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It is not the oath that makes us believe the man, but the man the oath.

When a man resigns himself to fate, his resignation is immediately accepted.



Distinguished service to the West Virginia Vocational Education Association has won Guilford C. Smith of Charleston the first and only lay citation given by the association. Presenting the citation is Edna Hall, state superintendent of home economics education.

His Tireless Vocational Work Earns Citation For Layman

Guilford C. Smith of Charleston became the first and only lay person to be so honored when he was presented a citation from the West Virginia Vocational Education Association for long and distinguished service.

The citation reads: "In recognition of your contribution to the advancement of vocational education and in appreciation of your tireless efforts in our behalf, the West Virginia Vocational Association commends you for distinguished service."

Mr. Smith, Charleston district administrative assistant, has been working with the association since 1944, when he attended a meeting to help reorganize the West Virginia Farm and Home Electrification Council. Through his work in the council, of which he is past chairman, he has coordinated various programs between utilities and the Vocational Agricultural Education Department. He also worked on a committee helping develop teaching source units for high school teachers to use. The program includes workshops on such subjects as farm water systems, electric motors, electric heating, lighting

and the like. He also performed the same coordination for state home economics teachers.

Among his committee activities over the past 19 years he lists industrial arts education, student Craftsman Fair, projects of the West Virginia Academy of Science (particularly Science Fairs), and 4-H, Future Farmers of America and Future Homemakers of America activities. FFA and FHA have conferred honorary states degrees on him.

For several years he has been chairman of the state advisory committee on the planning of buildings and beautification of the Cedar Lakes Conference Center at Ripley, the state FFA-FHA camp.

Mr. Smith has helped set up activities in the trade and industrial section of the Vocational Division of the State Department of Education for the training and re-training of adults in the state, and has maintained close contact with all five sections of the division. Through this close relationship, he has worked at the state level with the groups that formed the West Virginia Vocational Association.

First Quarter Best

AEP Net Earnings Hit 12-Month Record High

Shareowners of the American Electric Power Company heard at their annual meeting April 24 that its net earnings for a 12-month period had passed \$65-million for the first time.

President Donald C. Cook told shareowners that, based on this year's first quarter—the best in the Company's history—he expected earnings per share for 1963 to increase by 8.2%.

Mr. Cook noted that for the 12 months ended March 31, earnings amounted to \$65,267,000—an increase of 13.4% over the figure of \$57,554,000 for the same period last year. For the 12 months, Mr. Cook said, earnings per share had risen to \$1.49—18c over last year's comparable figure.

First quarter earnings were \$18,386,000, an increase of 8.1% over earnings of \$17,007,000 for the first three months of last year.

Record Sales

Mr. Cook predicted that sales of energy in 1963 should amount to about 32.9-billion kilowatt-hours. Last year, the AEP System sold 31.29-billion kwh, more than any other investor-owned utility system had ever sold before, he said.

The average price per kwh on 1963 energy sales should be about

1.19c, he stated, which would result in revenues amounting to approximately \$396.5-million. Energy sales revenues last year were \$376.1-million.

Mr. Cook reported that heightened efficiencies in generating and delivering electric energy were contributing materially to improved earnings.

Examples of Savings

For example, total steam generating costs declined from 3.08 mills per kilowatt-hour in 1950 to 2.24 mills in 1962, he noted. Applying this reduction of .84 mills to total energy generation in 1962 produced savings of almost \$29-million last year in relation to the costs that prevailed in 1950.

Growth of the System's 345,000-
(See Net Earnings, page 3)

Color TV, Two Portable Sets Offered

Special Electric Heating Promotion Aimed At Employee Participation

A new electric heating prospecting campaign, aimed at enlisting the aid of every employee, has been announced by our three companies.

The role that all employees can play in promoting the use of electric heating among our customers, and the reasons why the fulfillment of this role is important, is spelled out in a statement from Donald C. Cook, president of AEP and of our companies. His statement to employees is carried on this page.

A color television and two portable black and white sets will be the prizes in the campaign for Appalachian, Kentucky and Kingsport active and retired employees. Excluded from the contest are commercial department employees. Here is how employees can qualify to win the television sets:

Employees will turn in prospects for electric heating, either new or conversion, to their residential sales departments from May 15 to August 15. For each prospect sold by September 1, the employee will get his name in the pot for a drawing. After September 1, names will be drawn from the pot—the name of the first winner will get the color set and the other two winners the portable sets. No company may win more than one set, however.

New Activity

This campaign is in addition to any others being conducted by our companies, such as Appalachian's Prospect and Win Activity, where employees earn Electrobucks redeemable for merchandise for electric heating prospects and dusk to dawn lighting sales.

The new campaign is AEP Systemwide, with television sets also being offered in the other companies.

"There are many opportunities for talking about electric heating to our customers—just about any

time and place is the right time and place," company spokesmen point out. "Many of them are already interested and just need extra prodding. Many friends and neighbors are considering new homes, or remodeling the present one. They are all prospects.

In announcing the new campaign, representatives of our companies also reminded employees that the pages of the *AEP Operating Ideas* monthly publication are open to suggestions and new ideas on many subjects, including the promotion of electric heating and the total electric concept. Employees whose ideas are accepted for publication can earn cash awards.

The Rules

For the new campaign, these simple rules have been established. Further details may be obtained from your local commercial department.

1. All active and retired employees of Appalachian, Kentucky and Kingsport are eligible, excluding commercial department active employees.
2. The contest will run from May 15 to August 15, with sales resulting before September 1 eligible.
3. Installations made in an employee's own home will not qualify for the jackpot award.
4. In the event of duplicate submission of a prospect, the first one turned in will be the one that counts.
5. Only sales resulting in instal-

lation on the retail lines of Appalachian, Kentucky and Kingsport will qualify.

6. Submit all leads to your residential sales department.

7. The television incentive program is in addition to any other campaigns being conducted by our companies.

Hamrick To Head Group Planning Center In Canton

Nelson G. Hamrick has been named system supervisor of electronic data processing systems and methods for the AEP Service Corporation.

He rises to the position from that of methods and procedures supervisor for Appalachian's system accounting. In his new post he will head the AEP System methods group to plan the use of the new large-scale information and operating center which AEP will install in Canton, O.

A native of West Virginia, Mr. Hamrick is a graduate of West Virginia Institute of Technology at Montgomery, W. Va. He joined Appalachian at Montgomery as a
(See Hamrick, page 3)



Mr. Hamrick

Help Needed From All Employees

By Donald C. Cook, President

The cost of total-electric living on the American Electric Power System today is at an all-time low. Its popularity is at an all-time high. The two go hand in hand.

On March 1, we put into effect, in six states served by the AEP System, a new low rate for our all-electric residential customers. This was consistent with our long-standing policy of providing superior electric service at the lowest possible cost to our customers.

Their reaction was immediate, favorable and gratifying.

Load Growth

Our ability to cut our rates in the past has been made possible in large measure by the System's continuing load growth. Our ability to continue to do so in the future is tied irrevocably to a continuation, or an acceleration, of that load growth.

Maintenance of a high level of growth in the demand for electric energy leads directly to the need for new and additional facilities. This, in turn, results in a continuing challenge to make still greater improvements in efficiency and utilization, not only in all areas of operation but in the construction of generation, transmission and distribution facilities as well.

The Benefits

The manner in which we have met this challenge in the past has led to lower costs of service, even during periods of sharply increasing price levels. Lower costs have been reflected in lower rates which in their turn have stimulated a continuation of the growth in energy sales. This relationship of growth and efficiency has carried our Company to its present peak of development and accomplishment and has brought with it great benefits for its employees and shareowners.

System load growth not only creates job opportunities in our own companies, but also among contractors and in allied businesses throughout the

2,353 communities served by the System. Other industries, both locally and nationally, benefit too as the demand increases for products and services required for total-electric living. All of this in turn contributes to an expanding national economy, as increased use of electric power stimulates our economic health.

Future Potential

The total-electric home provides an extremely significant potential for our future growth. During 1962, for example, the average residential customer on the AEP System enjoyed the benefits provided by 4,698 kilowatt-hours of electric energy. This was 10% higher than the national average but still a long way from the 21,000 kwh being used by many of our electric-heating customers who live in Gold Medallion total-electric homes. If the average annual usage of all our residential customers could be increased to this 21,000-kwh level, this would mean an increase of more than 20 billion kwh—almost two-thirds of our total energy sales during 1962.

The rate of our Company's future growth will depend to a large extent on our ability to prove to this ready-made market of homeowners that electric heating and comfort conditioning offer important benefits. This is the challenge and opportunity for all of us . . . and one that we must bring to its fullest fruition.

What Is Needed

Over the years, the AEP System has been the leader in encouraging the development of low-cost electric heating and cooling, as well as all the other conveniences of total-electric living. We are continuing and, in fact, intensifying these efforts. But we need the help of all our employees, not just those in the Commercial Departments, to bring the electric-living story to our customers and to find the prospects who should be contacted by our residential sales representatives.

Your help will be greatly appreciated.

Twenty Facts — And You

We must tell our story.

The story we need to tell is one of the capability of the investor-owned electric utilities to provide the electric power that this nation needs. It is a story of why investor-owned electric utilities can do the job better than government power can.

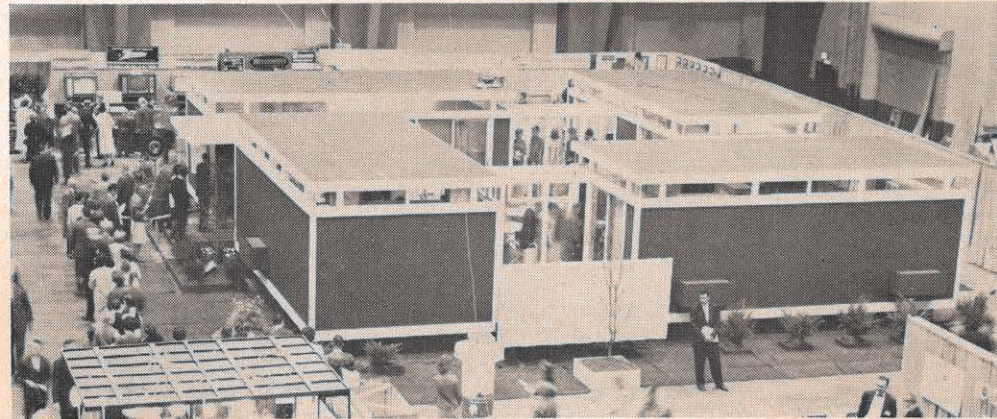
Here are 20 facts that will help us, as employees of an investor-owned electric utility, tell our story.

1. Companies are investor-owned and business-managed; they are not owned and operated by government.
2. The investor-owned electric utility industry will continue to provide an abundant power supply for all America's needs.
3. Electric utility companies are soundly regulated by appropriate government bodies.
4. Prices are fair and service is good.
5. Companies are good citizens wherever they serve.
6. They are conducting advanced research and development.
7. They are attracting good people to work for them.
8. The United States leads the world in power supply; it has nearly three times the capacity of second-ranked Russia.
9. The investor-owned electric utility industry pays more in total taxes than any other industry.
10. It spends more than any other industry each year on new plant and equipment.
11. The investor-owned industry has a vast interconnected system and is constantly expanding it.
12. Many companies are spending hundreds of millions of dollars to make atomic energy competitive before 1970.
13. All facilities needed for power supply can be financed by the electric utility companies in the free market.
14. There is no need for government to spend taxpayers' money on power projects.
15. There is no need for a Federal transmission grid.
16. There is no need for Federal operation of atomic power.
17. Government power customers don't pay their share of taxes.
18. Government power customers are subsidized through lower cost of money to government power projects.
19. Government-sponsored power suppliers get preference in the purchase of electricity from government power projects.
20. REA co-operatives are being used to advance government power.



Designed by H. H. Hutcheson of the Charleston division, this booth was a highlight of the West Virginia State Restaurant Show.

Personnel from three electric utilities manned the booth.



A portion of the 65,000 attending the Charleston Home Show gather around the

"House of The Immediate Future," a GE total electric house featuring four models.

Feature Attractions

Displays Tell Electric Living Story

Two displays, aimed at different groups of people, helped tell the electric living story during the Southern West Virginia Home Show and the West Virginia State Restaurant Convention show.

Feature attraction of the fifth annual home show in Charleston was the "House of the Immediate Future," a total electric gold medallion home co-sponsored by Appalachian and the Clendenin Lumber Company. The General Electric home was fresh from the World's Fair at Seattle.

The home is composed of four individual 11 by 24 feet modules—self-contained units that can be put together like building blocks. The home is heated and cooled with six of the new GE Zoneline heat pumps, wired for complete housepower and lighted to American Home Lighting Institute standards. The house was decorated and furnished by Grace Furniture Company of South Charleston.

In addition to the home show, where many of the 65,385 persons in attendance saw it, the home was the subject of a private showing for architects and builders.

More concerned with food than with shelter was the state restaurant show, held in the Raleigh County Armory field house the end of March. Highlighting it was a booth titled "Electric Utilities of West Virginia" and operated by personnel from

Appalachian, Monongahela Power and Virginia Electric & Power.

H. H. Hutcheson, division commercial sales supervisor, designed and built the booth, which was credited with many sales of commercial cooking equipment.

Everything from soup to nuts was on display, as well as nearly 1,000 pieces of equipment throughout the show. The convention also featured three days of seminars, taught by top men in the field.

news events in brief

ROANOKE—Conditional approval to Norfolk and Western Railway's five-road merger has been given by the Interstate Commerce Commission examiner, and it will now be considered by the entire commission. The examiner recommended approval of the merger of the N&W and Nickel Plate roads; lease of the Wabash; purchase of the connecting Sandusky line and of the Akron, Canton and Youngstown line; and lease of the Pittsburgh and West Virginia. The N&W expects the merger to be effected by December 31, 1963.

CHARLESTON—An 18-story, all-electric building, to be known as Imperial Towers is proposed for Charleston. The building would be 173 feet high, contain 119 apartments and provide 154 parking spaces. A zoning ordinance review will be necessary to allow for the high rise apartment building.

