

To find fault is easy;
to do better may be
difficult.

—PLUTARCH

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Let him that would
move the world, first
move himself.

—SOCRATES

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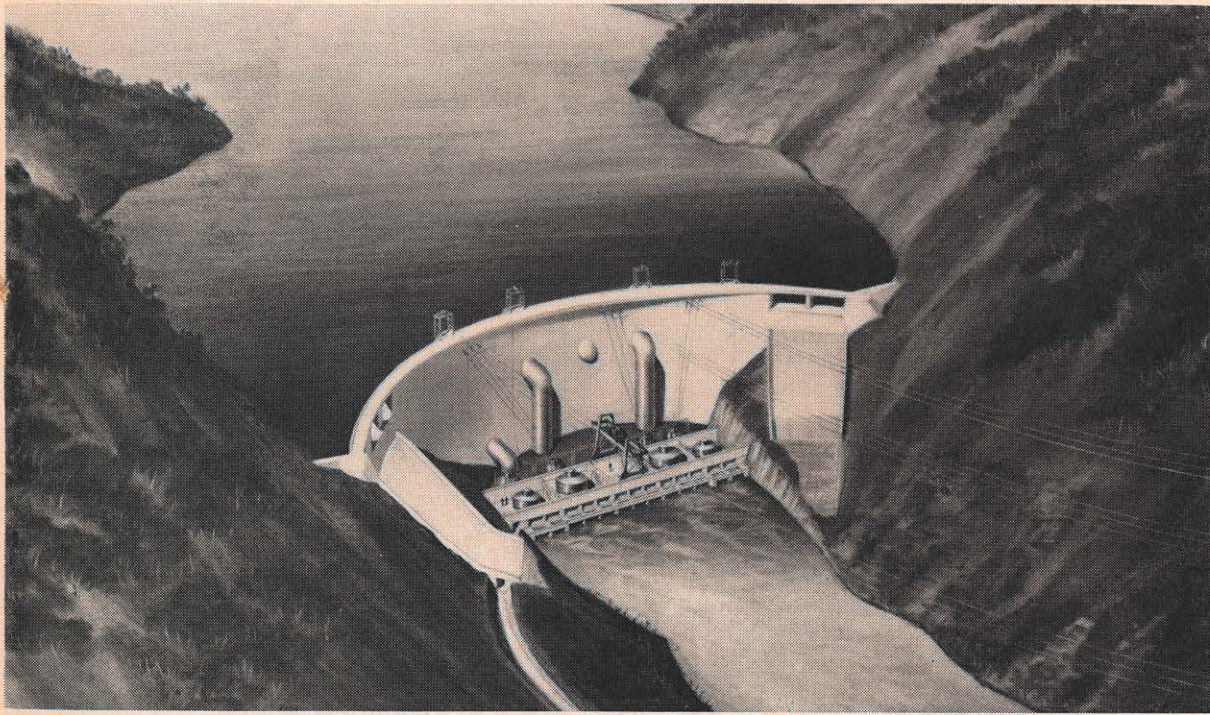
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Work Begins At Smith Mountain



This is an artist's conception of the upper dam in Appalachian's Smith Mountain Combination Hydro-electric Project on Roanoke River. This dam will be built in Smith Mountain Gap, 46 miles downstream from Roanoke and

33 miles northwest of Danville. It will be 225 feet high, with spillways about 200 feet high, and 810 feet wide. Construction work has already begun at the site. The Sollitt Company is doing the general construction.

PUAA Recognizes 'The Illuminator'

The ILLUMINATOR has won outstanding honors in the annual Better Copy Contest sponsored by the Public Utilities Advertising Association.

The employee newspaper placed third among newspapers published by electric, gas and water companies in the United States, Canada and Cuba in the annual contest. Judging was based on material published in 1959.

Announcement of the honor was made at PUAA's annual convention in New York May 13.

'Look' Honors Appalachian For Its Work With Builders

Appalachian was one of four utilities in the nation to be honored last month by *Look* magazine for outstanding service to the home building industry.

Appalachian's award was based on its entire program and particularly on its work with Mel Wright and the Arlington Park Development Company of Huntington, developers of a new subdivision in that city. *Look* also honored Mr. Wright and his company.

The plaque presented to Appalachian was announced in New York

May 13 at the annual Public Utilities Advertising Association convention. At this meeting *Look* presented a panel discussion on "Brochure Power—A Utilities Success Story." One of the three panelists was G. C. Everett, Jr., Huntington division rural and residential sales supervisor.

H. L. Cushing, Appalachian commercial manager, accepted the plaque at a Huntington dinner May 18 from Allan Waxenberg, a representative of *Look's* markets and merchandising section. Mr. Wright was also honored at this dinner by *Look*, and he was presented a Gold Medallion Certificate by Appalachian. This certificate is issued to builders who construct Gold Medallion homes.



Mr. Mann



Mr. McMahan

Charleston, Beckley Moves Affect Mann And McMahan

J. V. Mann, manager of the Beckley district, has been named assistant manager of the Charleston district. He was succeeded in Beckley by W. C. McMahan.

Mr. Mann has been associated with Appalachian since 1923 when he began working out of Huntington with company construction crews in several states. In 1935 he was named distribution engineer for the Charleston division and in 1947 became Montgomery local superintendent. When

the Point Pleasant district was organized in 1948 he became its district manager. He has been district manager at Beckley since 1957.

Mr. McMahan joined Appalachian at Beckley in 1948 following his graduation from the University of Tennessee. He was local superintendent and area supervisor before going to Charleston in 1954 as assistant to the district manager. He became assistant district manager in 1956.

Effective July 1

Scott Retiring At Ashland; Darrah Is Named Successor

H. S. Scott, manager of the Ashland district, will retire July 1.

He will be succeeded by C. C. Darrah, who is being promoted from the position of manager of the Williamson district.

Mr. Scott began his utility career in Williamson, immediately following graduation in 1921 from VPI with a BS degree in electrical engineering. He was assistant manager of the Williamson district before moving to Ashland in 1928 as general commercial manager of Kentucky Power. He became Ashland district manager in 1943.

Activities

Past president of the Ashland Board of Trade and the Kiwanis Club, he has served as district chairman of the Boy Scouts and has received Scouting's Silver Beaver Award. He was also honored in 1954 by the Junior Chamber of Commerce's "Outstanding Boss Award." He is a member of the board of directors of the Second National Bank and of the Home Federal Savings & Loan Association.

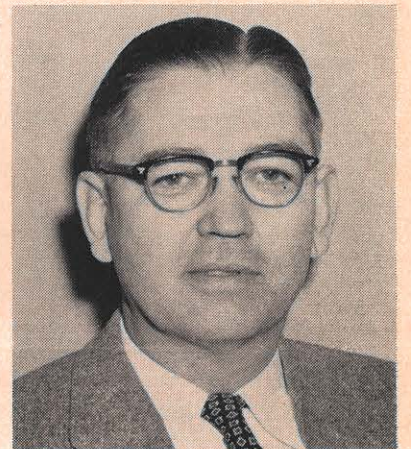
Mr. and Mrs. Scott, parents of three children and members of Calvary Episcopal Church, are planning to move to Florida in the near future.

VPI Graduate

Mr. Darrah, also a VPI graduate, was employed by Appalachian at Charleston in 1931. He served as power sales engineer in Charleston and Welch, before becoming assistant Hazard district manager in 1937. He was named assistant district manager at Williamson in 1943 and went to Beckley in 1947 as assistant manager of that district. He has been Williamson district manager since 1954.



Mr. Scott



Mr. Darrah

He is president of the Williamson Chamber of Commerce and past president of the Rotary Club and the Tug Valley Industrial Corporation. He is a deacon in the Presbyterian Church, a trustee of the United Fund and a member of the West Virginia Society of Professional Engineers.

Mr. Darrah expects to move his wife and daughter to Ashland early this month.

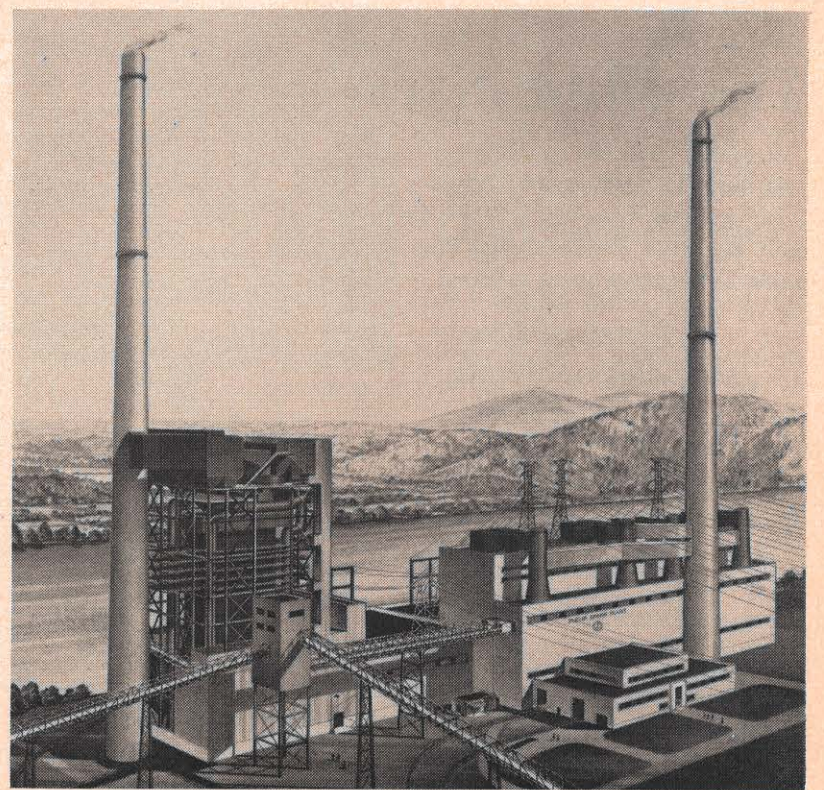
Unit, Stack Projects Progressing At Sporn

Two major construction projects at Philip Sporn plant are progressing as they head for completion dates of late 1960 and 1961.

Scheduled for operation late this year, the plant's new 450,000-kilowatt Unit 5, to be one of the world's largest on completion, is receiving attention from workers in several sections. The other project, the construction of a new stack to serve the plant's four existing 150,000 kilowatt units, is also moving along toward its completion date of 1961.

R. H. Lawson, supervising engineer, reports that practically all concrete work is done and all structural steel up on the new unit, which will raise the plant's capacity to 1,050,000 kw. In addition, a large percentage of the equipment is set and boiler work completed, and work is well along on setting the generator and turbine.

The new stack, to be 600 feet high, the same height as the stack for the new unit, will serve Units 1 through 4 at the plant, replacing four smaller stacks. In this phase of the plant work, the foundation has been poured for the stack.



Here is how Philip Sporn plant will look when a new 450,000 kilowatt unit and a new stack to serve the plant's four existing units are completed. The new Unit 5 is at left while the new stack is at right. Both stacks are 600 feet high.

More Than Money

Time hasn't dimmed the importance of United States savings bonds to our country and to individual Americans.

This fact was dramatically confirmed when more than 800 top industrial and business leaders met in New York recently to hear Secretary of the Treasury Robert B. Anderson describe how savings bonds are closely related to our military and economic strength and our efforts to maintain peace.

Secretary Anderson made it abundantly clear to the group, which included Donald C. Cook, executive vice president of the American Electric Power Service Corporation, that the purchase of bonds helps build America's power to maintain peace through national, community and individual economic strength and helps finance the necessary costs of defense in the least inflationary way. These points are aptly expressed in the Treasury's slogan for 1960: "You Save More than Money with U. S. Savings Bonds—Savings Bonds are Power for Peace."

Our companies offer an easy and systematic way to buy savings bonds through the Payroll Savings Plan. It is a fine way for most people to save for the goals we have in mind—a home, education for our children, a more secure retirement.

Take Time

Take time to think—it is the source of power.

Take time to play—it is the secret of perpetual youth.

Take time to read—it is the fountain of wisdom.

Take time to pray—it is the greatest power on earth.

Take time to love and be loved—it is a God-given privilege.

Take time to be friendly—it is the road to happiness.

Take time to laugh—it is the music of the soul.

Take time to give—it is too short a day to be selfish.

Take time to work—it is the price of success.

Take time to dream—it is hitching your wagon to a star.

Our Help Needed

If you will help run our government in the American way, then there will never be any danger of our government running America in the wrong way.

—GENERAL OMAR BRADLEY

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Your Opinion

IN THE SPOTLIGHT

What safe driving advice would you give a person departing on a trip?



BETTY M. HUMPHREYS, Results Clerk, Clinch River Plant

With so much effort on behalf of the National Safety Council to encourage safe driving habits, everyone should be aware of the danger on the highways. Any person who is qualified to drive knows, or should know, the safety precautions by which he should abide; whether these precautions are applied in his driving is entirely up to the individual.

If I were to give any advice to anyone starting on a trip, it would be to have all the safety devices checked on the car before starting and to stay mentally alert at all times while driving. It would be well to remember a slogan I saw on our plant safety bulletin boards—"Accidents never take vacations."



PAUL B. LUMBARD, Personnel Supervisor, Ashland

To one who was departing on an automobile trip I would give the following advice: Give yourself every opportunity to get there and back safely.

Make sure your automobile is in top condition.

Set reasonable daily mileage goals. If two or more drivers are available, change drivers at frequent intervals.

Never drive when you feel tired.

At all times drive as though you were trespassing on private property. Drive as though the road belonged to everyone but you.



