

The richest people in the world are those who have the price of a little optimism.

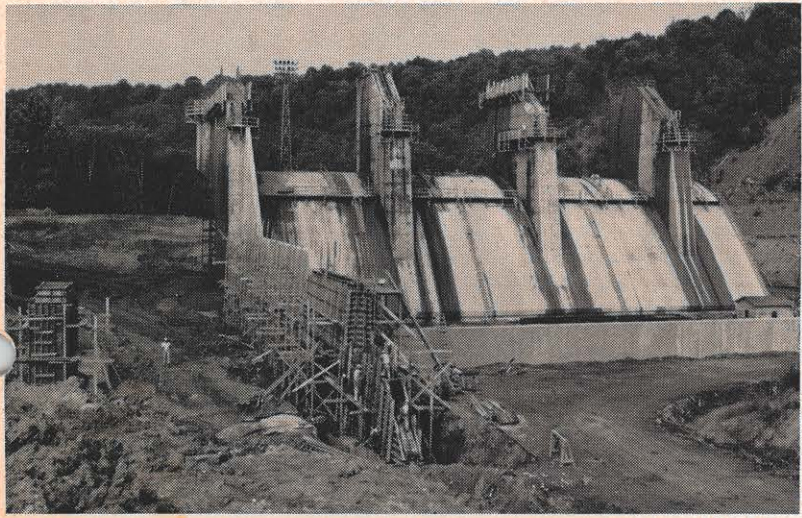
The Illuminator

There are two ways of spreading light: to be the candle or the mirror that reflects it.

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Since this photograph was made the Roanoke River at Leesville has been diverted to flow through the gap at the left. This shot looks upstream, with the spillway section at the right, the south gravity section just visible at the left. The spillway, and the work in progress on the north side are protected by an earthen dike from the river.

Clearing, Diversion Work Begins In Hydro Project

Ground clearing work around the perimeter of the Smith Mountain reservoir has begun. Seven thousand acres of land, requiring 15 months of work, are slated for clearance by Nello L. Teer, Durham, N. C., contractor. The contract was for \$900,000.

Everything on the perimeter of the lake between Elevation 768 and Elevation 797 will be removed and disposed of. The maximum height of the lake, according to the terms of the license granted Appalachian, will be Elevation 795. The clearing started near Hale's Ford bridge, on Route 122, and will move toward the dam along the south side of the river. The work is to be completed by December, 1962.

Topping of trees in the lake itself will be done when the reservoir begins to fill. The license specifies that no trees within the reservoir shall be higher than Elevation 782. This is 13 feet below the level of the lake when filled to maximum.

At the dams themselves, the scenery has again undergone a major

change.

The river has been diverted at Smith Mountain to run along the north side of the channel. The coffer dam to seal off the south side has been completed and excavations for the foundations of the dam structure have begun. About 5,000 cubic yards of concrete have been poured, mostly in the keyway section on the north side.

At Leesville, the second stage of river diversion is complete. Here the north side of the river has been blocked off with a coffer dam, and the river has been channeled through the gap between the spillway section and the south gravity section. Around 42,000 cubic yards of concrete have been poured at Leesville, virtually completing the spillway and the south gravity sections. Ultimately the Leesville dam will require about 140,000 cubic yards of concrete, and the Smith Mountain Dam about 158,000 cubic yards.

Mammoth Development Program For Power Transmission Planned By Our Companies, AEP System

A blueprint for continuing growth in the next decade was unveiled last month by the American Electric Power System.

It revealed plans for the operation by 1970 of a vast network of transmission lines totaling 15,000 miles to maintain the assured delivery of an abundance of electric power in the 7-state territory served by the AEP System.

Philip Sporn, president of AEP and of our companies, disclosed that during the period 1961-70 the AEP System will build and place in operation an additional 4,500 miles of new transmission lines. He estimated that total expenditures for these lines, together with the substation and switching facilities required to operate and protect them, will approach \$250-million.

1600 Miles

"The share of this unprecedented transmission construction program to be carried out by Appalachian Power Company, Kentucky Power Company and Kingsport Utilities, Inc.," Sporn said, "will total 1,600 miles of new line at a cost of over \$90-million. And this does not include additional thousands of miles of lower-voltage distribution lines and stations to be built during this same period and involving the expenditure of additional tens of millions of dollars."

The AEP System's 10-year program was disclosed simultaneously with an announcement by Edison Electric Institute, association of the nation's investor-owned, electric utility companies, that these utilities plan to spend approximately \$8-billion for new electric power transmission facilities through 1970.

In commenting on the AEP System plans, Sporn stated: "The vastly expanded high-voltage transmission network which we visualize will be

required and which we will build between now and 1970 is but a continuation of the program and policy of the AEP System—repeated on the whole in other parts of the nation—to meet all of our area's power needs looking ahead as far as one can possibly and effectively project.

Private Enterprise

"It is our determination to meet through the mechanism of private enterprise—by investor-owned generation, transmission and other electric facilities—the vastly greater quantities of electric energy that are visualized for our area. It is part of our determination, too, to continue to do this job on a basis so that our plants and transmission networks take their place in this area, not only as electric energy producers, but as taxpayers . . . and not as users of taxes.

"The AEP System lies in the heart of a 32-state interconnected power network—extending from Pennsylvania to Texas and from Montana to Florida—made up of some 100 utility systems that in 1960 supplied about 50% of the total electric power requirements of the United States," Sporn said. He explained that, in effect, the tremendous block of power supplied by the AEP System's series of major power plants—some 6½-million kilowatts—supports this power network and in turn is backed up and reinforced by the additional

80-million kw of generating capacity of this 100-company interconnected group.

"The AEP System today is the most interconnected utility system in the world," he continued. "At the present time, the System is directly interconnected with 18 neighboring utilities at 65 different locations around the periphery of its service area."

Sporn pointed out that, of the 18 utilities, six are directly interconnected at 21 different points with Appalachian - Kentucky - Kingsport. They are: Ohio Valley Electric Corporation on the north, Virginia Electric & Power Company on the east, Carolina Power & Light Company and Duke Power Company on the south, and Kentucky Utilities Company and the Tennessee Valley Authority on the west.

"What all of this means to a customer," Sporn summarized, "is simply that he has at his fingertips, at his electric switch, the most fabulous supply of energy—energy in its finest form—in the history of man. It also means that the quality and dependability of this electric energy supply is being maintained at the highest possible standards."

1970 Capability

The AEP System's 10-year blueprint, according to Sporn, also calls for the construction of a number of new power plants and additions to existing plants to bring the System's total generating capacity to close to 12-million kilowatts by 1970—almost double its capability today.

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AEP, Appalachian Hit New Peaks

A new one-hour peak load of 4,888,000 kilowatts has been established by the American Electric Power System. It occurred from 11:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon (EST) on Monday, September 11.

The peak took place on a day that was generally hot and humid throughout the 7-state AEP System territory. In addition, had not the General Motors strike started on the same day, the peak would have reached an estimated 4,948,000 kw.

The new peak was the second to be established within a 6-day period. On Tuesday, September 5, the AEP System hit a peak of 4,887,000 kw. The prior high of 4,877,000 had been set December 21, 1960.

In addition to the AEP System peak, Appalachian Power Company also has hit a new high—1,728,000 kw—occurring on September 1, from 10:00 to 11:00 a.m.



This is an artist's rendering of Appalachian's Project Decision shell building for industry, now under construction in Abingdon. Two contracts for the building have been awarded.

Contracts Awarded In Project Decision Work

Appalachian's Project Decision took two big steps forward in recent weeks with the awarding of two contracts.

Burl Blevins of Abingdon began grading work on the 14-acre site chosen for the shell building September 18, and was joined the following week by Johnson Brothers Building Supplies, Inc., the firm that was awarded the contract for the structure itself.

Grading work is scheduled to be completed October 5, and the building by December 1.

Approximately 38,000 cubic yards of earth will be moved, and the site leveled for construction.

The building will cover 50,000 square feet of floor space, and will be built of concrete block. Brick will face

the building in the front. The office section, projecting outward and to one side of the manufacturing area, will be of block, glass and Fiberglas panels. Provisions will also be made for truck and rail dock services.

The building was designed by Robert L. Johnson, of Abingdon, an associate of Beeson and Beeson, Architects, Johnson City, Tenn.

R. E. Hodges, Appalachian vice president and general manager, said that the next step in Project Decision was to find a suitable industrial tenant for the building.

Abingdon was selected as the first Project Decision last July after months spent in evaluation of 73 communities in the Virginia-West Virginia service area of Appalachian.

Good Start Made On Heating Sales

Forty-three new home and conversion sales already have resulted from 302 prospects turned in by Appalachian employees in the first month of the second Employees' Home Heating Prospect Campaign.

This second campaign, which follows one run from February 1 through April 30, began August 15 and the first report date was September 15. It will end November 15.

In the first campaign, employees turned in 1,882 prospects resulting in 289 sales. Many of these prospects are still being worked by dealers and our commercial representatives.

In announcing the second campaign in August, R. E. Hodges, Appalachian vice president and general manager, pointed out that "sales of electric heat are important in our business, and every employee should 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 our company determines to a large degree the future of each of us as employees."

Real Secret Weapon

We're paying a great deal of attention lately to our atomic and outer-space race with Russia.

I hope you and I don't make the mistake of thinking this is strictly a scientists' show, and leave it all to them. Because the individual citizen and his personal effort are still going to decide whether the world will be free or slave. We're the real secret weapon in the battle for world power and peace.

Sometimes, though, I'm afraid we forget this.

We forget it when we tax profit so excessively we discourage a man from risking his savings to found new businesses or expand existing ones. We forget it when we confiscate as taxes so much of what a man earns we destroy his incentive to produce and contribute more.

We forget it when we demand and get higher wages and shorter working hours, with no thought of producing more. We forget it when we fail to share the benefits of a business with the productive people who help make it.

We forget it when we take our freedom and way of life smugly for granted and fail to work to preserve both.

Our scientists can create new weapons and new tools for our survival. But these are only the start. It still takes the best you and I have to give.

BILL BUTLER,
Union Oil Company of California

In The Same Tradition

In pioneer days on the frontier, they used to have something called a barn-raising. A man built a new barn, and all his neighbors came to help him raise it up; the womenfolk came along with meals and to watch the young'uns; everybody pitched in and they got the job done, in a spirit of help and kindness.

Today, there's less need for barn-raising, but the need for cooperation, for helping the other fellow over a rough place, is greater than ever. You can still lend a hand across the back fence, but there are many places needing help you can't reach.

The one sure way is by a generous contribution to the United Fund, or Community Chest, or United Giving—whatever it might be called in your town. Your giving dollar is apportioned among the agencies most needing it, and one gift suffices for all. You can, of course, designate an agency to receive your gift: it might be the Cancer Society, the Red Cross, the Boy and Girl Scouts, the Family Service Association, the Salvation Army, or anyone of a dozen or more organizations devoted to helping others.

Helping others through collective giving is in the tradition of barn-raising. And it has become a tradition among employees of our companies to give generously to this most worthwhile of causes.

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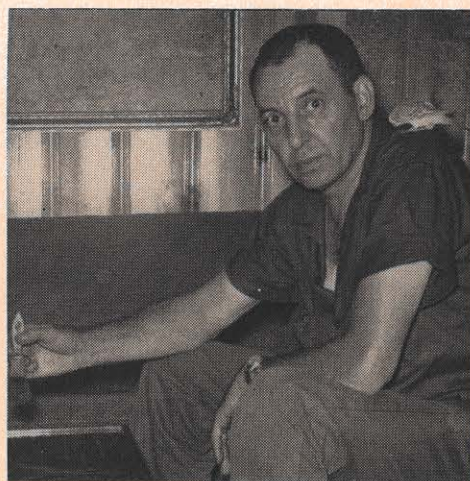
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Your Opinion

What are your opinions as to the need for people to develop hobbies?

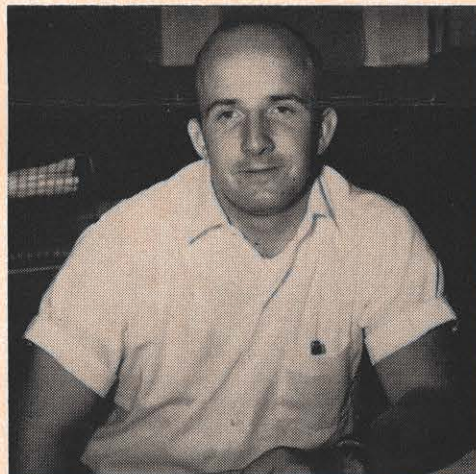
IN THE SPOTLIGHT



W. C. HADDIX, Hazard

I feel that hobbies are essential to a person's health, because they permit one to divest his mind of many worries, and in this way give many hours of relaxation. There are many types of hobbies, some producing relaxation and enjoyment, while others can be very profitable.

Often a hobby will cause one to produce something that is both valuable and unique, thus making him feel proud of his accomplishment. As long as a person, especially an older person, can feel that they can be a help rather than a burden then they are less likely to get "down in the dumps".



HOWARD G. HUDSON, Tracer, Kingsport

I think everyone has a hobby whether they realize it or not. Developing a hobby to most people would be doing what they enjoy themselves. To others, it would be building or exploring new ideals. Many great inventions have developed from someone's hobby. Hobbies can be classified many ways: some make their living by selling what they create; some have their hobbies for recreation such as hunting, fishing, etc., but still their hobbies produce.