BECKLEY—Financing of the Macinar Inc. plant in Beckley is being arranged. A \$190,000 loan has been secured from the Area Redevelopment Administration. Financing will also include \$35,000 from the Beckley Business Development Corporation, a \$30,000 loan from the West Virginia Industrial Development Authority, \$20,000 in loans from local banks and \$75,000 invested by Macinar stockholders. It is hoped ultimate employment will be 85 in the plant, where steel wool soap pads will be made.

ABINGDON—A lending limit in excess of \$2.5-million to any one borrower, by far the largest amount available in southwest Virginia, will be assured if a proposed bank merger goes through. The merger is proposed between Farmers Exchange Bank of Abingdon and Bristol, with resources of over \$11-million, and the newly formed Virginia National Bank, with resources of over \$330.5-million.

POINT PLEASANT—Facilities will be doubled at the Goodyear Tire and Rubber Company plant. Construction has started and should be completed by September.

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Unique Prizes Offered Engineering Teachers

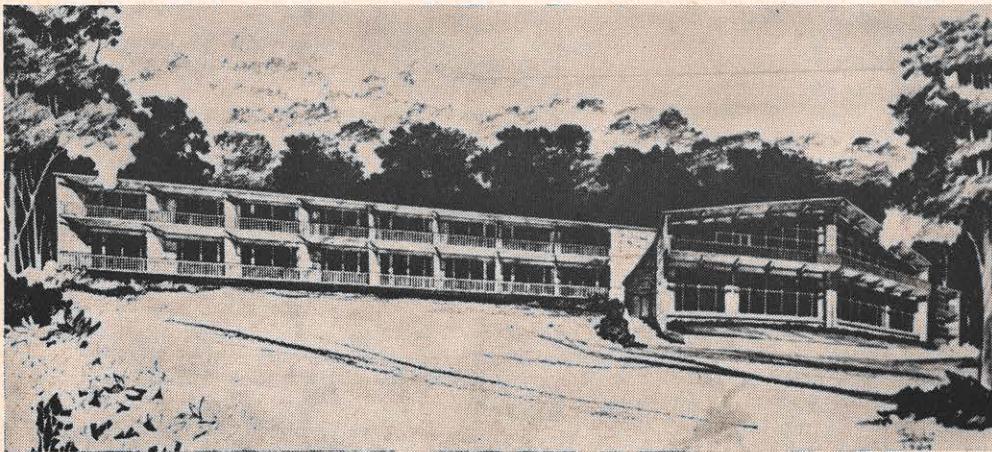
Two prizes believed to be unique in American higher education will be awarded at Cornell University during this Spring semester in an effort to strengthen the teaching of engineering to freshmen.

Philip Sporn, retired president of AEP and of our companies, will make two cash awards, one of \$1,000 and one of \$500, to the teachers of freshman engineering students judged by the students themselves to have been their best teachers during academic 1962-63. Mr. Sporn is a member of the Cornell Engineering College Council and a visiting professor of engineering.

Nominations by the students will be evaluated by a committee of students and faculty.

It is Mr. Sporn's hope that this tangible recognition of teaching excellence will not only reward conscientious effort on the part of freshman instructors and professors, but prove a spur to greater teaching accomplishments throughout the freshman curriculum.

Taking It Easy — Electrically



Rapidly taking shape is the Buckhorn State Park on Buckhorn Lake near Hazard, and adding to its lustre will be this all electric lodge. The building, to contain 22 units and dining facilities for 200, is under construction and will feature electric heating

and air conditioning. Electricity will also be required for five other facilities, including a sewage treatment plant, the water system, the maintenance building, superintendent's home and boat dock. There will also be 10 cabins on the site.

For Now And The Future



A four-week electrical school, sponsored by Kentucky Power at Ashland for 4-H Club members from Boyd and Greenup Counties, has been completed. During the sessions the boys learned such things as the proper construction of extension cords, as shown in the top picture. Teaching them are County Agents Ken Franks and Harold Rice and Ashland employees Don Bryan and Don Wade. The school ended with a tour of Big Sandy plant, and in the bottom picture the youngsters are shown at the base of the plant's natural draft cooling tower. Barbara Ward, Ashland home service representative, and Roger Lowe, Boyd County 4-H leader, also helped teach the school. Among the subjects the 40 youngsters studied were lighting, what electricity is, use of the underwriters knot, electric heat, building a study lamp and electrical safety and overload protection.

Kyle Moore Moves Up In Huntington

Kyle D. Moore, has been promoted to Huntington division heating and builder sales coordinator.



Mr. Moore

Rising from the post of heating and builder sales representative, he succeeds Nicholas Romy, Jr., who earlier was named Charleston division area development representative.

Mr. Moore was employed June 9, 1937 as a groundman, and has worked as clerk, rural sales representative and area sales representative. He is a native of Milton and attended Marshall University.

He is president of the Caravan Club of Huntington, past deputy district governor and zone chairman of the Lions Clubs in West Virginia, secretary and treasurer of the Rod & Gun Club of Milton, a 32nd degree Mason and Shriner and a member of the Sleepy Hollow Country Club at Hurricane and the Milton Baptist Church. An honorary member of the Future Farmers of America, he organized the Milton Industrial Association.

In 1959 he was chosen as the outstanding citizen in his area by the Woodmen of the World and awarded their honor plaque for "commendable service to community, state and nation."



Mr. Smith

J. O. Smith, 85, Of Glen Lyn Dies

James O. Smith, 85, retired Glen Lyn plant employee, died March 8 at the Princeton Memorial Hospital following a lingering illness.

A native of West Virginia, he was born at Willottown on February 11, 1878. He was employed at Glen Lyn July 2, 1920 and worked in the operating department until his retirement February 1, 1943.

Mr. Smith lived at Glen Lyn, where he served two terms as mayor and was a former Justice of the Peace. In 1958 he was chosen as the "Model Citizen" of Giles County.

He is survived by his wife and nine children.

Electric Heat Rate Reduction Asked For Two More Classes Of Customers

Appalachian and Kentucky Power are seeking authority to reduce their rates to commercial and small industrial customers employing electricity for all space heating requirements.

Applications toward this end were filed April 23 with the State Corporation Commission of Virginia in Richmond, the Public Service Commission of West Virginia in Charleston, and the Public Service Commission of Kentucky in Frankfort. Simultaneously, similar applications were filed with the state regulatory authorities in three other states served by the American Electric Power System.

Total savings to existing customers on the AEP System have been estimated at \$250,000 a year; of this total, Appalachian and Kentucky customers will save \$130,000.

Reduction of 20%

In making the announcement, F. M. Baker, Kentucky vice president and general manager, and Joe P. Gills, Appalachian vice president and general manager, said, "The proposed new rate will result in varying reductions among commercial and industrial customers using electric space heating, with the average reduction in the neighborhood of 20%. Further, it will encourage many other customers to adopt the total-electric concept in their operations."

The proposed rate would apply to virtually all of the AEP System's electrically heated commercial and small industrial establishments, such as office buildings, stores, motels, restaurants and small industrial plants, and would also include schools, churches and

Thornton Is Named To Division Post

Prince E. Thornton, public relations assistant, on May 1 was named to the position of administrative assistant to the manager of the Roanoke division.

A native of Virginia, Thornton moved to Princeton, West Virginia, and attended schools in Mercer County, W. Va. He was graduated from Concord State College at Athens, West Virginia, and after teaching school for several years joined Appalachian in Bluefield in 1943 as a meter reader. He later was a serviceman and a line inspector.

He was moved to Roanoke in 1954 and named public relations assistant on the staff of the system public relations department.

He is a member and director of the Roanoke Lions Club, serves as chairman of the Franklin County Planning Commission, is immediate past president of the Roanoke Chapter of the American Cancer Society, vice president of Roanoke Goodwill Industries, a member of the budget committee of the United Fund, director of Franklin County Chamber of Commerce, a member of the Franklin County Boy Scout Committee and the Blue Ridge Council, and is active in church and other civic affairs.

He is married, and he and his wife have three married children. Mr. and Mrs. Thornton live on a farm near Burnt Chimney in Franklin County.



Mr. Thornton

Hamrick . . .

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bookkeeper in July 1951 and in 1955 was transferred to the AEP Service Corporation as a field auditor. He was promoted to methods and procedures supervisor in system accounting in 1959. His responsibilities have included work in the conversion of Appalachian's billing and accounting systems to electronic data processing.

He is married and has two children. He is a member and former treasurer of Grace Methodist Church.

hospitals.

In its applications, Appalachian and Kentucky asked that the reduced rate become effective May 23.

Two in Two Years

The new rate, called the "Electric Heating-General" rate, is the second rate reduction for these customers in the past two years. Also, it is similar to a reduction in all-electric residential rates put into effect throughout the AEP System on March 1.

Kingsport Leads In AEP Safety

Kingsport Utilities, Inc., winner of last year's American Electric Power System Division Safety Contest, leads the 1963 parade at the end of the first quarter.

Kingsport's 1,892,587 safe man-hours leads the total of 1,796,283 man-hours run up by second-place Fort Wayne Division of Indiana and Michigan Electric Company. Kingsport has not sustained a disabling injury since the contest began in 1955.

Other areas in our companies placing in the top ten of the contest for the first quarter include: Kentucky Power, fifth; Clinch River plant, seventh; Philip Sporn plant, ninth; and Cabin Creek plant, tenth.

State's History Is Pictured In Old, Uncovered Documents

West Virginians, halfway through their state's centennial year, are history-conscious, and many are rummaging through old trunks and boxes in search of threads of the past.

Such a rummager is Jack Walters, Charleston office manager, who found historical treasure in an old stationery box that once belonged to his grandmother. Mr. Walters had the box since his grandmother's death twenty years ago. Inside were enough letters, bills, and receipts to provide a sketchy picture of life in the West Virginia of years past.

A store account, dated October 1, 1854, showed a number of purchases including a coat for \$4.75, "2 sugar" for a dime, a wool hat for 87 cents, two bushels of wheat for \$1.37, a "fine comb" for a dime, and eight yards of "musling" and three "peases" of tobacco. A letter addressed to Octavia Bennett, Mr. Walters' grandmother, told her that the time required to travel between Bulltown in Braxton County to Phillipi was two days.

Newspapers from the first decade of the 1900's showed a fondness for detail not found today. For example, this wedding announcement: ". . . the bride is one of the

The other AEP System companies seeking the rate reductions and the states which they serve are: Indiana & Michigan Electric Company, of Fort Wayne, Ind.—Indiana and Michigan.

Ohio Power Company, of Canton, Ohio—Ohio.

Wheeling Electric Company, of Wheeling, W. Va.—West Virginia.

Net Earnings . . .

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volt transmission network reduced transmission line losses over the last decade from about 11% to the neighborhood of 7.5%, Mr. Cook said. He added that this reduction, valued on the basis of 1962 capacity and generating costs, produced savings of about \$6-million last year. He said the transmission loss ratio is expected to fall still further in 1963 with the completion of an additional 380 circuit miles of 345,000-volt transmission lines.

The Directors

At the meeting, the shareowners reelected 16 directors: John E. Amos, Charleston, W. Va.; John S. Battle, Charlottesville, Va.; Harold Boeschstein, Toledo, Ohio; Courtney C. Brown, New York; Donald C. Cook, president; S. N. Fiala, vice president—engineering, AEP Service Corporation; James M. Gavin, Cambridge, Mass.; Charles V. Graham, New York; Clarence E. Hall, Philadelphia; H. A. Kammer, senior vice president, AEP Service Corp.; Walter O. Menge, Fort Wayne, Ind.; Sidney A. Mitchell, New York; W. J. Rose, vice president and secretary; Philip Sporn, retired president; Charles H. Stockton, Boston; and Harry A. Winne, Schenectady.



J. D. Walters, seated, and Homer Bragg won't find news in this paper. It's the Davis News for February 25, 1909, and Mr. Walters found it in a box of old papers and letters belonging to his late grandmother.



Logan

The following were elected to offices in Logan Lodge 1391, Elks: R. B. Waggoner, district office supervisor, leading knight; T. L. Henritze, retired, tiler; and M. A. White, working foreman, trustee.

Williamson

C. R. Wilson, Jr., division power engineer, has been installed as exalted ruler of Williamson Lodge 1408, Elks. H. W. Cerrato, administrative assistant, past exalted ruler, was named trustee for a five-year term . . . Mrs. E. E. King, wife of the district superintendent, has been elected first vice president of the Williamson Woman's Club. . . A. O. Hatfield, stores supervisor, was co-chairman of the Lions Club annual talent show. . . Mrs. Lorraine Corea, personnel clerk, served as co-chairman of the costume committee and chairman of the program committee for a play produced by the Tug Valley Community Players. . . Welcome to Fannie V. Holland, a new employee.



Cabin Creek

Three employees were named to offices in the Chelyan Methodist Church: Marjorie Crawford was named church school superintendent, C. N. Bowen was elected chairman of the Board of Christian Education, and C. E. Petry, Jr., was appointed choir director. . . Stephen Robinson, son of Walter R. Robinson, chemist assistant, has been chosen for the honor society at Cedar Grove High School.

Charleston

Ernest Kavinsky, customer service representative, has completed a course in radio, television and electronics. . . C. W. Lovell, assistant division manager, has been elected first vice chairman of the Kanawha-Clay Chapter of the Red Cross. Julian Hansbarger, division manager, has been named to the executive committee. . . Completing a first aid course under the direction of Clifford Picklesimer were Gordon Moir, Opie Allen, W. V. Hess, C. F. Casto, C. L. Mollogan, Ray Walker, Bill Quarrier, Oscar Kallmerton, John Harrison, Doug Purvis, T. F. Jordan, G. S. Robinson, E. E. Landers, Denny Caldwell, C. A. Taylor, John Hull, Jr., Ken Judy, Bill Angelo, J. O. Bartlett and J. E. Young. . . Completing a six-hour refresher course taught by Paul Parsons were H. M. Bailey, Woody Burgess, Rex Hayes, H. J. Spurlock, E. R. Hoffman, Bill Bostic, C. J. Crawford, John Showalter, Glenn Paul, C. J. Kelly, Don Hundley, Everett Sparr, J. C. King, Stan Oxley, Jim Cook, Bob Christenson, Bob Selbe, Ben Martin, Kermit Fisher, Buss Shaffer, Glenn Cook, Jim Smolder and R. E. Myers. . . Completing John Frazier's refresher course were Bill Walker,

Surprise And Farewell



A surprise farewell party was given George E. Hervey by fellow Point Pleasant employees when the district manager left to become manager of the Logan district. Shown with him are some of the employees honoring him. They are, from left: Jerry Jordan, Joan Baird, Wimpy Wickline, Mr. Hervey, Phyllis Hesson and O. C. Hall, new Point Pleasant district manager. Mr. Hervey was given a bathrobe, three dozen golf balls and a new pipe. Printed on the boxes of balls were: "These are all good for 250 yards off the tee"; "These are for right down the middle," and "These are all one-putt balls."



