

When a man is wrong and won't admit it, he always gets angry.

—Halburton

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If nobody loves you, it might be your own fault.

—Anon

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W. O. Settle, John S. Givens, and Bernard H. White, left to right, accept the division award from Joe P. Gills.

Charleston Division Employees Win EEI Safety Achievement Award

The 471 employees of Appalachian Power Company's Charleston Division received an award Tuesday April 14, from Joe P. Gills, vice president and general manager, for having worked one million consecutive manhours without a disabling injury. The Edison Electric Institute Safety Achievement Award was presented at a luncheon attended by all supervisory personnel in the division. Accepting the certificate in behalf of the employees were W. O. Settle, area serviceman, Clendenin area, who is working on his 40th year without a disabling injury, John S. Givens, utility clerk, Charleston area, whose safe working record totals 42 years this month, and Bernard H. White, customer accounts supervisor in

Beckley, who has 40 years of service behind him without any lost time injuries.

The record was established between January 18, 1963 and February 6, 1964. This award, coming shortly after the company's organizational structure change on January 1 of this year, was made possible by a combination of the long continuing records previously established by employees in the Charleston and Beckley operating areas, he said. Mr. Gills said that at the present rate, approximately 79,000 manhours per month are being added to the record, and urged that the employees stay on the alert and continue the unbroken string of accident-free manhours.

Fourth Smith Mountain Line Is Now Completed

The last of the four transmission lines that will tie the output of the Smith Mountain dam to the rest of the Appalachian system has been completed. This one goes from the dam to the East Danville station, nearing completion, and will carry 138,000 volts when the dam is in operation next year. The cost of the line and station work has been put at more than \$1.8-million.

The new line, in addition to strengthening electric service in the

Danville area, will also tie into one serving the Carolina Power & Light Company's Henderson (N. C.) station, and another connection with Virginia Electric & Power Company's Bearskin station.

Aluminum V-shaped towers were used in the line, similar to the structures in the recently-completed 345,000-volt line from Kanawha River plant to Cloverdale station, near Roanoke.

The three other lines extending from the dam go to Cloverdale station, to Reusens hydro plant in Lynchburg by way of Leesville dam and Altavista station, and to East Lynchburg station.

Keystone Construction Company of Huntington, W. Va., was the contractor for the East Danville line. New River Electrical Corporation of Roanoke did the foundation work and grading for the East Danville station, and Richardson-Wayland Electrical Corporation of Roanoke did the electrical work. Appalachian employees responsible for the jobs, members of the system transmission line and station departments, included Leo Barrett and E. D. Vaught.

Two Companies Set New Lower Rates

Kentucky Power Company and Kingsport Power Company have made application to their respective state regulatory bodies for permission to reduce electric service rates to customers.

Reduced rates for Kentucky Power Company went into effect April 15. The reductions amount to \$240,000 a year, and mainly affect industrial and mining customers.

Kingsport Power Company's proposed reduction of \$19,700 will primarily affect small commercial and residential customers.

The rate reductions are for the most part a result of the recent Federal income tax reduction.

Cook Foresees Tripled AEP System Capability, 700,000-Volt Lines, 12,000-Kwh Usage By 1980

An electric power system that by 1980 will be three times its present size and generate \$1-billion in annual revenues was visualized at the annual meeting of American Electric Power Company April 22.

President Donald C. Cook predicted that the seven-state American Electric Power System, today the largest investor-owned producer of electric energy in the nation, would need to triple its generating capability in the next 16 years to meet an expected three-fold increase in its customers' power requirements in the same period.

He told the 57th meeting of shareowners that customers' anticipated peak demand by 1980 would be in the neighborhood of 18.6-million kilowatts, compared with their present peak of 6-million kw. At the same time, the AEP System will need to increase its total generating capacity to 21-million kw from its present 7-million kw.

Turning to the more immediate future, Cook told the shareowners that 1964 will see net earnings rise to their highest point in history. He said that net earnings per share should rise not less than 7% or in excess of \$1.65 per share from 1963 earnings of \$1.54 per share.

700,000-Volt Line

Cook emphasized that, while tripling its plant capacity, the AEP System will need to add only about 50% to its present 8,100-mile high-voltage transmission network to deliver these enlarged blocks of power from their sources to points of use. During the period 1964-80,

he said the AEP System will build approximately 4,100 circuit miles of transmission line, including an estimated 325 miles of 700,000-volt line, a voltage 40% higher than the nation's highest today.

"Thus," he added, "a large part of our 1980 transmission system is already in existence and has in it a significant amount of unused capacity available to carry future loads."

Cook reported that the AEP System presently owns sites capable of supporting another 19.1-million kw of generating capacity, over 5-million kw above AEP System needs in 1980. "This (site availability) is a most important asset for a rapidly growing utility needing good sites near adequate cooling water and low-cost coal and located close to its existing high-voltage transmission system," he said.

He also pointed out that the AEP System's present coal reserves—owned, controlled or under long-term purchase contracts—were in excess of 790-million tons, equal to its total estimated usage from 1964 to 1987. "Thus, our fuel situation is such that it insures long-term control of one of our most important operating costs," Cook said.

In another 1980 forecast, Cook said he expected that the AEP System would be serving over 500,000 electrically heated homes by then, compared with 40,500 at the end of 1963. This, in turn, would raise the System's average annual residential usage from 4,900 kwh to 12,000 kwh, and be a major factor in reaching the \$1-billion mark in annual total revenues.

In substantiating his forecast for an improvement of at least 7% in per share earnings this year, Cook pointed to the current health of the nation's economy.

Tax Cut

He cited the recent reduction in individual and corporate income taxes as "the most significant element" among the important factors that will influence AEP's 1964 operations. He said that the tax cut not only would stimulate industrial expansion, in which the AEP System would share "to a substantial extent," but also facilitate the job of selling electric home heating and heavy energy-consuming appliances.

Cook also pointed to anticipated improvements in both generating efficiency and operating costs as additional reasons for optimism for the near future. He said that three major power projects now under way would make "significant contributions" to AEP's outstanding generating efficiency record. They are: (1) a 600,000-kw addition to Indiana & Michigan Electric Company's Tanners Creek Plant, scheduled for operation in June; (2) Appalachian Power Company's 440,000-kw Smith Mountain pumped-storage and hydro-electric development, scheduled for 1965; and (3) the 1,230,000-kw Cardinal Plant, scheduled for 1966, being built by Ohio Power Company and Ohio's rural electric cooperatives.

Prestonsburg Wins Contest In Community Improvement

Prestonsburg won the District Seven community development contest in the Kentucky Chamber of Commerce's Opportunity for Progress Program. The town was awarded a plaque at the annual Chamber meeting in Louisville on April 14.

Paintsville won second and Grayson placed third in the district contest. These communities also were presented special plaques and road markers at meetings in those towns.

Thirteen communities competed in this year's district contest. On the judging committee were James T. Snyder, assistant manager of Ashland Marketing Division of Ashland Oil & Refining Company; Herman Wheeler, director of the gas and water utilities in Paintsville; Rufus P. Thomas, chairman of District Seven, and area development director for Kentucky

Power Company.

Entrants in the Opportunity of Progress Program were judged in three categories of activities; commercial and area improvements and promotion; recreation and travel facility development, and civic improvement program.

Chairman Thomas said: "Each year we can see the program building on the successes of the previous years. We have come to a point where all of the communities in the contest are beginning to show many different kinds of development. This broadened base of improvement promises to provide even more progress, with the encouragement and enthusiasm of interested citizens."

Other communities competing in the contest were: Jackson, Morehead, West Liberty, Pikeville, Hazard, Whitesburg, Beattyville, Hyden, Hindman and Neon.



Mr. Kitchen

Kitchen Named Safety Director To Succeed Duncan

W. S. Kitchen was named to succeed D. C. Duncan as system safety director, effective May 1. He had been assistant director.

He joined the company in Bluefield in 1943 as safety inspector. He had prior experience in safety work with the state road commission of West Virginia. In 1945 Mr. Kitchen became safety supervisor in Bluefield, and in 1952 moved to Roanoke. He was named assistant safety director in 1959.

A native of Logan, Mr. Kitchen was graduated from Marshall College.

He is a member of the Veterans of Safety and is past general chairman of the public utilities section of the National Safety Council. For 25 years he was a national officer of Alpha Sigma Phi fraternity and is past president of the Williamson Road Kiwanis Club. He is a member of the Christian Church, is married, and is the father of one daughter.



Mrs. R. V. May, representing Prestonsburg, accepts the congratulations of Malcolm Mason, chairman of the Kentucky Chamber of Commerce's Community Development Committee. H. H. Kincaid, Pikeville division manager of Kentucky Power Company, holds the awards plaque he presented to Mrs. May at the annual Chamber meeting in Louisville.

Cohn Elected Vice President Of 3 Companies

Herbert B. Cohn, vice president and chief counsel of the American Electric Power Service Corporation, has been elected a vice president of our three companies. He has been a director of Appalachian Power since 1959.

Mr. Cohn joined the AEP Service Corporation in 1948 as a senior counsel and was elected a vice president and named chief counsel in 1954. During the periods of 1936-42 and 1946-48 he served as an attorney for the Securities and Exchange Commission. He served for four years during World War II in the U. S. Navy and retired to inactive duty as a lieutenant commander.

Mr. Cohn received a bachelor of arts degree from Yale University in 1933 and a bachelor of laws degree, magna cum laude, from the Harvard Law School in 1936. He had been an editor of the Harvard Law Review from 1934 to 1936. He is a member of the New York Bar and the Bars of the Supreme Court of the United States and other Federal Courts. Mr. Cohn is also a member of the American Bar Association's Public Utility Section, and of the Edison Electric Institute's Legal Committee, of which he was chairman during 1961-63.

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People and Machines

People are people, not things.

So says an editorial in the company publication of the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company, and they're right to say so, of course. The paper's point, which is applicable to us as well as to them, is that their business is complex, dealing with involved equipment—with things. Our things are plants, lines, stations, and towers. The problems involved in creating, building, and maintaining them are solvable with brains and computers.

But problems concerned with people can't be programmed into computers, can't be put into a slide rule, because there are no one-and-one-are-two answers.

"Humanity" says C&P, "is not mechanical." In daily relationships with the people we work with and the people we serve, we should develop personal power plants, and personal transmission facilities, and personal meters that reflect the needs, feelings, and hopes of the fellow at the next desk, or on the other end of a phone conversation, or the one reading the letters we write.

Computers can do great things. We suppose they could spell out "good morning" in a thousandth of a second; but we would react to such a greeting with no more feeling than a computer would show to our "thank you."

People can't work as fast as computers, but they can clothe the simple words "good morning" and "thank you" with such magic that they can live all day in the person we direct them to.

Computers represent a big investment; smiles and cheerfulness only a small one. But who's to say that the dividends are not equally great?

General Office Slated For Remodeling Job

Appalachian's General Office Building in Roanoke is in for a major remodeling job, beginning May 1.

The work follows the construction of a 40,000-square-foot addition to the building completed and occupied last fall. The new project is designed to make the interior of the older portion, built in 1949, more flexible and adaptable to the changing needs of the company. Movable metal wall partitions, luminous ceilings, high intensity lighting, and new floor coverings will characterize the remodeling.

In the first phase of the work, the lobby will be completely done over. New enclosed window display areas will be installed, and the lobby will be expanded to cover the front of the building. New cashier counters will be put in, the ceiling lowered, and a new luminous, high intensity lighting will become a part of it. The same work will continue down the main corridor to the First Street entrance. During this part of the work, the lobby will be closed to the public, and cashiers will move to the foyer at the First Street

entrance to the building's addition. Roanoke division commercial space on the first floor will also be renovated.

The third floor will be remodeled with new movable walls, new floors, and new lighting. This space will be occupied by the system accounting office. On the fourth floor the executive area will be expanded and modernized.

In the final work of this first phase the entire fifth floor will be renovated. When completed it will be occupied by the system transmission and distribution, public relations, and hydro departments.

The second phase of the project calls for the remainder of the fourth floor and most of the sixth to be remodeled. The fourth will house system personnel, safety, and commercial departments. The sixth, a load dispatching area, now nearing completion, and system operations, valuation, and real estate and right of way departments.