THALIA MAE BELCHER, Stenographer, Bluefield

My advice to a person departing on a trip would be first of all to check your car to be

sure that it is in tip-top operating condition, paying special attention to brakes and steering. Then my advice would be to drive defensively at all times. Don't insist on your right of way. Try to anticipate the intention of other drivers and pedestrians. Their failure to observe traffic regulations does not justify your running into them.

If possible, avoid driving at night or dusk; if this is not possible, slow down. Do not drive too long without stopping for a rest and stretch, even a brief one. Obey all traffic laws and adjust your speed to road and weather conditions. If all of these conditions are faithfully observed, you will drive to stay alive.



Helen Hoffman gets advice from Lindy Jividen on a trip route.

HELEN A. HOFFMAN, St. Albans Contract Clerk, Charleston

Advice? Yes, I feel that there are several areas in which sensible advice can be given. However, the recipient must also be mindful of them and in a receptive mood. It is along this line that my first suggestion follows.

Today's high speed roads and automobiles call for never ceasing alertness on a trip. Why not enlist the aid of everyone in the car as a sort of "back seat driver?" Three or four pairs of eyes on the alert for danger are better than one pair. While many people joke about back seat drivers, this plan could really work if the driver would accept their observations in a constructive manner.

Next, I would employ the age old adage which is practically guaranteed to bring results — the golden rule. It applies to every other phase of life, why not on the highway? Yes, "Do unto other drivers as I would have other drivers do unto me" would get results. After all, isn't this another definition of courtesy and, as the safety slogan says, "courtesy is contagious."



CARL E. KILGORE, Groundman, Kingsport

Have your car safety checked. Then I would advise you to drive within a safe speed range, to watch all the traffic signs and obey the traffic laws. Not drive too long at one time; take time out about every hundred

miles you drive to stop, stretch your legs and refresh yourself. You will find this to be a great help, especially when traveling a long distance. Should you be driving alone, another important thing to remember is—if you get sleepy, pull over to the side of the road and take a nap. It will help you and make you feel wide awake.

Remember this advice and enjoy a safe trip.



J. C. OLIVER, Head Classification Section, System Accounting

There are three things that I consider necessary for a safe trip. Be sure that your automobile is in safe operating condition. A defect in a car can be annoying and is quite often the cause of a serious accident.

Always obey traffic regulations. Posted speed limits and warnings are for the driver's safety.

The most important item for a safe trip is the driver himself. Be courteous, sober, and alert. Take an occasional rest break. Continuous driving dulls our reflexes, thereby lessening our efficiency. Control your temper and don't let petty annoyances overcome your better judgment. A perfect automobile and the best of traffic regulations are of no avail if we, the drivers, are not safety-minded.



J. E. Runyon, right, and Ace Cerrato discuss a trip.

J. E. RUNYON, Heating and Builder Sales Representative, Williamson

Before starting on a vacation trip we should stop and think, "Is our automobile in a safe driving condition?" Just to be sure, we should have the garage give it a complete inspection for any possible defects.

We should make a checklist of items to take, such as, First Aid Kit, flashlight, tools, camera, sunglasses, etc.

When we start our trip we should chart it on a road map and divide it into driving days. Remember, more than 300 miles can be tiring. With proper rest we can be more alert on the highways, and we all agree there is a different kind of driving for turnpikes and tollways.

Remember, a safe trip means a happy trip for you and your family.



B. W. Clay, Denny Caldwell and John Showalter, Appalachian's volunteer firemen, chat with Mrs. R. A. Westfall and her two children after the men put out a kitchen blaze in her home. They spotted the flames from the North Charleston store room across the street.

Four Charleston Employees Replace Firemen, Extinguishing Kitchen Fire

For the second time Appalachian employees in Charleston have turned out to be extra-good neighbors to Mrs. R. A. Westfall.

Last month, B. W. Clay, G. T. Turley, Denny Caldwell and John Showalter, working in the stores department in North Charleston, spotted

flames coming from the kitchen windows of a house across the street. Grabbing a fire extinguisher, they dashed over, put out the blaze, quieted the nervous Mrs. Westfall, and sent the fire department home. Damage was happily restricted to the kitchen curtains and window frames.

Some years ago, Mrs. Westfall was locked in a room in her home, and Mr. Turley, summoned by a neighbor, got her out with the help of a skeleton key.

Charles Holyoke Gets Promotion

C. E. Holyoke, Kingsport supervising engineer, has been promoted to the post of district superintendent for the company.



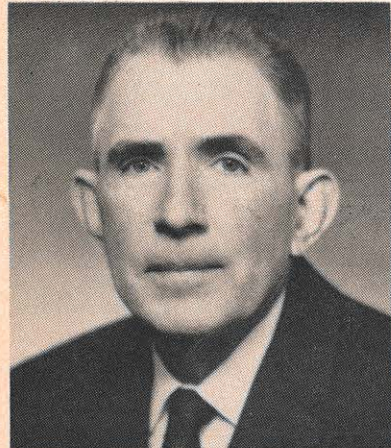
Mr. Holyoke

supervisor.

He is a graduate of the University of Maine with a BS in engineering and did post-graduate work at the same school in education. He is past president and past lieutenant-governor of the Optimist Club.

Employed December 13, 1937 as a draftsman, he has been civil engineer, distribution engineer, cost engineer and plant record supervisor.

Lake Home Awaits Retiree Lowman



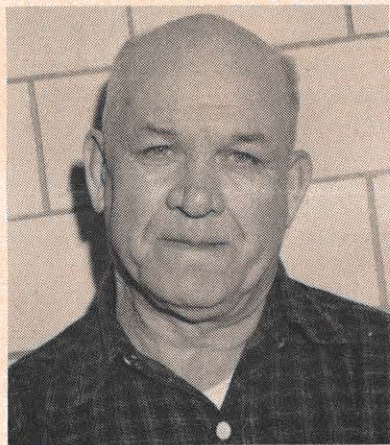
Mr. Lowman

A retirement home on Claytor Lake awaits Frank D. Lowman, who retired June 1 as Pulaski district appliance serviceman after 35 years of service.

Mr. Lowman, a native of Pulaski, started to work for Appalachian in September 1924 with the appliance service department. During the first World War, he served as a machine gunner.

He is a member of the American Legion, the Veterans of Foreign Wars, the Pulaski Elks Club, and the Draper Valley Presbyterian Church. With a lake for a front yard, Mr. Lowman will spend most of his time fishing, with some hunting thrown in.

Kyle Wade Retires From Glen Lyn



Mr. Wade

Kyle Wade, maintenance helper at Glen Lyn, became the plant's 47th employee to retire when he chose retirement on account of a physical disability May 1.

Mr. Wade joined the company in May 1944 as a laborer, and worked later as utility man and maintenance man. Before that he was employed by Hazlewood Construction Company, and operated his own farm. He is a veteran of World War I. His son, Stanley Wade, is also a maintenance helper at Glen Lyn.

Mr. Wade will spend his retirement at Glen Lyn with his wife, son and daughter, enjoying his hobby of gardening.

Community Uses Dusk-To-Dawn Lights For Streets

One community in the Point Pleasant district solved its street lighting problem with dusk-to-dawn units.

The community, Cottageville, is unincorporated, and so cannot enter into the usual street-lighting contract. But the citizens of the town, determined that their streets should be well-lighted, chose a committee to negotiate with Appalachian to supply the lights.

Seventeen units were installed, all locations except one with the necessary secondary facilities already available. A separate three-year contract has been secured for each light, but bills for the use will go to the committee. The lighting will cost each citizen one dollar per month.

Pikeville Outage Emphasis On "Planned"

When a power company talks about a "planned outage," the emphasis should be on the "planned."

A recent, and perhaps typical, example is a case in the Pikeville district, and it shows how the curtailment of power was kept at a minimum through careful attention to detail by Kentucky Power people.

A section of the cable serving the Pikeville downtown circuit had burned together; emergency repairs restored service until plans could be made to replace completely the damaged section. Three sections had to be replaced and spliced. Midnight was chosen as the ideal time for the work for two reasons: one was that demand for power in the area was very low, and second, street traffic was light.

Before the circuit was switched out and grounded, everything was made ready for the work.

Streets were blocked off; the station crew set up lights; equipment and materials had been placed at the points where they would be needed. The switch was to be thrown at midnight.

Hayner Promoted At Logan Plant

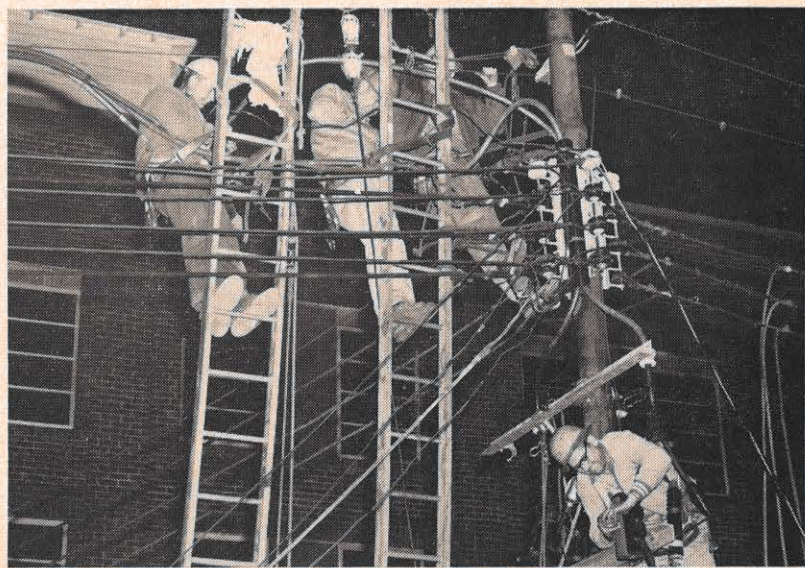
Dallas T. Hayner has been promoted to maintenance foreman at Logan plant, moving up from mechanical maintenance mechanic.

He was first employed at the plant February 17, 1940 as laborer. Since then he worked as mechanical maintenance man and mechanical maintenance mechanic.

Active in church and community affairs, he is a Sunday School teacher in the Chapmanville Church of Christ, and is a member of the Chapmanville Volunteer Fire Department. He is married and has three sons.



Mr. Hayner



When the clock struck twelve in Pikeville one night last month, this quartet went aloft to work on a cable replacement job during a planned outage. They are, from left, Auburn Helvey, Oscar Hamilton, Jesse Collier, and Charles Campbell.

At the all-clear signal, crewmen swarmed up the ladders and poles and set to work. So efficiently was the work done that downtown customers did not know until they checked their clocks the next morning that service had been out at all.

Taking part in the smooth operation were H. M. Eagle, R. C. Anders, Oscar Hamilton, Auburn Helvey, Jesse Collier, and Charles Campbell.

Kingsport Leads In AEP Safety

Kingsport leads the way in the first quarter of this year's AEP System Safety Contest.

According to figures of March 31, Kingsport had compiled 1,210,398 consecutive manhours without a disabling injury. In second is Ohio Power's Muskingum River plant, while Logan plant is third. All three are over a million manhours.

Others in the top ten include Philip Sporn plant, fifth; Clinch River plant, sixth; Kentucky Power, seventh; and Roanoke Division, tenth.

Via Of Kentucky Heads Accounting



Mr. Via

John H. Via, Jr., Kentucky Power assistant accounting manager and assistant secretary, has been promoted to accounting manager.

He succeeds W. B. Garnett, who died April 12. Mr. Via will continue as assistant secretary, and in addition he has been elected assistant treasurer of the company by the board of directors.

A veteran of 22 years in the utility industry, he started with Appalachian in 1938 and went to Kentucky the next year. He served in several positions before becoming assistant accounting manager in 1950.

A native of Roanoke, he graduated from Roanoke College in 1938 with a BS degree in business administration. He is a member of the First Presbyterian Church, Poage Lodge No. 325, AF&AM, Ashland Chapter 119 of Eastern Star and Ohio Valley Accountants Association. A veteran of World War II, he is married and has a son.

Retirement Ends Lawrence Career

With 31 years of service, Lemuel H. Lawrence, Galax area serviceman, retired June 1.

He joined Appalachian permanently in June 1929 as a lineman. He had previously worked for the company in 1924, 1925, and earlier in 1929. He became district serviceman in January 1937, and area serviceman in 1950. He is a native of Floyd County.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence live in Galax, and have three sons and three daughters. One daughter, Mrs. Mildred L. Campbell, is PBX operator in Roanoke.

Leisure time will be spent with his long-time hobbies of hunting, fishing, and watching baseball, and a new interest, cattle-raising. He is now stocking a son's farm with Hereford cattle.

Appalachian JA Company Gets National Certificate



Judy Padgett and Curtis Tompkins, center, look at the awards they and their Junior Achievement Company won recently. The company is sponsored in Roanoke by Appalachian. With them are Lauren Himes, left, and R. G. Taylor, right, business advisors to the Saf-T-Teen company.

An Appalachian-sponsored Junior Achievement Company in Roanoke was one of four local companies to win National Industry Award Certificates. Officers of the company, Saf-T-Teens, received the certificate and personal awards at JA's annual banquet.

Curtis Tompkins, president, and Judy Padgett, treasurer, won officer-of-the-year awards for their work for the second straight year; Mr. Tompkins also won a \$100 scholarship, and Miss Padgett and Shirley Mc-

Lain received executive awards. The company packaged and sold 1,364 emergency first aid kits.

Appalachian employees who served as advisors to the company were W. M. Mills, D. E. Trout, Lauren Himes, J. E. Collins, R. G. Taylor, and Guy Pendleton. G. L. Furr and J. D. Lawrence have served for three years on the Board of Directors of Junior Achievement of Roanoke Valley. G. S. Dunn welcomed the guests at the banquet, held at the Hotel Roanoke.



Welch District

Ruth C. Earnest, clerk-trainee, and James E. Kaluk, groundman, are new employees.

