

Slight not what's near
through aiming at what's
far.

Euripides

The Illuminator

Keep your face to the sun-
shine and you cannot see
the shadow.

Keller

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The EEI Safety Achievement Award won by Appalachian employees at Radford Army Ammunition steam plant is the topic of conversation of this group. From left, the men are Lt. Col. John W. Sevaried, commanding officer; Joe P. Gills, Appalachian vice president and general manager; E. L. Goforth, Appalachian manager of the steam plant, and L. A. Linkous, personnel and safety supervisor. (U. S. Army Photograph)

Radford Plant Employees Reach Safety Milestone

Appalachian's 41 employees in the Radford Army Ammunition steam plant completed a million manhours without a disabling injury May 27, and joined Roanoke division as the only two locations on the AEP system at that level of safety.

The Radford plant's last dis-

abling injury was more than 10½ years ago, on December 29, 1954. It is the first time employees at the plant have achieved the million manhour mark.

At a dinner honoring the achievement, and during which employees received the Edison Electric Institute Safety Achievement Award for their performance, Joe P. Gills, vice president and general manager, offered congratulations.

"This," he said, "is an observance of a milestone in human relations and human understanding and a desire to work safely. Thirty years ago this achievement would not have been possible. You men have reached this milestone because each of you has assumed a personal responsibility not only for your own safety but for the safety of others. You are now working on your second million manhours. I am sure that with your happy experience in reaching the first, you will reach that second milestone. My congratulations to each of you, and a job well done to all of you."

The EEI Safety Achievement Award was received by E. L. Goforth, Appalachian's manager at the plant.



Mr. Gills

Governor Appoints Gills To Post On State Board

Governor Albert S. Harrison has appointed Joe P. Gills, Appalachian vice president and general manager, to a four year term on the Virginia State Board of Conservation and Economic Development.

The board's function, as described by law, is to establish the broad scope of policies and practices under which the department operates. It has a membership of nine, drawn from all parts of the state. Mr. Gills succeeds Sydney F. Small, retired vice president of the Norfolk and Western Railway, another Roanoker.

The Department of Conservation of Economic Development is divided into five divisions: forestry, mineral resources, water resources, advertising and public relations, and state parks.

In addition to church and civic responsibilities, Mr. Gills also serves as a director of the Virginia State Chamber of Commerce, a director of Keep Virginia Beautiful, Inc., a director of Virginia Industrial Development Corporation, and a vice president and director of the Roanoke Symphony Society.

R. H. Ruff Named To High Lion Post

R. H. Ruff has been elected one of eight international directors of Lions International for a two-year term. He is Bluefield power sales engineer in the Welch area.

He has been a member of the Welch Lions Club since 1947 and has a 17-year perfect attendance record. He has served as secretary, director, vice president, president, and editor of the Lions Bulletin. In the district he has served as zone chairman, deputy district governor, district governor, director of public relations, and instructor for fall conferences. He has also served as trustee and past president of West Virginia Lions Sight Conservation Foundation and is presently international counsellor in the state. He has attended 10 International Conventions, the latest in July in Los Angeles, where he was named to the new post.



Mr. Ruff

Big Campaigns For Electric Heat Emphasize New Services, Low Cost

Thanks to recent rate reductions, electric heat is a better bargain than ever, and Appalachian is emphasizing that point in an intensive long range sales program that is underway.

Key to the program is an expansion of the Appalachian-Reddy Kilowatt Recommended Electric Heating-Cooling dealer program.

For the first time, customers installing electric heat either as a conversion from another heating system or in new homes are now offered guaranteed satisfaction, or the dealer will buy back from the customer the heating equipment plus the cost of installing it.

In this program, when the customer installs electric heat if there is dissatisfaction in any respect at the end of 12 months that the dealer cannot settle, then the guarantee comes into effect. The cost of the equipment and its installation is clearly indicated to the customer in the agreement covering the installation. Thus the dealer backs up completely his assurance that electric heat will be everything the customer wants.

The Guaranteed Satisfaction Program will be the subject of newspaper ads and television and radio spots throughout the Appalachian system.

The Reddy Kilowatt Recommended Dealer organization includes about 130 dealers at the present time. Each has been carefully selected so that customers can be assured of professional, competent installations under standards established by Appalachian.

Beginning August 15, customers all over the Appalachian system will learn that Electricity Costs Less Than You Guess. That's the name of a giant contest, in which there are eight prizes—one for each division—of up to \$1,000 towards the cost of an installed electric heating system.

All adults in Appalachian's retail service area are eligible except employees, dealers, and advertising agency personnel and their families.

The idea is to estimate the average monthly cost of electric service to a house described and pictured in ads, posters, and display boards. As a guide, photographs of six local homes, and descriptions including size, family members, appliances and type of heat will also be exhibited.

Contest material—entry blanks and pictures of the homes—will be placed in all Appalachian local offices and Reddy Kilowatt Recommended Dealers' establishments. Special bonuses are available to customers who, at the same time they fill out their estimate, ask for an estimate for electrically-heating their own homes.

Instant Heat Emergency Service will be offered to the public beginning November 1. Under this idea, electric heat is brought to a person whose existing flame type heating system fails. The customer calls a Reddy Kilowatt Recommended Dealer, who installs temporary electric heating units. The owner has use of this equipment for as long as 72 hours with no obligation. The idea, of course, is to show potential electric heating customers how quick, convenient, and comfortable electric heating

can be. This service too will be widely advertised.

Development plans for electric heat also touch employees. The continuing prospect campaign still awards 20 Electrobucks to any employee who turns in the name of a person who later installs electric heat. Further, on the premise that if you sell electric, you should live electric, Appalachian has established an allowance program for employees either converting to electric heat or installing it in a new home. This includes all types of resistance heating and heat pumps. Allowances are also available for whole air conditioning installations by employees. Financing is available up to eight years when desired by employee. Complete details of these allowances are available to employees from local commercial department representatives.

Appalachian Locations Top Safety Contest Standings

Three Appalachian divisions hold the "win, place, and show" positions at the half-way mark in this year's running of the American Electric Power System Division Safety Contest.

In first place is the Roanoke Division, which has worked 1,350,188 manhours without a disabling injury since its last accident in July 1963. Second place is held by the Radford Army Ammunition Plant division, which has accumulated 1,008,029 safe hours since December 1954 and which just won an Edison Electric Institute Safety Achievement Award for its safety performance.

Third place is held by Cabin Creek Plant with 849,728 injury-free hours. The plant had its last accident in October 1961. Ohio Power Company's Division 3 (Coshocton) is in fourth place in the contest. Division 3 has rolled up 781,606 hours without accident since its last lost-time incident in September 1963.

The other Appalachian division

in the top ten is Logan-Williamson, in seventh place.

The top ten divisions in the contest are shown in the following table:

Division	Manhours Since Last Disabling Injury
Roanoke (Appalachian) . . .	1,350,188
Radford Army Ammunition Plant (Appalachian)	1,008,029
Cabin Creek plant (Appalachian)	849,728
Div. 3—Coshocton (Ohio)	781,606
Div. 1—Steubenville (Ohio)	633,446
Fort Wayne (I&M)	625,920
Logan-Williamson (Appalachian)	575,934
Div. 6—Portsmouth (Ohio)	549,864
Div. 5—Newark (Ohio) . . .	507,849
Div. 4—Zanesville (Ohio)	432,508

Foreign Students Learn About U. S. System

A group of foreign students, traveling under auspices of the American Field Service, stopped in Abingdon for a round of activity that included a trip to Clinch River plant.

J. A. Moore welcomed the students to the plant, conducted them on a tour, and was host at lunch.

Fillmore McPherson, Abingdon division manager, spoke to the group after lunch about the nature of the American system, and how an investor-owned utility such as ours fits in to that system.

"We believe," he said, "that where government controls the means of production that sooner or later government will control the lives of those engaged in production, and use that eventually to their enslavement."

"What has all this to do with a power plant? Well, we believe in private enterprise in the power industry too—and the stack and the steel and the steam of Clinch River plant are both a symbol and the reality of America's economic belief and of the power and the might which have been achieved under this American belief in private ownership of property and private enterprise."

"I am sure," Mr. McPherson told the students in a personal note, "each one of you has a life's dream—dreams for your own lives and of what you might do for your fellowmen—for your own country. Perhaps a part of your dream has been formulated during your year in

the United States.

"I hope your observations today firm up your dream of private initiative and enterprise. I urge that you hold fast to these dreams, that you not be discouraged in your striving, that you work earnestly to achieve them."



Just before setting out for Clinch River plant are foreign students who toured part of our service area last month.

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Did Henry Ford Drive A Plymouth?

Did Henry Ford drive a Plymouth? Does Gimbel buy at Macy's? Does Trailways leave the driving to Greyhound?

The answer to these questions of course, is a loud "No!" You would not find a car manufacturer supporting a rival. The car he makes is good enough for anyone; and he could not expect the public to buy one of his cars unless he drives one himself. The same rule applies to stores, transportation and to total electric living.

Each employee of any enterprise should be a salesman for that company's product, and most of those who work for electric utilities are very good salesmen.

Appalachian has about 1,300 employees who have electric heat in their homes. Because they live electric, they sell electric. They can persuade the guy next door to get rid of his old furnace and put in electric heat, and talk him into an electric water heater, or clothes dryer, or range.

These are the best salesmen we have, and the job of selling total-electric living would be easier if we had more salesmen like them.

After all, did Henry Ford drive a Plymouth?

Purdue Picks AEP's Stagg As Visiting Professor

Glenn W. Stagg, head of the American Electric Power Service Corporation's engineering analysis and computer division, has been appointed as a visiting professor of engineering at Purdue University, Lafayette, Ind.

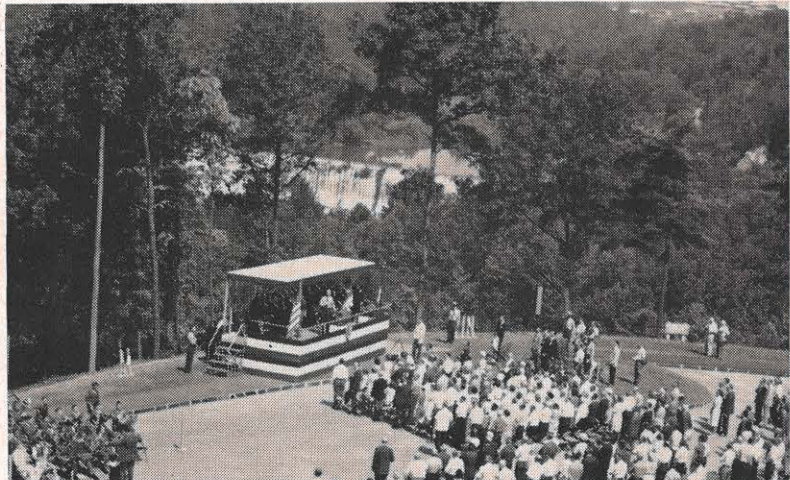
Mr. Stagg, one of the nation's leading authorities on the application of computers to power system problems, will serve as a consultant to the new Purdue Energy Research and Education Center program with electric utilities. He will be a lecturer and seminar speaker in the School of Electrical Engineering and an adviser to graduate students in electric power engineering.

Mr. Stagg was one of the directors of Purdue's short course in computer applications in the electric power industry, serving in this capacity with Professor A. H. El-Abiad of Purdue.

An electrical engineering graduate of Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Mr. Stagg holds an MBA degree in corporate finance and management from New York University. He has also done graduate work at New York University in numerical analysis, probability statistics, linear programming and theory of games.

In 1957, he was honored by Eta Kappa Nu as one of the nation's outstanding young electrical engineers.

Niagara On View



When a 15-mile stretch of the Blue Ridge Parkway around Roanoke was dedicated recently by Senator A. Willis Robertson and Congressman Richard H. Poff, Appalachian contributed to the attractiveness of the scene. The Parkway goes close by the old Niagara hydro plant, and a bridge 120 feet high crosses the river just downstream from it. For the occasion, the plant was closed down long enough to allow the Roanoke River to back up and spill picturesquely across the dam. Niagara was built in 1906 and has been in use ever since. Remodeled in 1954, its 3,000-kw capacity is used now only for peaking.

Service Pin For 45 Years Announced For AEP System

The addition of a 45-year award to the American Electric Power System's years-of-service program has been put into effect.

The new award will be given to active employees with 45 years or more of service and to those who have retired with 45 years of service since January 1 of this year. Previously, awards had been presented to veteran employees at five-year intervals from five to 40 years.



This is the new 45-year service pin.

I & M Announces Manager Change

Retirement of J. Benson Ball as manager of Indiana & Michigan Electric Company's South Bend division, and the appointment of J. Lee Flanagan to succeed him have been announced. Both moves are effective September 1.

Mr. Ball joined I&M at Twin Branch plant in 1925, and became manager in South Bend in 1948. The same year he was elected a director of the American Electric Power Service Corporation. Mr. Flanagan moves to his new position from administrative assistant in the general office in Fort Wayne. He joined the company as an appliance clerk in 1941.

Mr. Flanagan also succeeds Mr. Ball as a director of I&M and the Twin Branch Railroad.



Mr. Atlee

I&M Veteran Retires; Visited Here Often

A man well-known over the entire AEP System, Arthur E. Atlee, has retired. Now South Bend division stores supervisor for Indiana & Michigan Electric Company, Mr. Atlee was for 37 of 48 years of service a traveling auditor, and as such was a frequent visitor to our companies' service areas.

His duties go back to the days when inventory during construction of a 138,000-volt transmission line included horses and mules, each with a name, and all impossible to identify in the field.

At the start of his traveling career he traveled over the system by bus and plane, progressed in 1925 to an automobile, and went back to trains and buses during the gas rationing days of the Second World War. In all that time he was involved in only two accidents: in one, his car turned over in a sleet storm, in the other his car was struck head on. In both he escaped without a bruise.