If people develop hobbies, their minds will develop as to the needs of the world.



O. F. TOALSTON, District Record Supervisor, Logan

A hobby is an interest or activity in a subject aside from your regular pursuit of making

a living, the dessert course of life. Developing hobbies gives you interests to counteract the monotony of every day work, and prepares a foundation for continued interest in life after you leave the daily job, and should you survive all the hazards of life after you retire.

I believe people with an active interest in a hobby, like golfing, bowling, bridge, civic activities, hunting, fishing, the care of a home site, the lawn, or a flower garden will be happier and better citizens.



JOAN H. BAIRD, Clerk-Stenographer, Point Pleasant

To my way of thinking, the need for a hobby is something to keep one's mind occupied in spare time. That is, a hobby relieves tension, helps eliminate worry and keeps you busy on something you enjoy doing.

I find that sewing, being my hobby, is very interesting as well as beneficial. Therefore, it enables me to have most any kind of clothes I want without depending completely on the dress shops.

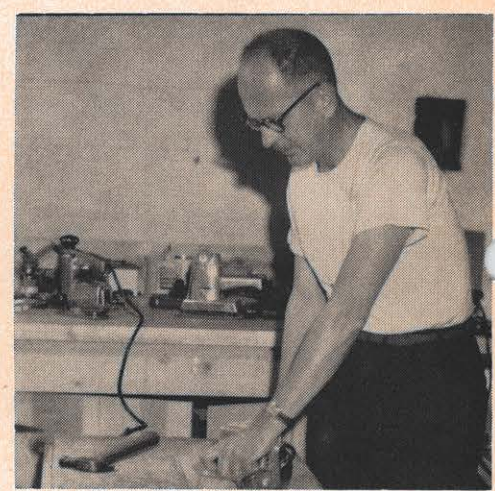
I think when a person returns home from work, tired and sometimes irritable, that if you relax working on your hobby it changes your mood and gives one an entirely different outlook on the everyday routine.



VIRGINIA E. HOYT, Clerk-Stenographer, Philip Sporn Plant

I believe each individual should have a hobby for his own enjoyment, whether it be avocational, handicraft or cultural. Today, the average person has more spare time and opportunities to indulge in hobbies than ever before. It is one of the most relaxing and satisfying ways we can find to spend our spare time and can be very educational.

In developing hobbies, we gain many new friends whose interests are the same as ours and who share our enthusiasm. I have found this to be true in my hobby of collecting salt and pepper sets. Friends who have traveled to parts of the country where I haven't been have helped add to my collection representing the majority of our own states and some foreign countries.



W. L. SUTOR, General Bookkeeper, System

For those who work in offices, hobbies provide an outlet for pent-up physical energy and a chance to relieve our minds from the strain and tension inherent in our jobs.

Hobbies such as woodworking afford lasting enjoyment and a sense of accomplishment as well as furnishings for the home. Through this handwork we acquire a circle of friends with similar interests. Although some hobbies are profitable, the profit motive should not be controlling. If it is, the hobby becomes work, and its purpose is defeated.

We all look forward to the day we can retire and take it easy, but most people are miserable after retirement unless they have developed a hobby to occupy their leisure time.



POLLY G. WRIGHT, T & D Clerk, Fieldale

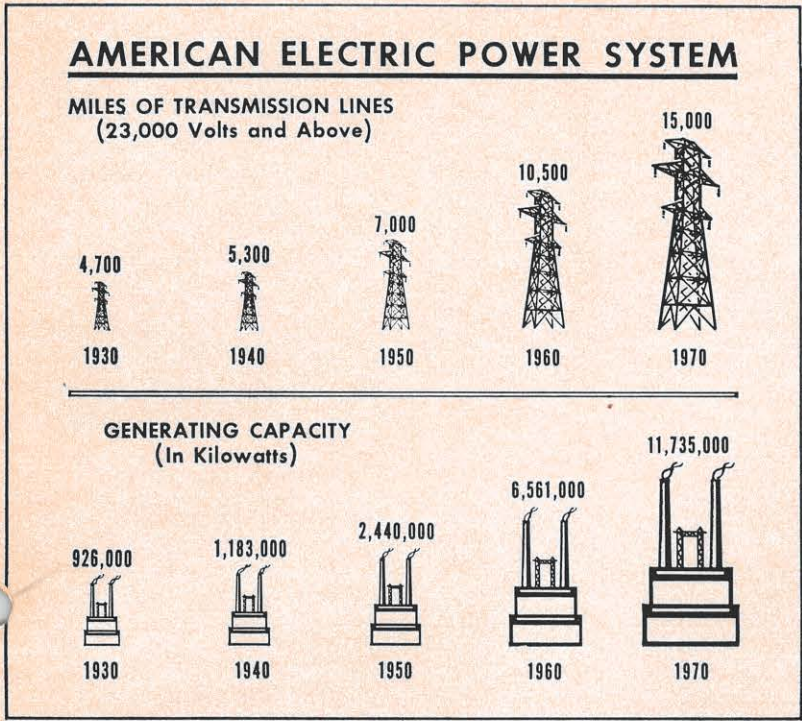
Today as nuclear weapons are being tested, manned missiles are being launched into outer space, and plans are being made to travel to the moon, it seems very important that we develop a hobby in which we may retreat to escape the rapid pace of living.

A hobby should offer an outlet of emotions. For me the sewing machine offers that outlet. Very often when I begin to sew, I have a mixed feeling of depression, confusion, or bitterness but the "whirring" of the machine drowns any thoughts of unhappiness as I begin to concentrate on my achievement.

Relaxation is the reward of a hobby cultivated by interest and time and harvested by enjoyment and pleasure.

New Vistas

Opportunities today are more plentiful than ever before. Each new thing that is discovered does not cut down by one the sum of discoveries to be made. It rather opens up a whole new vista of discovery and development in a new direction.



Power Transmission Plans . . .

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"We have already announced and are building the additional capacity that we shall need for the period through 1964. In Appalachian, this capacity includes the 225,000-kw unit to be completed later this year at the Clinch River plant and the 440,000-kw Smith Mountain hydroelectric development scheduled for completion in late 1963; in Kentucky, it includes the 265,000-kw unit to be completed late next year at the Big Sandy plant," Sporn said.

"We cannot announce at this time where on the AEP System we will build additional capacity visualized for the years beyond 1964," he continued, "but we do know that we will build it. And we are pretty sure that this capacity will include at least one and possibly several generating units with a capacity of 1-million kw, an amount sufficient to supply more

than 2-million average American homes. In contrast, our largest units operating today are a half-million kw in size, and we are building another in Indiana with a capacity of 580,000 kw."

High Voltage Lines

A large part of the future transmission lines needed to carry the 12-million kw of capacity seen by 1970 will be 345,000-volt lines, but there is a possibility that the voltage of the principal lines might be raised by then to something as high as 775,000 volts.

"Only eight years ago, in 1953," Sporn observed, "the AEP System became the first electric utility to operate transmission lines at 345,000 volts. Today, this voltage level is in common use throughout the United States, while the AEP System, at Apple Grove, W. Va., is researching still higher transmission voltages. These tests are investigating voltages up to 775,000 volts to determine the best voltage levels for the higher-capacity lines which will be required to handle the much greater power needs of the future.

"With this work under way, we are quite certain that, when these super-high-voltage lines are needed, we will be ready to build them and will build them," he concluded.

E. E. Heyl Retires At Ashland



Mr. Heyl

E. E. Heyl, general bookkeeping supervisor in the Ashland system accounting office, retired September 1 with 31 years of service.

He began his public utility career in 1930 when he joined Southern Public Service Company. This company's properties were acquired in 1939 by Kentucky Power Company, and Mr. Heyl transferred to Ashland to the accounting department.

His interests include church work, the American Legion, the Civic Chorus, and service on the Ashland Selective Service Board, a job that won him a Kentucky colonelcy.

He was born in Columbus, Ohio, and is a veteran of the first World War.

In retirement he plans to live in Ashland with his wife, and has no immediate plans.

'Illuminator' Survey

Readers' Trend Continues To More Company News

Employees think THE ILLUMINATOR should be a source of information about their companies and the electric industry. This opinion, established in readership surveys made in 1952 and 1956, was re-affirmed in another survey of ILLUMINATOR readers just completed.

Throughout the survey, story subjects dealing with the company or industry consistently rated high in readership, and employees asked to see more material on a number of other company-related subjects.

The survey was conducted by ILLUMINATOR correspondents in the districts and plants, who were asked to survey a cross-section of employees according to age, sex, years with company and department. A total of 206 employees, or five per cent of the total, was surveyed. Of the 206, 205 said they read the paper, and, in addition, 296 members of their families also read it.

In a listing of types of material used in the paper, five types ranked tops in readership—Camera Round-up, company activities, service anniversaries, promotions and transfers (Familiar Faces In New Places), and employee benefits.

The personals page, Happenings Around The Circuit, was treated in a separate question, and continues to prove high in popularity. Only one person answering this question said he did not read this page.

Readers were asked what types of material they would like to see more on in the paper, and 107, or over 50 per cent, said they would like to see more stories on new developments in our industry. Ninety-one want more on functions of various departments in our companies, while 89 would like to see more on employee benefits. Industrial development, safety, our competition, and personality stories on management also were requested by many readers.

Pictures in THE ILLUMINATOR are as popular as ever. In addition to the Camera Round-Up rating in the top five in readership, 66 of those surveyed asked that we use more pictures, despite the fact the paper averages over 100 pictures an issue now.

Generally, in the survey, em-

ployees indicated they are pleased with THE ILLUMINATOR, they read it, they agree with most of the types of material used. But they do want to see more information on several topics of a company and industry nature.

This trend was established in the earlier surveys, and adjustments were made at that time in the content of the paper to more nearly meet the desires of the readers. The results, opinions and trends in this latest survey will also be studied by the staff to further improve THE ILLUMINATOR.

Whitley Named To New Post

E. L. Whitley has been named to the newly-created post of planning engineer for the Bluefield division, effective October 1. He moves to Bluefield from the job of assistant Pulaski district manager.



Mr. Whitley

A graduate of Virginia Military Institute, Mr. Whitley joined Appalachian in 1934 in the distribution department in Roanoke. He moved to Lynchburg as power sales engineer in 1936, and after serving in the Army during the second World War, moved to Bluefield in 1951.

He went to Pulaski as district commercial manager in 1952 and became assistant district manager in 1959.

"... Where The Flying Fishes Play ..."

"When your bait leaves the water and starts skyward, it's time to stop fishing." So says C. H. Morris, T&D clerk in the Lynchburg meter section.

During his vacation in August Mr. Morris was fishing at Virginia Beach. It had been a fruitless—or rather, a fishless day, and Mr. Morris was reeling in his line. Suddenly the line rose from the water and started up. After a second look, he saw what had happened: a sea gull saw the bait moving through the water, mistook it for a fish, dived on it, and pulled it out.

Mr. Morris gave the line a stout tug that pulled the bait from the gull's mouth, but tangled the line around a wing. He hauled the bird in, then set him free. If you can't do it one way, do it t'other way, according to the old saying; to which Mr. Morris adds another old saying he just made up: if you can't catch a fish, catch a bird, but use a good line.

Steel Contract Let For New I&M Unit

Whitehead & Kales Company, Detroit, has been awarded the contract for steel fabrication and erection for the 580,000 kilowatt Unit 4 at Tanners Creek plant of Indiana & Michigan Electric Company.

About 4,000 tons of steel are involved in the contract. The unit is scheduled for completion in 1964. At 580,000 kw, the unit will be the largest ever built by an investor-owned electric utility.

Burner Named Personnel Chief At Big Sandy

Carl B. Burner, personnel supervisor at Cabin Creek plant, will move to the same job in Kentucky Power Company's Big Sandy plant.



Mr. Burner

Mr. Burner joined Appalachian in 1951 as personnel assistant at Cabin Creek and became plant personnel supervisor in June 1952.

Announcement of the change was made by Ronald Marshall, Big Sandy plant manager. The \$39-million plant is presently under construction near Louisa, and is scheduled for completion in the fall of 1962.

Mr. Burner is a native of West Virginia and a graduate of Morris Harvey College. Before joining Appalachian he served with the West Virginia State Police, was a case supervisor for the State Department of Public Assistance, and taught school. He is a Lion, a member of the American Legion, and a Mason. He and his wife are the parents of a married daughter.

Retiree's Medical Plan Earns Award

The AEP System has received national recognition for the introduction last year of its Comprehensive Medical Plan for retired employees. This plan is similar to that available to active employees.

The recognition came in the form of an "honorable mention" award presented by the Council on Employee Benefits, a national organization of industry and business personnel engaged in the employee benefit field. The 1961 awards were the first made by the Council.

In a congratulatory letter, R. H. Hubbard, Jr., Council president, said: "Progressive thinking, such as this (plan), serves to meet a pressing economic problem which is presently the subject of much debate in Congress. Your leadership in this area will influence other corporations to adopt similar programs for retirees and thus eliminate the need for legislation in this area."

Employee Heading Development Groups

R. P. Thomas, Kentucky Power's industrial development representative, has been chosen to head two important development groups.



Mr. Thomas

He was elected chairman of the Boyd County Area Program Council on Area Redevelopment, and was named head of the special projects committee of the Central Ohio Valley Industrial Council.

In the Area Redevelopment Council work, Mr. Thomas and the men working with him have already submitted a provisional overall program to the state administrator, who has forwarded it to the federal administrator of the program. They await federal approval of the plan.