Stephanie Lewis, daughter of local office manager O. L. Robinson, won the annual American Legion award, given each year to the ninth grade student who is outstanding in all phases of school activities.

Judith Dee Farley, daughter of Lonedra M. Rose, Pineville cashier clerk, was the Pineville Grade School spelling champion and runner-up in the zone contest.

Alice Spencer, personnel assistant, was re-elected recording secretary of the Wesleyan Service Guild of the Welch First Methodist Church. Lovis R. Mitchell, home service representative, was elected chairman of the committee on missions.

Perry Hatmaker, dealer sales representative, was elected second external vice president of the Welch Junior Chamber of Commerce.

Reba D. Banner, contract clerk, and Mrs. Jack C. Green, wife of the meterman, were the Welch representatives to the Junior Woman's Club state convention.

Mrs. O. L. Robinson, wife of the local office manager, and Elizabeth A. Marino, clerk-typist, were elected president and treasurer, respectively, of the Chaminade Music Club.

W. C. Groseclose, administrative assistant, spoke on the Red Cross blood program for McDowell County at the American Legion district convention.

Forrest C. Brown, Grundy station operator, is recuperating at home following surgery.

Curtis Don Lane, Keystone meter reader, has returned to work after being off several weeks due to a back ailment.

Pulaski District

Helen R. Cox, petty cash clerk, has been installed corresponding secretary of the Junior Woman's Club and vice president of the Alpha Tau Sorority.

Cecil Buckner, meter reader, has returned to work following hospitalization for a leg injury.

Dorothy N. Whitaker, stenographer, has been elected to the official board of the First Methodist Church of Pulaski.

Quinn M. Harless, R/w agent, and Ivan K. Stoots, T&D clerk, are recuperating following surgery.

A. B. Corell, meter reader, has returned to work after several weeks' illness.

Mrs. Carl Powers, wife of the Wytheville T&D clerk, has returned home from the hospital.

Lois K. Collins, contract clerk, is the new treasurer of the Junior Woman's Club of Pulaski.

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Joyce Parsons, personnel, and Mrs. Gordon Warrick, wife of the transportation department employee, have returned to their homes after surgery.

Ralph Casteel, accounting, has returned to work following surgery.

H. P. Martin, miscellaneous, and James Arnold, engineering, are back at work after illnesses.



Happenings

Around the Circuit

... Among Employees and Their Families



Pikeville District

Freddie W. Collier, station man, has returned to work after a military leave of absence.

Sybil K. Williamson, commercial department employee, has resigned.

L. M. Newsom, records supervisor, was re-elected to the board of directors of the Little and Babe Ruth Leagues in Pikeville for the fifth consecutive year. He was also elected secretary and player agent for both leagues.

Sympathy is extended Claude Justice, area sales representative, on the death of his father; Mont Cline, utility clerk, on the death of his father-in-law; Raymond Scott, lineman, on the death of his grandfather; and Charlie Wilson, janitor, on the death of his brother-in-law.

Hazard District

Retired employee H. J. Bonta has returned to Hazard after spending the winter in Florida.

Robert L. Trent, area sales representative, has been re-elected president of the Viper PTA.

Leyburn Cody, state chairman of international relations in the Federation of Business and Professional Women's Clubs, attended the state convention and spoke on strengthening international relations through people-to-people friendships.

Ashland District

Charles Stayton, assistant local office manager, has returned to work after an extended illness.



Charleston District

New employees are Lewis E. Stotts, engineering; Carl Edward Thomas, car washer; James M. Bumpus, janitor; and Brenda Miller, office messenger.

Joan, daughter of Howard Basham, played in the all-state band festival recently.

Mrs. John Hammer, wife of the division personnel supervisor, is recuperating in the hospital following surgery.

John Kauffman, Jr., engineering student, has resigned.

John Frazier, division safety supervisor, gave the welcoming address to the 24th annual state-wide safety conference of the West Virginia Safety Council.

Charlie Gray, accounting, has returned to work after an extended illness.

Dorothea, daughter of Adele Lord, was among the top 10 on the honor roll in her Clendenin High School graduating class.

Sympathy is extended Guilford C. Smith, administrative assistant, on the death of his father; Bill Gillespie, line, on the death of his mother;

G. W. Unangst, T&D superintendent, on the death of his mother-in-law; and S. T. Preston, retired employee, on the death of his sister-in-law.

Philip Sporn Plant

Jean F. Cobb, Norman W. Mora, and Charles P. Coughlin, laborers, are new employees.

Virgil G. Roush, maintenance helper, and John T. Reitmire, master maintenance man, have returned to work after surgery.

Fred E. Smith, auxiliary equipment operator, is recovering in the hospital from injuries received in a fall.

Sympathy is extended Charles E. Lester, test engineer, on the death of his mother.

Point Pleasant District

H. J. Patterson, line inspector, has donated his eighth pint of blood to the American Red Cross.

The Appalachian bowling team in Point Pleasant placed fifth in the industrial league.

Melinda, daughter of district manager George E. Hervey, received a \$10 Women of the Moose Award given to a senior girl for outstanding activities.

Rebecca, daughter of clerk-stenographer Rose S. Martin, and Karen, sister of clerk-stenographer Bessie S. Jones, were initiated into the National Honor Society at Point Pleasant High School.

Franklin, 12-year-old son of dealer sales representative C. E. Gore, won the title of Ordinance Grade School marble champion and represented his school in the Mason County Marbles Tournament of 1960.

W. M. Pancake, draftsman, has returned to work after hospitalization. Mrs. Pancake has returned home following surgery.

Kanawha River Plant

Bill, son of W. L. Wilshire, maintenance foreman, was elected secretary-treasurer of the senior class at Charleston High School.

Dorothy P. Samples, clerk-stenographer, has resigned.

Sympathy is extended C. H. Petry on the death of his mother.

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System

Sympathy is extended Norwood Turner, system accounting, on the death of his mother-in-law.

J. Robert Davenport, administrative assistant, and C. Richard Lovegrove, editor, were elected director and vice president, respectively, of the Roanoke Jaycees.

William A. McClung, advertising and publications supervisor, was elected first vice president of the Roanoke Advertising Club.

Roanoke District

E. Warren Holland, Rocky Mount meter serviceman, and his wife were elected recording secretary of the Franklin County High School PTA.

W. S. Shanks, station foreman; D. R. Spicer, groundman; and K. M. Spicer, lineman, have returned to work after extended illnesses.

J. D. Lawrence, division manager, has been made a "member for life" in the American Institute of Electrical Engineers.

Sympathy is extended B. P. Gibson, line foreman, on the death of his father.

Lynchburg District

M. S. Copes, Jr., groundman, is a new employee.

F. M. Cloyd, administrative assistant, was appointed chairman of the commercial and industrial development committee of the Lynchburg Chamber of Commerce. Loyd T. Smith, administrative assistant, was appointed chairman of the fire prevention committee.

D. C. Kennedy, Jr., district manager, was elected vice president of the Piedmont Area Council, Boy Scouts of America.

Sympathy is extended John P. McDermott, garage foreman, on the death of his brother.

Robert Layne's seventh grade class at Pine Spring Elementary School taped a musical program presented over the Japan Broadcasting Cor-

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Giant Among Mobile Stations



Planned maintenance and construction, and emergency work, are being made easier and more economical with the addition of this 10,000 kva mobile station in the Roanoke division. Here, J. A. Wheeler, Roanoke engineering, inspects the giant unit, the third mobile station in the division. The others are 5,000 and 3,000 kva units.



Williamson District

Mrs. E. E. King, wife of the district superintendent, has been elected treasurer of the Belfry High School Band Boosters Club. She has also been re-elected president of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the Belfry Methodist Church.

Patty, daughter of George T. Boothe, Jr., was inducted into the National Honor Society at Williamson High School.

Carol Ann, daughter of H. W. Cerrato, was honored at a banquet at Belfry High School as "the most outstanding" member of the Future Homemakers of America for the year 1959-60.

Mrs. Portia Doka, widow of the former lineman, attended the annual convention of Junior Woman's Clubs as president of the Tug Valley Club.

Fred Varney, line foreman, completed a course in design and construction of overhead power lines through the International Correspondence School.

Woodrow Holbrook, residential and rural sales supervisor, has been elected president of the South Williamson PTA.

Barbara Williamson, home service representative, conducted a group of 50 students from the home economics classes of Magnolia High School and Delbarton High School on a tour of all-electric homes.

Logan Plant

D. T. Bryant, janitor, is a new employee.

Norman Johnson, Jr., mechanical maintenance helper, has returned to work after a two months' illness.

Retired employees A. F. Mitchell and H. C. Weiss, and J. P. Kirk, boiler and condenser auxiliary operator, are recuperating at home after hospitalization and/or surgery.

Logan District

Robert, son of district manager M. C. Porterfield, was elected president of the National Honor Society at Logan High School. He was also chosen by the Rotary Club to attend Boys' State.

E. K. Bias, heating and builder sales representative, was elected sergeant-at-arms of the Madison Lions Club.

Frank Queen, T&D clerk, has returned to work after hospitalization.

E. L. Bevins, utility clerk, is back at work following surgery.

P. C. Gosney, area supervisor, was re-elected secretary of the Madison Rotary Club.

Mrs. Corbett Brumfield, wife of the Madison area lineman, was elected president of the W.S.C.S. of the Madison Methodist Church.

Bruce, son of district superintendent J. L. Richmond; Eddie, son of engineering aide C. E. Yeager; and Tommy, son of heating and builder sales representative T. J. Hanley, were awarded letters for scholastic achievement at a dinner for the Junior National Honor Society.

Mrs. D. A. Kinser, wife of the station man, was elected president of Verdunville Grade School PTA.

Mrs. R. D. Blevins, wife of the engineering aide, was elected treasurer of the West Logan Grade School PTA.

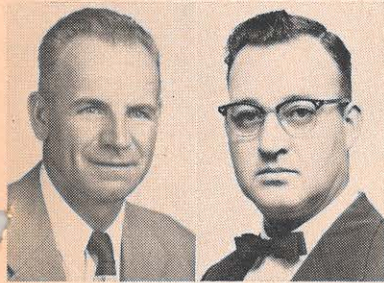
Sympathy is extended W. M. Walls on the death of his grandfather.

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Time, Work, Cost Saving Experiences Related By Appalachian Men In 'Ideas'



Mr. Hesson Mr. Miller



Mr. Hager Mr. Combs

Three ideas by four Appalachian employees concerning plant and station work appeared in the May issue of *AEP Operating Ideas*.

"Gage Speeds Up Mill-Spider Adjustment" was contributed by O. A. Hesson, maintenance foreman at Cabin Creek plant. Each pulverizer in the plant has two inlet spiders supported by bolts that need replacing regularly. A major problem had been aligning the replacements properly. The problem was solved when an inexpensive gage was designed to save considerable work and time in aligning these bolts.

H. R. Miller, Kanawha Valley Power hydro maintenance mechanic in the Charleston district, wrote "Removing Broken Bolts." He describes the use of a carbide-tipped masonry drill for removing embedded portions of hardened steel bolts that break off. This drill is less costly than others.

E. J. Hager, system transmission foreman, and J. L. Combs, system transmission man, worked together on "Filter For Solvents." With the aid of a homemade filter, transmission line crews have been reclaiming solvent used to clean brushes when painting stations.

Employees' Action Saves Burning Truck

Flames threatening to ignite 150 gallons of gasoline in the tank of a tractor-trailer were extinguished just in time by two Point Pleasant employees recently.

W. M. Pancake and J. R. Pugh came upon the burning tractor-trailer in the middle of the road. The driver had tried to put the fire out but found his extinguisher empty. Quickly grabbing a CO₂ extinguisher from their own vehicle, the men put the fire out before it could damage the truck or the highway seriously.

Mr. Safety Elected In Williamson

Since this is an election year, George Hairston, Williamson janitor, felt it was a good time to get out the vote for Safety and so defeat his opponent, Mr. Carelessness.

It was all a big part of the accounting department's monthly safety meeting. Just before the meeting Mr. Hairston conducted a whirlwind campaign on behalf of his candidate, distributing campaign cards among employees, and asking for their votes. Platforms of the two candidates were posted on the bulletin boards so voters could become familiar with the issues.

In his campaign speech, Mr. Hairston promised that if Mr. Safety were elected he would prevent injuries, correct unsafe conditions, eliminate hazards, see that all company-supplied protective equipment is used. He charged his opponent, Mr. Carelessness with being ignorant of safety practices, lax in following the safety plan, resenting safety programs, and having a "me-first" attitude.

Voting gave the election to Mr. Safety 100 per cent.



In a typical campaign oratory pose, George Hairston, Williamson janitor, speaks out eloquently on behalf of his candidate Mr. Safety.

Blankenship To Lead Jaycees Of Lebanon

Jack R. Blankenship has been named president of the Lebanon Junior Chamber of Commerce.



Mr. Blankenship

The Clinch River plant safety supervisor has been an employee since June 1, 1949. He has been serving as acting president of the Jaycees during the past two months as part of his duties as first vice president. He is also active in other civic and church affairs.