Happenings

Around the Circuit

. . . Among Employees and Their Families

Bob Young, John Griffie, E. O. Davis, Clayton Starcher, J. J. Fain, E. R. Young, Jean Sturm, Myrtle Lawhorn, Beulah Johnson, J. R. Lowther, Wilbur West, John Wright and Charlie Walker.

Philip Sporn Plant

Ralph Warner, plant engineer, was elected to the board of the Hidden Valley Country Club.

Beckley

F. O. Helm, district superintendent, taught an "Action Course in Practical Politics" for businessmen of the area. . . Emma Jean Wilson placed among the winners in the Annual City Association Bowling Tournament with a series of 583. . . J. C. Barker, T. C. Pallares, Barbara Stewart, Gloria Connoley, F. O. Helm and J. M. Gates took part in the Junior Woman's Club Follies.

Point Pleasant

W. R. Woodyard, commercial sales representative, has been elected a director, and G. E. Roberts, utility clerk, has been named secretary, of the Point Pleasant Lions Club. . . Paul F. Raiden, right of way agent, has been appointed to the Housing Authority Commission.



Bluefield

Mrs. C. L. Shockey, wife of the district personnel supervisor, was elected recording secretary of the Xi Zeta Chapter of the Beta Sigma Phi Sorority. . . Nancy Kidd, daughter of W. C. Kidd, division line engineer, won first place in the Regional Forensic Meet for her original oration on West Virginia. . . Tommy Robinette, son of L. W. Robinette, division power engineer, served as Youth Week Pastor of the College Avenue Baptist Church. . . Tommy also won both high and low hurdles in three track meets with six schools participating in each. . . Mrs. Paul Parks, wife of the commercial general clerk, was a co-chairman for the Bluefield Residential Campaign of the American Cancer Crusade. . . Mrs. Earl Maynor, wife of the system transmission clerk, was elected telephone chairman of the Bluefield Woman's Club and Mrs. Paul Hilliard, wife of the division superintendent, was elected parliamentarian. . . Grady Parker, division commercial sales engineer, was elected vice-president of the Green Valley Sportsmen's Club. . . Karl Mann, division heating and builder sales representative,

Off To Camp



Nancy Russell, daughter of O. H. Russell, Ashland system accounting, is one of three Ashland girls who will spend this summer in five All-State Girl Scout Encampments. She is a student at Paul Blazer High School.

Changeover



The last meter manufactured before 1930 has been removed from service in a sample testing in the Fieldale district. H. L. Agee, meterman, is shown changing that meter, located on a Route 4, Bassett, house. Fieldale thus becomes the first Roanoke division district to complete the change.

was elected secretary of the Princeton Junior Chamber of Commerce. . . Welcome to Elnora C. Smith, division home service representative in Princeton. . . Employees elected to offices in United Fund are D. P. Minichan, division manager, vice-president of the board; Ira Henderson, administrative assistant, publicity chairman; W. J. Gillespie, Jr., assistant division manager, general campaign chairman. . . Mr. Gillespie is also on the executive committee of the Mercer County Home for the Aged. . . Phil Bonham Fry, son of Phil Fry, Princeton meter serviceman, won an Elks boxing medal after completing the 10th year of the youth boxing program sponsored by the Elks Lodge in Princeton.

Abingdon

Several elections made news. . . Mrs. Eleanor Honaker, clerk-typist, was named secretary of the Bethel PTA. . . A. C. Hutton Jr., dealer sales representative, was re-elected president of the Washington County Sportsman's Club. . . L. C. Angle, Jr., division power sales engineer, was chosen secretary-treasurer of the Abingdon Lions Club, and his son, David, was selected to attend the Model Assembly from Abingdon High School. . . Harry Garnand, husband of Edythe Garnand, stores, was elected president of the Abingdon Band Boosters. . . Jim Cole, commercial sales engineer, was appointed chief of the communications section of Washington County Civil Defense. . . Paul Dunn, administrative assistant, has returned from a tour with the Virginia Travel Council of Dallas, Tex. and

other cities. In Dallas, he helped work the Virginia booth at the Boat and Travel Exposition.

Welch

Organizations in the district are electing new officers, and employees are winning their share. . . Mrs. J. D. Martin, wife of the Pineville meter serviceman, was named president of the Gamma Xi Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi sorority, and is serving her second year as a board member of the Wyoming County Easter Seal Society. . . D. L. Kendrick, Jr., commercial sales engineer, was elected to the board of the Grundy Rotary Club, and he and Sarah Faughn, home service representative at Grundy, served as judges at the Buchanan County Science Fair. Sarah was installed as chaplain in Florence Ann Chapter 133 of Eastern Star. . . C. K. Kirkland, district manager, was elected to the board and D. C. Wright, record supervisor, was re-elected secretary of the Welch Rotary Club. . . Mrs. W. T. Collins, wife of the Grundy local office supervisor, was named treasurer of the Grundy Woman's Club. . . Janet Jones, accounting clerk stenographer, was named first vice president and Nancy Day, cashier, was chosen corresponding secretary of the Welch Junior Woman's Club. . . Chuck, son of Charles J. Brown, Grundy meter serviceman, was elected vice president of the Grundy Key Club and attended the capital district meeting in Roanoke. . . R. H. Ruff, power sales engineer, was presented a plaque for outstanding service in Lionism at the 25th anniversary meeting of the Welch Lions Club. He also served as chairman

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Ashland

Richard Nash, commercial and power sales representative, has been named chairman of the 1963 Cancer Crusade for Boyd County. . . Welcome to two new employees: James Rice, T&D, and Patricia Darby, local accounting. . . Dave Broughton, district personnel supervisor, was honored as a 20-year veteran of the Boy Scouts of America National Council at the annual Boyd-Carter District Awards dinner.

Talent Abounding



Fully a sixth of the cast of 60 of Campus Capers were Welch employees or members of their families. Proceeds from the recent show go toward scholarships for county youngsters. Taking part from the company were, front row from left: Francene Adams, daughter of Fred Adams, heating and builder sales representative; Jack Green, meterman; and Carolyn Rhudy, daughter of J. B. Rhudy, meterman. Back row from left: Dave Smith, district engineer; his wife Phyllis; Janet Jones, clerk-stenographer; Nell Nunnery, secretarial stenographer; Nancy Day, cashier; Reba Banner, contract clerk; and Carlisle Day, Nancy's husband.

Kentucky System

Mrs. Joan Mosco, accounting, secretarial stenographer, has resigned. . . James G. Saltz, administrative assistant, has been elected secretary-treasurer of the Evening Optimist Club in Ashland.



Fieldale

Congratulations to Mrs. W. R. Naff, wife of the dealer sales representative, who was named president of the Villa Heights Garden Club. Mrs. A. L. St. Clair, wife of the right of way agent, was chosen treasurer and chairman of the ways and means committee. . . J. B. Bell, meter service helper, was elected to the board of the Stuart Lions Club.

Lynchburg

Sharon Ann, daughter of L. R. Hudson, record section, was named to the honor society at E. C. Glass High School. . . Ten commercial employees completed the Dale Carnegie Sales Course winning the following awards: H. L. Cander, recognition, perseverance and outstanding presentation; J. F. Wilson, Jr., best sales report, best sales talk; R. A. Tibbs, diligent dan and reporting; E. T. Johnson, diligent dan, reporting and All-American salesman; D. J. Thompson, Jr., diligent dan and reporting; E. R. Driskill, All-American salesman, perseverance, recognition and finalist in championship talk; H. M. Figg, Jr., All-American salesman, perseverance, best sales report; J. L. Ashworth, diligent dan, perseverance, reporting and best weekly report; R. H. Johnson, diligent dan.

Roanoke

Welcome to Charles R. Saul, new business trainee. . . M. E. Maxey, heating and builder sales representative, has been elected president of the Bush Valley Swim Club. . . R. L. Mills, division power sales engineer, has been named director of the Raleigh Court Lions. . . Mary C. Bower, stenographer, was elected secretary of the Business Women's Circle of the Central Methodist Church.

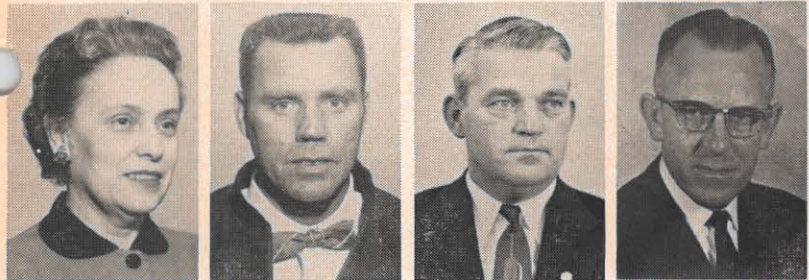


Wives of two employees were named to office. . . Mrs. J. T. Duncan, wife of the local office supervisor, was elected vice president of the Greenacres Garden Club. . . Mrs. A. W. Stair, wife of the power sales engineer, was chosen treasurer of the John Sevier Junior High PTA.

Service Veterans



C. W. Browning Huntington 30 Years
J. H. Merriman Fieldale 30 Years
A. B. Beheler Fieldale 30 Years
Keith Lazenby System 25 Years



Nelle Phillips Roanoke 25 Years
O. B. Gillespie Roanoke 25 Years
C. L. Slusser Huntington 25 Years
H. H. Hutcheson Charleston 25 Years



W. D. Gesling Ashland 25 Years
G. S. Farthing Big Sandy 25 Years
C. M. Pettry Cabin Creek 20 Years
Brad Smith Cabin Creek 20 Years



H. L. Ballard Kanawha River 20 Years
Jenny Hall Charleston 20 Years
Georgie Sevy Charleston 20 Years
R. B. Comer Glen Lyn 20 Years



C. A. Fulcher Glen Lyn 20 Years
W. S. Kitchen System 20 Years
G. M. Gray Roanoke 20 Years
Anna Schrader Pulaski 20 Years



Garnie Edmonds Pikeville 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.

Line Crewmen Turn Firemen

For the second time in six months, G. F. Sanders and his Fieldale line crew turned into firemen.

Not long ago, when they were installing service for a new customer around Collinsville, they saw smoke pouring from a car stopped nearby. Crewmen quickly took the fire extinguisher from the line truck, ran to the car, put out the blaze, and added the driver's thanks to their records. The first fire, strangely enough, was in the same area.

SOS And Health



Members of Floyd Taylor's family were 6 of the 195,650 persons in Kanawha County, W. Va. who appeared for the second round of the Sabin oral vaccine against polio April 21. Mr. Taylor is Charleston division commercial manager, and members of his family include Joyce, 6, wife Geraldine, Janice, 8 (partially hidden), Joel, 7, and Jeffrey, 2. The second dose of the vaccine followed an intensive campaign called "SOS," which stood for "Swallow On Sunday," urging people over the entire state to take part in the prevention program. Kanawha County has led the state in percentage of participants on both doses of the oral vaccine.



Appalachian Power Company

ABINGDON DISTRICT—10 YEARS: K. K. NIPPER, lineman.
BECKLEY DISTRICT—15 YEARS: E. M. O'NEAL, line inspector.
BLUEFIELD DISTRICT—15 YEARS: OLLIE R. NUNNERY, meterman; BASIL M. VASSAR, agricultural sales engineer; LOIS K. ROUNION, secretarial stenographer. 10 YEARS: HENRY D. JONES, JR., T & D clerk, senior.
CABIN CREEK PLANT—20 YEARS: C. M. PETTRY, guard; BRAD SMITH, laborer.
CHARLESTON DISTRICT—40 YEARS: R. T. DIXON, meter service foreman. 25 YEARS: H. H. HUTCHESON, commercial sales supervisor. 20 YEARS: JENNY HALL, credit and collection clerk; GEORGIE SEVY, private secretary. 15 YEARS: ENOCH THOMPSON, head janitor. 10 YEARS: FLOYD H. TAYLOR, JR., division commercial manager; CHARLES L. CONNER, lineman. 5 YEARS: CAROL BOGGESS, stenographer; ROGER FAIRFIELD, electrical engineer.
CLINCH RIVER PLANT—5 YEARS: HAROLD O. GARRETT, helper; AUBREY G. GOSE, instrument maintenance man; RAYMOND A. THOMPSON, instrument maintenance man; CHARLES L. LOWE, instrument maintenance man.
FIELDALE DISTRICT—30 YEARS: A. B. BEHELER, customer service representative; J. H. MERRIMAN, line foreman.
GLEN LYN PLANT—40 YEARS: E. I. SKEENS, unit foreman; H. L. SURBER, supervisor of operations. 20 YEARS: R. B. COMER, maintenance foreman; C. A. FULCHER, maintenance helper.
HUNTINGTON DISTRICT—35 YEARS: ROY BIRNBAUM, engineering aide; PAUL E. HARLAN, line supervisor. 30 YEARS: C. W. BROWNING, stores clerk. 25 YEARS: C. L. SLUSSER, line foreman.
KANAWHA RIVER PLANT—20 YEARS: H. L. BALLARD, yard foreman. 10 YEARS: C. M. JONES, filter plant operator and sampler; MAIGA A. REINKOPFS, chemist assistant.
LYNCHBURG DISTRICT—10 YEARS: CHARLENE L. THOMPSON, stenographer.
PHILIPSPORN PLANT—15 YEARS: KENNETH E. MATSON, laborer; DAYTON L. PHILLIPS, storekeeper.
PULASKI DISTRICT—20 YEARS: ANNA B. SCHRADER, general clerk, senior. 15 YEARS: REBERT C. JENKINS, lineman.
SMITH MOUNTAIN DAM—15 YEARS: RICHARD E. BURT, structural engineer.
ROANOKE DISTRICT—25 YEARS: O. B. GILLESPIE, lineman; NELLE L. PHILLIPS, utility clerk. 20 YEARS: G. M. GRAY, meter reader. 15 YEARS: JAMES D. AUSTIN, meter reader; GEORGE D. BRATTON, JR., working foreman; JESSIE C. THOMAS, truck driver-groundman; RICHARD R. SNEDEGAR, senior line engineer.
SYSTEM—25 YEARS: KEITH L. LAZENBY, right of way supervisor. 20 YEARS: W. S. KITCHEN, assistant safety director. 10 YEARS: BILLIE BISHOP, transmission man; W. H. COMBS, transmission man.