The Ohio Valley group, COVIC, is composed of industries bordering the Ohio River from Portsmouth, O. to Ravenswood, W. Va. Mr. Thomas's committee is presently concerned with the planning of a "Salute To Industry" Day, October 25.

"The Day The Electricity Stopped"

(EDITOR'S NOTE: The following letter, printed exactly as received, shows what one customer thinks of the indispensability of electric service.)

Appalachian Power Company
40 Franklin Road, S. W.
Roanoke, Virginia

GENTLEMEN:

If I were going to write a short story with truly epic proportions, I'd entitled it "THE DAY THE ELECTRICITY DID NOT WORK." As its plot, I would detail the efforts expended by its characters in an endeavor to continue living as they are accustomed.

I am sitting at the desk in the dining room of my home watching two men who are working near the top of a utility pole. Early this morning, 8:45 a.m. to be exact, the door bell rang. A well-mannered young man asked me if I could get along without electricity for several hours as they had to stretch or switch some wires and install a new transformer.

Quickly I thought, "How shall I warm the baby's bottle?" The answer came immediately. "There would be enough hot water in the tank to heat a bottle for her next meal."

I said, "Yes."

It is 2:00 p.m. now. The washing machine did not wash today. The iron did not iron. The toaster did not toast. And, the stove did not cook. Every electrical appliance in this house has had a holiday. And, so have I, because I know the situation is temporary. Tomorrow the work will be done.

Let those who will, long for the "good old days." I am in favor of the "good present days." How grandma ever got her work done is a mystery to me? ? ? ?

No! This is not a letter of complaint. I wish to tell you that being without electricity has made me think. If your young man asks again if I can get along without electricity, the answer is "NO."

Very truly yours,

Happenings

Around the Circuit

... Among Employees and Their Families



Point Pleasant

Two Point Pleasant boys figure in sports news. R. D. Tillis, Jr., son of the customer service clerk, was one of 18 boys selected from 38 Little League teams to man the All-Star squad. He received a trophy to go with the honor, the second year he was so chosen. Andy Wilson, whose mother is Bessie M. Wilson, PBX operator, plays right end for the Point Pleasant Junior High School Redskins. . . . Frances Jordan is the new clerk-stenographer in the engineering department. She replaces Bessie J. Rhodes, who resigned. . . . Suzanne Crump, with a vocal solo, won third place in the 4-H State Talent Round-up at Jackson's Mill. She's the daughter of J. R. Crump, line foreman.

Charleston

There were two holes-in-one shot recently by Charleston golfers, R. J. Pinnell got his ace at Knob Hill in Barboursville and Dick Speas went to Beckley for his. . . . Pat Cummings, Jo Ann Jarrett and Elsie Walker have returned to work, Joyce Vealey has resigned, and Bon Harper, draftsman, left at the end of August for two years of Army service. . . . Handling Appalachian's participation in Charleston's United Fund Drive is Guilford Smith, district administrative assistant. John Frazier and Kermit Fisher are lieutenants in charge of solicitations at Virginia Street and North Charleston, respectively. Other workers are Jane Patterson, J. R. Lowther, J. L. Darby, Golda Johnson, Bonnie Jarrett and John Griffiee at Virginia Street; and Conda Fisher, Jo Ann Jarrett, Janet Hypes, Ann Surber, Glenn Cook, Bob Isner, John Kauffman and Lenzie Hedrick. . . . Mr. Smith, as secretary-treasurer of the Electric League of Charleston, attended a meeting of the International Association of Electric Leagues at Atlantic City, N. J.

Beckley

Miss Barbara Vines, whose father is J. E. Vines, line foreman, has been

Roanoker Retires From Army Reserve

Emmett C. "Dutch" Rankin of Roanoke has retired as a Lt. Colonel of the U. S. Army Reserves. A 20-year Army veteran, Mr. Rankin, assistant system station superintendent, was with the 2012th Army Reserve Logistical Command. During World War II he was on active duty with the Headquarters Harbor Defenses of Chesapeake Bay, Fort Monroe.

He was honored at ceremonies at the Reserve Center in Roanoke, and was presented a letter of appreciation from Maj. General Ralph C. Cooper, XXI Army Corps commander.



Mr. Rankin

gun her teaching career by teaching English at Ruper High School. She is a graduate of Concord College. . . . Mrs. E. F. Eager, wife of the Beckley power sales engineer, was staging chairman of the annual Raleigh County Garden Council Flower Show in August. . . . A bridge club is the latest project of a group of Beckley office girls. They will meet twice a month to play.



Abingdon

Fillmore McPherson, Jr., district manager, and vice president of the Abingdon Kiwanis Club, was a delegate to the Capitol District Kiwanis Convention in Washington.

Welch

Civic duties and church work kept many Welchians occupied in recent weeks. Earl Belcher, Grundy area serviceman, has been appointed to the Buchanan County School Board; Robert D. Lawrence, pre-audit clerk at Grundy, has become a member of the Volunteer Fire Department; and W. C. Groseclose, administrative assistant, was a delegate to a district Kiwanis meeting in Black Water Falls. . . . In church work, Peggy Reese, Grundy contract clerk, was appointed assistant secretary of the Buchanan First Presbyterian Church. Sunday school teachers include William T. Collins, local office supervisor, and his wife, and Miss Guinele Mitchell, utility clerk. . . . Sank Smith, Welch personnel supervisor, attended the Presbytery Meeting at Beckley as an elder from the Welch First Presbyterian Church. . . . Mrs. Ronald C. Keith, daughter of B. M. Nuckolls, Grundy area supervisor, graduated from the School of Nursing, Grace Hospital, Richmond, Va. She was vice president of her class. . . . James W. Nunnery, meter serviceman, has resigned to join the Dover Electric Company in Dover, Delaware.

Bluefield

Shirley Jackson, wife of Earl Jackson, Pearisburg local office manager, received the award of distinction and was sweepstakes runner-up in the Mountain Mist Garden Club flower show. . . . Chalmers Bailey, right-of-way agent, has been appointed by Governor W. W. Barron to the Mercer County Welfare Council for a three-year term. . . . One of the instructors in the first aid program being sponsored by the Bluefield Red Cross chapter for firemen is Dixon Jones, T&D clerk in the line department. . . . Raymond Nunnery, meterman in the division meter department, has been elected treasurer of the Westminster Presbyterian Church. . . . Welcome back to Anne T. Bailey, former stenographer in the personnel department, who will be working part-time.

Pulaski

Claytor hydro plant was visited by 25 members of the Virginia Section of the American Society of Chemical Engineers. Paul T. Gross, commercial sales representative, was their

guide. . . . Leslie Payne, groundman at Pulaski, and Philip S. Bennington, groundman at Galax, have resigned to enter college. . . . The district also counted an election, an award, and an appointment: W. C. Hager was elected president of the Newbern Elementary School PTA. He's the division agricultural sales engineer. . . . The award went to Carl A. Schmidt, customer service clerk, who was honored with a pin and honorary life membership in the United Lutheran Church Men. . . . Mrs. R. J. Blair, wife of the division agricultural sales coordinator, was appointed to head the general solicitation drive for the Pulaski Community Fund Drive.

Clinch River

Several employees played active roles when the Lebanon Junior Chamber of Commerce and the Russell County Fair Association sponsored the Russell County Fair and Horse Show. Harvey G. Gillespie, Jr., directed Jaycee activities, and other employees working on the fair were Mason A. Vaughan, Jr., Jack R. Blankenship, and Thomas D. Watson. The Abingdon district encouraged all-electric living in a booth with the fair.



Williamson

Mrs. Joanne Hight, daughter of Leroy Hairston, janitor, received her diploma in practical nursing in Youngstown last month. She plans to work in Choffin Memorial Hospital in that city. She attended West Virginia State College. . . . The Civil Defense unit in Belfry, Kentucky, is counting on three employees. H. W. Cerrato is chairman of first aid, Gene Hall, assistant police, and J. E. Runyon, fire prevention assistant. . . . Elections in the district selected two employees and the wife of another: E. J. Clouser, district personnel supervisor, was elected director of the Williamson Kiwanis Club, Mrs. Patsy Hackworth, clerk-stenographer, was

St. Albans Youth Given Scholarship

A scholarship to West Virginia State College has been awarded to Ralph Berry Allen, Jr., son of the St. Albans collector in the Charleston district.



Ralph Allen

Ralph received a Claude Worthington Benedum scholarship to study chemistry at the school. His sister, Carolyn, already attends the college on a State Board of Education scholarship.

Ralph is a graduate of Poca High School, where he maintained an A average. He was active in school sports and several school clubs, and was a member of the National Honor Society and won the Science Award.

elected social chairman of the Tug Valley Junior Woman's Club, and program chairman of the Women of the Church; and Mrs. Fred Varney, wife of the line foreman, was chosen president of the Women of the Church.

Logan

Mr. and Mrs. M. A. White recently attended the state Elks convention in Princeton. Mr. White is a working foreman, and also exalted ruler of the local Elks.

Huntington

The Huntington Red Cross and the Huntington Kiwanis Club chose employees for important positions last month. W. R. Wagner, area supervisor, was elected to the board of the Huntington-Cabell County Chapter of the Red Cross, and C. M. Dunn, administrative assistant, was elected first vice president of the Kiwanis Club.



Pikeville

Guilene Smith and Biddie Williamson, home economists of Pikeville, and Barbara Ward, home economist at Ashland, conducted a meeting of all home economics teachers in the Pikeville district. The purpose was to demonstrate all of the new equipment to be used in the schools. The demonstration and lunch has become an annual event. . . . Buford Williamson, clerk-trainee, has resigned to teach school. . . . Donald Williamson is the new clerk-trainee in the meter section.

Kentucky System

Jim Saltz, as chairman of boys' work for the Optimist Club, accepted a check from Sen. Thruston Morton as a contribution to aid in the club's new junior football league. . . . J. A. Palmer, director of public relations and advertising, has been appointed publicity chairman of the COVIC Industry Recognition Activity. . . . Ashland employees who will be active in the annual Boyd County Community Chest-Red Cross drive this year are J. A. Palmer, publicity chairman; G. A. Weatherston, chairman, professional division, and Roger Thompson, captain in the professional division.

Ashland

Ira See, retired right-of-way agent, now living in Lakeland, Fla., was a recent visitor to the district. . . . Employees Roger Thompson, Richard Nash and Charles Stayton and Reddy Kilowatt and Aunt Jemima helped put on a pancake sale for the Ashland Elks Club.



Miss Kay Williams, cashier, was recently selected as Miss Congeniality in the Miss Kingsport pageant. Due to illness, however, Miss Williams was unable to take part in the pageant.



Smith Mountain

New employees at Smith Mountain are Thomas F. Fralin, assistant structural engineer; Chapman E. Dillon, Kenneth W. Parks, and Donald B. Dudley, all engineer-rodman-chainman.

Roanoke

Peggy Hubbard, wife of K. K. Hubbard, engineering aide, and Dorothy Bryant, wife of B. T. Bryant, meter reader, were members of the Ten Pinners, champions of the North 11 Lanes ladies' summer bowling league. Mrs. Bryant was elected league secretary-treasurer for the 1962 summer session. . . . W. H. Rader, groundman, has resigned.

Fieldale

E. L. Munday, Jr., district manager, has been appointed United Fund leader for the 1962 Martinsville-Henry County United Fund campaign.

Appalachian System

G. S. Dunn, public relations director, was elected first vice president of the Public Utilities Association of the Virginias at its recent meeting. . . . J. A. Deyerle, Jr., has resigned.

Logan Man Heads New Chamber

The newly reactivated Madison Chamber of Commerce has chosen



Mr. Gosney

Paul C. Gosney, area supervisor in Madison, as its president.

Mr. Gosney is also a member of the City Council and Rotary Club, and has been associated with civic affairs for a number of years.

He was employed in 1936 in the Logan district as a groundman. He worked as clerk, district serviceman and local representative before being named area supervisor in December 1953.

Before And After In Cooking



From this to this means better meals for the 700 grade and high school students at the Letcher Consolidated School near Blackey, Ky., in the Hazard district. One of the newer schools in the district, it was built to use another method of cooking, but the old equipment has now been replaced with gleaming new, efficient electric equipment, such as the oven in the picture at right, which took the place of the equipment at left.

