

"The excellent economic climate will reflect itself in a new all-time high for operating revenues."

Donald C. Cook

# The Illuminator

Have a good trip home. See you next year in Wheeling.

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## Future Is Theme Of 1965 AEP Management Meeting

### Speakers Discuss System's Prospects For New Growth

A good hard look into the future—where we're going—was the underlying theme for the 18th annual American Electric Power System Management Meeting in Roanoke this week.

President Donald C. Cook set the pace in his opening message and speakers who followed throughout the four-day session carried on, telling of our prospects and plans in generation, transmission, distribution, system operation, area development, public relations and the sale of our product.

It was the longest meeting in the 19-year history of the annual event and the first to incorporate an extensive field

### Cook Projects Record Earnings

In his state-of-the-company message, President Cook predicted earnings per share of \$1.78 for American Electric Power common stock by the end of 1965. This compares with \$1.66 last year—a penny-a-month gain in the interim.

Total earnings for the year are expected to reach \$80.2-million, an increase of 6.9%. These would come from operating revenues of \$443-million, a gain of 5.8% over last year.

trip (to the Smith Mountain Development) in its program.

President Cook's opening address to the 315 management members seemed to underline the validity of the yardstick of electric power sales as a measure of the economy of the seven-state area served by the AEP System and perhaps of the United States as a whole.

#### Notable Growth

He drew a parallel between AEP's 1965 electric power sales to industrial and commercial customers and the favorable economic conditions being experienced throughout the nation. "The AEP System's growth is notable," he said, "not only because of the significant increases in new power loads but because of the wide variety and dispersion of these loads across the System."

He pointed out that unemployment levels throughout the System were "as low as at any time within the last 10 or more years," and indicated that, in some cases, the available supply of labor—particularly skilled personnel—was so limited that "our area development



Appalachian Power Company's Smith Mountain Project, on the Roanoke river 45 miles southeast of Roanoke, was visited by approximately 300 management personnel Wednesday, November 10. The trip, made in nine chartered buses, included a tour of the powerhouse, where the upper dam's four generating units are located, an over-all view from the proposed overlook area, and a stop at the Haleford Bridge 12 river miles

upstream. The pumped-storage and hydroelectric development's Leesville dam (the lower dam), not visited, is located approximately 17 miles downstream from the main dam. The lower dam has been in operation since the spring of 1964; the upper dam's four units are expected in service before the end of the year.

people are experiencing some difficulty in bringing new companies into certain parts of our territory." He added that the creation or expansion of trade and technical schools would help to alleviate this condition.

#### Industrial Sales

Cook told his audience that sales of energy to industry in 1965 were expected to total almost 22-billion kilowatt-hours—an increase of about 8.5% over 1964 and well above the compound growth rate of 7% experienced over the past 10 years. Commercial sales, he continued, were expected to go up even more this year, reaching perhaps 8.6% or slightly above the decade's pattern of 8.5%.

In the residential sales field,

Cook forecast that the average home served by AEP System companies would use 5,475 kwh in 1965. This compares with 5,188 kwh used in 1964, which in turn was substantially higher than the national average of 4,416 kwh among all investor-owned utilities.

#### New Construction

Cook also revealed that "very nearly 50% of the new homes and apartments constructed on the System this year are electrically heated" and that all-electric new home installations were running about 29% ahead of 1964.

Cook cited air conditioning particularly as important to the AEP System's growth in the immediate future. He estimated that it represented close to 10% of the System

peak load of 6,863,000 kilowatts established last August.

Relating the various categories of AEP System sales to the nation's general economic health, Cook pointed to "continued economic expansion throughout the coming year.

#### Expanding Economy

"In its 57th straight month of continuous expansion," Cook said, "the economy continues to perform at a remarkably high level with every indication of further increases in the remainder of this year and in 1966 as well. It is estimated that the 1965 gross national product will be approximately \$670-billion or 6.5% higher than in 1964. I believe that the 1966 gross national product will increase by almost another 6% to be-

tween \$705 and \$710-billion.

"However," he cautioned, "this increase will probably not occur uniformly. The steel inventory liquidation during the current quarter and the increased social security taxes, beginning in January, will have a dampening effect on the flow of funds into the economy and on the level of industrial production. Hopefully, however, individual industry readjustments will moderate."

The AEP president mentioned the "extremely high level" of private investment in plant and equipment—now estimated at \$50.9-billion or an amazing 14% better than 1964—as well as the government's expenditures for national defense as to principal factors in the optimism for 1966.

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## It DOES Cost Less

Since each employee is a salesman, the results of Appalachian's "Total Electric Living Costs Less Than You Guess" contest can help to provide a valuable sales tool.

Hundreds and hundreds of the customers who entered the contest over-estimated the average monthly electric service bill of the home described in the contest advertisements. The actual cost of electric heat and 10 other uses of electricity came to less than \$25.00 per month. This demonstrates the theme of the contest: electric living does cost less than the public thinks it does.

Surely this demonstration will go a long way towards demolishing the widely-held and erroneous notion that electric heat costs too much. Employees can make good use of this point in their own circle of friends: electric living *does* cost less.

The other side of the picture is that hundreds of other contestants came reasonably close in their estimates of the home's electric service bill, showing that our message is falling on receptive ears.

The market for electric living is here: it's everyone's job to work for more sales.

## How To Be A Minute Miser

Once there was a man, who, in his lifetime:

- finished college in less than three years
- studied law and was admitted to the bar at 24
- designed one of the nation's leading universities and the capitol building of his state
- originated the decimal system for U. S. money
- introduced crop rotation and terracing to the U. S.
- seriously studied natural history, Latin, Greek, Italian, French, German, Anglo-Saxon, mathematics, history, geography, civics, economics, and philosophy
- was state legislator, governor, minister to France, secretary of state, vice president, President of the United States for two terms
- created public school system in his state
- became president of a university
- established U. S. Military Academy, designed uniforms cadets still wear
- wrote rules of parliamentary procedure under which Senate still operates
- fought for the government that made U. S. a democratic republic, not one ruled by aristocracy
- designed, built his own house; played violin, rode horses well, was father of six children.

Yet this man, Thomas Jefferson, had in each of his days the same 24 hours we have in each of ours.

While we can't plan to match Jefferson's accomplishments, we do know there are ways of saving some of those 1,440 brand new minutes given us each day.

Minute misers suggest studying our daily routine, questioning the use of our time.

For instance, can we save minutes by getting up when we open our eyes instead of lingering in bed? Can we combine some of our morning routines?

Do we plan each day's work? Do we know what we want to accomplish?

Do we always have something to do when we get unexpected spare minutes, as when we are waiting for someone?