Kentucky Power Company

ASHLAND DISTRICT—25 YEARS: W. D. GESLING, senior distribution engineer. 15 YEARS: J. F. CENTERS, groundman.
BIG SANDY PLANT—25 YEARS: GILBERT S. FARTHING, operating foreman; 10 YEARS: RICHARD L. MCCOMAS, office clerk; 5 YEARS: JOE W. PULLEN, maintenance supervisor; V. WAYNE MCELWEE, master maintenance man; MARY LOUISE O'BRYAN, secretarial stenographer; NORMAN G. LEGET, utility operator.
HAZARD DISTRICT—15 YEARS: FRED M. SKAGGS, truck driver-groundman.
PIKEVILLE DISTRICT—20 YEARS: GERNIE EDMONDS, stationman.

Kingsport Utilities, Inc.

15 YEARS: W. K. BRADSHAW, lineman.

AEP Post Created In Transmission

Robert L. Retallack, senior engineer, has been appointed assistant head of the AEP Service Corporation's Transmission Section, a new post created because of the Section's increased responsibilities.

Mr. Retallack joined the Service Corporation in 1948 after his graduation from Virginia Polytechnic Institute with a bachelor of science degree in electrical engineering. His first post with AEP was as field engineer in charge of the 500,000-volt transmission test project at Tidd Plant in Brilliant, Ohio.

In early 1950, he was transferred to Ohio Power Company's transmission department and in 1952 returned to New York as an engineer in the Transmission Section. He was promoted to senior engineer in 1959.

A. R. Martin Gives 32nd Pint Of Blood

A. Raymond Martin, Rocky Mount area supervisor in the Roanoke district, has become a member of the Red Cross Four Gallon Blood Donor Club.



Mr. Martin

He has been donating blood since 1952. An employee since 1936, he is a member of the board of stewards of the Rocky Mount Methodist Church, past president of the Rocky Mount Rotary Club, and a recent addition to its board. He is married and has two children.

Early Retirement Chosen By Veteran



Mr. Ellison

A company career of about 39 years came to a close for Charles F. Ellison, Oak Hill area serviceman in the Beckley district, when he retired April 1.

Mr. Ellison chose early retirement at the age of 62. He began continuous employment July 1, 1934, following 10 years of broken service from 1922 to 1932.

Born at Ballengee, W. Va., he now lives at Scarbro with his wife. During retirement he plans to continue fishing, hunting and bowling.

The Ellisons have two sons—Kyle, an electrical engineer in Beckley office of Appalachian, and Norval, who lives at Mount Hope.

Lingering Illness Fatal To Retiree



Mr. Dillow

William Clinton Dillow, 68, retired Bland employee in the Pulaski district died March 31 after a lingering illness.

He began his employment as a part-time worker in Pulaski, and on December 1, 1944 became a full-time employee as a groundman. He retired early on October 1, 1955 due to disability.

He was born in Carroll County August 9, 1894.

Mr. Dillow is survived by his wife, three sons, two daughters and twelve grandchildren. Funeral services were held at the Bland Methodist Church with interment in the Temple Hill Cemetery.

Retiree Has Become Successful Salesman

It must be that he has electricity in his blood.

Francis Parr Claytor, who retired as system section engineer in 1956, is now a successful electric heat salesman. He is pursuing his new enterprise in the Bluefield area.

He joined Appalachian in 1929, working 27 years before his retirement. He is still active in sports and is a member of the Mercer Anglers Club and the Tri-Angle Sportsman's Club. He and his wife live in Bluefield and attend the Episcopal Church.



Mr. Claytor

Death Boxes

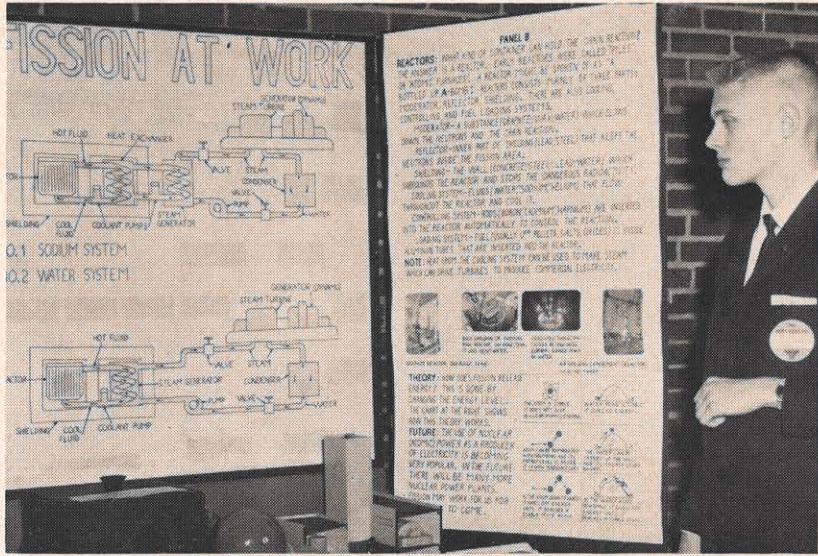
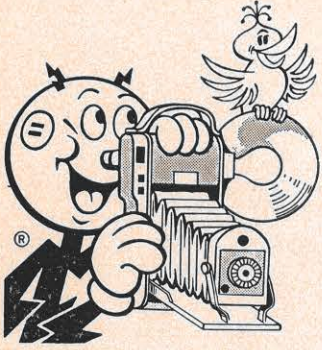
Remember 1953, when the nation was shocked into legislative action because 30 youngsters were trapped and suffocated to death in abandoned refrigerators?

We don't hear as much about it any more, but the tragic fact is that 35 youngsters—5 more than in 1953—died in the same manner in 1962. That makes 1962 the worst year so far. Three out of four times the victims are under six years old, and boys are twice as likely to be trapped as are girls.

The Hartford Insurance Group, in commenting on this fact, suggests that if you are storing a non-used refrigerator, face it toward a wall, so little hands cannot open the door. If you are discarding the box, be sure to remove the door.

You will be removing a positive hazard for children.

Camera Roundup



Nobody in the Hughes family in Beckley took second place in the Raleigh County Science Fair, because the two who competed both won first place awards. Phillip Hughes, left, won in the Boys' Physical Science Class with his project on "Fission At Work" and Douglas took his award in the Junior High Boys' Class with his "Solar Furnace."



fair held last month at Concord College, Phillip won third prize and Douglas an Honorable Mention. Their father, J. P. Hughes, electrical engineer at Beckley, says the boys worked on their projects for about two years. Phillip is a high school junior, Douglas an eighth grader.



The first dusk-to-dawn light installed in Tazewell County, having served a noble purpose, now gives way to a 21,000 mercury vapor luminaire. The light was originally put up in Riverjack, which has recently been annexed by Tazewell. There are now about 395 dusk-to-dawns in Tazewell County and 1399 in the Bluefield district.



Imogene Legg went to a lot of trouble one week end to construct a miniature of the controversial "West Virginia Moon," prize-winning exhibit in the state's Centennial Art Exhibit. The reproduction was entered in an informal art contest held in the Charleston office building lunch room, and was declared the winner by a board of employee-judges.



Don Loy, Charleston commercial sales representative, left, and F. B. Thompson, stores supervisor, check over the materials to fill the largest order for dusk to dawn lights ever sold by an individual in the district. Don made the sale. Thirty of the lights will be installed in the nearly-completed Zoological Park between Charleston and Huntington. It will cover 68 acres, feature West Virginia wildlife, and will be operated by the West Virginia Tourist Development Corporation.



The newest colonel on the staff of Kentucky Governor Bert Combs is Rodman Crutchfield, retired Pikeville district employee. Mr. Crutchfield, left, accepts his commission from H. H. Kincaid, district manager, who acted for the governor for the occasion. The commission was given for Mr. Crutchfield's long years of devotion to the power company and to the ideal of good service.



Clarence E. Browning is clearly a man who enjoys his work. A maintenance man at Clinch River plant, Mr. Browning was unaware his picture was being made as he worked on the high pressure turbine of Unit 1. The unit was down for nine days in late March and early April for cleaning, adjustments, washing and repairs.



First Aid News: In the upper photo some of the 102 employees in the Huntington division and district who took the standard first aid course gather to watch bandaging techniques. H. P. Hagaman is tending B. C. Hoover under the eyes of B. C. Connelly, left, and Charles Hoschar, kneeling right, the instructors. The other two victims are E. C. Berry and Dick Gibson. At Glen Lynn plant, bottom photo, C. L. Spangler inspects arm slings prepared in a class he held for the plant's women employees. They are Marian Wiley, Ruth Thompson, Betty Freeman and Ruth Butcher.



Taking off on a popular television idea, the Roanoke division commercial department played a game of Safety Password at its monthly meeting in April. Competing here under the eye of Marion Paitzel are Margie Vest and Tommy Smith of Roanoke (left) and Janet Leftwich and Ralph Naff of Fieldale. By guessing the most correct words from clues offered by their partners, the Roanoke team won this match.



New officers and representatives of the Clinchers Club are shown here. From left, Delores Johnston and Charles Lowe, departmental representatives; Betty Stevenson, treasurer; Eli Buskirk, vice president;

Betty Johnson, secretary, and Graham Tiller, president. The Clinchers is the social and recreational organization formed by Clinch River plant employees.



The proud parents, Trouper and Holly, show off their children, with their master, Harry Candler.

Raising Puppies Is Not Easy But It Has Its Own Rewards

Trouper, a Springer Spaniel, is the son of Trouper Cedric of Patsy Jim and Lady Dell of Appomattox. He is the first pedigreed dog that Harry L. Candler has ever owned. "I have had dogs of various types and breeds as long as I can remember," the division agricultural engineer in Lynchburg says, "but this is the first registered one." Trouper is not the last. More about that later.

Trouper's name will appear in the May issue of the American Kennel Club Stud Book Register. He has papers to prove his genealogical lineage for six generations.

The exact origin of spaniels is buried beneath the dust of 2,000 years. It was in 17 A. D. that the word "spaniel" first appeared in writing, in an Irish law that mentions water spaniels as a tribute to the king. The name reappeared in 300 A. D. when the Welsh laws referred to spaniels. Ancient writers agree that the term comes from the Roman name for Spain-Hispania. The Roman breed was called Sagaces, meaning wise hunting dog. The present name probably evolved from such terms as Spagnell,

Spainell and Spangell.

Mr. Candler often has thought it would be nice to raise pedigreed pups, and so he advertised throughout the country for a suitable mate for Trouper. He and his daughter had decided to form a partnership to raise and sell the pups. Finally, Mr. Candler bought a female from a kennel in Ithaca, N. Y. Her name is Kelgates Innocent Lady, and she is the daughter of Champion Kelgates Admiral and Gay Beauties Top Attention, and in five generations her sires had produced 36 champions.

Since her name is a little hard to handle when you're calling her, and since Mr. Candler gave her to his daughter for Christmas, he named her Holly.

Nature took her course, and Holly soon presented the Candler with seven pups, one son and six daughters. The birth was a special event all its own. F. M. Cloyd, retired employee and close friend of the Candler, had stopped by the Candler house and was chatting with Mrs. Candler. Without warning, Holly started giving birth. Mr. Cloyd got the dog book, turned to the chapter on births, and read instructions to Mrs. Candler while she followed them. He then got the veterinarian on the phone for further instructions. Despite the confusion, things went well.

The puppies are now properly registered and have their papers. When they are sold, two copies of their registration papers will go with them. The new owner will submit two names to the Kennel Club, and the club will pick one of them and give the animal a registration number.

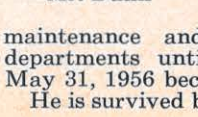
Mr. Candler admits that this first experience in raising dogs has its disadvantages, but also admits the puppies are a fascination to him. He compares them in ways to small children—they have to be properly fed, housed, entertained and given proper medical care.

Glen Lyn Plant Retired Man Dies

Ira O. Dunn, 64, retired Glen Lyn plant employee, died March 15 at his home in Bozoo, W. Va., after a short illness.

A Bozoo native, he was engaged in farming prior to his employment at the plant on February 23, 1942. He worked in the operating, maintenance and coal handling departments until his retirement May 31, 1956 because of ill health. He is survived by his wife.

Mr. Dunn



Two Country Clubs Choose Employees



Mr. Zoellers

Mr. Gilmour

Employees at Hazard and Point Pleasant have been elected presidents of country clubs in their areas.

C. A. Zoellers, Hazard district commercial supervisor, was named head of the Hazard Country Club, and W. C. Gilmour, Point Pleasant administrative assistant, was chosen to lead the Hidden Valley Country Club.

Mr. Zoellers is past president of the Kiwanis Club and chairman of the Perry County Chapter of the Red Cross. He is active in the Boy Scouts and the Hazard Methodist Church. He is married and has two children.

The Hidden Valley club is just three years old, but its golf course has already established a reputation as a worthy challenge. The company's Charleston division tournament was held there last year, and golfers asked that it be returned to Hidden Valley for this season.

Mr. Gilmour has been an employee since 1937, beginning in Logan and going to Point Pleasant in 1948.

Power Mowing — The Safe Way

A power mower is an energy-saving device. It also can be dangerous.