Mr. Atlee will continue to make his home in South Bend at 904 East Washington Street.

The new 45-year award is similar to the existing 40-year pin except that it bears two diamonds the same size as, and in lieu of, the solitaire diamond of the 40-year pin.

As with all service awards, the recipient has the choice of several accessory items on which to wear it. These are: lapel pin (clasp or button model), bracelet, necklace, tie pin and tie bar.

H. L. Conant Dies; Was I&M Manager

Hubert L. Conant, 60, Indiana & Michigan Electric Company manager at Elkhart, Ind. for the past 11 years, died July 2 at Elkhart General Hospital after a six-month illness. He had been associated with I. & M. for 42 years in Buchanan, Mich., and South Bend and Elkhart.

Snedegar Honored By Exchange Club

Richard R. Snedegar, Roanoke division senior line engineer, has recently been honored as the "Exchangeite-of-the-Year" by the Roanoke Exchange Club.

Mr. Snedegar, the club's outgoing president, has been active in the Exchange Club for many years. He also has just been elected to the Virginia state position of member of the Board of Control.



Mr. Snedegar

Under his leadership, the club won one first place and two second place trophies in state competitions among Exchange Clubs. The first place award was for a program including crime prevention, a safety project, service to youth and sponsorship of a community circus.

He joined Appalachian Power Company in 1948 in the T&D Department. He has been president of the Roanoke Junior Chamber of Commerce and a national director. He is a member of the board of stewards of the Greene Memorial Methodist Church, Roanoke YMCA, Blue Ridge Council of Boy Scouts. He is also an American Red Cross Safety Instructor and at present is secretary of the Roanoke Chapter, National Conference of Christians and Jews.



Mr. Moore

C. E. Moore, 76, Dies In New York

C. E. Moore, retired vice president and chief counsel of the American Gas and Electric Service Corporation, died July 26 in Mount Vernon Hospital in New York after a year's illness. He was 76.

"Dinty" Moore retired in 1954 after 31 years of service with the AGE Legal Department, including over six years as chief counsel.

He was born in Bethel, Missouri, and received his A.B. degree from the University of Colorado, where he played football and basketball. He was a teacher, coach, and athletic director in the state of Washington prior to World War I. During the war he served as an infantry company commander in France and was wounded during the Argonne Offensive.

He joined AGE in 1923 upon receiving his law degree from Columbia University. He was named chief counsel and elected a vice president of the Service Corporation in 1948. He was also a director of the Service Corporation and of all of the AGE System operating companies.

Survivors include his wife, Eleanor, and a son, David. The home of the family is at 2 Sherwood Terrace, Yonkers, N. Y.

Correction

The July issue of THE ILLUMINATOR mis-identified three employees. In the story about long service anniversaries, one reference was made to C. W. Dalton, instead of as C. W. Dunlap. In the service anniversary pictures, John McClure was listed as being in Abingdon, instead of Ashland. In the story about Corbin Breeding's mastery of ham radio, his name was given throughout as Mr. Bailey. The editor of THE ILLUMINATOR regrets these errors and apologizes for the embarrassment they may have caused.

Groundbreaking



Hugh D. Stillman, Appalachian's Huntington division manager, lends a hand with a shovel during groundbreaking ceremonies for a new wing of Huntington's St. Mary's Hospital. Mr. Stillman is vice president of the hospital's lay advisory board. With him are Mother M. Christiana, president of the governing board, and Sister M. Monica, administrator.

"Walk Together, Talk Together"

German Teenager Celebrates Fourth Of July With American Family On U. S. Tour

This year's July 4 week-end will be one long remembered by the Jack Skelton family of Charleston.

For three days they were hosts to 18-year-old Ingrid Lobeck of Cologne, Germany.

He is Charleston area service man.

Ingrid and 80 other teenagers from 21 foreign countries arrived in Charleston for the week-end on July 2 under the auspices of the American Field Service.

They were some of the 2,900 students from 59 foreign lands who were being carried throughout the nation on 74 buses on the last leg of a year's stay in America, where they lived in American homes and went to American schools. (Another group of the students spent two days in Abingdon and toured Clinch River plant.) At the same time, 1,000 American students spent a year abroad.

Two-Way Program

The two-way program is directed toward teaching the young citizens of the world to recognize and respect their similarities and differences. Those who are selected are carefully-screened teenagers from ages 16 to 18, the age when students are most adaptable, open-minded and eager to learn. In this way it is hoped that understanding and friendship will develop to help promote world peace.

After Jack Skelton, his wife, and children, Jack Jr., 17, and Brenda, 10, met Ingrid on Friday the entire group went to the Arts and Crafts Fair at Ripley on Saturday. The foreign students saw mountaineer culture in the 95 arts and crafts exhibits and 42 paintings, had their portraits done in charcoal, learned to throw a boomerang, and watched craftsmen at work on rolling pins, wood carvings, baskets, rugs, quilts, and leather.

Country Ham

They had an opportunity to sample sassafras tea, country ham, and home-made ice cream, and to watch women making apple butter in an old iron cauldron.

That night there was folk music,



A Charleston Gazette photographer caught this candid shot of five foreign students during their visit to the arts and craft exhibits in Ripley. In the center is Ingrid Lobeck of Germany, who was the guest of the Jack Skeltons of Charleston for the Fourth of July weekend. Malaysia, England and The Netherlands are represented by the other four students in the picture.

folk and square dancing and an Independence Day fireworks display.

One thing Jack Jr. and Brenda found out quickly—rock 'n' roll is a universal language, and the foreign students were up on the latest steps, if step is the right word.

Activities

The rest of the week-end was a whirlwind of activity—swimming, water skiing, a picnic, church services, and a talent show put on by the students for their host families.

Monday morning the students resumed their trip, meeting the other 73 buses in Washington on July 18, where the President received them before they began the trip across the ocean.

Since 1947, when 52 students first came to America under this program, 19,024 more have been brought over by the American Field Service. After their experience with Ingrid, the Skeltons know how important the AFS student creed is:

"Walk together, talk together, O ye peoples of the Earth; Then and only then shall ye have Peace."

H. M. Hamilton, 44-Year Veteran, Retires July 31

With more than 44 years of company service, 38 of them in Roanoke, Howard M. Hamilton, administrative assistant in the system accounting department, retired July 31.

Before coming to Roanoke in April 1927, Mr. Hamilton worked in Indiana. His first job was with Indiana General Service Company, a predecessor of Indiana & Michigan Electric Company, in Muncie as cashier. He became local office auditor for I&M in 1924, and moved to Appalachian

in Roanoke three years later. He has served as chief clerk, consumers billing supervisor, and assistant disbursing agent. In June 1959 he was promoted to administrative assistant.

Mr. Hamilton is a member of the Roanoke and Virginia State Chambers of Commerce and The Round Table Club, and has been a director and secretary-treasurer of the Roanoke Kiwanis Club. He is a Mason, and an elder in Second Presbyterian Church.

Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton are the parents of a son and a daughter and have three grandchildren.

His retirement plans include continued activity in civic and church work, some travel, and some time spent fishing, gardening, and playing golf.

He was guest of honor at a dinner tendered by his associates in the system accounting department, who presented him a number of retirement gifts.

Drain Promoted At Glen Lyn Plant

John C. Drain, assistant shift operating engineer at the Glen Lyn plant, has been promoted to shift operating engineer. The promotion was effective August 1, 1965.

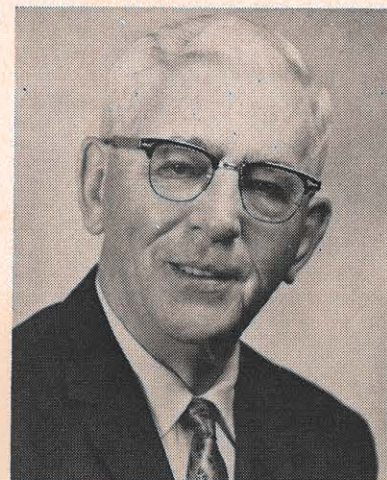


Mr. Drain

A native of Alabama, Mr. Drain graduated from Credo-Kenova high school and became associated with Appalachian on June 15, 1936.

Mr. Drain worked as turbine operator, unit foreman and assistant shift operating engineer before being promoted to his present position.

Mr. Drain served in the U. S. Army for three years during World War II, assigned to the artillery. He lives at Peterstown, West Virginia with his wife and daughter. He is the son of retired employee Lon C. Drain.



Mr. Hamilton

John T. Shriver, 51, Dies While On Trip To Roanoke

John T. Shriver, 51, residential and rural sales supervisor in Charleston, died of an apparent heart attack July 1, on his way from Charleston to a meeting in Roanoke. He was traveling with J. C. Hansbarger, Charleston division manager, and Floyd Taylor, Charleston division commercial manager.

Mr. Shriver had been with Appalachian since December, 1938, when he joined the company at Logan as a rural solicitor. He took mili-

tary leave in 1942 and served with the Army during World War II. A sergeant with the 82nd Airborne Division, he landed in Normandy on D-Day. Returning to the company in 1945, he moved to Charleston July 1, 1955, to take the position he held until his death.

A native Charlestonian, he was a member of the American Legion, Army and Navy Club, Elks and Kiwanis. He also belonged to the West Virginia Wild Life Federation.

He is survived by his widow, Mildred, and one son, John Clarence; one brother and two sisters.

The funeral service was conducted July 3, at the E. K. Perrow Presbyterian Church, of which he was a member. Burial followed in Sunset Memorial Park in Spring Hill. Friends and co-workers of the commercial department served as pallbearers.

Roanoke Club Elects Marshall

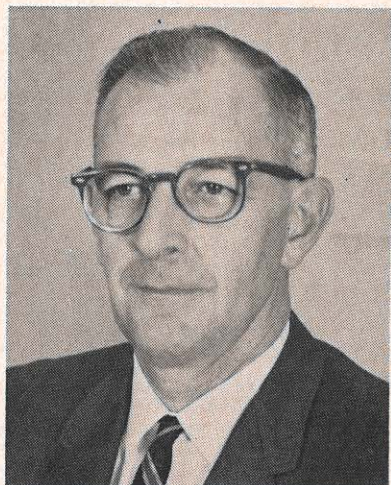
Noble G. Marshall, supervisor of accounting for the Radford Army Ammunition steam plant, has been elected president of the Roanoke Businessmen's Club. He moves up from vice president.



Mr. Marshall

The group was formed 40 years ago as young men's group, with the idea of keeping members informed of the progress of the community. Originally it was intended that members would drop out at age 35, but so many found membership useful to their business lives that the age ceiling was lifted. Now, as Mr. Marshall says, the club has long passed the young men's stage and is moving past middle age to the senior citizen level.

Mr. Marshall has been a member for 15 years.



Mr. Shriver

Sales Supports

10,000 CUSTOMERS CAN'T BE WRONG

Now available with Flameless Electric Heating...



A complete Guarantee of Satisfaction!

That's right! Heating satisfaction can be guaranteed in writing by your Appalachian-Reddy Kilowatt Recommended Heating-Cooling Dealer. When he installs electric heating in your home, he's so confident you'll be satisfied, he will issue you a complete "Guarantee of Satisfaction" certificate.

There's absolutely no obligation. Ask about the "Guarantee of Satisfaction" certificate. It's your assurance that electric heating is everything you expect it to be.

The "Guarantee of Satisfaction" certificate is available only from Appalachian-Reddy Kilowatt Recommended Heating-Cooling Dealers.



About the Cleanliness, Convenience and Comfort of Flameless Electric Heating!

Appalachian wanted to know... so we asked. Asked 10,000 users of electric heat in our service area what they liked best about it. We got our answers. Our customers told us the cleanliness, convenience and comfort offered by flameless heating are the biggest reasons why it's superior to old-fashioned heating methods.

And with flameless electric, you get a heat that warms every corner of every room... eliminates "drafts" and "cold spots." Of course, our interviews showed that Appalachian customers enjoy the many plus benefits they get with electric heating. Benefits like safety and trouble-free operation. Fact is, it's easy to see why more and more people are making the switch to flameless heating these days. You can, too. Call your Appalachian-Reddy Kilowatt Recommended Dealer today for a free estimate on converting your home.

TOTAL-ELECTRIC LIVING NOW COSTS LESS THAN EVER! The average monthly electric bill for all total-electric homes in Appalachian's service area is only \$23.07*. That includes electricity for heating, cooking, water heating—all uses. In 1960 the average bill was \$26.21. It's lower today... 12 percent lower! One more good reason why you should switch to Total-Electric Living now.



Here are reproductions of two of the ads which will support intensive sales campaigns for electric heat.

Happenings

Around the Circuit

... Among Employees and Their Families

BLUEFIELD

Bluefield
William T. Elswick, retired employee in Bluefield, has joined the Old Guard organization in the city.

William J. Gillespie, Jr., division manager and Ira W. Henderson, administrative assistant, presented the slide program, "Computer Center-Information and Power Control," to the Princeton and Bluefield Old Guard organizations.

Richard C. Ross and Roger Lee Hess are new employees in the T. & D. Department.

The following have been elected to serve on the Bland Street Methodist Church's Commission On Christian Social Concerns: Mrs. Howard Meadows, Mrs. Lois Rounion, and Pete Montague.

Mrs. Ollie (Ruth) Nunnery, wife of Ollie R. Nunnery, Meterman was graduated from Bluefield State College Magna Cum Laude with a bachelor of science degree in elementary education.

Marty Crotty, 12, and Sheree Crotty, 9, children of Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Crotty, won ten trophies in two different dog shows, five first place winner and five second place winner, with their Pomeranian dogs. "Pee Wee" won the "Show of Shows" award the first show and "Baby Doll", the mother, winning the second show. "Pee Wee" weighs 4 lbs. 14 oz. and won a ribbon as the smallest dog in the show.