Finally, the third phase calls for completion of the first floor alterations for local accounting, and the second floor for Roanoke division offices.

For Public, 4-H

Lake Development Aided By Company

Appalachian will construct a public picnic facility on Leesville Lake near the dam as a part of plans for development of recreation potential of the company's two dam hydro project.

It is hoped that the picnic area will be ready for the lake season this summer. It will include a large shelter house, sanitation facilities, outdoor grills, picnic tables, and parking space.

Announcing the plans, Joe P. Gills, vice president and general manager, reiterated the company's stand on use of the lakes: "While this project is primarily for the production of electric power, we are also greatly interested in the maximum and orderly development of both reservoirs for recreational use by the public. To bring this about, we have been working with such agencies as the Commission of Game and Inland Fisheries, the Reservoir Regional Planning Commission, the boards of supervisors of the counties involved, the Roanoke River Basin Association, the Life Saving Crew Association, and the Coast Guard Auxiliary."

In the recreation area Appalachian will build a shelter measuring 30 by 60 feet, a comfort

station, 18 concrete picnic tables, seven native stone fireplaces for wood or charcoal, two native stone water fountains, and a parking area. A rustic wood fence will enclose the recreation area.

The proposed picnic area will be located just above the Leesville Dam on the Pittsylvania County side, and will be reached on Highway 754. It is close to one of the boat-launching facilities to be built by the Commission of Game and Inland Fisheries.

Also announced were tentative plans to build an overlook area near the Smith Mountain Dam, to be constructed in the same general location as the present concrete plant. In the same work, a new bridge across the river is to be built, and existing roads to the area will be improved for the convenience of the visiting public. Because the site and access are being used in the dam's construction, the overlook will not be ready until 1965.

Appalachian also has made available to the West Central District of Virginia 4-H Clubs about 100 acres of land it owns on the still-forming Smith Mountain Lake. The tract faces the Blackwater River and lies in a peninsula about a mile long

and 500 to 1,000 feet wide. It has about two miles of shoreline.

The 4-H district plans to develop the property for a center to be used for camping and related educational experiences. Present plans call for construction of buildings, swimming pool, vesper area, play and sports areas, teaching area, and a water and sewage system. The facilities will be in use the year around, and will accommodate 200 to 250 persons. The center will be available to other youth and adult groups when it is not in use by the 4-H members.

The project was announced jointly by Joe P. Gills, Appalachian vice president and general manager, and James H. Moore of Roanoke, general chairman of the 4-H center committee.

The West Central District covers Alleghany, Bath, Bedford, Botetourt, Campbell, Craig, Floyd, Franklin, Halifax, Henry, Highland, Montgomery, Patrick, Pittsylvania, Roanoke, and Rockbridge Counties, and the cities of Danville, Martinsville, Roanoke, Lynchburg, Clifton Forge, Covington, Radford, South Boston, Buena Vista, and Staunton. 4-H Clubs in the district have a total of 16,000 members.

Third In Series

Maternity Benefits Boosted Under New Plan

Maternity benefits payable under the AEP System Medical Insurance Plan received significant boosts at the beginning of this year.

Formerly, the Plan paid \$150 toward the expenses of normal childbirth, \$225 for a Caesarean operation, and \$75 toward a miscarriage.

Under a revision effective January 1, the normal delivery benefit has been upped considerably to cover 50% of the first \$500 of covered expenses. This means that those concerned can receive as much as \$250—a \$100 increase over the

former benefits.

The same rule applies to Caesarean operations and to miscarriages: the new benefit payment adds \$25 to the amount available for meeting Caesarean charges, and \$175 to the total benefits earmarked for miscarriage cases.

Then too, the Plan has been significantly liberalized in another aspect: in any of the three types of maternity cases mentioned above, the Plan will pay 80% of all covered medical expenses over \$500. Formerly, maternity benefits were

limited to the flat \$150—\$75—\$225 payments.

In no case, however, will the Plan pay less than \$150 toward a normal birth, \$225 for a Caesarean operation, or \$75 toward the expenses of a miscarriage.

As before, there is no deductible provision for maternity benefits, and any benefits used are not counted against the lifetime maximum benefit of an employee or his dependents. Maternity benefits, of course, are payable only to an employee or a dependent wife for a pregnancy commencing while insured under the Plan.

Blair Ross Named To New Position

Blair A. Ross, of the regional planning section of the AEP Service Corporation's system planning and analytical division, has been promoted to assistant head of that section.

Ross joined the Service Corporation in 1960 after 10 years in the U. S. Army Corps of Engineers. He is a 1950 graduate of the U. S. Military Academy, and holds a master's degree in electrical engineering from Purdue University.

Sloan Fellowship Awarded Disbrow

Richard E. Disbrow, administrative assistant to the AEP Service Corporation's vice president-operations, has been named a recipient of an Alfred P. Sloan Fellowship at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Disbrow will begin an intensive year of studies in management under the Fellowship Program in June. He will receive a master of science degree upon completion.

Disbrow joined the Service Corporation in 1954, working in its high-voltage planning and regional planning sections. He was named to his present post in 1961. He holds bachelor and master of science degrees in electrical engineering.

W. T. Haymond, 83, I&M Counsel, Dies

W. T. (Billy) Haymond, 83, long-time counsel for Indiana & Michigan Electric Company at Muncie, Ind., died March 30 in Ball Memorial Hospital in Muncie after an illness of several weeks.

Haymond, who had been instrumental in the formation of I. & M.'s Muncie and Marion Divisions, had served as a director of I. & M. since 1945.

Art Contest Announced

An art contest solely for employees and members of their families has been announced by Allis-Chalmers Manufacturing Company. The competition, which offers \$3000 in cash purchase awards, is limited to "The Art of Extra High Voltage," but that's the only limit.

It's open to realistic or abstract painters, using oils, encaustic, tempera, mixed media, water color, or drawing; the subject can be lines, towers, linemen at work, stations, switchgear, or circuit breakers, anything, in short, that deals with some phase of extra high voltage.

Entries should be no smaller than 9 by 12 inches, and no bigger than 60 inches in any dimension.

The contest opened May 1, and will continue through July 15. Entries will be judged by national art figures on a regional basis.

More information can be obtained by writing Warner Frazier, Art of Extra High Voltage, Allis-Chalmers, Box 514, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53201.



Usage Milestone

Increasing demand for electric service in the Pulaski division has pushed the average annual kilowatt-hour usage by division residential customers over the 5,000 level. Part of the usage is attributed to the wide acceptance of the all-electric concept by customers like Charles P. Kegley Jr., shown above paying his service bill to Mrs. Barbara Marshall, Pulaski cashier. He is cashier and assistant trust officer in the Pulaski National Bank, and lives in an all-electric home with his wife and three children.



Mr. Harris

F. M. Harris, 57, Is Heart Victim

Frank M. Harris, 57, guard at Philip Sporn plant, died April 2, apparently of a heart attack.

Mr. Harris was employed in April 1951 at the plant as a guard. His duties in recent years included the care and maintenance of all fire protection equipment in the plant. Before joining the company he worked for the Marietta Manufacturing Company.

Mr. Harris was a member of the Mason Methodist Church, active in community affairs, he was a member of the Mason Planning Commission, and also served as scoutmaster and as chief of the Mason Fire Department.

He is survived by his widow, a daughter, and two sons.

Plant Man Authors "Ideas" Article

W. J. Buchanan, maintenance foreman at Kanawha River plant, has made another appearance in *AEP Operating Ideas*.



Mr. Buchanan

In the April issue, an article authored by him describes how 10 hours of outage time can be saved by cooling drums with water spray. This work is in connection with acid wash of the boiler drum. Following this an alkaline conditioning

boil is required to neutralize the acid, and as long as 14 hours of cooling was necessary before the final flushing could be done. Mr. Buchanan devised a mounting for a two-inch diameter spray pipe; in four hours the drum is cool enough to permit men to enter and start the final tube flushing.

AEP Shareowners Elect Three Directors At Annual Meeting

A college president, a philanthropic foundation chairman, and a corporation lawyer were elected directors of American Electric Power Company at its 57th annual meeting of shareowners on April 22.

They are: Dr. Richard G. Folsom, president of Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy, N. Y.; Malcolm P. Aldrich, chairman of The Commonwealth Fund, of New York; and Richard M. Dicke, partner in the New York law firm of Simpson, Thacher & Bartlett, AEP general counsel.

In addition to the three new directors, the shareowners also re-elected 12 members of the board, for a total membership of 15.

Four directors, having reached the retirement age for board members, were not nominees for reelection. They are: John S. Battle, senior partner in the Charlottesville, Va. law firm of Battle, Neal, Harris, Minor & Williams and a former governor of Virginia, a director since 1954; Charles V. Graham, retired senior partner in Simpson, Thacher & Bartlett and a director since 1950; Clarence E. Hall, senior partner in the Philadelphia law firm of Hall, Wainwright & Archer, a director since 1944; and Harry A. Winne, of Schenectady, retired vice president (engineering) of General Electric Company, a director since 1954.

Dr. Folsom has been president of Rensselaer since 1958. A native

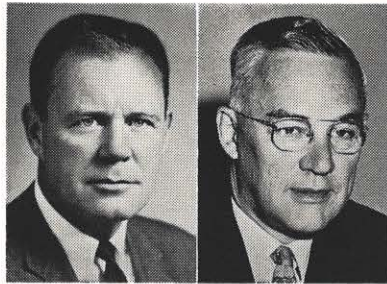


Mr. Aldrich

Californian, he received his B.S., M.S., and Ph.D. degrees from California Institute of Technology. He was a faculty member at the Universities of California and Michigan before joining Rensselaer. He is chairman or a member of various national committees in the business, education, engineering, government and research fields.

Aldrich has spent all of his adult life in finance and philanthropy with the Edward S. Harkness interests. He is also a director of the Equitable Life Assurance Society, Southern Pacific Company, and Phelps Dodge Corporation, and a trustee of The American Museum of Natural History, The Metropolitan Museum of Art, and The Presbyterian Hospital, New York. He is a native of Fall River, Mass. and a graduate of Yale University.

Dicke, as a member of the firm that has for many years been AEP's general counsel, has devoted much of his time since 1946 to the affairs of the company. He is a director of E. J. Korvette, Inc. Born in Idaho, he is a graduate of Princeton University and received his law degree from the University of Pennsylvania.



Mr. Dicke

Dr. Folsom

Long Career In Safety Work Ends In Duncan Retirement

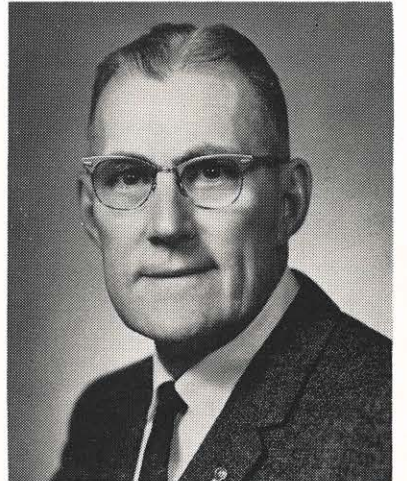
D. C. Duncan, who has directed Appalachian's safety program for 29 years, and has nearly 39 years of service, retired May 1.

Well known in the safety business in our service area and nationally, Mr. Duncan joined the company in Bluefield in 1925 as a timekeeper. In November 1934 he officially embarked on his safety career when he was named first aid instructor in Bluefield. Three years later he became assistant safety director, and safety director in 1941. The job title changed to general safety director in 1945, and to system safety director in 1946, but his task of directing and encouraging accident prevention remained the same. He moved to Roanoke in 1952.

For years the safety department has produced a monthly safety performance record called "Safety Facts and Figures." In the April issue, in an article over his signature, Mr. Duncan commented on his long association with Appalachian and safety with these words: "I can remember when safety appeared to many as an ordeal. Today most of our employees accept it as an ideal. Though our rank of safety pioneers has thinned almost to the vanishing point, a younger generation has picked up the safety torch and is carrying it with pride and distinction."

