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Show me a thoroughly satisfied man — and I will show you a failure.

—THOMAS A. EDISON

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Three awards for outstanding safety performance were accepted for all Kingsport employees by these three. They are from left: Clydetta Long, home service representative; Blanche Thompson, meter clerk; and Shirley Steadman, pre-audit clerk.

Kingsport Employees Reach 1½-Million Manhour Mark

The 112 employees of Kingsport Utilities completed 1,500,000 consecutive manhours without a disabling injury May 22.

This performance, and the awarding of three plaques for safety, were celebrated at an appreciation luncheon by employees. The occasion also marked six consecutive years of work without a disabling injury.

The three awards, accepted by Clydetta Long, Blanche Thompson and Shirley Steadman on behalf of all

employees, were the AEP System, the Southeastern Electric Exchange and the National Safety Council Awards.

J. E. Wright, vice president and general manager, thanked each employee for his efforts and cooperation in attaining this outstanding achievement. Wilson Trumbo, personnel supervisor, in announcing the 1½-million manhour mark, reminded employees they were three-fourths of the way to the 2-million manhour goal.

Two Nuclear Groups Agree To End AEC Contract On Reactor Research, Development

The East Central Nuclear Group and the Florida West Coast Nuclear Group have agreed to a request of the U. S. Atomic Energy Commission to terminate on June 10 their contract with the AEC to carry out research and development work on a nuclear power reactor, because of technical and economic uncertainties.

ECNG is made up of 14 electric utility companies, including Appalachian, Indiana & Michigan Electric Company, and Ohio Power Company. FWCNG is composed of Florida Power Corporation and Tampa Electric Company.

The two groups have been working since 1958 on development of a gas-cooled, heavy water-moderated reactor, the cost of which has been shared with the AEC. The reactor was to have been built by FWCNG in Florida as a 50,000-kilowatt prototype of a larger plant capable of operating on natural uranium fuel—provided the research and development work proved it to be technically and economically feasible.

Disappointment Expressed

ECNG officials have expressed to the AEC their disappointment at the decision of the government agency. At the same time, they promised to consider the AEC's proposal, made in conjunction with the termination request, that the ECNG utilities find means to continue exploration of natural uranium reactor systems.

The AEC action followed a proposal made in February to the AEC by the utility groups that the original contract of February 1959 be revised while work continued on the reactor project. The proposed revisions called for ECNG to continue research and development on the reactor until the end of 1962. It was expected that by then it would be known if the

project were feasible from a technical standpoint.

If the project were found to be feasible and FWCNG proceeded to construct the reactor, under the proposal the AEC would pay back to ECNG the money spent by that utility group for research and development in 1961 and 1962. This money, together with further additional contributions by ECNG up to a total of approximately \$11-million, would then have been available to help FWCNG in building the prototype reactor.

Alternate Possibility

On the other hand, if the project were found to be technically feasible but FWCNG did not proceed with construction, both ECNG and FWCNG were to refund the government's share of research and development expenses during 1961 and 1962. The commitment to refund this money did not depend on any test of the reactor's ability to provide power at a competitive price.

Under the original contract, FWCNG would have undertaken to build the prototype if the research and development work showed it to be technically feasible and if the power produced did not cost more than one-and-a-half times the price of conventionally-fueled electric power in Florida.

It was expected, in 1959, that construction of the prototype would begin in the fall of 1960. However,

Two Campaigns End

776 Electric Heat Sales Made; Hodges Commends Employees

Sales of 776 electric home heating jobs, 289 of them initiated by employees, were the outstanding results of two of the most successful campaigns in Appalachian history.

The two campaigns—the Employees' Home Heating Prospect Campaign and the Trade-In Program, in which Appalachian co-operated with Reddy Kilowatt Recommended Dealers—ran from February 1 through April 30.

The significant point of the latter campaign was that it was aimed at the conversion market, and 365 sales during the three months, or almost half, were conversions of other heating systems to electric heat. During these same three months in 1960 there were only 69 conversions. The total of 776 conversion and new home jobs is up 151 per cent over the 309 sales during February 1-April 30, 1960.

So far in 1961 a total of 846 electric heating sales, both conversions and new homes, have been reported.

During the three-month Employees' Home Heating Prospect Campaign, employees in the four divisions turned in 1,882 prospects, of which 289, or 15 per cent, have already been sold. This number should climb considerably higher

since the company and dealers are working with the remaining 1,593 prospects.

A breakdown of the employee program shows these results: Huntington—388 prospects turned in, 51 sold; Charleston—497 turned in, 94 sold; Bluefield—788 turned in, 112 sold; Roanoke—209 turned in, 32 sold.

"The results of the Employees' Home Heating Prospect Campaign are gratifying, and prove that electric heating sales are really a 'job for all of us'."

This comment came from R. E. Hodges, Appalachian vice president and general manager, at the conclusion of the three-month employee campaign.

"The 1,882 prospects turned in by employees, from which 289 sales have already resulted, is good evidence that all employees can play an important role in furthering the use of electric heating in the home. The division managers who conducted this campaign and I are proud of this showing, as I know you are."

"A campaign like this should not end with a final formal report. Sales of electric heat are important in our business, and every employee can continue to do the vital job of promoting it and selling our customers on Living Better Electrically. In this way we are enhancing the future of our company, and the future of the company determines to a large degree the future of each of us as employees."

early in 1960, it was seen that delays in crucial areas of the research would not allow completion of the reactor by the then target date of June 1963. In addition, it seemed probable that the power produced would cost more than had been allowed for in the contract.

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Marshall, Moore, Schneider Have Assumed Assignments At Three Companies' Plants

Ronald Marshall has been named manager of Kentucky Power's Big Sandy plant, now under construction near Louisa.

He is being succeeded as assistant manager of Ohio Power's Muskingum River plant by J. A. Moore, Cabin Creek plant manager. P. T. Schneider, Logan plant manager, has been named to succeed Mr. Moore at Cabin Creek.

A 26-year veteran, Mr. Marshall started his career at Windsor plant of Ohio Power in 1935. He was a test engineer and results engineer before going to Ohio's Tidd plant as plant engineer in 1945. He later became operations supervisor, and in 1953 was promoted to assistant manager at Muskingum River.

A Wheeling native, he holds a

BS degree in electrical engineering from West Virginia University. He is president of the Village Council of Beverly, O., active in Masons and Shrine and a member of the Tau Beta Pi honorary engineering fraternity. He is married.

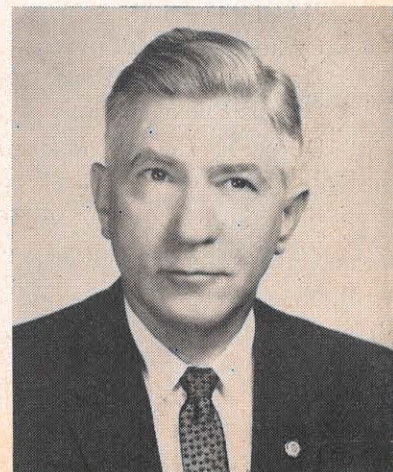
Mr. Moore, a native of Shrewsbury, was employed in 1939 at Cabin Creek. He was maintenance foreman. (See Plant, Page 3)



Mr. Marshall



Mr. Moore



Mr. Schneider

Now He Belongs To The Ages

An event took place June 4 at New York University that affects every one of us, as employees of the electric utility industry and as Americans.

On that day Thomas Alva Edison was installed in the Hall Of Fame For Great Americans. A bronze bust of the inventor of, among other things, the first practical electric light, the phonograph and the motion picture camera, was placed in the colonnade of the Hall at NYU. He joins 89 other distinguished Americans in the Hall of Fame.

Edison, the father of our industry, has often been called the "incandescent genius." During his lifetime he received 1,097 patents on his inventions, more than any other single person. There is not an American alive today who does not, in some way, feel the daily influence of the results of this man's genius.

From a humble beginning at Milan, O., where he was born February 11, 1847, he lived 84 full, productive years until his death October 18, 1931.

The year of his life that affects us the most is 1879. In this year our industry was born. In the fall of 1879 Edison invented the first practical incandescent electric lamp. It was considered perfected on October 21 when this first lamp, containing a filament of carbonized sewing thread and embodying the principles of the modern incandescent lamp, had maintained its incandescence for more than 40 hours.

Edison then proceeded to invent radical improvements in construction of dynamos, making them suitable for generators for his system of distribution of current for light, heat and power. He invented systems of distribution, regulation and measurement of electric current, including sockets, switches, fuses and so on. He climaxed this year on New Year's Eve, when he gave a public demonstration of his electric lighting system in streets and buildings at Menlo Park, N. J.

In 1880 he began seven strenuous years of invention and endeavor in extending and improving the electric light, heat and power systems. Of the 1,097 patents issued to Edison, 356 deal with electric lighting and power distribution.

In 1928, this genius of our industry, this great American, spoke these words to the future and to us.

"So long as there remains a single task being done by men or women which electricity could do as well, so long will that development be incomplete. What this development will mean in comfort, in leisure and in opportunity for the larger life of the spirit, we have only begun to realize.

"Great days are ahead of this nation and the world. And electricity will have a great part to play, granted only that it can be unfettered, with full opportunity for the largest possible individual initiative and energy."

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Your Opinion

What information should you have about the company when discussing it with your neighbors?

IN THE SPOTLIGHT



DELORES L. JOHNSTON, Secretarial Stenographer, Clinch River Plant

First and foremost, we should know what our company does to uphold, improve and add to the community in which we live. People are always interested, and justifiably so, in activities or assistance that will better their way of life or that of their children.

Too, a knowledge of our product—its benefits, advantages and, of course, its cost—is of utmost importance. We should be able to discuss intelligently the cost of our products with our neighbors as price is the primary factor in the selling of any service or commodity. Also, we should know the general organization of our company so that we can readily refer inquiries of detailed information to the proper source within the company.

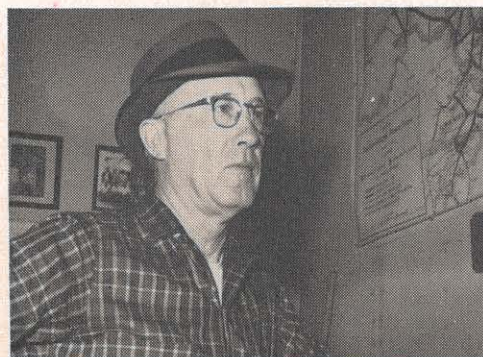


J. R. DAVENPORT, Administrative Assistant, System

Of course, we should know about our company's rates, regulation and other policies. But there are other important matters.

First of all, we should be familiar enough to be able to talk intelligently about the appliances and other electric uses we are selling. The most important of these uses is electric heating. We must be able to explain to our neighbors the very real advantages that electric heat offers. Most people are quite interested in hearing what we have to say on this subject.

Another important story we must tell is our position as an investor-owned power company versus government-owned power groups such as TVA and the REA Coops. Many people ask questions regarding the differences in taxes paid, interest costs, rates, etc. We should be able to share the true information about those questions with our neighbors.



JAMES D. CASSELL, T&D Clerk, Bluefield

As Appalachian employees it is our duty, and should be our desire, to know the facts

that make our company "tick" and be able to present them proudly, factually, and intelligently when occasioned to do so.

Since we live in, or adjacent to, and serve a coal-producing area, it is vital that we know "Appalachian's coal story." We should have a fair knowledge of the size and scope of our company's rates, area, line miles, number of plants, customers, and employees. We should know the many cost-cutting devices our company has implemented in order to assure the customer that electricity is still the most economical item in the family budget. We should be familiar with the company's tax load and know the amount of taxes our company pays to our individual communities.

A storehouse of valuable knowledge is contained in an employee's vest-pocket brochure entitled "Facts About Appalachian."

Let's get acquainted with these facts and do a darn good public relations job for our company.



LORETTA J. WISEMAN, Cashier, Beckley

Each employee should keep well informed on changes in personnel and company policies in order to secure accurate answers to questions asked by our friends and neighbors about our company. Trained personnel are available to each of our approximately 490,000 customers at no cost to help them make the best use of their electric service.

Our customers should know about our separate billing whereby the more electricity used the less the cost per kilowatthour, and the convenience of the budget billing plan available to electric heating customers.

Appalachian, while employing approximately 3,600, with continuous new construction and research is one of the leading users of bituminous coal, thus creating more employment for our area.



GARY LAYNE, Contract Clerk, Ashland

What do you discuss most with your neighbors about our company?

All-electric homes and customers' bills are the main topics of discussion in our neighborhood.

Most people think we should be able to answer all of their questions concerning their bills. When discussing this topic, we should

try and explain it as clearly as possible.

All-electric homes are the future of our company and our neighbors. They are as new to many of us as they are to our neighbors. As a representative of our company we should be able to discuss electric homes thoroughly.

We should be well informed about these subjects. But you should also have a basic knowledge of each department and its functions within the company. So, no matter what the discussion, we can take an active and informative part.



NAOMI CANTEES, Contract Clerk, Williamson

The first thing most people are interested in when discussing anything is the cost. Therefore, we, as employees, should be able to answer questions about the economy of electricity, whether it be a question of the cost of a kilowatthour, a dusk-to-dawn light or electric heat. Explanations about how the electric bill is figured, the advantage of having a water heater and the fact that our rates have remained the same throughout the years create good customer relations.

We should have information on the many services we extend our customers, such as the use of our auditorium, home demonstrations, assistance in correct lighting, estimates on home heating and our continuous and efficient service are just a few of the things we should be able to discuss with our neighbors.



JAMES W. PROFFITT, General Serviceman, Kingsport

In discussing the company with a neighbor or a customer, I must have a general knowledge of all departments and the operation of each. With this information, I am able to answer various questions which I receive every day. Although, if I am unable to, I can advise the particular department or person to contact.