Company Men Help West Virginia Plan Appliance Repair Training Course

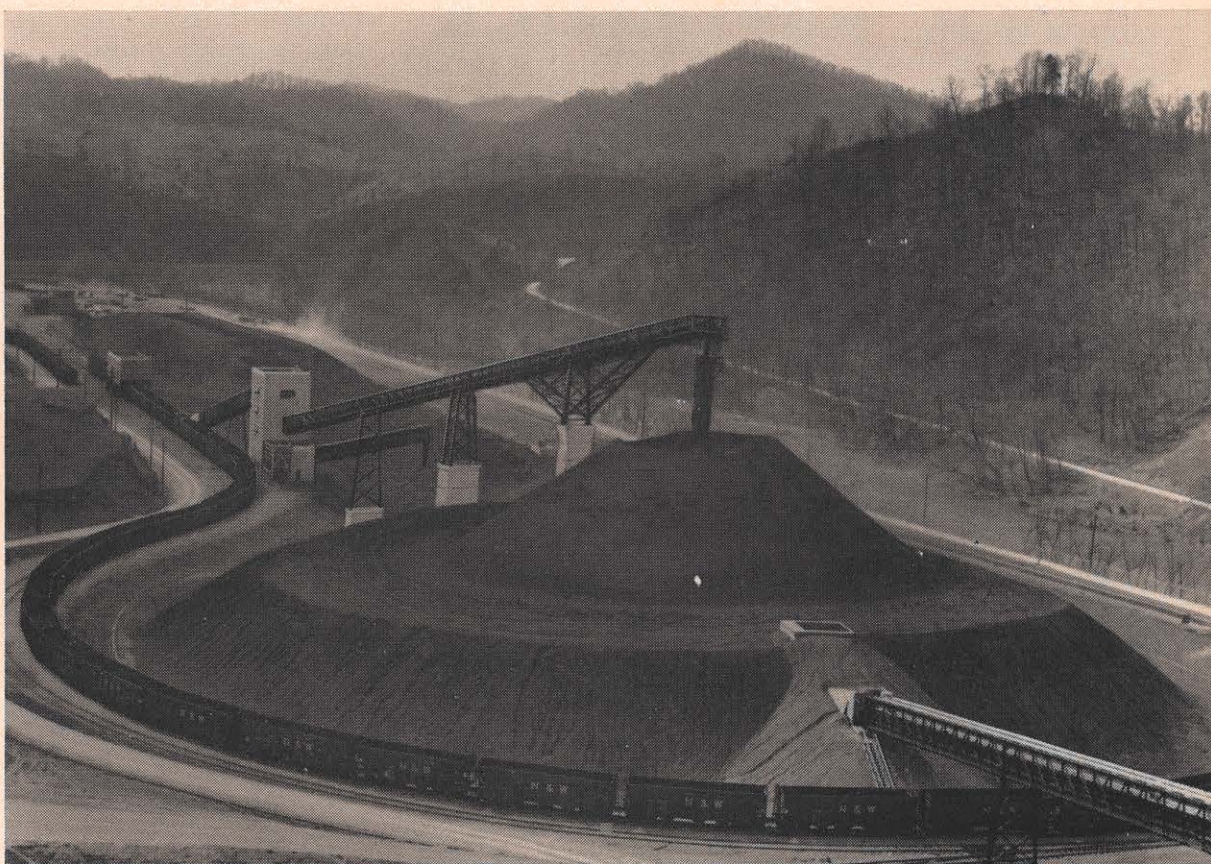


Meeting with appliance manufacturers and State Board of Education representatives to discuss an appliance repair course in West Virginia's vocational training program were six company men. They are, standing, second from left: P. W. Burks, Charleston division; Guilford Smith, Charleston district; L. L. Koontz, system commercial, Roanoke; A. E. Snyder, AEP, New York; John T. Shriver, Charleston division, and S. M. Brown, system commercial, Roanoke.

The feeling among consumers that servicing techniques have not kept pace with new developments in electric appliance design will be removed if the West Virginia Department of Education implements a plan it developed recently.

Meeting with Appalachian and AEP experts, the Electric League of Charleston and representatives of major manufacturers, the board developed a tentative curriculum for an electrical appliance serviceman's training program. It would be used in adult education, high schools and special vocational training programs. The West Virginia Legislature in its recent session appropriated \$400,000 specifically for vocational training for

Coal To Kilowatts At Clinch River



Coal to produce electricity at Clinch River plant is kept in this coal yard at the plant. Coal comes in on N&W hopper cars, is dumped, goes from the main coal unloading hopper (the building at left center), where a conveyor

carries it to the standpipe, center, and into the surge pile, below the standpipe. Another conveyor system transports the coal into the plant, out of the picture at right. This area holds about 250,000 tons of coal.

Three thousand five hundred tons of coal a day—that's what it takes to keep Clinch River plant's two generating units turning out electric power.

It would take a train of fifty 70-ton railroad cars to deliver the coal the plant burns every 24 hours. Last year the plant's units consumed 1.2-million tons of coal, a total representing 17,143 70-ton hopper cars.

All of this coal comes from two mines of the Clinchfield Coal Corporation nearby, and is stored in a coal storage pile near the plant. This storage area holds about a quarter of a million tons of coal.

What happens to the coal when it

is brought to the storage area? It is hauled from mine to plant by the Norfolk and Western Railway and dropped from cars with the use of shakers. It goes into the main coal unloading hopper where a belt conveyor delivers it to the surge pile by means of a large standpipe.

Here the system becomes automatic. In the control room of the plant, unit foremen operate panels which control the flow of coal from the surge pile to the coal bunkers located within the plant. The fuel is then fed by gravity into the plant's 14 pulverizers where it is prepared to a fine powder texture for use in the boiler furnaces.

Automatic fire control devices protect the entire system from possible fire damage, and tractor-dozers are used to move coal in and out of storage.

Ten employees are responsible for the plant's coal yard. H. Freeman Roush is the supervisor, and working with him are Eugene E. Wyatt, Ray Stamper, Johnney S. Skeen, Paul C. Kiser, Clarence B. Parrott, Howard Lasley, F. O'Brien Jackson, Woody Hackney and W. Carlyle Byington.

The plant's coal use will increase to nearly two-million tons a year when a new unit, now under construction, is completed in late 1961.

Ashland Youth Wins Second Scholarship

Fred Gesling of Ashland has received a second scholarship for use during 1960-61.

Announced earlier was his winning a \$500 AEP Educational Award. And just recently the University of Cincinnati announced that he will receive a \$600 one-year honor scholarship under the school's Co-Op Student Program. Fred is the son of Don Gesling, Ashland engineering.

Dougan Is Head Of Safety Group

L. G. Dougan has been elected president of the Lynchburg Safety Council. In his capacity he will lead



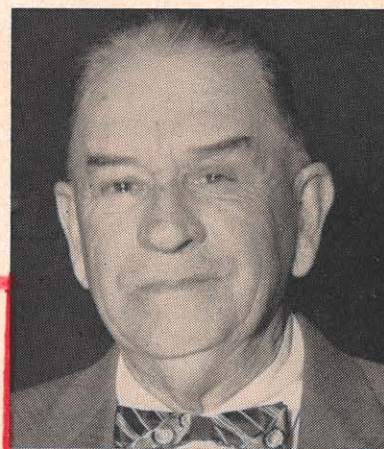
Mr. Dougan

the council in its efforts to promote safety in all phases of business and civic activity in the city.

It wasn't the only election he won recently. He was also elected president of the Fort Hill PTA for the coming year; chosen first vice president was his wife.

Mr. Dougan worked in Roanoke and Logan before moving to Lynchburg in 1951 as district personnel supervisor, the job he currently fills.

Guy Summers Dies Following Stroke



Mr. Summers

Guy W. Summers, hydro utility man at the Winfield plant of Kanawha Valley Power Company, died April 21 following a stroke.

He received his 20-year service pin in February of this year, and would have reached normal retirement age in September.

Born in Mason County, Mr. Summers lived and worked there until February 1940, when he joined the company. He was a member of the Mount Union Methodist Church near Pliny.

Funeral services were held in that church April 24, and interment took place in the church cemetery.

Mr. Summers is survived by his wife, his stepmother, three sons and three daughters.

Benefits Changes Affect Active And Retired

Improvements, Modifications Made In Three Major Employee Programs

A number of improvements and modifications in three major employee benefit programs—Basic Group Life Insurance, Comprehensive Medical Insurance, and the Retirement Plan—were put into effect June 1. Most retired employees also are affected.

The revisions were announced recently to affected employees and retired employees. Employees are urged to consult with their local Personnel Department if they should have a question about any of the plans.

In general, the modifications offer added benefits or cost savings. Among the features is a new Comprehensive Medical Insurance Plan for future retired employees (those retiring after June 1, 1960) and, with certain modifications, for presently retired employees.

Major points of the revised programs follow:

Comprehensive Medical Insurance Retired Employees

A Comprehensive Medical Insurance Plan is available for the first time to future retired employees (those retiring on or after June 1). This plan also has been offered, with certain modifications, to presently retired employees (those retired before June 1), provided they apply before December 31, 1960. In both cases, the retiree must have completed 10 years' service to be eligible.

The new plan offers three principal benefits to retired employees and their eligible dependents, as outlined below:

- It pays 80% of hospital expenses over \$50 (except that payment for a private room is limited to the average semi-private room charge);

- It pays 80% of all other medical expenses over \$100 (in the event a patient is hospitalized, however, he may apply his \$50 deductible for hospital expenses toward this \$100 deductible, but not more than \$100 for all expenses, including hospital expenses, incurred during a calendar year)—however, for such excess expenses for treatment of a mental or related nervous disorder while not confined in a hospital or similar institution, the plan pays 50%; and

- It provides a maximum lifetime benefit of \$10,000 to a retired employee with 15 or more years' service and ranging downward in graduated amounts to \$5,000 for a 10-year employee. (In no event may the benefit exceed \$5,000 in a calendar year.)

The new Comprehensive Medical Plan replaces the previous Retired Employees' Hospital-Medical Plan, which was based on a per diem rate for hospital expenses and payments for surgical expenses in accordance with a specific operation cost schedule. Employees will be eligible for the new plan on the date of their retirement, provided they have at least 10 years' service and are insured under the active employees' Comprehensive Medical Plan on the day prior to retirement.

Cost to retired employees is the same as for active employees: \$1.40 per month with no dependents, \$3.35 with one dependent, and \$4.45 with more than one.

One of the provisions of the new plan bars payment of hospital-medical expenses to retired employees living outside the United States and Canada.

Active, Retired Employees

Of special interest to both active and retired employees is a new "non-duplication of benefits" clause in their Comprehensive Medical Insurance Plans. This new clause provides that payment will not be made for hospital or medical expenses to the extent of benefits paid or payable by any other group medical or hospitalization plan in which the employee or a dependent may be participating or by any governmental program—Federal, state or local. Not affected are benefits received from any individual policy held by the employee or dependent.

Benefits paid for treatment of mental and related nervous disorders

while not confined in a hospital or similar institution will be on a 50% co-insurance basis instead of 80%.

Basic Group Life Insurance

Highlights of the revisions in the company's Basic Group Life Insurance Plan include lower contribution rates for employees and liberalization of insurance retention upon reaching the age of 65.

The changes in employee contribution rates not only provide lower costs for most employees but also more uniform and equitable rates for all. In no case does an employee pay a higher rate than before.

The previous employee contribution rate schedule, in general, was 40¢ per month per \$1,000 of insurance for the first \$10,000 and 80¢ per \$1,000 for all over \$10,000. The new schedule, in general, provides more uniform rates, as follows:

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| 1st | \$4,000—30¢ per \$1,000 |
| 2nd | \$4,000—40¢ per \$1,000 |
| 3rd | \$4,000—60¢ per \$1,000 |
| Next | \$8,000—80¢ per \$1,000 |

The savings per employee range from zero to 40¢ per month, with the average saving amounting to 35¢ a month—or \$4.20 per year.

An important provision in the revised Life Insurance Plan opens the door for any active employee who does not now have his full entitlement of life insurance to apply for the full amount to which he is entitled without submitting evidence

of insurability. However, he must apply by September 1, 1960.

The liberalization of insurance retention at age 65 works like this:

- The years-of-service minimum for insurance retention eligibility at 65 is reduced from 15 to 10 years;

- That amount of insurance presently cancellable immediately at 65 (Policy #2068-SS) instead is now cancelled gradually over a five-year period; and

- That amount of insurance presently subject to an immediate 50% reduction at age 65 (Policy #2068-C) instead is now reduced to 50% gradually over a five-year period.

Before the current revision, an employee whose coverage was under Policy #2068-C could not retain any insurance after 65 unless he had 15 or more years' service; and, for those with 15 or more years' service, 50% was cancelled immediately.

Also before the current revision, supplemental insurance under Policy #2068-SS was cancelled immediately.

The net result of these modifications to Policy #2068-C is that a 10-year employee at age 70 will be able to retain 25% of this insurance with the percentage of retention increasing according to years of service up to a maximum of 50% at age 70 for a 15-year employee.

In addition, the modifications are retroactive to cover present retired employees who have not reached the age of 69, without the necessity

of submitting evidence of insurability. However, they must apply by September 1, 1960.

The contribution rate for all retired employee insurance in force is 80¢ per month for each \$1,000.

Retirement Plan

The company's Retirement Plan consists of a Group Annuity Plan, administered by insurance companies, and a Trusteed Plan, which came into being May 1, 1955, and which is administered by The Irving Trust Company, New York. Two improvements have been made in the program and both are in respect to the Trusteed Plan.

One improvement is an increase in the interest rate from 2% to 3¼%, effective January 1, 1960, on employee contributions made under the Trusteed Plan. This increases the employee's equity in the plan, which he may withdraw if he should leave the company or which is payable to the beneficiary in the event of death.

The other improvement is that an employee may delay until one year before retirement his decision on whether or not to establish a joint annuity. Previously it had been necessary to make such a decision five years before retirement, and this still is a requirement in respect to that portion payable under the Group Annuity Plan. However, discussions are underway with the insurance companies seeking to reduce this option period also to one year.

Long-Service Anniversaries Observed By Six

Six veterans of our companies have reached service milestones, three of them 40 years and three 35 years.