In 1927, the year the company's safety program began to take shape, 2,204 employees suffered 11 fatalities, and a frequency rate of 68.51. In 1963, Mr. Duncan's last full year, 3,215 employees had no fatalities, and a frequency rate of 3.39.

He has held positions of leadership in the Virginia Safety Association, and the accident prevention committees of the Southeastern Electric Exchange and the Public Utilities Association of the Vir-



Mr. Duncan

ginias. He has served as chairman of the public utilities section of the National Safety Council, president of the Veterans of Safety, and chairman of the accident prevention committee of the Roanoke Chamber of Commerce.

Mr. Duncan is a native of Pulaski, and it is there he will make his retirement home with his wife. He attended Roanoke College, Lynchburg College, and Marshall College.

Mr. Duncan is a long-time member of the Kiwanis Club and the American Legion. He attends St. John's Episcopal Church in Roanoke, and enjoys gardening, fishing, and golf.

Trouble Call For The Birds

Appalachian servicemen have plucked down cats from poles and kites from lines, but a recent call to the dispatcher in Huntington was strictly for the birds.

Come quick, said the caller; a duck is tangled up in some electric lines. Off to investigate went John Bartholomew in a bucket truck. He found not a duck but a pigeon, caught in string left by some long-forgotten kite. Rising to the occasion in his bucket truck, to the delight of onlookers, Johnny cut the string and freed the pigeon for further nuisance-making.



Mr. Smith

Paul T. Smith Dies In Roanoke

Paul T. Smith, known over the system as "Smitty", died in Roanoke April 1. He was chief draftsman for the system real estate and right of way department until two months before his death, when he was transferred to the system accounting office to oversee the cremation of records throughout the Appalachian system.

Mr. Smith joined the old Kentucky and West Virginia Power Company at Logan on September 15, 1921. He left the company for a short period, but returned in 1922 to the construction department in Huntington.

In November of 1922 he was placed in charge of all map work as chief draftsman. This department moved to Charleston in 1923 when the first transmission lines were built in West Virginia, and later in Virginia, at which time the department was moved to Roanoke in 1925.

Mr. Smith was a member of Our Lady of Nazareth Catholic Church. He is survived by his wife.

Funeral services were held in the church, and burial in St. Andrew's Cemetery in Roanoke.

S. Workman, Plant Retiree, Dies

Sherman Workman, retired guard at Logan plant, died March 27. He was 54. Mr. Workman had broken service, first starting out with Appalachian in 1942. He worked as meterman and watchman until 1947. He was re-employed August 23, 1948, and took early retirement March 1, 1962 because of ill health.

Mr. Workman is survived by his widow, a daughter, a stepson, his parents, and a grandchild.



Mr. Sands

Pulaski Employee Retires Early

George K. Sands, Pulaski division T&D clerk, elected early retirement May 1 because of ill health.

He joined the company December 28, 1936 as a clerk in the Pulaski storeroom. He worked there until July 1942, when he joined the Navy to serve with the Seabees. In November 1945, the war over, he returned to Pulaski and Appalachian. In 1949 he transferred to the T&D records section.

Mr. Sands is married, and has one son. In Pulaski he is a member of the First Methodist Church and the Elks Lodge. A wide range of hobbies and interests includes hunting, fishing, sports, and vegetable- and flower-gardening.



Mr. Burdette

Mark Burdette Closes Books On Long Career

Mark L. Burdette, head of the operating ledger section in the system accounting, closed the books on a long Appalachian career with his retirement April 30. He had completed nearly 39 years of service.

He started out in the utility business in August 1925 as a clerk in the main office of the old Appalachian Power Company in Charleston. In January 1929 he was transferred to the system accounting office in Roanoke to head the operating ledger section.

Mr. Burdette is a 32nd degree Mason, and a member of the Shrine Kazim Temple in Roanoke. He was recently named director emeritus of the Shrine band to mark 43 years of membership and leadership in various Shrine bands in Roanoke and Charleston. Organizing and leading a band to play at company functions was one of Mr. Burdette's duties in his early years of service.

He and his wife are the parents of twin daughters and a son, and have ten grandchildren and one great grandchild. He and his wife live in Salem, and plan an extended trip through the southern states following his retirement.

Mr. Burdette's associates in the accounting department held a dinner in his honor at the end of April, and presented him with two gifts.

Appalachian Power Company

- ABINGDON DIVISION—15 YEARS: VIRGINIA N. LESTER, general clerk.
- BLUEFIELD DIVISION—15 YEARS: O. L. ROBINSON, customer accounts supervisor; EARL H. GRAHAM, radio engineer. 10 YEARS: HELEN P. VERMILLION, PBX operator.
- CABIN CREEK PLANT—30 YEARS: HOWARD RAYMOND CURRY, shift supervisor.
- CHARLESTON DIVISION—40 YEARS: J. W. DONEGAN, area serviceman; C. K. THIGPEN, manager, coal purchasing. 35 YEARS: J. O. GRAHAM, customer service representative. 30 YEARS: W. W. WEBB, station man.
- GLEN LYN PLANT—20 YEARS: E. J. CANDLER, auxiliary equipment operator.
- HUNTINGTON DIVISION—25 YEARS: GEORGE E. ROBERTS, utility clerk. 10 YEARS: ALBERTA C. LUNSFORD, cashier clerk.
- LYNCHBURG DIVISION—35 YEARS: CHARLES H. MCCARTHY, hydro operator. 30 YEARS: CLARENCE D. MCCARTHY, master maintenance man; ROBERT H. PORTER, working foreman.
- ROANOKE DIVISION—30 YEARS: ANNISE P. CRAIG, private secretary. 25 YEARS: G. T. BROWN, meter serviceman. 15 YEARS: WILLIE E. SMITH, maid.
- PHILIP SPORN PLANT—15 YEARS: HARRY H. HOFFMAN, labor, janitor foreman; JAMES L. HART, assistant yard foreman; GLENITH L. HENSLEY, unit foreman; DON F. THOMPSON, crane operator. 10 YEARS: JOHN T. FERGUSON, auxiliary equipment operator.
- SYSTEM—15 YEARS: J. E. COLLINS, system agricultural sales engineer.

Kentucky Power Company

- PIKEVILLE DIVISION—30 YEARS: JOHN LAYNE, head janitor. 20 YEARS: IRELAND CHARLES, stationman B.

Happenings

Around the Circuit

... Among Employees and Their Families

HUNTINGTON

Rebecca Sue Phillips has been chosen Princess of the West Virginia Strawberry Festival in Buchannon in June. She is a student at West Virginia University, majoring in speech. Her father is Carl L. Phillips, heating and builder sales representative in Huntington.

Carl Elkins, dealer sales representative, has been elected a director of the Hamlin Lions Club. He is also a member of Town Council.

Point Pleasant

Children of two employees acquitted themselves well in a recent conservation poster contest in Ripley. Joey Crum won second place in the 4th grade, and Vickie Langford won third in the fifth grade. Joey's father is J. E. Crum, Ripley meter reader, and Vickie's is W. B. Langford, Ripley area serviceman.

Randy Bias, son of L. C. Bias, district office supervisor, and Andy Wilson, son of Bessie M. Wilson, PBX operator, are members of the Point Pleasant High School golf team.

O. C. Hall, area manager, was elected secretary of the Greater Mason Development Association.

Philip Sporn Plant

Clubs elected wives last month. Mary Stein was chosen as president of the Woman's Association of the Hidden Valley Country Club, and Mrs. Robert Sayre picked to lead the New Haven Junior Woman's Club. Mrs. Stein's husband is maintenance supervisor, Mrs. Sayre's auxiliary equipment operator.

BLUEFIELD

In appointments and elections this month, Mrs. Diane Fanning, wife of E. E. Fanning, customer service representative, has been appointed to the office of Ruth in the Order of Eastern Star in Bluefield, Virginia. Diane has also been elected Vice President of the Double Gates Home Demonstration Club. Mrs. Hattie Fry, wife of Phil H. Fry, meter serviceman, has been re-

lected to the office of Treasurer of Knob School P. T. A. in Princeton, and Ira Henderson has been re-appointed chairman of Public Relations Committee of United Fund.

Also, Grady Parker has been elected chairman of the Public Relations Committee of the Green Valley—Glenwood Sportsmen's Club; Martha, daughter of J. R. Whitehurst, was selected as one of the attendants to the Queen of Fairview Junior High School at the Coronation held at the Bluefield High School auditorium and Mrs. Louise Yost, wife of the late Charlie Yost, has been appointed to the office of Herald in the Macedonia Shrine No. 8.

M. M. Yost's home was one of three selected to be toured during the 1964 Spring House and Garden Tour sponsored by the Bluefield Garden Council . . . John Anthony Lent, son-in-law of H. S. Meadows, electrical engineer, has been awarded a Fulbright Fellowship to do advanced research and to assist with the development of a school of journalism at Ateneo University, Manila in the Philippines. Mr. and Mrs. Lent will leave for the Philippines in late July.

The son of a retired employee was recently singled out for special recognition by the Navy. He's Commander James W. Gills, son of Mr. and Mrs. C. T. Gills. Mr. Gills is the retired transportation supervisor, now living in Florida. The officer is the subject of a full page in a booklet describing the USS Bailey, which he commanded at the time. Commander Gills is now on the staff of the Navy's Atlantic Fleet Destroyer Force.

You couldn't see the shirt for the money, when Bluefield employees gave Oran Hawley a going away present. He is being transferred from Bluefield to Abingdon, and friends gave him a new shirt and tie; with funds left over, they made a blanket of paper and silver that concealed the gift.

Bluefield Chapter 102, Order of the Eastern Star, has elected Mrs. Mary Ruth Chambers as worthy matron, and Charles D. Kinzer, worthy patron. Mrs. Chambers is secretarial-stenographer in the system transmission department, and wife of Keith Chambers, system electrical engineer. Mr. Kinzer is lineman.

Welch

Mrs. W. T. Collins, Jr., wife of W. T. Collins, Jr., Grundy local office supervisor, has been elected vice president of the Grundy Senior Woman's Club.

W. C. Groseclose, administrative assistant, attended the Key Club Convention in Martinsburg, W. Va. and Kiwanis Spring Conference at

Blackwater Falls and served as a judge at the Grundy High School Beauty Contest. It was a busy month.

Jack Martin, Pineville meter serviceman, was elected vice president of the Men's Club of the First Methodist Church of Pineville.

Francine Adams, daughter of Fred Adams, heating and builder sales representative; Patty and Peggy Groseclose, daughters of W. C. Groseclose, administrative assistant; Jenny Bivens, daughter of H. H. Bivens, stores supervisor, and Mrs. H. H. Bivens attended the State Keyette Convention in Fairmont.

Francine Adams has also been elected vice president of the Black Diamond District Tri-Hi-Y and Hi-Y. Sonja Mills, daughter of L. J. Mills, Welch lineman, has been elected treasurer of the same organization.

Vickie Crouse, daughter of Walter Crouse, Grundy meter serviceman, has been selected as a cheerleader for the coming year at Grundy High School.

Mrs. Jack Martin, wife of Jack Martin, meter serviceman, has been selected as secretary of the Pineville Community Development Commission.

Jane Dudash, daughter of Steve Dudash, Switchback working foreman, has been elected treasurer of the Bramwell High School junior class.

Judy Farley, daughter of Loneda Rose, cashier in Pineville, has been selected as a majorette for the Pineville High School band.

C. C. Mullins, groundman, has returned from two years' service in the U. S. Army.

CHARLESTON

Miss Margaret Mann, daughter of Mrs. John V. Mann and the late Mr. Mann, is one of five students at West Virginia University selected to sponsor an Army ROTC unit there. In her role she will participate in many ROTC activities, and becomes eligible for the title of Queen of Military Ball. A junior studying education, Miss Mann is president of the Chi Omega sorority, and is active in other campus work.

Richard Duff, seventh grade student at Woodrow Wilson Junior High School, won a blue ribbon in the school's recent science fair on his exhibit, "The Unseen Force," dealing with magnetism. He had also won first prize for his school for the same type of exhibit when he was in the fifth grade. He is the son of Lewis E. Duff, meterman.