Warren E. Brooks, retired employee, has been elected Chairman of "Visit The Sick" Committee in the Old Guard organization of Bluefield.

Mrs. W. J. Gillespie, Jr., wife of Bluefield division manager, has been elected first vice-president of the Salvation Army Auxiliary. Mr. Gillespie, has been elected a Director of the Bluefield Automobile Club. The Club is affiliated with the American Automobile Association.

Welch

Tommy Chaffins, son of W. A. Chaffins, Welch stores clerk, and Cheryl Green, daughter of J. C. Green, meterman, attended the Presbyterian Pioneer Camp held at

the Bluestone Conference Center, and Patty Barns, daughter of R. J. B. Barns, Welch line inspector and Curtis Taylor, son of C. I. Taylor, Welch meter serviceman A, attended the Presbyterian Junior Camp at Camp Beckwith, near Fayetteville, W. Va.

Melbie Jones, wife of F. L. Jones, Welch lineman, was elected treasurer of the Coalwood W.S.C.S. of the Methodist Church.

Dorothy W. Lawless, stenographer in the record department, served as Conductress at the recent installation of the Northfork Chapter No. 99, Order of Eastern Star.

S. W. Hylton, Jr., Grundy heating and builder sales representative, has been elected a director of the Grundy Lions Club.

Patricia L. Jones, Grundy home sales representative, attended and assisted with the 4-H Camp group from Buchanan-Tazewell Counties held at the 4-H Center in Abingdon, Va.

New officers of the Welch Assembly No. 18, Order of Rainbow for Girls, are: Carol Mills, Worthy Advisor, and Sonjia Mills, Charity, daughters of L. J. Mills, Jr., Welch lineman; Jackie Belcher, Recorder, daughter of B. F. Belcher, lineman; and Vickie Pearman, Nature, daughter of B. G. Pearman, area serviceman.

Mrs. Evelyn Martin, wife of Jack D. Martin, Pineville meter serviceman, was selected by the Pineville Woman's Club as one of the Outstanding Young Women of America.

CHARLESTON

Charleston

Twelve employees in the Virginia Street office became gallon club members when the Red Cross Bloodmobile made a stop there last month. The 12 are Bob Wells, Bill McAllister, Don Newman, Donald R. Huffman, R. O. Woods, Bill Jackson, Leroy Goode, C. B. Badger, Sam Dunn, Bob Palmer, E. E. Landers, and Jim Cook.

The Heart-H, 4-H club camping award, went to John Griffie's daughter Lynn in the all-age camp



Eagle

After three years of Scouting along the back trails of Kentucky, Ashland's Bill Holbrook has joined the Eagle ranks. The son of Ashland's William T. Holbrook, Bill also won this year the God and Country Award. He holds 30 merit badges and three trail medals, carries straight A's in school, where he is president of the Student Council, and is active in church, baseball, football, golf, and tennis.

in June. The award is made by 4-H agents and state workers while they are in camp observing the work, spirit, and participation of the youngsters.

A. W. Brendel reports that he is recuperating nicely from his recent surgery in Fort Lauderdale, Florida and is following all of his old pursuits except square dancing which he hopes to resume very soon. He and Mrs. Brendel are planning a trip to Mexico October 1.

Dale Wolfe is a new lineman helper, T&D line section. Charlie Dell Cooper, commercial, and R. R. Legg, T&D line, Montgomery, have resigned.

Ottie Little, retired station employee, visited the office recently while he and his family were taking a 2-months vacation in Virginia and West Virginia. They live at Miami Shores, Florida. Herman Summers, formerly with Kanawha Valley Power Company, also dropped in while on vacation from his home in Florida.

Beckley

W. S. Wiseman, T&D clerk in Rainelle, did himself proud as a Scoutmaster last month. His troop attended the Greenbrier Valley Camporee, and came away with the honor troop award for the second year in a row, and also won six first place ribbons, one second, and third.

For the 15th consecutive year, B. H. White, Jr. has been elected secretary-treasurer of the Beckley Civitan Club. He is customer accounts supervisor.

Cabin Creek Plant

Graduating last month from the United States Air Force Academy was Perry Rose, son of Mr. and Mrs. Perry S. Rose, of Chesapeake. Mr. Rose is turbine operator at Cabin Creek plant. The same day he was graduated and commissioned in the Air Force, Lt. Rose was married to the former Kathryn Harriet Marsh. The ceremony was performed in the Air Force Academy Chapel.

Judy Bowen Meads, daughter of H. A. Bowen, plant office and stores supervisor, graduated from West Virginia Tech, and Charlotte Janette Snodgrass, daughter of R. E. Snodgrass, electrical maintenance mechanic, graduated from West Virginia University, Morgantown, W. Va.

LYNCHBURG

The doings of the Lynchburg Lions Club had a decided Appalachian flavor recently. Three employees were tapped for various jobs, and one of them drew a signal honor. The three are Robert L. Hatch, the new second vice president; L. G. Dougan, named to the state convention committee, and E. T. Johnson, to the Benevolent Fund Committee. Mr. Johnson also received the Old Monarch Award for 30 years' service, including a stretch as president. He has had perfect attendance for the past 19 years.

In another civic endeavor, W. D. Crews, received the Distinguished Service Key Award from the Amherst Junior Chamber of Commerce, as the member who made the most contribution to the community and the organization. Mr. Crews was instrumental in having a basketball court installed at Amherst Elementary School, sponsored the Bloodmobile program, and the Christmas program.



Queen

Miss Martha Alice Golladay, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Golladay, Jr., has been crowned "Miss Scottsville." She was selected from 18 participants. In addition to her crown, Miss Golladay was presented with a silver loving cup, a savings bond and a bouquet of flowers. She will represent Scottsville at the Dogwood Festival, Apple Blossom Festival and other occasions during the year. The contest is sponsored each year by the Scottsville Junior Chamber of Commerce and Post No. 8169 Scottsville Veterans of Foreign Wars. Mr. Golladay is area serviceman in the Scottsville area of the Lynchburg division.

PULASKI

Pulaski

Carl Schmidt has been appointed to two posts in the Lutheran Church. He has been named a member of the Virginia Synod Evangelism Committee for the next three years, and chairman of the Pulaski Woman's Memorial Lutheran Church's evangelism committee.

Exhibiting in the recent sidewalk art show that accompanied a new bank opening in Pulaski were Mildred McCall, wife of Bruce McCall, commercial; Frances Bruce, whose husband is Garland Bruce, T&D, and Opal Newland, T&D, and wife of H. B. Newland, personnel. Timmy Gress, son of Paul Gress, commercial, was a member of "The Chancellors", local band, which also had a part in the opening of the all-electric bank.

Glen Lyn Plant

When the American Society of Mechanical Engineers of Southwestern Virginia met at Smith Mountain Dam, some Glen Lyn steam plant men were there: W. G. Bell, Jr., J. A. Trawick, Jr., and G. L. Raley.

Two more Glen Lyn men were elected to office by the Peterstown Rotary Club: Paul Mann as treasurer, and D. A. Buckland as sergeant at arms.

ROANOKE

Roanoke

D. C. Kennedy, division manager, has been treasurer of the Total Action Against Poverty in the Roanoke Valley . . . Mrs. Ira B. Peters was elected president of Women's Fellowship of the Williamson Road Church of the Brethren. Her husband is assistant division personnel supervisor.

L. E. Hopson, head janitor is recuperating from surgery and a stay of a month in the hospital.

Fieldale

Two new employees in the Fieldale area are T. M. Berkhead and Phillip H. Martin.

System T&D

Mrs. Ruth Hodock has been elected vice president of home demonstration clubs in Tazewell County. Her active record in this work includes presidency of the Bluestone Club for two years, and a perfect attendance record for four. Her husband is Nicholas Hodock, system T&D in Bluefield.

A new employee in Bluefield is

Glen Shumate, and in the system meter department, Richard A. Reed.

Keith Chambers, system station, Bluefield, has been elected and installed as Master of Mercer Lodge, AF&AM.

System Accounting

News from a retired associate: P. C. Ray reports that he was recently elected president of the Tourist Club of Zephyrhills, Florida. Mr. and Mrs. Ray are active in church and political affairs there, where they have lived in the two years since Mr. Ray retired.

New employees in system accounting include Philip R. Richardson, Betty Harris, and R. H. McDearmon, Jr. Leonard Burcham and Charles Branch have resigned.

LOGAN-WILLIAMSON

Sports, clubs, and organizations brought mention to several in the division recently.

Merrill Atkinson was a delegate from the Logan Club to the Kiwanis International Convention in New

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60th Anniversary



Their 60th wedding anniversary was celebrated last month by Mr. and Mrs. William Sayers Crawford of Pulaski. Mr. Crawford retired from Appalachian in 1948 with 37 years of service. He is 82, Mrs. Crawford is 80, and they have 13 children, 38 grandchildren, and 40 great-grandchildren.

Still Works



Back in 1912 or so—there is some conflict about the exact date—J. M. Click bought a light bulb for his store in Ravenswood. In 1965, still hanging, but on a disconnected circuit, it attracted the attention of E. F. Boggess, area serviceman. Mr. Click gave the bulb to Mr. Boggess, who in turn passed it on to O. C. Hall, the area manager. From General Electric's Lighting Education Department came the information that it was manufactured in the 1913-1915 era, and has a drawn tungsten filament of straight wire. And, after at least 50 years, the bulb still works.



Married in recent weeks were, top, from left, Mrs. James M. Ferrell, system; Mrs. Paul B. Blevins, Pikeville; Mrs. J. E. Thurbon, Charleston; Mrs. Earl Roger Hutchinson, Huntington; Mrs. John Strong, Logan, and Mrs. Ralph E. Wimmer, system. Bottom row: Mrs. Bert L. Booker, Huntington; Mrs. Roger Lee Gowl, system; Mrs. G. L. Mathis, Logan; Mrs. Raymond M. Miller, Charleston; Mrs. Frederick O. Quam, Roanoke, and Mrs. William R. Davis, Logan.

Thirteen Couples Wed Over System In Recent Weeks

Humphrey-Ferrell

The Hollins Road Church of the Brethren in Roanoke, Virginia, was the scene for the wedding of Bonnie Sue Humphrey and James Ferrell on July 3. Mrs. Ferrell is employed in the customers' accounting division of the system accounting department, Roanoke.

Moore-Thurbon

Sandra K. Moore exchanged nuptial vows with John Edward Thurbon in a ceremony performed in Oak Hill, West Virginia on June 26. Mrs. Thurbon is a clerk trainee in the Oak Hill office.

Dillon-Gowl

Linda Lou Dillon became the bride of Roger Lee Gowl in a double ring ceremony performed at the Ghent Brethren Church in Roanoke, Virginia. Mr. Gowl is a clerk in the system accounting department in Roanoke.

Ferguson-Quam

Edna Faye Ferguson became the bride of Frederick Owen Quam in a double ring ceremony performed May 21 at the home of Elder Milan H. Christley, of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints in Salem, Virginia. Mrs. Quam is the daughter of Shearl R. Ferguson, retired Roanoke Division employee.

Davis in the West Logan Baptist Church, West Logan, West Virginia, on June 19. Mrs. Davis is a cashier in Logan.

Scally-Roush

Nancy Gene Scally and Vergil Glen Roush were united in marriage in a single ring ceremony held at the Methodist Chapel in Point Pleasant, West Virginia, July 3. Mrs. Roush is a time clerk at Philip Sporn Plant, and Mr. Roush is a junior maintenance man at Philip Sporn Plant.

Spencer-Blevins

Edith Jewell Spencer was married to Paul B. Blevins in a ceremony performed June 26. Mrs. Blevins is a cashier clerk at the Paintsville, Kentucky, office.

Smith-Hutchinson

In a double ring ceremony held at the First Baptist Church in Ashland, Kentucky, on May 28, Evelyn Kay Smith became the bride of Earl R. Hutchinson. Mrs. Hutchinson is the daughter of L. M. Smith, stationman in the Huntington Division.

Walk-Mathis

The marriage of Susanna Walk to George L. Mathis took place July 3 at the Central Baptist Church, Logan, West Virginia. Mr. Mathis is a draftsman in the Logan area.

Adams-Davis

Florence Adams exchanged wedding vows with William R.

Shipley-Miller

Freda Faye Shipley and Raymond N. Miller were united in marriage June 27 in the Central Avenue Church in Charleston, West Virginia. Mrs. Miller is a clerk typist in the Record Section, Charleston.

Headly-Strong

The marriage of Margot Headly to John Howard Strong took place June 26 at Calvary Episcopal Church in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania. Mr. Strong is the son of H. M. Strong, Jr., customer accounts supervisor in Williamson.

Johnson-Wimmer

Mary Colleen Johnson and Ralph Edward Wimmer were married June 26 at the Virginia Heights Baptist Church, Roanoke, Virginia. Mrs. Wimmer is the daughter of Paul J. Johnson, superintendent of hydro generation.

Davis-Booker

Wedding vows were exchanged June 18 in the Milton Methodist Church by Brenda Kay Davis and Dr. Bert Luther Booker, Jr. Mrs. Booker is the daughter of E. C. Davis, engineering aide in the Huntington Division.

Employee Cited By Homemakers

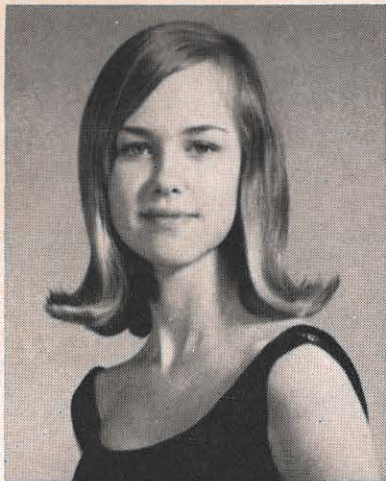
Miss Sylbia Hinchman, home sales representative, Charleston Division Commercial, has been awarded honorary membership by the West Virginia Association of Future Homemakers of America. The award was conferred for her help in advancing the homemaking program and for outstanding service to the State Organization. She is entitled to attend all meetings and to wear the Official FHA pin with the Honor Guard attached.