Veterans Of Our Companies Receive Pins



**Lois Sheppard
Fieldale
30 Years**



**S. H. Wise
System
30 Years**



**C. R. Mills
Roanoke
30 Years**



**E. T. Gills
System
30 Years**



**C. M. Jackson
Abingdon
25 Years**



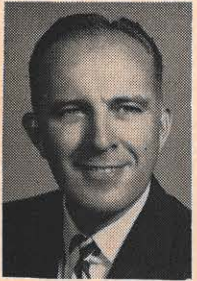
**S. F. Bowling, Jr.
Abingdon
25 Years**



**J. G. Harrison
Charleston
25 Years**



**D. B. Stone
Charleston
25 Years**



**C. R. Johnson
Huntington
25 Years**



**W. L. Halstead
Huntington
25 Years**



**W. M. Langstaff
Huntington
25 Years**



**R. J. Kidd
Bluefield
25 Years**



**E. L. Munday
Fieldale
25 Years**



**M. W. Brown
Fieldale
25 Years**



**L. L. Crocker
Lynchburg
25 Years**



**C. V. Smith
System
25 Years**



**E. P. Owens
Pulaski
25 Years**



**E. H. Conner
Pulaski
25 Years**



**R. W. Swain
Roanoke
25 Years**



**D. R. Hunt
Roanoke
25 Years**



**H. C. Johnson
Sporn Plant
25 Years**



**Ira Henderson
Bluefield
25 Years**



**R. W. Schweitzer
Ashland
20 Years**



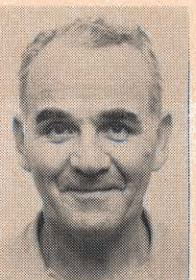
**W. E. Warren
Logan
20 Years**



**J. P. Rose
Bluefield
20 Years**



**W. M. Gordon
Bluefield
20 Years**



**P. H. Fry
Bluefield
20 Years**



**W. T. Sublett
Lynchburg
20 Years**



**G. G. Bias
Roanoke
20 Years**



**F. O. Hancock
Roanoke
20 Years**



**R. D. Carson
Pulaski
20 Years**



**M. T. Akers, Jr.
Pulaski
20 Years**



**E. D. Layne
Lynchburg
20 Years**



**H. V. Mayo
Huntington
20 Years**



**P. R. Baker
Huntington
20 Years**



**H. F. Davis
Glen Lyn
20 Years**



**T. W. Old
System
20 Years**



**L. D. Balding
Point Pleasant
20 Years**



**E. E. King
Williamson
20 Years**

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

Guard Unit Called To Active Duty; Five Employees, Relatives Affected

Point Pleasant's 3664th Ordnance Company of the West Virginia National Guard was ordered to active duty September 25. Among the 135 Point Pleasant men affected are three employees and two sons of employees. Employees called to active duty were K. C. Morris, engineering aide, second lieutenant; C. E. Fowler, Jr., lineman, staff sergeant; and Frederick Nibert, T&D clerk, specialist 5. Sons of employees included SP 4 Ronnie Roush, son of L. I. Roush, lineman, and SP 4 David L. Sprouse, step-son of J. R. Hoffman, area serviceman. Lt. Morris served six months in

the Army and has been a member of the Guard for two years. Sgt. Fowler has been in the Guard for 14 years, and SP 5 Nibert was in the Air Force for four years, in the inactive reserves for 3½ years and in the Guard for two years. SP Roush has been in the Guard for 2½ years, while SP Sprouse was in the Army for two years and has been a Guard member for nine months. The unit was named top National Guard unit in West Virginia three times in the last five years. The unit, which reported to Fort Polk, La., is the first in the state to be called to active duty.



Mr. Fry Mr. Pickens

Two Plant Men Called To Duty

Two Philip Sporn plant employees have been called to the armed forces. James L. Fry, coal handler, was called to active duty with the National Guard, and has reported at Camp Polk, Louisiana. Jack L. Pickens, auxiliary equipment operator, was called to duty September 21. Mr. Fry joined the company in May 1960 as laborer, and became coal handler later that year. His wife resides in New Haven, West Virginia. Mr. Pickens was first employed in June 1956 as laborer, worked as utility operator before his promotion in June 1960 to auxiliary equipment operator.

Mud Makes Job A Bit Different

It was a routine work assignment for four Welch employees, except for one small detail—a sinking transformer. The four — Earl Belcher, Alonza Hardy, Walter Crouse and William G. Richardson—were installing the 25 kva transformer for a mine in Buchanan County. They removed the transformer from the truck and set it on the ground. It quickly disappeared from sight. The area had had hard rains and the earth was soft where the transformer was placed—so soft it gobbled up the piece of equipment. The four soon recovered it and cleaned it with water and cloths. After they installed it on the pole they left, much of the mud from the transformer now on them to remind them how the "routine" can be taken out of a job.

Cabin Creek Man, V. K. Casto, Dies



Mr. Casto

Virgil K. Casto, 51, Cabin Creek plant maintenance foreman, died August 29 after a three-month illness. Employed in 1938, he was a maintenance foreman in the transformer maintenance department, and at various times was under the supervision of the substation transmission and distribution and production departments. A Kanawha City resident, where he was an elder of the Presbyterian Church, he was also an associate member of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers. He is survived by his wife and three sons.



Appalachian Power Company

Charleston District
STEVE CARPENTER, electrical engineer, from Pt. Pleasant to Charleston; PAUL H. PARSONS from senior personnel assistant-C to senior personnel assistant-B; GLENN A. PAUL from groundman to lineman-C.

Lynchburg District
W. A. ROBERTSON from station man-C to station man-B; C. E. SANDERSON from meter service helper to groundman; WILLIAM H. STINETTE from groundman to meter service helper.

Philip Sporn Plant
VIRGINIA E. HOYT from clerk-stenographer to stenographer-accounting; CHARLES E. LYTLE from assistant stores supervisor to material clerk—stores.

Roanoke District
R. G. GARRETT from draftsman to engineering aide; JOAN VANDERGRIFT from clerk-stenographer to stenographer; HELEN YOUNG from draftsman to engineering aide; W. R. ZIMMERMAN from appliance serviceman to division service representative.

Kentucky Power Company

Ashland District
LOUISE DOOLEY from utility clerk to secretarial-stenographer; MARY BETH DUREN from cashier, senior to stenographer; MARTHA RUTHERFORD from cashier to cashier, senior; RUSSELL A. SCAGGS from groundman to truck driver; WILBUR G. SLOAN from engineering record clerk to engineering aide.

Educational Awards Winners Fulfilling Promise Of Ability

Science, religion, education, the arts—the first step to careers in these fields has been provided to 26 youths, sons and daughters of employees of our three companies through the American Electric Power System Education Awards.

Since the awards were established in 1956, started by the \$1000 gift that went with the Coffin Award, more than two dozen children have passed through the big adventure of a freshman year in college. Have their records and achievements matched the promise of their scores on the competitive examinations for the Awards?

The answer to this question is a definite affirmative, judging from the reports received by our companies.

Some have finished school, some began this fall. Following, in brief, is their story since they were announced as Educational Award winners.

1956 Winner

L. F. McPherson III was the first winner from our companies. The son of L. F. McPherson, Jr., Abingdon district manager, he received his B.S. degree in electrical engineering from Massachusetts Institute of Technology in 1960. On graduation, he was commissioned in the Navy for a two-year tour of duty, and is serving on the USS Independence.

1957 Winners

Three winners were selected from our companies in 1957. Ronald Collier, son of Newton W. Collier, Whitesburg area representative in the Hazard district, became the first Kentucky winner. Ronald has entered the Louisville Medical School this fall after receiving a degree in chemistry and biology from Union College at Barbourville. He carried a B average during his four years, and in 1960 he was married.

David J. Roomy, son of Nicholas Roomy, Jr., Huntington division builder heating and builder sales coordinator, entered Bethany College at Bethany, W. Va. as a pre-ministerial student. The summer of 1958 he was named president of the Christian Youth Fellowship of Christian Churches, meaning a one-year delay in his studies.

In 1959 he entered Texas Christian University, graduating in July of this year, Magna Cum Laude. Also married, David entered Union Theological Seminary of New York City this fall to work toward a B.D. degree in Christian Ministry.

Graduating from VPI as an electrical engineer this year was Robert S. Runyon, son of Clyde Runyon, Williamson right of way agent. He spent this past summer in the Army as a second lieutenant, and planned to go back to VPI this fall to work for a Master's Degree in nuclear science and engineering.

1958 Winners

A scholastic average of B has been Virgil Brewer's record through his first three years in civil engineering at the University of Kentucky. Virgil, son of V. L. Brewer, Ashland district draftsman, has returned for his fourth and final year.

Nancy Richardson, daughter of C. E. Richardson, Roanoke heating and builder sales representative is studying psychology, history and mathematics at Westhampton College in Richmond. She recorded a grade average of 2.3 out of a possible 3.0 during her first three years. She hopes to do counseling or religious work on graduation.

Robert A. Armistead, Jr., son of the Roanoke line and station super-

visor, is majoring in physics at VMI in Lexington, Va., where he also plays varsity football. He wants to go on to MIT for postgraduate work after graduation in June 1962.

A co-op student at VPI, Richard L. Booth, son of W. L. Booth, Jr., Lynchburg electrical engineer, also works with Union Carbide at Oak Ridge, Tenn., as a process engineering student.

And Barbara Ellen Vines graduated from Concord College in August of this year with a B.S. in education after maintaining a B average. The daughter of John E. Vines, Beckley line foreman, she plans to begin teaching this fall and start work on her Master's Degree next summer.

1959 Winners

Jeel Millikan, son of R. F. Millikan, safety and employee relations supervisor for Kentucky in Ashland, has a B average for his first two years at Oberlin College. He is playing varsity football and lacrosse.

Carolyn E. Chapman, daughter of Carroll S. Chapman, Roanoke right of way agent, entered the University of North Carolina to study journalism this fall. This follows two years at Greensboro College, where she was active in many school functions.

Jimmy D. Keatley, son of James C. Keatley, Glen Lyn plant maintenance mechanic, is a junior at West Virginia University, where he is studying electrical engineering. He has been on the Dean's Honor List.

Majoring in zoology, Mary Sue Skaggs, daughter of H. C. Skaggs, Jr., Kanawha River plant manager, is a junior at Duke University. She wants to do zoological laboratory work after graduation.

1960 Winners

The first winner from Kingsport was named in 1960. Sarah J. Holyoke, daughter of Charles E. Holyoke, superintendent, has completed one year of her history major at the College of Wooster, O.

John Fred Gesling, son of W. D. Gesling, Ashland distribution engineer, is studying architecture at the University of Cincinnati. His first year he had an average of 3.78 out of a possible 4.0.

Stephen M. Hodges, son of R. E. Hodges, Appalachian vice president and general manager, is in his second year at Duke University, where he has been active in many school functions.

Enrolling at Cedarville, O., College this fall was Philip B. Buchanan, son of W. J. Buchanan, Kanawha River plant maintenance supervisor. This follows a year at Bob Jones University. Philip hopes to become a foreign missionary.

David W. Coffee, son of Wallace Coffee, assistant tax and statistical supervisor in system accounting in Roanoke, is in his second year of electrical engineering at VPI.

Another journalism major, Melinda Lou Hervey, daughter of G. E. Hervey, Point Pleasant district manager, is a sophomore at Ohio University. Her first year her scholastic average was 2.9.

James L. Richmond, son of J. L. Richmond, Logan district superintendent, is majoring in electrical engineering at VPI, where as a sophomore he is enrolled in ROTC.

1961 Winners

Jane Matney, daughter of Harry Matney, retired Louisa serviceman of the Ashland district, is studying library science and English literature in this, her first year in college. She was second in her graduating high school class.

William E. McAlpine, son of Louise B. McAlpine, Kingsport home service representative, entered Davidson College this fall after an active high school career.

Valedictorian of his class, Larry A. Massie, son of James A. Massie, Clinch River plant equipment operator, has entered the University of Richmond as a pre-medical student.

Linda K. Hudson, daughter of Lawrence R. Hudson, Lynchburg T&D clerk, entered Agnes Scott College.

Mary C. Rankin, daughter of E. C. Rankin, assistant system station superintendent in Roanoke, ranked 7th in her class of 536. She graduated with a National Guild Diploma, and entered Madison College to study music.

Graduating with an average of 4.78 out of a possible 5.0, Linda C. Combs entered William and Mary to study biology. She is the daughter of Walter H. Combs, data processing supervisor in system accounting in Roanoke.

Deadline Set For AEP Education Awards Competition

Friday, October 20, is the deadline for registration for the 1962 American Electric Power System's Educational Awards competition. Registration will begin on Monday, October 2.

If your son or daughter plans to enter the freshman year of college in 1962, he or she is eligible to compete for one of the 14 awards of \$500 each being given in the program. Each applicant must take the standard College Entrance Board Scholastic Aptitude Test. It will be given at key locations throughout the System on Saturday, December 2.

Following are the closest test locations for children of employees of our companies:

KENTUCKY—Ashland, Pikeville and Harlan.

OHIO—Athens.

TENNESSEE—Bristol.

VIRGINIA — Blacksburg, Chatham, Danville, Lynchburg, Marion, Martinsville, Radford, Roanoke and Wytheville.

WEST VIRGINIA — Beckley,

Bluefield, Charleston, Huntington and Parkersburg.

The company will pay the cost of the examination, but contestants must pay for their own travel expenses, if any. An applicant may take the test in another state if that location is nearer or more convenient than one in his own state.

Register Now

All company personnel supervisors have complete information and forms for entering the competition; either the employee or his child may obtain them, but they must be completed and returned to the personnel supervisor not later than October 20.



Fish and antlers—symbols of years of fishing and hunting—bracket John McDermott of Lynchburg. It doesn't matter where he fishes, or even if the catch is good, he enjoys it. "And the best part," he adds, "is that my wife enjoys it as much as I do."

Lynchburg's Mr. & Mrs. John McDermott Have Made Fishing A Family Affair

One of the favorite subjects of cartoonists is a husband going off to fish while his wife stays behind, glaring after him.

That's not the case with Mr. and Mrs. John P. McDermott of Lynchburg, where he is foreman in the transportation department. "Fishing," he says, "keeps a man young, keeps him healthy, and keeps him alert; and the best part of it, is that my wife enjoys fishing as much as I do."

It makes no difference to the McDermotts whether they fish in salt water or fresh, as long as they have fishing rods in their hands. Their hauls have ranged from a minnow in a brook to a 52-pound black drum caught off Fisherman's Island near Cape Charles, Va.