Jackie Sampson, son of Hazel Sampson, commercial, was selected to sing in the Kanawha County Chorus at Charleston Municipal Auditorium recently. He is a ninth grade student at South Charleston Junior High School.

Recently completing the Standard First Aid refresher course, under the instruction of Clifford Picklesimer, were: Joe Wells, Jadie Bostic, Basil Thaxton, Wesley Kirby, Jr., Steve Didier, Ted McGavran, Jr., Ted Payne, Glenn Young, William P. McDonough, Norris Keeling, Herb Barker, C. B. Badger, Jr., Donald Huffman, Blake Blackshire, Earl V. Glenn, Jr., Cam Coffman, Samuel Reed, Mike Shafer, Bill Turner and M. D. "Heavy" Prowse.

Beckley

Two Beckley girls were chosen best cheerleaders in the course of two basketball tournaments recently. Rosemary Richmond, daughter of J. B. Richmond, stationman in the Beckley area, was in the group of Stanaford Elementary School cheerleaders selected as the

best in the town district basketball tournament. The other was Phyllis Walker, who won the "best" title among sixth grade cheerleaders in the Trap Hill tournament.

Cabin Creek Plant

Samuel J. Vealey, results maintenance mechanic, has resigned to go into business in Florida.

Kanawha River Plant

The Malden School PTA has re-elected as president Mrs. W. F. Sampson, wife of the plant's results engineer.

PULASKI

Miss Lucille Vaught has been elected corresponding secretary of the Wytheville Garden Club. She is a general clerk, at the Wytheville office.

Robert A. (Bobby) Lemons, son of A. E. Lemons, dealer sales representative, was a Pulaski high school delegate to the Key Club convention in Richmond, Va.

Mrs. Carson Dalton has been elected president of the Round Dozen Club in Pulaski. She is the wife of the Pulaski division power sales engineer.

Clinton N. Robinson has been re-elected, for a second term, chairman of the official board of St. Paul Methodist Church, Wytheville. He is a heating and builder sales representative.

Participants in the annual SCA talent show at Pulaski High School were Charles Rhett, son of C. H. Rhett; Marsha Sheets, daughter of R. E. Sheets, and Jean Buckner, daughter of Cecil Buckner.

David D. Taylor, division accounting supervisor, has recently been elected second vice president of the Pulaski Lions' Club; he is also the new chairman of the official board at First Christian Church, Pulaski. Earl A. Jackson, Jr. local office supervisor, is also a newly elected officer of the Lions' Club, being named to the Board of Directors and Tail Twister. He too has been elected to an office at First Christian Church, Pulaski, as treasurer and is a deacon in that church.

Carl A. Schmidt, customer service clerk, received his 3-gallon pin on a recent visit of the bloodmobile to Pulaski.

LOGAN-WILLIAMSON

Williamson

Mrs. E. E. King, wife of the Williamson superintendent, has been elected President of the Williamson Woman's Club for 1964-65. Mrs. King has just returned from The Greenbrier, White Sulphur Springs, where she served as a delegate of the Club, at the state meeting.

Jack Maynard, son of C. J. Maynard, assistant credit supervisor, was elected Vice President of the Williamson High School Student Council for 1964-65.

Ernest Bailey, line foreman, has been re-elected Trustee of Williamson Fire Department and Williamson Lifesaving Crew for 1964-65.

Mrs. Emma Warren, maid, has been elected President of the Hankie 52 Club for 1964-65.

Logan

Jack Blevins, son of R. D. Blevins, engineering aide, entered an exhibit on "Food For Health" at the recent Logan County Science Fair, and later donated his display to the Logan County Health Department to be used in teaching nutrition principles.

Two new members of the National Junior Honor Society at Logan Junior High School are Robin Kinser, daughter of Dallas Kinser, station department, and Stella Mae Bivens, daughter of W. E. "Red," commercial department. Nancy Collins, daughter of Howard J., personnel, sang a solo on the program, attended by several hundred persons.

W. E. Bivens, commercial department, and president of the Logan



Oldest Kiwanian

Merrill R. Atkinson, administrative assistant in Logan, received a trophy from fellow Kiwanis Club members at their recent Ladies' Night meeting. Mr. Atkinson, a member of the Logan Kiwanis Club since 1926, was recognized as the oldest member present. He is a former president and was also Lieutenant Governor of the District several years ago.

County Court, is to testify before the Public Works Appropriations Committee in Washington on May 6 in behalf of the proposed Justice Dam.

Robert B. Waggoner, division accounting supervisor was installed as Exalted Ruler of the Logan Elks Lodge on April 21, and as such will lead this group for the coming year. Bob is also a member of the Logan Lions Club.

George E. Hervey, division manager, was elected to the board of directors of the Logan County Chamber of Commerce.

Appearing in a play "No Boys Allowed" presented by the National Junior Honor Society of Logan Central Junior High was Douglas Blevins, son of Richard, engineering. Doug is a 9th grade student, was an All-Star Little Leaguer last year.

Mrs. Coy E. Marshall is the new secretary of the Logan Country Club Women's Association. She is the wife of the system dispatcher at Logan station.

Cynthia Warren, daughter of Wayne, T&D records, is an accompanist for Logan High School's Glee Club. She appeared on the program at the annual Logan County Chamber of Commerce banquet.

Mrs. T. L. Henritze, wife of the retired line foreman, has been re-elected president of the Logan Woman's Club Library. The club operates Logan's only library.

KENTUCKY

Pikeville

William Stone, engineering department, William Baird, stores department, and Willa M. Alexander, accounting department, are new employees in the Pikeville division.

Ashland

Mrs. Hazel Criswell was recently elected president of the Grayson Garden Club. She is the wife of Dave Criswell, heating sales representative.

The Ashland ALTRUSA Club recently elected Mrs. Helen Davis, vice president, and Mrs. Evelyn Cassidy, treasurer. Mrs. Davis is secretarial-stenographer for the system commercial department and Mrs. Cassidy is the wife of E. C. Cassidy of the system commercial department.

Richard Nash, commercial and power sales representative has been named co-chairman of the 1964 Cancer Crusade.

Bo Humphrey, president of the Ashland Women's Bowling Association, not only supervised the 88 teams in the recent Ashland women's tournament, but, somehow managed to find time to win the All-events title with 1693 actual pins. Mrs. Humphrey is the wife of Ed Humphrey, Ashland distribution engineer.

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Pride of Lions



Arnold Hatfield, stores supervisor in Williamson, and president of the local Lions Club, presents a Certificate of Award to Marian Messarian, home sales representative from the club for "meritorious service to Lionism in the Tug Valley area." This service particularly includes the use of her daily radio program in making a success of the Lions Clubs' eye bank program.



Married in recent weeks were, top left, Mrs. Ronald Wayne Compton, Hazard; top right, Mrs. Robert K. Buzzard, Cabin Creek plant; middle left, Mrs. Lee T. Leedy, Williamson; bottom left, Mrs. Keith Proctor, Kanawha River plant, and bottom right, Mrs. Jerry Lee Martin.

Recent Brides

Slater-Leedy

Reta Sue Slater was married to Lee T. Leedy in a ceremony held at Wise, Virginia, February 28. Mrs. Leedy is the daughter of E. R. Slater, Williamson truck driver-groundman.

Lacy-Martin

In a ceremony at the Valley Grove Methodist Church in Charleston, West Virginia, Karen Sue Lacy became the bride of Jerry Lee Martin. Mrs. Martin is the daughter of R. W. Lacy, Charleston auto repairman.

Crawford-Buzzard

Marjorie K. Crawford exchanged wedding vows with Technical Sergeant Robert K. Buzzard on April 4. Mrs. Buzzard is a stenographer at Cabin Creek Plant.

Foutz-Rhodes

Betty R. Foutz and Duane A. Rhodes were united in marriage April 4 in the chapel of Calvary Baptist Church, Roanoke, Virginia. Mrs. Rhodes is an employee in the system accounting department in Roanoke.

Brown-Proctor

A double ring ceremony performed in the home of the bride and groom united Peggy Brown and Keith Proctor in marriage. Mrs. Proctor is the daughter of S. A. Brown, coal handler at

Unfolding Pages Of Scrapbooks Kept By Hobbyist Are History Chronicles

A pair of scissors, a paste pot, paper and binders, and a discerning eye are the requirements for a rather unusual hobby, one avidly pursued by Chris Mitchell of Charleston.

The hobby is keeping scrapbooks—scrapbooks on the many subjects which Mrs. Mitchell, Charleston stenographer, is interested in.

On November 22 last year, she began a new scrapbook on the assassination of President Kennedy and all of the subsequent events. Today, five months later, the book is not finished, although it already contains clippings on both sides of 75 pages, each 18½ inches by 16½ inches. She is keeping this scrapbook, Mrs. Mitchell says, because, although there will be numerous books published about the event, nowhere will there be one exactly like hers. It is a record for posterity for the generations in her family that will follow her. She also feels that one day a writer, teacher or historian will find the book invaluable as a reference. "I can imagine how I would like to have a book like this on President Lincoln's assassination," she says. She plans to index the book when she decides it is completed.

Carrying her hobby into her work she has scrapbooks dating from October 1949, the first issue, of clippings from *The Illuminator* which pertain to Charleston. She works with Guilford Smith, *Illuminator* correspondent for Charleston, and she says these scrapbooks are invaluable to her when reference material is needed.

MacArthur and Floods

Other scrapbooks have been prepared on General MacArthur, bowling activities (her main diversion), and a complete account of the disastrous flood in Charleston in 1961.

She has also collected material on other subjects which she has not started pasting into books. One deals with various oddities, past and present, a subject which interests her very much.

Going back to the Kennedy scrapbook, she says she has put endless hours into it, clipping and gluing for as many as five hours at a time. The book is not insured, but she's sure it would be one of the first things she would grab if her house caught on fire. "That's one thing money can't replace, and besides, there's an awful lot of ME in that book."

It can get discouraging, as when she doesn't find time to search and clip for a couple of weeks. She is then faced with a stack of newspapers and magazines two feet high. That's hard on the back and the eyes. But by now key words—like "trial," "JFK," "Ruby," "Oswald"—practically leap from the print.

Despite the work, she has no intention of abandoning the project, hoping that somewhere in the future the record will fall into the hands of someone who will appreciate, someone she doesn't, and probably will never, know.



Frances McHenry and Golda Johnson peer over Chris Mitchell's shoulders as she reviews her growing scrapbook on President Kennedy's assassination.

Two Employees Teach Red Cross Feeding Course

Mrs. Judy Lowe and Miss Carolyn Walker, home sales representatives in the Charleston office, instructed American Red Cross volunteers in the techniques of mass feeding in wartime or in peacetime disasters, at an all day meeting last month. The training course was given at the Kanawha-Clay Chapter House of the Red Cross.

Participants were shown the emergency method of making coffee by primitive methods; how to prepare sandwiches by an assembly line method to produce a maximum number of sandwiches with the minimum time, facilities, and help, mass feeding problems in connection with the use of mobile equipment, special feeding problems in connection with infants, especially the newly born, the infirm and those with special medical problems, and sanitation problems and methods.

At the end of the course, the volunteers received certificates which qualified them to help in an emergency program of this nature.

Employee's Daughter Heads Student Group

Jeanette Snodgrass has recently been elected president of the Student Education Association at West Virginia University, and has also been named first vice-president of state Student National Education Association. Before Christmas she represented West Virginia at the Regional Student National Education Association Convention in Washington, District of Columbia.



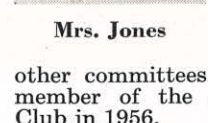
Miss Snodgrass

Miss Snodgrass is a junior, majoring in secondary education. At the present she is working on a special topic in bacteriology dealing with dairy microbiology in which she will get practical experience in a dairy laboratory. She plans to do summer work in dairy microbiology.

Miss Snodgrass is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph E. Snodgrass. Mr. Snodgrass is an electrical maintenance mechanic at Cabin Creek plant.

Woman's Club Elects Janet Jones

Mrs. Janet Jones, Welch petty cash clerk, has been elected president of the Welch Junior Woman's Club. She has previously served as first vice president, two years as recording secretary, chairman of public affairs committee and on social, membership, ways and means, junior project, and several other committees. She became a member of the Junior Woman's Club in 1956.