Observing 40 years of service are James W. Woods, Jr., Bluefield; and Carl T. Smith and R. I. Musser, Roanoke. The 35-year veterans are W. S. Shanks, Roanoke; J. P. Cruickshank, system; and Allen Blackburn, Pikeville.

J. W. Woods, Jr.

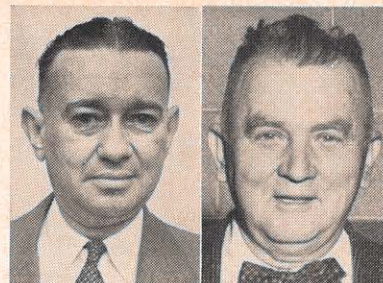
Forty years ago Mr. Woods was stopped on a Bluefield street by a friend, Wade Smith, who is now a system commercial employee. Mr. Smith was about to move into Bluefield's bookkeeping department and asked Mr. Woods if he would like his job of office boy. On May 5, 1920, Mr. Woods took the job at \$40 a month (he still has his first check), and began a long career of service.

Today he is Bluefield division payroll supervisor. He has been assistant payroll clerk, payroll clerk, department supervisor and district payroll supervisor. Born and educated in Bluefield, he is married and includes softball and baseball among his hobbies.

C. T. Smith

Thirty-eight of Mr. Smith's 40 years have been spent at Roanoke district's Niagara hydro plant, where he is chief operator. He went to work at the plant May 1, 1920 and has remained there except for two years at Roanoke's now retired Walnut Avenue steam plant.

A native of Appomattox, he is married and has two children and three grandchildren. One son works in system operating, the other at Clinch River plant. He also has two brothers with the company. His hobby is raising chickens.



Mr. Woods

Mr. Smith



Mr. Musser

Mr. Shanks

R. I. Musser

"Tuck" Musser, Roanoke line foreman, joined Appalachian May 17, 1920 as a lineman after five years as a groundman and lineman with a telephone company.

A native of Smyth County, he is married and has eight children and nine grandchildren.

W. S. Shanks

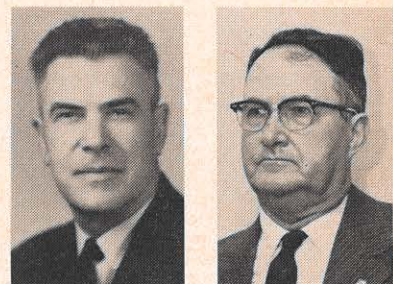
Mr. Shanks, Roanoke station foreman, joined the company May 1, 1925 as an electrician's helper. He was an electrician, station maintenance man and assistant station foreman before becoming station foreman in 1939.

An Amherst County native, he has two children, a foster daughter and three grandchildren. His hobbies are baseball and bowling.

J. P. Cruickshank

Mr. Cruickshank, general superintendent of the system transmission and distribution department, was employed by Consolidated Electric Company, an Appalachian predecessor, at Huntington May 25, 1925. He came to Roanoke in his present position in 1946.

In 1942 he was called to active duty with the Signal Corps and commanded Air Force communication installations in Alaska and the Aleutian



Mr. Cruickshank

Mr. Blackburn

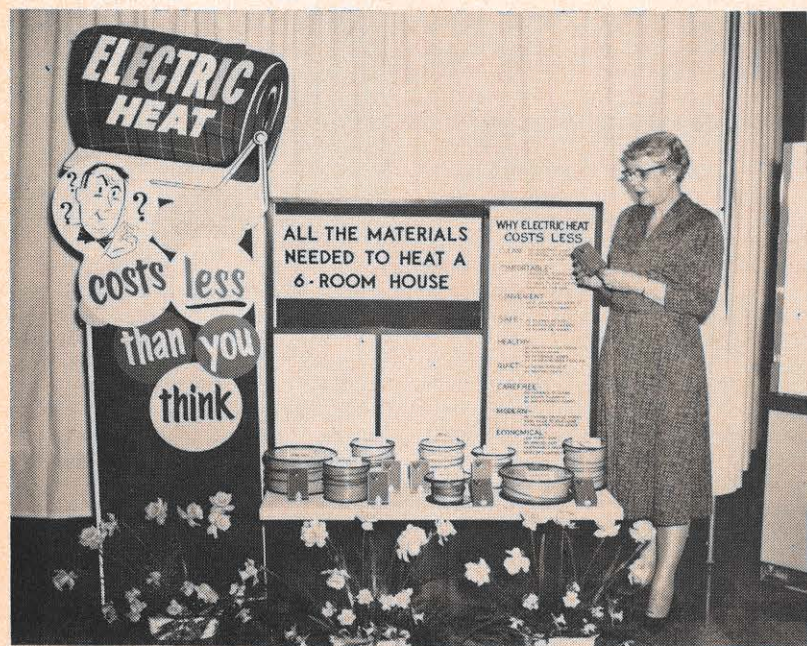
Islands with the rank of colonel. He is a member of the Second Presbyterian Church, Williamson Road Lodge 163, AF&AM, Kazim Temple of Shrine and AIEE and is a registered professional engineer in both Virginias. He is also chairman of the Roanoke City School Board. He is married and his son, Robert J., is on military leave from Philip Sporn plant, where he is an engineer.

Allen Blackburn

Mr. Blackburn, Pikeville auto repairman, joined Kentucky at Pikeville May 24, 1925. He has been in both the line and auto repair departments and has worked in several Kentucky and Appalachian districts, particularly where main transmission lines were built.

A native of Martin County, Ky., he has 10 children.

Everything On A Small Table



Roanoke recently came up with a novel, but effective, way of telling the electric heat story. Joy J. Nash, district sales display arranger, worked up this display which has all the material needed to heat a six-room house with electric cable, and with each room having its own thermostatic control. All this material is placed on a table top that measures 16 by 48 inches. In addition to this effective visual demonstration, the display also points out the reasons why electric heat is clean, comfortable, convenient, safe, healthy, quiet, modern, carefree and economical.



Camera Roundup

Clinch River Outage



A new technique to clean the air preheater baskets was worked out during a recent outage at Clinch River Unit No. 1. All 720 baskets were removed, soaked in acid solution, and then flushed with clear water at 250-lbs. per square inch.

Dogwood Queen



Nancy Blizzard was Queen of Vinton's fifth annual Dogwood Festival. Miss Blizzard, daughter of Paul B. Blizzard, Clinch River plant maintenance foreman, was chosen from a group of 13 high school seniors. She won a trip to Daytona Beach as part of her selection as queen. Photo courtesy "Roanoke Times."

Lighting Winner



Decorative outdoor lighting was described for Ashland garden club members in a demonstration arranged by home service representative Mrs. Jean Toombs, left above. With her is Mrs. Emory Gillum, winner of the door prize. Val McClusky, General Electric Company, made the presentation.

Mother Presents Award

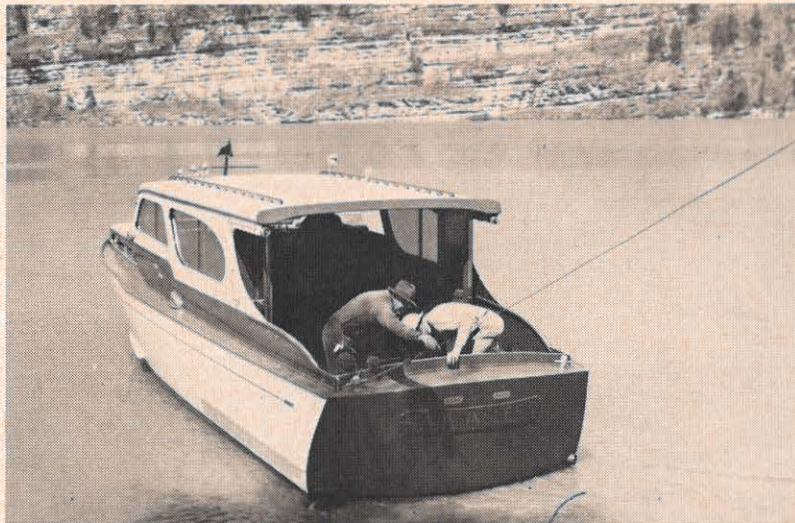


Mrs. Joe P. Gills pins an Eagle Scout award on her son Richard at ceremonies in Charleston's First Presbyterian Church. Mr. Gills, Charleston division manager, looks on at right. Man at left is J. R. Thomas II, a Scout executive in the Charleston area. Richard also holds the God and Country Award and the Order of the Arrow.

Boss Of The Year



Boss of the Year in Huntington, as chosen by the local chapter of the American Business Women's Association, was Homer P. Hagaman, Jr., Huntington district engineer. The winning write-up was submitted by Mrs. Ethel Hyldahl, draftsman in the engineering section.



Appalachian Navy

Linemen have to be sailors sometimes. Recently, replacing 1400-foot spans of conductor, O. B. Kidd's line crew in Pulaski called on Claytor Hydro for the use of "Mary Ingles II." With the boat's help, the crew, assisted by boat operator E. E. White and line supervisor W. H. Spangler, got the lines across the lake and properly hoisted.

Heating School

Chester Smith, left, power sales engineer at Pikeville, lectures to area builders and heating contractors on the technical aspects of electric heat. The school was attended by 18 different contractors who put in a total of nine class hours. Roy Sallee, general heating engineer, Ashland, and Clifford Boyd, area sales representative in Pikeville, took part in teaching the course.



Old Bulb Works



A. J. Turner, landscaping his yard at Glen Lyn, turned up this old bulb from two feet underground. Old-timers believe the bulb was used by the construction company in 1918-19 when Unit 1 was being built. The bulb still burns.

Prize Horse



Chosen by the Cherokee Horse Club of Ashland to ride as honor color guard were George Price and his prize-winning palomino Sun Dance. Mr. Price, serviceman in the Ashland district, enters his horse in competition.

Happy Midget



Midget, chihuahua owned by Charleston lineman G. R. Young, has found a foster "pup." Her own was born dead, and she became grief-stricken over it. The Youngs got a new kitty from the Charleston Animal Shelter to take the pup's place. How well it did is shown above. It's a perfectly compatible relationship so far, with Midget becoming very protective. (Photo courtesy Charleston Daily Mail)

Kingsport Employees Feted For Five Years Of Safety



Four Kingsport employees hang the 1959 Southeastern Electric Exchange Award, one of many Kingsport has earned during the last five years. The employees are, from left: F. S. Russell, foreman; Carl J. Riddle, lineman; Curtis Hurd, truck driver-groundman; and S. E. Russell, lineman.

Employees of Kingsport Utilities were honored by the company at a recent luncheon for their outstanding five-year safety record.

During those five years employees have suffered no disabling injuries, running up about 1,266,000 consecutive manhours.

C. J. Bryan, assistant general manager, speaking at the safety appreciation luncheon, thanked employees for making 1959 a spotless year, pointing out that only one employee is needed to break a record and urging that the employees continue to work safely throughout 1960.

Concluding the meeting, J. E. Wright, vice president and general manager, presented the informational program on the annual report.

Three Rescuers Too Late To Help

Three Williamson district employees on their way to work helped Williamson Lifesaving Crew men in fruitless efforts to give first aid to victims on an early morning automobile crash.

The employees found one man in the car and another beneath it. They called the Lifesaving Crew, but before help could arrive, both men died.

Ira Conn, meter serviceman, Ford Muncy, draftsman, and Charles F. Burchett, groundman, were the employees.

Service Veterans Honored



O. B. Yost
Bluefield
30 Years

Jane Abbott
Charleston
30 Years

D. R. Whittaker
Bluefield
25 Years

Mayo Goode
Charleston
25 Years



A. D. Clark
Pulaski
25 Years



W. T. Lanter
Welch
25 Years



F. E. Phillips
Pikeville
25 Years



D. M. Miller
System
20 Years



I. B. Peters
Roanoke
20 Years

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

'Top Jaycee' Title Given Ashland Man

The Martin-Wardman Memorial Award, designating him as Ashland's outstanding Jaycee of the year, has been presented David Broughton.

The Ashland engineering aide received the award because of his work at the Ashland Jaycee Youth Center. He was chairman of the organization's Youth Committee and was instrumental in the continuance of the program.

Under his guidance two rooms were renovated to increase facilities at the Center.

An employee since 1946, Mr. Broughton is married and has three sons.



Mr. Broughton

Indiana Town Sells Power System To I&M

Citizens of Decatur, Ind., at a special election in April, voted two to one to sell the community's municipal electric utility to Indiana & Michigan Electric Company.

I&M will pay \$2,099,100 for the system, including present lines, transformers and generating facilities. It serves not only Decatur and its 8,000 population, but also an outlying rural area. I&M will assume responsibility for the system July 1.



Appalachian Power Company

Abingdon District—10 YEARS: O. G. QUILLEN, head material clerk. 5 YEARS: NANCY M. CALDWELL, cashier.

Bluefield District—40 YEARS: JAMES W. WOODS, JR., division payroll supervisor. 30 YEARS: OKEY B. YOST, assistant local office manager. 25 YEARS: DAVID R. WHITTAKER, Pearisburg area supervisor. 15 YEARS: JAMES D. CASSELL, T&D clerk. 5 YEARS: PAULINE B. BOWMAN, division clerk-stenographer; DAVID R. MANN, lineman; WILLIAM A. PERDUE, meter reader.

Charleston District—30 YEARS: JANE ABBOTT, secretarial stenographer. 25 YEARS: MAYO GOODE, area serviceman. 5 YEARS: QUENTIN H. WICKLINE, division dealer sales representative.

Clinch River Plant—5 YEARS: LUTHER C. HOUCHINS, plant personnel supervisor.

Glen Lyn Plant—10 YEARS: JAMES E. BROWN, instrument maintenance man; ESTEL W. DeHART, maintenance man.

Huntington District—15 YEARS: MARY K. WILCOX, head cashier.