The experts tell us to chart our use of time for a week. Those who have done it are surprised at the minutes they save. We might be able to join the minute misers and add profitable hours to each day.

## First of Two

# Cardinal Chimney, World's Tallest, Topped Off

The world's tallest chimney, a towering 826-footer at the new Cardinal plant in Ohio, has now reached its full height.

It is the first of two identical concrete stacks that will serve Ohio's largest power generating station, located on the Ohio River at Brilliant. The 1,230,000-kilowatt plant is being built by Ohio Power Company and Buckeye Power, Inc., the latter representing the state's 30 rural electric cooperatives.

Workmen of the Custodis Construction Company, of Chicago, have "topped out" the first chimney and are continuing work on the second, now at the 555-foot level.

The two stacks, at 826 feet above grade, will be half again as tall as the 555-foot Washington Monument; 118 feet higher than Ohio's loftiest skyscraper, the 708-foot Terminal Tower in Cleveland; and within 158 feet of the top of the Eiffel Tower in Paris.

Construction of the first stack, started in June 1964, required 51 weeks of working time. The work crew ranged from 12 to 18 men.

Everything about the two stacks is on a grand scale. For example, each one:

- Has an outside diameter of 64 feet at the base and 25 feet at the top;
- Has a wall 30 inches thick at the base and eight inches at the top;
- Will require 5,475 cubic yards of concrete and 414 tons of reinforcing steel;
- Will have a total weight of 11,120 tons, not including the steel lining or floor loadings.

The chimney column was constructed in 110 sections. Concrete was poured into steel sectional forms measuring seven-and-a-half feet in height, then allowed to set before pouring moved to the next level. The base section required 130 cubic yards of concrete; the final section, 14½ yards.

Next step will be the installation of a steel liner inside the chimney, extending from a point 42 feet above the foundation to the top of the stack. Seven interior platforms will permit inspection of the liner and an access ladder with safety cage will extend from a point 80 feet above the foundation to the top inner platform.

An exterior platform also has been installed 10 feet below the top of the chimney, reached by an access door from the inside. This will permit the inspection and service of safety lighting atop the stack.

The \$125-million Cardinal Plant's first 615,000-kw generating unit is scheduled for commercial operation in about a year; the second unit, in mid-1967.

## Pineville Rotary

### Elects Farley

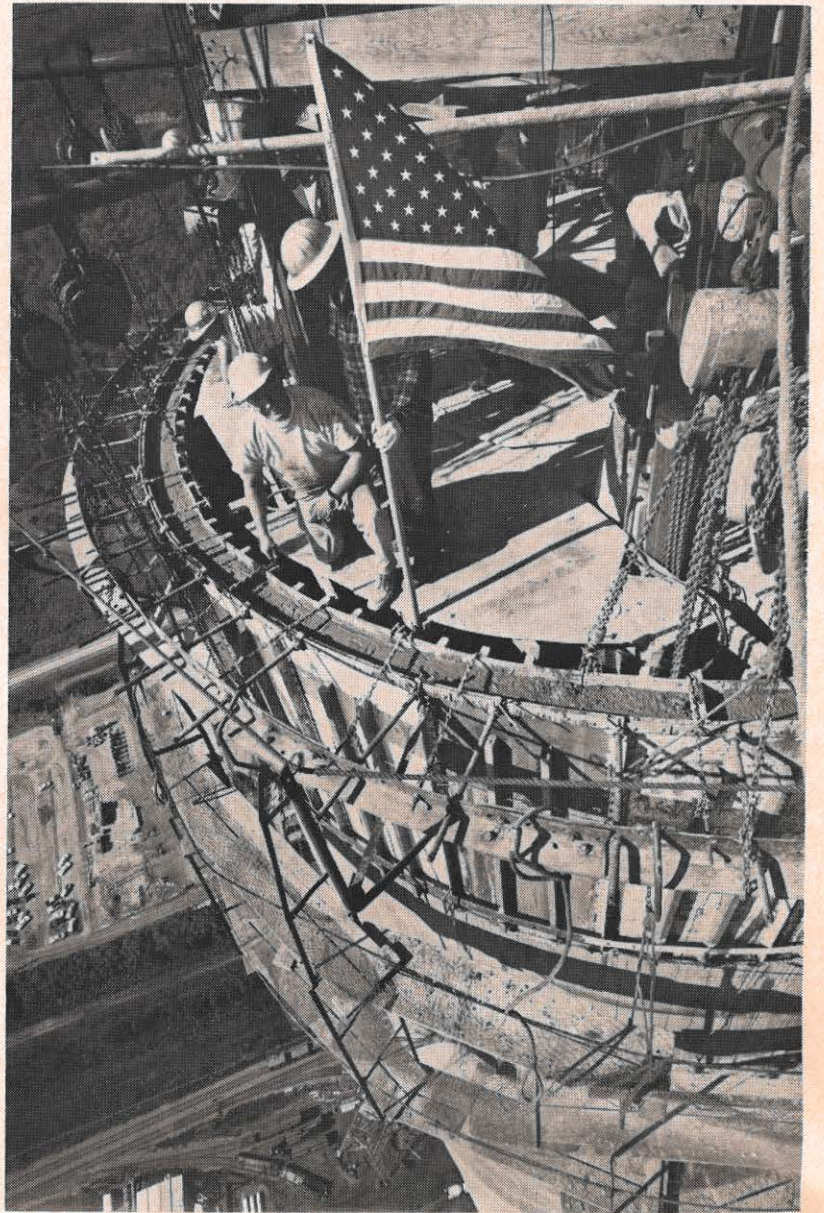
Claude A. Farley, Pineville area supervisor, has been elected president of the Pineville Rotary Club. He has previously served as vice president, chairman of the Attendance and Membership committee, Public and Business Affairs committee and several other committees. He has been a member of the Rotary Club for ten years.

Mr. Farley was employed by the company on December 1, 1940 and has worked as a serviceman, local representative, working foreman, local superintendent, and in his present post.

He has been very active in civic affairs in the Pineville area and served for two terms as a member of the City Council. He is an avid sports fan, particularly hunting and fishing. He has killed several turkeys and deer in past years.



Mr. Farley



With the flag fluttering in celebration, workmen complete the final pouring of concrete atop the world's tallest chimney, the 826-foot stack of the Cardinal plant on the Ohio River.

## Fourth Sporn Loan Fund Established At Rensselaer

Establishment of the "Philip and Sadie Sporn Loan Fund" at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy, N. Y., has been announced jointly by Philip Sporn, chairman of the System Development Committee of American Electric Power Company, and Dr. Richard G. Folsom, Rensselaer president.

The announcement was made during a visit to the campus by Mr. and Mrs. Sporn for a lecture delivered by Mr. Sporn on "Research in Electric Power."