Take the case of Mrs. Georgie Sevy, Charleston employee, and her husband, Clarence. Late last summer they were eating dinner when they heard what sounded like a gun shot, followed by the smashing of glass. Something whizzed by, about a foot over Mrs. Sevy's head, hit the table and sent shattered glass over the floor and food. It was a rock about two inches long and an inch thick. It had been thrown 100 feet through two panes of glass (making holes 5 inches in diameter) into their house by a power mower.

A recent study showed these facts about power mowers: (1) One injury in seven results in permanent injury. (2) Toes and feet are most often injured. (3) Seven of ten persons injured in mower mishaps come in direct contact with the mower. The other three are hurt by objects thrown from the mower.

A mower can be a lethal weapon if it is not used properly. An 18-inch diameter rotary mower, turning 2500 rpm, generates a blade tip speed of slightly more than two miles per minute, and the blade can give a rock, wood chip, wire, etc., an initial velocity of 120 miles per hour.

Since grass-cutting time is here again, here are some tips that will help you cut grass safely.

Tips For Mowing

1. When buying a mower, keep in mind those with a safety shield built as a component part of the frame. It will deflect rocks and other materials away from the operator.
2. Never allow children to operate or play around a power mower. Give older teen-agers careful instructions before allowing them to operate a mower.
3. Provide self-protection by means of long, heavy denim trousers and heavy brogue or safety shoes.
4. Clear the area to be cut of all rocks, stones, sticks, wires and rubbish before putting the mower into operation.
5. Do not allow your family, neighbors or pets to stand around while you are operating mower.
6. Learn how to disengage clutch or stop mower quickly in case of emergency. Stop motor whenever you leave mower.

For Control

7. For perfect control, keep in step with your mower. If you lag behind or let it pull you, you will

Line Foreman Named By Pulaski District

Eldon W. Henson, Jr., working foreman at Marion in the Pulaski district, has been promoted to the post of line foreman. He succeeds John S. Sutphin, who retired October 1, 1962.

Mr. Henson joined Appalachian at Pulaski January 17, 1938 in the T&D department. He became a

lineman later that year and was named a working foreman in 1961. He served in the military service from 1943 to 1945.

Mr. Henson is married and is a member of the Christian Church of Marion and the American Legion. Fishing and woodworking are his hobbies.

Ripley Crew Doing Envious Safety Job

Especially significant at the recent Point Pleasant district safety dinner was the recognition given the Ripley crew.

Members of the crew have not experienced a disabling injury since it was organized August 1, 1953. At the dinner all line crews and metermen and the serviceman of the district were honored for going through 1962 without a disabling injury.



She is able to smile about it now, but Mrs. Georgie Sevy got quite a scare last summer from the rock held in her hand. She is showing it to Cecil Lovell, assistant Charleston division manager.

not be in full command of the machine. Don't run.

8. Cut hills and banks crossways instead of up and down. This will enable you to keep control and prevent you from slipping into mower or having it slide into you.

9. Never attempt to remove entangled grass, weeds, paper, cloth, etc., while motor or engine is running.

10. Set the blades at the highest cutting point when operating in rugged, bumpy terrain.

No Hot Rodding

11. Do not overspeed the engine by tampering with the governor. Excessive cutting blade speed is dangerous.

12. Disconnect the spark plug wire when you want to work on the underside of the mower. Tip mower over by means of the handle.

13. Clean off mower and allow it to cool before storing.

14. Keep fuel stored in an approved, tightly sealed container.

15. When grass is wet, or when it is raining, do not use electric power mower unless you are certain the entire motor and cord are in perfect condition.

16. Ground the frame of electrically powered mowers by attaching a third wire with tape to the power extension cord. This wire should be securely attached by screw or bolt to the metal frame of the mower. The other end should be securely grounded to a water pipe or to an iron stake driven deep into the ground. In case the motor shorts out the current will follow the copper wire to ground rather than through your body. Copper wire is cheaper than your life.

17. Respect your mower and teach others to respect it.

Welch Personals . . .

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of the Auto Show in Welch, with several employees working on committees and others winning prizes. . . Jerry, son of Walter J. Crouse, Grundy meter serviceman, will attend Boys' State at VPI this summer.

Glen Lyn Plant

Several employees at the plant completed the standard first aid course, including Marian Wiley, Betty Freeman, Gladys Mann, Betsy Holdren, Ruth Butcher, Ruth Thompson, F. F. Ferguson, E. E. Medley, R. A. Elliott, D. T. Brown, L. E. McKenzie, J. C. Weatherly, H. M. Mann, J. C. Keatley, B. M. Brown, E. S. Freeman, J. E. Brown, R. B. Ratliff, Paul Neely and R. R. Coffman. . . Performing in the Rich Creek Lions Minstrel were G. A. Thwaites, E. A. Painter, J. O. Heslep, E. S. Freeman, C. B. King, Jr., E. C. Weatherly, E. E. Thompson and O. S. Knight. Assisting with arrangements were J. A. Moore, E. E. Comer, W. G. Bell and Betty Freeman.

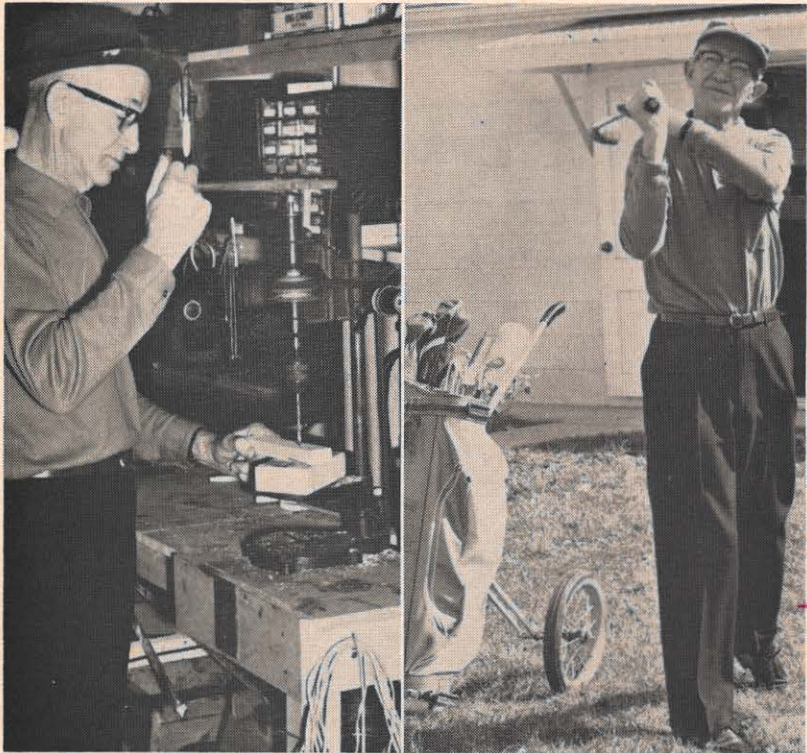
Pulaski

Cecil Buckner, meter reader, has been elected president of the PTA at Claremont Elementary School. . . Durward B. Smith, instrument man, has been installed as worthy patron of the Dublin chapter of Eastern Star. . . Mrs. Anna B. Schrader, Galax general clerk, has been elected conductress of the Galax Eastern Star. . . H. B. Newland, district personnel supervisor, has been named to the board of stewards, and J. B. Billheart, Jr., draftsman, has been re-elected church school superintendent, at Pulaski's First Methodist Church.

Turtle Clubber



Libert C. Williams has become the first employee at Cabin Creek plant to be named a member of the Turtle Club, signifying that a hard hat saved him from serious injury or death. Above, P. T. Schneider, plant manager, left, presents Mr. Williams with his Turtle Club hard hat, as Francis Hoyt, plant safety supervisor, looks on. Mr. Williams, mechanical maintenance man, came into contact with a hanger when he was working in a boiler, the blow knocking him backwards and down four feet onto preheater tubes.



Defying Webster's definition of "retirement" is Deb Lockwood of Ashland, a busy man. Above, he is illustrating just two of his many occupations.

Lockwood, Webster At Odds Over 'Retirement' Meaning

Deb Lockwood has been actively engaged in rewriting portions of Webster's dictionary since his retirement in 1962.

The former Ashland district superintendent doesn't use the traditional pencil and paper in this work, but employs such unliterary tools as a golf club, hammer, bench saw or pipe wrench. An example of his revisions:

Webster: retirement—withdrawal from office, active service or the like; state of being dormant.

Lockwood: retirement—participation in golfing, bowling, building, teaching or any other vigorous activity.

Deb, who had 46 years of service, and his wife, Polly, live in their new five-room, total electric home at Cannonsburg, a few miles south of Ashland. This master-of-all-trades designed and built the home from the ground up, doing everything from the bricklaying and carpentry to the plumbing and wiring. He also helped in the construction of a new parsonage for his church, the Cannonsburg Missionary Baptist Church, where he serves as president of the adult training program and teacher of the adult class. Right now, in the construction field, he is completing a remodeling job on his daughter's home.

He's still keeping his hand in with hooks and belt by doing maintenance

work on customer-owned poles and transformers at several coal mines in the area, and is becoming the expert who is called by the amateur and commercial radio people when work is needed on antenna towers around Ashland.

In his spare time—and that's an expression Deb doesn't like—he manages to crowd in his relaxation. It takes the form of bowling in two leagues, one a company league, and playing golf.

He does agree with Webster in some areas. One is the definition of a southpaw—a person who naturally does everything with his left hand. Deb is left-handed, and he seems to be doing everything.

Pulaski Retiree, 25-Year Vet, Dies



Mr. Burnett

John Burnett, 60, who retired July 31, 1962 because of a heart condition, died unexpectedly March 22. He had been Hillsville truck driver-groundman in the Pulaski district.

Born in Carroll County, November 19, 1902, he began his employment at Bylesby hydro in the maintenance department in 1937. In 1940 he began operating at Bylesby, and in 1959 went to Hillsville.

He is survived by his wife, a nephew who resided with them, and several brothers and sisters. Interment was at Monta Vista Memory Gardens.

Muskingum To Be Test Project Site

Muskingum River Plant of Ohio Power Company has been chosen as the site of the Summer Test Project for Student Engineers for 1963.

The project, which extends from June 10 through August 30, consists of test work by 12 college engineering seniors to determine the condition of the plant's major mechanical components. The work is aimed at improving the plant's efficiency, especially in the use of fuel.

The students will be guided in their work by two college professors specifically engaged for the program and by members of the plant's management staff. The test work provides the seniors with practical application of their classroom studies, and also acquaints them with opportunities for engineers on the American Electric Power System.

Lynchburg Vet Retires April 1

Boyd L. Burnley, 37-year veteran retired April 1 in Lynchburg.

He joined the company December 8, 1926 as a groundman, and became a street light attendant July 1 1931.

He is a member of the Woodson-Baraca Bible Class of the Rivermont Avenue Baptist Church and is a director of the Lyn-Buck Hunt Club. His hobbies are hunting and beekeeping. Mr. Burnley is married and has four married children and six grandchildren.



Mr. Burnley

Familiar Faces IN NEW PLACES

Appalachian Power Company

Charleston District

PAT BROWN from office messenger to clerk-typist; JACKIE HOTTLE from petty cash clerk, senior to clerk-stenographer; ROSALIE RANSON from clerk typist to clerk-stenographer.

Clinch River Plant

SANDRA C. ARRINGTON from stenographer to personnel clerk.

Glen Lyn Plant

J. A. BOOTH from auxiliary equipment to equipment operator; T. E. DENT from utility operator to auxiliary equipment operator; O. E. FRANCIS from equipment operator to switchboard operator; G. A. THWAITES from utility man to utility operator.

Lynchburg District

BYRD GILBERT from groundman to street light attendant.

Reusens Hydro Station

G. E. ELDER from hydro maintenance mechanic to maintenance man; HUGH M. T. GARRISON from hydro maintenance helper to junior maintenance man; CLARENCE D. McCARTHY from hydro maintenance mechanic to master maintenance man; THOMAS M. SANDIDGE from hydro maintenance man to maintenance man.

Roanoke District

PURCELL L. HUMPHREYS from system accounting forms and office supply clerk to Roanoke district groundman.

Williamson District

NAOMI D. CANTEES from contract clerk IV to general clerk V.

Kentucky Power Company

Ashland District

DONALD G. BOLNER from meter serviceman A to serviceman; OTTO SANDERS from groundman to truck-driver groundman.

Kingsport Utilities, Inc.

CLAYTON DAUGHERTY from groundman to lineman C; HOWARD G. HUDSON from tracer to draftsman.

Five Men Awarded Emblems Recognizing Lengthy Service

Five Appalachian veterans have observed anniversaries of long service careers with the company, three of 40 years each and two of 35 years each.

Marking 40 years were Ray T. Dixon, Charleston, and E. I. Skeens and H. L. Surber of Glen Lyn plant. Observing 35 years were Paul E. Harlan and Roy Birnbaum of Huntington.

R. T. Dixon

Mr. Dixon, Charleston meter service foreman, joined the company



Mr. Dixon

April 3, 1923 as a stenographer and bookkeeper, and since has worked in various capacities in the meter department.

A native West Virginian he attended Dunbar Business College and West Virginia University. He served with the Army Engineers in 1918 and 1919, and was a teacher-coach at New River State College (now West Virginia Tech) at Montgomery for a year before joining Appalachian. A Mason and elder in the Westminster Presbyterian Church at Kanawha City, he is married and has two daughters and five grandchildren.

E. I. Skeens

Estil I. "Dink" Skeens, unit foreman at Glen Lyn joined the company April 23, 1923 after attending public school at Chestnut Knob, W. Va. He has been in the operating department throughout his 40 years, rising to his present position March 16, 1957.

He has many hobbies but is most known for his sewing and crocheting. He and his wife live at Glen Lyn and he is a member of the Methodist Church at Rich Creek.

H. L. Surber

Another Glen Lyn veteran, Hubert L. Surber, supervisor of operations, observed his 40th anniversary April 3. He joined the company that day in 1923 as a laborer. He was 15 at the time.

In 1934 he was assigned to the operating department and went to his present post in 1947.