Kanawha River Plant—5 YEARS: A. D. KRAFT, administrative assistant.

Logan District—5 YEARS: B. J. BRUMFIELD, lineman.

Pulaski District—25 YEARS: A. D. CLARK, district superintendent.

Roanoke District—40 YEARS: R. I. MUSSER, line foreman; C. T. SMITH, chief hydro operator. 35 YEARS: W. S. SHANKS, station foreman. 20 YEARS: I. B. PETERS, JR., district personnel supervisor. 5 YEARS: A. W. BONDS, car washer; H. M. SMYTHERS, commercial sales engineer.

Philip Sporn Plant—10 YEARS: JOHN T. REITMIRE, master maintenance man; CHARLES D. YEAGER, master maintenance man.

System—35 YEARS: J. P. CRUICKSHANK, general superintendent system T&D department. 20 YEARS: D. M. MILLER, area development director. 15 YEARS: M. G. CAPASSO, work order cost billing clerk. 10 YEARS: A. B. PURDY, system relay engineer.

Welch District—25 YEARS: W. T. LANTER, head material clerk.

Williamson District—10 YEARS: JACK RIDDLE, T&D clerk.

Kentucky Power Company

Hazard District—15 YEARS: JESSE PAYNE, janitor.

Pikeville District—35 YEARS: ALLEN BLACKBURN, auto repairman. 25 YEARS: F. E. PHILLIPS, serviceman. 15 YEARS: R. L. HUFFMAN, R/w agent.

Employee Ingenuity

Vitalizing Safety Key To Abingdon Program

A many-faceted comprehensive safety program, developed by employees, has gotten a successful start in the Abingdon district with blessings from the district safety department.

This re-emphasis of safety, initiated by the employees using their own ingenuity, is producing results: at press time, the district had suffered no disabling injuries since the program began January 1.

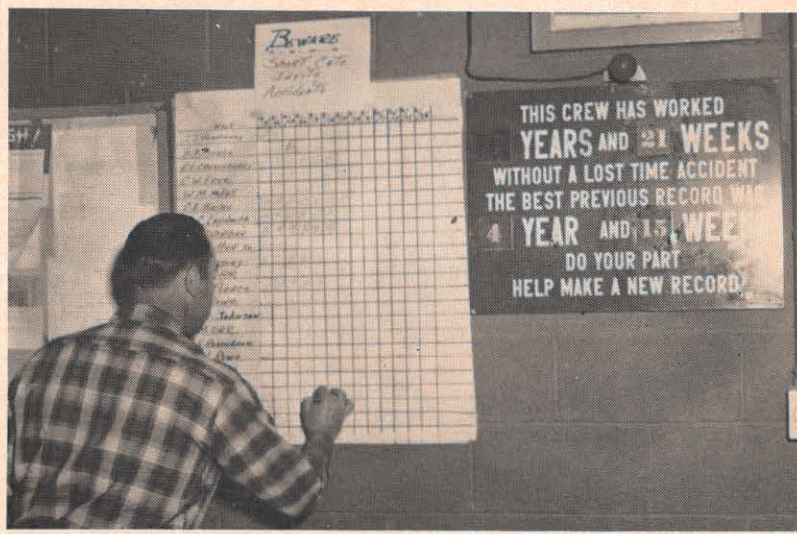
The interesting thing about the program is that employees in different locations of the district—at Abingdon and Russell, Dickenson and Scott Counties—have approached the problem in different ways, and they all differ from that taken by the district safety department.

Lights

In Abingdon, the line and station crews and stores employees have erected a light over a large enamel sign in their headquarters. The sign itself relates how long employees have worked since the last disabling injury, and as long as none occur, the light burns green. If there is a near accident, or an infraction of a safety rule is observed, a yellow light burns for a week. And if a disabling injury occurs, a red light burns for a month.

Chart

After a safety meeting held each week, an employee changes the sign to read another week since the last disabling injury. In addition, the sign contains a chart with the names of all employees and with a safety message, which is changed monthly. Employees are expected to initial the chart each week.



S. W. Jackson, Abingdon material clerk, initials a chart of employees' names to show that he has read the safety message above the chart. At right is a system of signs and lights showing the location's safety progress.

In Russell County, employees have formed the Russell County Safety Club. Club members pledge to observe all safety rules, work safely each day, take time to work safely, look out for fellow workers, be open minded and to exert every effort to prevent accidents on the job and at home.

Slogan

A safety slogan contest has been developed by Dickenson County employees. The bi-weekly slogan chosen as best is typed on a card and given to the first person seen committing an unsafe act. This person must retain possession of the card until he sees another employee committing an unsafe act, and then gives it to him. The holder of the card

Oak Hill Civitans Select R. D. Smith

The new president of the Oak Hill Civitan Club is Robert D. Smith, Oak Hill local office supervisor in the Beckley district.



Mr. Smith

A member of the club for three years, he was secretary-treasurer in 1958. He joined the company in 1938 as cashier and went to Oak Hill in his present position in 1958.

Mr. Smith, a native of Dempsey, W. Va., is married and has one son.

Ashland Man Wins Newspaper Contest

R. A. Macomb, general residential and rural sales supervisor for Kentucky Power Company, came up with the winning slogan in an Ashland newspaper contest.



Mr. Macomb

The idea was to pick a phrase for use by the Audit Bureau of Circulation in promotional campaigns. The ABC is a national organization that checks and certifies paid circulation figures for printed media all over the country.

Mr. Macomb won an attache case for "If it's ABC Certified, Your ad dollar is fortified". It was sent along to the ABC by the Ashland Daily Independent for entry in the national contest.

Fieldale Line "Navy" Takes To Boats To Supply Power For U. S. Navy Tests



B. C. Harlowe, Fieldale lineman, steps into a boat on his way to energize a transformer to serve new Navy testing facilities.

For a short time recently, Fieldale had its own "navy", made up of line employees, to provide electric power to the United States Navy.

When the U.S. Navy decided on Philpott Reservoir for an underwater sound test installation, after checking many sites in the country, the company was asked to supply power for laboratory testing equipment.

So the Fieldale crews went to work, using water transportation to reach the project, which is located on an island in the lake. Poles and transformers were moved by barge and wire was strung by motor boat. The semi-permanent service was connected to an existing line at Goose Point Recreation Area.

Scout Scholarship Won by Employee At Rocky Mount

For his outstanding service to boys, George D. Bratton, Jr. has been awarded a Golden Anniversary Philmont Training Scholarship by the National Council of the Boy Scouts of America. It is the only one in Virginia.



Mr. Bratton

The scholarship will entitle the Rocky Mount lineman of the Roanoke district to participate in the Boy Scouting Conference at the Philmont Training Center at Cimarron, N. M., July 13-19. The scholarship also covers conference fees for his wife.

Scoutmaster of Troop 363, Burnt Chimney, he has held the position for 2 1/2 years.

For Better Drivers



Working on the written portion of the company's Driver Improvement Training Program are some of the 103 Welch employees who recently completed the course. The program has two advantages—those who are good drivers and in good physical shape find this out, and those who have bad driving habits or correctible physical conditions have these drawbacks pinpointed. Among the results of the Welch test were these: a few found their night vision was not as good as it had been, some found reaction time slowing, others found they needed glasses to correct vision. While it is true the majority of the employees passed the tests they too were reminded of what it takes to be a good driver.

DeCracker Promoted To New York Post

Richard H. DeCracker, engineer in the AEP Service Corporation's system production coordination group at Columbus, has been promoted to the service corporation's headquarters in New York.

Succeeding him as administrative assistant in charge of the interconnection interchange and statistical group at Columbus is D. F. McNaughtan. Mr. DeCracker will assist in activities of the technical education and training section.

Mr. DeCracker holds a BS degree from Clarkson Tech, and joined the service corporation at the Philo (Ohio) plant as junior engineer in 1949. In 1951 he was named assistant engineer and transferred to Columbus. He was promoted to engineer in 1956.

Mr. McNaughtan is a 32-year veteran with the system. He joined Ohio Power in 1927 at Pomeroy, and later worked at Portsmouth and South Point. He went to the service corporation in Columbus in 1954.

Illness Fatal To Blake Oney



Mr. Oney

Blake J. Oney, 53, Williamson engineering aide, died May 8 following an illness of five days.

He joined the company in March 1935 as a rural survey statistician and served as area sales representative before becoming engineering aide in 1959.

Born in Williamson, he was a veteran of World War II and a member of the First Methodist Church and the BPO Elks Lodge.

He is survived by his wife, two sisters and two brothers. Funeral services were conducted at the Allen Funeral Home Chapel with burial at Fairview Cemetery.

Bluefield Employee Heads Local NSA

Mary Ruth Chambers, system secretarial-stenographer, has been elected president of the Bluefield chapter of the National Secretaries Association for 1960-61. She is a charter member of the group, organized in 1955. Membership is now 35.

Mrs. Chambers has been active in the state organization as well, serving the past year as West Virginia Division recording secretary.

Other civic activities include membership in the Music Lovers' Club, Eastern Star, and the official board of the First Methodist Church.

She is the wife of E. K. Chambers, system electrical engineer.



Mrs. Chambers

Abingdon Ham Operator, James Cole, Wins Broadcast License For His Radio



James Cole, Abingdon district commercial sales engineer, fiddles with the dials at station K4HRO. He received his license at the end of March.

James M. Cole became a ham in March, a genuine, southwest Virginia ham, license number K4HRO.

With that license, awarded by the Federal Communications Commission, Mr. Cole got official permission to enter the super-world of the radio amateur, bounded by wave-lengths and faraway friends.

Not long after he got his license at the end of March, Mr. Cole talked with another ham in Kodiak, Alaska, his farthest contact to date. Soon however, the addition of new equipment to his rig will bring in many more foreign contacts this fall.

Mr. Cole, a commercial sales engineer in Abingdon, got started in radio and electronics during his freshman year in high school. In his last year, and during summers between college terms he operated a radio and sound equipment repair service. Later, during the war, he worked with motion picture sound equipment. He joined Appalachian in 1950.

Youth Wins Contest; To View Government

Jerry Howard Lawson will spend a week in Washington this summer seeing how our government is run.



Jerry Lawson

The son of R. H. Lawson, resident engineer at Philip Sporn plant, Jerry was a winner of the "Week in Washington" contest sponsored by Rep. Ken Hechler.

He will work in Rep. Hechler's office, see Congress and its committees in action, meet and interview government officials and participate in other activities.

A 16-year-old junior at Point Pleasant High School, Jerry is active in many school functions.

Pulaski Personals

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J. B. Brillheart, Jr., draftsman, has been elected church school superintendent at the Pulaski First Methodist Church.

Glen Lyn Plant

C. L. Spangler attended the state safety conference in Richmond.

E. A. Painter attended the national convention of Industrial Management Clubs.

Clinch River Plant

Four employees were elected officers of the Lebanon Lions Club. They are: R. E. Senter, assistant plant manager, first vice president; E. D. Buskirk, shift operating engineer, third vice president; L. C. Houchins, Jr., personnel supervisor, secretary-treasurer; and N. E. Minnick, unit foreman, director.

Bluefield District

Earl A. Jackson, Jr., Pearisburg local office supervisor, has been elected first vice president of the Pearisburg Lions Club.

Mary Ruth Chambers, delegate from the Music Lovers' Club of Bluefield, attended the Virginia state convention of Junior Federation of Music Clubs.

Susan Kay, daughter of Roy J. Kidd, meter serviceman, has returned to school following hospitalization.

Mrs. Leonard W. Robinette, wife of the power sales engineer, has been elected secretary of the Xi Alpha Iota Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi.

Mrs. Alonzo Henderson, wife of the janitor; Ernest L. Norman, retired employee; and Warren E.

Brooks, retired employee, have returned to their homes after hospitalization.

W. J. Gillespie, Jr., district manager, has been named a director of the Bluefield Area Development Corporation.

G. S. Helton, meter serviceman, and E. Vance Dunn, Bland area serviceman, have returned to work following extended illnesses.

Archie G. Phlegar, Princeton heating and builder sales engineer, is the new treasurer of the Princeton Lions Club.

Judith Bressler, daughter of retired employee Otto Bressler, has been named vice president of the chorus and alumnae secretary of Mu Phi Epsilon, national professional music sorority at Mary Washington College.

Ryland Y. Bailey, heating and builder sales engineer, has been elected treasurer of the Bluefield Jaycees.

Mrs. M. R. Callaway, wife of the R/w agent, has been elected treasurer of the Graham High Band Club.

Abingdon District

O. G. Quillen, head material clerk, has returned to work following surgery.

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

Sympathy is extended Forrest L. Bocock, district sales supervisor, on the death of his mother-in-law, and H. S. Taylor, meter serviceman, on the death of his father.

Five Students Recipients Of High Honors At School



Patricia Swiney

Honors have come to several sons and daughters of employees in our companies in recent weeks.

Honored were Patricia Swiney, Logan; Suzanne Wolpert and Jerry Wiles, Philip Sporn plant; Judith Ann Baker, Ashland; and Sherry Kees, Kanawha River plant.

Pat Swiney, daughter of Hursten Swiney, Madison area working foreman in the Logan district, was awarded a four-year art scholarship by Morris Harvey College at Charleston. The young artist plans to enter school this fall. She recently graduated from Scott High School at Madison.

Suzanne Wolpert, daughter of Philip J. Wolpert, Sporn plant operations supervisor, was valedictorian for Wahama High School. She also was the recipient of the Balfour Award, a gold medal, for scholarship, loyalty and achievements. She plans

Music Club Elects Pulaskian President

New president of the Blacksburg Music Club is Martha Horne, home service representative in the Christiansburg area of the Pulaski district.