I like to discuss our various services in which I am more familiar; for example, the number of calls for "lights out" and find a blown fuse in a customer's fuse box; our service department which repairs major electrical appliances; the number of clubs, groups and organizations that use our company auditorium. Also how we strive to give quick, dependable electric service. I should know our tax story and how the amount of taxes the company pays directly improves our everyday living.

Award Presented For Safe Work

An award in recognition of working 500,000 manhours without a disabling injury has been presented employees of Cabin Creek plant.

The presentation of the AEP Award was made by D. C. Duncan, system safety director of Appalachian, at a box lunch dinner in the plant's machine shop. Accepting were J. A. Moore, plant manager, and F. E. Hoyt, safety supervisor. They emphasized the record was achieved by the cooperative efforts of all employees.

The 500,000 manhours were recorded during the period May 23, 1959 to March 11, 1961. It is the second such award earned by Cabin Creek employees since 1956.

Plant Moves . . .

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man, mechanical maintenance foreman and supervisor of maintenance before being named assistant plant manager in 1956. He became manager in 1959.

He is a member and past president of the Lions Club at Chelyan and is married and has four children.

Mr. Schneider began his career with Ohio Power at Philo plant in 1936. He moved to Windsor, where he became test engineer and supervisor of operations. In 1949, he was transferred to Philip Sporn plant as supervisor of operations and in 1950 was named assistant plant manager. He has been manager of Logan plant since February 1, 1957.

A graduate of Ohio State University with a degree in electrical engineering, he is married and has one child.

Clarke Closes Notable Career

H. A. Clarke, system station superintendent, retired June 1 after 35 years of company service, during which he made notable contributions not only to Appalachian and American Electric Power Systems, but also to the entire electric utility industry.

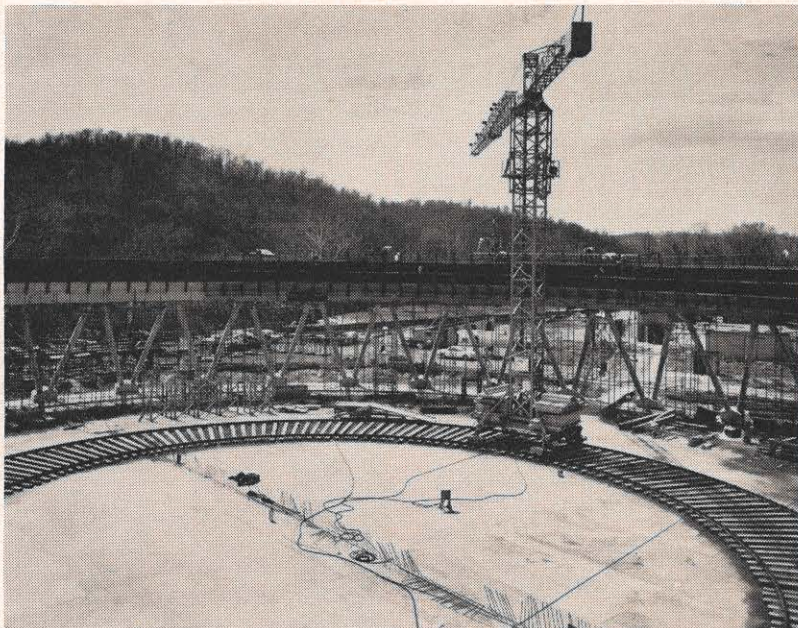
These contributions were recognized last fall when he was elected a Fellow of the American Institute of Electric Engineers. Specifically cited was his work in relaying and high-speed circuit reclosing techniques.

Mr. Clarke joined Appalachian in 1925 as an electrical engineer at Logan plant, and worked later as relay engineer. He became system station superintendent in 1945, with headquarters in Charleston, and moved to Roanoke in 1949 in the same function.

He holds a BS degree in electrical engineering from Union College, is a registered engineer in Virginia and West Virginia, and is past chairman of the AIEE Virginia Mountain Section. Mr. Clarke is a veteran of the First World War, and lives in Rocky Mount with his wife and son.



Mr. Clarke



Cooling Tower Rises

As construction progresses on Kentucky Power's new 265,000 kilowatt Big Sandy plant near Louisa, the most unusual feature is the cooling tower taking shape above. It is the first of its kind in the Western Hemisphere. The electric crane that moves on its own circular track is shown lifting concrete. Starting with a thickness of 18 inches at the top of the columns, the concrete will taper to a thickness of 5 inches at a height of 27 feet above the top of the columns. The Marley Company of Kansas City is contractor for the reinforced concrete tower that will rise 320 feet above ground. With a diameter of 245 feet at the base, the tower will taper to 140 feet at the top. The 72 supporting columns will allow air to pass into the natural-draft tower to cool the water from the power plant's condenser. Construction of the \$39-million plant started in August 1960, and when it is completed in late 1962 the plant will use 750,000 tons of coal each year from Eastern Kentucky mines.

System Station's Wise And Rankin Are Promoted



Mr. Wise

Mr. Rankin

Two promotions following the retirement June 1 of H. C. Clarke have been announced.

S. H. Wise succeeded Mr. Clarke, moving up from assistant system station superintendent, and E. C. Rankin, formerly system supervising breaker engineer, takes Mr. Wise's place.

Since joining Appalachian in 1931 as a substation helper in Charleston, Mr. Wise has worked as relay engineer, system foreman, and system supervising breaker engineer. He came to Roanoke from Charleston in 1949. Mr. Wise was graduated from the University of Kentucky in 1931 with a degree in mechanical engineering and is a registered engineer in West Virginia. He is a member of Huntington Court Methodist Church, and is past president of the Roanoke Camera Club. He and his wife have two children.

Mr. Rankin, a 1935 graduate of Virginia Military Institute, joined the company immediately after graduation, and worked as groundman, meter man and meter tester before entering the Army in 1940. He emerged from service in 1946 with the rank of lieutenant colonel, the rank he presently holds in the Army Reserve. In the postwar years he held a number of company assignments, and was promoted in 1950 to system supervising station engineer. He is past chairman of the Virginia Mountain Section AIEE, and attended the AEP Company Utility Management Course at the University of Michigan in 1958. Mr. Rankin is also a registered engineer in Virginia. He is president of the Men's Class of Raleigh Court Methodist Church, and is the father of two daughters.

AEC Contract . . .

Faced with these setbacks to the project, the AEC then urged two major changes: (1) that the research and development be re-oriented to provide for the use of beryllium instead of the previous stainless steel in the covering (cladding) for the reactor fuel—a change which the AEC recognized would add one or two years to the final operating date; and (2) that, as a condition for maintaining the partnership of the three groups, a plan would have to be developed that would make more certain that the prototype would be built.

In line with these conditions, ECNG began work on the beryllium cladding in May 1960, while drafting a proposal for the AEC that would bind FWCNG to build the reactor. But late in 1960, both utility groups were forced to the conclusion that research and development studies would have to be carried much farther toward conclusion before it could be established whether or not the reactor would be technically feasible or approximately what its power would cost.

As an alternative, ECNG and FWCNG in February of this year put forward to the Commission the proposal described earlier. The AEC did not accept the proposal and called for termination of the contract.

Sporn Comments

Philip Sporn, president of AEP and of our companies, and chairman of the ECNG Research and Development Committee, said: "We are deeply disappointed in the Commission's decision. ECNG has been carrying out extensive research and development on a promising reactor concept. We have been optimistic that the work would lead to construction of a prototype plant in Florida. However, we believe that the basic research and development to establish the technical and economical feasibility of the prototype should be completed before reaching a final decision on construction."

"The member companies of ECNG, looking ahead to the future power needs of the areas which they serve, intend to continue their in-

W. S. White Jr. Of Service Corporation Named Assistant Lynchburg Manager

W. S. "Pete" White, Jr., native Virginian and administrative assistant to the operating vice president of the AEP Service Corporation, has been named assistant manager of the Lynchburg district.



Mr. White

Mr. White will move his wife, son and two daughters to Lynchburg from Jericho, L. I., in late June to assume his duties July 1.

He is a native of Norfolk County and holds a BS degree in electrical engineering from VPI. He also holds the degree of master of science in industrial management from Massachusetts Institute of Technology, where he studied on a Sloan Fellowship; in addition he has done graduate work at New York University.

He joined the Service Corporation in 1948 as an assistant engineer, including service in the electrical design and system planning and operating departments. During the Korean War, he was on loan to the Defense Electric Power Administration in Washington, D. C. for 10 months

as assistant regional engineer. On returning to New York, he became an assistant to President Philip Sporn during the period 1952-54, was named Service Corporation office manager during 1954-58 and to his present post in 1958.

He is a member of Eta Kappa Nu, honorary electrical engineering society, and the Society of Sloan Fellows of MIT, and an associate member of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers. He is a Navy veteran of World War II.

Johnson Named Vice President



Mr. Johnson

Harold R. Johnson, director of public relations of the AEP Service Corporation, has been elected a vice president, it has been announced by President Philip Sporn.

Mr. Johnson has directed the public relations and advertising activities of the AEP System for the past nine years. A native of Newark, O. and alumnus of Denison University there, he joined Ohio Power at Canton in 1948, founding that company's public relations department and serving as its director until 1952. At that time he was promoted to the AEP post in New York. He has also been a director of the AEP Service Corporation since 1952.

Prior to joining the AEP System, he had served as managing editor of the *Newark Advocate*; public relations officer of the U. S. Army's Fifth Service Command during World War II, being separated with the rank of major; and public relations director of the Veterans Administration three-state office in Columbus, O.

Mr. Johnson has been active in work of the public relations committee of the Edison Electric Institute, and during his service with Ohio Power was chairman of the public relations committee of the Ohio Electric Utility Institute. He is also a director of Music Research Foundation, Inc.

Foreman Is Named At Glen Lyn Plant

Dallas T. Hayner, maintenance foreman at Logan plant, has been promoted to the post of labor-janitor foreman at Glen Lyn plant, effective May 1.

Employed as a laborer February 17, 1940 at Logan, he was maintenance man and maintenance mechanic before becoming foreman. Prior to joining Logan plant, he was with the AEP construction department and the Logan County School Board.

Mr. Hayner is married and the father of three sons. He is a Sunday School teacher at Chapmansville's Church of Christ.



Mr. Hayner

Bluefield Voice Retires June 1



Mr. Yost

"Bluefield office to truck No. H-144" in the familiar voice of Charlie Claude Yost will be heard no more in the Bluefield division. Mr. Yost retired June 1.

Meter serviceman at his retirement, he handled radio communications for Bluefield also. He joined the company in 1919, and two years later left to go to work for the N&W. He rejoined Appalachian in 1923 and since then has been serviceman, electrician, appliance serviceman and troubleman.

Born at Shawver's Mill, Va., he entered the Navy in 1918 with L. W. Bates, now Bluefield division manager. Mr. Yost was electrician third class when he was discharged in 1919.

He is a member of the Trinity Methodist Church, a 32nd degree Mason of the Mercer Lodge of Perfection No. 160, and a member of the Eastern Star. His hobby is baseball. He is married.

"KIB880 off for Charlie Claude Yost."



Clinch River Plant

In civic elections, three employees were named to offices in the Lebanon Lions Club: Luther C. Houchins, Jr., first vice president; Eli D. Buskirk, second vice president; and J. T. Bunton, secretary-treasurer. Nathan E. Minnick was returned to the board for another year . . . Mason A. Vaughan, Jr. was selected secretary of the Lebanon Junior Chamber of Commerce.

Bluefield District

It was a busy month for Bluefield employees and their families . . . Julia, wife of Willard A. Johnson, Princeton meter reader, has been installed as Noble Prophetess of Macedonia Shrine No. 8, Order of the White Shrine of Jerusalem . . . Okey C. Glover, Princeton lineman, has been installed as sergeant-at-arms of Princeton Moose Lodge 1521 . . . Mrs. Morris M. Yost, wife of the station supervisor, is the newly elected secretary of the Appalachian Garden Club . . . Grady L. Parker, division commercial sales engineer, has been named to the board of the Princeton Junior Chamber of Commerce . . . Treasurer of the Princeton Knob School Parent-Teacher Association is Hattie, wife of Phil H. Fry, Princeton meter serviceman . . . Percy, wife of Ryland Y. Bailey, division heating and builder sales engineer, has been installed treasurer of the Evening Primrose Garden Club. The two have also been elected co-presidents of the Preston Elementary School PTA . . . Mrs. Pauline Duff, division stenographer, was recently honored by members of the Girls' Service Club with a bridal luncheon. She received a monetary gift from the organization . . . Hubert L. Flowers, building service department, has resigned . . . Our heartiest welcome is extended Mrs. Nancy T. Mitchell, who is a new employee in T&D records. Nancy, a former system employee, is the newly elected president of the Music Lovers' Club of Bluefield, W. Va. . . W. Arnold Crotty, one of Bluefield's most active first-aiders, recently instructed standard and advanced Red Cross first-aid courses, in succession, to the Princeton Rescue Squad.

Welch District

Members of employees' families made news . . . Mrs. W. T. Collins, wife of the Grundy local office supervisor, was elected spiritual growth chairman of the Women of the Church of the Grundy First Presbyterian Church, and Guineine Mitchell, utility clerk, was appointed chairman of one of the church's circles . . . Mrs. C. R. Settle, wife of the district superintendent, was elected recording secretary of the WSCS of the Welch First Methodist Church . . . Mrs. Estel Crabtree, wife of the lineman, was named treasurer of the Olga Woman's Club at Coalwood . . . Howard H. Bivens II, son of the storeroom supervisor, was named senior councillor for the Black Diamond DeMolay . . . April, daughter of John W. Vermillion, meter and service foreman, and Helen Vermillion, PBX operator, was installed in Phi Upsilon Omicron Honorary Society at West Virginia University.

Abingdon District

Several employees were elected to offices in three clubs . . . In the Lions Club, these men won offices: James M. Cole, commercial sales engineer, president; W. L. Smythers, line inspector, second vice president;



Among Employees and Their Families

VFW Post Elects Boyd Commander

For the third time, Jackson E. Boyd has been elected commander of the Pinnacle Post 3856, Veterans of Foreign Wars, in Bluefield.