Mr. Skeens

Mr. Surber



Mr. Harlan

Mr. Birnbaum

A native of Smith County, he moved to Glen Lyn where his father was employed as a blacksmith for the company. Over the years he has had but one hobby—power plants—and has spent many of his off-duty hours at the plant seeing what made it tick. He is married and has a son, and is a member of the Glen Lyn Christian Church.

P. E. Harlan

A native of Lawrence County, O., Mr. Harlan observed 35 years of service April 17, having joined the company on that day in 1928 as a groundman. He is now Huntington line supervisor. He was a truck driver, clerk, line inspector and assistant line supervisor before moving up to his present position in 1957.

His hobbies are woodworking and gardening. He is married and has a son and a daughter.

Roy Birnbaum

Mr. Birnbaum, Huntington engineering aide, joined the company April 9, 1928 as a service inspector. He served as rural service supervisor, rural solicitor, rural sales representative, inspector and lines inspector before becoming engineering aide in 1955.

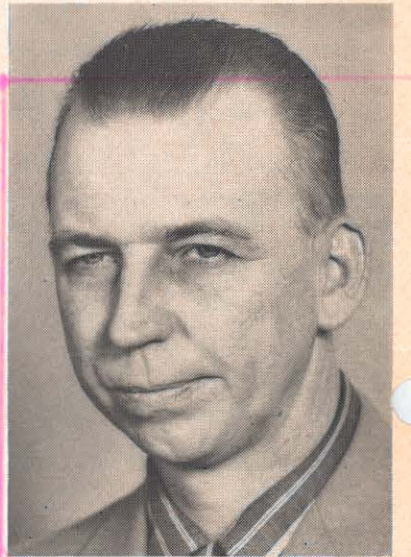
A native of New York City, he is married and is a member of the Westmoreland Methodist Church.

Plant Articles Appear In 'Ideas'

Two articles by Appalachian employees appeared in the April issue of *AEP Operating Ideas*.

H. C. Skaggs, Jr., Kanawha River plant manager, wrote "Flyash Sampling: Guide To Better Combustion," pointing out that the report was submitted on behalf of the many men who contributed ideas and suggestions in the plant's program of flyash sampling. He describes a sampling system worked out at the plant that enables the plant to reduce the combustible content of flyash, reduce the cost of fuel and provide a more salable flyash.

"Another Way To Seal Service-Water Pumps" was contributed by H. L. Surber, operation supervisor at Glen Lyn plant. Service water pumps on unit 6 were designed to have the shafts sealed with seal water that is piped from the discharge casing to the packing gland seal connection. This arrangement proved unsatisfactory, requiring considerable maintenance as well as allowing excess leakage and fast-deteriorating equipment. He describes a new method of sealing that alleviates these problems to a large extent.



Mr. Lowe

Illness Is Fatal To Huntingtonian

James H. Lowe, 42, Huntington station man, died April 2 after a short illness.

Born in Wayne County November 28, 1920 he was employed May 7, 1948 as a coal conveyor operator at Kenova plant. He went to the district station department in 1954.

He is survived by his wife, two sons, two daughters, a brother, his parents and his paternal grandmother.

Services were held at the Ebenezer Baptist Church with burial in Hillcrest Cemetery. Members of Buena Vista Lodge 60 of the Masonic Order conducted graveside services, and fellow employees were honorary pallbearers.



Mr. Skaggs

Mr. Surber

Plant, District Work Affected by Proposals

A total of 19 suggestions were approved in the division of their origin in March in the Work Simplification Program.

Two ideas came from Welch. W. T. Collins suggested that outage notices be simplified by printing the Reddy insignia and outage wording on cardboard, and then just the area and time of interruption need be added when the notice is used. J. A. Barns suggested using the separator sheets between intermediate film sheets for making copies of correspondence on a Thermo-Fax copying machine.

J. R. Loving, Jr., of Roanoke, described a simply made tool that facilitates reaching and turning phase balancing adjusters, difficult adjust with a conventional crewdriver.

Beckley's K. K. Keatley told of a steel cross-arm brace used as a jig to make assembly of cluster mounting brackets easier.

Four ideas came from Charleston. C. M. Shafer described a lifter for prying open frozen manhole covers, and C. M. Smith told of using a lamp replacer on a stick extension to replace burned out lights in the storeroom. L. J. Hedrick pointed out that local police can be called to assist in traffic directing when we experience line trouble on a city road. K. P. McCoy described a method involving use of a hand line and pulley, for installing service drops across roads with no help from

anyone else.

Six ideas came from Huntington. M. A. Fotos told of using a cluster mounting bracket in a 3-phase oil circuit reclosure installation, and R. M. Hogsett and R. S. Musgrave discussed the use of an advertising material display board. Mr. Hogsett also joined with Victor Altizer in telling of a new way for distributing the form for receipt of material shipped. T. R. Templeton

Fieldale Area Lions Choose Employees



Mr. Harlowe Mr. Wright

Two Fieldale employees have been elected presidents of Lions Clubs in the district.

B. C. Harlowe will head the Fieldale club, and J. W. Wright, Jr., is the new president of the Collinsville club.

Mr. Harlowe, line and station employee, joined his club in January 1961 and has served as third and first vice president. Mr. Wright, local accounting, was a charter member of the Fieldale club and transferred his membership to the Collinsville club in 1959. He has served it as chairman of the sight conservation committee, tail twister and board member.

The two will attend the Lions State Convention in Norfolk the end of this month.

C. S. Davis Promoted At Glen Lyn Plant

Clyde S. Davis has been promoted to the post of unit foreman at Glen Lyn plant.



Mr. Davis

He moves from the post of switchboard operator. He joined the company October 15, 1941 and after working two years as a laborer he was assigned to the operating department. He has served as auxiliary equipment operator and boiler operator.

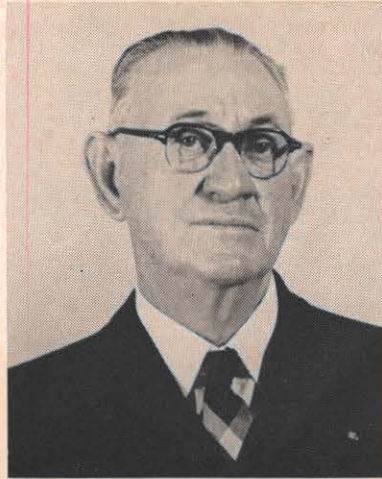
A native of Willowton, W. Va., he lives at Lurich with his wife and son. They are members of the Glen Lyn Christian Church and Mr. Davis served for several years as chief of the Glen Lyn Volunteer Fire Department.

described heavier springs for raising the cab on the "Pole Cat" truck, while W. H. Jackson described the welding of a bushing on a sheave for a boom extension on the same truck. J. R. Drenan told of using a small tool holder on the basket of a bucket truck.

From Kanawha River plant, Ray Schlaegel and Fred Surbaugh had a proposal covering changes made to the rapper air valves used on the rappers for electrostatic flyash collectors. H. C. Skaggs, G. E. LeMasters and Earl Adkins describe alterations to the pulverizer coal feeder tables that simplify the changing of wear plates.

Four ideas came from Cabin Creek plant. L. A. Carnifax described reservicing air compressor valves, and L. O. McKinney told of a cleaner for porcelain insulators. W. L. Nuhfer described a remote control gate release, and C. L. Ney's proposal covered an air circuit breaker inspection frame.

Retired Veteran Dies At Age Of 73



Mr. Foster

Charles A. "Slim" Foster, 73, retired Charleston line foreman, died March 26 in a Montgomery hospital after a long illness.

A lifelong resident of Montgomery, he had worked for Appalachian for 40 years before his retirement May 1, 1954. He joined the company in September 1914, served as a wireless operator during World War I, and returned to the company in 1919 as a foreman.

Mr. Foster was a member of the Eastern Star and Manotho White Shrine, and was a charter member of the Montgomery Civitan Club and the Montgomery Baptist Church, where he had served as a deacon and was a member of the Agoga Bible Class. He was past grand of the Henrietta Odd Fellow Lodge at Montgomery and past chief patriarch of Thomas Wiley Encampment.

Mr. Foster is survived by his wife, two daughters, a son, a sister and nine grandchildren.



Clarence Light, right, Bluefield stores supervisor, meets with his co-workers in the storeroom to discuss routine problems. From left, Robert Cooper, material clerk; Ernie Linkous, assistant stores supervisor, and Robert Weimer, material clerk.

Nuts, Bolts, Golf Take Up Light's Time

Actually, Clarence Light, by reason of his name, should be a serviceman so that in the line of work his truck would bring Light to anybody in need. But he isn't, and the Bluefield storeroom is better for it.

Clarence Light officially is Bluefield Stores supervisor, in charge of a power company supermarket stocking 1100 items or so, ranging in size from tiny connectors to reels of wire weighing a ton-and-a-half, and in cost from fifteen cents to five hundred dollars. It has in stock poles ranging from 30 to 80 feet in length, and transformers from 5 kva to 200.

The Bluefield storeroom handles all materials for the district, with substocks at Tazewell and Princeton. It also handles transmission materials, with substocks at Turner, Kingsport, Roanoke, and Fieldale. In addition most trucks in Bluefield carry stocks of their own, periodically replenished from the store-room.

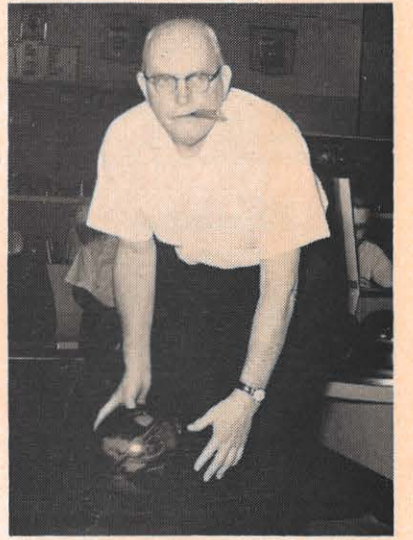
Running this is a full-time job not only for Mr. Light, but also for three other employees assigned to the storeroom: Ernie Linkous, assistant stores supervisor, and Robert Cooper and Robert Weimer, material clerks. In addition to receiving supplies from manufacturers and distributors, and to passing them out to line crews, these four also collect: eight or ten times a year they conduct scrap sales, selling tons of copper, aluminum, and iron to the highest bidder. This is material reclaimed in the course of company improvement work.

Mr. Light is a native West Virginian, and first joined the company in 1925. After a brief absence he returned for good in 1933, and became assistant storekeeper in Bluefield in 1936 and storekeeper at Glen Lyn in 1948. The next year he came back to Bluefield in the job he now holds.

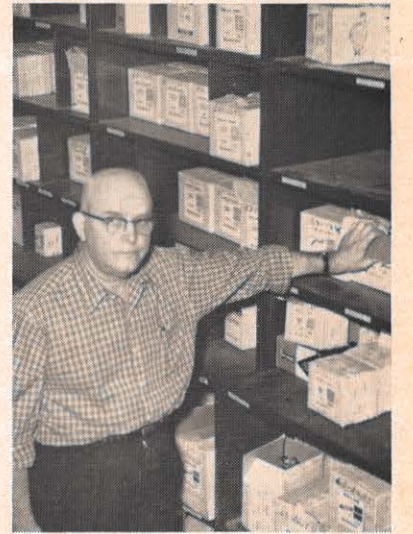
Like any storekeeper Mr. Light likes to keep his customers friendly. He says he gives the line crews good service when they come by the storeroom for their materials, and they in turn pass on the same grade of service to customers. He also works closely with engineering and records departments to acquire and keep in stock the new items that make delivery of electric service more dependable.

However, life in the storeroom isn't confined to handing out nuts, bolts and screws and making small talk with line crews. Mr. Light and his men have put in long hours too. In the famous snowstorm of October 1961, when trees still in leaf caught the full weight of a nine-inch fall and knocked out service to thousands of district customers, the storeroom was kept open 24 hours a day from October 19 through October 23.

As a bachelor Mr. Light is free to pursue his favorite sports: bowling—he's a member of the company league; golf—thanks to daylight saving time he has an extra hour after work during the summer to play the Elks Country Club course in Princeton; and cigar-smoking. His acquaintance with this last dates back to his youth, when he worked on a tobacco farm. One fine fall day he went into the tobacco farm with scissors, cut the proper ribbons and filler and made a beautiful cigar. He fired it up and



Golf, cigar-smoking, and bowling rank as Mr. Light's favorite pastimes. Here he's enjoying two of them at once; he bowls with a company team in Bluefield.



In his job Mr. Light runs a store-room with 100 items, ranging from connectors on the shelves to transformers in the yard.

began a two-mile stroll through the woods to the mailbox; but the farther he walked the sicker he got, until at length he lay down to rest under a tree nearly as green as he. It was years before he conquered his aversion to cigars; but he did, and he is usually attached to one these days.

(EDITOR'S NOTE: This is another in a series dealing with the men and women of our companies who by their daily work help keep electric service dependable to our customers.)

Azalea Club Elects Employee President



Mrs. Ratliff

Frances Ratliff has been chosen president of the Azalea Garden Club at Gate City.

She is a division home service representative in the Abingdon district. A native of Lee County, she was employed in the Abingdon commercial department August 1, 1957. Mrs. Ratliff attended Radford College and lives at Gate City.

Glen Lyn Plant Veteran Retires



Mr. Brown

Oather Garnett Brown, Glen Lyn plant unit foreman, retired April 1 after more than 35 years with the company.

He was employed as a laborer July 23, 1925, remaining with the company until 1932. He rejoined the company two years later, and advanced through the operating department until reaching the position of unit foreman.

A native of Oakvale, W. Va., he lives at Kelleysville with his wife. He is the father of Bennett M. Brown, Glen Lyn maintenance foreman, and the brother of T. H. Brown, chief plant dispatcher, and D. T. Brown, yard foreman.

Ashland Holds Novel First-Aid Class

"Take that tourniquet off your wife's neck!" That might—or might not—have been among the instructions heard in Ashland recently during a novel and effective first aid course given for employees and their wives.