Mr. Sporn retired in 1961 as president of AEP and of our companies. Both he and Dr. Folsom are AEP directors.

The \$50,000 loan fund—the fourth such fund established by Mr. and Mrs. Sporn—has been made available from the Philip Sporn Educational Trust to deserving students at Rensselaer, both present and future. Earlier, \$50,000 funds also had been set up at the engineering schools of Columbia University, Sporn's alma mater, and of Cornell University, where he is a member of the Engineering College Council, and at Indiana Institute of Technology, of Fort Wayne.

The Trust was initially created from gifts totaling \$100,000 from almost 9,000 employees of the seven-state AEP System, and from AEP itself, on the occasion of Mr. Sporn's retirement as president four years ago. It has grown since then from earnings and subsequent gifts of both Mr. Sporn and AEP.

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

Deeply interested in education, Mr. Sporn said that the loan program is designed to promote two fundamental ideas: (1) that every boy or girl, regardless of financial ability, ought to have the privilege of receiving a higher education to the fullest extent possible, and (2) that young people, having been helped in their own education, ought to be encouraged to accept a similar social responsibility to the generations that follow them.

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

## D.C. Cook Honored With Alumni Award

Donald C. Cook, president of American Electric Power Company and of our companies, has received the "Alumni Achievement Award" of George Washington University.

The award was conferred October 12 at The Centennial Convocation of the university's Law School, with presentation by Lloyd Hartman Elliott, university president. Principal address was delivered by the Hon. William J. Brennan, Jr., associate justice of the U. S. Supreme Court.

Mr. Cook, who received his master of laws' degree from George Washington University in 1940, was cited "for notable achievement in Law, Education, Public Service and Business" and "for conspicuous service to The University." He is currently serving it as an alumni trustee.



Miss Betty Burruss, Lynchburg PBX operator, is the author of a booklet on telephone courtesy distributed to employees locally.

## Lynchburgers Get Ideas On Telephone Manners, Use

Employees in the Lynchburg division office building and service building were on the receiving end of a number of suggestions about the proper and efficient use of telephone equipment, and some pointed reminders about the role of the telephone in establishing or tearing down good customer relations.

The person with the suggestions knows whereof she speaks: she is Miss Betty Burruss, PBX operator in Lynchburg.

Her tips and hints about telephone courtesy were distributed to employees in a seven-page booklet she prepared.

Pointing out that employees are receiving criticism from customers and other employees alike, Miss Burruss says the time has come to do something about it.

She suggests seven rules which, if followed, will improve communications between company and customers:

- 1) When leaving word for some one to call, be sure to leave your name and extension number.
- 2) When leaving the office, notify the operator. Thus, if a customer calls, the operator can save the customer and herself time by taking the message or asking the party to call back.
- 3) Do not remove the telephone from the hook to busy out the line. Some persons do this under the mistaken impression that it adds efficiency to the task they are busy with at the moment. It is easier to ask the operator to take messages.
- 4) Answer the phone promptly.
- 5) In transferring a customer's call, make sure you know the proper place to switch him.
- 6) Avoid asking customers to call through the switchboard after regular office hours.
- 7) Unauthorized personnel should not enter the switchboard area without reason.

In her position at the board Miss Burruss has learned first hand of the damage that poor telephone manners can do to Appalachian's image. Many times, she reports in her booklet, customers have called and specifically asked not to be connected with certain employees because "she's always rude" or "he'll only transfer me to someone else."

"Progress," she concludes, "comes from learning from our mistakes."

## War Talk



Paul Baker, left, and Monte Huffman might be talking about a work simplification proposal, but the topic is far more deadly. The two Huntington men are discussing two pieces of Nazi shrapnel they picked up in France on D-Day, June 6, 1944, and carried with them for the rest of the war. Mr. Huffman, with the help of a metal-working friend, ground down part of his to make a letter opener, and Mrs. Baker ground down one side of his to make a paperweight. And so, these deadly pieces of metal are performing functions their manufacturers never dreamed of so many years ago.

## Charleston Man Turns Hobby To Public Service

Charleston's Jim Duffield is a man who thinks about water. He is by hobby a dowser, one who can locate underground streams with a dowsing stick or divining rod. Now he has turned his interest into another channel, water conservation.



Mr. Duffield

The disastrous floods in Charleston in 1961, which took 22 lives and left millions of dollars in property damage, also left a number of citizens greatly concerned with the watershed problems of Kanawha County. Some of these citizens met this summer and organized the Rocky Fork Watershed Improvement Association, and Mr. Duffield—as a property owner, dowser, and former conservation officer—was elected secretary-treasurer.

The Association first is working towards development of a work plan that would cover about 12,250 acres of the watershed. It lies almost wholly in Kanawha County. The primary aim, with the 1961 floods fresh in memory, is flood control, but extensive benefits in conservation of water, soil, and forests are also foreseen. Mr. Duffield is quick to point out recreational aspects of the program, plus new roads, that will accrue to the area. Utilities will benefit through the protection of facilities from flooding and wash-outs caused by heavy rains.

Much work lies ahead for Mr. Duffield and his Rocky Fork Improvement Association. They are presently working with U. S. and West Virginia agencies, the Kanawha County Court, Corps of Engineers, Capital Soil Association, and other local interests to plan and carry out the development. Eventually they hope to remove the flood threat and, at the same time, to beautify the area.



Mr. Thompson

## Fred W. Thompson, Glen Lyn, Retires

Fred W. Thompson, assistant shift operating engineer, retired November 1, after completing more than 36 years of service with the company. Mr. Thompson has continuous service since February 21, 1934 at which time he was employed in the maintenance department. Prior to this date he had worked for the company on three different occasions totaling approximately 4½ years.

He was promoted to assistant boiler room foreman on November 1, 1938 and on March 1, 1946 he was promoted to the position which he held at retirement.

Mr. Thompson, a native of Mercer County, attended public schools there. He is a member of the Peterstown Masonic Lodge.

Mr. Thompson plans to pursue his favorite hobbies of fishing, hunting and gardening. He resides at Rich Creek, Virginia with his wife and daughter. Fred is a brother of Cecil, Ervin, and Ruth Thompson, all employees at Glen Lyn.

## James Hunter Retires, Advises "Keep Smiling"

An employee in Charleston is talking by telephone to another in Lynchburg.

"Well," he says, "everything's good, nothing's bad—"

"Keep smiling," Lynchburg interrupts.

Somewhere, sometime, each one has in some way come in contact with Roanoke's Jim Hunter, who for 25 years or more has kept that motto close at hand, and usually chalked up in large letters on a blackboard close by.

In the years to come, that cheerful message will still be heard, but the man who has given it currency retired November 1, closing out a career that goes back as far as 1923.