Mr. Boyd

Mr. Boyd, customer service representative in Bluefield district, has been active in VFW affairs for some time. He is presently serving as commander of West Virginia District 9, and for two years, 1959 and 1960, was assistant inspector general of the entire state. He is also a member of the American Legion and Elks Club in Bluefield.

He has been an Appalachian employee since October 1939, and served in the Navy for four years during the second World War.

L. C. Angle, Jr., division power sales engineer, secretary-treasurer; J. G. Craig, agricultural sales engineer, parliamentarian; and Lloyd G. Smith, stores supervisor, director . . . The Jaycees named these men: H. C. Breeding, electrical engineer, first vice president; D. C. Landreth, lineman, treasurer; W. H. Ferguson, Jr., dealer sales representative, director; and J. E. Prater, heating and builder sales representative, director . . . A. C. Hutton, Jr., dealer sales representative, was named secretary of the Washington County Sportsman's Club . . . Jack B. Frier, district personnel supervisor, recently served as judge in the district 4-H Club public speaking contest for boys.

Pulaski District

Wives of employees were selected for several posts, particularly in churches . . . In the WSCS of Mt. View Methodist Church, these Clayton hydro employees' wives were named: Mrs. C. S. Hale, president; Mrs. A. M. Roseberry, treasurer; she and Mrs. I. R. Akers, chairman of local church activities; Mrs. D. G. Covey, chairman of youth work; and Mrs. G. R. Smith, Jr., wife of the lineman, chairman of Christian social relations . . . Mrs. John Dent Burnett, wife of the retired employee, has been installed as president of the WSCS of Fries Methodist Church (See Pulaski, Page 8)



Huntington District

Several employees in the AEP lab in Huntington were active on many fronts . . . Shirley Adams, technician, was selected by the Phi Kappa chapter of Beta Sigma Phi as "Girl of the Year." She was also named secretary of the group . . . William Harbour, lab assistant, earned a diploma in analytical chemistry through a correspondence school . . . Mrs. Annetta Abshire, secretary at the lab, was elected treasurer of the Ches-

apeake, O. Junior Woman's Club . . . Phil Neff, brother of Sharon Neff of the lab, ran the 100 yard dash in 9.8 seconds to establish a new record for the Huntington Relays. It also tied a state record . . . H. D. Stillman, division manager, was named by Governor Barron to a two-year term on the advisory board for the State Department of Commerce . . . His wife was elected treasurer of the Junior League Garden Club . . . Mrs. Louise Brown, secretary in the division manager's office, was elected recording secretary of the Huntington Chapter of the Business and Professional Women's Club . . . Mary L. Sanford, home service representative, was one of three judges in the sixth annual Herald-Advertiser's Recipe Contest. test.

Williamson District

Congratulations to Gene Hall, instrumentman, who was re-elected president of the Belfry PTA and was elected secretary-treasurer of the Pond Creek Fish and Game Club . . . H. W. Cerrato was re-named "Chapter Father" of the Belfry FHA. He is advisor and chaperon of the group . . . Lorraine Corea, secretary stenographer, was elected director of the National Secretaries Association (International) . . . Jay E. Runyon, heating and builder sales representative, was awarded a prize for the highest number of pins felled in the City Bowling League tournament. Appalachian's team placed second. Others bowling were Fred Varney, A. O. Hatfield, Jerry Akers and Bill Barbour . . . E. E. King, district superintendent, was winner in the Duplicate Bridge Series of the Williamson Duplicate Club.

Logan District

Mrs. Dallas Kinser, wife of the station man, served as chairman of Verdunville's Cancer Drive . . . E. P. Hager, commercial sales engineer, and C. E. Yeager, engineering aide, attended the state meeting of the Christian Men's Fellowship at Ripley . . . Elba Samson, meter reader, is coaching the Kiwanis team in the Little League, and Mr. Yeager is player agent for the league.



Point Pleasant District

Employees' children were active . . . Diane, daughter of J. R. Crump, line foreman, was named alternate delegate to the West Virginia State Conservation Camp . . . Donna, daughter of O. W. Hesson, T&D clerk, was attendant to the Jr.-Sr. Prom Queen at Wahama High School . . . Four daughters appeared in the All-State Band during the 1961 West Virginia State Band Festival. Patty, daughter of W. F. Machir, record supervisor, played the saxophone; Diane and Suzanne, daughters of Mr. Crump, played the coronet and piccolo, respectively, and Tina, daughter of L. C. Bias, district office supervisor, attended as a flutist . . . Activities among employees included C. E. Gore's election as board member of

Barber Appointed Kentucky Colonel

Because of his many activities in community life, A. R. Barber, Hazard district manager, has been commissioned a Kentucky Colonel by Governor Bert T. Combs.



Mr. Barber

Mr. Barber is past president of the Hazard Chamber of Commerce, a member of the state Chamber, past president of the Hazard Lions Club, president of the Perry County Chapter of the Red Cross, vice president of the Lonesome Pine Council, Boy Scouts of America, past president of the Hazard Golf Club, a director of Lees Junior College, and an elder in the First Presbyterian Church of Hazard.

the Gallia County Coon Dog Club. He is dealer sales representative . . . John H. Baird, clerk-stenographer, has been re-elected secretary of the Jordan Baptist Church . . . T. J. Rose, T&D clerk, was named chairman of the building and equipment committee of the newly formed Hidden Valley Country Club.

Charleston District

Congratulations to Joe Bedinger, division commercial sales representative, who has been elected vice president of the West Virginia Society of the Sons of the American Revolution . . . Richard, son of L. E. Duff, meter, won first prize for his demonstration board on electricity and magnets in the Science Fair of South Charleston schools.

Philip Sporn Plant

Sons of three employees are to be congratulated for recent honor selections . . . Rickey, son of Jesse Abel, master maintenance man, was chosen by the Wahama High School faculty to represent the school at the YMCA Camp Horse Shoe at Parsons . . . The faculty at Wahama also named Edwin Lee, son of Edwin L. Stein, maintenance supervisor, as a representative to the second World Affairs Institute at Morgantown . . . And Stephen Burgess was selected by Wahama's faculty as a delegate to Boys' State. He is the son of the late Roy Burgess, dispatcher . . . Paul J. Musser, test engineer, has resigned . . . Wives of plant employees were named to offices of the New Haven Woman's (See Sporn Plant, Page 8)



Marjorie Stair, wife of A. W. Stair, power sales engineer, has been elected treasurer of the John Sevier Junior High School PTA . . . Wilson Trumbo, personnel supervisor, has been named secretary of the Community Chest.



Ashland District

Welcome to new employees Faye Queen, accounting clerk trainee, and Donna Purvis, clerk trainee, management . . . Marie Kibbey, accounting, and Jean Toombs, home service representative, have resigned . . . Don Wade, commercial, has been elected president of the Optimist Club.



System

Prince E. Thornton, public relations assistant, is serving as chairman of the Franklin County Planning Commission and director of the Franklin County Chamber of Commerce. He and J. A. Mundy, employee relations supervisor, are currently teaching a course in practical politics for the Roanoke Chamber of Commerce . . . Cynthia Lee Kiser, 4-year-old granddaughter of A. R. Kiser, electric plant accounting supervisor, was selected "Little Miss Laurel" at Laurel, Del.

Roanoke District

Lewis A. Sydnor has been elected president of the Burrell Memorial Hospital Association. He is the husband of Elizabeth Sydnor, elevator operator.

Lynchburg District

Elections were newsmaking events in Lynchburg . . . L. G. Dougan, district personnel supervisor, was elected third vice president of the Lynchburg Lions Club, second vice president of the Lynchburg Federation of Parents and Teachers, and to the board of Volunteer Services at Lynchburg Training School . . . R. L. Hatch, hydro supervisor, was elected safety chairman of the Central District of the Piedmont Area Council of Boy Scouts, and his son, Jimmy, was elected reporter of the Roanoke Conference Luther League . . . D. C. Kennedy, district manager, was named president of the Southern District of the Virginia School Boards' Association . . . J. R. Martin, line and station supervisor, was tapped as first vice president of the Timberlake Lions Club . . . R. D. Curtis, lead draftsman, was named vice president of the Dale Carnegie Alumni Association . . . David G. Blondino, draftsman, has resigned.

Smith Mountain

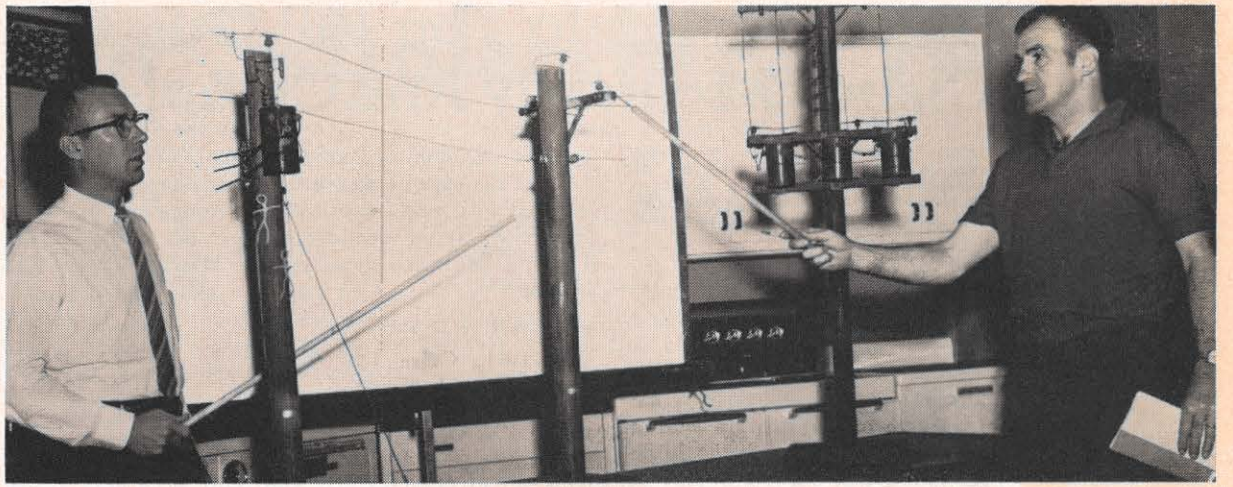
Welcome to new employee Mrs. Diane Brugh, clerk-stenographer in the resident engineer's office.

Fieldale District

R. A. Youngman, district engineer, was named chairman of the Martinsville Safety Council . . . J. W. Wright, Jr., utility clerk, has been elected tail twister of the Collinsville Lions Club . . . Two Cubs won first prize in the annual Fieldale Cub Pack Pinewood Derby with miniature racing cars built to certain specifications. H. B. Merriman, son of the late Harvey Merriman, foreman, won the 10-year-old section, and Jerry Brown, son of M. W. Brown, district office supervisor, won the 8-year-old section. These two and Butch Joyce, son of Earl Joyce, meter reader, attended the Scout-o-rama in Roanoke recently.



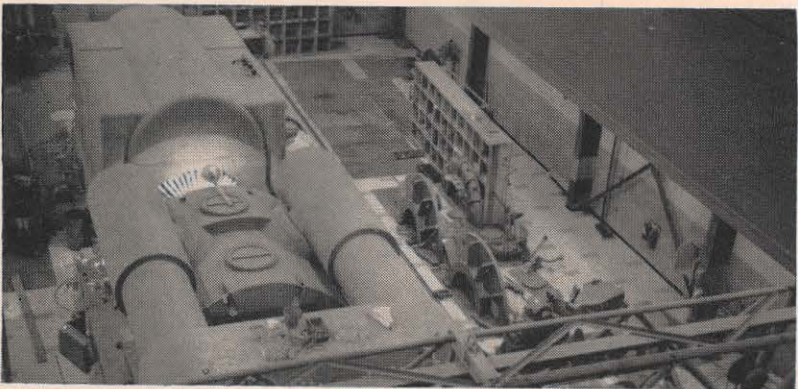
By contributing 216 pints of blood during 1960—enough to fill these 24 shipping cartons—employees in Roanoke won the Red Cross's Kinsley McWhorter Achievement Award for best participation in the blood program of all companies of its size. D. E. Trout, blood donor coordinator for employees, holds the citation as he examines the cartons with Red Cross Staff Nurse Manilla Saunders.



Using models of lines and transformer banks, H. F. Charles, record supervisor, and Mosco J. Blackburn, line foreman, both of Hazard, demonstrate the hows and whys of line construction, and the safe way of doing the job. The demonstration was part of the regular safety and operational meeting. The model was constructed by Hazard's substation department.



Camera Roundup



Parts of Philip Sporn plant's Unit 5 are carefully laid to one side during an outage last month for repairs to the generator. This work and inspection will be finished the middle of June.



Mrs. Mary Ruth Chambers is Bluefield's "Secretary of the Year." She was chosen by the local chapter of the National Secretaries Association, of which she is president, and works in the system transmission line department.



Eleven Fieldale-Stuart employees completed the First Aid Course. Here, in one of the last classes, Instructor T. A. Kirby observes G. W. Turner administering artificial respiration to J. B. Wood.



This is Glenn Largen, 12, foster son of E. P. Owens, Pulaski local office supervisor, as proud as he can be over his prize calf that won a blue ribbon in a stock show. He's putting his profits into an educational fund.



These three wives of employees are active in the Hazard PTA program to examine children's vision, and to get glasses for those needing them. They are Mrs. Nolan A. Hays, Mrs. C. A. Zoellers, and Mrs. Oscar Hudson.