Miss Hinchman



Nothing beats the direct approach, testifies Genny Farry, when dealing with the enemy of woman and elephant.



"Miss North Star"

Miss Lou Anne Robertson, daughter of E. G. Robinson, System Accounting, was chosen by the Editor of *Ingenue Magazine*, Sylvia Schuman, as "Miss North Star for 1965." Lou Anne is a junior at North Side High School in Roanoke.

New Arrivals

Big Sandy Plant

MR. AND MRS. WILBUR J. HUDSON, a son, Charles Chris, July 6. Mr. Hudson is a junior maintenance man.

Bluefield Division

MR. AND MRS. VEARL J. CLAYTON, a daughter, Dana Lynn, June 30. Mr. Clayton is a station man.

Charleston Division

MR. AND MRS. EVERETT E. SPARR, a daughter, Patricia Ann, June 24. Mr. Sparr is a meter serviceman.

MR. AND MRS. PAUL SLACK, a daughter, Lorna Elizabeth, June 28. Mr. Slack is a collector in the Montgomery accounting office.

Glen Lyn Plant

MR. AND MRS. T. E. CREWEY, a daughter, Lois Elaine, June 30. Mr. Crewey is a test engineer.

MR. AND MRS. O. J. WHITTAKER, a son, Nathan D., June 30. Mr. Whittaker is an auxiliary equipment operator.

Pulaski Division

MR. AND MRS. LARRY RATCLIFFE, a daughter, Tamara Leigh, July 1. Mr. Ratcliffe is employed in the Pulaski Division.

System

MR. AND MRS. L. T. BIAS, a son, Thomas Ashley, June 17. Mr. Bias is employed in the system operating department.

MR. AND MRS. W. B. POFF, JR., a son, Stephen Terry, June 7. Mr. Poff is employed in the system operating department.

Sorry, Mousey — Wrong Number

Hickory, dickory dock, the mouse ran up the switchboard. Everyone had such fun—except Genevieve Farry, who just happened to be sitting at that switchboard because she is Huntington's PBX operator.

It all started when Genny spotted the small mouse playing around the switchboard. One glance was enough. With a scream, she evacuated the area, and for a few minutes the entire communications network in the Huntington office came to a halt.

Help came in the form of Ted Smith, Oscar Fowler, and Roy Bates, who saw in the mouse a real problem in logistics and science. They quickly divided the problem into three parts: confirming that there was in fact a mouse, determining what size it was, and working out a plan of capture.

Our three heroes, deeply immersed in the problem, called in the services of George Schwartz, well-known for his engineering mind. He immediately offered the use of his pussy cat, but the board of inquiry voted this down.

Now all this was fine if you've a technical turn of mind. But Genny had to work at that switchboard, and she decided a more direct approach was needed.

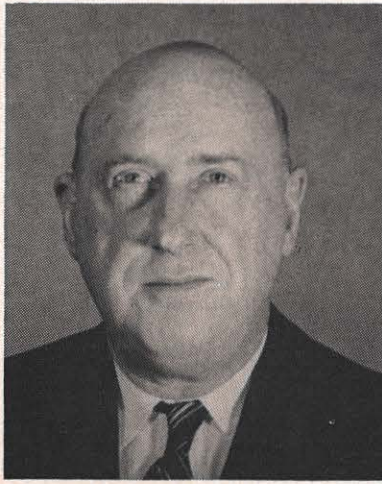
Genny had bought herself a mouse trap and set it. The next morning, her switchboard mouse was no more.

Undaunted, our engineers found parts of the problem still unsolved, like how did the mouse get to the second floor anyhow.

Will they solve it? There are some who are betting on the mouse.

John K. Morgan Retires In Welch

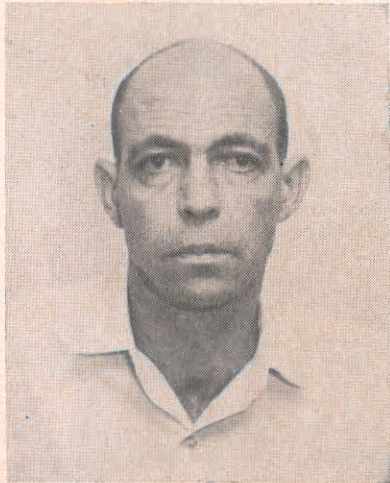
John K. Morgan, a groundman in the Welch line crew, retired June 1. Mr. Morgan was employed by the company on January 5, 1948 as a laborer and was promoted to a groundman on December 1, 1948 and retained that classification. Prior to his employment he worked for the Kingston Coal Company and the Tug River Lumber Company. He also served in World War II from December 1942 to January 1946. He was a cannoneer in an anti-tank company. He is married to the former Avelee Sigler and they are the parents of one son, John Wayne Morgan. The Morgans will continue to live in the Welch area.



Mr. Parsons

DeWitt Parsons Dies After Long Illness

DeWitt C. Parsons, 62, retired Charleston meter clerk, died in Morris Memorial Hospital in Milton, July 14. Mr. Parsons had retired in 1960, had been in ill health ever since. Besides 23 years of continuous service with Appalachian, he had broken service from 1925 to 1937. A native Charlestonian, he was a graduate of Capitol City Commercial College. Service was conducted at 2 P. M. Saturday, July 17 at the Bartlett Funeral Home in Charleston, and burial was in Teays Hill Cemetery. Surviving is a stepson, Isaac Phipps of Florida, two sisters and two brothers.



Mr. Morgan

Hatfield Named To System Post

Arnold O. Hatfield has been transferred from Williamson to Roanoke and promoted to purchasing and stores assistant in the system purchasing and stores department. The move is effective September 1. Mr. Hatfield moves up from stores and garage supervisor in Williamson. He joined Appalachian in 1946, and during his career has worked as stores record clerk, head material clerk, and stores supervisor in Sprigg and Williamson. Mr. Hatfield is past president of the Williamson Lions Club and attends the East Williamson Baptist Church. He is married, and is the father of two children.



Mr. Hatfield

Roanoke Passes Milestone

Roanoke division employees passed another milestone July 20 as they completed two full years of operation without a disabling injury. This record began on July 20, 1963. On December 29, 1964, the million manhour safety record was achieved and in January, Roanoke was honored by President Donald C. Cook for winning first place in the AEP System Division Safety Contest for 1964. The division also won the Vice President's Accident Prevention Award and the Edison Electric Institute Safety Achievement Award. To date, the Roanoke division is leading all AEP divisions in their accident free record.

Mostly By Himself

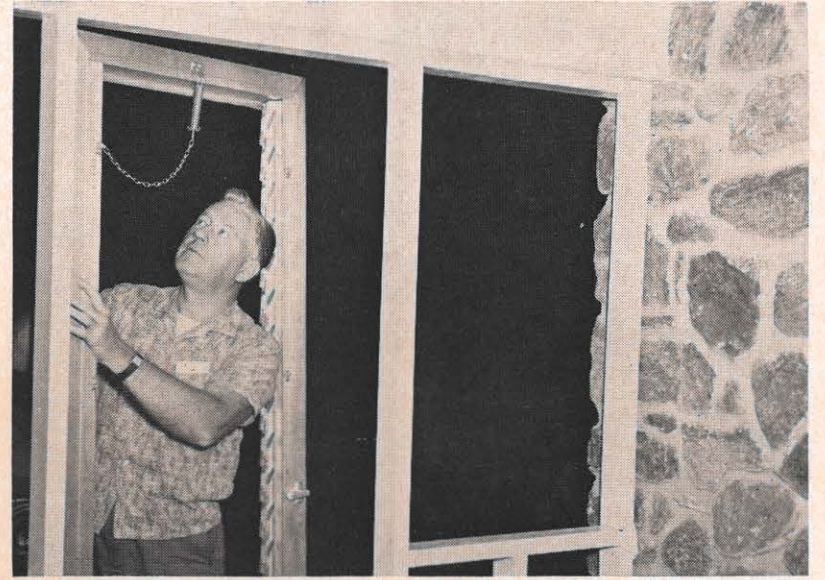
Mr. Ramsey Builds His Dream House

When most people say "I built a house," they usually mean they got some money and a contractor and lot, and put them altogether. Then one day the owner arrives with a van-load of furniture and moves into the new house "I" built. On the other hand, when L. G. Ramsey of Lynchburg says "I built a house," you can take that statement as fact. From loading and hauling 200 tons of stone, to picking out lumber at saw mills, right down to driving nails and tacking insulation, the bulk of the work in the three bedroom home was his own. He makes no claim to doing all of the work: he got some help in framing and in some of masonry work, jobs for which he needed another pair of hands. Otherwise "I built a house."

The native stone that makes up part of the house was picked up, piece by piece near the Peaks of Otter in Bedford County, thrown into a truck, and hauled by Mr. Ramsey to his building site on Trents Ferry Road. "The farmers and property owners," he says, "were glad to get rid of the stones, and would give you as many as you wanted; but they drew the line at helping to load. Believe me, loading and unloading stone all day is a back-breaking job."

Bulldozer Too

Even before he began picking over hillsides for stones, Mr. Ramsey had put in some hard work. The part of his land he picked for the site of his house is on a steep slope, so he set to work carving—with his own bulldozer—the foundations out of the hillside. The result is a walk-out basement on three sides.



Mr. Ramsey is working on the tedious job of fitting a door on the side porch of the house he built himself. The stone wall at right was hauled, piece by piece, from Bedford County, and the building of it was one of the few chores for which Mr. Ramsey needed help.

The design and layout of the house is a synthesis of many ideas Mr. Ramsey and his wife pored over in books and magazines, shaped to their own needs and ideas. The house consists of three bedrooms, two baths, living room, family room dining room, eat-in kitchen, and full basement. It is completely insulated, and is, of course, total electric with ceiling heat throughout and baseboard heaters in the bathrooms. Because he is assistant hydro operator at Reusens, Mr. Ramsey works on shifts. This gave him more daylight working time than most, but even with this time, week ends, holidays, and vacations, his house building still required about three years.

This fact, more than any other, prompts this remark from Mr. Ramsey: "If you're planning to do what I did, the first thing you must have—and keep—is patience." More than once, he says, he was tempted to throw in the towel, and call for a contractor to finish the job. But he had one more thing going for him: this was the second house he had constructed, and like the person who comes in at the end of a movie, he knew everything would work out fine.

System Woman Wins NBC Honor

Joyce Ann Cook, who works in the general records section of the system accounting department, received the M. A. Smythe Award presented by National Business College at commencement exercises held June 20.

This award is given to the student who has the highest average in the accounting and business administration course. There were 75 graduating students.

Miss Cook sat for the Certified Public Accountant exam in Roanoke last spring. She joined Appalachian in December 1964 as clerk-typist.



Miss Cook

Wells Promoted To Line Foreman

Frank E. Wells, working foreman in Grundy, has been promoted to line foreman there.



Mr. Wells

Mr. Wells started out with Appalachian in April 1936 as a lineman. In the years that followed, he worked as inspector, district serviceman, serviceman, and working foreman. He is a native of Christiansburg, Virginia. He is married and is the father of a son and daughter.



Appalachian Power Company

- ABINGDON DIVISION—25 YEARS: E. T. ROWE, area serviceman; L. C. ANGLE, JR., power sales engineer. 20 YEARS: H. S. TAYLOR, area serviceman; W. C. MITCHELL, T&D clerk; FILLMORE MCPHERSON, JR., division manager. 15 YEARS: J. M. COLE, power sales engineer; J. E. FLEENOR, customer service representative; J. C. LAMBERT, meterman. 10 YEARS: LOUIS R. MITCHELL, home sales representative.
- CABIN CREEK PLANT—25 YEARS: HARDIA ELLIS, boiler maintenance man.
- CHARLESTON DIVISION—20 YEARS: EARL V. GLENN, groundman. 15 YEARS: JACK B. WEAVER, station man; RALPH H. BAUGHAN, utility clerk.
- CLINCH RIVER PLANT—25 YEARS: CONARD M. POWERS, master maintenance man. 20 YEARS: RAY STAMPER, coal equipment operator. 10 YEARS: BOBBY J. SLACK, equipment operator.
- GLEN LYN PLANT—30 YEARS: C. W. DOBBINS, equipment operator; R. T. FIELDS, equipment operator; HALE CLEMONS, utility coal handler. 20 YEARS: HAROLD H. REED, maintenance foreman.
- HUNTINGTON DIVISION—35 YEARS: BOYD THOMPSON, groundman. 30 YEARS: M. G. SIMMONS, truck driver-groundman. 20 YEARS: J. R. HOFFMAN, area serviceman.
- LYNCHBURG DIVISION—35 YEARS: J. H. HALEY, JR., customer service representative. 20 YEARS: L. G. DOUGAN, division personnel supervisor; L. G. RAMSEY, assistant hydro operator.
- PULASKI DIVISION—40 YEARS: A. P. JONES, area supervisor. 20 YEARS: F. P. ALLISON, truck driver-groundman; W. M. GILMORE, groundman; R. M. PROFFITT, truck driver-groundman.
- PHILIP SPORN PLANT—15 YEARS: JESSE M. ABEL, master maintenance man; AUBREY V. NEWELL, master maintenance man; ROBERT F. HICKEL, instrument maintenance man. 10 YEARS: VIRGINIA E. HOYT, stenographer.
- ROANOKE DIVISION—20 YEARS: B. BEATRICE EAKIN, stenographer; H. E. GUILLIAMS, meter serviceman; J. E. HOPKINS, right of way agent; RAY H. PHILLIPS, groundman; W. G. SIMPSON, meter serviceman; H. M. UNDERWOOD, meter service helper. 15 YEARS: W. H. HART, JR., senior station engineer; J. D. HIGGINS, power sales engineer.
- SYSTEM—25 YEARS: F. E. KING, master maintenance man; C. L. ROBISON, JR., system supervising circuit breaker engineer. 20 YEARS: C. E. RUBLE, system transmission inspector. 15 YEARS: JERRY R. WHITEHURST, area development consultant. 5 YEARS: R. W. STATON, retirement cost clerk; MARIE W. CAMPER, clerk stenographer; L. W. CHEESEBREW, system station operator; K. W. HYLTON, system transmission inspector.