James E. Hunter is system garage supervisor in Roanoke, and has in his charge the care and feeding of many of the cars and trucks used by system and Roanoke division people.

Care and feeding of either vehicles or people has been a responsibility of his ever since he joined Appalachian in 1923. He was operating a restaurant near his hometown in South Carolina, when he was offered a job by Nub Culp, so called because he lost two fingers



Mr. Hunter

in a hunting accident. The job was cook for the construction crews building transmission lines around Turner station, and it paid \$125 a month. It involved, among other things, getting up at four in the morning and preparing breakfast for 150 hungry men. They needed a big breakfast, and they got it; pork chops, gravy, grits, eggs, biscuits, and coffee. Lunch was either sandwiches carried to the job by the men or a hot lunch brought by Mr. Hunter and his kitchen crew. Dinner was roast beef or steak.

### Cream Pie

John Armstrong, now in system operations, was then with a crew tying in the lines the construction men built, and he recalls going to considerable effort to get in on meals in the Hunter camp. Jim's specialty, he says, was cream pie.

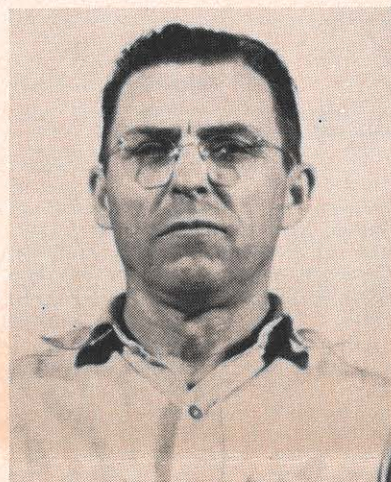
Later Jim moved to another job classification: tractor chauffeur. One of his tasks in this job was to fasten lines around oxen who had plunged into the river to drink after a hard day's work, and haul them out before they drank themselves to death.

Mr. Hunter worked later as a motor mechanic, installing transformers in Roanoke station, and then was caught in a depression layoff.

He returned to Appalachian in Roanoke in August 1949 as transportation inspector and later was promoted to system garage supervisor, his position at retirement.

Mr. Hunter is married and has one son, who lives in St. Clair, Minnesota, and two grandchildren. First thing in retirement is a trip there, and then Mr. Hunter plans to keep interested in his horses—he has one at the present time, has had as many as three—and his flowers, and "doing nice things for good people."

A group of friends, headed by Joe P. Gills, gave him a watch and a plaque engraved with his motto as retirement gifts.



Mr. Coen

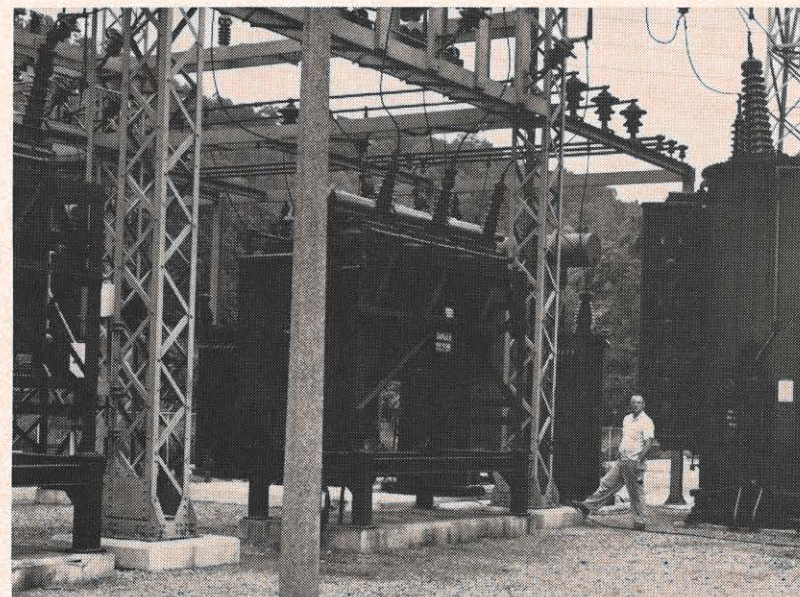
## Death Claims Plant Retiree

Leo McKinley Coen, who retired at Cabin Creek plant in August 1, 1955, died September 22, 1965. He was 65 years.

Mr. Coen started out with the company on October 2, 1944, as laborer. In December, 1944, he was promoted to utility man. On March 1, 1945, he was promoted to electrical maintenance helper, a position he held until retirement.

He was a member of the Mt. Olive Baptist Church and a Mason, and made his home in Charleston.

## Flood Proof



Major improvements at Sprigg station have been completed, and as a result, it can operate at full capacity in a flood higher than the 1963 record-breaker. In the course of the work, a three phase 138/46-kv transformer replaced a bank of water-cooled transformers, others were relocated and raised. Structural steel was installed to raise several breakers, and control cabinets were also raised. Operating equipment now stands 2½-feet above the high water mark of the 1963 flood. Above, Cecil Ball, station operator, stands beside the raised 138-kv breaker.

Happenings

# Around the Circuit

... Among Employees and Their Families



## BLUEFIELD

### Bluefield

Bluefield's First Methodist Church has tapped several Appalachian people for posts of leadership. Mark Rich was elected to the board of trustees and vice chairman of the official board. Ben Bates and Joseph Stinson have also been elected to the official board, and Mr. Bates its chairman.

Mrs. Rich was also involved in an election, and for the third consecutive year, is president of the Bluefield (Virginia) Garden Club.

Elections also put Keith Chambers in as Master of Mercer Lodge, AF&AM; Janie Sue Kahle, daughter of John B. Kahle as president of Graham High School's sophomore class; and Patrick, son of Joseph Stinson, as president of the Kiwanis Key Club in Bluefield, Virginia.

Mary Lou Roach and two other Virginia siders, represented the Junior Woman's Club on Klub Kwiz, a Roanoke television program with a wide coverage in southern West Virginia. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. C. Roach.

Mrs. Lois Ruonion attended the southeast district conference of the National Secretaries Association at the Greenbrier Hotel last month.

Paul Kelley and Robert Gilpin have completed the West Virginia University School of Mines extension course in mathematics.

Harold W. Lanter, Larry N. Blankenship, and John Davidson Jr. are new employees.

### Welch

Mrs. Jack D. Martin was elected president of not one, but two Parent-Teachers Associations last month—Pineville Grade School No. 2, and Pineville Junior High.

In civic club work, R. H. Ruff, who is a Lions International director attended the fall Lions district conference. W. C. Groseclose was elected a director of the Welch Kiwanis Club for the coming year. Mrs. R. J. Barns was picked as vice president of the Women of the Church of Anderson Memorial Presbyterian Church.

