M. R. Atkinson, administrative assistant, and O. L. Bennett, dealer sales representative, attended the state Kiwanis convention.

Syrean D. Baker, assistant credit supervisor, was appointed deputy instructor for the district of the Eastern Star.

Sympathy is extended Forest Browning, lineman, on the death of his father, and Jimmie Butcher, lineman, on the death of his mother-

Huffman Edges Fields In Finals Of Annual Kentucky Golf Meet

Kentucky Power's "old pro", R. L. Huffman, won the second annual company invitational golf tournament played in late September in Shelby, Ky. Golfers from every Kentucky district and several Appalachian districts and plants competed in ten flights.

Mr. Huffman edged Russell Fields, Kanawha River plant, in the finals. The defending champion, Robert Weddle, was defeated in first round play, but finished as runner-up in the first flight.

Winners and runners-up:

Championship flight: R. L. Huffman, Pikeville district; Russell Fields, Kanawha River plant.

First flight: R. Flynn, Pikeville district; R. Weddle, Pikeville dis-

Second flight: Bill Barnett, Pikeville district; C. R. Wilson, William-

Third flight: Don Combs, company attorney, Pikeville district; Bill Baird, company attorney, Pikeville district.

Fourth flight: E. Winifred Miller, Pikeville district; William Zoellers, Pikeville district.

Fifth flight: C. A. Zoellers, Hazard district; H. Charles, Hazard district.

Sixth flight: John Scholtens, Ashland; C. A. McKinney, Pikeville district.

Seventh flight: H. H. Kincaid, Pikeville district; C. A. McClung,

Eighth flight: Clifford Boyd, Pikeville district; J. A. Palmer, Ashland.

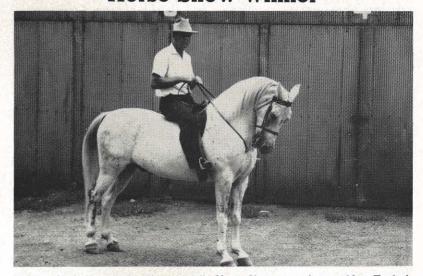
Ninth flight: James Burdsal, Pike-ville district, Charles L. Stayton, Ashland district.

Trophies and prizes were awarded at a banquet following the tourna-



R. L. Huffman, right, winner of the Kentucky Power Company invitational golf tournament, collects his championship trophy from H. H. Kincaid, Pikeville district manager. Pikeville golfers made away with most of the flight first- and second-places.

Horse Show Winner



Taking third prize at the Chapmanville Horse Show recently was Okey Taylor's "Foxy Boy," a seven-year-old saddle horse. Mr. Taylor, owner and trainer, is "Foxy Boy," a seven-year-old saddle horse. Mr. Taylor, owner and trainer, is groundman in the line and station section department at Williamson.

No Fighting Please, Children!



Dogs and cats traditionally fight like — well, like dogs and cats. Not so Lady Bonnie, a pedigreed English setter of the Llewellyn strain, pet of Howard S. Meadows, Bluefield district engineer. Lady Bonnie has just adopted her second set of kittens, the six children of a solid black cat named Beauty. Beauty, also a Meadows pet, belonged to the first litter Lady Bonnie nursed.

Stack Felled At Hazard Plant

Two hundred fifty feet of concrete, steel and brick came crashing to the ground when the stack at the retired Hazard plant was felled recently.

Dismantling of the interior of the plant at Lothair has been going on since the plant was retired last year after 40 years of service. The felling of the stack was the last major part of the dismantling program, and was done as a safety measure.



Flames licking greedily at its base, the stack at Hazard plant begins its fall. The broken line denotes the path the stack was supposed to take to the ground; the solid line shows the path it actually took.

Built in 1927, the stack was 28 feet in diameter at the base and was lined with brick. The Custodis Construction Company was contractor for the job. On October 5, men began chipping out one side of the stack at its base, shoring it up with timbers. When the timbers burned the stack was to fall in an intended direction. Bad luck accompanied its fall, however—the bottom side crushed completely, allowing the stack to twist and fall about 90 degrees away from its original course.