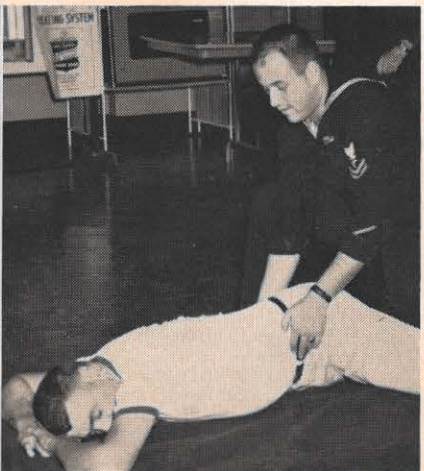
It was the basic first aid course and medical self-help program given in 18 hours of instruction by Ken Snow, Navy hospital corpsman.



Scenes of the recent First Aid program taught to Ashland employees and their wives show, right, the class instructor, Ken Snow, Navy hospital corpsman, demon-

strating artificial respiration on Allen Cline, distribution engineer. At left is a rapt audience watching a demonstration of the nose bandage.

All classes were held in the company auditorium.



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Employee's Wife Honored By 4-H

Mrs. Russell Few was honored by the Ohio state 4-H organization for 20 years of leadership work at the annual Recognition Luncheon in March.



Mrs. Few

The certificate and pin Mrs. Few received for ten years as a member and ten as advisor add to the collection she had already won for 4-H work in both Muskingum and Meigs County, Ohio.

Mrs. Few's husband is in the labor department at Sporn plant. She enjoys her 4-H work with youngsters, including her own daughter Rosemarie, who completed 10 years of membership in 1961. Mrs. Few is also active in church, school, Grange, lodge, and other community affairs.



Mrs. Graff

Ill Health Forces Early Retirement Of Corrie Graff

Mrs. Corrie B. Graff, Beckley petty cash clerk, retired March 1 after 20 years of service. Her early retirement came because of ill health.

She was employed May 20, 1942 as a cashier at Mount Hope and later transferred to Beckley. She was a contract clerk before becoming petty cash clerk in 1960.

A native of Unicoi, Tenn., she attended West Virginia Tech and worked as a clerk in the Thrope Post Office before joining the company.

She is the mother of three children—two daughters and a son. She has excelled in the field of sewing, but her health has necessitated the curtailing of this activity. She will, however, do some knitting and oil painting in retirement. She hopes to spend her winters in Florida.

Summery



Mrs. Helen Troutman, Beckley accounting stenographer, is shown in the outfit she modeled in the recent Lions Club Style Show. Mrs. Parthenia Glover, another employee, modeled a hair-do.

They're Engaged

RITA McVEY to C. L. Gregory, Jr. Miss McVey is the daughter of C. H. McVey, working foreman at Pocahontas.

New Arrivals

Ashland District

MR. AND MRS. OTIS POWELL, a daughter, Sharon Lynn, April 9. Mr. Powell is a distribution engineer in the engineering department.

Big Sandy Plant

MR. AND MRS. CLARENCE C. CASTLE, a son, James David, February 7. Mr. Castle is a utility operator.

MR. AND MRS. EDGAR A. CHILDERS, a son, Edgar Allen, III, September 11, 1962. Mr. Childers is an instrument man.

MR. AND MRS. WILLIAM D. ENGLAND, a son, David Warren, March 5. Mr. England is a chemist.

MR. AND MRS. ROBERT R. KISE, JR., a daughter, Lisa Ann, October 31, 1962. Mr. Kise is a maintenance helper.

MR. AND MRS. GORDON W. UNDERWOOD, a daughter, Salley Jo, August 23, 1962. Mr. Underwood is a test engineer.

MR. AND MRS. B. DALE WILLIAMS, a daughter, Shirley Sue, September 11, 1962. Mr. Williams is a maintenance foreman.

Charleston District

MR. AND MRS. JOHN CURATOLO, a daughter, Anne Catherine, March 22. Mrs. Curatolo is a former home economist, Charleston.

MR. AND MRS. ROBERT SELBE, a daughter, Lori Anne, March 10. Mr. Selbe is a lineman.

Clinch River Plant

MR. AND MRS. HARVEY G. GILLESPIE, JR., a son, Warren Hurt, April 13. Mr. Gillespie is a test engineer.

MR. AND MRS. IRVEN W. WREN, a son, Mark Anthony, April 15. Mr. Wren is a unit foreman.

Kanawha River Plant

MR. AND MRS. B. B. BRIGGS, a son, Wallace Franklin, April 4. Mr. Briggs is an employee in the maintenance department.

MR. AND MRS. G. M. DOUGLAS, a daughter, Lisa Jane, March 20. Mr. Douglas is employed in the operating department.

Philip Sporn Plant

MR. AND MRS. DWIGHT R. WALLACE, a daughter, Nancy Jo, March 4. Mr. Wallace is a maintenance man.

MR. AND MRS. LINDON T. TAYLOR, a son, Lindon Thomas, II, April 7. Mr. Taylor is a test engineer.

Point Pleasant District

MR. AND MRS. S. E. SAUNDERS, a daughter, Brenda Lea, February 23. Mr. Saunders is a lineman in the Ripley area.

Honored



Mrs. Loretta Wiseman, cashier in Beckley, has been chosen "Girl of the Year" by the Gamma Gamma chapter of Beta Sigma Phi. She has been a member for two years, is the new corresponding secretary, and has completed a term as publicity chairman. Mrs. Wiseman joined the company in 1953.

Spring Season Brings Weddings

Harvey-Gore

The Presbyterian Church in Pulaski was the scene for the wedding of Frances Thacker Harvey and Charles Emil Gore on April 6. Mrs. Gore is a former home service representative from the Bluefield office, and Mr. Gore is a dealer sales representative in Montgomery of the Charleston district.

Kidd-Blanks

Jo Anne Kidd and Earlie Presley Blanks, Jr., exchanged wedding vows in the First Baptist Church in Pulaski on April 13. Mrs. Blanks is the daughter of Okie B. Kidd, area supervisor in Pulaski.

Jones-Langstaff

Mable L. Jones and William M. Langstaff were married in the Central Christian Church in Huntington on February 16. Mr. Langstaff is a retired division commercial department employee.

Boothe-Helpbringer

Patricia Ann Boothe became the bride of William Danford Helpbringer on April 5 in the Groveport Methodist Church, Groveport, Ohio. Mrs. Helpbringer is the daughter of George T. Boothe, Jr., commercial sales representative in Williamson.

Barker-Harris

A single ring ceremony held at the Baptist parsonage in Middleport, Ohio united Susan Fern Barker and Frank M. Harris in marriage on April 13. Mr. Harris is a guard at the Philip Sporn plant.



Married in recent weeks were, top row from left: Mrs. Charles Emil Gore, Bluefield; and Mrs. Earlie Presley Blanks, Jr., Pulaski. Bottom row from left: Mr. and Mrs. William M. Langstaff, Huntington, and Mrs. William Danford Helpbringer, Williamson.

Be Healthy—Chase Beagles Chasing Rabbits

If you want to stay healthy, get a lot of hard work and outdoor exercise, you can become a lumberjack.

Or, if you are Annise and Bill Craig, you can raise beagles and join a beagle club. Mrs. Craig is private secretary to the Roanoke division manager, and Mr. Craig retired this year from American Bridge Company in Roanoke.

The beagle is strictly a no-nonsense dog, and a good pet but his chief value is in performance in the field. There is a vast amount of time, effort, and money spent by beagle fanciers to breed and train their dogs individually and in the company of other owners through beagle clubs.

In 1948, for example, the Craigs joined the Shenandoah Valley Beagle Club, and two years later their dogs won two ribbons based on how well they ran rabbits in field trials. (Running a rabbit is beagle talk to describe the manner in which the beagle chases a rabbit, keeps his trail, and the frequency of his barking: if you're a beagle and you want to collect points from the judges, you have to bark some, but not too much, when you're running your rabbit.) In local competitions, a beagle will compete against thirty or forty others.

Posthole Digging

Since joining the Club, the Craigs have been active in its work. Mr. Craig twice served as its president and is now in his second term as vice president. The group owns 85 acres in Bedford County, all of which was fenced in. Mr. Craig dug many of the 400 postholes and stretched a lot of the wire, and that accounts for the hard work and exercise mentioned above.

This land gave the Club a place to practice running its dogs; and the members gave the dogs something to run when they deposited four dozen wild rabbits in the tract.

Then it was necessary to remove all animals with an antipathy to rabbits, notably possums and polecats. Traps set out by Mr. Craig yielded three complete possums and one possum foot, but no polecats at all, perhaps because the wrong bait was used. Next, to keep the captive rabbits healthy, the club sowed stretches of land with clover, rye, and grass for food, since the rabbits can't get into Mr. McGregor's garden; just recently the club spread some 1,500 pounds of fertilizer on the seeded areas. More of that hard work—and so was the construction of a 40 by 22 cinderblock club house, in the course of which Mr. Craig carried many a block.

All of this work is necessary if the

club's field trials are to be run properly. Each club can hold one licensed field trial a year. The Shenandoah Valley Club holds its trial the last four days of October, rain or shine, with as many as 150 dogs competing. A beagle must win at least three field trials to earn the field champion designation, which can be of real prestige and value to its owner.

Two or More

At their home in the county the Craigs have room to raise and train their own beagles, never less than two and once as many as nine grown dogs. At the present time they have four grown beagles and seven pups. The Craigs are working to improve the strain of their dogs by buying the best available and by breeding. Last year they bought Skippy, both of whose parents were field champions, and they recently mated their own Dixie Lee, produced by two field champions with a sire with a similar background. In fact the sire's grandfather sired 96 field champions. Dixie Lee's subsequent litter of seven give the Craigs high hopes that they will have their own champion one day. This is a distinction which has so far escaped them, although in local

trials they have collected seven firsts, two seconds, nine thirds and eight fourths. Mr. Craig takes his dogs out for about four hours of training at least twice a week—marvelous exercise. It's good for humans too.

Girl Paces Team To Perfect Season

Becky McClung was co-captain of this season's Patrick Henry High School girls' basketball team, the first varsity team in the school's history to go undefeated.

The daughter of W. A. McClung, advertising and publications supervisor in system public relations, she led the team to the Roanoke City-County girls' basketball championship. A senior, Becky played on the volleyball team and was selected for the honor squad.

She is a vice president of the Girls' Athletic Association and president of her sorority. She is a two-letter winner at the school, which has been in existence for two years.



Miss McClung



Although the Craigs have never owned a field champion, they have eight prospects: Dixie Lee, produced by two champions, and her seven pups. The Craigs, in addition to these eight, also have three other grown beagles.

Outdoor Sports? No Thanks, Say Company Bowlers



The ladies shared the sports spotlight, as these three pictures attest. At left, one of four teams from the Hazard district is made up of five distaff bowlers. With the opening of the Perry Lanes, bowling re-



turned to the city recently. This team is the Reddyetts, and on it are from left: Wanda Neace, Jean Brashear, Faye Walters, Ilene Clay and Jenney Walden. In the center is Mary Elizabeth Davis of Logan,



who was a member of the team that won first place in the Logan Woman's Bowling Association City Tournament. The team, sponsored by Penney's Hum-Dinger, won out over 27 others. Miss Davis is secretary of the association and served as tournament director. At right is the Beckley woman's team which won one of three first places in a handicap tournament featuring teams from Charleston, Beckley,

Philip Sporn plant, Williamson and from the Appalachian League. Team members include, from left: Emma Lou Wilson, Jenny Gaziano, Helen Troutman, Alice O'Neal and Parthenia Glover.

It may be baseball weather, but you'll have a hard time convincing many employees that it is anything but bowling season. Action on the lanes continues at a heavy pace.

One of the early-finishing leagues in our companies was the one at Philip Sporn plant, where Emmert's Shift defeated the Coal Docks in a roll-off for the title. Emmert's had won the second half by a half-game.

Wyllis Davis finished with high average of 180 and high set of 659. Jack Johnson had high single of 276. Emmert's rolled the high team game of 932 and Tennant's Shift had high team series of 2660.

A tournament followed the season and the Pulverizers won the high team game. Individual winners included: Cricket Searls and Bud Stivers in the doubles event, Buck Tennant singles, Willis Budding all-events.

Big Game

At Roanoke, nearing the end of the season, Distribution leads by two games over Processing.



Mr. Hubbard

M. C. Covey has high average of 183 and high set of 667, while Meter has high team game of 969 and high set of 2716.



New patches for unusual accomplishments are worn proudly by these two Bluefield bowlers. Thalia Myles won hers for an all-spares game, and E. E. "Buck" Fanning was awarded his for making the big four split.

Roanoke also played host to Bluefield, and promptly regretted it. Bluefield took both sets, 2760 to 2745 and 2645 to 2512. Covey had high set of 609 and high game of 234, while leading Bluefield was Simmons with a 582 set and Scott with a 215 game. A rematch is planned.

Top Tourney

Tech Lanes in Montgomery was the scene of a rather unusual tournament recently. The Appalachian League, made up of teams from Cabin Creek and Kanawha River plants, Central Appalachian Coal and the Montgomery office, was host to teams from Beckley, Charleston, Philip Sporn plant and Williamson.

Each location was represented by two men's and one woman's team, except Sporn which did not have a woman's team. When the last ball had been rolled, the Sporn teams had won for the men and the Beckley team for the women.

Individual honors went like this: high actual series, Jay Runyon, Williamson; high handicap series, Robert Couch, Sporn; high handicap single, Couch; best sport awards, Runyon and Alberta Shelton, Williamson. Jeanne Sheets of Kanawha won all the ladies' honors.

Pins flew in all directions when the Ashland employees conducted a bowling tournament. Bowlers came from the district, from Kentucky system and from Big Sandy plant.

Top awards went to Dave Criswell for singles and all events and to Tony Musco and Bob Muncy for doubles.

... And A Moral

And, finally, from the bowling world comes this story fraught with morals. Bob Selbe and Dick Bradley finished their bowling in Charleston's Kilowatt League and asked a friend if they could stash their bowling balls and bags in his car. He handed over the keys to a white Oldsmobile and they stored them away in the trunk.