Among the younger set, there were these developments:

## Club Tour



The Appalachian Girls' Service Club in Bluefield recently went to the new all-electric Colonial Garden Apartments for a pre-open house tour and glimpse of modern living. During the open house 846 persons attended. Shown here are, first row: Polly Mitchell, Gail Davidson, Frances Keller, Frances Lester, Bess Hodges, Guineline Mitchell, Eulalia Footo, Mildred H. Bishop, Lois Rounion, and Mary Kirby; second row: Mary Ruth Chambers, Thalia Myles, Juanita Crouch, Helen Vermillion, Mildred G. Bishop, Jane Bearre, Hermia Lucas, and Neal Howard.

At Welch High School Carolyn Rhudy will serve as feature editor of the annual and the newspaper and secretary of the Pep Club. Sonjia Mills will be editorial editor. Carolyn is the daughter of J. B. Rhudy, and Sonjia's father is L. J. Mills Jr. Members of the newly-formed tennis team at Pineville High School are Mike and Judy Dee Farley, daughters of Loneda Rose. And at Grundy High School, Vickie Crouse, daughter of W. L. Crouse, was selected Key Club sweetheart at the school's Homecoming celebration.



## ABINGDON

### Abingdon

This month, college news and community service:

Rufus Bondurant's daughter Becky, a freshman at Longwood College, was elected president of Ruffin Hall dormitory, and Larry, son of William McFall, division lineman, has won a music scholarship to Mississippi Southern College.

Active in the Washington County United Fund are Jack Frier and L. C. Angle, Jr., who served as co-chairmen of the industrial division. James Cole is chairman of the Eye Sight Committee of the Abingdon Lions Club. W. L. Smythers has been elected president of the Men of the Church of Sinking Spring Presbyterian Church.

Edythe Garnand, stores department, attended the VEA annual meeting in Richmond with her husband, who is principal of William King Elementary School.

New employees are John Moore and Joyce Dye.

### Clinch River

J. S. Carter was one of eight charter members of the Lebanon Lions Club honored for 25 years of continuous service in that organization. Over the years Mr. Carter has served the Lions in every major post, and as chairmen of the more important committees. Last year he received the Grand Master Key for his sponsorship of 50 new members in the Lebanon Lions. He is also active in Scouting, and Masonic work, and is a member of the Lebanon Planning Commission.



## LOGAN-WILLIAMSON

Logan-Williamson people really care. Merrill Atkinson and Howard Collins have been re-elected to the board of directors of Logan County Community Chest, and Mrs. Howard Foglesong, whose husband is an electrical engineer, is chairman of the residential division of the Chest campaign.

Mr. Collins was also elected to the board of directors of the Crippled Children's Society, and E. Paul Hager to the advisory board.

There are also two new presidents in the division:

Dallas Kinser is serving as president of the Verdunville PTA this year, J. R. Hartzog was elected to a two-year term on the Williamson Kiwanis Club board of directors, and E. P. Hager has been appointed to the parking commission for the city of Logan.

Beverly Watkins, daughter of Oscar Watkins, was named freshman attendant to the Queen at West Virginia State College.

Inducted into the National Junior Honor Society at Logan Central Junior High were Mary Ann, daughter of J. L. Richmond, and Janet, daughter of T. J. Hanley.

Other school notes show that Richard, son of Naomi Cantees, was elected treasurer of the freshman class at Williamson High, and Karen Miller elected secretary of the student council at Belfry High. Her father is C. L. Miller. At the Williamson branch of Marshall University, Lauren Hartzog and Jack Maynard have been elected to posts in the student government organization. Lauren is the daughter of J. R. Hartzog, and Jack, the son of C. J. Maynard.



## ROANOKE

### Roanoke

Perrow Peters, commonly known as Shorty, has achieved a notable honor for the Roanoke Elks Lodge, of which he is exalted ruler. In state competition he led his officers to victory over 25 other lodges in ritualistic work. This is the first time in its 74-year history that the Roanoke lodge has won this competition. Next stop: the national competition in Dallas next summer.

Price Grisso was named Lion of the Year by the Cave Spring Lions Club.

O. L. Peters says yes, it can happen. Not long ago in a Roanoke store, he made a purchase, filled out a slip of paper, and forgot about it. Three weeks later came a call: the slip of paper had been pulled out of a hat, and Mr. Peters found himself the winner of a color television set, just in time for college football.

James L. Thomas, summer employee of Roanoke division meter department was the representative of Lenoir-Rhyne College of Hickory, N. C., in the Third National Senior Lutheran College Select Choir at the Fifth Annual Church Music Seminar in Minneapolis, Minnesota. Lenoir-Rhyne is one of thirty-three Lutheran colleges in the nation to be represented at this music seminar. Jim is a junior ministerial student at Lenoir-Rhyne. This music seminar is sponsored by Lutheran Brotherhood Fraternal Insurance Society in Minneapolis. He is the son of Robert M. Thomas of the system real estate and right of way department.

### Fieldale

Bobby Joe Turner is a new employee in the building service department.



## CHARLESTON

Leroy Balding won the Human Relations award in the Dale Carnegie Sales Course recently, while Hubert Shabdue was the winner of the Champion speech award. John Wright received a "Diligent Dan" award for attendance.

Jack Wilkinson, retired line foreman, is recuperating after surgery, at the home of his daughter in Charleston.

Mason Wood has been appointed to the executive board of the Montgomery Chamber of Commerce.

Barbara Markham is the new office messenger, in Virginia Street office.

Guilford C. Smith was elected treasurer of the International Association of Electrical Leagues at the 30th annual convention in St. Louis recently. Mr. Smith served the past year as secretary of the organization.



## KINGSPORT

Lester M. Safriet, Jr., whose father is general serviceman in Kingsport, has been named office engineer for the construction of the John F. Kennedy graveside memorial now in progress.



## KENTUCKY

### Big Sandy Plant

A \$50 scholarship for special study of arthritis has been awarded to Lynn Farthing, daughter of Gilbert Farthing, operating foreman at Big Sandy. Miss Farthing is in nurse's training at King's Daughters' Hospital in Ashland. The award was made by the Catlettsburg Woman's Club, with money won by the club in a contest sponsored by the state Arthritis Foundation.

Rita Ann Spears, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Spears, was recently chosen from more than 1,000 Kentucky cheerleaders attending a clinic in Lexington as Sweetheart of the Week by the Louisville Courier-Journal. A senior at Catlettsburg High School, she is cheerleader co-captain; she is also editor of the yearbook, vice

## Employee's Son

## Joins Peace Corps

John P. Hoover, son of B. C. Hoover, line inspector in the Huntington Division, has been named a Peace Corps volunteer, having completed 12 weeks of training at the University of California at Los Angeles. He was at home on leave pending his departure for Ethiopia on September 19.