Preparing for the retirement that is three years away, Mr. McDermott has recently bought a 17½-foot cruiser, equipped with a 75-horsepower engine. This craft is equipped with a depth finder, a radar-type device which shows the depth of the water below the boat, and sunken objects. When the boat passes over a school of fish, this fact is also indicated, and Mr. and Mrs. McDermott throw their lines over. It sounds easy, but after years and years of fishing, he has come to two conclusions: first, fish will never bite unless they are hungry, and second, the big ones always get away.

Hunts, Too

Along with his fishing hobby is its natural counterpart, hunting. Mr. McDermott is as proficient in one as in the other, and every year he gets his bag. Some say this is luck,

but Mr. McDermott knows better.

He says the wild turkey is one of the hardest game to kill, because he is smart and cunning, has a keen eye and can get away easily. He's got to be cunning to get away from Mr. McDermott, who approaches a hunting trip with the same care and planning as a surgeon preparing for an operation. For example, the deer has an acute sense of smell. Mr. McDermott sets out to neutralize human scent as far as possible, even to the extent of avoiding the use of after-shave lotion or scented soap, rubbing his shoe soles with an apple, and rubbing his coat against a tree.

As befits a man who spends much of his time on a boat, or with a gun in his hand, Mr. McDermott is a staunch believer in safety. Since 1934 he has been in charge of the Lynchburg garage, working an average of three employees. During this period the garage has not had a single lost-time accident. His boat has every safety device recommended by the Coast Guard and wardens, and a strictly-enforced rule is that no alcoholic beverages are allowed aboard the boat.

With practices like these, and a philosophy dedicated to staying young, healthy and alert, John McDermott gets a lot from his hobbies.

Clerk Bell, 64, Dies In Logan



Mr. Bell

Clerk Bell, building service employee in the Logan district, died September 18. He was 64.

A native of Logan County, Mr. Bell joined the company in October 1922 as a groundman in the Logan district. He later worked as lineman and station man helper before being made head janitor in June 1960.

Mr. Bell was active in church work, and was an officer of the First Baptist Church of Logan. He is survived by his wife, two sons and two daughters. One son, John, is employed in the Fieldale district.



Camera Roundup



What does the world look like from the top of a 602-foot stack? Many people would like to know, but few have whatever it takes to climb up there. One who did was Bob Herndon, test engineering aide at Philip Sporn plant, who made the trip and took these pictures to prove it. He got a good view,

as you see, of the parking lot, and the coal unloading facilities downstream. The stack in the picture is for Unit 5; the stack from which the picture was made will serve the other four units.



New officers were elected by the Bluefield Employees' Benevolent Association recently. Chosen were, from left, Archie G. Phlegar, president; Patsy Mahoney, secretary, and E. N. Maynor, treasurer.

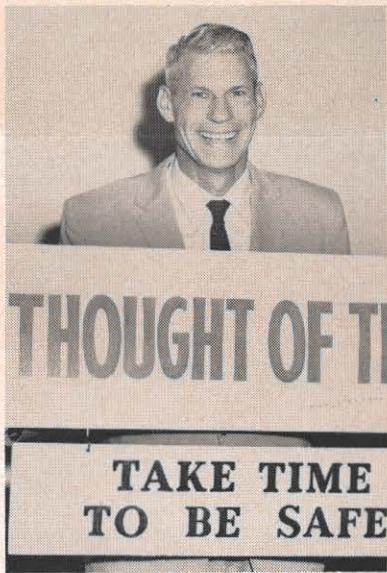


Old King Coal and Reddy Kilowatt, father and son, was the theme of the Kentucky Power Company float in a recent Coal Carnival held in Hazard. David Begley was

Reddy and Jack Caudill was Old King Coal. Both are from the commercial department.



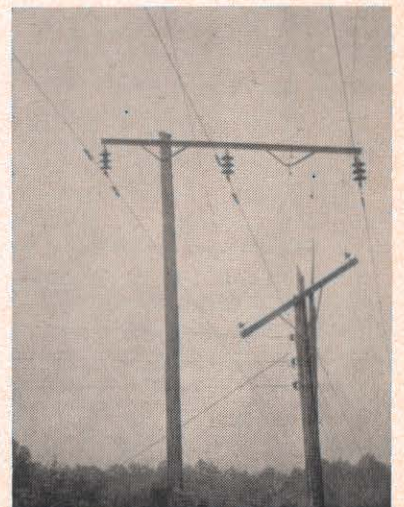
Posed symbolically with pint jars, partially representing the amount of blood he has donated, is Walter T. Lanter, head material clerk in the Welch storeroom. Mr. Lanter recently became a member of the Two Gallon Club. His actual donations have been more than that, because for several years no records were kept.



O. W. Adams, Princeton area supervisor, has a new idea to promote safety thinking. Line crew members think up their own slogans, vote for the best, and put it up under a sign reading "Thought of the Week" that hangs in line crew headquarters. A new slogan goes up each week.



Attracting considerable attention in Beckley is this heating display created by Toney Pallares and Walt McGraw, and put up in the Beckley office lobby. It emphasizes the trade-in value of an old and dirty heating system toward installation of electric heat.



Fieldale district narrowly missed a costly interruption when lightning struck this 34.5 kv wood pole structure on the Fieldale-Henry line, and broke 20 feet off one of the poles. However, the remaining pole supported the structure until the damaged member was replaced.



Two Turtle Club installations recently again demonstrated the value of the hard hat on the job. In the picture at left, W. D. Grimmatt, groundman in the Charleston district, receives the badges of membership in the club from John C. Frazier, Charleston division safety supervisor. Mr. Grimmatt was struck on his hard hat by a four-pound wire grip that fell 30 feet, but he



escaped injury. J. R. McGinnis, area supervisor, looks on. In picture at right, L. A. Philpott, Roanoke district lineman, center, receives his membership certificate from A. G. Adams, truck driver-groundman, who also is a Turtle Club member. J. C. Shelton, line foreman, holds the four-pound winch line hook that fell on Mr. Philpott's hat.



K. P. Counts, Charleston district office supervisor, has been commissioned a Kentucky Colonel, by Governor Bert Combs. He won this honor for his active participation in patriotic organizations, civic affairs and fraternal orders.

R. L. Davis Has Three Reasons For Gardening

One Saturday morning a few years ago, a woman and her three sons stopped at the ample garden being worked by Lynchburg's Raymond L. Davis. They were having sickness at home, she told Mr. Davis, and could they buy some of his vegetables for canning?

Mr. Davis comes from Georgia, where the custom is to give produce to any neighbor who wants or needs it, and besides, he is a most generous man. "Help yourself," said he. And the woman and her three sons began to pick.

Later that afternoon, Mr. Davis drove up the road to Amherst, and saw a small roadside stand, at which, and under a large and crudely-lettered sign that read "Home-Grown, Freshly-Picked Vegetables," the woman and her boys were doing a land office business selling Mr. Davis's produce.

An experience such as this would be enough to shake someone less amiable than Mr. Davis, but he shrugs it off. After all, one of the reasons he raises a garden every year is that he likes to see things grow. He has worked in gardens all his life, and a second reason for this hobby is exercise. "In my job in the stores department (where he is assistant supervisor), I work at my desk most of the time . . . in my garden I get plenty of fresh air and exercise." And a third reason for gardening, if one is needed, is that vegetables canned



Surrounded by his—and nature's—handiwork, Lynchburg's Raymond L. Davis inspects some of his tomato plants.

or frozen during the summer heat "taste mighty good in the dead of winter."

Although primarily a vegetable gardener, Mr. Davis has branched out into other fields. This year, for example, he has a blackberry patch measuring 50 by 150 feet, and about 600 strawberry plants. In the past he has experimented with plants and shrubs brought from southern Georgia and northern Florida. He once transplanted some camphor trees that thrived for about three years, until Lynchburg's northern winters finally killed them this past year. Mr. Davis

has been more successful with the long leaf and southern yellow pine, which are very popular farther south. Previous experiments with sugar cane stalks have failed when they became "water-sogged" during the winter. However, Mr. Davis believes he has discovered the reasons for the cane's failure, and he is going to try again.

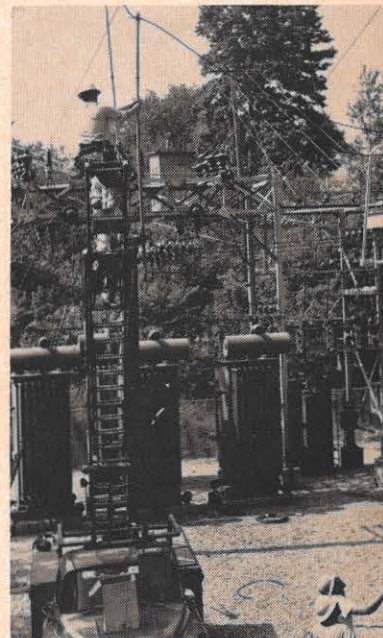
"In Florida, you work your garden every month; in Georgia, you start in February, but in Virginia, you have to wait until the middle of the year," he says. Just the same, that gives you some extra time to raise cane, if you're so inclined.

Beckley Station Work Finished Ahead Of Schedule To Strengthen Service

Beckley district crews bested their district manager's estimate of six weeks when they took less than a month to install a 5,000-kva transformer and two oil circuit-breakers in the Beckley station. This facility serves most of the downtown business section, two hospitals and a large residential section.

The station was strengthened because many electrically-heated plants and homes, and several sidewalk heating installations for ice melting had increased the load. The new equipment helps insure ample and continuous power for these increased present needs and for the future, W. C. McMahan, district manager, said. Cost of the work was about \$90,000.

Practice sessions in the equipment yard with simulated conditions were thoroughly studied prior to the actual tapping of the energized 46-kv line. The work was done by Tom Dickenson's crew.



Eustace Robertson and Arnold Yost are on the ladder completing their hot line work during the energizing of the new equipment at Beckley station.

O. E. Freeman, Retired, Dies



Mr. Freeman

Oakley E. Freeman, 54, retired Huntington employee, died September 3.

He joined the company as a laborer October 22, 1934 and was station man when he elected early retirement because of health May 1 this year.

A native of North Kenova, O., he attended schools at South Point.

Surviving are his widow, one son, three sisters and three brothers. Funeral services were conducted at Chesapeake, O., and burial was in Woodland Cemetery in Ironton, O.

Bluefield Man Frees Youth

While his mother was at a movie called "Parent Trap," 14-year-old George Snider of Bluefield was at home getting into a boy trap, and it took Appalachian to spring him.

It seems that George and a friend were carefully studying a souvenir pair of leg irons, which study included trying them on, and closing the lock.

The study did not include making sure the key was still available. It wasn't. For four hours George sweated in the irons, all the while trying every key he and his pal could locate. A friend took them to the police station, but the police were not accustomed to picking locks. In a burst of inspiration the police took the boys to the Appalachian service building.

There, with two snips of a bolt cutter, James R. Bailey, general serviceman, set the youth free, and sent him off to the swimming pool.

Work Simplification Proposals Total 31

Thirty-one work simplification proposals from employees of our three companies were adopted in July and August. The latter month showed the bigger production, with 20 usable ideas. Here is the division-by-division report for July:

Charleston Division

L. W. Price suggested substituting a piece of rope for a paint brush in applying no oxide to copper conductors and hardware.

Huntington Division

Two proposals from T. R. Templeton, transportation in Huntington, were accepted, one for a protective rack to be used in inflating truck tires, and the other the installation of a safety drop-stop for hydraulic lifts. M. A. Fotos, Huntington T&D, devised a new method for exterminating wasps on poles. G. F. Schwartz, A. L. Merrifield, also Huntington

T&D, suggested using duplex cable on dusk-to-dawn extensions. Use of safety tab to prevent objects from rolling when placed on an inclined surface was the suggestion of Gordon Chain, another Huntington T&D man.

In Williamson, there were seven proposals, all from T&D. C. L. Miller offered one to pad the distribution operation report in single copies and eliminate an unnecessary second copy. He also authored, with Price Copley, a proposal to distribute and circulate a limited number of copies of the monthly report of unsafe conditions. G. B. Trent devised a new method to take off a single phase primary tap from a three-phase line which will result in savings of about \$450 a year, and also proposed a new distribution method of employees' electric service bills. C. F. Alley suggested a bolt bin for different size bolts.

Roanoke Division

J. P. McDermott proposed that anti-freeze solution for automotive equipment be pre-mixed. Mr. McDermott works in Lynchburg transportation.

In August these simplification proposals were accepted.

Bluefield Division

C. M. Jackson, Abingdon T&D, had an idea for protecting piles from dirt and grease and from damaging other tools. In Pulaski, R. W. Ruble, T&D, came up with four proposals: replacing street light bulbs with attachments devised to be used on GCA street light sticks; replacing old type meter boxes with meter sockets; storing fuses in service truck, and installing a new tool box on service trucks.

Three proposals came from Welch, all from T&D. W. T. Lanter suggested that the display dusk-to-dawn light be used to test new ones before installation. J. J. Lane and H. S. White recommended using collapsible power pick-up reel to hang transformers and other heavy equipment on poles. Charles J. Brown suggested use of old billing register sheets by

servicemen to find customers.

Charleston Division

R. J. Fairfield, Charleston T&D, came up with the suggestion to use 55-foot to 80-foot cedar poles instead of pine for 46-kv and 69-kv transmission construction because they are lighter and easier to work with. J. F. Dooley and H. H. Carrico, also Charleston T&D, thought of using detachable hooks that could be installed on a regular ladder, permitting one ladder to be used either for installing services or on a cross arm.