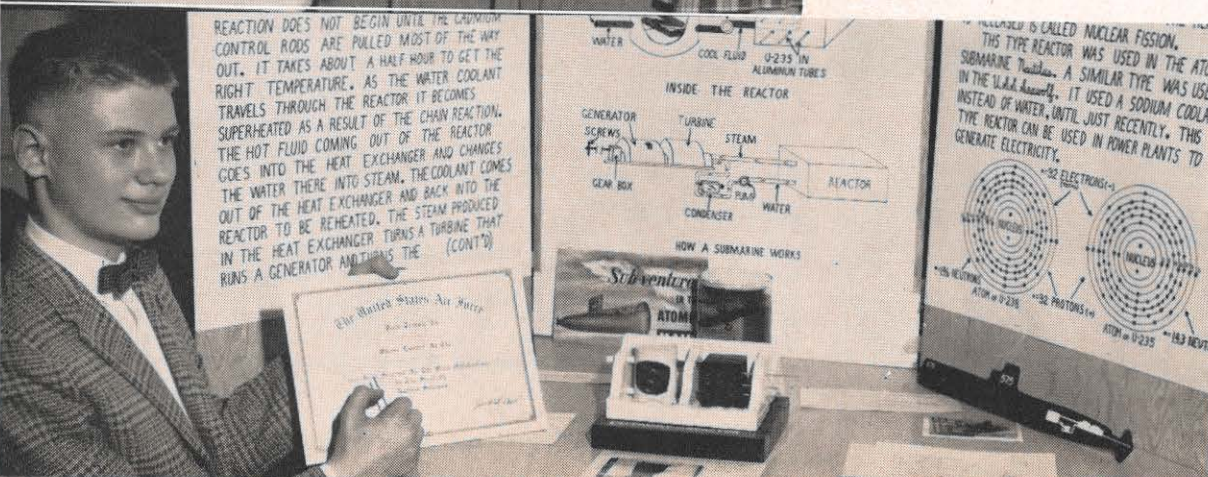
A new device to create interest and group participation in a safety meeting for Roanoke division commercial employees was an idea borrowed from the Chinese. Safety slogans were baked inside of cookies, the cookies were passed around, and each employee read the slogan he received. That's T. A. Kirby presiding.



Prize winners in two West Virginia Science Fairs were exhibits developed by employees' children. At left is the display of "Coal And Its By-Products," which won a blue ribbon for Harriet Strong at the Mingo County Science Fair. She is the daughter of H. M. Strong, Jr., Williamson local office manager. Below Phillip Hughes, son of J. P. Hughes, Beckley electrical engineer, shows off the Air Force Citation his exhibit on "Submarines and Nuclear Reactors" won in the regional Science Fair at Concord College.



Being bundled up here is Janet Bowman, home service representative in Roanoke, the "victim" for A. L. Stebar, Jr., and R. W. Reese. All participated in a Standard Red Cross First Aid Course in Roanoke.



C. K. Kirkland, Welch district manager, presents certificates to these employees who completed the First Aid course: C. C. Lance, P. W. Miller, Jr., Rodney Goins, Michael Haynes, Wallace Shrader, and E. E. Johnson.

These Pointers Will Help You Fill Out, File Medical Claims Accurately And Completely

EDITOR'S NOTE: Filing claims correctly under the company's Comprehensive Medical Plan is important, and can be of benefit to employees, our company and the insurance company. This article is intended as an aid to those who prepare the claims for your family. We suggest you clip this article and file it with your other material on the plan.

The first, and probably the most important, step under the plan is to keep complete records of your medical expenses. A good rule to follow is to keep records of all expenses no matter how small. Those expenses on which you first think you will collect nothing because they are less than the minimum, are the ones which are hardest to obtain when needed. Also, separate records should be kept for each member of the family covered by the plan. This is very important because the deductible, the maximum benefit and other provisions operate separately for each individual.

When medical expenses for any person covered under the plan are sufficient to file a claim, an "Attending Physician's Statement" should be secured and your physician requested to complete it.

About the Statements

When should the statement be completed?

1. With the first claim filed each year for each person covered.
2. With later claims filed during the year if hospitalized, if for any major illnesses and if for nervous conditions.

When there are several physicians, who should complete the statement?

1. For surgery—the surgeon performing the operation.
2. For other illnesses—main physician.
3. For nervous condition—physician treating.

(NOTE: Where a person is being treated for a nervous condition by one physician and other illnesses by another, a physician's statement must be completed by both physicians.)

The next step is to complete the "Statement of Claim". The employee must complete the information under "To Be Completed By The Employee" and sign it.

If drugs and medicine are prescribed, the "Drug and Medicine Record" form must be completed. This form asks for the following information: nature of illness or injury, prescription number, date of purchase, name of pharmacy, physician who prescribed and amount charged. This information requested under each heading must be listed and the form signed by the employee. For refills of prescriptions the information to be shown under "Date of Purchase" is the date the prescription is refilled and not the date of the original prescription.

Bills Needed With Claim

Copies of all bills except those listed on the "Drug and Medicine Record" must accompany the claim. Examples of bills for which copies must be submitted are statements

from doctors, nurses, hospitals, etc. All bills must show the date the expense was incurred and the amount. This information is very important. For example, if you have three visits to the doctor and the total charge is \$11, it should be broken down on the doctor's statements as follows:

Date And Type of Visit	Amount Charged
1-11-61 Office	\$3.00
1-21-61 Home	\$5.00
1-27-61 Hospital	\$3.00

In the event a regular physician's statement is not required, the doctor's bill must show the nature of illness or injury.

Other Miscellaneous Pointers

Here are some other general pointers.

1. Whenever possible, all bills covering the expenses incurred by the individual up to the time of filing the claim should be included for payment.
2. In order to hold down administrative costs, it would be helpful if you would not submit claims until a reasonable amount is payable, instead of filing several small claims during the year.
3. If you have sufficient expenses at the end of the year to submit a claim, they must be submitted not later than March 31 of the next year.
4. If you have other medical expenses during the last three months of the year on which you collect nothing due to the \$50 deductible, those expenses may be used to reduce the deductible the next year.
5. Care must be taken not to submit the same bills included in a previous claim. When this happens it slows down the processing of your claim.

Exceptions—Not Paid

6. The following expenses are some of the exceptions and should not be turned in since they will not be paid under the plan:
 - (a) expenses involved in occupational illnesses and accidents.
 - (b) expenses for treatments not recommended by a licensed Doctor of Medicine.
 - (c) expenses involved in dental work and cosmetic surgery unless made necessary by an accident.
 - (d) expenses in connection with routine health check-ups and examinations for eye glasses and hearing aids.
 - (e) preventive inoculations such as shots for polio, childhood diseases.
 - (f) expenses for elective surgery when not due to disease or injury.
 - (g) unreasonable and unnecessary expenses.
- This list is not all inclusive; therefore, if in doubt as to whether the expense is covered or not, check with your personnel office.

Four Veterans From System, Bluefield, Huntington Celebrate Anniversaries

Honored for long service with Appalachian recently were four employees.

Observing his 40th anniversary was French H. Lewis, system. And completing 35 years of service were Roy M. Foster, system; Edgar B. Brewer, Bluefield; and A. Waitman York, Huntington.



Mr. Lewis Mr. Foster

Mr. Lewis, system chief operations coordinator in Roanoke, joined an Appalachian predecessor company in Charleston May 16, 1921 as a switchboard operator. He went to Kenova in 1929 as a load dispatcher and returned to Charleston in 1935. He was promoted to chief system operator in 1946 and transferred to Roanoke in 1955 in his present position.

A native of Alderson, W. Va., he attends Central Christian Church. He is married.

R. M. Foster

Mr. Foster, system right of way agent, joined the Roanoke district as a clerk May 12, 1926. He became rural sales representative in 1945 and was area sales representative and dealer sales representative before going to his present position in 1959.

He is a member of the Blue Ridge Church of the Brethren, where he is a Sunday School teacher, chairman of the finance commission, chairman of the board of deacons and a member of the building committee. He has also served as district moderator of the church. He is treasurer of the Botetourt County Red Cross and a charter member, past president and secretary of the Colonial Ruritan Club. He is married and has three sons.

E. B. Brewer

Mr. Brewer is Tazewell lineman in the Bluefield district. Born at Speedwell, Va., he worked on a farm



Mr. Brewer Mr. York

before joining Appalachian May 31, 1926. He also has a broken service record of three years.

During his early years he worked over the Bluefield district, in Lebanon of the Abingdon district and at Coal Creek. He is married and has five children. He is a member of the Methodist Church, and his hobbies are hunting and fishing.

A. W. York

May 11 was the anniversary date for Mr. York, assistant Huntington stores supervisor. He joined the company that day in 1926 as a meter department helper. He worked in the statistical department until 1930 when he went to stores as floorman. He was assistant storekeeper and clerk special before going to his present position in 1949.

A native of Wayne County, W. Va., he is married and has four children and seven grandchildren. He is a member of the Central Methodist Church and enjoys hunting, fishing and other sports.

Super Salesmen In Two Districts Have Successful Ways To Sell Electric Heat Lamer Shrader, Groundman, 50, Dies Suddenly

Many stories of employees' efforts and successes have come out of the recent Employees' Home Heating Prospect Campaign, which ended April 30 (see story on page 1).

Two of these involve George Hairston, Williamson janitor, and James W. Nunnery, Welch meter serviceman. Both men compiled the best record among employees in their districts.

George took about the most direct approach possible in his efforts to interest others in electric heat—he converted his own home first of all. Thus it became the first electrically heated home in his neighborhood. He found he could then tell the conversion story first-hand to his friends, and found also that they appreciated the facts from someone who had been through the conversion process.

In fact, as George tells it, "they even called me at night after I retired to ask what I'm doing to my house, what it will cost, and to urge me to let them see it when it's finished."

As a direct result of his conversion, and his follow-up efforts with his neighbors, three other homes are now being converted and George believes others will follow.

James Nunnery turned in the

names of 25 prospects during Welch's campaign, which have already resulted in four conversions and two other conversion contracts.

This super salesman says the big things in talking to prospects are courtesy, knowledge of the convenience of electric heat and being able to talk to the customer at his own level.

Black Cat 'Helps' In Work On Line

It's a good thing the Grundy meter servicemen of the Welch district are not superstitious.

Charles J. Brown and Walter Crouse were working on a line in Buchanan County, and when they had finished they asked for the hose bag to re-store the rubber hose they had used to cover the line. As B. M. Nuckolls, area supervisor, reached for the bag, a large black cat shot out of it.

The men said later they were glad it wasn't Friday the 13th, but as it was, they finished the work safely and went on to another job.



Mr. Shrader

Lamer Shrader, 50, Bluefield groundman, died suddenly April 30 near Lovern, W. Va., while on a fishing trip.

He joined Appalachian in 1946 after three years in the Army. He was born at Lorton's Lick, W. Va. He was a member of the Church of God at Montcalm.

He is survived by his wife, a son and a daughter. Interment was at Roselawn Cemetery near Princeton.



Appalachian Power Company

Bluefield District

TRUBIE P. DALTON from auto repairman helper to auto repairman B; EARL A. PROFFITT from auto repairman B to auto repairman A.

Clinch River Plant

EARL E. CRIST from junior maintenance man to maintenance man; RUSSELL G. FERGUSON from helper to junior maintenance man; RAYMOND A. THOMPSON from instrument maintenance man B to instrument maintenance man A.

Fieldale District

J. R. NEWMAN from lineman C to lineman B.

Lynchburg District

ANNIE R. COTHRAN from clerk-typist to cashier-clerk, senior.

Roanoke District

E. C. BALDWIN, JR., from meter reader to collector; B. T. HARTWELL from lineman B to lineman A; JOYCE A. KRAIGE from petty cash clerk to petty cash clerk, senior; O. L. TURNER from groundman to lineman C.

Smith Mountain

ALDEN B. CARPENTER, structural engineer, from Clinch River Plant construction to Smith Mountain Dam construction; ELLIOTT M. RAMSEY, construction accountant, from Radford Limestone Company, Inc., to Smith Mountain Dam construction.

Philip Sporn Plant

DORWIN D. CLARK from auxiliary equipment operator to maintenance helper; JACK W. NEEDS from junior maintenance man to maintenance man; BILLY L. THOMAS from maintenance helper to auxiliary equipment operator; ROGER L. WALKER from maintenance helper to junior maintenance man.

Kentucky Power Company

Pikeville District

WILLIAM W. ZOELLERS, senior distribution engineer, from engineering to commercial.

Students Chosen For Scholarships, Honors

As schools drew near to the end of another session, high honors for outstanding work were awarded many sons and daughters of employees.

Abingdon

Jimmy White, son of James B. White, assistant manager, was named winner of a four-year, \$2,400 scholarship to King College at Bristol, Tenn. He won out over other science students from high schools within a 100-mile radius of the school. Active in many phases of school life, Jim was recently awarded the National Merit Scholarship citation for being in the upper one percent scholastic standing of all high school seniors in the United States.



Jim White

a plaque for his achievements in driving and road safety.

Bill, son of W. C. Reynolds, chief electrical supervisor of construction at the plant, placed first in the Boys' Public Speaking Division at the District Forensic Contest. He plans to continue his speech studies in college this fall.

Bernie, son of B. D. Myers, shift operating engineer, was selected as editor of Lebanon High School's newspaper, *The Trail Blazer*. He also accepted the paper's award as tops in its class at the Southern Interscholastic Press Association meeting in Lexington.

Hazard

For the second time, Henrietta Cornett has taken first place in the annual Kentucky State High School Speech Festival at Lexington. She is the daughter of Chalmer B. Cornett, residential sales advisor. She has won several regional and state awards for speech. She plans to enter the University of Kentucky this fall to work for a degree in nursing and laboratory technology.



Henrietta Cornett Bill Huss

Huntington

Bill, son of W. F. Huss, assistant chief chemical engineer at the AEP lab in Huntington, has been awarded a scholarship to attend a four-week summer science training program at West Virginia University. The course is aimed at science-oriented juniors in the upper 10 per cent of their class and is sponsored by WVU and the National Science Foundation. Bill, who was also named an outstanding high school student by the Optimist Club, was one of only 20 youths selected for the scholarship.