Mr. Hoover

A 1961 graduate of Huntington East High School, he graduated last May from Marshall University, where he majored in mathematics. With the Peace Corps, he will teach either at an Ethiopian secondary school or at Haile Selassie University in the capital of Addis Ababa.

During training, he and his fellow volunteers learned Amharic, the language of Ethiopia.



Patricia Cardinal William Scott

## Pikeville Youths Win Honors

Children of two Pikeville division employees collected honors last month.

Patricia Ann Cardinal, whose mother is Dorothy Cardinal, petty cash clerk, was awarded the Pikeville Woman's Club Scholarship to Pikeville College. She is the first recipient of the scholarship. The Club announced the scholarship as part of its continuing interest in the college and in furthering educational opportunities for the young people of the area.

William Scott was the top individual scorer in the Kentucky State 4-H Club Poultry Judging contest held as part of the State Fair. A senior at Mullins High School, William is a member of the Mullins 4-H Club. He is the son of Raymond Scott, Pikeville division lineman.

James Cline, son of Mont Cline of the accounting department, was a member of the Pike County judging team along with William. This team finished fourth in the state.

president of student council, Girls State, and Kentucky Cheerleading Council, and has won a half-dozen academic awards, and kept busy in her church and community.

### Pikeville

Jack Deskins is a new employee.



## SYSTEM

R. H. McDearmon, system accounting, has returned to work following surgery and a lengthy convalescence. New employees in system accounting are Virgil W. Boeh and Janet Gibson. Thomas R. Pritchard and R. H. McDearmon Jr. have resigned.

Jeanette R. Payne is a new employee in system purchasing.

Joining the Red Cross's three-gallon blood donor ranks is Robert D. Coffman, draftsman in system real estate and right of way department.



## HUNTINGTON

### Philip Sporn Plant

New employees are John H. Manley and Denver L. Gibbs.



## PULASKI

James R. Boulton was elected by acclamation to the presidency of the Giles County Council of Churches. He is a member of the First Methodist Church of Pearisburg, the Lions Club, and the Chamber of Commerce.

In other church news, Carl Schmidt was elected treasurer of the Virginia Unit Lutheran Church men. He has served the group as secretary for the past three years.

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# Nine Married Over System

## Chandler-Skelton

A double ring ceremony performed in the Christian Church in Bozoo, West Virginia, on September 18 united Irma Chandler and Thomas Skelton in marriage. Mr. Skelton is a maintenance man at the Glen Lyn plant.

## Summers-Johnson

Beatrice Ruth Summers exchanged wedding vows with Lewis A. Johnson in a ceremony performed August 14. Mr. Johnson is employed in the system operations department, and is the son of D. E. Johnson, supervisor of operations at Cabin Creek plant.



Married in recent weeks were, from left, Mrs. T. B. Skelton, Glen Lyn;

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Johnson, Cabin Creek; Mrs. Melvin Hawkins, Lynch-

burg; Mrs. James O. Hesson, Cabin Creek, and Mrs. Richard C. Schoon-

over, Lynchburg.

## McDaniel-Hawkins

The wedding of Carolyn McDaniel to Melvin Hawkins took place August 21 at her home. Mrs. Hawkins is employed as office messenger in the division accounting department, Lynchburg.

## Hudson-Schoonover

The Fort Hill Methodist Church in Lynchburg, Virginia, was the scene for the wedding of Sharon Ann Hudson and Richard C. Schoonover, Jr., on September 25. Mrs. Schoonover is the daughter of Lawrence R. Hudson, who is employed in the T&D department, Lynchburg.

ceremony performed in the home of the pastor of Belmont Methodist Church, Roanoke, Virginia, on September 18. Mrs. Dixon is an employee in the system accounting department, Roanoke, and is the daughter of Joseph R. Hartzog, Sr., meter service foreman in William-son, West Virginia.

## Montgomery-Hall

Ruth Ann Montgomery was married to Calvin H. Hall on September 26 in York, South Carolina. Mrs. Hall is employed as a clerk-stenographer in the division accounting department, Lynchburg.

# Lovis Mitchell Elected President

Lovis Mitchell, Abingdon division home sales representative,



Miss Mitchell

has been elected president of the Southwest Virginia-East Tennessee Home Economics Association.

Miss Mitchell, a native of Grundy, Virginia, joined Appalachian's staff in the Welch District in June 1955.

She attended Grundy High School and received her degree in home economics education from Radford College. She taught in the Buchanan County school system before joining Appalachian. She transferred to Abingdon in May 1961.

## Ballard-Hesson

Nona Jean Ballard became the bride of James Orban Hesson September 11 in a double ring ceremony in Cedars Church of Crist, Wilmington, Delaware. Mr. Hesson is the son of O. A. Hesson, maintenance foreman at Cabin Creek plant.

## They're Engaged

SUZANNE LEE SUTOR to Roger Laplace. Miss Sutor is the daughter of Willard L. Sutor, general bookkeeper in the system accounting department, Roanoke.

DIANNE FRYE to Melvin A. Sutphin. Mr. Sutphin is the son of O. F. Sutphin, administrative assistant, system accounting department, Ashland.

JANIS THOMPSON to Glenn Boggs. Miss Thompson is the daughter of Oscar Thompson, T&D department, Logan.

## Slough-DeHaven

Jeanette B. Slough and James DeHaven were united in marriage September 11 at the Villa Heights Baptist Church in Roanoke, Virginia. Mrs. DeHaven is employed in the system accounting department, Roanoke.

## Harmon-Brooks

Shirley Ann Harmon was married to Marvin Joseph Brooks in a double ring ceremony performed in the Maybeury Methodist Church August 29. Mrs. Brooks is the daughter of J. J. Harmon, Sr., Switchback area serviceman.

## Hartzog-Dixon

Sally Kate Hartzog became the bride of Larry Edward Dixon in a

## New Arrivals

### Bluefield Division

MR. AND MRS. ONSBIE YATES, a daughter, Lisa Carol, September 19. Mr. Yates is a pre-audit clerk in the Grundy office.

### Philip Sporn Plant

MR. AND MRS. FRANKLIN E. SISSON, a daughter, Maria Elena, October 4. Mr. Sisson is a coal handler.

### Charleston Division

MR. AND MRS. ROBERT G. HARPER, a son, John Michael, September 3. Mr. Brown is a draftsman in Charleston, and Mrs. Harper is the former Pat Brown, who was employed by the Kanawha Valley Power Company in North Charleston.