Roanoke Division

The five ideas from this division all came from two men. J. C. Irby, transportation, had three: buy a chain wrench to remove oil filters from certain makes of cars; buy a Safe Service battery filler which not only fills batteries to the proper level, but also stops the overflow of acid solution from the battery, and, third, buy a pneumatic gun with special cutting chisels to replace tail pipes and mufflers. G. H. Broyles, T&D line and station, suggested using plastic water pipe as an insulating tube on primary lead between cutout and transformer to bird- and squirrel-proof the transformers. His second proposal was a simple, inexpensive method of testing photoelectric controls on Dusk-to-Dawn lights.

Plants

Two proposals came from Cabin Creek plant in August. S. D. LaCroix, results, found a way of reducing the cost of oxygen analyzer head assemblies, and R. E. Morrison, production, proposed that disposable wiping rags be laundered instead of thrown away.

A. G. Gose, Clinch River plant results, suggested a method of avoiding locking of dials in the coal counter instruments. R. I. Pawliger, results, developed a quick method for balancing primary-air fans, and V. Adams, Jr., results found a way of pinpointing condenser waterbox leaks.

Kiwanis Elects W. C. Groseclose

William C. Groseclose, administrative assistant, was elected president of the Welch Kiwanis Club, moving up from the post of vice president. In his five years of membership he has served on several committees and on the board of directors.

He joined the company in 1948 and worked in Pulaski in various accounting jobs, and transferred to Welch in 1955 as administrative assistant.

Mr. Groseclose, in addition to his Kiwanis activities, is president of the Presbyterian Men's Club, and a director of the same church; is blood chairman of the local Red Cross Chapter, and public relations chairman for McDowell County Scouting activities.



Mr. Groseclose

Mother, Son Travel From Huntington To Point Pleasant, But In Unusual Way

It's 42 miles from Huntington to Point Pleasant, as the bicycle pedals.

Mrs. June A. Deal, AEP lab technician in Huntington, and her 12-year-old son, Mike, can attest to this. The two made the trip by bike "partly because my son has a new bicycle and wanted to try it out and partly to prove a point." The point was that she wanted to prove to the people at the lab she could make the trip. "But I even doubted a little," she said.

The trip took about four hours. Mrs. Deal rode a 23-year-old bike which Mrs. Mary Anderson, lab chemist, had painted, sanded and made repairs on.

Mrs. Anderson provided the moral and material support, preparing a picnic lunch and providing Mrs. Deal with a box of change to use at pay stations to call along the way and report progress to the office. Each time Mrs. Deal called in, a notice of their progress was posted on the bulletin board.

The two suffered no ill effects,



Mrs. June Deal and her son, Mike, stand beside the bicycles that took them from Huntington to Point Pleasant.

except that Mrs. Deal was a little stiff the next day. Her comment: "I just may do it again."

Fourteen Couples Married In Recent Ceremonies



Married in recent weeks were, top row from left: Mrs. Clarence Eugene Bryan, Kingsport; Mrs. Larry Mac

Benner, Huntington; Mrs. Arthur R. Bacon, Kanawha River plant; Mrs. Richard Herman Perdue, System; Mrs.

Richard Chambers Flora, System; and Mr. and Mrs. Alan Wayne Hawkins, System. Bottom row from left: Mrs.

Loren Haines Walker, System; Mrs. Lawrence E. Rodabaugh, Roanoke; Mrs. Gerald W. Arnold, Philip Sporn

Plant; Mrs. Walter Lewis Young, Jr., System; Mrs. Ronald C. Keith, Welch; and Mr. and Mrs. William McCracken, Kingsport.

Abele-Bacon

Pamela Ann Abele was united in marriage to Arthur R. Bacon June 22 at the Hyattsville Presbyterian Church, Hyattsville, Md. Mrs. Bacon is the daughter of W. B. Abele, chief chemist at the Kanawha River plant.

Dunn-Benner

Patricia Ann Dunn became the bride of Larry Mac Benner on August 26 in the Baptist Temple in Huntington. Mrs. Benner is the daughter of Carl M. Dunn, administrative assistant in Huntington.

Van Inuagen-Marr

A double ring ceremony performed July 1 in the Racine Baptist Church united Cora Mae Van Inuagen and Paul F. Marr. Mr. Marr is a laborer at the Philip Sporn plant.

Pulaskians Learn Of Other Faiths

A desire to see some of the early churches in America and to learn more about other types of religions resulted in a modern-day safari on the part of 19 young people and 6 counselors from the Pulaski First Methodist Church.

Among the group were six employees' children and one of the counselors was an employee's wife. They were Mary Kathryn, daughter of R. E. Sheets, meterman; Mrs. C. N. Robinson, wife of the heating and builder sales representative; their daughter, Carole; Martha and Bobby, children of A. E. Lemons, dealer sales representative; Bobby, son of R. H. Love, electrical engineer; and Harry, son of C. H. Rhett, engineering aide.

The group's destination was Ocean Grove and Asbury Park, N. J., but on the way they visited many historical spots. Riding in five cars and a Safari Trailer, they visited the Washington Episcopal Cathedral, an Islamic Mosque, the Lovely Lane Methodist Church, Dawyer's Presbyterian Church in Delaware, Old Swed's Episcopal Church and Barrett's Chapel, oldest early American Methodist Church and the "cradle of Methodism".

They camped along the route and held daily devotional services and discussion periods, where they reviewed what they were learning of other faiths.

Pittman-Flora

August 26 was the wedding day of Joanne Jones Pittman and Richard Chambers Flora, who were married at the Thrasher Memorial Methodist Church of Vinton, Va. Mrs. Flora is machine operator in the Roanoke system accounting department.

Nuckolls-Keith

Frances Nuckolls and Ronald C. Keith were united in marriage in a double ring ceremony at the Williamsburg Methodist Church on June 10. Mrs. Keith is the daughter of B. M. Nuckolls, Grundy area supervisor.

Stultz-Young

The St. James Episcopal Church in Roanoke was the setting of the August 26th wedding of Doris Marie Stultz and Walter Lewis Young, Jr. Mrs. Young is a service audit clerk in the system accounting department in Roanoke and Mr. Young is a methods and procedures analyst in the system operating department in Roanoke.

Edwards-Arnold

Patricia Edwards and Gerald W. Arnold were married August 27 at

Employee's Wife To Head Observance

State Chairman for the observance of United Nations Day in West Virginia this year is Mrs. Howard S. Meadows, wife of the Bluefield district engineer.

Well-known in West Virginia broadcasting circles, Mrs. Meadows is executive secretary of the Mercer County Heart Council, and is a free-lance broadcaster.

Mrs. Meadows served three years on the International Relations Committee of the Bluefield Civic League, is past president of the Bluefield area chapter of the American Association for the United Nations, was public information chairman for the Red Cross in Bluefield, and has been a member of the choir of the Bland Street Methodist Church.



Mrs. Meadows

the Church of Christ in Charleston. Mr. Arnold is a barge attendant at the Philip Sporn plant.

Robison-Perdue

A candlelight double ring ceremony performed at the Evangelical United Brethren Church in Roanoke on August 28 united Gladys Marie Robison and Richard Herman Perdue. Mrs. Perdue is the daughter of Chester L. Robison, Jr., system supervising breaker engineer in Roanoke.

Coleman-Hawkins

August 27 was the wedding day of Oneida Louise Coleman and Alan Wayne Hawkins, who were married at the Seventh Day Adventist Church, Rock Hall, Md. Mr.

Hawkins is the son of O. A. Hawkins, general bookkeeping supervisor in the system accounting department in Roanoke.

Barrett-McCracken

Ann Marlene Barrett and William McCracken were married August 20 in the Ketron Memorial Methodist Church. Mrs. McCracken is the daughter of Edward R. Barrett, general serviceman in Kingsport.

Sweeney-Rodabaugh

Betty Jean Sweeney and Lawrence E. Rodabaugh were united in marriage at the Garden City Church of the Nazarene on August 27. Mrs. Rodabaugh is a former Roanoke local accounting office contract clerk.

New Arrivals

Abingdon
MR. AND MRS. JOHN D. DORTON, a son, John Rollins, September 13. Mrs. Dorton is a former home service representative.

Bluefield
MR. AND MRS. DAVID R. MANN, a daughter, Myra Janice, August 27, 1961. Mr. Mann is lineman in the Pearisburg line department.

Charleston
MR. AND MRS. G. E. "JERRY" CAR-

ROLL, a daughter, Lisa Lynne, August 27. Mr. Carroll is a relay engineer's helper.

Clinch River Plant
MR. AND MRS. HAROLD O. GARRETT, a son, Randal H., August 24. Mr. Garrett is a utility man.
MR. AND MRS. RAY STAMPER, a son, David Ray, September 2. Mr. Stamper is a coal equipment operator.

Glen Lyn Plant
MR. AND MRS. E. V. HARRIS, a daughter, Linda Marie, August 19, 1961. Mr. Harris is a chief chemist.
MR. AND MRS. GEORGE A. THWAITES, a son, George A., Jr., August 28, 1961. Mr. Thwaites is a utility man and Mrs. Thwaites is a former clerk-stenographer.

Kanawha River Plant
MR. AND MRS. J. E. FRAZIER, JR., a son, Jerry Lee, August 19, 1961. Mr. Frazier is a conveyor operator.

Pikeville
MR. AND MRS. JERRY BARTLEY, a daughter, Robin Renee, August 22, 1961. Mr. Bartley is an appliance serviceman.

Roanoke
MR. AND MRS. ARTHUR W. BONDS, a son, Boyce Nathan, August 16, 1961. Mr. Bonds is a car washer.
MR. AND MRS. C. J. PUFFENBARGER, a son, Christopher James, July 24. Mr. Puffenbarger is a lineman.

Smith Mountain
MR. AND MRS. HOWARD HUCK, a daughter, Laura Lea, August 23. Mr. Huck is a cost engineer.

System
MR. AND MRS. GEORGE T. GOODALL, JR., a son, George Torman, III, September 14, 1961. Mr. Goodall is system transmission man.

Welch
MR. AND MRS. HASSEL WOOLDRIDGE, a son, David Lee, August 25, 1961. Mrs. Wooldrige is a former Grundy office pre-audit clerk.

Majorette



Leah Sue Farris, 15-year-old daughter of Hazel Farris of Williamson, has been selected majorette of the Williamson High School band. She was chosen on the basis of ability, personality, and attractiveness. Musically-talented, Leah plays the piano and clarinet, and sings in the First Baptist Church Choir. Her mother is pre-audit clerk in Williamson.

McPherson-Bryan

The Monticello Methodist Church, Monticello, Miss., was the setting of the August 12th wedding of Ann Smylie McPherson and Clarence E. Bryan. Mr. Bryan is the son of C. J. Bryan, assistant general manager of the Kingsport Utilities, Inc.

Rice-Trimble

Mary Grace Rice and Harry D. Trimble were married September 9. Mr. Trimble is a serviceman at the Paintsville office of the Pikeville district.

Doss-Walker

Barbara Gray Doss became the bride of Loren H. Walker on August 26 in the Second Presbyterian Church in Roanoke. Mrs. Walker is a former stenographer in the Roanoke system personnel department.

Mary L. Goodman Retires At Logan



Mrs. Goodman

Mary L. Goodman, maid at Logan, retired September 1 after over 17 years' service.

She was employed May 2, 1944 as maid. Fellow employees presented her with several gifts on her retirement.

A resident of the Draper Addition of Logan, she plans to rest up awhile, enjoy her flowers and home and visit her daughter and grandchildren.

They're Engaged

SUSAN VINES to James R. Nutter. Mr. Nutter is a line foreman in Rainelle.
SHIRLEY JEAN KEFFER to Tony Clarke Garman. Miss Keffer is a clerk-typist in Roanoke.

Little League Honors Go To Roanokers



These three boys were the heart of the Edgewood Lions Club Little League team this year, and were all selected on the Salem All-Star team. From left, Richard Watkins, Randall Smith, J. R. Watkins, co-manager and coach, and Stephen Watkins. Randall took time out from football practice for this baseball picture.

A bushel full of baseball honors came to sons of Roanoke employees at the close of the recent Little League season.

Stephen, 9, and Richard, 10, the sons of J. R. "Shorty" Watkins, were picked to the Salem Little League All-Star team, and Randall Smith, 11, son of C. E. Smith, air conditioning engineer, won a bicycle and an all-expense paid road trip with the professional Salem Rebels for having sold the most tickets to the Roanoke-Salem All-Star Little League game.

All three boys played on the Edgewood Lions Club team, co-managed by Shorty Watkins. Richard Watkins, pitcher and third baseman, was voted the most valuable player by his teammates. He hit .397 for the year. His brother Stephen led the team in hitting with .585, and won a trophy for it, and Randall Smith, the catcher, hit .438.

Randall has swapped the catcher's mask for shoulder pads for the fall,

Youngster Swims, Dives To Titles

Last year he couldn't swim, but today he is a champion in the sport.