The stack fell through a 4,000-volt circuit and a telephone circuit that served Lothair, and broke the gas and water mains along the highway. No one was injured as employees and

the Kentucky State Police had kept people a safe distance from the operation.

The plant itself was built in 1917 with a capacity of 1,500 kilowatts and when it went on standby basis its capacity stood at over 13,000 kilowatts. During the intervening years units were added and the plant was interconnected with the rest of the AEP System. At one time it served the entire Hazard area. Today more than 30,000 kilowatts are available to this area through the Hazard station, with controls in the plant building, and its interconnections. A loop of lines serve the area, providing alternate sources of power.



Dust and soot rise in the air as the stack crashes to the ground.

Col. Scheidenhelm, AEP Hydro Expert Who Supervised Claytor Work, Dies

Colonel Frederick W. Scheidenhelm, 75, one of American Electric Power's hydro experts, died October 17

Col. Scheidenhelm, who had been hydro engineering consultant to the system for 30 year, was supervising consultant on the Claytor Lake dam and hydroelectric project, and at the time of his death was active in developing plans for Appalachian's newest project, the Smith Mountain development on Roanoke River. Construction there is expected to be undertaken in the near furture.

He received degrees from Cornell University in 1905 and 1906, served with the Army Engineers in France during the first World War, during which he earned the Distinguished Service Medal.

He was associated with West Penn Railways Company from 1906 to 1909, later organized the Pittsburgh Hydro-Electric Company, and held important engineering posts with Georgia-Carolina Power Company, and Hydro-Electric Company of West Virginia.

He was a member of several engineering and honor societies, and won the Thomas Fitch Rowland prize of the American Society of Civil Engineers in 1926.

A full page story in the October

Cabin, Mansion Article

A full page story in the October 5 issue of *Electrical World* described two recent total-electric installations in Appalachian territory.

Appearing in the Selling section, the article relates the story of a 150-year-old cabin in the Bluefield district and a 122-year-old mansion in the Fieldale district. Archie G. Phlegar, Bluefield area sales representative, wrote the information on the cabin, while Jack M. Burnett, Roanoke division power sales engineer, supplied material on the mansion.

W. S. Kitchen Goes To New Safety Job

W. S. Kitchen has been promoted to assistant system safety director

for Appalachian. He rises from the position of system safety supervisor.

He was employed by Appalachian at Bluefield April 19, 1943 as safety inspector. He previ-



Mr. Kitchen

ously worked for the West Virginia State Road Commission from 1932 to 1943.

In 1945 he became safety supervisor at Bluefield and in 1946 was named system safety supervisor. He moved to Roanoke in that position in 1949.

A 1931 graduate of Marshall College with an AB degree in political science, he also took a year of postgraduate work in education. He is a member of the American Society of Safety Engineers and the Veterans of Safety, member and past president of the Williamson Road Kiwanis Club, past general chairman of the public utilities section of the National Safety Council and past national secretary of Alpha Sigma Phi fraternity. He is married and has one daughter.

Frank Aldred, Retired AEP Man, Finds Plenty To Keep Him Busy In Pulaski

Retirement doesn't mean inactivity for Frank Aldred of Pulaski.

Mr. Aldred, who retired from American Electric Power Company in 1958, likes to travel, garden, fish, play golf, and participate in church work. He and his wife have just returned from an extended visit to Halifax, Nova Scotia—where Mr. Aldred's five sisters live.

Highlight of that visit was the coincidental visit of Queen Elizabeth. The Aldreds were impressed with the pomp and ceremony surrounding the Queen and the royal party. The Navy, Highlanders and Northwest Mounted Police all turned out in full and colorful uniforms. Mr. Aldred's sister owns a flower shop there, and was commissioned to decorate the stage for the Queen's appearance.