### Roanoke Division

MR. AND MRS. CLIFTON E. SMITH, a daughter, Maria Elena, September 29. Mr. Smith is a T&D clerk.

MR. AND MRS. E. C. BALDWIN, JR., a son, John David, August 10. Mr. Baldwin is a division collector.

### System

MR. AND MRS. ARLEN R. ASH, a daughter, Sadaria Dawn, August 19. Mr. Ash is employed by the system transmission line department.

# Christmas Ideas



Electrical gifts make the perfect gifts for every member of the family, and some of the women employees in the Huntington office

have put them right at the top of their list. Several of them were prevailed on to demonstrate some of the newer among the more than

100 electric gifts available. In the first picture, Mary Lou Wilcox, head contract clerk, discusses the new electric rotisserie with Leo Kel-

lerman, Modern Electric Living Dealer. Next, Judy Fannin, clerk-trainee, has found the solution for slicing hard ice cream. She's using

the new electric carving knife. She can even slice it without removing the carton. The knife does all kinds of kitchen and table carving jobs.



Joyce Bowles, petty cash clerk, left, looks over the recipe book before using an electric blender. It is one



of the most versatile appliances on the market. A pretty smile is Dorcas Linsey's way of demonstrating



the new, easy way to protect teeth with an electric toothbrush. She is customer service clerk. Brenda



Legge, right, shows another of the many, many appliances available.

This one that she is all ready to wrap is an electric shoe shine kit.

## W. Mason, Old-Time Athlete, Retires After 44-Year Career

Wallace Mason, T&D clerk in Charleston worked his last day on the job October 29, and then retired with 44 years of service. A native Kentuckian, Mr. Mason began working for the West Virginia Water and Electric Company on November 1, 1921. He worked in various capacities in the accounting, record and station department before assuming his present position in 1958. Of all his service, he liked best the two years he spent with "Bones" Blizzard's crew, learning line work, to assist in the office. One of his first jobs was keeping time, and he was then working at the old Slack Street Plant in Charleston.

An avid sportsman, Mr. Mason was active in track, baseball and bowling. He was catcher for the old power company baseball team, was on the all-city team in Cincinnati before coming with the power company, and participated in all the main track events in Charleston. Once, when he was running in a cross-country meet in 1919 he slipped on a barbed wire fence and injured his leg badly. It was raining, he remembers, and that's why he fell. The five-mile race started above Kanawha City and ended in front of the YMCA in Charleston. There were no houses then along this route. He came in first, but didn't run again for a while. He was a charter member of the Kilowatt Bowling League, and served as chairman for several



Mr. Mason

years. At one time he also served as secretary of the Kanawha Valley Bowling Association.

Mr. and Mrs. Mason plan to continue living in Charleston. Their one daughter lives in Mississippi, and they have three grandchildren. They do plan a trip to visit them shortly. Mr. Mason has many hobbies to keep himself busy. He likes cabinet making, home maintenance, and will continue bowling in the Kilowatt League. He also belongs to the Blue Lodge, Scottish Rites, Masons, and Shriners.

## Douglas Cooper Has Hobbies To Spare

Anyone reading these lines who is looking for something to occupy his mind and hands could check in with Douglas Cooper. He's got hobbies to spare.

Mr. Cooper is a lineman in the Fieldale area of the Roanoke division, and what he doesn't know about furniture making—from tree to table—you could write on the head of a pin. Some of this knowledge he picked up from his father, a skilled carpenter, and some of it he developed on his own by doing.

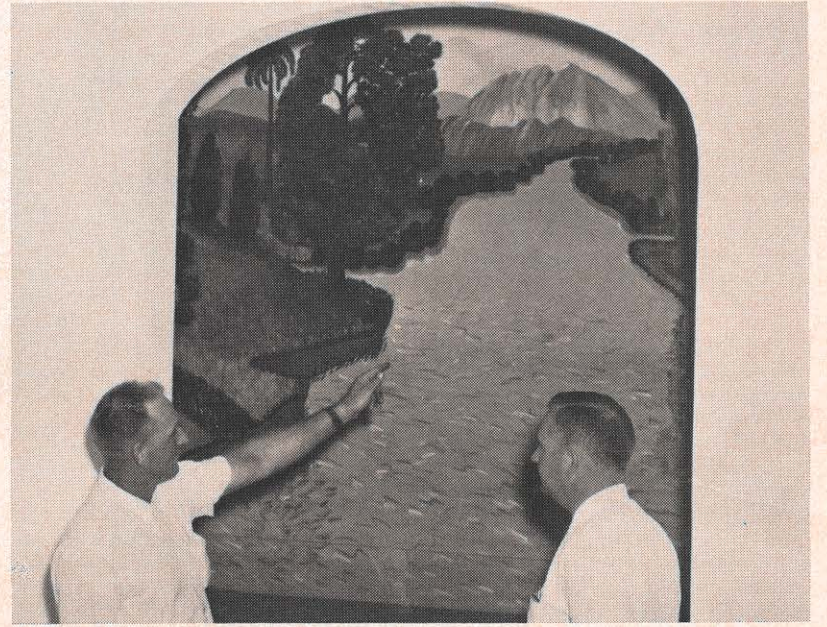
When furniture making begins to seem like work, he takes to the bow and arrow. He tried it hunting five years ago, and became so fascinated that he began to make his own equipment, and some for his son.

And finally, there's his art, for decoration, and for sale.

Taking these pastimes in order: Mr. Cooper decided that his new home needed furniture. The best way to get it, was to make it. His idea is to go to his father's farm and select a fine big black walnut tree. He cuts it down, and has it dressed and dried. Over the years, and over the trees, he has made and put into service picture frames, a coffee table, step tables, record album cabinet, couch and chair, drop leaf dining table, bookcase, and a clock, all done in professional quality.

The house, at that rate, soon filled up. That brought on archery.

He started out for fun. But the man who can make a grandfather's clock couldn't be satisfied with bought bows and arrows, so he



Douglas Cooper, left, points out some features of interest in the baptistry scene he painted for the Stella Christian Church.

began to make them. His best bow was made from the handle of a broken hole-digger, which makes it a stout bow indeed. His arrows are cedar, tipped with steel and guided by brightly-colored feathers. He buys the shafts, makes the remainder.

Using his bow, he already has two deer and a groundhog. For hunting he prefers a 60-pound bow. His son Michael, nine, is an apt archery pupil, using the equipment his father has made for him.

This versatile man has another talent which, like his furniture making, is easy to see. As an artist, he has done a number of paintings, some of which hang in his own home, and some of which he has sold or given away. But his proudest work he reserved for his church. This is the Stella Christian Church, originally built in 1871. When it was relocated in 1964 Mr. Cooper saw the need for a baptismal scene to go behind the baptismal pool. Today, after countless hours of time patiently spent on it, the painting is complete, and wor-

shippers at the church can see the work of Douglas Cooper on permanent display.