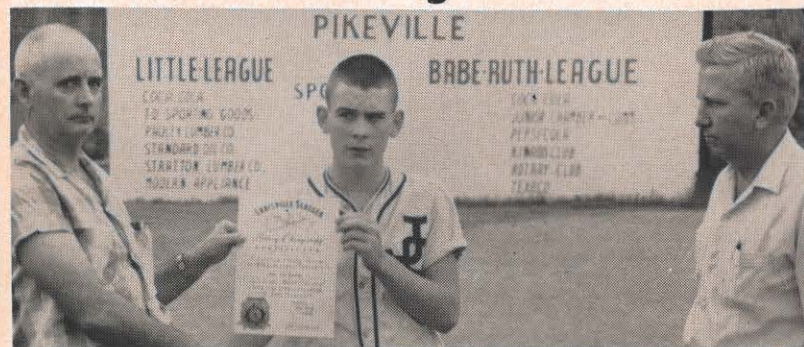
Jimmy Crum

meter reader in the Point Pleasant district.

Swimming in the Midgets Class of Division A, he won the 50-yard freestyle, 50-yard backstroke and 50-yard breaststroke. To top off the day, he took first place honors in diving.

Jimmy's lessons came with the Cub Scouts, and earlier this year he went on to advanced courses.

Booming Bat



For the second year in a row, W. W. Zoellers, Pikeville power sales engineer, coached the batting champ of the Pikeville Babe Ruth League. Here, Mr. Zoellers, right, looks on as L. M. Newsom, records supervisor and secretary and player agent of the league, presents a Louisville Slugger certificate to Larry Don Newsom. Larry Don, Mr. Newsom's nephew, batted .575 as pitcher and catcher for the Jaycee team, managed by Mr. Zoellers. The team won the league championship.

Three Employees Win In Tourney

Three Williamson employees were among the flight leaders in the recent Tug Valley Country Club annual golf tournament.

E. E. King, district superintendent, was first flight runner-up; C. R. Wilson, division power sales engineer, second flight winner, and E. J. Clouser, district personnel supervisor, fifth flight winner. All received trophies from the sponsor.

Three Veterans Receive Emblems



Mr. Mitchell

Mr. Rowe

Service emblems for 45 and 35 years have been presented in Roanoke, Ashland and Bluefield.

Alvin H. Firebaugh observed his 45th year, and completing 35 years were H. T. Mitchell of Ashland and Dave Rowe of Bluefield.

Mr. Firebaugh, Roanoke meter serviceman, was employed as a meter installer in 1916 and became a serviceman in 1920.

He is a member of the Melrose Methodist Church and a native of Botetourt County. He has two daughters and five grandchildren.

Mr. Mitchell, Ashland district stores supervisor, joined the company in 1926 at Roanoke as a clerk in system accounting. He was storekeeper, assistant chief storekeeper and assistant stores auditor before going to Ashland in 1950.

He is a native of Glenrichie, Pa. and a member of the Presbyterian Church.

Mr. Rowe, Tazewell area supervisor in the Bluefield district, was born in Wise County. He joined the company in 1926.

He is a member of the Baptist Church, Masonic Lodge and the Lions Club.

Boy Saves Friend In Lake Incident

Quick action on the part of 13-year-old Bobby Sheaff of Roanoke saved the life of a friend when he fell into water over his head recently.



Bobby Sheaff

Bobby, the son of R. W. Sheaff of system meter, and some other children were playing after dark on a cabin cruiser tied to a pier at Claytor Lake. A six-year-old boy, who couldn't swim, fell from top side. Bobby quickly jumped in and swam to safety with the child.

Bobby is a Boy Scout in Vinton Troop 235, where he received verbal instruction in life saving.



Appalachian Power Company

Abingdon District—25 YEARS: S. F. BOWLING, JR., meterman; C. M. JACKSON, area supervisor. 5 YEARS: A. S. BUCHANAN, pre-audit clerk.

Bluefield District—35 YEARS: DAVE ROWE, area supervisor. 25 YEARS: IRA W. HENDERSON, administrative assistant; ROY J. KIDD, meter serviceman. 20 YEARS: PHIL H. FRY, meter serviceman; WILLIAM M. GORDON, meter serviceman; JAMES P. ROSE, lead draftsman. 15 YEARS: ALFRED H. WHITE, photographer and reproduction man. 5 YEARS: JACK D. SPRAKER, station man.

Clinch River Plant—10 YEARS: N. E. MINNICK, unit foreman. 5 YEARS: G. C. BRADLEY, guard; P. G. CAMPBELL, guard; DONALD LASLEY, utility man; C. W. MUSICK, guard; R. L. PARKS, helper; G. E. PUCKETT, utility operator.

Charleston District—25 YEARS: JOHN G. HARRISON, right-of-way agent; DALE B. STONE, area serviceman. 15 YEARS: STEVE DIDIER, station foreman; FRANK HARKINS, collector; RALPH E. MYERS, engineering aide; CLIFFORD PICKLESIMER, line inspector; WILLIAM N. WALKER, T&D clerk. 5 YEARS: ROBERT H. WELLS, coal procurement clerk.

Fieldale District—30 YEARS: LOIS SHEPPARD, cashier-clerk. 25 YEARS: M. W. BROWN, district office supervisor; E. L. MUNDAY, district manager. 15 YEARS: B. C. HARLOWE, working foreman.

Glen Lyn Plant—20 YEARS: H. F. DAVIS, equipment operator.

Huntington District—25 YEARS: WILLIAM L. HALSTEAD, meterman helper; CLYDE R. JOHNSON, chemist; WILLIAM M. LANGSTAFF, division power sales engineer. 20 YEARS: PAUL M. BAKER, commercial sales representative; HERSHEL V. MAYO, groundman. 10 YEARS: CHARLES E. PORTER, line man. 5 YEARS: ANNETTA M. ABSHIRE, stenographer; DOROTHY C. SMITH, cashier clerk.

Logan District—20 YEARS: WAYNE E. WARREN, assistant stores supervisor. 15 YEARS: RALPH H. BRAGG, meter serviceman.

Lynchburg District—25 YEARS: L. L. CROCKER, area serviceman. 20 YEARS: E. D. LAYNE, T&D clerk; W. T. SUBLETT, collector.

Point Pleasant District—20 YEARS: L. D. BALDING, Ripley local office supervisor.

Pulaski District—25 YEARS: E. H. CONNER, station man; EARL P. OWENS, assistant district office supervisor. 20 YEARS: M. T. AKERS, JR., lineman; R. D. CARSON, electrical engineer. 15 YEARS: J. G. LEONARD, meter serviceman.

Radford Arsenal Steam Plant—10 YEARS: A. J. KEATLEY, auxiliary equipment operator.

Roanoke District—30 YEARS: C. R. MILLS, head contract clerk. 25 YEARS: D. R. HUNT, line foreman; R. W. SWAIN, station man. 20 YEARS: G. G. BIAS, meter service helper; F. O. HANCOCK, station man helper. 15 YEARS: M. C. SHORT, instrumentman. 10 YEARS: ELIZABETH SYDNOR, elevator operator. 5 YEARS: K. E. FRENCH, draftsman; EDITH M. RUSHER, secretarial-stenographer.

Smith Mountain—10 YEARS: JACK G. FACEMIRE, assistant structural engineer.

Philip Sporn Plant—25 YEARS: HAROLD C. JOHNSON, assistant shift operating engineer.

System—30 YEARS: E. T. GILLS, system supervising transmission engineer; S. H. WISE, system station superintendent. 25 YEARS: C. V. SMITH, head-stores accounting records audit section. 20 YEARS: T. W. OLD, system senior station engineer. 15 YEARS: W. M. HAULSEE, system station operator; J. L. WARD, system station operator. 10 YEARS: M. R. CREEDLE, engineering aide. 5 YEARS: M. L. CROFT, machine operator; C. C. GARRETT, system transmission man; G. J. HODOCK, system transmission man; PATRICIA W. HUBBARD, accounts receivable clerk; KATHRYN R. WEDDLE, stenographer.

Welch District—5 YEARS: ELIZABETH A. MARINE, clerk-typist; JOE L. MULLINS, general clerk.

Williamson District—20 YEARS: E. E. KING, district superintendent. 15 YEARS: THURMAN BALL, working foreman; J. E. HATFIELD, lineman; WAYNE HERALD, meter reader.

Kentucky Power Company

Ashland District—35 YEARS: H. T. MITCHELL, stores supervisor. 20 YEARS: R. W. SCHWEITZER, power sales engineer.

Hazard District—15 YEARS: A. R. BRASHEAR, serviceman.

Sports Marks



Achievements in two different sports were recorded by Ashlanders recently. At left, Roberta "Bo" Humphrey was the winner of the Woman's Club Championship at the Twin Valley Golf Course. She is the wife of Edward Humphrey, Ashland engineer. At right, John Shutt, meter reader, poses with the 15-pound, two-ounce Northern Pike he caught at Wenebagon Lake, Sultan, Ontario, Canada. The fish measured 39 1/2 inches and was caught on a Johnson Silver Spoon.

Baseball Strikes Out, Golf Lands In Rough – The Sound Of Bowling Is Heard In The Land



Here is Barbara Adkins, fast becoming powerful opposition in the Charleston League. She has bowled less than two full seasons, but has already pushed her average from 116 to 162, and swept all women's honors in a summer league, the trophy for which she holds.

Pack away the baseball gloves, and make room for bowling. Fall is on the land, and that means we shall hear the rumble and clatter of balls and pins.

At Philip Sporn plant, a 12-team league has already started action. Guiding its fortunes are three re-elected officers—Cricket Searls, president, Nelson Roush, vice president, and Karl Wiles, treasurer—and one new officer, Bob Couch, secretary. Captains of the teams make up the board of directors.

Teams and their captains are: Pipe-teers, Gerald Michael; Kilowatts, Nelson Roush; Trippers, Wyllis Davis; Coal Docks, Jerry Arnold; Half & Half, Bill Gibbs; Green Horns, George Wright; Grimes Shift, Delbert Murray; Emmerts Shift, Charles King; Carroll's Shift, Charlie Carroll; Pulverizers, Willis Dudding; Hydrovactors, Butch Wehrung; Tennant's Shift, Mark Wark.

A more central location and new lanes await the 14 teams from Cabin Creek and Kanawha plants, Montgomery Office and the Central Appalachian Coal Company. This league chose as its officers G. S. Farthing as chairman, Jeanne Bryant, secretary, Betty Smith, treasurer, and B. E. Sheets, J. R. McGinnis and Robert Fleming, board members.

At Williamson too, new officers have been chosen to lead the league through the coming season. Henry D. Hatfield was elected president, Alberta Shelton, vice president, Hazel Farris, secretary, and Myrtle Bevins, treasurer. Captains of the six competing teams are A. O. Hatfield, Bill Barbour, J. E. "Sonny" Runyon, Jerry Akers, Gene Hall, and Fred Varney.

In Charleston, the venerable Kilowatt League started its 33-week action September 15, and included among its members three men who have bowled with the league since its start in 1938. C. B. Talley, Wallace Mason and Dick Speas are the veterans.

Again this year the Kilowatt League has 12 teams with some changes in both team names and personnel. The Commercial Department has a new team, appropriately called the "Medallions" and there is an all-girl team named "The Five Amps."

The other teams are the Reddy-watts, Systematics, Engine-ears, Eye-balls, Divisioneers, Pulverizers, Live Wires, Pen Pushers, Meterites and Line Tamers.

The league is bowling this year at the remodeled Boulevard Recreation Center, which features new alleys, automatic pinsetters, under-alley ball returns, and plush carpeting. The league will bowl straight through the schedule with only one Friday off, for the Charleston district Christmas party on December 15.

Angler Outlasts Shark In Unusual Fishing Battle

Ralph Allen, not unlike a lot of people, is an active person in sports, home life, his job. But unlike many others, he has only one arm to use in pursuit of his interests.



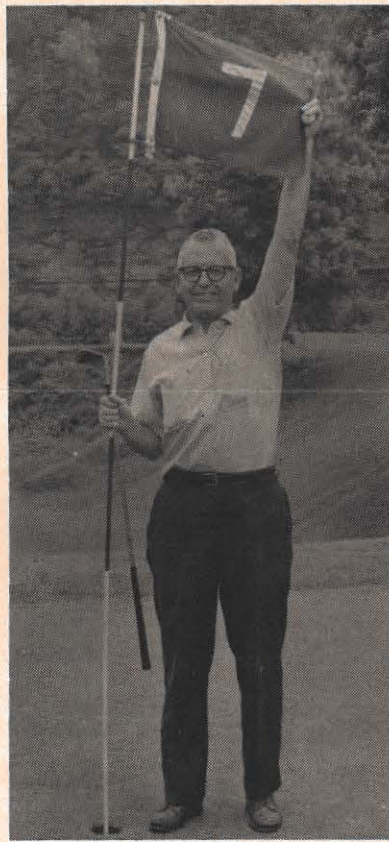
Mr. Allen

The St. Albans collector in the Charleston district, in addition to his job, raises five acres of vegetables, serves as County Commissioner of Putnam County Court, shoots 90 on the golf course, plays tennis, swims, bowls and hunts (in the last 9 years he has brought home 8 deer).

But now comes a story that tops them all—Mr. Allen on a recent vacation landed a 4-foot, 60-pound shark. Fishing off Chesapeake Bay with a small 20-pound line, he had caught some flounder and croakers. Suddenly the shark hit his line and Mr. Allen decided the only thing to do was to let the shark wear himself out.

The battle lasted 30 minutes before the shark was finally hauled aboard the boat. Later when asked about the catch, Mr. Allen laughed and said, "Any fisherman would understand that one arm was not nearly the handicap in this instance as when trout fishing."