The next day the two were preparing to leave for the tournament at Montgomery when they discovered their equipment was missing. So they bowled with borrowed balls, meanwhile notifying a sports columnist of their plight. He dutifully ran the plea for the equipment in the paper the next day.

Meanwhile, though, a lady who



Concentrating on their next ball are Richard Nash and Ewing Snodgrass during the Ashland Power Company Employee Bowling Tournament.



Members of Emmert's Shift, which won the Sporn plant league, are from left: Rex Bailey, Paul Theis, Lou Karschnik, Charles King, Wyllis Davis, George Nash and George Johnson.

owned another white Oldsmobile that those keys also fit discovered the stuff in the trunk of her car, called Bradley (whose name and phone number was on his bag) and got the bowlers and their equipment back together. Her only complaint was that she had a hard time explaining to her husband why the equipment was in the trunk.

Now those morals, as put forth by the two men: always tag your equipment with your name and phone number, and when you are borrowing keys to a car, get the license number too. It's a whole lot easier.

Casey Is Selected As All-Time Great Of Monroe County

P. H. "Casey" Mann has been selected as one of the all-time great athletes of Monroe County, W. Va.

Instrument maintenance mechanic at Glen Lyn plant, he earned his reputation for his baseball prowess during high school and afterward.

The selection was made by a committee in connection with West Virginia's Centennial Celebration.

Mr. Mann has been an employee at the plant since 1947 and resides at Peterstown with his wife and two children.



Mr. Mann

Football Prowess Earns Scholarship

Bobby Lee Davis has been awarded a four-year football scholarship to Concord College.

The son of Clyde S. Davis Glen Lyn plant unit foreman, he was a half-back on the undefeated Narrows High School team for the past two seasons.

Bobby also sings and is a member of the school's Glee Club and his church choir. He will enter Concord this fall.



Bobby Lee Davis

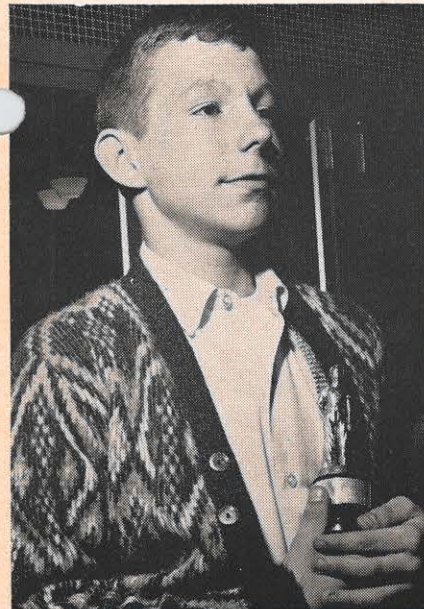
Louisa Star Named To Court Honor Team

Bill Frishette climaxed another good season on the basketball court by being named to the North Eastern Kentucky All-Conference Team for the second year in a row.

The honor followed his selection to the District 59 All-Tournament Team. For the second year in a row the Louisa High School, senior son of Claude Frishette, Big Sandy plant structural engineer, led his team in field goal percentage with 42.6% and in foul shot accuracy with 68.5%. During the two seasons he scored a total of 668 points, also high for the team.

At the end of this season he was elected honorary co-captain of the team.

Achievement Trophies



Three youths—sons of employees—have been presented trophies for various sports accomplishments. At left is Kent Stair, 11-year-old son of A. W. Stair, Kingsport power sales engineer. Kent was named *Boy of the Year* by the Kingsport Boys Club, and was also awarded trophies for sportsmanship in football and for being the most improved in basketball. A ribbon-winning swimmer for the Kingsport Swimming Association, he also bowls on the Boys Club team, plays the trombone in his school band, is a lieutenant in the



school patrol and maintains an "A" average. Roger McKinney, center, son of Erle McKinney, Welch lineman, received his trophy as the top marksman in a recent Explorer Post 253 shooting match. In the rifle competition, he won over 42 other boys. Thomas Edward Napier, right, won the annual Franklin County High School Sportsmanship Award. He is the son of Orville Napier, meter service helper in Rocky Mount of the Roanoke district. Tom, a junior, played forward on the varsity basketball team.



Special Offer To Employees Made On PSP Water Heaters

A special offer on flameless electric water heaters, including outstanding deals on initial price, installation costs and a 10-year protected service feature, is being made to employees of Appalachian and Kentucky Power.

The object of the special promotion is to get more employees to use electric water heaters in their homes or to upgrade their out-of-date water heaters. In messages to employees, Joe P. Gills and F. M. Baker, vice presidents and general managers of Appalachian and Kentucky, respectively, pointed out that the biggest aid in selling electric appliances is the use of the appliances by employees of our companies—a personal testimonial that electric living is best.

J. Mills Frampton, Huntington, Dies



Mr. Frampton

John Mills Frampton, 65, who retired March 1 at Huntington after 43 years of service, died April 23 in a Huntington hospital after a five-month illness.

He was credit supervisor at the time of his retirement. He was born in Cabell County March 1, 1898, and was employed March 1, 1920 by the Consolidated Light, Heat and Power Company as a meter reader and collector. In 1921 he became cashier and in 1925 was named credit manager and established the credit office in Huntington. A year later the company became part of Appalachian. In 1945 Mr. Frampton became department supervisor and was named credit supervisor in 1950.

Mr. Frampton was a member of Cabell Masonic Lodge 152 and the Episcopal Church, and was past president of the Huntington Credit Bureau and past vice president of the Exchange Club.

He is survived by a daughter, a son, a brother and five grandchildren.

The promotion, extending until July 1, offers these features:

1. Special low prices on electric water heaters.
2. Appalachian and Kentucky to pay the cost of delivery and installation, including necessary wiring and plumbing, up to a total of \$60 (ample to cover any normal condition).
3. A 10-year protected service (including full replacement for tank failure) feature for just \$10.
4. Extended financing of the total cost, including cost of water heater and \$10 for service feature.
5. The water heater may be for the home you own or for the rental quarters in which you are living.

Information on the promotion has been sent to employees, and further details may be secured from your commercial department.

As Mr. Gills and Mr. Baker pointed out, "This is an excellent opportunity for employees to make real savings and secure good values while getting the best in dependable, trouble-free, hot water service."

Gills, Hansbarger Elected To Posts

Joe P. Gills and J. C. Hansbarger have been elected to new positions in the American Electric Power Company.

Mr. Gills, Appalachian vice president and general manager, has been named vice president and a director of West Virginia Power Company and a director of Kanawha Valley Power Company.

Mr. Hansbarger, Charleston division manager, has been elected a vice president of Kanawha Valley Power.

Ashland Man Moves To New York Section

Otis S. Powell, Jr., Ashland district distribution engineer, has been transferred to the electrical construction section of the AEP Service Corporation in New York.



Mr. Powell

He is an electrical engineering graduate of Worcester Polytechnic Institute. He joined Kentucky Power in 1957 as a distribution engineer.

Mr. Powell is married and has two children.

Variety Of Honors Go To Students

With a month of school left honors in several fields have started coming in for employees' sons and daughters.

Jerry A. Lilly, Concord College student, has been selected for Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities. He is the son of A. Harold Lilly, Rainelle area serviceman in the Beckley district.

He has been a member of the school's student government all four years and was the author of the Student Government Association Constitution when the student body voted to reorganize. He has been chief justice and president of the student court. He is also student body president.

He has held offices or has been a member of many social, political, fraternal and professional organizations at the school and is active in church work. He will enter law school on graduation.

Thomas Michael Garten, 13-year-old son of C. R. S. Garten, assistant Beckley district office supervisor, was the winner of the 8th grade oratorical contest at St. Francis de Sales Catholic School. "Religious Vacation" was the topic.

Homemakers

Two homemakers were honored. Renee Snyder was named Home-



Renee Snyder

Brenda Ball



Daughters of two Welch employees will lead the Welch High School Keyette Club next year. They are, from left: Patty Groseclose, daughter of W. C. Groseclose, administrative assistant, vice president; and Jenny Bivens, daughter of H. H. Bivens, stores supervisor, president. Jenny is a junior, Patty a sophomore, and both are honor students.



Jerry Lilly

Thomas Garten



Leon Miller

Nancy McReynolds

maker of Tomorrow at Clendenin High School and will compete in the state. She is the daughter of Mrs. Charles W. Snyder, Clendenin cashier in the Charleston district.

She ranks fourth in her graduating class of 86 with a 3.6 average and is active in a variety of school functions. She was chosen on the basis of a test, personal observation and interviews.

Brenda Ball, daughter of Thurman Ball, Williamson working foreman, was selected by the local chapter of the Future Homemakers of America Club as "Future Home-maker."

A sophomore, she is quite active in school and in the First Baptist Church.

Top Essay

Leon Miller was winner of the American History Essay Contest sponsored by the Jane Owen West Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution. He is the son of C. L. Miller, Williamson engineering aide.

All junior history classes Mingo County, W. Va., and Pike County, Ky. were invited to enter, writing on something in their state that contributed to the development of the United States. Leon had taken a hike over the Wilderness Road and made the tourist attraction the subject of his essay. A rising senior at Belfry High School, he is active in school, church and Boy Scout work.

The Kentucky All-State Chorus has gained the voice of Nancy Elizabeth McReynolds, daughter of James T. McReynolds, Pikeville truck driver-groundman. She represents Pikeville High School in the 700-voice chorus.

The chorus rehearsed for three days and presented a concert at the close of the annual meeting of the Kentucky Education Association in Louisville.

Sporn Loan Fund Set At Fort Wayne School

Establishment of the "Philip and Sadie Sporn Loan Fund" at Indiana Institute of Technology, Fort Wayne, was announced jointly May 3 by Philip Sporn, chairman of the System Development Committee of AEP, and Dr. Archie T. Keene, president of Indiana Tech.

The \$50,000 loan fund was made available by the Philip Sporn Educational Trust to deserving students at Indiana Tech, both present and future. The Trust had been created from initial gifts totaling \$100,000 from almost 9,000 employees of the AEP System, and from AEP itself, on the occasion of Mr. Sporn's retirement as president of AEP and of our companies on December 1, 1961, and from subsequent gifts by Mr. Sporn and AEP.

The \$50,000 fund is similar to funds established by the Trust last December at the engineering schools of Columbia University, Mr. Sporn's alma mater, and Cornell University. At that time, Mr. Sporn had said he was hopeful of setting up a third loan fund somewhere in the territory served by the AEP System.

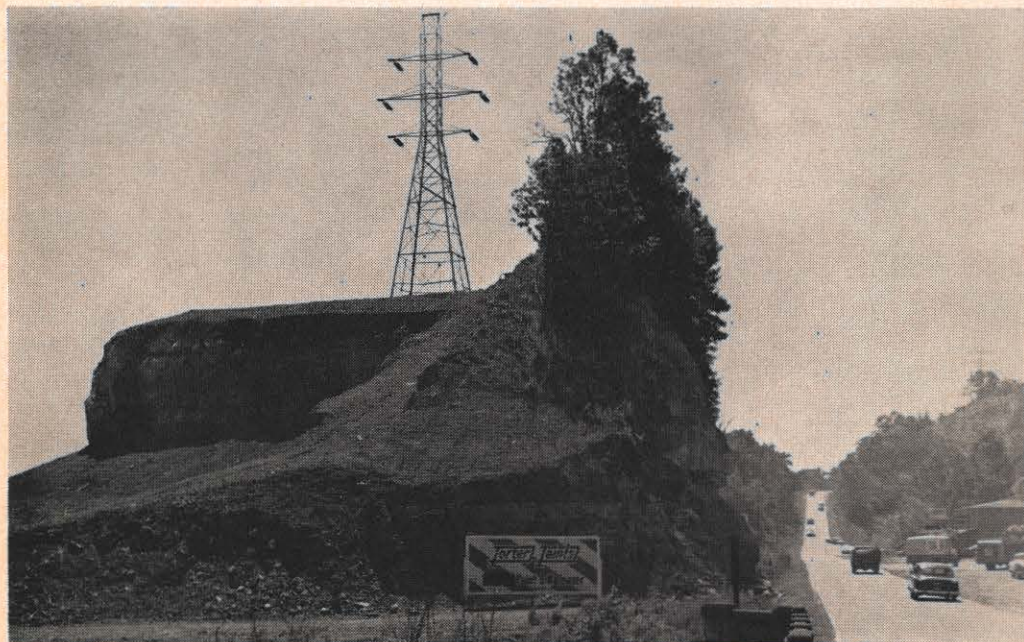
The Indiana Tech loan fund per-

mits the college to select deserving students and to issue loans to them equal to the complete cost of tuition and fees for each undergraduate year except the freshman year and up to two-thirds of the cost of tuition and fees for the freshman year. The loan program is designed to be self-perpetuating and will carry an interest rate not to exceed 3% a year.

In his announcement, Mr. Sporn said that the program was designed to promote two ideas: (1) his conviction that any boy or girl ought to have the privilege of receiving a higher education to the fullest extent possible, regardless of financial ability, and (2) the need to encourage among young people who are helped in their own education their acceptance of social responsibility to the generations that follow.

Besides leaving the selection of students up to the school, the program's only other principal requirements are that the fund be disbursed so as to make loans to as many students as possible and that each student, to qualify for a loan, must be one who would be unable to matriculate without such financial assistance.

The Story Of Tower 19—Moving A Mountain



Kentucky Power recently proved it will even move mountains—or at least hills—to help its customers, as illustrated in the pictures of the "before" and "after" tower relocation project recently completed.

Ashlanders call it "The Story of Tower 19." The tower is one that carries the South Point-Bellefonte and Bellefonte-East Wheelersburg 138,000 volt lines. It was located atop an 85-foot high rock forma-

tion on land acquired for construction of an oxygen plant by Air Products and Chemicals, Inc. This plant will produce oxygen and other things for Armco Steel Corporation. The Air Products people

needed the entire site, requiring a complete relocation of Tower 19 and 2,700 feet of line. The circuits were de-energized one at a time during the work, the new tower built, a temporary wood pole used

for one of the circuits and the old tower dismantled. It wasn't that simple, of course, and the work required a great deal of coordination and planning. But, as promised, the "mountain was moved."