Mr. Aldred worked with AEP in Virginia, West Virginia and Ohio as a construction man. From 1937 to 1940 he was supervising engineer on mechanical and electrical installations at Claytor hydro. He returned to Pulaski for work on the Buck and Byllesby hydro plants. Upon retirement, the Aldreds remembered Pulaski with much pleasure, and decided to make their home there.

He and Ben Thompson, hydro operator at Claytor, work a large garden together; he fishes at Claytor Lake, he visits his married son at Lynchburg; he is helping his church plan an expansion, and he plays golf at the Country Club. He has settled

Dawson Piersall Dies In Indiana

Dawson E. Piersall, who retired from Appalachian service over 19 years ago, died in Indianapolis, Ind., October 7. He was 81. Mr. Piersall joined the company

Mr. Piersall joined the company at Logan plant March 17, 1934, and retired there as guard in May, 1943. In Indianapolis he was a member of Memorial Tabernacle Church.

Survivors include his widow, four daughters, three sons, 12 grand-children and 12 great-grandchildren.

B&W School Held For Company Men

Several Appalachian plant men were among the AEP System employees attending a maintenance school at Babcock & Wilcox's boiler division headquarters in Barberton, Ohio recently.

Among those at the school were L. E. McKenzie, Glen Lyn maintenance foreman; Marvin Pack, Clinch River maintenance foreman; A. N. Jessee, Logan results engineer; G. E. Briers, Cabin Creek plant engineer; Page Ott, Clinch River plant engineer and N. D. Balliet, Kanawha River operations supervisor.



Frank Aldred poses with his five-yearold dog Kip, a German shepherd. Kip —short for Kipper—is the fourth German shepherd Mr. Aldred has owned. The dog enjoys Mr. Aldred's retirement as much as the man himself.

down to be an active citizen in re-

Employee Killed By Line Contact



Mr. Gragg

Earl Edward Gragg, 32, Bluefield district groundman, was killed October 15 when he came in contact with an energized circuit.

Mr. Gragg was working with the Mullens line crew, which was assisting with the removal of telephone circuits from under the company's 13,200 volt distribution line. The work was being performed between the Mullens station and Besoco.

After Mr. Gragg accidentially came in contact with the circuit, artificial respiration was administered right away and mouth-to-mouth respiration was continued on the way to the Wyoming General Hospital in Mullens. He died at approximately 2:15 P. M.

Born at Mullens March 26, 1927, he attended public schools there. He served in the Army from 1945 to 1947 and had been a groundman with the company for 11 years.

He is survived by his wife and sixyear-old daughter. Funeral services were conducted at the Robertson and Foglesong Funeral Home in Mullens October 18.

Aluminum Conduits Help In Welch



Aluminum conduits have alleviated a condition in Welch's main street. Here, M. K. Spraker, working foreman, on the ladder, is stringing power lines for the street in the conduit. This enabled the combining of several lines in the conduit, eliminating many wires and brackets that extended out over the street. The conductors themselves are new, and the company has received many favorable comments on the work.



This is the lineup that faced Point Pleasant district dealers at a sales meeting last month. The "players", all from the Charleston office, are, center, Charlie Walker; quarterback, Lindy Jividen; right half, Clyde Barker; fullback, Mary Hanley; left half back, Bob Austin.

Sales Meeting A La Football Entertains, Informs Point Pleasant District Dealers

A sales meeting, programed like a football game, acquainted Point Pleasant district dealers with details of the Appalachian 1960 "Reddy Set Go" sales campaign.

Emil Gore, district dealer sales representative, was master of ceremonies. Wearing a football helmet, he opened the meeting with a blast from a whistle, then passed a football

to the first speaker. As each speaker finished he flipped the ball to the next man. The meeting was closed when district manager G. E. Hervey fired a blank pistol to signify the end of the game.

Forty-five dealers, salesmen and distributors, along with wives, attended the dinner meeting.