Mrs. Horne

A member for four years, she recently served as a delegate from the club to the state meeting in Alexandria. Mrs. Horne has been an Appalachian employee since March 1946. She holds a degree in home economics from Madison College. Heading the list of her hobbies is, naturally, cooking, but she also likes bridge and sewing.

Science Fair Attention-Getter



"Radiant Heat—The Modern Way", using a house built to scale, was a prize winning Science Fair project of Patricia Hancock, left, and Brenda Fain. Patricia is the daughter of Virginia Hancock, Fieldale home service representative. The project won first honorable mention for the eighth graders at the Fair at Drewry-Mason High School. The house has a removable roof and ceiling, to which heating cable has been stapled. The project also featured samples of insulation, a thermostat and aluminum foil. The two girls during the Fair explained electric heat and distributed literature furnished by Appalachian to hundreds who stopped at the display.



Suzanne Wolpert Jerry Wiles



Judith Ann Baker Sherry Kees

to attend Ohio State University to study nursing. Suzanne is a member of several school organizations and the school band and received the DAR American History Award her junior year and the DAR Good Citizen Award this year.

Jerry Wiles, son of Karl M. Wiles, head—general books at Sporn, also received the Balfour Award at Wahama's graduation exercises. In addition, he received the Danforth Foundation Award in recognition of his quality of leadership. Like Suzanne, Jerry is also active in school functions, and was secretary and treasurer of his senior class.

Judith Ann Baker, daughter of F. M. Baker, Kentucky Power vice president and general manager, was awarded The Encyclopedia of Literature for her outstanding record at Ashland Senior High School.

Made annually by the Smith College Club of Kentucky, the award's purpose is to stimulate interest in the pursuing of studies, especially in the classics. Judith Ann, a junior, also became a member of the Honor Society recently and will go to Girls' State this month.

Sherry Kees, who is the daughter of S. E. Kees, maintenance man at Kanawha River plant, was chosen to attend Lion's State this summer at Camp Horseshoe at Parson, W. Va. She is one of two eleventh graders to be so honored, and her selection was based on recommendations of the faculty of her school.

A straight A student, Sherry is a member of several school groups, plays in the band and will be editor of the school paper during her senior year.

Three Couples Married

Wells-Walker

A double ring ceremony performed April 29 at the Grundy Baptist Church united Linda Lou Wells and General C. Walker. Mrs. Walker is the daughter of Frank E. Wells, Grundy working foreman in the Welch district.



Mr. and Mrs. General C. Walker

Brown-Russell

Violet Brown and Richard W. Russell were married May 9 in a single ring ceremony performed at Pomeroy, O. Mr. Russell is a laborer at Philip Sporn Plant.

Santolla-Lawrence

The Methodist Church of Sparta, N. C., was the setting for the wedding of Juanita Santolla and Robert D. Lawrence. Mr. Lawrence is a Grundy meter reader in the Welch district.

Huntington . . .

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Huntington District

Nancy, daughter of Huntington division manager H. D. Stillman, has been elected president of the senior class at Agnes Scott College in Decatur, Ga.

C. M. Dunn, administrative assistant, and B. L. Moore, heating and builder sales representative, have returned to work after hospitalization.

A. L. Merrifield, electrical engineer, has returned to his home after suffering a heart attack while visiting his daughter in North Carolina.

Stella Cooper, T&D engineering section, and James H. Lackey, T&D meter section, have returned to work following surgery.

Walter U. Blatt, line section, is back at work after an illness.

Sympathy is extended Roy Birnbaum on the death of his mother; H. I. Simmons, on the death of his father; Inis D. Nebel on the death of her father-in-law; and Willie F. Kates on the death of his stepfather-in-law.

Employee's Daughter Makes Spelling Mark

Beverly Lynn Altizer outlasted all other elementary school pupils in the Wayne County spelling finals, but finally succumbed to junior high schoolers to finish ninth.



Beverly Altizer

The daughter of Victor D. Altizer, Huntington head material clerk, Beverly Lynn spelled her way to the sixth grade championship at Westmoreland Elementary School, scoring perfectly on 95 words, to advance to the county finals. For her achievement she received a certificate of merit and a pen.

"Temporary" Job Lasts 34 Years



Mrs. Marcus

What started out as a temporary job in 1926 ended June 1 with the retirement of Mrs. Mildred V. Marcus in Lynchburg.

Mrs. Marcus joined the company in Lynchburg in October 1926 to do clerical change-over work when Appalachian acquired the Lynchburg Traction and Light Company. The job was supposed to last six weeks.

At the end of that period she became the switchboard operator and remained in that job until 1935 when she moved to the commercial department as merchandise clerk. In April 1949 she became service contract clerk, the position she held at retirement.

Mrs. Marcus plans to live in Lynchburg with her husband, Richard F. Marcus.

Highest Honor Goes To Young Bandsman

Patricia Kaye Machir has been named recipient of the highest honor a band member at Point Pleasant High School can receive, that of "Bandsman of the Year."



Patti Machir

The daughter of W. F. Machir, head T & D Clerk, Patti was chosen because she has been outstanding in cooperation, interest, achievements and services rendered for the betterment of the band.

A 16-year-old junior, she has been playing a musical instrument for 7 years, three with the band. She plays the baritone saxophone, and also plays for a stage band and a dance combo. She was named to the All-State Band last year. She is also active in other school and church groups.

They're Engaged

MARY ANNE BUCHANAN to Mason A. Vaughan Jr. Miss Buchanan is a home service representative in Abingdon district, and Mr. Vaughan is a chemist assistant at the Clinch River Plant.

SARA LYNNE ECHOLS to John James Chamberlain. Miss Echols is the daughter of E. E. Echols, Roanoke division radio engineer.

CAROLYN CHAPMAN to Alvin F. Phaup, Jr. Miss Chapman is the daughter of C. N. Chapman, Huntington district auto repairman.

REBECCA JEAN BROWN to Robert O. Ragland. Mr. Ragland is a Roanoke district draftsman.

JOAN MARIE VANNOY to Frederick Lynn Hamb. Miss Vannoy is the daughter of Paul M. Vannoy, Huntington division power sales engineer.

VICKI ELIZABETH JOHNSTON to George Nelson Havens. Mr. Havens is a co-op student in the Roanoke district.

JUDITH C. ROLLINS to John D. Dorton. Miss Rollins is an Abingdon district home service representative.



New Arrivals



Charleston

MR. AND MRS. LLOYD SANFORD, a daughter, Fonda Lynn, May 1. Mr. Sanford is a groundman.

MR. AND MRS. W. R. WOODYARD, a son, Kenneth Warren, April 15. Mr. Woodyard is a commercial sales representative.

Hazard

MR. AND MRS. S. J. CORNETT, a son, Gregory Clay, May 13. Mr. Cornett is an appliance serviceman.

Huntington

MR. AND MRS. E. C. HUGHES, JR., a

daughter, May 19. Mr. Hughes is a lineman.

Kanawha River Plant

MR. AND MRS. J. W. PAXTON, JR., a son, John Scott, April 30. Mr. Paxton is an auxiliary equipment operator.

MR. AND MRS. C. H. PETRY, a son, Tony Craig, May 4. Mr. Petry is a maintenance helper.

System

MR. AND MRS. JAMES B. MITCHELL, a son, Michael Shannon, May 7. Mrs. Mitchell is a former system transmission line employee in Bluefield.



Appalachian Power Company

Charleston District

J. R. BOSTIC from station man B to station man A; KEITH LAZENBY, R/w supervisor, from division to system; SUE SHEETS from merchandise order and billing clerk to stenographer; C. T. YOUNG from lineman C to lineman B.

Huntington District

BARBARA L. CALHOUN from credit and collection clerk to contract clerk, senior.

Roanoke District

H. A. CAMPBELL from groundman to lineman C; J. P. DOSS, from lineman B to lineman A; C. J. PUFFENBARGER from groundman to lineman C; MARION SHANK from payroll clerk to payroll clerk, senior; J. A. WHEELER from T&D clerk to T&D clerk, senior.

Philip Sporn Plant

CLAIRE BLACKWOOD from clerk-typist to clerk-stenographer.

Kentucky Power Company

Pikeville District

DORIS S. ROBINSON from payroll clerk to merchandise order and billing clerk.

'Fitness' Title Earned By Youth

Ability in a tough six-test program has earned Roanoke's "Mr. Physical Fitness" title for John Swim.



John Swim

John, son of Mrs. H. E. Swim, system T&D stenographer, was the senior division titlist in the first annual Youth Fitness program sponsored by the Roanoke Jaycees. The high school junior won out over entries from his and other high schools. Each of the city's high and junior high schools ran eliminations and entered 15 boys each in the senior and junior divisions. A total of 85 competed.

John, who is 16 years old, scored 1,081 points, 38 more than the second place finisher, in push-ups, sit-ups, squat-thrusts, standing broad jump, 300-yard run and cross country. At a Jaycee dinner meeting John was presented a trophy and another went to his school.

Camera Club Selects Hively

Ronald H. Hively, Charleston division commercial manager, is the new president of the Charleston Camera Club.



Mr. Hively

The club is an affiliate of the Photographic Society of America, and has lent its collective talents to a number of local public activities, including the Red Cross, United Fund and garden club projects. Mr. Hively has won a number of ribbons and prizes for his pictures. In addition to this hobby, Mr. Hively is also a member and past chairman of the West Virginia section of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers, and a member and past vice president of the Charleston Chapter of Professional Engineers. He also served as chairman of the 1960 Engineers Week in Charleston.

At Roanoke Tourney

Melvin Brown Tightens Hold On Golf Title



LEFT: D. C. Kennedy, Lynchburg district manager, stands between the winner and runner-up of the annual Roanoke System and Division Golf Tournament. He is presenting awards to the winner, Melvin W. Brown, as the runner-up, L. R. Hawks, watches. RIGHT: Turn about is fair play, as Mr. Kennedy is the recipient of an award. A framed

Just as Sam Snead has made his annual golf tournament his own, so Melvin W. Brown is ruling the annual Roanoke System and Division Golf Tournament.

For the third year in a row, the Fieldale local office manager walked away with top honors in the tourney, shooting a low net of 73. He got

Final Pins Fall In Four Bowling Leagues

Bowling seasons rolled to an end at four of our locations, while at least one other employee group, at Logan plant, is preparing to open a season.

The Pulverizers won at Philip Sporn plant, the Meteorites at Huntington, the Photocells at Williamson and the Bow Caps at Kanawha River plant.

Meanwhile, Logan plant entered a team for this summer in the Logan Industrial Bowling League. Called the Power Plant, the team is made up of C. E. Baisden, R. L. Carter, W. W. Dalley, Orville Napier, R. L. McComas, W. H. Rader and D. F. Woolcock. Mr. McComas heads the team.

At Sporn

At Sporn, the Pulverizers took the second half crown and went on to defeat the Kilowatts in the championship. Junie Gibbs had high average of 181, high individual game of 256 and high set of 669. The Pulverizers rolled high team game of 958 and high set of 2708. Paul Forbes won an ABC belt buckle as the most improved bowler and triplicate patches went to John Taylor and Rome Williamson for three identical scores in a set.

To put final touches on their season, Sporn bowlers conducted a tournament in which Tennant's Shift won the team event. Paul Forbes and Bill Winebrenner combined to take the doubles crown and Harold Rus-

Coveted Scout Award Goes To Grundy Man

The Scoutmaster's Key, a highly coveted honor among Scouting leaders, has been awarded W. T. Collins.



Mr. Collins

The Grundy local office supervisor, in the Welch district, received the rare honor at a ceremony in Pikeville. A stipulation of the award is that the recipient must have been a scoutmaster for at least three years. The award is based on training, performance and service.



LEFT: Members of the Sporn plant champs, the Pulverizers, are: front, Cricket Searls, captain; back row from left: Dorwin Clark, Willis Dudding, James Haggerty, Fred Smith and Junie Gibbs. RIGHT: The Meteorites won the Hunt-



ington crown with these team members: front row from left: Genny Taylor and Dorcas Lindsey; back row from left: Charles Hoschar, Roy Bates and Ted Smith. These leagues completed their seasons last month.

sell won both the singles and the all events awards. Harold also combined with Les Damewood to take the doubles event in the Pomeroy City Bowling League Tournament.

Huntington Loop

The Meteorites stopped the No-Volts in a roll-off to win the APCo Kilowatt Bowling League crown in Huntington. Individual trophy winners in the league were Dorcas Lindsey, high woman's single game of 189; and Ted Smith for men's high single of 274.

New officers named for next year include Robert D. Kuster, president; Paul R. Baker, vice president; Charles Hoschar, treasurer; and J. O. Triplett, secretary.

At Williamson

The Photocells won the first half crown, then came back to beat second-half winning Kilowatts to take the Williamson Bowling League championship. J. E. Runyon had high average of 154 and high single of 221 and M. A. Cole rolled high series of 557.

KRP Bowlers

Fifty pins was the margin the Bow Caps won by over the Yogi Bears to take first in the Kanawha Bowling League. Trophies went to: Bob Vickers for high average of 163 and high set of 590; Wiley Gwinn for high single of 232 and high single with handicap; and Chuck Hudnall for high series with handicap of 777.



TOP: Members of the Williamson Bowling League champions are, from left: Leonard Justice, Moir Nowlin, M. A. Cole, Ernest Bailey and E. J. Clouser. Absent from the picture is B. L. Curry. BOTTOM: Kanawha River's winning team includes, from left: C. R. Hudnall, George Youell, R. A. Fields, J. W. Kitchen, Willie Haddad, Max Stanley and C. H. Mooney.

Beckley . . .

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Beckley District

Danny F. Wilkerson, co-op student, has returned for another work assignment.

L. C. Molohan has returned to work after a three months' absence due to surgery.

Charles F. Ellison, Oak Hill area serviceman, is off from work due to a broken heel.