Lucky Seven



It's lucky seven for sure for H. H. Kincaid, Pikeville district manager. Last year he made a hole-in-one on the seventh hole of the Green Meadow Golf Course, and just a few weeks ago he repeated the performance. The hole is a par 3, 103-yarder. This second hole-in-one happened on National Hole-In-One Day and made him eligible for a possible trip around the world in a sweepstakes drawing.

Outstanding



The outstanding player in the Abingdon Little League this year was 12-year-old Charles Gregory, son of Roy R. Gregory, Washington County crew lineman. His season's accomplishment included a batting average of .450, and selection to the League All-Star team for the second year in a row. He played shortstop and caught for the Jaycee team. His father was Jaycee coach and All-Star coach this year.

Huffman Wins In Kentucky Golf



R. L. Huffman of Pikeville, right, is the new champion of the Kentucky Power Company golf tournament. Here, he receives the winning cup from Waldo LaFon of Ashland, 1960 champ.

Leon Huffman of Pikeville defeated Russell Fields of Kanawha River plant on the 21st hole to win the championship flight of the annual Kentucky Power Company golf tournament.

A record number of 58 employees and former employees took part in the tourney, played at the Paintsville Country Club September 23 and 24. A large gallery followed Huffman and Fields in the final match and watched as Fields repeatedly sank long putts to keep pace with Huffman, before finally losing out on the third extra hole. Fields defeated Waldo LaFon and Bob Flynn and Huffman beat Max Barrett and Bronson Callihan to advance to the finals.

Barrett went on to win the first flight of the double elimination

tourney from South Dunn. Gary Layne defeated Bob Hornbuckle in the second flight and Dick Wilson won over Bill Baird in the third flight.

Jarrett Wood took fourth flight honors over Bill Zoellers, while Jim Bogardus stopped Chester Smith in the fifth flight. Sixth flight winner was C. A. Zoellers, who defeated Craig Fields, and Herb Charles won by default in the seventh flight.

Other winners were: eighth—Clifford Boyd over Chandos Tackett; ninth—Herb Kincaid over Stanley Slone; tenth—Tom Watkins, Jr. over Joe Clouser; eleventh—Ed Humphrey over Don Bryan; twelfth—Don Gesling over Jack Palmer; thirteenth—Gaine Stidham over Jim Burdsal; and fourteenth—Jim Saltz over Gus Zopp.



It's election time for bowlers. At the top are the officers of the Philip Sporn plant bowling league: Bob Couch, secretary; Karl Wiles, treasurer; Cricket Searls, president, and Nelson Roush, vice president. The last three were re-elected to the same jobs they held last year. Bottom picture shows the new officers of the Williamson Bowling League. From left: Alberta Shelton, vice president; Hazel Farris, secretary; Henry Hatfield, president, and Myrtle Bevins, treasurer.

League Champs



William B. McGlothlin, Jr., Marion meter reader in the Pulaski district, coached his VFW team to the Little League championship over 9 other teams in Marion this season. The team posted a 12-2 record. Playing third base was his son, Jackie, at left on the front row, and cheering the team on as mascot was his daughter, Rhonda Lynn, right front. This is Bill's fourth year as coach.

New Champion



Wiping out a narrow defeat last year, Robert Sheffey, Abingdon district engineer, won the Glenrochie Country Club golf championship by defeating a former club champion 1 up on the 21st hole. In 1960 he reached the finals but lost on the 20th hole. Here he points his club at the place his name will be engraved on the golf championship plaque.

Forty Golfers Compete In Huntington Tourney

Forty Huntington division golfers turned out September 9 at the Logan Country Club for the annual division 18-hole golf tournament, and 29 of them won something.

Here are the winners: low gross, John Browning, 70; runner-up, Paul Baker, 74. Low net, Dick Smith, 71; runners-up, low net, Gene King, Monte Huffman, Austin Neal, Paul Gosney.

Low putts, Bob Waggoner, Dick Wilson; low gross, six par 3 holes, Jim Richmond, Bill Witzel, Coy Marshall; high gross, six par 3 holes, Kyle Moore, Joe Clouser; low gross, two blind holes, Red Bivens, Paul Vannoy, Bob Musgrave; high gross, two blind holes, Ralph Bragg.

Most pars, front nine, Dean Jenkins and Max Worthington; most pars, back nine, Carl Elkins, Miller Porterfield, Don Coffey, Sonny White, Cat Everett, Hal Burns; most birdies, Homer Hagaman; high gross, Corbett Brumfield.

The arrangements committee was R. S. Musgrave, W. R. Witzel, Paul Baker and M. C. Porterfield. Ernest Bevins and Howard Collins were scorekeepers.



Here are some of the 40 golfers who took part in the Huntington division golf tournament last month in Logan.



John D. Dalton pauses in his workshop, surrounded by some of his handcraft.

Following Advice, Retired Welch Man Finds Hobby, Is Enjoying Himself

John D. Dalton, retired Welch line supervisor, took the advice of his friends and found a fine hobby for himself.

Since retiring March 1, 1958, Mr. Dalton has bought some woodworking tools—saws, lathes and sanders—set them up in the large basement, and started making corner shelves, napkin holders and wall decorations. Some he keeps, some he gives away, and some he sells.

Financially, he reports, he hasn't done any better than to break even. But that's no real problem: he has earned enough to buy more tools, and

that's all he wants.

Without a roomy basement to head for, and without a hobby to keep his mind and hands busy, Mr. Dalton says time would hang heavy on him, especially in the winter.

In doing his work, Mr. Dalton relies on designs that he or members of his family make, and sometimes he will borrow ideas from magazines and woodworking pamphlets.

Now living in Roanoke, Mr. Dalton drove over to Claytor Lake for the Welch employees' picnic and showed off many of his products to his old friends.

Flow Of Time, Work-Savers Continues As Employees Highlight 'AEP Ideas'

Suggestions by 9 Appalachian employees on better ways to do things highlighted the September issue of *AEP Operating Ideas*.

R. F. Cooke, Roanoke district office supervisor, in "Bill-Paying

Plan Improves Customer Service", describes a sight draft plan begun in Roanoke, whereby customers can authorize the company to issue drafts against their checking accounts for their electric service accounts. The plan is being put into effect throughout Appalachian.

Three Cabin Creek men—R. E. Morrison, test engineer; and L. H. Carnifax and J. W. Darlington, mechanical maintenance men, wrote "Reclassify Hardinge Mills The Easy Way." They describe improvements made over the last several years in the procedures for reclassifying balls for the Foster Wheeler, Hardinge-type pulverizers that have made the job easier and safer.

L. W. Price and H. R. Allison of Charleston's distribution department tell of a bolt welded on the rear of a truck to aid in the ground assembling of street light fixtures. The bolt helps hold the bracket for the work in a way that the bed of the truck is still accessible.

"Save By Recovering Inactive Transformers" was written by C. A. Simmons, electrical engineer, and W. F. Machir, T&D record supervisor, of Point Pleasant. The two describe in detail how the district recovers inactive distribution transformers at the lowest possible cost.

S. K. Pennington, Glen Lyn plant test engineer, wrote "How To Maintain Exciters And Avoid Trouble" with J. A. Oliver, AEP Service Corporation senior electrical engineer, when Mr. Pennington was on a training program at the Service Cor-

poration. The article, which runs over six pages, points out some of the problems that may be encountered with generator exciters at plants, corrective measures to be taken and preventive measures necessary to avoid these problems.



Mr. Morrison Mr. Carnifax



Mr. Darlington Mr. Price



Mr. Allison Mr. Simmons



Mr. Machir Mr. Pennington

AEP Engineering Is Streamlined

A major reorganization and streamlining of the AEP Service Corporation's engineering department, effective October 1, has been announced by President Philip Sporn.

Several new engineering divisions have been created and responsibilities realigned in other divisions.

The changes were put into effect, Mr. Sporn said, "to strengthen the department's present operation and to utilize at their maximum effectiveness the many talents and abilities we have in the organization." He added that the move will help assure a continuity of experience for future years "so that we can raise from within the ranks of the company the great leaders in engineering and engineering operations and so that we can also train through engineering great leaders for the company's needs in future years."

Newly created by the reorganization are the Civil Engineering Division and the Design and Drafting Services Division, formerly combined in the Design Division. In addition, the Canton (Ohio) Engineering Office has been redesignated as the Canton Engineering Division, and the Computer Applications Section as the Computer Services Section.

Over-all direction of the AEP System's engineering program will continue to rest with H. A. Kammer, Service Corporation executive vice president for engineering-construction-purchasing, and S. N. Fiala, Service Corporation vice president-engineering. Both are also directors of the Service Corporation and of the parent AEP Company.

The Engineering Department will be headed by Carl P. Zimmerman, former head of the Electrical Engineering Division, who has been promoted to chief engineer of the Service Corporation. In this capacity he succeeds Mr. Fiala, who previously had held the dual responsibilities of engineering vice president and chief engineer, and thus becomes only the third chief engineer in the past 28 years.

Three new engineering positions have been created by the reorganization in a move described by Mr. Sporn as designed to make the most effective use of the engineering knowledge and capabilities of the three veteran engineers assigned to these posts. They are: E. A. Kammer, former head of the Design Division, who has been named consulting civil and design engineer; T. T. Frankenberg, former head of the Mechanical Engineering Division, appointed consulting mechanical engineer; and John H. Kinghorn, deputy head of the Electrical Engineering Division, named consulting electrical engineer.

Logan District Retiree Dies

Mortimer L. "Buck" Collins, retired Logan district employee, died August 22 in the Veterans Hospital in Huntington. He was 69.

Mr. Collins started work for the company September 8, 1925 as a lineman, and retired January 1, 1931. He took early retirement due to a disability which resulted in the loss of a leg.

He was born in Gravesmill, Virginia, and served in the first World War. He is survived by two brothers.



Mr. Zimmerman



Mr. Kammer



Mr. Frankenberg



Mr. Kinghorn



Mr. Hroncich



Mr. Dolan



Mr. Tillinghast



Mr. Barnes



Mr. Hunter



Mr. Stagg



Mr. Zobel

Functions of the former Design Division have been divided between the two new divisions. Mark J. Hroncich, former head of the Civil Engineering Section of the Design Division, now serves as acting head of the new Civil Engineering Division. John E. Dolan, former staff engineer in the Nuclear Power Section, has been named head of the new Design and Drafting Services Division.

Appointed head of the Mechanical Engineering Division succeeding Mr. Frankenberg is John A. Tillinghast, former staff engineer in that division who in recent months has been serving as project engineer for construction of the new 580,000 kilowatt Unit 4 at the Tanners Creek plant in Indiana.

Howard C. Barnes, former assistant head of the Electrical Engineering Division, has been elevated to division head replacing Mr. Zimmerman. Assigned as project engineer for Tanners Creek Unit 4 in place of Mr. Tillinghast will be Robert S. Hunter, former assistant head of the Nuclear Power Section.

The newly designated Computer Services Section, headed by Glenn W. Stagg, which handles all of the non-accounting computer application work of the entire AEP System, will report to the chief engineer under the new set-up. Previously it was part of the System Planning and Analytical Division.

In another realignment, the Trans-

A. W. Huseby Named To AEP Position

Albert W. Huseby has been named administrative assistant to H. A. Kammer, executive vice president in charge of engineering and construction of the AEP Service Corporation.

For the past five years Mr. Huseby has been chief of the Planning and Construction Department of the Sao Paulo Light and Power Company of Brazil. Mr. Huseby previously worked in the relay and control engineering fields for the AEP Service Corporation from 1947 to 1950 and for Ebasco Services, Inc. from 1950 to 1953.

He holds both B.S. and M.S. degrees in electrical engineering from Columbia University.

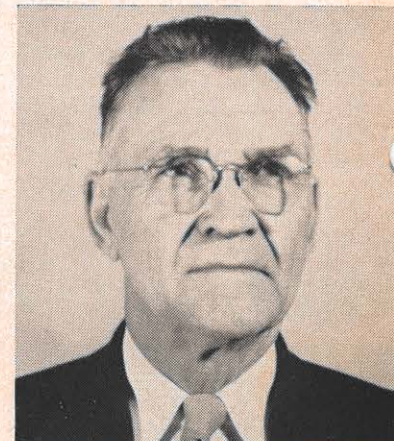
mission Section, headed by E. S. Zobel, was moved from the Electrical Engineering Division; it too will report to the chief engineer.

Also, most electrical construction work has been removed from the Construction Division. Robert E. Bair, newly named manager of transmission line construction, and Richard C. Miller, new manager of substation construction, will now report to the chief engineer, except for power plant substation construction, which remains in the Construction Division.

In his announcement, Mr. Sporn said that the reorganization would help ensure that the AEP System will continue to have "an excellent engineering department—perhaps the best of any utility in the United States." He added that it would "bring forward a group of our very able younger engineers to posts of higher administrative and technical responsibility which it is clear they are ready to assume and which they need to assume in the interest not only of the work they are able to perform now but also in the interest of the future of the company."

Average age of those involved in the promotions within the Engineering Department is 42, he pointed out.

Retired Employee Dies In Charleston



Mr. Asbury

Howard P. Asbury, 71, retired Charleston district lineman, died August 26 after a long illness. He retired in 1955 after more than 35 years of service with the company.

Born at Heizer, W. Va., he was a life-long resident of Kanawha County.

Mr. Asbury was a veteran of the first World War, having served in the artillery in 1918-19, and was a member of the Bethel Baptist Church in Spring Hill.

Survivors include his wife, a stepson, a stepdaughter, and seven grandchildren.