Sherry Kees Peggy Brown

Kanawha River

Sherry, daughter of S. E. Keys, maintenance man at the plant, was named student of the year at Cedar Grove High School. This year she was editor of the school paper which won first place in its category from the Southern Intercollegiate Press Association. Active in many school functions, she plans to enroll at West Virginia Institute of Technology to study in the field of education.

Peggy Sue, daughter of S. A. Brown, coal handling department, was recently chosen a winner in the third annual Kroger-Westinghouse search for Junior Cook of the Year. She received a set of stainless steel flatware. Her winning recipe was one for Brunswick Stew. Since she represented her home ec class at Cedar Grove High School, appliances will be given the school and the home ec teacher.

Kingsport

Jennifer, daughter of Gordon Warrick, transportation, was a member of a clarinet quartet which won medals for superior music at the recent solo and ensemble festival at the University of Tennessee. She is in her third year of band at Robinson Junior High School and will enter Dobyns-Bennett High School in the fall.

Pikeville

Valedictorian of the eighth grade class at Pikeville City School was



Jane Fields Shalimar Clark

Jane Craig, daughter of Craig H. Fields, residential sales advisor. She is active in many school groups and in her church, and has perfect attendance for seven years.

Shalimar, daughter of Dennis Clark, lineman, was elected by the students at Pikeville College to the presidency of the student association for 1961-62. She is a junior or third-year pre-med student and ranks in the upper third of her class. She too is active in several school functions.



Jerry Lawson Suzanne Wolpert

Point Pleasant

Two honors came for Jerry H., son of R. H. Lawson, AEP resident engineer in Point Pleasant. He was named a finalist in the National Merit Scholarship competition. He also received honorable mention in a competitive United Nations test given

Sporn Plant

Suzanne, daughter of Philip Wolpert, operations supervisor at the plant, has been named to membership in Mirrors, sophomore honorary society at Ohio State University. She was chosen on the basis of grades, activities and services to the school. She is a pre-nursing student.



P. T. Rose Jane Rose

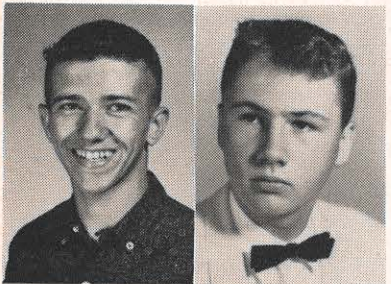
Cabin Creek Plant

Two children of Perry Rose, turbine operator at the plant, were honored. Perry Thomas Rose, his son, was put into an enviable dilemma when he was awarded a four-year Naval Reserve Officers Training Corps scholarship to study nuclear physics at Columbia University. He had earlier received an appointment to the Air Force Academy, and has not decided which appointment he will take. He is a senior at Charleston High School.

Jane, ninth grader daughter of Mr. Rose, won first place at her school's Science Fair for a star projector. She is president of the Science Club and head cheerleader.

Charleston

Charles Coffman has been elected president of Dunbar High School's student council for next year, following two years as president of the sophomore and junior classes. He is the 16-year-old son of Cam Coffman, Charleston engineering aide, and was recently selected to attend Boys' State.



Charles Coffman Bill Reynolds

Clinch River Plant

Larry, son of James A. Massie, and Drannon, son of Eli D. Buskirk, were two of the three valedictorians at Lebanon High School. Both have been accepted as pre-med students at the University of Richmond. Larry, who was winner of a 1961 AEP System Educational Award, was also selected the outstanding graduating senior in leadership by the students and was presented the Dan Forth Foundation Award. As an additional honor, he was named outstanding science student at the school.

Donald, son of Dorus D. Campbell, placed first in the annual Lebanon Jaycee Teenage Road-E-O, winning

In 25 Words Or Less . . .

I Like Winning Contests Because It's Fun (And Profitable)

A blunt and penetrating question from his 15-year-old son—"Pop, why can't you win something?"—put M. G. Covey of Roanoke into an uncomfortable position.

For Charles, the son, spoke from an impregnable position of his own: in recent contests he took part in, he had won a camera, a wrist watch, several smaller prizes, and a 10-day, all-expense air trip to London and Paris; and if he thus spoke loftily to his parent, it was clearly with some justification.

Still, as Mr. Covey, Roanoke division meter engineer said, "it wasn't the kind of question that can tactfully be ignored. I reluctantly decided to accept the challenge.

"I learned quickly," he reports, "that contesting is one of the most fascinating and educational and (perhaps) profitable hobbies around. There are more persons than you think who make contesting a way of life; it's become a national sport, and those who play the game with knowledge, experience and the skill of a champion are often rewarded with thrilling prizes."

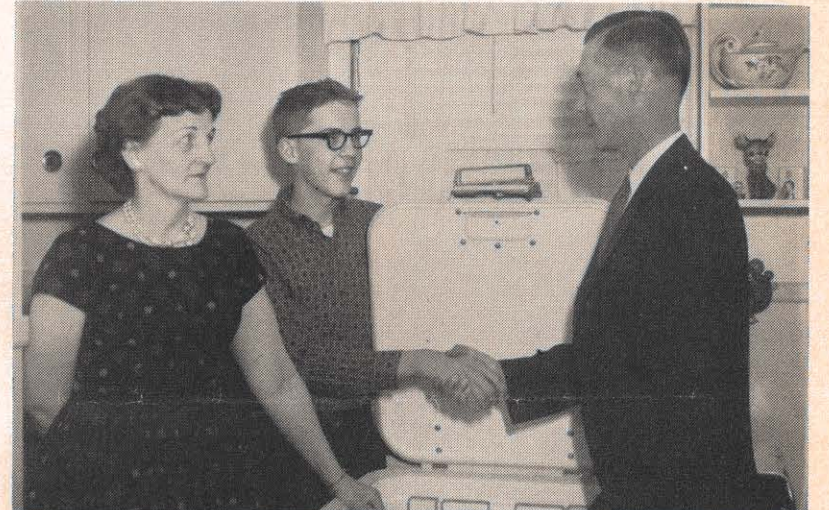
Mr. Covey developed the knowledge, experience and skill he spoke of, and the thrilling prizes that flow from them were his. Already he has won a portable electric dishwasher, a \$20 Christmas dinner (which he gave to the Salvation Army for a needy family), and four Roanoke merchants' contests netting him \$100 in cash and \$135 in merchandise.

Tell us, Mr. Covey, in 25 words or more, how do you do it?

"I built up a background of materials and information. I even took a home study course in contest writing, which I not only enjoyed, but also used to enlarge a rusty vocabulary. Then, when I enter a contest, I make sure I understand the rules thoroughly. An almost unbelievable fact is that in national contests 80 per cent of all entries violate at least one of the rules, and they are automatically removed from competition.

"If you know the judging agency, your chances of submitting a winning entry are greatly improved. For example some judges are receptive to repeated sound, intermediate rhyme, and even puns, but other judging agencies remove these entries from further consideration.

"Another thing, you've got to know the product and the company sponsoring the contest; judges can spot a phony entry. Then, finally, you sit down with a pencil and



The Covey family admires the latest prize Mr. Covey has won, a portable dishwasher. He got started in contesting because his son, Charles, center, had won some himself and asked why his father couldn't do the same.

think and write and re-write, and condense. If your entry is clear, original, and honest, you may be one of the lucky winners."

Mr. Covey denies that he has now

become an expert, even with a string of prizes to his credit. The biggest satisfaction of all has been to hear the 15-year-old son say "Gee, Pop, you did win something!"

Lighting Course Attracts Record Number Of Students In Ashland

The first class of the Academy of Lighting Arts in the southern properties of the American Electric Power System turned out to be biggest ever held on the System.

Thirty-six students from ten professions turned up in Ashland to begin the 12-week course, and both figures were records. Represented were electrical contractors, electrical distributors, decorators, paint salesmen, building contractors, real estate, educators, architects, fixture representatives and building supply dealers.

Upon completion of the course

the participants earned certificates as certified residential lighting consultants.

J. R. Embrey, system residential lighting coordinator for Ohio Power Company, was the instructor, assisted by Robert Hornbuckle, Ashland electric heat representative. Concurrent with this course was another for 24 employees of Kentucky Power and Ohio Power Company, also taught by Mr. Embrey.

C. C. Darrah, Ashland district manager, opened the class.



Students in Kentucky Power's first class in lighting arts settle down to class work under their teacher, J. R. Embrey, standing at right. With him is C. C. Darrah, Ashland district manager, who opened the program.

Veterans Of Our Companies Awarded Emblems



Ed Jarrett
Cabin Creek
30 Years

F. E. Rotenberry
Pulaski
25 Years

M. C. Spangler
Pulaski
25 Years

L. A. Huff
Roanoke
25 Years

W. A. Irvin
System
25 Years

R. E. Martin
System
25 Years

Lester Toler
Logan
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W. L. Nash
Bluefield
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Leroy Goode
Charleston
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C. E. Hawkins
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W. M. Abbott
Charleston
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H. F. Arnott
Beckley
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Gene Moore
Ashland
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F. S. Larue
Kingsport
25 Years

C. A. Sweeney
System
20 Years

H. L. Candler
Lynchburg
20 Years

G. D. Covey
Pulaski
20 Years

T. D. Smythers
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W. M. Taylor
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L. J. Ayers
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Lee Nance
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C. H. Fields
Pikeville
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E. C. Davis
Huntington
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R. P. Mallory
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E. W. Linkous
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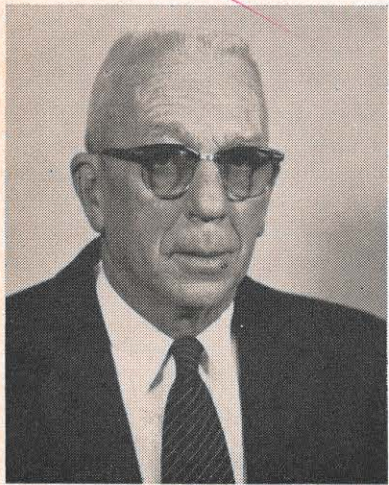
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W. L. Beeler
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S. E. Pierson
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W. G. Hartgrove
Kingsport
20 Years

Retirement Ends 35-Year Career



Mr. Myers

His 35 years of employment seem like "just four or five years" to Max A. Myers of the Charleston station section, who retired June 1.

The veteran tractor trailer driver helper says his time with the company has been a pleasure, he has enjoyed all the friends he has made and he remembers particularly how much he enjoyed and appreciated flowers the Kilowatt Club sent his wife when their daughter was born 34 years ago.

Mr. Myers joined the company February 8, 1926 as a mechanic and was auto mechanic before becoming truck driver groundman. He went to his present position in 1955. Prior to joining Appalachian he maintained a service shop of his own.

First Aid Boosted In Russell County

Eight first aid instructors, six of them Clinch River plant employees, have been trained to strengthen first aid efforts in Russell County and at the plant.

One immediate result of the class, taught by W. S. Kitchen, assistant system safety director, was the laying of the cornerstone of the first aid program of the newly organized Russell County Rescue Squad.

Taking the course were Clifford Monk of the Lebanon Funeral Home, Jack Rudder of the local state police detachment, and the following plant employees: Alvie Napier, B. C. Ferrell, Jr., H. G. Gillespie, Jr., E. E. Crist, L. H. McDonald and John Grimes.

AEP Veteran Dies After Long Illness

John A. Morris, 61, head of the AEP Service Corporation's meter and service engineering section, died May 5 at his Huntington, L. I. home after an extended illness.

A 41-year veteran of the utility business, he had been AEP meter and service engineer since 1942. He was employed by the Electric Company of New Jersey when it was merged with the Atlantic City Electric Company, formerly of the AEP System, in 1927. After service with a utility in Sao Paulo, Brazil, beginning in 1928, he returned in 1942 to join the Service Corporation.

Retired Employee Dies In Galax



Mr. Lawson

Fred Robinson Lawson, 79, died at his home in Galax May 3, following a long period of ill health.

Mr. Lawson retired from active service in April 1947, having worked continuously at Byllesby-Buck hydro plants since he was first employed in August 1918. In the course of his long service he covered all types of work at the plants, including maintenance and operation. At the time of his retirement he was operator at the Byllesby transformer house.

Mr. Lawson is survived by his wife, a daughter and two sons. Both sons are Appalachian employees: Roy P. Lawson is in the Galax local accounting office, and Fred M. Lawson is in the system transmission department at Lebanon.

Engineer In Logan To Lead Rotarians

Joseph A. Kovich, Logan district engineer, has been elected president of the Logan Rotary Club, effective July 1. He has served the club as secretary for some time.

Employed in 1937, he is a graduate of West Virginia University, is married and has two daughters. He was an officer in the Navy during World War II.

In addition to civic work, he is also active in his church.



Mr. Kovich

First Transformers From Porter Plant Go To Appalachian

Appalachian has received the first shipment of distribution transformers from the new Lynchburg Works of Delta-Star Division of H. K. Porter Company, Inc.

In ceremonies marking the first shipment from the new plant, R. E. Hodges, Appalachian vice president and general manager, accepted the transformers. Other Appalachian representatives at the ceremony were U. K. Vaught, system purchasing agent, and D. C. Kennedy, Lynchburg district manager.

Lynchburg Mayor William C. Vaughan, City Manager Robert D. Morrison, and representatives of the Lynchburg Area Development Corporation, Chamber of Commerce, Retail Merchants Association, Central Virginia Industries and the Lynchburg banks also attended.

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Club. Mrs. John Morgan was elected president and Mrs. Kermit Ford elected secretary. Mrs. Paul Scally was the retiring president.

Beckley District

S. J. Farmer, Jr., head meter clerk, has been elected vice president of the Southern Coalfield Officials Association . . . Mrs. J. C. Barker, wife of the dealer sales representative, has been elected vice chairman of the Beckley Junior Woman's Club . . . Michael, 17-year-old son of W. C. McMahan, district manager, has been chosen by the Civitans to go to Boys' State.