Sympathy is extended Carlos J. Dobbins and Cecil H. Buckland on the death of their brothers-in-law, and Robert Loudermilk on the death of his grandmother.

Lynchburg . . .

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poration network on children's day. Robert is the son of E. D. Layne, T&D clerk.

R. A. Tibbs, division power engineer, J. T. Hill, R/w agent, and Loyd T. Smith, administrative assistant, were appointed members of the investigating committee of Elks Lodge in Lynchburg.

W. L. Booth, Jr., district electrical engineer, and his son, Richard, received the honorary DeMolay legion of honor, and chevelier degree, respectively, from the DeMolay organization.

Fieldale District

Virginia G. Hancock, home service representative, was elected for a three-year term on the Patrick-Henry Tuberculosis Association board of directors.

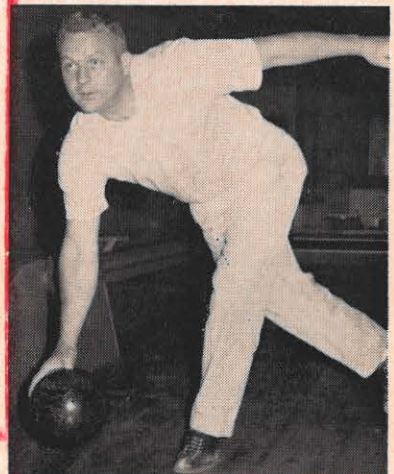
C. A. Fudge, utility clerk, has returned to work after an illness.

Keene Shot Drops For Hole In One

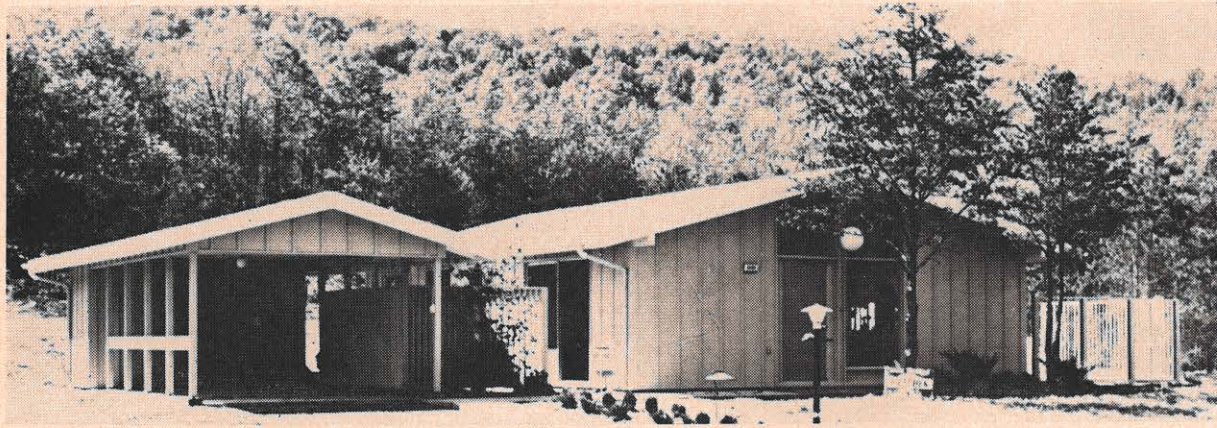
The hole was 130 yards long and was labeled par three. O. A. Keene chose a nine iron, hit the ball and recorded his second hole in one in three years.

The Fieldale employee was playing in a threesome at the Dan Valley Golf Course in Mayodan, N. C. when he made his rare shot. One of the others playing with him was L. R. Hawks, Stuart employee. His other hole in one came in 1958 on the Mount Airy Country Club course.

Sets Alley Record



T. J. Rose's three-game set score of 704 broke a ten-year-old record in a Point Pleasant bowling alley last month. Mr. Rose, Point Pleasant T&D clerk, rolled games of 229, 233 and 242 with the Men's Classic League. He has also competed for 16 years in the West Virginia state bowling tournament.



One of 16 Total Electric homes constructed across the nation by the Westinghouse Electric Corporation is this one in Roanoke. Wholly contemporary, it features cathedral ceilings and colorful decorations.

Total Electric Home In Roanoke One Of 16 Built By Westinghouse To Promote Concept

Appalachian's cooperation with Westinghouse Electric Corporation and its Total Electric Home concept is bringing national recognition to Roanoke.

Recently completed in the city was one of 16 model Total Electric Gold Medallion Homes Westinghouse is constructing this year in its \$3-million program to increase public recognition of the concept. Called "The Dogwood," the home is in Roanoke's Mill Mountain Estates and is featured in a series in *Better Homes and Gardens* magazine's "Home Building Ideas For 1960."

A Westinghouse spokesman points

out that the Total Electric home is one in which electricity is used as the only source of energy to heat and cool the home, and for other home uses. Further, "We're convinced that the future of the Total Electric Home is assured. The point that our 1960 program will emphasize is that it is available today—in any price range, any style, any size, in any section of the country." The 16 homes, designed by five leading architectural firms, vary in their size, price and style.

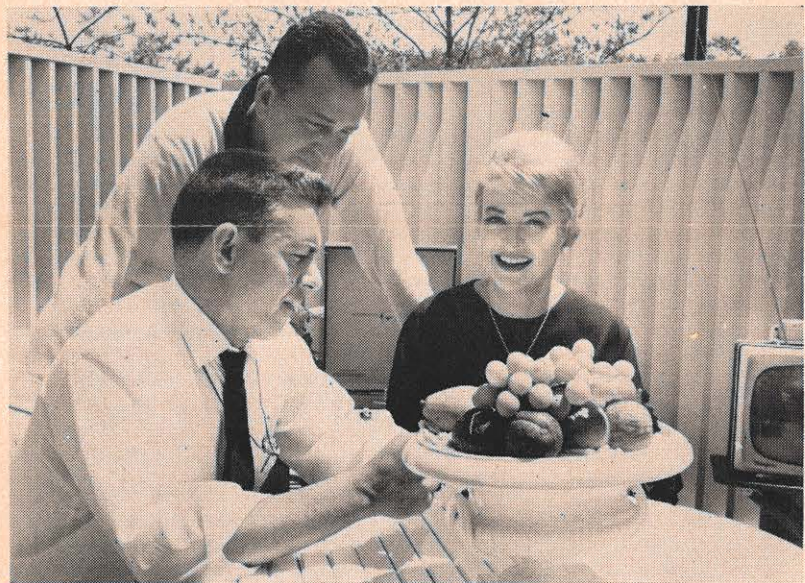
The Roanoke home has 1,000 square feet, is of dry wall construction and features a cathedral type

ceiling in the living room and two bedrooms. The house also features a food preparation center, entertainment center, laundry room, study, carport and outdoor living center.

Open House began May 8, and during the first two weeks over 3,000 people saw the home. It will be sold for \$14,950.

Appalachian commercial personnel in Roanoke worked closely with Westinghouse, the local supervising architect and builder in the construction and in the promotion of the house. Representatives also manned the home during Open House to explain its features.

Betty Furness, personality of Westinghouse commercials, came to Roanoke prior to the Open House to film commercials that were used on her company's Desilu Playhouse television programs May 13 and June 3.



Betty Furness, television personality, and two members of her technical crew talk over the commercials that were filmed at the Roanoke Total Electric home. They are in the outdoor living area of the home. Photo courtesy "Roanoke World-News."

Construction Work Begins On Plant

Work on the new P. Lorillard Company tobacco processing plant near Danville, in the Fieldale district, has begun. There will be more than 14 acres of floor space in the \$7-million structure, part of which will be a warehouse.

The plant and production equipment will be in operation in time to process the December 1961 tobacco crop, and the warehouse will be ready to store the December 1960 crop. It will employ approximately 1,000.

The plant's electrical load will be approximately 3,000 kw.

Integrating Safety Concerns New Council

Integrating safety into the operation of the company, and placing the responsibility of implementing and activating safety on the shoulders of those who administer and supervise the various functions of the company, is the chief aim of Appalachian's recently appointed Accident Prevention Advisory Council.

The Council, which is replacing the general safety committee and three system safety subject committees, held its first meeting in Roanoke May 9 and 10. Its members

were appointed by R. E. Hodges, Appalachian vice president and general manager, and at the meeting D. C. Duncan, system safety director, was chosen chairman, J. P. Cruickshank, general superintendent of system T&D, was named vice chairman, and W. S. Kitchen, assistant safety director, became secretary.

Also included in the Council's scope of activities are formulating safe practices and procedures as they relate to the multiple facets of the company operations, serving as ad-

visory group to the system safety department on matters of accident prevention, and reviewing accident reports and studying new tools and equipment for the purpose of evolving safer, more economical and more efficient methods of performing work.

The Council is unique in its organization because it brings together staff personnel and representatives of the line organization in a cooperative effort to establish policies that will aid in the broad field of accident prevention.



Members of Appalachian's Accident Prevention Advisory Council pause during the organization's first meeting. Beginning on the left side of the table, the members are P. J. Johnson, Roanoke; L. B. Lee, Bluefield; C. E. Archer, Clinch River plant; W. S. Kitchen, Roanoke; D. C. Duncan, Roanoke; W. W. Krebs, Roanoke; J. P. Cruickshank, Roanoke; G. W. Unangst, Charleston; G. F. Schwartz, Huntington, and E. W. Hogg, Roanoke.

Fuel Conservation Cited By Department Of Interior

Philip Sporn, president of AEP and of our companies, has been presented the annual Conservation Service Award of the U.S. Department of the Interior.

The presentation was made at a New York dinner May 26 by Royce A. Hardy, the Department's Assistant Secretary for Mineral Resources. In a citation letter presented to Mr. Sporn, Secretary of the Interior Fred A. Seaton wrote that the coveted award was "in recognition of the valuable services you have rendered as a proponent of conservation of the fuels of the United States."

Secretary Seaton specifically cited Mr. Sporn's contribution to the conservation of fuels through improved utilization practices including advanced design and operation of the heat pump; numerous improvements in the transmission of electricity at high voltages; and pioneering in the generation of electricity by steam operating at high temperatures and pressures—resulting in a steady in-

crease in the efficiency of generating electric energy from coal and the conservation of fuels.

"The research and development in which you are now engaged," Mr. Seaton said, "gives promise of further efficiency in the conversion of fuel to electrical energy and a further conservation of our fuel resources."

Among those attending the meeting were R. E. Hodges, Appalachian vice president and general manager; John S. Battle, AEP director and former governor of Virginia, and other representatives of the electric utility industry, the electrical manufacturing industry, the coal industry and the Department of Interior's Bureau of Mines. Present from the latter, in addition to Mr. Hardy, were Marling J. Ankeny, Bureau Director, and T. Reed Scollon, Chief of its Division of Bituminous Coal. Graham Claytor, director and retired vice president of AEP, was master of ceremonies.

Revealers Of History



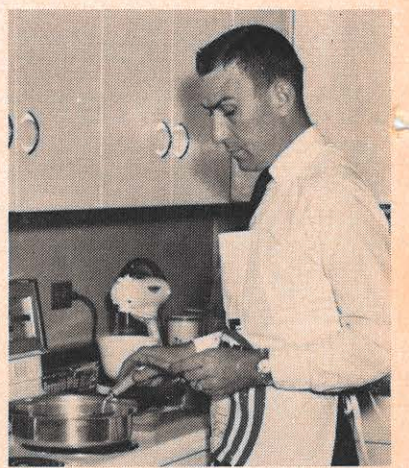
Indian relics, buried between 800 and 1600 A.D., have been found in quantity on land in Tazewell County owned by W. J. Gillespie, Jr., Bluefield district manager. Relic hunters of the area came to him last fall for permission to search the area, rumored to contain Indian graves, when plowing was done this spring. Probing with steel rods until they found soft places the hunters located 70 graves six or seven feet down. Among the treasures turned up are these: top two rows—gorgets made of conch shells, which the Indians sewed on their clothes as armor; third row—ornamental trinkets made from shells; fourth row—beads made from shells (they have been restrung); bottom row (across from left)—turkey leg awl, pottery pipe, two turtles carved from shells, bear tooth ornament, stone discs used for gaming.

C. R. Wilson Uses Engineering Traits In The Kitchen For His Cooking Hobby

Our companies' home service representatives aren't the only ones who know about cooking. C. R. Wilson, Jr., and his "scientific approach" deserve to be mentioned when the roll is called for contributions to electric cooking.

Mr. Wilson, Williamson district engineer, a master of lemon pie, biscuits, Roquefort cheese dressing and other goodies, brings to his hobby the same disciplines and precisions that mark his practicing profession. He is not, like many of those who claim to be "amateur cooks," addicted to the pinch-of-this, pinch-of-that school. When using a recipe, he follows the instructions to the letter, refusing to tamper with measurements he feels are exact.

That's when he uses recipes. When he is conducting his own cooking experiments, things, of course, are somewhat different. His technique then is best illustrated by describing his current project, developing a spaghetti sauce. Each time he mixes up a batch, he keeps a careful record of the ingredients added or omitted—engineering precision again—and comments on its flavor, cooking time, and other factors. In experiments like this, he says an important thing



Mr. Wilson, engineer, experimenter, and exponent of the "scientific approach" to cooking, master-of-the-barbecue, perfecter-of-chicken-and-dumplings; hard at work at home.

to remember is, in engineering talk, "cooking time relative to moisture." This is clearly a point of utmost delicacy.

Mr. Wilson's personal choice, when it comes to preparing meals, is barbecuing. His family and friends, however, vote for his chicken-and-dumplings. Mrs. Wilson claims that even though he uses every pot and pan in the kitchen, it's all worth the results.