Mrs. Jones

Mrs. Jones was employed by the company on June 6, 1955. She has worked as a junior clerk, clerk-stenographer and petty cash clerk.

She attended and graduated from Man High School. She also completed a secretarial course from Concord College.

Mrs. Jones attends the Methodist Church.



New Arrivals



Abingdon Division

MR. AND MRS. STONEY W. JACKSON, a daughter, Julia Ann, April 12. Mr. Jackson is material clerk in the storeroom.

Bluefield Division

MR. AND MRS. CARLISLE DAY, a daughter, Jennifer Beth, April 19. Mrs. Day is a former cashier in the Welch accounting office.

Big Sandy Plant

MR. AND MRS. LEWIS D. VANSICKLE, a daughter, Rebecca Lynn, April 14. Mr. Vansickle is a filter plant operator and sampler.

Cabin Creek Plant

MR. AND MRS. JAMES K. PYLES, a daughter, Cheri, March 30. Mr. Pyles is turbine operator at the plant.

Clinch River Plant

MR. AND MRS. PARKIS N. SUTHERLAND, a daughter, Carla Paige, March 21. Mr. Sutherland is a maintenance man.

Kanawha River Plant

MR. AND MRS. J. B. ARMSTRONG, a son, Michael Wayne, March 24. Mr. Armstrong is a master maintenance man.

MR. AND MRS. R. W. MARCHAL, a daughter, Deborah Renee, April 13. Mr. Marchal is a chemist.

Kingsport

MR. AND MRS. J. C. DENTON, a daughter, Valerie Kay, March 22. Mr. Denton is an engineering aide.

Logan-Williamson Division

MR. AND MRS. JAMES C. COOK, a daughter, Pamela Dawn, April 4. Mr. Cook is a groundman in Logan.

Philip Sporn Plant

MR. AND MRS. ARLIN D. JIVIDEN, a daughter, Carolyn Ann, March 21. Mr. Jividen is a test engineer.

MR. AND MRS. JOSEPH E. CULLEN, a son, Patrick Van Joseph, April 2. Mr. Cullen is an auxiliary equipment operator.

System

MR. AND MRS. E. R. BIGGS, a son, Philip Michael, April 3. Mr. Biggs is an employee in the system accounting department in Roanoke.

Huntington

MR. AND MRS. W. H. STRICKLEN, a son, Thomas Lee, born March 21. Mr. Stricklen is a line foreman in Point Pleasant area.

Women Elect Mrs. Dallas Kinser

Mrs. Dallas Kinser, wife of Logan station man, was elected president of the Verdunville Woman's Club for the coming year. Mrs. Kinser has been very active in PTA and Woman's Club work, having served the past two years as President of the Logan County PTA Council. She moves up to the presidency of the Woman's Club from vice president. This club, founded a few years ago, won recognition on the state level this year for its efforts in establishing a recreation area, and for clean-up campaigns. The Kinser's have two daughters, Robin and Melody.

Top State Award



Logan County was first in the state in West Virginia's "Raze-The-Shack" clean-up campaign, and so won first prize of \$500. In center, Mrs. T. L. Henritze, wife of the retired Logan employee, and co-chairman of the county committee, accepts the check from Mrs. W. W. Barron, wife of the West Virginia governor, left. At right is Mrs. Howard Jackson of Kanawha County, which finished second. The \$500 will be used where it is needed most in beautification in the county, Mrs. Henritze says.

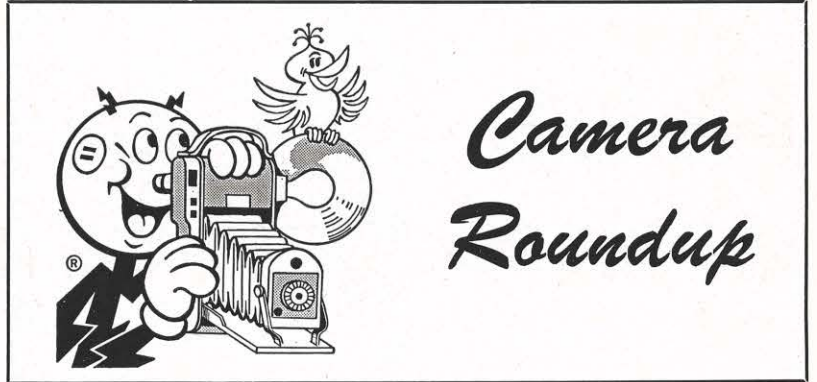
They're Engaged

KAREN FAY CRUMBAKER to Stephen Altmason. Miss Crumbaker is the daughter of Clinch River Plant assistant shift operating engineer, Norman R. Crumbaker.



The Huntington division lost a pole recently, and the way it happened was right out of the pages of science fiction. A new stretch of line had been installed, and on it the telephone company put its lines. A push brace was added to one pole for further strength; early one morning this pole began to rise like a rocket off the pad; it was restrained for further

flight, but the lift was enough to throw the pole off balance, and down it came, taking two more poles with it, thus blocking the street effectively. Experts finally decided that the telephone cable had a tendency to pull up, and the brace on the pole gave it the tension it needed to twang like a banjo string. (Huntington Publishing Company photo.)



New officers of the K Appa K Girls Club in Williamson are, from bottom to top, Alberta Shelton, president; Fannie V. Holland, vice president; Lorryne Corea, treasurer, and Betty L. Roach, secretary.



When will the phantom cartoonist strike again? Folks in the drafting room in Bluefield have a right to get a bit edgy, considering that some devilishly gifted caricaturist periodically sends in a cartoon of each man highlighting some personal characteristic. Everybody has his own guess who the artist is, but nobody can prove it. Here, with their own likenesses, are, back row, from left, William H. Vance, Robert J. Gilpin, Alfred H. White, and Paul Rose. Front row, Theodore M. Stevens, and Emmett D. Hicks.



What is believed to be Appalachian's one and only marquee sign is on the Bluefield office building. Twice each week a new sign, either advertising electricity or promoting certain civic campaigns such as the United Fund, goes up. There are times when it's tough to think up a new one, says the sign's resident author, Ira Henderson; he welcomes suggestions. The sign has three lines of 13 characters each. Some of the most recent attention-getting signs have been "Home on the Electric Range," "Go Fly A Kite—Away From Power Lines," and "Electric Hot Water For April Showers." Garland Morrison, top, and John Hurt are shown changing the sign.



Clinchers Club, employee organization at Clinch River plant, recently elected these officers for the current year: from left, Charles L. Lowe, vice president;

Ruth Jones, secretary; Frank Barr, president, and Betty Stevenson, treasurer.



How to organize one's time and make the most of it was the subject of a presentation by Ed Sheets to Charleston supervisors recently. Mr. Sheets, division commercial, illustrated a point by saying that a plain iron bar is worth \$5.00; made into horseshoes, it's worth \$10.50; as needles, \$325, as knife blades, \$3,285, and as watch balance springs, \$250,000.



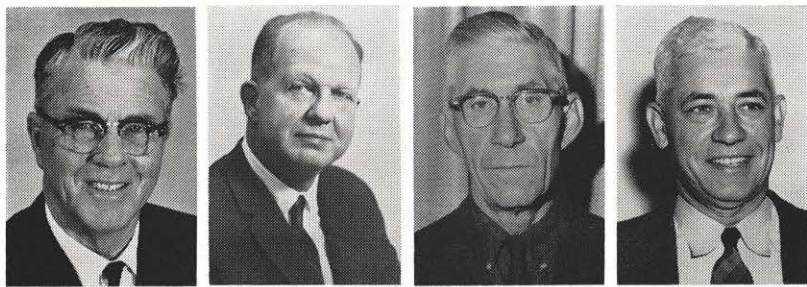
Company men whose jobs send them out into less-traveled areas see a lot of odd things, but few as odd as this aerial chair lift across the Coal River in the Charleston division. The rider climbs aboard, the operator plugs in the motor, and the chair goes over the river 40 feet below. This lift has been in operation for 20 years, but it hasn't always been electric.



New officers of the Flower Fund in Beckley are, from left, Elizabeth Scott, vice president; Eloise Pierce, president, and Parthenia Glover, secretary-treasurer. The fund is used to send flowers to employees and families in cases of death.

The sixth annual Southern West Virginia Home Show last month attracted a record-breaking attendance of 83,596. Ten Reddy Kilowatt electric heating dealers exhibited in the show as well as Appalachian. John Shriver and H. K. Shabdue, division commercial men, helped plan and direct the show. A feature was the awarding of a total-electric \$10,000 home. The winner: an employee of the local gas company.





Mr. Donegan Mr. Thigpen Mr. Graham Mr. McCarthy

Four Mark Anniversaries Totaling Century-And-A-Half

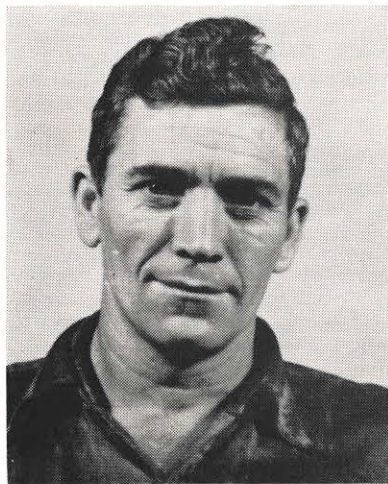
Two employees with 40 years of service and two with 35 marked their anniversaries of company service last month. The four-decade men were J. W. Donegan, area serviceman at St. Albans, and C. K. Thigpen, manager of coal purchasing for all American Electric Power System properties, who is based in Charleston. Marking 35 years J. O. Graham, customer service representative in Beckley, and Charles McCarthy, hydro operator at Reusens plant at Lynchburg.

Mr. Donegan

Mr. Donegan's service began in April 28, 1924 as groundman. Before becoming area serviceman in 1953, he worked as apprentice lineman, lineman, and troubleman. He likes to hunt and fish, and in his younger days was well-known for his pitching for area baseball teams. He played for the company team, the Marines, plants, and in the old semi-pro Twilight League. A member of the "Old Timers Club" Mr. Donegan meets with his contemporaries to reminisce over the games of yesterday; they occasionally put on uniforms and play an exhibition inning or two as a part of local games.

Mr. Thigpen

Although officially an employee of the AEP Service Corporation, the bulk of Mr. Thigpen's service has been with Appalachian. He started in April 1924 at Glen Lyn plant, and worked in the operating and maintenance departments there until he was made chemist in charge of the laboratory in January 1929. In 1937 he became results engineer, later assistant plant superintendent, and in 1950, assistant plant manager. Mr. Thigpen transferred to the Service Corporation mining division in May 1951 as senior engineer, based in Charleston; the next year he became coal procurement agent for Appalachian. He transferred again to the Service Corporation in 1957 in his present capacity. He and his wife live in Charleston and have one son.



Mr. May

Plant Retiree Dies In Huntington

Richard May, a retired Cabin Creek plant employee, died April 1 in Huntington after an illness of many years.

He started his career at the plant in January 1942 as laborer, and worked later as coal conveyor operator. He took early retirement in June 1954 because of physical disability.

He was born in Huntington and attended school in Milton. He is survived by his widow.

Mr. Graham

Mr. Graham's service started in April 1929, with the West Virginia Water Service Company. When Appalachian bought the Beckley property in 1934 Mr. Graham became a meter reader. He served later as collector, and in 1952 was made customer service representative. He was born and educated in West Virginia, and served in the Army in 1943-44. He and his wife live in Beckley.

Mr. McCarthy

Mr. McCarthy is a member of a long-time Appalachian family. His father and an uncle operated Appalachian predecessor plants in Lynchburg in the very old days, and two brothers are Joseph, assistant division office supervisor in Lynchburg, who has 39 years of service, and Clarence, master maintenance man at Reusens, who received his 30-year service pin the same day as Mr. McCarthy got his 35-year pin. Charles McCarthy started out in 1929 as operator's helper at Reusens, became oiler in 1930, and was promoted to his present job in 1938. He is a member of the Court Street Methodist Church, and makes his home in Lynchburg with his wife.