Pulaski . . .

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. . . Mrs. W. L. Dotson, wife of the Galax truck driver-groundman, is the new chaplain of the Auxiliary of the Galax Volunteer Fire Department . . . Mrs. Buford Q. Sharp, wife of the Byllesby-Buck hydro maintenance mechanic, is the new recording secretary of the Fries Woman's Club . . . Mrs. Roy Lawson, wife of the Galax local office supervisor, was named secretary of the Galax Woman's Club . . . Nancy, daughter of R. H. Cornett, T&D clerk, has been chosen the outstanding English student at Dublin High School by the Beta Club . . . Mrs. Anna B. Schrader, Galax cashier, has been selected Ada in the Eastern Star . . . Paul T. Gress, commercial sales representative, has been elected president of the Northwood PTA . . . C. A. Kidd, Christiansburg working foreman, was named commander of Leonard E. McCoy Post 5311, VFW . . . J. B. Brillheart, Jr., draftsman, was named church school superintendent; Dorothy N. Whittaker, personnel stenographer, recording steward of the official board; and Mrs. G. K. Smythers, wife of the T&D clerk, church school secretary, at Pulaski First Methodist Church.

The Talking Gloves



First rubber glove: "Congratulations. I see you have passed your monthly physical." Second rubber glove: "Same to you. That air injection and high voltage subjection are tough tests. Makes one feel good when they are over." Both, in unison: "We have had a great glove in preventing customer interruptions, and we have prevented more injuries and fatalities than most any other piece of safety equipment. We think we deserve a great big glove." And that they do. Constant testing of rubber gloves, used by line crews, is one of the ways our companies make working conditions as safe as possible, and make safety a way of life. These gloves, it happens, work in Bluefield.

Work Simplification Ideas Total 139 In '61

Thirty-two Work Simplification proposals received approvals in their division of origin in April, bringing the year's total in the companies' program to 139.

Kentucky

Two proposals came from Hazard men. Forrest Warfield, distribution, suggested washing and reusing wiping rags, while Gaine Stidham, T&D, proposed a procedure for tree trimmers to report unsafe conditions.

Bluefield Division

Two Bluefield district suggestions came from W. D. Lineberry, T&D. He proposes using a Clark Drip Meter to show customers how much water is lost by a dripping faucet, and what this water requires in kilowatt-hours to heat it. He says it is a good way of settling this type high bill complaint satisfactorily. His other suggestion describes a simple device that detects water leaks in water systems.

G. E. Hill, Jr. of Bluefield T&D describes a safety reminder board with employees' names on it. As long as they work safely, green lights appear beside their names. But if they're observed in an unsafe practice a red light appears. Unsafe acts are discussed in safety meetings.

Charleston Division

J. E. Vines of Beckley T&D suggests that using insulinks on two hot wires to eliminate taping when splicing aluminum service drops will save six minutes and nine feet of tape.

Six proposals came from Charleston. Sidney Jean of T&D suggests installing two battery-powered emergency lights that come on automatically when building service is interrupted for use when servicemen are dispatched. W. H. Bostic of engineering says that by using prints of coordination maps, information on numbers of customers affected by outages is more readily accessible.

Labeling bins in the storeroom, making size and color code of connectors visible, was proposed by W. D. Grimmett of T&D. R. J. Fairfield of engineering suggests mounting material price lists in binders with material description lists. Two suggestions came from B. W. Clay of stores. He proposes installing a pole rack for used poles at the rear of the North Charleston yard, and suggests buying

compression stirrups rather than salvage copper wire.

In Point Pleasant, J. K. Shinn of engineering proposes using preprinted estimate forms for detailed line construction estimates. And C. A. Simmons of engineering suggests using duplex cable for street lighting circuits, resulting in a savings over open wire construction.

Huntington Division

W. F. Giles of Huntington commercial proposes redesigning form MO 603 to eliminate a provision for separate listing of series and multiple street lights, since such a listing is no longer necessary. He collaborated with J. T. Russell in an idea involving either elimination of form 603 or preparing it from other sources than those now used.

J. B. Bartholomew of Huntington T&D suggests using a ground rod driving tool to replace a hammer now being used. T. R. Smith and B. C. Connelly of T&D describe at length Huntington's operating center (see feature in this issue of THE ILLUMINATOR). In another proposal, Mr. Smith describes the communications code adopted to describe customer, distribution and meter trouble calls.

H. C. Smith of T&D tells of a combination step and extension ladder that has been added to service trucks, replacing a six-foot ladder. Paul Harlan, T&D, describes an alphabetical card index file setup to make ordering tools easier and quicker. W. A. Joseph, T&D, tells how a set of filters that was purchased eliminated the need of stocking four contrast grades of paper for printing negatives of various densities.

R. D. Blevins of Logan T&D proposes a straight-line graph which makes calculating percent voltage drops easier. And he and V. C. Mauck describe a frame developed to provide for uniform folding of meter charts.

Roanoke Division

James Collins of Lynchburg T&D engineering presented an idea originally conceived by D. J. Thompson,

Jr. and G. C. Wheeler. It involves the use of a two-level tool compartment box for survey trucks. R. D. Curtis, also of T&D engineering, tells how plats of new subdivisions are secured as soon as the subdivisions are approved. These plats are given to the electric heating department so they can contact contractors before contracts are let.

In Roanoke, J. R. Loving, Jr. and W. C. Reynolds point out that meter and wires are installed on boxes in the shop. To eliminate lifting this box to mark fastener holes, a yard stick has been adapted to do the job.

Plants

Three proposals came from Clinch River. C. C. Rasnake of maintenance proposes a new routing system for notification of material tickets to save time. E. S. Kees and Paek Sutherland of maintenance describe an air hose connection which cleans the discharge line from the water ejector (which keeps water out of the boiler room sump pump bay). And Marshall Stevenson of maintenance tells of a new tool which makes cleaning of the hydrovactor jets faster and easier.

A plant improvement idea came from Philip Sporn plant. J. Frey and W. Dudding of operations describe a position rod and bunker opener for defective coal gates.

Accounting Vet Is Now Retired



Mr. Ballengee

The man who billed the first customer in the rural area around Charleston during Appalachian's early rural electrification program has retired.

Hobart C. Ballengee, accounting general clerk, retired June 1. The billing of that customer took place 30 years ago, but it is one of several memories that Mr. Ballengee has of his 38 years of service. He has seen the accounting department develop from the day he joined it—September 7, 1923—until the day he retired.

Accounting hasn't been his only interest, however. A native of Clayton, he attended Concord and Marshall Colleges and served in the Army Engineers in 1918. Before joining Appalachian, he taught elementary school in Summers County and worked for three years at the U. S. Naval Ordnance plant in Charleston.

A member of Calvary Baptist Church, he enjoys hunting, traveling and sports. He says that although he has enjoyed the "very best of relations throughout all my years of service, both with the company and fellow employees," he is looking forward to joining his wife in retirement (she retired two years ago after 43 years as a school teacher).

His plans include "keeping the road hot" between Charleston and Morgantown, where his married daughter and three grandchildren live.

Cigars Record Posterity



Cigars, some 15 years old, identify the babies born to friends and relatives of Stanley C. Smith, who has pursued this unusual hobby since 1946.

Ever hear of a cigar reminding a person of someone else? That's the way it is with Stanley C. Smith, Pulaski line inspector.

Stanley has an unusual hobby, resulting from a habit he broke. In 1946 he quit smoking, but proud new parents continued to give him cigars on the birth of their offspring. He has kept the cigars, properly labeled, and now a glance at any of them recalls the person it represents.

Right after he quit smoking, Stanley was presented a cigar by R. J. "Pat" Blair, division agricultural sales coordinator, on the birth of his son,

John Anthony. He couldn't smoke it and he didn't want to give it or throw it away. A hobby was born.

He labeled that first cigar with the date, name of the parents, and the child's name, weight and date of birth. He now has 83 such mementos. Included are ones representing three sets of twins, one of the sets his own grandchildren.

He admits it is a problem finding the proper way to keep and display his collection, but that doesn't discourage him. He figures as long as the stork keeps up his work, he will keep up his hobby.



Appalachian Power Company

Beckley District—25 YEARS: H. F. ARNOTT, credit supervisor. 15 YEARS: R. H. PRICE, area serviceman. 5 YEARS: S. J. FARMER, JR., head meter reader.

Bluefield District—35 YEARS: EDGAR B. BREWER, lineman. 25 YEARS: WADE L. NASH, division meterman. 20 YEARS: ERNEST W. LINKOUS, assistant stores supervisor. 15 YEARS: ROY L. MADISON, division meter clerk. 10 YEARS: NEVA O. SHEPHERD, cashier.

Cabin Creek Plant—30 YEARS: ED JARRETT, labor-janitor foreman.

Charleston District—25 YEARS: WILLIAM M. ABBOTT, electrical engineer; LEROY GOODE, line foreman; CLADIE E. HAWKINS, truck driver-groundman. 15 YEARS: BILLY E. BLAKE, transportation; DELT H. CROSIER, lineman. 10 YEARS: GLENN A. PAUL, groundman; JOHN W. SHOLES, collector; CECIL A. TAYLOR, auto repairman.

Glen Lyn Plant—20 YEARS: E. E. THOMPSON, switchboard operator. 10 YEARS: A. W. DUNFORD, guard; E. E. MEDLEY, maintenance man; W. S. WADE, maintenance helper.

Huntington District—35 YEARS: A. WAITMAN YORK, assistant stores supervisor. 20 YEARS: EUGENE C. DAVIS, engineering aide; RICHARD P. MALLORY, heating and builder sales representative. 15 YEARS: HERBERT C. DAVIS, electrical engineer. 10 YEARS: TROY W. HATFIELD, meterman; PEARLENE VANOOTEGHEM, T&D clerk.

Kanawha River Plant—20 YEARS: J. W. FORE, plant stores supervisor. 5 YEARS: J. L. OLIVER, auxiliary equipment operator; C. L. KNIGHT, instrument maintenance man; K. G. WINTER, auxiliary equipment operator.

Logan District—25 YEARS: LESTER TOLER, meter serviceman. 15 YEARS: W. E. BIVENS, customer service co-ordinator; E. P. HAGER, commercial sales engineer.

Lynchburg District—20 YEARS: L. J. AYERS, hydro maintenance man; H. L. CANDLER, division agricultural sales engineer; T. D. SMYTHERS, hydro operator; W. M. TAYLOR, hydro maintenance man. 15 YEARS: G. C. WHEELER, district engineer.

Point Pleasant District—10 YEARS: VONDA L. BARNETTE, general clerk. 5 YEARS: Q. T. BALSER, groundman; R. L. BARNETTE, lineman; FREDERICK NIBERT, T&D clerk.

Pulaski District—25 YEARS: F. E. ROTENBERRY, district hydro supervisor; M. C. SPANGLER, area serviceman; D. G. COVEY, hydro maintenance mechanic; LEE NANCE, assistant hydro operator. 5 YEARS: W. C. HAGER, division agricultural sales engineer.

Roanoke District—25 YEARS: L. A. HUFF, groundman. 15 YEARS: F. A. HARRIS, meterman; J. E. HARRIS, janitor. 10 YEARS: HOPE C. AUSTIN, merchandise order and billing clerk; BETTY J. BAKER, stenographer; J. A. DUNHAM, division power sales engineer. 5 YEARS: B. J. AKERS, meter service helper.

Smith Mountain—10 YEARS: MERRILL A. DOOLEY, stores supervisor.

Philip Sporn Plant—10 YEARS: SAMUEL E. HOLLIDAY, maintenance man; EDWIN F. HUDSON, harbor boat operator; PAUL D. NEASE, equipment operator; WILLIAM E. STIVERS, maintenance man.

System—40 YEARS: F. H. LEWIS, system chief operations coordinator. 35 YEARS: CLAUDINE M. FOSTER, customer record clerk; R. M. FOSTER, system right of way agent. 25 YEARS: W. A. IRVIN, JR., system right of way agent; R. E. MARTIN, system right of way supervisor. 20 YEARS: C. A. SWEENEY, draftsman. 15 YEARS: BERNARD MULLENS, regional dispatcher. 10 YEARS: C. F. BUNTING, regional dispatcher. 5 YEARS: BETTY V. CARTER, stenographer.

Welch District—15 YEARS: ERLE M. MCKINNEY, lineman.

Williamson District—15 YEARS: J. B. HARRIS, JR., groundman.

Kentucky Power Company

Ashland District—25 YEARS: GENE MOORE, general foreman. 5 YEARS: WILBUR S. SLONE, engineering record clerk.

Hazard District—20 YEARS: ADRIAN COMBS, distribution engineer.

Pikeville District—20 YEARS: CRAIG H. FIELDS, residential sales advisor. 15 YEARS: LLOYD COLLINS, serviceman. 10 YEARS: TILDEN JUSTICE, meter serviceman.

Kingsport Utilities, Inc.

25 YEARS: FRED S. LARUE, area sales representative. 20 YEARS: WILLIAM L. BEELER, meter reader; JAMES W. GILLIAM, truck driver-groundman; WILLIAM G. HARTGROVE, groundman; SAMUEL E. PIERSON, meter serviceman. 15 YEARS: JAMES P. SMITH, lineman. 5 YEARS: SHIRLEY J. HURD, pre-audit clerk.

Lynchburg Employee Named IM President

The new president of the Industrial Management Club in Lynchburg is Paul L. Bailey.



Mr. Bailey

first vice president.

His term of office runs from July this year until July 1962.

Jaycees Of Lebanon Tap H. G. Gillespie

Harvey G. Gillespie, Jr. has been elected president of the Lebanon Junior Chamber of Commerce.



Mr. Gillespie

He is test engineer at Clinch River plant. He has served the organization as treasurer and state director. Mr. Gillespie is also active in church work and serves as secretary of the official board of the Lebanon Memorial Methodist Church.