Kentucky Power Company

- ASHLAND DIVISION—40 YEARS: W. S. BURCHETT, meterman. 20 YEARS: WILLIAM K. SALISBURY, meter reader. 15 YEARS: J. A. PALMER, director, public and employee relations.
- HAZARD DIVISION—35 YEARS: G. C. BRANSON, stores supervisor. 20 YEARS: HERSHEL ADAMS, lineman. 15 YEARS: DAVID BEGLEY, appliance serviceman.
- PIKEVILLE DIVISION—20 YEARS: GRATHO WILLIAMS, groundman.

Parker Finds—And Uses—Rare Chestnut Wood Supply

Once used for fence rails and most everything else, chestnut was one of the most abundant and useful woods. Since American chestnut was all wiped out many years ago by the blight, all that is left is wormy chestnut which has become rare, and is used mainly for picture frames. Grady L. Parker, commercial sales engineer in Bluefield, needed some lumber to change the roof design on his home. He made a deal for two small abandoned homes to dismantle for the lumber. When he started razing the houses he discovered that they were built entirely out of wormy chestnut lumber and it was in excellent condition. Being a work-shop enthusiast, with wormy chestnut sticking out his ears, he just couldn't use that lumber in his roof. So he bought lumber for his roof and carefully cleaned and stacked the chestnut bonanza, to use for picture frames and furniture. His latest project is a gun cabinet which holds seven guns and worlds of ammunition. The cabinet is built entirely of wormy chestnut and has sliding plate glass doors which may be locked. Grady says,



Wormy chestnut makes a handsome gun cabinet, as Grady Parker proved in his workshop. He acquired stacks of this valuable wood quite by accident and has made plans for its careful use in the future.

"I may have to sell the cabinet to buy enough guns to fill it." He has varied interests besides wood-

working, such as gardening, hunting, fishing, golfing and buys and cures his own country hams.



Three persons out of 549 who completed the recent air conditioning and heating course had a perfect score, and one of those was a woman. She is Mary Elizabeth Davis, stenographer in Logan, shown here receiving a special diploma from George Hervey, division manager, at graduation ceremonies in Logan.

Three Have Perfect Scores In Air Conditioning Course

Graduation ceremonies all over our three companies marked the conclusion of a 19-week course in air conditioning and heating. In the three companies 549 men and women employees finished the course, three with perfect scores.

The three are Mary Elizabeth Davis, Logan-Williamson division stenographer; R. R. Snedegar, Roanoke division senior line engineer, and W. W. Zoellers, supervising engineer in Hazard.

The course was developed and made available by the American Electric Power Service Corporation, and was administered by the commercial departments of the three companies. It was designed primarily as a training program for commercial department employees, but many others availed themselves of the opportunity to enroll. Non-employees in fields related to the subject were also eligible to take the program.

Appalachian personnel finishing the course totaled 469, broken down by divisions as follows: Abingdon, 41; Bluefield, 74; Charleston, 116; Huntington, 107; Logan-Williamson, 56; Lynchburg, 45; Pulaski, 34; and Roanoke, 53. System personnel who finished the course are included in the totals for the locations in which they work.

Kentucky Power's 72 finishers were located: in Ashland, 17; Hazard 17; Pikeville, 23; Big Sandy plant 11, and system, 4.

Kingsport had eight graduates.

Charleston Honors Employees' Service

Twenty-two active and five retired employees of the Charleston division were honored at a dinner on June 25 to celebrate their service anniversaries.

Those receiving service emblems during the first six months of 1965 were: Mrs. Jane H. Abbott, 35 years; Opie Allen, E. C. Flannery and Mayo Goode, 30; Wyatt H. Jones, 25; T. K. Rhodes, John Hull, Jr., Mrs. Delores McDowell and C. R. Metz, 20; Herb Hill, E. F. Pioch, Clifford Bannister and Alton B. Purdy, 15; C. T. Young, Bob Selbe, Dick Bradley, T. B. Payne, Bill Bostic, Mrs. Sue Shultz, W. D. Grimmett and Paul Slack, 10, and Bob Fisher, five years. These employees have a combined accumulated total of 375 years employment with Appalachian.

Those retirees whose service terminated during the last six months were: A. I. Bailey, Henry J. Grimm, L. M. Cobbs, George Litsinger, and Romeo E. Gully.

Veazey Ends Long Army Service

H. D. Veazey, system senior civil engineer, ended 33 years of Army service July 1 when he transferred to the retired reserve as colonel. Prior to retirement, he was the commanding officer of the 2174th U. S. Army Garrison (ISAR) in Roanoke. He had held that assignment since June 1956.

During the Second World War he entered active duty with the Coast Artillery. He served at Fort Story, Virginia and Fort Bliss, Texas, and then went overseas for service in Sicily and Italy. His active service covered six years, with more than two years spent overseas.

Colonel Veazey holds the Bronze Star, the American Defense Medal, the American Campaign Medal, the European-African-Middle East Medal with bronze arrowhead and four campaign stars, the World War II Victory Medal, and the Brazilian War Medal.

He is a graduate of Virginia Military Institute with a degree in civil engineering. He joined Appalachian in 1935 in the Roanoke district T&D department, and moved to his present job in 1953.



Col. Veazey

Logan Line Foreman Retires



Mr. LeGrande

George W. LeGrande, line foreman at Logan, retired August 1 after more than 28 years of service. He was employed in March, 1937 as a lineman at Logan. On May 1, 1941 he was promoted to line foreman and has worked in that capacity in the Logan area continuously since that time.

A native of Cleveland, Kansas, he attended Wichita schools. He first came to Logan County in 1935. He worked for Appalachian for a brief period before his continuous employment began in 1937.

Mr. LeGrande and his wife have one son and two grandchildren. They are active in Nazarene Church work and like to travel. They plan to reside in Logan following retirement.

Old Hot Water Radiator System Successfully Converted to Electricity With Small Boiler

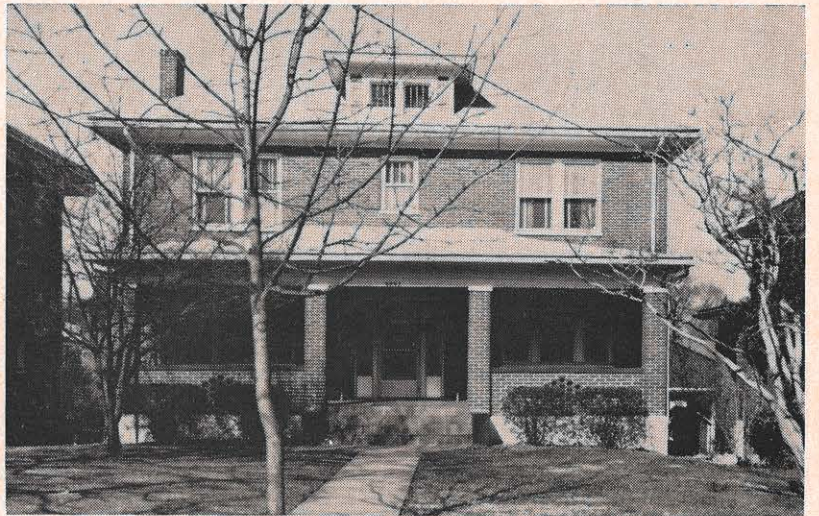
The first reaction a visitor to J. M. Burnett's basement would probably have is: "But where is your furnace? I saw the radiators upstairs as I came in."

But take a closer look. See those two circulating pumps and metal box about the size of an attache case, with the assortment of pipes and wires emanating from it? That's the furnace.

More correctly, that is a Thermo-tempt hydronic electric boiler, connected to the hot water radiator system in the 12-room house and providing even, clean electric heat.

Mr. Burnett, Roanoke division commercial manager, bought the house in 1959. Although the 35-year-old house was insulated and its 52 windows had storm windows, the house was heated with an oil-fired furnace.

The conversion began in 1963. The old furnace and oil tank were removed (the space cleaned and painted and converted to a recreation and living area), and the new system installed. To give a greater degree of efficiency and temperature control, the house is divided into two zones with a thermostat controlling the temperature in each zone. The hydronic boiler attaches directly to the wall in the basement, and below it are two circulating pumps, one for each zone of the house.



This is the 35-year-old Roanoke home that J. M. Burnett has converted into a Gold Medallion home, including installation of an electric furnace in the basement.

As either pump turns on, the four elements inside the boiler produce instant hot water. This "furnace" requires only 20 kilowatts to keep the house comfortable, and in the first heating season, the Burnetts used 20,750 kilowatt-hours of electricity for all uses (the house has earned a gold Medallion for its extensive use of electric appliances and heat).

The water pipes in the basement were left exposed to heat the basement. Water temperature in

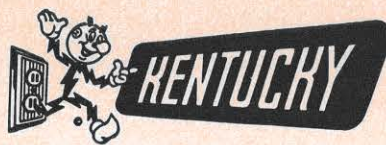
radiators is maintained at 115°, and hot spots usually found in the ordinary radiator system are eliminated. Since there is no combustion in this system, and therefore no requirement for a steady supply of outside air, the Burnetts were able to completely seal the basement from outside air.

Since Mr. Burnett completed his conversion to the electric furnace, two others followed suit in 1964, and already six Roanokers have made the conversion in 1965.

Personals

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York . . . Judy Keener, whose father is Carey Keener, transportation, finished second in the girls tennis championship in Logan . . . Another employee's daughter attended a one-week class in drama at Danville (Ky.) Pioneer Playhouse. She is Cynthia Warren, whose father is Wayne Warren, T&D. Post 19 of the American Legion elected Coonie Hager second vice commander, and Melinda Hamilton, daughter of George Hervey, division manager, was elected vice president of the Associated Press Radio Broadcasters of Ohio.



Pikeville

Mildred Layne, wife of Milford Layne, engineering record clerk, was counselor for the United Nations Pilgrimage for Youth sponsored by the Odd Fellows Lodge and the ladies' auxiliary, the Rebeccas. The youths selected are given a trip from their homes to New York and a tour through the United Nations Building. This is an annual trip.



Huntington

E. M. Bowen, meter reader, was elected to the Kenova City Council. L. J. Hedrick, area superintendent, was elected director-chairman of the community service committee of the Point Pleasant Rotary Club.

Philip Sporn Plant

George Hoffman is one of West Virginia's better young farmers. He won second place in Star Crop Farming at the state convention of the Future Farmers of America. Active in the work for many years, he holds the state farmer degree, has served as chapter officer, and has won a number of awards and citations for his work. A 1965 graduate of Wahama High School he is currently farming in partnership with his father, Bernard Hoffman, conveyor operator at Sporn, on their 117-acre farm.

John Smith, maintenance department, has resigned.

Plant Man Gives Seventh Gallon

Richard S. Barton, equipment operator at Philip Sporn plant, joined the very exclusive "Seven Gallon Club" on June 28, 1965 as he made his latest donation of blood to the Red Cross Blood Mobile in Pomeroy, Ohio.



Mr. Barton

Richard gave his first blood donation in the late forties when the blood donation program first started in this area. He seldom misses giving blood every other month. "It is a matter of getting into a habit," he says about his notable achievement.

He was first employed at Philip Sporn plant in October, 1951 as a laborer. He later became coal handler, maintenance helper, and auxiliary equipment operator, and was promoted to his present position November 1, 1961. He is married and has one son and resides near Chester, Ohio.



Mr. Creasey

Percy Creasey, 76, Plant Retiree, Dies

Percy J. Creasey, who retired from Cabin Creek plant 11 years ago, died June 26 in Charleston. He was 76.

Mr. Creasey spent 33 years with Appalachian, starting out at Cabin Creek as a laborer in August 1920. When he retired in April 1954 he was turbine operator there. Since retirement he had lived in Chelyan.

Plant Tour



Seventeen students and two instructors from the advanced class in industrial electricity at Mayo Vocational School in Paintsville toured Big Sandy plant last month. Here some of the students observe closed circuit television and other delicate equipment in the instrument repair shop.

Work Simplification Ideas Show Increase For Year

Halfway through the year, the number of work simplification proposals processed is 55 per cent higher than for the same period last year. During May and June, 53 proposals were processed, bringing the year's total to 160.

Ideas during those two months provided solutions to a variety of problems. For example:

Vehicles leaving the parking lot in the rear of the Lynchburg office building downtown were exposed to a blind corner traffic hazard. A traffic mirror was installed to minimize the danger, as proposed by James Collins.

Contactors of a certain type on Clinch River's Unit 3 coal feeder controls were costly to maintain. Conversion to permit use of replace-

ment parts of a different manufacturer was designed and effected. T. E. Peay authored this idea.

Handles on sledge hammers used by line crews frequently showed damage. The reason was that the hammers were used to drive ground rods with a very small striking area. A protective collar welded to the hammer reduces this damage, and should result in significant annual dollar savings. The idea came from Charleston's T. K. Rhodes.

At Sporn plant, a surplus of pulverizer grinding balls had accumulated because certain sizes were no longer used as make-up. R. J. Cruickshank suggested a revision to the pulverizer scheduling program that will, over a period of six years, use up this surplus, which represents an investment of about \$24,000.

Employees submitting proposals during May and June were:

Bluefield division: C. B. Yearout, L. B. Lee (2), Glen Nash, J. A. Barns, Frederick L. Jones.