The right way: before going out in his boat, Oscar Fowler, T&D clerk in Huntington, inspects the condition of his lifesaving equipment. There should be sufficient equipment for everyone on board.



The right way: C. E. Thompson, stationman helper in Huntington, stops his power mower to pick up a rope lying in its path.

Do Work And Play Projects The Safe Way

Spring is here, and nobody has counted the number of ways to get hurt that lie in the path of the unwary when he starts out on home projects and recreation. From Huntington comes a series of tips and ideas on the safe way of working and playing guaranteed to make the play more enjoyable, and the work more, well, more bearable, and both safer.

Start with the job of cutting the grass with a power mower. This is a time-saver, but it can be a killer. Here are some rules:

- (1) Mow only when there is sufficient daylight.
- (2) Inspect the lawn ahead of the mower, and pick up all rocks, sticks, bones, or toys. Whirling blades can hurl objects such as these at dangerous speeds for great distances.
- (3) Wear safety shoes.
- (4) Never lift a power mower with the blades turning, and never pull it towards you.

(5) Watch out for excessive sun. If you use a gasoline mower, be sure to keep the gasoline in proper containers and out of the reach of curious youngsters.

Another work project that requires planning and safety is the use of ladders to paint or to work on the roof or to clean gutters. Any ladder, no matter what the size, should be sound; broken rungs should be replaced, and it should rest on a firm skid-proof base. If possible get a second person to steady the ladder while you're on it.

- (1) Make sure the ladder is long enough.
- (2) Don't over-reach; climb down and move the ladder.
- (3) Face the ladder and climb by holding on with both hands. Haul your paint bucket or hammer up on a rope.
- (4) Keep metal ladders away from lines and electrical connections.
- (5) Make sure your shoes and the ladder's rungs are free of mud or grease that would cause slippery footing.

Now then, the grass cut and the painting done, things are ready for that great American pastime, the cookout. Whether the main course is steak or hot dogs, the dangers are the same, because here you are, in truth, playing with fire.

Too many people are too impatient with what they think is slow progress with the glowing charcoal. They squirt charcoal lighter on the coals, and immediately there is a burst of flame. Use of a charcoal grill, like mowing the lawn, carries common sense rules:

- (1) Never use kerosene, gasoline, or lighter fluid to start your fire. There are preparations especially designed for this purpose, but the safest of all is an electrical starter. They cost anywhere from \$2.00 to \$4.00, and are worth the price.
- (2) Before putting the food on the grill, let the fire burn down to grey coals.
- (3) Keep children and pets away from the area of the grill.
- (4) Dress properly: keep shirt tails, loose sleeves, and frills away from the fire.
- (5) Equip yourself properly: a sound and steady grill, a long-handled fork or spatula, heavy glove-type potholders, and a water-spraying device.

Now we come to boating. Appalachian's Smith Mountain project

has created even more enthusiasm for a sport that is already popular wherever some body of water is available.

Because of its very popularity, boating is attracting persons who are not familiar with safety procedures. In a helpful spirit, then, these suggestions are offered. First know your boat, its machinery, and its peculiarities. Know what it can do, and what it can't do.

- (1) Before going out, check the weather.
- (2) Check the fuel supply. Avoid use of matches or flame of any sort, and stop all engines, motors, fans, or any device likely to cause a spark. Keep nozzle of hose or can in contact with the fill opening, and close all ports, windows, doors, and hatches. After fueling is completed, open up the boat, and allow it to ventilate for at least five minutes before starting the engine.
- (3) Stow gear properly to even load distribution.
- (4) Have sufficient lifesaving equipment for all hands.

Carelessness and recklessness in boating are the enemies of common sense and fun.

There you are, for work and play, some guidelines to make the spring and summer safe.

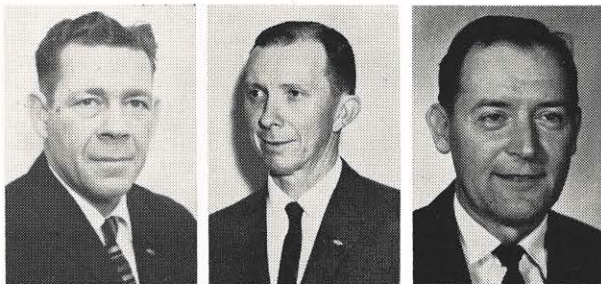
Service Anniversaries Noted



H. R. Curry Cabin Creek 30 Years John Layne Pikeville 30 Years C. D. McCarthy Lynchburg 30 Years R. H. Porter Lynchburg 30 Years



W. W. Webb Charleston 30 Years G. T. Brown Roanoke 25 Years George Roberts Huntington 25 Years Ireland Charles Pikeville 20 Years



E. J. Candler Glen Lyn 20 Years Wesley Garner Lynchburg 20 Years John Telisko Kanawha River 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.



The wrong way: H. D. Morrison, Huntington meter service helper, picked a ladder too long for the job, and leaves the man on it in an awkward position to do his work.



The wrong way: where there's fire, there's a chance somebody can get hurt. Dick Gibson, general clerk, Huntington commercial department, demonstrates how his twin sons, Justin and Keith, can be burned by standing too close to the grill during a cookout. His daughter, Diana and wife, Jean watch.

W-S Proposals For First Quarter Total 52

Thirty-one work simplification proposals submitted by Appalachian employees during February and March bring the total number for the first quarter of the year to 52.

Division employees accounted for 20 ideas.

Charleston: By revising the flow of information originating in the system payroll department, Francis McHenry suggested that a quarterly report be eliminated.

Huntington: Paul Kelsey suggested that design standards as well as crossarms and braces be updated to meet needs of current line construction.

Paul Sayre of Point Pleasant had two ideas: one to add a supply faucet near the ice machine to facilitate filling water containers on trucks, and another to keep keys to the Ripley storeroom at Point Pleasant to speed up delivery of materials. C. H. Murray Jr. suggested installing a strand of barbed wire around the bottom of substation fencing to discourage entry by dogs.

Bluefield: John W. Vermillion, Welch, had three ideas. He suggested the use of Alnico or other magnets salvaged from obsolete meters to hold belts off the floor

when not in use; the second idea was a method for storing CF recording meter leads to minimize damage. He also modified an allen head wrench to use in maintaining mobile radio equipment. Nancy Arrington, also in Welch, advocates the use of "Tacky Fingers" for handling money, papers, or coupons.

C. L. Shockey and C. M. Fletcher in Bluefield combined to produce a kit for handling fire extinguishers and flags as required in the transportation of explosives. Robert R. Jones devised an anchor rod attachment for use with guys having preformed guy grips.

Roanoke: Two ideas came from Fieldale. M. B. Pitches suggested the use of a nonreproducing grid section vellum to simplify drafting work. A. L. St. Clair recommended the use of visual aids for scheduling and following the progress of right of way clearing. R. R. Snedegar and I. B. Peters offered modifications to file cabinets to facilitate removal of filing pockets. Use of Plexiglas protective covers over gage lenses to minimize breakage was proposed by R. B. Kilgore. J. M. Burnett suggested using rate comparison curves to facilitate checking customer's billing tariff. L. M. Absher had an idea about the use of secondary extension brackets for cluster mounting of reclosers, and J. B. Edmondson proposed the use of graphs to provide quick evaluation of station tie capabilities.

Lynchburg: To minimize reference to other files James Collins suggested that pertinent right-of-way information be included on tracings.

Williamson: Cecil Ball had an idea for improving the procedure for storing and handling paint.

Seven ideas came from Clinch River plant, and P. B. Blizzard had a part in three of them. One recommended the use of Teflon discs and seats to reduce maintenance on acid handling valves, and another

dealt with the control of pipe vibration by the use of shock absorbers. With Carl Richard, he also suggested a revision of steam supply piping to spare heaters and hot water heaters. L. E. Hollins suggested the use of visual aids to assist in training operating personnel. W. A. Griswold offered a procedure to improve the sampling of pulverized fuel. The promotion of the total-electric concept by plant management was suggested by L. C. Houchins, and Con Powers and Jim Britt proposed the identification of lighting switches to conserve auxiliary power.

System personnel had four ideas. H. R. Ball, accounting, devised a way of saving \$1,080 a year by rescheduling the work load on certain tape-controlled carriages. A. H. Gravely Jr., system operation, outlined a new method of handling material at unloading docks. A shorting device to facilitate meggering of control cables was proposed by C. E. Martin, of system T&D. From the same department came the chart, suggested by A. D. Stockton Jr. for scheduling vacations, manpower, and jobs.

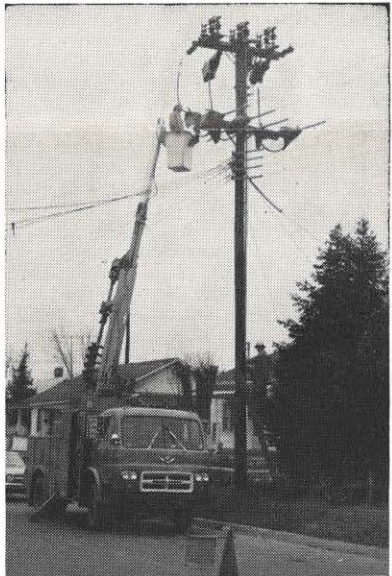
Bryan Inspects City's Namesake

The City of Kingsport, Tennessee, is the only city in the United States bearing that name. And the USNS Kingsport is the only ship of her kind in operation today.

She is the world's first satellite communications ship, and was named after the city for its outstanding bond sales at the beginning of World War II. The ship was recently inspected by C. J. Bryan, assistant general manager of Kingsport Power, in his position as president of the Kingsport Chamber of Commerce, and other city and business officials. They were invited to see and tour the ship at Norfolk by the U. S. Navy.

Formerly a cargo ship in World War II and the Korean War, she was selected for conversion to a satellite ship in 1961. When she emerged from the shipyard, she was one of the strangest looking vessels ever put to sea. She displays an all-white hull and superstructure and is equipped with a 30-foot parabolic antenna housed in a 53-foot plastic radome. Weighing some 50,000 pounds, it is the largest antenna ever placed on a sea-going vessel. It is capable of tracking a satellite at an altitude of 22,300 miles and to transmit and receive communications relayed by the satellite.

Mr. Bryan described the ship as a floating laboratory, carrying highly complex and specialized scientific equipment on a special mission. The USNS Kingsport will soon sail for the Pacific, where she will await the launching this spring of SYN-COME III.



The newest piece of equipment in use around Point Pleasant is this line truck equipped with bucket and auger. W. H. Stricklen, foreman, is in the bucket; R. L. Barnette is on the pole hidden from view and J. L. Stewart is on the ladder.



Mr. Hairston

Heart Attack Fatal To Leroy Hairston

Leroy Hairston, Williamson janitor, died of a heart attack March 11, 1964. Born in Winston-Salem, North Carolina, he joined Appalachian July 1, 1942. He was a former well known local football and basketball official in the Williamson area.

He was a member of Saint James A.M.E. Methodist Church, Masonic Lodge, I.B.P.O. Elks Lodge and a veteran of World War II.

He is survived by three daughters, Mrs. Joan H. Hight, Carlette and Ora Jean and two sons, Amos and Burnice. He is also survived by three brothers and two sisters. Funeral services were conducted in the church of his membership on March 16. Interment was made at Fairview Cemetery.

Kilgore Joins Two-Gallon Club

Robert B. Kilgore, Roanoke division station supervisor, has become a two-gallon blood donor.



Mr. Kilgore

Since February, 1960 he has donated 16 pints of blood at the American Red Cross Blood Center. This is an average of four pints a year.

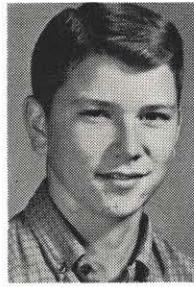
Mr. Kilgore was employed in the Roanoke District as an electrical engineer on July 1, 1959. He is a graduate of VPI with a B. S. degree in electrical engineering. Prior to entering college he served four years in the Navy.

Robert is a member of the Colonial Presbyterian Church, former member of the Roanoke Junior Chamber of Commerce and former advisor to the company-sponsored Junior Achievement Company. He is married and has a son and a daughter.