Teams And Individuals Win Bowling Honors

The long bowling season is drawing to a close for many company leagues, with championships being decided and individuals honored for performances.

Sporn Plant

The Kilowatts won the second half of the Sporn league and went on to defeat Carroll's Shift, first half winners, for the championship. The team won the second half by a half a game over the Trippers.

Wyllis Davis had high average of 173, Harold Russell rolled high game of 246 and Clayton Athey's 603 held up for high set. The Kilowatts had high team game of 837 and high team set of 2448. George Johnson was judged the most improved bowler and Dennis Johnson and James Bennett received awards for rolling the same score in three successive games.

A bowling tournament climaxed the season. A team composed of Glen Roush, Jerry Arnold, Jim Hart, Charles Yeager and Bill Gibbs won the team event, while Bill Hayes edged Jim Pauley for winner of the singles. Harold Russell and Doug Miller beat out Charles King and George Wolfe as doubles champs. Jim Bennett took the all events and Russell was runner-up.

Roanoke

The league season at Roanoke is divided into thirds, and Meter, final third winner, knocked down 13 more pins in three games than Coordinators, first third winner, for the overall championship. Service, second third winner, was defeated earlier in the roll-offs.

Individual honors for the season went to G. M. Adkins, high average of 167; J. W. Whitenack, high game of 263; O. A. Hawkins, high set of 599; and V. T. Carr, most improved bowler. Team honors went to Coordinators for high game of 936 and high set of 2653.

Kanawha River

Twenty-one pins were the difference as the Wreckers, second half winners, edged Montgomery's Green Sox, first half champs, for the league title.

Russ Fields had high season average of 170 and high set of 557. John Fore's 233 was high game. For the girls, Jeanne Bryant had a 149 average, 209 single and 535 series. In handicap, Jack Harris had high set of 697 for the men and Margaret Fields high set for women of 674. C. W. O'Daniel had high men's game and Betty Smith high women's game.

Lynchburg

Rolling in the Industrial "B" League, the company team from Lynchburg finished third for the season. C. H. Morris was captain and rolling with him were R. O. Witt, P. R. Keys, L. R. Hudson, R. H. Johnson, L. G. Dougan, J. K. Reid and N. C. Davis.

Williamson

Captain Fred Varney of the Hawks was kidded a little at the beginning



An unusual combination of photographs, the work of Ira Henderson of Bluefield, sets the stage for members of the Dead Ends, Bluefield Champs. From left are Phil Fry, H. D. Jones, Jr., Buck Fanning, Garlin Hill, Jr., and O. C. Hawley. Eulalia Fotoo was also a team member, but was not present for the picture.

of the Williamson season because he had more women on his team than the others did—women's scores usually average a little lower than men's.

Now Fred is laughing—his team just took the championship of the loop. The team won the second half and then beat the Bluejays, first half winners, for the title. Jay Runyon had high average of 159 and high series of 571 and Bill Barbour high game of 266.

Bluefield

The Dead Ends did it the only sure way in the Bluefield District Bowling League—they won both halves of the season.

Ernest W. Linkous, president of the league, set the leadership example by finishing with high average of 180, high single of 244 and high set of 654. Thalia Belcher had high ladies' average of 138 and high single of 199. The Connectors rolled high team game of 907 and the Hot Sticks high set of 2542. Phil H. Fry was selected as the most improved bowler.

Point Pleasant

Winning the second half, the Point Pleasant team met defeat at the hands of Kyger Creek in the finals of the league championship. The team averaged 917 pins a game in this its second season.

L. C. Bias paced the team with a 158 average and W. M. Pancake



Roanoke's comeback Meter team was made up of, front row from left: J. A. Boston and D. T. Crickenberger; back row from left: W. E. Webb, J. R. Loving and W. M. Mills.

was the most improved bowler of the year.

Kingsport

It just wasn't Kingsport's year. The Utilities' team in a city league won the second quarter only to drop the first half title by a few pins. Then the team won the fourth quarter, but fell 20 pins short of winning the second half title.

The team did take home many trophies. J. G. Rayfield had the league's highest average of 178 and W. Z. Trumbo was third with 173. J. A. Randall, Jr. rolled the high game and high set. The team also rolled the highest game and set.

Huntington

Two champions were crowned in the APCo-Kilowatt Bowling League in Huntington. The IBEW team finished the regular season in first place, and the Dead Ends won a post-season roll-off among the top four teams. Electric Heat finished second.

Individual trophies went to: men—Chris Connelly, high single of 251; Ted Smith, high set of 621; women

—Jean Harbour, high single of 210; Mary Mallory, high set of 527. Electric Heat rolled the high team game of 919 and high series of 2,460.



C. L. Miller and Fred Varney in the front row and Hazel Farris and Alberta Shelton in the back sparked the Hawks to the Williamson bowling title.



Members of Kingsport's team are from left: Emory Fugate, Wilson Trumbo, John Randall and Junious Rayfield. Absent are Captain James Kesterson and Hoyett Morrison.



Spearheading Point Pleasant's second place finish in a city league this year were, from left: G. E. Roberts, C. E. Fowler, Jr., W. H. Stricklen, W. M. Pancake, Steve Carpenter and L. C. Bias. F. E. Wolfe was absent when the picture was taken.



LEFT: Members of the Kilowatts, winner of the Sporn plant league title, are, front row from left: Bill Hayes and Nelson Roush; back row from left: Doug Miller, Gerald Clark and Billy Thomas. Clifford Divers is absent



from the picture. RIGHT: This team won the plant's season-end tournament. From left are Glen Roush, Jerry Arnold, Jim Hart, Charles Yeager and Bill Gibbs. Several individuals also won awards.



LEFT: The Dead Ends won a post-season roll-off in the Huntington League. Team members are from left: Ken Adkins, Betty Adkins, Ted Smith,



Myrtle Smith and Hollis Harrison. CENTER: Elected officers of the Huntington league for next year were, from left: Paul Baker, president;



Dorcas Lindsey, vice president; Mary Mallory, wife of R. P. Mallory, secretary; and Hollis Harrison, treasurer. RIGHT: Champion of the Huntington league for the regular season with a 67½-57½ record was the IBEW team. Team members are from left: Mary Triplett, Jim Triplett, Teddy

McComas and Fred Bruce. Fred LeMaster was absent when the picture was made. A banquet concluded the bowling season.

For Second Time

Roanoke's John Swim Earns "Mr. Youth Fitness" Title



George Preas, tackle for the professional football Baltimore Colts, presents a trophy to John Swim, designating him Roanoke's "Mr. Youth Fitness." At right is Capt. J. H. Thompson of the Marines.

Roanoke's "Mr. Youth Fitness" for the second year in a row is John Swim, 17-year-old Jefferson High School senior.

John, son of Mary E. Swim, system T&D stenographer, won the title

in the city's second annual Youth Fitness Day program, sponsored by the Roanoke Junior Chamber of Commerce and Roanoke's 5th Engineer Co., Marine Corps Reserve.

About 80 boys entered the competition, and John's four-man Jefferson team took the city title. It later went on to take the Regional championship, the highest level competition goes in the state.

Each of the participants went through seven events for scoring—push-ups, sit-ups, pull-ups, squat thrusts, standing broad jump, 300-yard run and one-mile cross country.

Pin Fall



Knocking down 227 pins in one game has earned for Eleanor Cunningham the Logan Woman's Bowling Association trophy for the highest game of the season. The managerial secretary edged out Bertha Beckett, wife of J. R. Beckett, control operator, who had a 219. But Mrs. Beckett had high set of the season of 575 and third highest average of 154. Also receiving trophies for rolling games in excess of 175 pins were Ruby Henritze, wife of retiree T. L. Henritze, and Mildred Maynard, personnel.

Mrs. Anderson, AEP, Earns Donor Pin

Mrs. Mary Anderson, chemist in the AEP Service Corporation laboratory in Huntington, has joined the ranks of those who have given two gallons of blood to the Red Cross.

Mrs. Anderson has been with the service laboratory since June 1956. In

Huntington she is active in the work of the Camera Club, and enjoys reading as another hobby. Mrs. Anderson graduated from Marshall College with a BS degree in chemical engineering.



Mrs. Anderson

Photo Bridges Three Decades

In a favorite song of the teenagers today, the singer laments that "It's A Big, Big World." Virginia Stafford of Williamson and Guy Mounts, Jr. of Charleston would not agree.

Virginia, accounting general clerk, noticed Guy's name on a petty cash voucher from the Charleston office and wondered if it could be the same person that used to live next door when she was a child. She searched her family album and found a picture of her childhood playmate and herself when he was 7 and she was 5.

A fellow employee going to Charleston took the photo along and Guy, petty cash clerk, recognized Virginia immediately. It had been 30 years since they had heard from each other.

Arlene Hayes Proves Size Isn't Everything



This is Miss Hayes in action on the trampoline. The picture, incidentally, was taken by her uncle, and won first place in the action category of the Huntington Camera Club contest.

A basketball coach, a softball catcher, an expert bowler, swimmer and tennis player—sounds like a brawny athlete, doesn't it?

But it isn't. It—or rather, she—is five feet-two, 108 pounds. She's Arlene Hayes, a technician in the AEP Service Corporation Laboratory in Huntington, and when she's finished with these sports, she works out on the trampoline for exercise.

She is presently coach of the Huntington Pepsi-Cola team in the YWCA basketball league, a job she has held for five years. Before that, she was a referee with a national junior rating. Miss Hayes also plays softball in the YWCA league.

This pint-size Babe Zaharias has competed in the City Tennis Tournament, and was on her high school swimming team. When she started working she joined the Alley Pallies of the Appalachian Employees' Bowling League.



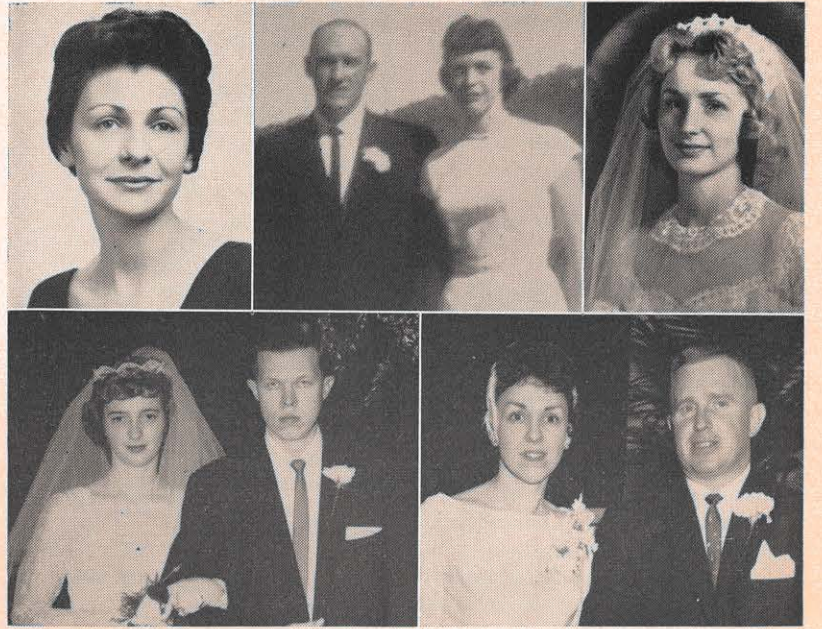
Miss Hayes

Trophy Harvest



An armful of trophies is the harvest from participation in Roanoke's Gold Medal Basketball Tournament for these two Bluefielders. Charles Bobby Lampert, lineman, left, and Mervyn E. Anderson, car washer, were on the Bluefield team that won the "B Division" of the tournament by defeating four other entries. The small trophies were presented to each player on the winning team; Mr. Lampert holds another symbolic of his selection on the all-tournament team, and the large trophy is the team's. Both men formerly played for Bluefield High School, and Mr. Lampert played two years for Emory and Henry College.

Couples Take Vows



Married in recent weeks were the following. Top row from left: Mrs. James Alton Wilkinson, Fieldale; Mr. and Mrs. Sammie Carter, Pikeville; and Mrs. Robert Bruce Weddle, Jr., Pikeville. Bottom row from left: Mr. and Mrs. Edward Jerome Clevinger, Pikeville; and Mr. and Mrs. George Williamson, Pikeville.

Williams-Wilkinson

Elaine Williams and James Alton Wilkinson were united in marriage on May 13 at the Methodist Church in Fieldale. Mrs. Wilkinson is a cashier in the Fieldale district.

May 13. Mr. Carter is a meter reader in the Pikeville district.

Marcum-Weddle

Jennetta Giesel Marcum and Robert Bruce Weddle, Jr., were married on April 2. Mr. Weddle is the son of Robert B. Weddle, distribution engineer in the Pikeville district.

Worley-Williamson

Biddie E. Worley became the bride of George Williamson on April 12. Mrs. Williamson is a home service representative in the Pikeville district.

Betty M. Humphreys Leads Woman's Club

Betty M. Humphreys has been elected president of the Lebanon Woman's Club for a two-year term.



Mrs. Humphreys

The Clinch River plant results clerk served as secretary-treasurer before her recent election to the presidency. She succeeds Charlotte Robinson, wife of W. M. Robinson, Jr., maintenance supervisor.

Johnson-Jemley

April 29 was the wedding day of Frances R. Johnson and Mack Jemley. Mrs. Jemley is a clerk trainee in the Pikeville district.

Mrs. Humphreys attended Milligan College prior to joining the company.

Williamson-Clevinger

Jennie Williamson was married to Edward Jerome Clevinger on April 2. Mrs. Clevinger is the daughter of the deceased employee, Hylton Williamson.

May-Carter

The wedding of Billie Jo May and Sammie Carter took place on

New Arrivals

Abingdon

MR. AND MRS. TOM WALSH, a daughter, Stephanie Ann, April 28. Mrs. Walsh is a former accounting department employee.