Charleston division: John M. Gates, Eloise D. Pierce, J. E. Vines (2), L. L. Small, M. C. Dwornick, Kathryn E. Wilkerson, T. K. Rhodes, Paris Hatcher.

Logan-Williamson: Junior Stanley, E. P. Hager.

Roanoke division: J. Lewis Ingram, J. A. Dunham (2), E. W. Holland, K. E. French.

Lynchburg division: James Collins, Robert H. Porter, J. O. Franklin, E. L. Sutor, R. C. Reynolds.

Pulaski division: M. T. Akers.

Clinch River plant: T. E. Peay, L. C. Houchins (2), Park Sutherland, Dorse E. Campbell, Robert L. Mitchell, Conrad M. Powers.

Kanawha River plant: C. L. Knight.

Philip Sporn plant: H. F. Wagonhals (2), D. C. Brown, Joe N. Sayre (3), Frank M. Ward, A. N. Howard, J. Hart, E. Gloss, R. J. Cruickshank.

System general: G. F. Murphy.

System accounting: H. Wayne Finch.

System operating: Bernard Mulens, Ralph McDaniels, Forrest W. Isley (2), C. O. Weise.

System transmission and distribution: J. A. Bostian.

Idea Standings

The 160 work simplification proposals processed by Appalachian during the first half of the year came from all over the system. Standings, by location, in terms of numerical contributions, are:

Divisions	Count
Roanoke	16
Charleston	15
Huntington	11
System Departments	11
Bluefield	10
Lynchburg	8
Pulaski	7
Logan-Williamson	3
Abingdon	3

Plants	Count
Clinch River	28
Cabin Creek	20
Philip Sporn	15
Glen Lyn	8
Kanawha River	5

G. E. Adams Dies After Long Illness

George Edward "Babe" Adams, Welch area supervisor, died July 18, after a lengthy illness.

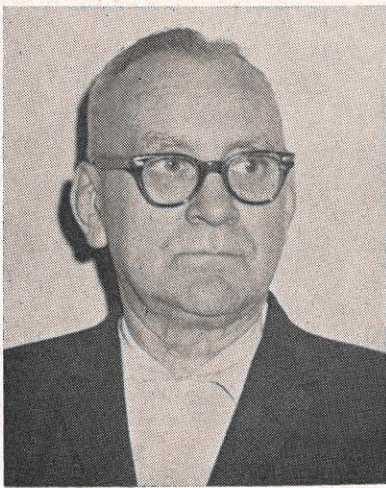
Mr. Adams joined the company in 1928. He has worked as a laborer, power engineer, serviceman, service foreman and local representative. He became area supervisor in 1953.

Born in Nashua, N. H., he was a graduate of Catholic University in Washington, D. C., and was a star athlete there.

He was past president of the Pocahontas Lions Club, was a former member of the Pocahontas Town Council, and a member of the Moose Lodge.

He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Mary Elizabeth Bucko Adams; two sons, George E. Adams, Jr., and Paul L. Adams; and a brother, Davis Adams.

The funeral was held at St. Peter's Catholic Church at Welch, West Virginia, on July 21 and interment was made at Woodlawn Cemetery near Bluefield, West Virginia.



Mr. Adams



Mr. Harris

Cabin Creek Man Retires July 1

Wilmer Lee Harris, boiler operator at Cabin Creek plant, retired July 1, 1965.

He was employed on September 30, 1933 as maintenance man helper. In 1944, he was promoted to boiler operator.

Mr. Harris was born in Spencer, West Virginia and likes hunting and fishing.

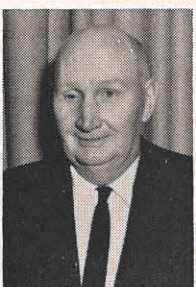
He and his wife, Lima Lenore, make their home in Cabin Creek, West Virginia.

Mr. Harris has no definite plans for retirement.

Service Anniversaries Noted



Hale Clemons
30 Years
Glen Lyn



C. W. Dobbins
30 Years
Glen Lyn



R. T. Fields
30 Years
Glen Lyn



M. G. Simmons
30 Years
Huntington



L. C. Angle
25 Years
Abingdon



E. T. Rowe
25 Years
Abingdon



Hardia Ellis
25 Years
Cabin Creek



C. M. Powers
25 Years
Clinch River



F. E. King
25 Years
System



C. L. Robison
25 Years
System



W. C. Mitchell
20 Years
Abingdon



W. K. Salisbury
20 Years
Ashland



J. R. Greear
20 Years
Bluefield



E. V. Glenn
20 Years
Charleston



Ray Stamper
20 Years
Clinch River



H. H. Reed
20 Years
Glen Lyn



J. R. Hoffman
20 Years
Huntington



L. G. Dougan
20 Years
Lynchburg



G. R. Gillette
20 Years
Lynchburg



L. G. Ramsey
20 Years
Lynchburg



F. P. Allison
20 Years
Pulaski



W. M. Gilmore
20 Years
Pulaski



R. M. Proffitt
20 Years
Pulaski



Beatrice Eakin
20 Years
Roanoke



Appalachian Power Company

Cabin Creek Plant

WILBUR N. MOSS from boiler operator D to boiler operator C; HOBERT D. MOORE from electrical maintenance helper to boiler operator D.

Charleston Division

WINIFREDE CREWEY from credit and collection clerk to general clerk, senior; JAMES C. KING from meter service helper A to meter serviceman C; EVERETT E. SPARR from meter service helper A to meter serviceman C; C. E. CARRICO from meter service helper A to meter serviceman C; E. D. WHITE from meter service helper A to meter serviceman C; JAMES E. YOUNG from station man helper A to stationman C; C. E. JONES from stationman helper A to stationman C; JAMES R. BRADLEY from lineman helper to lineman C; ORVAN E. HAMMON from lineman helper to lineman C.

Huntington Division

GLEN ARROWOOD, JR., from meter service helper A to meter serviceman C.

Logan-Williamson Division

C. F. BURCHETT from groundman to lineman C; GEORGE MATHIS from tracer to draftsman; ELEANOR W. CUNNINGHAM from secretarial stenographer to private secretary; LESTER TOLER from meter serviceman A to general serviceman; RALPH H. BRAGG from meter serviceman A to area serviceman; HOLMES CASSADY from meter serviceman B to meter serviceman A; W. W. CHAMBERS from meter serviceman B to meter serviceman A; H. S. JIMISON from meter serviceman B to meter serviceman A; R. C. ATKINS from meter serviceman B to meter serviceman A.

Roanoke Division

ORVILLE NAPIER from meter service helper to meter serviceman C.



H. E. Guilliams
20 Years
Roanoke



J. E. Hopkins
20 Years
Roanoke



W. G. Simpson
20 Years
Roanoke



H. M. Underwood
20 Years
Roanoke



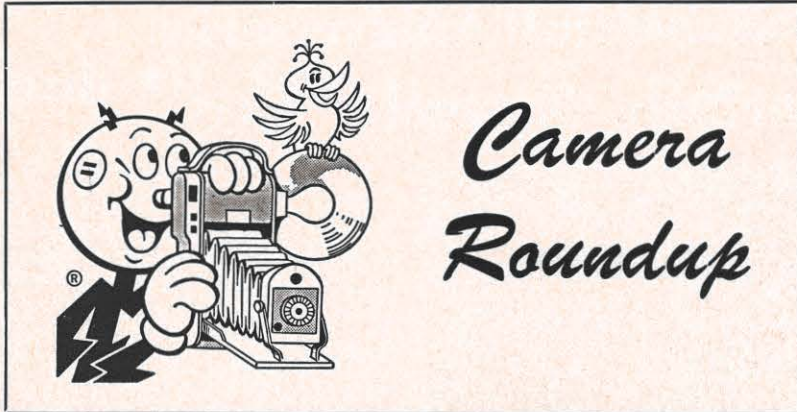
C. E. Ruble
20 Years
System

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.

Electric Current Consumed for Month of May, 1918			
1225	INDEX ON MAY	21	1918
1208	INDEX ON APR.	42	1918
17	DIFFERENCE	1 C. 17	(KWH)
5 Percent Discount if Paid on or before 10th Instant			6.66
Net Bill if Paid on or before 10th Instant			2.55
Our Method of Reading Meters Will Be Explained on Application.		Electric Balance	
OFFICE HOURS: 8:30 A. M. TO 5:30 P. M. 8:30 A. M. to 7 P. M. on 10th		Mdse. Balance	
		Total,	
TO APPALACHIAN POWER COMPANY DR.			
PAYABLE AT 491 PRINCETON AVENUE, BLUEFIELD, W. VA.			
PLEASE BRING THIS CARD WITH YOU			
Failure to Receive Bill Does Not Entitle Consumer to Discou			

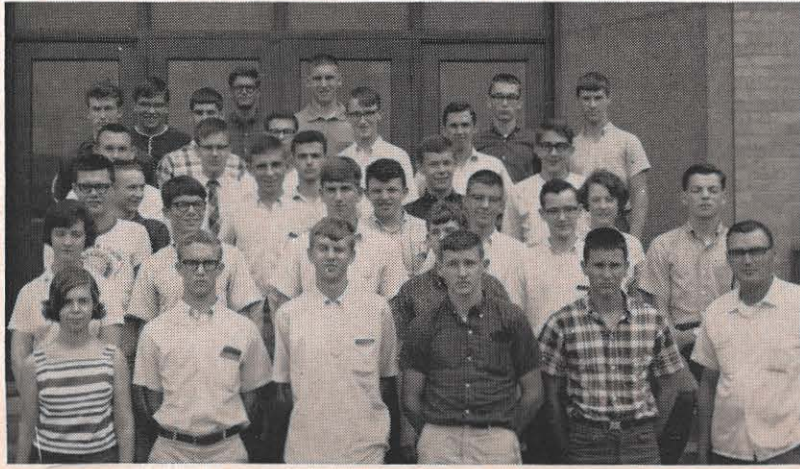
This old Appalachian Power Company bill was recently discovered in the attic of an old Bluefield home. The bill showed consumption of 17-kwh, and a total due of \$1.66. The rate was apparently 15-kwh for \$1.50 and two for eight cents each. The postmark on the back of the bill is May, 1918.



Ralph Jean, 13-year-old son of Sidney Jean, Charleston general serviceman, might well have been the only boy in the United States to own a temporarily living two-headed lizard. He found the curiosity near his home, but it lived for only a few hours. Until he acquired some formaldehyde to preserve it, Ralph kept the little fellow in the family freezer for safe keeping. (Daily Mail photo.)



J. C. Plunk, system hydro, partially hidden at right, explains the workings of the Leesville dam to a group of students from Lynchburg's E. C. Glass High School. This is a special group known as Science and Industry Academically Able Students, who spend each summer studying industry in the Lynchburg area and adapting what they see and learn to classroom study. The group also visited the system coordinating office in Roanoke and heard Edsel Johnson explain how the operations are controlled from there.



Recent visitors at Glen Lyn plant were these youngsters attending summer term at Virginia Polytechnic Institute. All have completed their junior year in high school, and were selected for the summer term by the National Science Foundation because of outstanding ability and high grades. Two VPI professors accompanied the group on the tour.



Where do Appalachian linemen come from? We grow them in the back yard. At least that may be what W. H. Lineberry of the Pearisburg crew is doing. This is Tom, his seven-year-old son, equipped with his father's hard hat, an improvised body and safety belt and a hammer. The pole? A stub that supports a clothes line.



Responding to many requests, Dave Broughton, Ashland division personnel supervisor, recently arranged to have safety become a family affair. He organized and taught an experimental class in mouth-to-mouth resuscitation for employees' wives, husbands, and children 10th grade and higher. Participants were asked to agree to attend at least six hours of instruction. The instructor reports a successful experiment and plans to organize additional classes in the fall.



A belated and three-dimensional Father's Day gift came to Point Pleasant's L. C. Bias from his daughter Tina. The message reads: "Mr. Goodbar, you're my smoothie; you and the other three musketeers of our power-house always have a big time goin' our milky way. Pay-day came too late for Father's Day—happy belated, forever yours, snickers." There are five kisses at the bottom.



Beckley's R. S. Brashear and his wife, living in retirement at Claytor Lake, have an unusual guest, who has apparently decided to stay. It's Brownie, a fawn who came out of the woods one day to visit. She has made friends with the family Dalmation, enjoys riding in boat and car, and likes best of all strawberries with rose buds thrown in. Mrs. Brashear, above, with Brownie, says that if she were younger, she'd teach Brownie to water ski.



It was 30 years ago that cloudbursts and a flood on the New River knocked Glen Lyn plant out of service for a month. This shows what the plant was like after the flood had passed. To clean ashes and debris out of the plant, it was necessary to hire 300 temporary employees, and it was three months before the plant and plant area were restored to normal conditions. The Monroe Watchman recalled the flood in a recent issue, and prompted Glen Lyn's Ed Jones to send this photograph.



Where you have street widenings, there you have pole relocations. There is a lot of this work going on in Charleston, of which this photograph shows some. The construction of Interstate 64 requires relocating 128 poles in and around Dunbar. This picture was made of the 7th Avenue work in Charleston. (Daily Mail photo.)

July Occasion For Service Anniversaries For Nine Appalachian, Kentucky Men

Nine men have celebrated long service anniversaries with our companies, including four with 40 years' service and five with 35. They represent five Appalachian divisions and one in Kentucky.

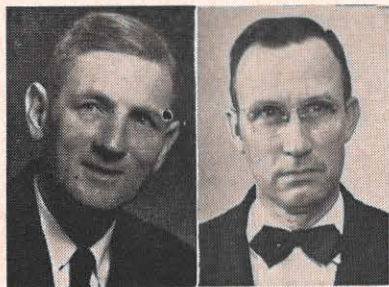
The 40 year men are C. W. Johnson, Bluefield; T. E. Reed, Charleston; J. W. McCarthy, Lynchburg, and A. P. Jones, Pulaski. Marking 35 years were G. C. Branson, Hazard; Boyd Thompson, Huntington; Charles Burchett, Logan-Williamson, and J. H. Haley and E. V. Proehl, both of Lynchburg.