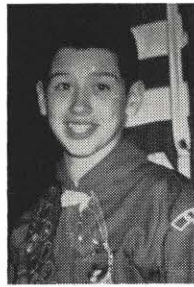
Once Every Century



West Virginia's Centennial Train from last year came back home for a short stay last month, but it was wearing different colors. This time it was the Montana Centennial Train, and Appalachian people were called out to make sure that their old friend had plenty of electric service for its brief visit. H. H. Hutcheson, left, and John Wright, center, discuss the service with Marvin Smith of the C&O Railway. After its West Virginia journey the train was sold to Montana. During the Charleston stop the train served as an exhibit of things western, including a million dollars in gold. The train was on its way to the New York World's Fair.



Scotty Robinson



Conley Brown



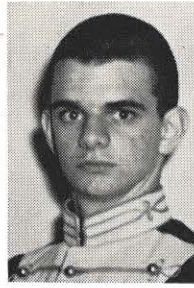
Leon Prater



Bobby Sharp



Patty Groseclose



Larry Corea



Rita Hogsett



Linda Hogsett

The Youngsters Are Busy

WORTH MENTIONING

Recognition for a variety of activities, individually and collectively, came the way of a number of employees' children last month, and they're worth mentioning here.



Jimmy Smith

In the Abingdon division Mr. and Mrs. Everett Smith—he's a lineman in the Dickenson County crew—got a letter from Hiwassee College in Tennessee that brought them the news that their son Jimmy had made the college's honor roll. Jimmy, 19, is a freshman, and graduated from high school with an A average. Said the letter, "It is a genuine pleasure to have students of Jimmy's quality on our campus." The family lives in Clinchco.

Another Abingdon boy, Leon Prater, is ending his sophomore year in Abingdon High School in a frenzy of activity. He's on the track team and the baseball team, and is an honor student. He was also forward on the basketball team that finished the season with a 16-2 record, and was undefeated in district competition.

Scotty Robinson, whose dad is customer accounts supervisor in Welch, was elected treasurer of the Key Clubs of West Virginia at the state convention in Martinsburg. He's a junior at Welch High School, sports editor of the school paper for two years, and a member of the Honor Society. He sings in the choir of the First Baptist Church, and this summer will attend Boys' State. Bill Belchee, son of W. B. Belchee, Bluefield division commercial manager, was one of the 620 boys attending the state Key Club convention.

Also in Welch, Patty Groseclose was elected president of the Welch High School Keyette Club for the coming year, moving up from vice president. A junior, she will attend Girls' State this summer. One of her Keyette projects, the assembling of the scrapbook for the year, won a state award at the convention last month. Her father is W. C. Groseclose, administrative assistant in Welch.

Another youngster to be singled out is Mary Ann Robinette, a junior in Johns Creek High School in the Pikeville division. She has been nominated for the annual Achievement Awards Program for excellence in English, sponsored by the National Council of Teachers of English. Names of winners will be circulated to every college and university in the country with a recommendation for scholarship assistance. Mary Ann is the daughter of Mrs. Betty Robinette, secretarial-stenographer in the Pikeville office.

A new Eagle Scout in Grundy is Conley Brown, son of Forrest

Brown, T&D clerk there. He's the 15th boy in the past seven years from his troop to attain the Eagle rank. W. T. Collins Jr., local office supervisor in Grundy, is the Scoutmaster.

Two sisters in the Huntington division found themselves to be competitors in the annual spelling contest staged recently by the Huntington Publishing Company. Both are students in Lincoln Junior High School, and Linda Hogsett, 14, and Rita, 12, were their class champions. In the school finals Rita won. She goes on to try her luck in the Cabell County finals, and hopefully the national finals in Washington. In 1962 Rita also won her school championship, and advanced as far as the Tri-State finals. Both girls are honor students, and are active in extra-curricular work. They are the daughters of Randall Hogsett, dealer sales representative in the Huntington division.

A scholarship to attend Camp Russell in Oglebay Park near



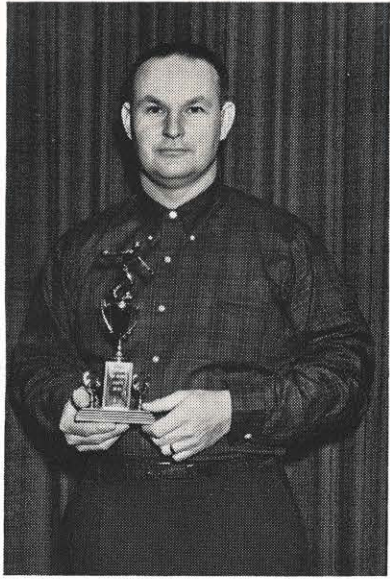
Michael McDaniel

Wheeling was awarded to Michael McDaniel by the East Bank Garden Club. The purpose of the scholarship is to encourage youth to become interested in the principles of conservation of wildlife and natural resources. Recipients are chosen because of outstanding interest and ability. Michael, a sophomore honor student, is the son of F. B. McDaniel, unit foreman at Kanawha River plant. He attends the Episcopal Church, and hopes to become an optometrist.

Larry Corea, son of Mrs. Lorraine Corea, personnel clerk in Williamson, has two musical honors going for him. First, he's a member of the Williamson High School Jazz Band that won the state championship in a jazz contest in Charleston, and second, he was named to the West Virginia All-Star Band by Richard Maltby, the conductor, composer, and arranger. Twenty-five bands competed, and it was the first time the Williamson band entered the annual contest. Another Williamson boy, Jack Maynard, was also a member of a winning team. He played on the high school's basketball team that won the state Class AA championship last month. He's the son of C. J. Maynard of the accounting department.

Marching with the Galax High School Band that won top honors for the second year in a row in the St. Patrick's Day Parade and Festival in Savannah was Bobby Sharp. Fresh from his selection to the Virginia All-State concert band, Bobby is the son of Clyde Sharp, serviceman in Galax.

Goodwin Goes For "Home-Loading"



Logan's Best

High singles series in the Logan Bowling Association's annual city tournament was won by Chester E. Elkins, Logan-Williamson division service representative. He had an actual pin score of 631 and, with handicap, 676.



Winners

These two Huntington girls, Lu Ann, 10, and Teresa Sarsfield, 12, daughters of William A. Sarsfield, meterman in the Huntington division, have been awarded trophies for their high finishes in the American Junior Bowling Congress Christmas Tournament. They bowled their games in Huntington and mailed the scores to the National Director and were just recently notified of their standings. Lu Ann and Teresa placed sixth in the nation in the Christmas Doubles with a combined four game score of 637. Lu Ann, a 29 pin handicapper, had games of 135 and 175 and Teresa, a 15 pin handicapper, had games of 121 and 168.

"He who lives midst shot and shell

Will always handle a rifle well"

This old mountain ballad adequately describes David Goodwin, Lynchburg lineman, who for the past 14 of his 26 years of existence has lived with guns, shot, powder, shells, caps, and balls.

"A good rifle or gun is an accurate gun", says Mr. Goodwin. "The proper cartridge or shell for a particular gun goes a long way towards insuring accuracy in firing. When you fire a gun you naturally want to hit the target dead center."

Mr. Goodwin has handled guns of various makes and calibers since he was 12 years old. He started out collecting antique guns and accumulated a rare collection of old muzzle loaders, and old cap-and-ball types.

As Mr. Goodwin is a hunter and also enjoys target practice, he believes antique guns are all right in their place, but not very practical for shooting. So he sold his antique collection and invested in modern firearms in their place. At present he owns five high-powered rifles, varying from a .22- to a .30-caliber rifle equipped with telescopic sights. He has three pistols ranging from .22-caliber to a .44-Magnum along with several shotguns of the 10-, 12-, and 20-gauge size.

He's one of the breed that loads their own shells for his rifles and pistols. He can "home load" a box of shells for the largest caliber gun he owns far cheaper than he can purchase a box of 22 shells at wholesale prices, and he can get a more accurate shell for the particular gun he is using.

Rifle shells sold commercially and factory-loaded are always loaded with a wide margin of safety, since the shells will be used in guns throughout the world. These guns are in every conceivable condition. Some are old, some are new, some are kept in excellent condition while others are in a rather poor if not unsafe condition. With a standard load, which has to



David Goodwin is surrounded by his guns and shell-loading equipment. That's a bear's skull just to the right of the pistols on the table.

be used in every condition, the maximum efficiency of a particular gun is never acquired.

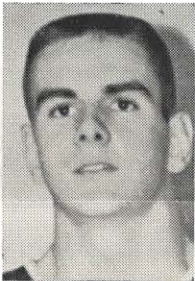
Goodwin has all of the material necessary for loading his own shells, such as scales, dies, crimpers, and

other equipment. He will load 6 shells each containing the same amount of powder. Then at 100 yards he will test-fire the rifle at a target. He will study the pattern on the target and then decide if "charge" is to be increased or decreased. An ideal pattern would be six shots in a space the diameter of a dime. Extreme care has to be exercised in loading a shell, and powder should obviously be kept away from a flame or spark. It is also better to underload a shell than overload one. Goodwin has at times increased the amount of powder in a shell to the extent that the projectile will disintegrate in the air due to friction.

An old friend of Goodwin interested in his hobby years ago and taught him the safe way to load shells. He has lived in the country all his life and hunting has been a part of him. As he puts it, "A country boy has to figure every way he can to save money."

Employee's Son Wins U. Va. Scholarship

Charlie Johnson was recently given a basketball athletic scholarship at the University of Virginia.



Charlie Johnson

He was the first member signed by Coach Bill Gibson for the 1964-65 freshman class. Charlie, who is 18, stands 6-7 and weighs 220 pounds. He has lettered the past three years in basketball at the Narrows High and averaged 20.8 points per game during the past season and led Narrows to the Group 1-B New River District Championship.

Charlie is very active in other school activities, being a member of the National Honor Society, Key Club, Thespian Club, Latin Club and also a representative at Boys' State and Boys' Nation. His latest report card reflected four A's and two B's.

Charlie is the son of Mr. and Mrs. H. P. Johnson, Narrows, Virginia. Mr. Johnson is a shift operating engineer at the Glen Lyn plant.

Stores Takes Lead In Roanoke Play

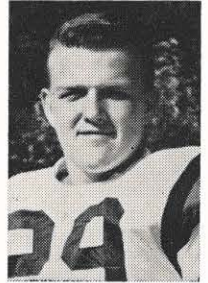
Stores has taken over first place in the Roanoke Bowling League with 30-16 record. The Meter team is in second place with a 28-16 record. Buddy Hubbard has high individual average of 178.3, Ted Carrol high individual game of 247 and George Adkins high individual set of 669. Stores has high team game of 955 and System T&D high team set of 2665.

Carroll's Shift Wins Plant Bowling Match

The Philip Sporn plant bowling tournament was held March 24 at Point Pleasant. Carroll's Shift won the team event with 2863 pins and Tennant's Shift was a close runner up with 2859 pins. Delbert Murray and Dana Hoffman were winners of the double event with Pee Wee Wright and Bob Gilmore in second place. James Haggerty won the singles event with Ira Mulford in second place. In the all events the award was won by Ira Mulford and Dorwin Clark came in second.

Ken Altizer Heads For VPI

Ken Altizer, son of A. C. Altizer, lineman in the Rainelle area, has been awarded a football grant-in-aid at Virginia Polytechnic Institute.



Ken Altizer

Altizer, a senior at Rainelle High School, is 5-11 and weighs 195 pounds. He played tackle for the Rainelle Rangers last fall and was a center his junior year. He is a three-year letterman in football and has also won letters in basketball, baseball and track.

He was a second team all state selection as a tackle this year and was accorded the same honor as a center after his junior season. He made the All Southeastern West Virginia team tabulated by the Beckley Post-Herald and was a second team selection on the Charleston Gazette's All Southern team.

A "B" student at Rainelle, he plans to study electrical engineering at VPI.

Company Team Wins Title

Appalachian's Kilowatt team led in almost every department in capturing the championship of the Roanoke Architect and Engineer's League.