MR. AND MRS. CHARLES WEAVER, a daughter, Charlene Dawn, May 17. Mrs. Weaver is a former PBX operator.

Bekley

MR. AND MRS. ROY M. CROUSE, a son, Paul Evan, May 12. Mr. Crouse is a meterman.

Roanoke

MR. AND MRS. GREGORY O. GIVENS, a daughter, Juanita Faye, May 15. Mr. Givens is a T&D clerk.

Bluefield

MR. AND MRS. CHARLES S. BOWLING, JR., a son, David Wayne, April 2. Mr. Bowling is a truck driver-groundman.

Smith Mountain

MR. AND MRS. E. A. TERRY, a daughter, Debra Hene, April 12. Mr. Terry is a timekeeper at Leesville Dam.

Charleston

MR. AND MRS. SIDNEY MILLER, a daughter, Sandra Lynne, May 2. Mrs. Miller is a former division commercial department employee.

Philip Sporn Plant

MR. AND MRS. ANDREW D. DeCOY, a son, Donald Lee, March 29. Mr. DeCoy is a utility operator.

MR. AND MRS. GLENN HUFFMAN, a son, Delton Clarence, April 6. Mr. Huffman is a conveyor operator.

MR. AND MRS. KENNETH EDWARD MATSON, a daughter, Valerie Rae, April 18. Mr. Matson is a laborer.

MR. AND MRS. FLOYD TAYLOR, a son, Jeffrey Allen, April 28. Mr. Taylor is division commercial and industrial sales supervisor.

System

MR. AND MRS. WALTER F. COCHRAN, a son, James Thomas, April 14. Mr. Cochran is a system transmission man in Bluefield.

MR. AND MRS. HARVEY A. McGOWAN, a son, Gary Lee, April 23. Mr. McGowan is a lineman.

MR. AND MRS. JERRY L. DODSON, a son, Mark Douglas, May 16. Mr. Dodson is a draftsman in civil engineering.

MR. AND MRS. CARL E. THOMAS, a son, Jeffrey Allen, May 7. Mr. Thomas is a car washer.

MR. AND MRS. ANDREW D. JANOSKO, a son, Stephen Eric, April 13. Mr. Janosko is system chief of party.

Huntington

MR. AND MRS. EARL R. DRISKILL, a son, Richard Lytle, May 3. Mr. Driskill is a division dealer sales representative.

MR. AND MRS. CLAUDE LANE, a daughter, Nadine Valerie, April 20. Mr. Lane is a meter reader.

Lynchburg

MR. AND MRS. EARL R. DRISKILL, a son, Richard Lytle, May 3. Mr. Driskill is a division dealer sales representative.

Williamson

MR. AND MRS. ARNOLD O. HATFIELD, a daughter, Marsha, April 29. Mr. Hatfield is a stores supervisor.

MR. AND MRS. H. L. CHAMBERS, a son, Richard Lytle, May 3. Mr. Chambers is a material clerk.

MR. AND MRS. JUNIOR STANLEY, a son, Joseph, May 4. Mr. Stanley is a lineman.

They're Engaged

JUDY ANN ROUSH to Robert Gibbs. Miss Roush is the daughter of L. I. Roush, lineman in the Point Pleasant district.

Pulaski Supervisor Retires June 1

John Fitzgerald Spencer, Pulaski district station supervisor, retired June 1 from active service.

His employment began in 1919, when he worked as electrician with the substation maintenance crew in both the Bluefield and Roanoke divisions. In 1930 he moved to the Pulaski district as foreman of the distribution substation maintenance crew.

In the course of his long career of 41 years he has supervised the construction of many of the district stations.

Mr. Spencer was born in Bedford County and served in the Engineers during the First World War. He is an Elk, and enjoys fishing and gardening. He and his wife are members of the First Methodist Church in Pulaski.



Mr. Spencer

Holding The Line On Medical Costs

In an era when costs for everything continue to spiral, everybody is anxious to keep medical and hospital costs as stable as possible. Voluntary health insurance programs and prepayment plans have been developed to help you finance your own health care costs. Your responsibility as a policyholder to make these plans successful involves USING NOT ABUSING your insurance. This responsibility carries over to your employer, your union, to hospital administrators as well as physicians and all allied health and medical people.

Your own physician through the American Medical Association is on record opposing increasing professional fees just because people have insurance coverage. Your doctor knows that to use insurance as an excuse to hike professional fees contributes to the eventual defeat of these insurance programs.

If everybody with a stake in the success of voluntary insurance accepts his personal responsibility for making these plans work, the end result will be continually improved insurance plans more closely tailored to your own family's financial needs.

And like the family car that's well cared for, you'll get a lot more mileage out of your health insurance coverage if you use it, not abuse it.

Retired AEP Man Dies In Florida

Howard A. Enos, 70, retired head of the AEP Service Corporation's distribution engineering section, died of a heart attack April 27 while on vacation in Deerfield Beach, Fla.

He had joined AEP in 1924 and retired in 1956. A native of Allegan County, Mich., he was also an engineer with Consumers Power Company, Detroit Edison Company and Indiana Service Corporation in Fort Wayne.



J. W. Nunnery, Welch meter serviceman, puts the final touches on the installation of a 7000-lumen dusk-to-dawn light. This one was received in the storeroom at 2.30 p.m. and installed at 3 p.m.

Welch Believes In Fast Service

At 2:30 on a recent afternoon, the new 7000-lumen mercury vapor Dusk-To-Dawn lights arrived at the Welch storeroom. Thirty minutes later, two of them were installed in the Hemphill area.

Such action is not unusual in Welch. To date 451 dusk-to-dawn lights have been sold in the district, the greater part of which by servicemen.

In fact the two that were so rapidly installed had been sold two weeks before by J. W. Nunnery, meter serviceman. Mr. Nunnery and C. I. Taylor, also meter serviceman, assembled the lights when they were delivered, and immediately took them out for installation.

Three Employees Write In 'Ideas'



Mr. Foster

Mr. Kern

Three Appalachian employees wrote articles appearing in the May issue of *AEP Operating Ideas*.

James R. Trail, Clinch River plant maintenance man, was the author of "Ash Hopper Scaffold is Prefabricated." He describes a metal prefabricated frame-work built to replace wood scaffolding in ash hopper maintenance work. The metal scaffold can be assembled and taken down quickly and is easily stored.

W. D. Foster, Jr., Beckley lineman, wrote "Spring Used To Improve Insulated 'Hytool'." He tells how a spring was put on the stationary and movable handles of a "Hytool" to maintain a steady pressure during installation of Eltap connectors on 7,200 volt lines.

Instrument Maintenance Man J. L. Kern at Kanawha River plant wrote "Use Nylon Recorder String." He says that at the plant a nylon string, dipped in melted beeswax, is now being used to move the pen carriage on Leeds and Northrup Speedomax recorders. The nylon strings replace catgut violin strings. They cost 50 cents less each and last about twice as long.

Like Modern Art

Tape, Buttons And Pins Help Keep Close Tab On Electrical Facilities Serving Huntington

If you could get high enough in the air to see all of Huntington's electric system, you would have an impressive view of a lovely city, but that's about all. Operators sitting in a room in Appalachian's Service Building, looking out on the parking lot, have, electrically speaking, a far better view.

That's because on three walls surrounding them they have at a glance a complete picture of the urban, rural and distribution systems serving the Huntington area. Every line, station, road, street, major customer, all-electric home, switch and device are shown in a variety of colored tape and pins, and colored tags show the location of every crew and all work in progress.

The value of such a system is shown by a series of experiences that took place in less than an hour in the operating center.

B. C. Connelly, engineering aide, was sitting at his usual place, behind a desk that held four telephones, two two-way microphones, and bundles of record sheets. One of the phones rang. A line crew asked Chris to send someone to a section of town where a crane was doing some overhead work, and the crew thought the crane was coming too close to a 12-kv distribution line. Chris turned to the microphone and dispatched someone to check into the case.

Before and after that call, he was coordinating a job between Kenova station and a spot where some line work was going on. Since the work involved de-energizing the line at the station, there was a three-way conversation between the station, the operating center, and the line. In every case, for clarity and safety, instructions were passed through the operating center, and following each step, a suitable marker was placed on the board.

There are three maps, the biggest 20 feet long by eight feet high. This one shows 56 distribution circuits; a second map shows the complete operating district, and is marked off into

Vet Of 17 Years At Plant Retires



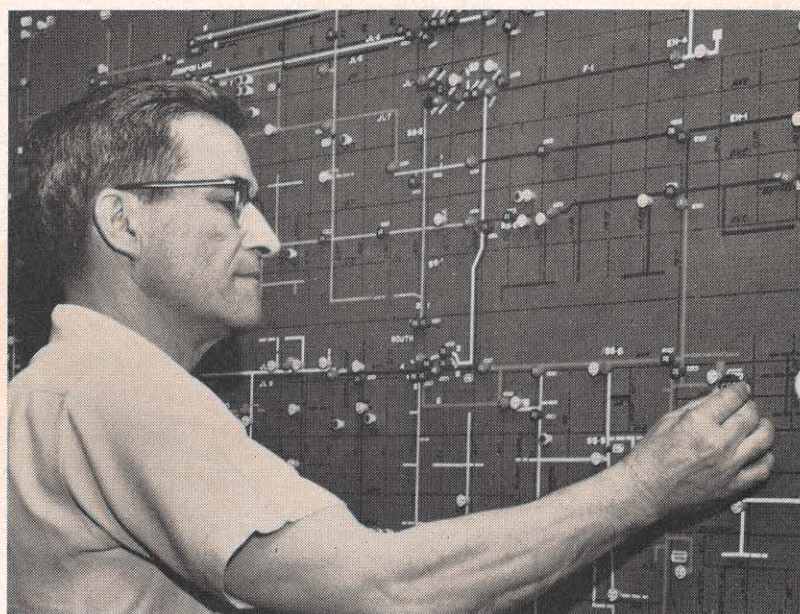
Mr. Cottrell

Fishing, hunting, traveling and civic work are on the agenda for H. B. Cottrell, now that he has retired from Cabin Creek plant.

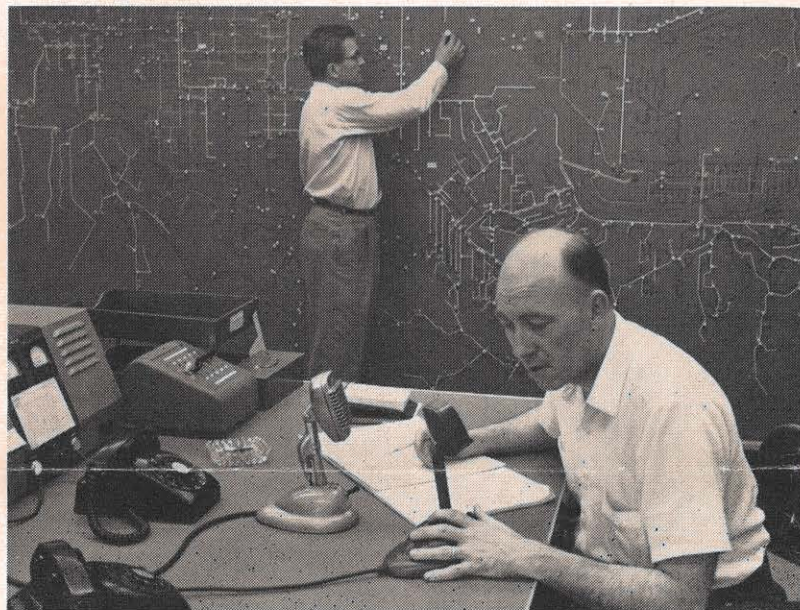
Retirement came May 1 after 17 years of service. He was employed in September 1944 as a laborer and has been a storeroom helper and material clerk.

A native of Kanawha County, Mr. Cottrell served in the Army during World War I. He is a member of Cabin Creek Post 80 of the American Legion, and is presently a nominee for city council of East Bank.

Mr. Cottrell is married and has five children.



A change on the 4-kv distribution circuit board is made by T. R. Smith, service foreman, T&D line section in Huntington. These buttons and pins, coded for special meanings, show operators at a glance the status of any work in progress.



Here's B. C. "Chris" Connelly passing on instructions to a field crew after taking a customer's call. Mr. Smith puts up the appropriate marker on the board.

grids and keyed with numbers for references. The third map shows transmission and sub-transmission circuits and stations.

The maps are made of hardwood panels, and use colored pressure tape, pins and buttons to show in scale the exact location of equipment and lines. For example, the distribution circuits are shown in quarter-inch wide colored tapes, a green pin means an open device, a yellow pin with a red disc refers to an all-electric home. Since there are eight different colors used, and since the pins can be engraved with letters or numbers, the possibilities are infinite. That, coupled with the geometric designs of colored tape, gives the board the look of something that should hang in the Museum of Modern Art. But to the operating center at Huntington, those boards are far more meaningful than any abstract daubings.

Here's Proof — Names Make News

The most unusual name to appear in their reference book, according to Dun & Bradstreet, is "Payne & Hurt, Inc." This is the name of a new wholesale heating company which will appear in D&B's next edition of its reference book.

The firm is headed by Hobert Hurt, president, and Dr. M. B. Payne, secretary and treasurer.

And where is Payne & Hurt located? Why, in Hazard, of course.

This day, even as Chris was changing the codings to reflect the line and station work, another call came in. A customer reported that a line was down in his back yard. Chris picked up his microphone, dispatched someone to take care of the job, and reached for another pin.

Meter Employee Retires June 1



Mr. Simmons

Harold I. "Doc" Simmons, Huntington meter serviceman, retired June 1 after more than 30 years of service.

He was employed November 3, 1930 as an electrician and truck driver. He has worked as meterman and serviceman, and in 1953 moved to meter serviceman.

A native of Guyandotte, he attended schools in Huntington. He is a member of the Methodist Church, is married and has two sons and one grandchild.