Mr. Johnson

Mr. Johnson is meter service engineer for the Bluefield division. A North Carolinian, he was employed in July 1925 in Bluefield as a meter helper, and has spent 40 years in that department as meter tester, meterman, working foreman, acting district meter superintendent, district meter supervisor and moved to his present job in November 1959. Mr. Johnson is a member of the Pocahontas Electrical and Mining Institute, and a past master in the Masons. Appropriately enough for a man who has worked with delicate instruments for 40 years, his hobby is watch repairing. He and his wife have a son and two granddaughters, and they attend Trinity Methodist Church in Bluefield.



Mr. Johnson



Mr. Jones Mr. Branson

ment as complaint adjuster. Subsequently he worked as clerk and credit supervisor before his promotion in 1946 to his present post of assistant local office manager. Mr. McCarthy is married and is the father of two children. His hobbies are hunting, fishing, gardening, wood-working, and sports.

Mr. Jones

Mr. Jones, area supervisor in the Christiansburg office, started out in 1925 working on construction of the early transmission lines that crossed the Bluefield, Pulaski, and Roanoke divisions. He worked in the extra gang as lineman, and moved to the local crew in Christiansburg about 1929. In 1937 he was promoted to line foreman. He is active in civic affairs in Christiansburg; he has served on the Christiansburg town council, the Christiansburg planning board, and the Montgomery County board of supervisors. He is also a Rotarian and a Mason.

Mr. Branson

In 1930 G. C. Branson went to work for Kentucky Power in Hazard as a temporary paint clerk. Three years later he was promoted to NRA code plant clerk, and moved up to storekeeper in 1936. In 1940 he was promoted to division stores supervisor, which job he now holds. He has been active in civic and church work for many years. He and his wife, the parents of four daughters, make their home in Lothair.

Mr. Thompson

Huntington's Boyd Thompson started out in 1930 in the line department there, and is now a groundman. Married, Mr. Thompson lists gardening and fox hunting as his hobbies.



Mr. Thompson Mr. Burchett

Mr. Burchett

When the Logan-Williamson division recently received the AEP 500,000 Manhour Certificate of Safety, the man selected to represent all employees in accepting the award was Charles Burchett, area serviceman in the division's Kermit area. He started out in 1930, with some broken service before that date, and has worked as groundman and lineman. In August 1954 he was promoted to area serviceman. During his 35 years of service he has never had a disabling injury, one of the reasons he was selected to receive the division's award. He was born in Louisa, Kentucky, and lives now in Kermit, where he is active in civic matters.

Mr. Proehl

A stationman in the Lynchburg division, Mr. Proehl started out as a groundman 35 years ago. He moved from the line department in 1934, working as transformer maintenance man and storeroom helper. Later he worked as maintenance man, and was promoted in 1953 to his present position. He and his wife are the parents of three children. Mr. Proehl is active in the Beulah Baptist Church, serving as deacon and Sunday School teacher.



Mr. Proehl Mr. Haley

Mr. Haley

Mr. Haley, customer service representative in Lynchburg, started out there in 1930 as serviceman. He worked later as appliance serviceman, and moved into his present post in 1958. He is a qualified Red Cross first aid instructor, and has conducted innumerable classes in Lynchburg and the surrounding area. Mr. Haley is also active in the Methodist church, and has served as lay speaker and Sunday School teacher.



Mr. Loving Mr. Trawick

Two Contribute To Operating Ideas

A plant man and a division man were Appalachian's contributors to the July-August issue of *AEP Operating Ideas*.

The plant man was A. J. Trawick, test engineer at Glen Lyn. He described the design, installation, and operation of an overflow structure with an improved skimmer to keep floating and unsettled fly ash from being carried out to the river and causing contamination. The skimmer is movable over a continuous range by one man. Cost of the improvement was \$40 in materials and 32 manhours of labor. The Service Corporation materials handling section is adopting this design of adjustable skimmer and overflow structure for current and future ash pond installations.

J. R. Loving, Jr., Roanoke division meterman, reported an improved method he developed of checking the operation of contact or impulse-operated devices, such as used with demand meters. He installed two small replaceable neon lamps, readily visible, but rugged enough to withstand over-voltage. They replace the old incandescent lamps used for many years.



Down where the tall corn grows, they use a radio to frighten crows. The man who did it is certainly bright; here he is: he's Arlie Wright.

Wright Solves Problem Of Crows The Modern Way

Arlie Wright, Pikeville auto repairman, has had a garden for many years, and for many years he has had a problem with it. This year he still has the garden but the problem has flown.

It seems that in other years he never got much corn because the crows somehow knew before Arlie just when it was ripe for picking.

This year Arlie decided to try something different. Other measures, such as scarecrows, a dead crow tied to a pole in the patch, and shotgun blasts, failed to keep his crop intact. This year he enlisted science.

He put a small radio in a watertight metal box, and put the box in the middle of the corn field. Then he pre-set the radio to a local station, and rigged a timer set to come on at 6 a. m. and to go off at 6 p. m. An extension cord to his nearby barn provided electricity. Beginning to get the picture?

Don't laugh. Arlie's neighbors did, but Arlie has fresh corn for dinner and more in the freezer. The radio plays softly all day long and the crows have to look elsewhere. In fact they have moved to the neighbors' gardens.

This Scare Crows Away Better

Electrically scheme does have certain drawbacks, however. One neighbor has a garden next to Arlie's. This neighbor went out one day recently to work it, and after some while his wife came to see how he was doing and to bring him a glass of water. Her husband was nowhere to be found, and since he had been gone longer than usual, she became worried. She enlisted Arlie's help, and the two found her husband, stretched out in the shade of Arlie's cornfield, listening to a ball game on the radio.

Two Youths Join Ranks of All Stars

Selected as all-stars to represent the Lebanon Little League in the District I tournament were Ronnie Wentz and Ricky Thompson, sons of Clinch River plant employees.

Mason Vaughan, chemist at the plant, was named one of the two team managers of the all stars.

J. B. Kline Dies In Huntington

J. B. Kline, meterman in the Huntington division, died suddenly at his home July 10. He was 57.

Mr. Kline joined Appalachian in September 1944 as meter helper and spent his entire career in the meter department in Huntington.

He was born and made his home in Milton. A former City Councilman there, he was past master of the Milton Masonic Lodge, and was secretary at the time of his death. He also was a past president of the Milton Lions Club, attended the Milton Baptist Church where he held the office of treasurer.

Mr. Kline attended West Virginia University where he studied engineering and also attended Marshall University.



Mr. Reeves

William J. Reeves Retires At Glen Lyn

William J. Reeves, shift operating engineer at the Glen Lyn plant retired July 31, 1965 after completing 36 years of service with the company.

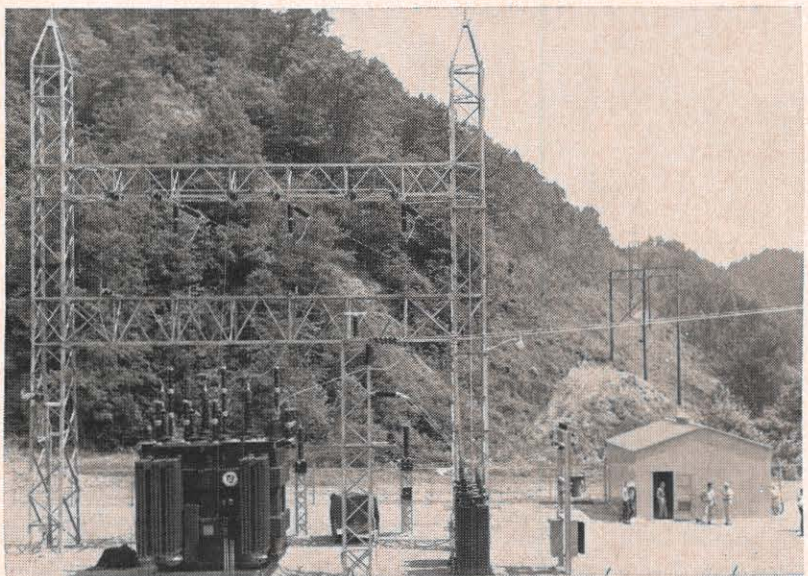
Mr. Reeves is a native of Smith County, Virginia and was employed by the company on August 3, 1929 at Glen Lyn. He worked as a laborer, mechanic, assistant boiler room foreman, shift supervisor and shift operating engineer during his employment.

Mr. Reeves resides at Glen Lyn and is a brother of retired employee Ambrose W. Reeves.



Mr. Kline

Dorton Energized



Kentucky Power's new 138/46-kv station at Dorton was energized last month. It is tapped on to the Clinch River-Beaver Creek line, and opens a separate 46-kv feed into the area to provide anticipated increases in demand in the Pikeville division.

Paul Keys Heads Boonsboro Jaycees

Paul E. Keys T&D clerk at Lynchburg, has been elected president of the Boonsboro Junior Chamber of Commerce.



Mr. Keys

He is a charter member of the organization, served last year on the board of directors, and recently earned the chapter's Spoke award for outstanding service.

He joined Appalachian five years ago as messenger, and moved to the T&D department in 1961. Mr. Keys served in the army, and is married.

Youth Shows Quick Thinking In Rescue Work

Presence of mind and an extra bit of knowledge rare in 16-year-olds saved a man from possible death recently.

The 16-year-old is Danny Hughes, stepson of Kenneth Lowe, system accounting in Roanoke. It happened that one day he was closing up the Brookside Golf Course, where he was working. About the same time, another employee, a man in his sixties, somehow fell off a tractor he was operating, and was being dragged by his leg toward a fence and the highway beyond. Danny immediately ran for the tractor, shouting for help. With acute presence of mind he jumped on the moving tractor and cut the engine. He and another youth then lifted the tractor off the injured man with a remarkable burst of strength, and called a life-saving crew. When the crew arrived he directed them to one hospital because he knew that another had no staff on duty at that time.

The man suffered serious injuries, but will recover, thanks to Danny Hughes.



His first place trophies riding the hood, Lloyd Beckett sits in his Chevrolet Super-Sport, which he uses for drag racing.

Dragger Has Proof Of His "Get Up And Go"

Drag racing is one sport that can be dangerous if it is done on neighborhood streets and county roads after dark.

One who subscribes to the practice that that kind of drag racing is wrong, but that dragging can be fun if it is properly controlled, is Lloyd Beckett of Roanoke.

Lloyd, a member of the office services division of system accounting, is a familiar figure at the Roanoke Drag Strip, where, on bright Sunday afternoons, people meet in competition for drag racing trophies.

Lloyd has two of those trophies, the first place kind, this season's competition. He won them in the E Stock Class. He owns a 1965 Super-Sport Chevrolet with a 327-inch, 300 horsepower motor and four-speed transmission. It is just like a model a person can buy off the showroom floor, except that when he is drag racing Lloyd switches to "racing slick" tires and to a heavier mixture of gasoline.

Describing dragging as exciting and always providing something new, Lloyd also says that he likes it because it is done at a regulation

track under strict rules.

Most drag strips are a half mile in length, the first quarter for dragging and the second quarter for stopping. The cars are divided into classes according to weight and horsepower. When a flagman or a signal light gives the go sign, the cars are timed by two measurements—elapsed time and speed. The lowest elapsed time wins.

Lloyd's best this year is an elapsed time of 15.09 seconds and a speed of 94.53 miles per hour—from a standing start over a quarter mile distance.



Big Catch

Terry Johnston went fishing the other day, and brought back this nine-pound smallmouth bass, caught in McKenzie Lake. Terry, 15, is the son of L. K. Johnston, unit foreman at Glen Lyn.



Big Bass

New River gave up these fine bass to J. C. Weatherly recently. Auxiliary equipment operator at Glen Lyn plant, Mr. Weatherly is particularly proud of the large one, weighing in at 6½ pounds.

Bevins Promoted To Supervisor Post

Ernest L. Bevins has been promoted to customer accounts supervisor at Logan, moving from the position of utility clerk. The promotion was effective July 1.



Mr. Bevins

Mr. Bevins was employed in October, 1946 as a meter reader in Williamson. He was later promoted to senior meter reader, collector, and to personnel clerk in 1953. On November 1, 1954 he was named assistant credit supervisor and held this position until his promotion and transfer to Logan on April 20, 1959 as utility clerk.

A graduate of Belfry, Kentucky High School, he has attended Marshall University. From December 1942 to December 1945 he served in the Signal Corps of the U. S. Army.

Mr. Bevins is a member of the Board of Deacons and Church Treasurer of the First Presbyterian Church, Logan, and sings in the Chancel Choir. He and his wife Ilene have two sons, Gene and Larry. Mr. Bevins has been active in the Logan Civic Little League program for several years, as well as in the Boy Scout movement.

Rotary Club Elects Coonie Spangler

Charles L. "Coonie" Spangler, safety supervisor at the Glen Lyn plant, has been elected president of the Peterstown Rotary Club for the coming year.



Mr. Spangler

Mr. Spangler is very active in community and church affairs. He is a past Worshipful Master of the John Dove Masonic Lodge of Peterstown, a member of the Board of Deacons of the Peterstown Baptist Church and superintendent of the Intermediate Department of the Baptist Sunday School. He is also finance chairman of the Peterstown Grade School P.T.A.

Mr. Spangler served from 1943 to 1946 in the U. S. Navy. He resides at Peterstown, W. Va. with his wife, son and daughter. He is the son of retired employee, Fred D. Spangler.



This trim little tractor was the work of Tom Skelton and his son, Gary, who built it from auto and farm machinery parts.