In addition to winning the title the team rolled the high three game set (2850), Marshall Covey had high individual set (643), league high average (177) and Tommy Abshire's 246 was high individual game.

Other members of the championship team include Capt. H. M. Smythers, Walter Shanks, and C. E. Smith.

Clinchers To Lead Little League

L. C. Houchins, Clinch River plant personnel supervisor, has been elected president of the Lebanon Little League for the 1964 season. He had previously served in capacities ranging from team coach to vice-president.

Mason Vaughan, chemist, will manage the "Dodgers" with the assistance of Ronnie Wentz, unit foreman. Jack R. Blankenship, safety supervisor, will have charge of the "Cubs" with the help of Ben Thompson, shift operating engineer.

Houchins is a member of the Lebanon Park and Recreation Committee, Institutional Representative of the Lebanon Boy Scout Troop and Cub Pack, and President of the Lebanon Lions Club.

Lynchburg's Entry



Competing as the Appalachian entry in the Lynchburg City Bowling League this year was this group of employees. Front, from left, are L. R. Hudson, Otis Franklin and Tom Witt; back, Jim Martin, J. K. Reid and L. C. Dougan.

More Personals . . .

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The U. S. Atomic Energy Commission has renewed its graduate fellowship award for the third year to R. A. Armistead Jr. He has received an appointment to the Oak Ridge Institute of Nuclear Studies to pursue his studies towards a degree in nuclear engineering. He is the son of the Roanoke area superintendent.

James P. Stone, son of B. T. Stone, division engineer, has won a chemistry achievement award given by the Chemical Rubber Company. He scored top grade in general chemistry among 120 first year students at the University of Virginia.

Pamela Cooke, daughter of R. F. Cooke, division accounting supervisor, has been selected as a cheerleader at William Fleming High School.

A new employee is Helen West, cashier in local accounting.

System

Joy B. Stinson and Mary H. Hale have resigned their positions with the company.



Four men have been handed committee assignments by the Lynchburg Chamber of Commerce. L. M. Miller, rural and residential sales supervisor, is on the agricultural committee; W. S. White Jr., division manager, the building committee; L. T. Smith, administrative assistant, fire prevention

committee, and G. C. Wheeler, distribution engineer, military affairs committee.

Mr. White has also been elected to the board of the James River Basin Association.

Miss Rebecca Layne has been employed as a clerk-trainee in accounting, and Mrs. Judith Loughhead, clerk-stenographer in the heating section, has resigned.



Fred S. Rosenbaum, Abingdon division station man, has been named Worshipful Master of the Masonic Lodge No. 48 AF & AM.

Rosenbaum, a native of Cripple Creek, Virginia, began his company career in the Clinch Valley District of Appalachian March 22, 1937. He worked in the line crew as a truck driver, groundman and lineman until he joined the substation department in 1951.

L. C. Peck Jr., record supervisor, has been elected secretary of the Abingdon Rotary Club . . . Charles Hefner, T & D clerk, is a deacon in the Abingdon Bible Church and church secretary . . . Shirley Landreth, wife of D. C. Landreth, lineman, received the outstanding member award from the Abingdon Garden Club . . . Fillmore McPherson Jr., division manager, and Paul S. Dunn, administrative assistant, are directors of "Friends of Barter," a group interested in promotion of the Barter Theatre at Abingdon.

Clinch River Plant

Chosen to take part in the 1964 Russell County All-County band concert were these children of plant employees Alice Kimmell, Dana Buskirk, Danny Johnson, Tom Senter, and Susan Peay.

Pikeville Leads In AEP System Safety Contest

The Pikeville division of Kentucky Power Company leads the American Electric Power System Division Safety Contest at the end of the first quarter of 1964 with 1,548,785 safe manhours since its last disabling injury in February 1957.

In second place is the Charleston division of Appalachian Power Company, which has worked 1,169,365 injury-free hours since its last mishap in January of last year. Indiana & Michigan Electric Company's Marion division is third with a total of 995,530 safe hours. The Marion division won the contest last year with 865,378 safe man-hours worked. Its last disabling accident took place in June 1962.

Ohio Power Company's Division 1 (Steubenville) holds fourth place in the contest. The division has had 672,773 safe manhours worked since its last injury in April of last year.

Survival Test

Herb Davis Spends 24 Hours In Fallout Shelter

Huntington's Herb Davis—and 15 other people—spent 24 hours in the fallout shelter in the basement of the Huntington office, isolated from the outside world.

His verdict on the experience: not bad, not bad at all.

Herb, electrical engineer in the Huntington division, was selected to attend a four-day school for shelter managers in the Huntington

area. It was staged by the civil defense organization, and included representatives from the services, business, industry, and various federal, state, and private institutions.

The shelter is designed to hold 1,300, but a portion was blocked off from the rest for use by the 16. They lived as they would under actual survival conditions—slept on the concrete floor, ate eight

survival crackers and drank five ounces of water for each meal.

Appalachian's man in the shelter reports only one discomfort. Before growing accustomed to a reduced air supply, the inhabitants developed headaches; in a few hours, however, they disappeared. There was no time, he says, to develop claustrophobia or boredom. Each person was assigned specific duties—Herb's was communications—and when they weren't working, they were taking exercises or playing games. Even the meals were bearable. Many of the persons in the test said the eight crackers took the complete edge off hunger, and in fact, some couldn't finish the whole ration.

While Herb learned much from this project, he believes a shelter stay of about a week would be a better test of emotional and physical endurance, and he'd like to take part in such a program. Later in the year, another test with a broader base is scheduled. Three or four groups of about 30 persons each will go into the shelter for a 24-hour stay.

The point of the recent course was to offer instructions in the management of fallout shelters. Emphasis was placed on the development of knowledge and skills required to organize, train, and direct essential shelter services, including radiological monitoring, health, sanitation, information, supply, and maintenance.



Herb Davis, holding part of his water ration, was the control center operator during a recent 24-hour survival test in the Huntington office building fallout shelter.

Lethcoe To Lead Citizens Club

E. P. Lethcoe, Abingdon division electrical engineer, has been elected president of the Damascus Citizens Club, moving up from the office of vice-president.

Mr. Lethcoe was employed by Appalachian as an inspector in the Abingdon district on August 1, 1948.

He advanced to engineering assistant, distribution engineer and was named electrical engineer in 1953. He completed the electrical engineering course through International Correspondence School.

He is married and has three sons. He is a Sunday School teacher in the Methodist Church, and a past commander of the American Legion. The Lethcoe family lives in Damascus, Virginia.

Student Is Chosen City's Ambassador To Foreign Land

Richmond's Community Ambassador for 1964—who will visit Chile, Greece, Yugoslavia or West Pakistan this summer on the city's behalf—is the son of a Clinch River plant employee.

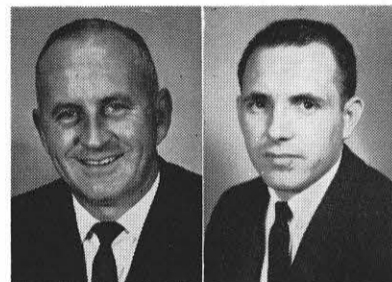
The ambassador, chosen by a community committee, is Drannon Buskirk Jr., son of Eli D. Buskirk, shift operating engineer at the plant. Young Buskirk is a pre-medical student at the University of Richmond, and plans to enter the Medical College of Virginia after another year of undergraduate work.

In the foreign land he will visit, "Buz" will live with a family and tour the country. After his return to Richmond in the fall, he will speak to the various Richmond area clubs and civic groups which sponsor the community ambassador program.

Buz's application for the honor came after a northern student referred to Virginia as the "dishonorable state." She made the remark to Buz when he identified himself as a Virginian at a YWCA-YMCA Civil Rights Conference in Minnesota. When the opportunity to apply for the ambassadorship came, he jumped at it because he thinks many people have the wrong idea about "this state and this nation." He won out for the choice assignment over 14 other applicants.

He was chosen for the honor for his interest in people and world affairs, his scholarship record, and his international understanding. Buz graduated first in his class at Lebanon High School. At Richmond he is a member of Gamma Sigma Epsilon, honorary chemistry society, and is president of the YMCA. He is a dormitory counselor, a member of Kappa Sigma social fraternity and of the University Choir.

Two Promoted To New Posts



Mr. Pomykata Mr. Simmons

Two Charleston division men have been promoted to new positions.

C. A. Simmons, formerly area superintendent at St. Albans, has been named division engineer in the Logan-Williamson division, and L. F. Pomykata, formerly line and station supervisor in the Beckley area, has been named to fill the St. Albans post.

Mr. Simmons joined the company in June 1956 as electrical engineer in Point Pleasant. He moved to Charleston in the same job in 1962, and became area superintendent in St. Albans in 1963. He holds a degree in electrical engineering from West Virginia Tech, and is a registered professional engineer in West Virginia. He is also a member of the Rotary Club and the Area Development Council. He and his wife have two daughters and a son.

Mr. Pomykata started out as distribution engineer in Beckley in September 1953. In 1956 he became area supervisor, in 1961 station supervisor, and in 1963, line and station supervisor. An electrical engineering graduate of West Virginia University, Mr. Pomykata is a member of the Beckley Chamber of Commerce and the New River and Winding Gulf Electrical, Mechanical, and Mining Institute. He served in the Army from 1943 to 1945, is married and is the father of a son.



Appalachian Power Company

Abingdon Division

C. M. WAGNER, JR. from Bluefield Division heating and builder sales coordinator to Abingdon Division residential and rural sales supervisor; R. A. SHEFFEY, JR., from electrical engineer to division engineer; J. D. NICKOLS from groundman to lineman C.

Bluefield Division

CLAUDE A. FARLEY from area supervisor B to area supervisor A; MILDRED CHURCH from clerk trainee to clerk stenographer.

Kanawha River Plant

LINDA K. WHITE from clerk trainee to clerk typist.

Logan-Williamson Division

RUFUS MEADE, JR., from lineman B to lineman A.

Pulaski Division

REX W. HAMPTON from lineman B to lineman A; BRUCE J. STONEMAN from lineman C to lineman B.

Roanoke Division

THOMAS H. PILLOW from division power sales engineer, Fieldale area, to division power sales engineer, Lynchburg division; JOSEPH D. HIGGINS from commercial sales engineer to division power sales engineer.

Kingsport Power Company

B. J. INGRAM from meterman B to meterman A; J. P. SMITH from lineman B to meter serviceman A; C. M. CARTER from right-of-way agent to civil engineer.

Kentucky Power Company

Ashland Division

PATRICIA DARBY from clerk trainee to cashier, Ashland local office.



Mrs. Davis

Long Illness Claims Mrs. Barbara Davis

Mrs. Barbara Godby Davis, 44, cashier clerk in the St. Albans office, died April 18 after a long illness.

Mrs. Davis joined the company in November 1947 at St. Albans, where she lived all her life.

She is survived by her husband, two daughters, a stepdaughter, and her mother. Funeral services were conducted at Bartlett Funeral Home in St. Albans, and burial was in Cunningham Memorial Park.

Groundbreaking



Groundbreaking ceremonies at the site of Lynchburg's new service building on Mayflower Drive brought out W. L. Booth Jr., electrical engineer, standing left, and J. R. Martin, line supervisor. W. S. White Jr., division manager, is on the driver's seat at left.

Wren Becomes Public Figure Through Honesty

Irven W. Wren, Clinch River plant unit foreman, became a public figure in the Bristol area recently. Here's the story as reported in the Bristol Herald-Courier.

"Finders keepers? Not always. Sometimes honesty is the best policy. At least it was for a Russell County, Va. man who yesterday, after reading the Herald-Courier, parted with \$99 he found in Bristol earlier in the week.

Irven Wren, Route 1, Cleveland, Va., contacted Bristol, Tennessee police yesterday and said he thought he had found \$99 lost by Mrs. Joyce Allison.

Wren said he read a story in the Friday Herald-Courier reporting the loss, and contacted the police.

Det. Lt. James Keesling went to Wren's home yesterday, picked up the money, and returned it to Mrs. Allison."



Drannon Buskirk, left, Richmond's 1964 Community Ambassador, accepts the congratulations of Dr. James A. Moncure, who was 1954's Ambassador.