There's A New Tractor At The Skeltons; Tom And Gary Built It Themselves

Tom and Gary Skelton, father and son, now have a tractor that will do up to 30 miles an hour, is

fitted for farm work attachments, and cuts grass.

And it cost less than \$50.

That's because Tom, Glen Lyn plant maintenance man, and his son Gary, who is six, built the tractor themselves.

There's quite a bit of automotive history in the tractor: a 1952 Studebaker differential cut down to 42 inches; a 1936 Plymouth transmission; a 9 hp Briggs and Stratton engine salvaged from a refrigerator-trailer; a steering wheel from a Farm All Cub; the steering sector of a 1949 Chevrolet; and a seat from a discarded hay rake.

All other steering and front wheel assembly was hand-made. The top of the hood was made from an old refrigerator door, the grill from a stainless steel screen door, and other hood parts were hand-made. It has hydraulic brakes with single wheel brakes for short turns.

Putting all this together in a neat, stylish tractor, the Skeltons then began to look around for work for it to do. The first thing they thought of was the grass. Rebuilding three old hand mowers, they attached them to the tractor in a three-gang assembly to make grass cutting a simple chore.

A little ingenuity, an eye for spare parts, and not very much money have made Tom and Gary Skelton the envy of their neighborhood.

Good Golf And Bad



Fifty-one employees took part in the annual Charleston division golf tournament at the Hidden Valley Country Club in Point Pleasant this year. Those receiving awards were, front row from left: J. C. Hansbarger, least putts (27); J. D. Porter; Jerry Carroll, runner-up low net (69); Norris Belcher, most birdies (2); Joe Stanley; W. D. James, most putts (49). Back row from

left: Paul Parsons, low gross (84); Haskel Jones, low net (68); Jim Smolder, most lost balls; Jim Webb, high gross, par 3 holes (25); Bill Canaday; C. W. Lovell, runner-up, low gross (85); Jim Lowery, low gross, par 3 holes (14); Keith Thomas. Three players tied for most pars, front nine, and two players tied for most pars, back nine.



Mr. Helm



Mr. McGinnis



Mr. Wood



Mr. Wright

Five Promotions Announced In Charleston Commercial

Five promotions in the Charleston division commercial department were announced last month, all effective August 1.

H. H. Hutcheson was named to division residential and rural sales supervisor, succeeding the late John T. Shriver. Replacing Mr. Hutcheson, division commercial and industrial sales supervisor is Fred O. Helm, area superintendent at Beckley.

Mr. Helm's place is filled by J. R. McGinnis, who moves from area superintendent in Montgomery. Mason Wood, area supervisor at Oak Hill, succeeds Mr. McGinnis, and John M. Wright, commercial sales engineer in Charleston, was promoted to area supervisor at Oak Hill.

Mr. Hutcheson has been employed by Appalachian since April, 1938, when he went to work as appraisal engineer in Roanoke T&D engineering. In 1948 he moved to Bluefield, where he worked in several capacities in the commercial department until his promotion to power sales engineer at Beckley. In 1959 he came to Charleston as division heating and builder sales section leader, and became division commercial and industrial sales supervisor in July, 1962. A native of Lewisburg, W. Va., he attended Roanoke Business College. He is a World War II veteran, is married, and has two sons. He is active in Boy Scout work, is a member of the Elks and American Legion and past



Mr. Hutcheson

president of the Bluefield Chamber of Commerce. Hunting and fishing are his hobbies.

Mr. Helm, a native of Beckley, has been in his present position there since March, 1964. Since he came to Appalachian in 1949 as an engineer trainee at Beckley, he has worked in the Charleston area and was area superintendent at St. Albans before returning to Beckley.

VPI Man

Mr. Helm is a graduate of Virginia Polytechnic Institute and has a BS degree in electrical engineering. He served in the Navy during World War II. He is married, and is the father of a son and a daughter. He is a deacon in the First Baptist Church of Beckley and serves as a soloist in the adult choir. He is a registered professional engineer, and a member of the Society of Professional Engineers, the New River and Winding Gulf Institute, the Eta Kappa Nu Fraternity, the Lions, and Elks Club. He lists radio, electronics, model building and the Elks Choraleers as his hobbies.

Started In 1951

Mr. McGinnis began his employment with the company in 1951 as an engineer trainee, in Charleston and in 1952 became district engineer. He was promoted to area supervisor at Montgomery in 1958. Music, sports and art are his interests. He is a Navy veteran of World War II and holds a BS degree in electrical engineering from West Virginia University. He is married, and has one daughter and one son. He is a member of the Montgomery Methodist Church, is past president of the Montgomery Lions Club and formerly on the board of directors of the Montgomery Chamber of Commerce. He is also a member of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers.

Navy Veteran

Mr. Wood is also a Navy veteran of World War II, and also holds a BS degree in electrical engineering from West Virginia University. He joined the company in 1955 as a power sales engineer in Beckley. He worked in several capacities in the commercial department at Charleston and Beckley before being promoted to area supervisor in Rainelle in 1961. He moved to Oak Hill in 1963 in the same capacity. Married, and the father of three sons, he is active in Boy Scout and PTA work, and holds membership in the Oak Hill Rotary Club, the AIEE, the IAEI, the West Virginia Society of Professional Engineers, the New River and Winding Gulf Institute, of which he is secretary, and to the Elks Club. He is a registered professional engineer.

Mr. Wright, a native West Virginian, received his BS degree in electrical engineering from West Virginia Institute of Technology. He came to work for Appalachian in 1958 as an electrical engineer in the T&D department and was transferred to the commercial department as commercial sales engineer in 1962. He is married. His hobbies are music, bowling and spectator sports.

Gibbs To Lead New Haven Lions

William C. Gibbs, instrument maintenance man at Philip Sporn plant was elected president of the New Haven Lions Club in a recent election. He has been active in Lions Club work for several years.

Mr. Gibbs spent two years in the U. S. Navy as a gunner and was first employed at Philip Sporn plant as a laborer June 19, 1951. He worked later as coal handler, tractor operator, auxiliary equipment operator, and results helper, and was promoted to his present position of instrument maintenance man June 7, 1961.

He is married and has one daughter and resides in New Haven, W. Va.



Mr. Gibbs

Samuel Hill, 75, Plant Retiree, Dies



Mr. Hill

Samuel Hill, 75, retired employee of the Glen Lyn plant, died at his home on July 12, 1965.

A native of Summers County, W. Va., Mr. Hill attended public schools in that county and became associated with the company in July 1919, when Glen Lyn's first unit started operation.

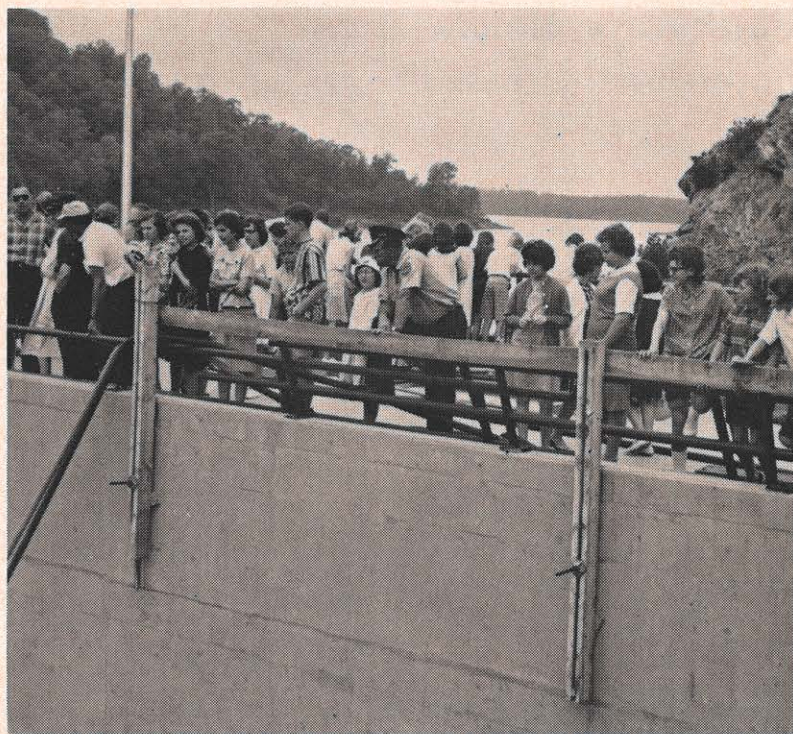
Mr. Hill retired on July 1, 1954 after completing 35 years of continuous service. Since his retirement he had spent most of his spare time gardening and had gained the reputation of being one of the best gardeners in the area.

Mr. Hill resided at Glen Lyn with his wife the former Miss Lula Johnston. They are the parents of four sons and two daughters.

Lynchburg Award



The first building in Lynchburg to qualify for the All Electric Building Award is the new Pearson Drug Store, and the plaque signifying the fact was being presented when this picture was made. W. S. White Jr., Lynchburg division manager, left, and Dr. N. H. Pearson, owner of the store, perform the ceremony. The store, 4,800 square feet, has a heat pump, supplemental heat, and unit heaters, and a connected load of 237-kw, including heating and cooling, water heating, lighting, refrigeration, and cooking.



Prince Thornton, left, describes the Smith Mountain dam and its purpose, to 4-H youngsters, typical of the many groups in the area which have visited the dam.

Six Bluefields

Dam Construction Draws Crowds

Smith Mountain means fishing to many, boating to some, a lake-front home to others, and a source of electric power to all. Yet it has been proved that the structure itself is an object of major curiosity to thousands and thousands of persons.

A visitor greeting program was started at the Smith Mountain dam in March 1961, and every Sunday since then, except in the worst weather, an Appalachian representative has been on hand to answer questions, distribute a folder about the project, and to count heads. From that first day up to last month, about 153,000 persons—or about the equivalent of six Bluefields—have visited the site on Sundays. For safety considerations, visitors stop at the gate house where they have a full view of the structure rising in the gorge. The number of visitors has varied from 20, on a snowy, cold day, to more than 1,200 on a day when the weather is pleasant. October 1963 is the peak month so far; that month saw 6,023 visitors. The heaviest year, in terms of visitor traffic, was 1963, when there were 53,139 visitors.

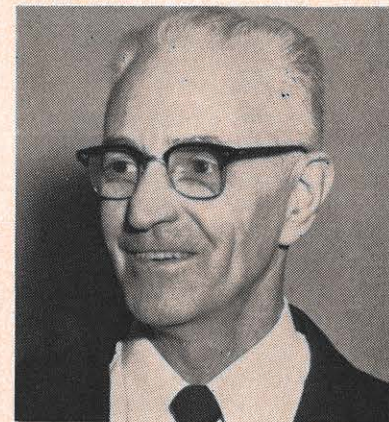
Groups visiting the dam on other occasions have ranged from professional engineering societies to Cub Scouts, and include such diverse organizations as the Roanoke River Basin Association, Sunday School classes, home demonstration clubs, Chambers of Commerce, civic clubs, and Appalachian employees.

One such group, the Bedford Coast Guard Auxiliary, chose the water route rather than roads, and swept downstream in a flotilla of boats, tied up on the upstream side of the dam, and the personnel climbed the rock slope of Smith Mountain to the top of the structure.

There has also been a remarkable public use of the Leesville picnic area, just downstream from the Leesville Dam. This is the facility built by Appalachian for the public use, and is equipped with a 60-by 30-foot roofed pavilion, charcoal fireplaces, concrete picnic tables, paved parking areas, drinking fountains and toilets. The entire area is landscaped, and slopes down to the Leesville lake.

It was opened just a year ago, and remained open until the end of November. In that time nearly 17,000 persons made use of the area. Through July 4 of this season, that mark has already been erased, when 17,678 persons had been counted. On May 30, when the Altavista Lions Club staged a water show in the lake, 3,000 persons jammed the area as spectators.

A similar picnic area as well as a visitors' overlook and information center are planned for the Smith Mountain when construction is completed.



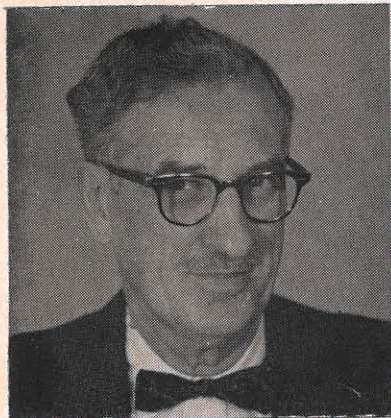
Mr. Fracker

Death Claims Roanoke Retiree

Benjamin C. Fracker, who retired in 1957 as senior draftsman in the Roanoke district, died July 14. At the time of his retirement he had worked 39 years for the company.

He moved to Roanoke from Ohio in 1910, and started work with Appalachian in February 1918 in the engineering department. He was hired by Graham Claytor, retired director and vice president of the American Electric Power Company. At the time Mr. Fracker was the department's third employee.

Mr. Fracker is survived by his widow, a son, and a daughter. Funeral services were held July 20, and burial took place in Roanoke's Sherwood Abbey.



Mr. Cole

Ray H. Cole Dies In Sleep At Home

Ray H. Cole, retired Charleston transportation supervisor, died at his home in his sleep July 17. Mr. Cole, 65, retired in 1963 after 31 years' service with the company.

A native of Dundee, Kentucky, he attended Berea College, and joined Appalachian in 1932. He lived at 932 Ridgemont Road.

He was a member of the First Presbyterian Church, MacCorkle Bible Class, Dunbar Masonic Lodge, Scottish Rite Bodies, Beni Kedem Shrine, and past patron of Tiskelwah Chapter 45, Order of the Eastern Star.

He is survived by his widow, Irene, three daughters, four grandchildren and two brothers.

Services were conducted July 19 at the First Presbyterian Church in Charleston, and burial was in Mountain View Cemetery. Funeral Home was in charge of arrangements.