Mr. Workman

## W. C. Workman Dies October 1

Warren C. Workman, groundman in the Huntington division, died October 1 at the age of 60.

Mr. Workman joined Appalachian in 1941 as coal handler in the old Logan plant. When the plant closed, he was transferred to the Point Pleasant area in 1961 as groundman.

He was a member of the Lions Club and served on the board of directors. One of his interests was quartet singing, and he sang with the Napier Quartet in Logan for many years. Since moving to Point Pleasant he was a member of the Gospelaire Quartet.

He is survived by a son, Armand G. Workman. The funeral took place October 3 in Logan, W. Va.

## Three Named Line Foremen

Three Charleston division men were promoted to line foremen last month. They are Samuel E. Reed, C. C. Willis, and G. R. Young.



Mr. Reed

The promotions were effective October 1. Mr. Reed, a Charleston native, joined Appalachian in April 1946 as groundman. In the years following, he worked through various crew jobs, and moves up to his present position from lineman. A veteran of Navy service during the Second World War, Mr. Reed is

married, and lists hunting as his favorite pastime.

Mr. Willis worked for Virginia Electric & Power Company in Norfolk before joining Appalachian in March 1948 as a lineman in Beckley. During the war he served in the Army. Among his many off-job interests are guns, photography, music, hunting, bowling, and work with the Elks. He is married, and lives in Big Chimney.

Also a veteran of Army service during the war is Mr. Young. He joined the company in 1946 and worked as laborer before moving into a line crew in the next year. He makes his home in Elkview where he and his wife have for many years raised a number of foster children in addition to their own.

## Two System Men Write For Ideas



Mr. Sheaff

Mr. McDaniel

Two system men are the authors of articles appearing in the October issue of *AEP Operating Ideas*.

Ralph N. McDaniel, system operating engineer, described a quick method of providing, by use of color, detailed information on switching diagrams. Formerly this job was done by coloring all copies with colored pencil or crayons, but this took too much time. The job is now done faster by using colored carbon sheets with ditto masters, which can reproduce up to 50 copies.

R. W. Sheaff, system meterman, wrote about a demand meter test box. It permits a quick check of adjustments and general operating condition of a new or reconditioned demand meter before it is placed on an automatic extended-run test device.

## Cabin Creek Man, Hartman, Retires

Cabin Creek plant's supervisor of operations, Luther C. Hartman, retired October 1, and brought to a close a 37-year career with Appalachian.

His first assignment with the company was filter plant operator at Cabin Creek in November 1928. In the years that followed, he worked as boiler room man, boiler operator, assistant shift supervisor, and supervising engineer. He was promoted to supervisor of operations in March 1954.

Plant employees gave him several gifts on the occasion of his retirement. His plans for the immediate future call for extensive travel.



Mr. Hartman



Mr. Willis

Mr. Young

## Rice Advanced To New Position

J. B. Rice has been promoted to line supervisor in Lynchburg, effective November 1.

He joined Appalachian in Lynchburg in June 1956, following his graduation from the University of Virginia with a degree in electrical engineering. He was electrical engineer before his present promotion.

A native of Lynchburg, Mr. Rice is a member of the Army Reserve, and of the American Institute of Electrical Engineers. He is also past worshipful master of the Rustburg Masonic Lodge, and lists music, hunting, and fishing as hobbies.



Mr. Rice

## New Flyash Dikes



Nearing completion at Clinch River plant, left, and Glen Lyn plant, are two giant basins for flyash. About 200,000 yards of rock and soil are being taken from the hillside in the foreground of the Clinch River picture to build the dike there. It will be 2,200 feet long and 25 feet high. Return water used in pumping the ashes from the plant to the storage area will flow below the Norfolk and Western Railway tracks and

Route 81 into the present recirculating water facilities. New pumping facilities will also be built. At Glen Lyn, the dike will be 2,100 feet long, 180 feet wide at the base, and 35 feet high inside. The dike is made up of 350,000 yards of earth and is reinforced with 50,000 tons of rock. One of the larger basins on the system, it is expected to meet plant needs for 10 years.



A zebra family cavorts at the Circle M Zoo in Patrick County, watched carefully by their mentor, Col. Les Heath.

### Oddity Of The Month: Zoo In Patrick County; Not So Odd: It's All Electric

The well dressed family is wearing stripes this season: wide black and white stripes. For that matter this family wears them every season. This family of zebras—poppa, momma, and daughter—is a recent

addition to a most unusual organization in a unique location.

The Circle M zoo is located high in the mountains of Patrick County, Virginia, on Route 58 near the 3,300 foot Lovers' Leap and only five miles from the Blue Ridge Parkway. The zoo and adjacent park are on a 200-acre tract owned by S. H. Mitchell of Winston-Salem, North Carolina, where he is president of Hennis Freight Lines.

The zoo was begun a small way several years ago just as a hobby. At present, the zoo has 50 separate species of animals, birds and reptiles with 40 more species in quarantine awaiting entry into America and delivery to the zoo.

Many species are displayed in family groups (parents and young) and this is the dream for all species. Ninety more species of animals, birds, reptiles are on order.

The present tenants include black bear, lion, prairie dog, gray fox, jackal, eland, antelope, kudu, camel, zebra, yak, several monkeys and birds. Even though the zoo is not advertised and is quite new, over 1,200 visitors have stopped by to see the animals.

In 1964, Colonel Les Heath, U. S. A. retired, was retained as zoo director. Under his enthusiastic guidance, it has grown rapidly and has far to go to realize the Colonel's plans. He is a world traveler both in and out of service with a genuine interest in animals.

The Colonel, with 28 years of military duty, is a qualified herpetologist (science of reptiles) and lectures widely before school and other groups. He is the recording secretary of the American Fang & Claw Society, which requires being bitten by a venomous snake and clawed by a wild animal for membership.

The zoo is served by the Stuart crew of the Roanoke division on its 12,000-volt line. The only heat in the 100 by 40 foot animal house is electric.

### Uncle Dave Retires In Abingdon



Mr. Powell

Robert Davis (Uncle Dave) Powell, Abingdon division truck driver-groundman, retired November 1.

Mr. Powell began his 37-year service with the Holston River Power Company April 1, 1928. This company was acquired by Appalachian in 1945. He worked in the Abingdon line crew until 1953 when he transferred to the Gate City crew.

Mr. Powell is married and has one son and three daughters. He recently returned to Abingdon to live, and is looking forward to the extra hours he can spend hunting and fishing.

### Dem Bones, Dem Bones

## 1600 Indian Village Uncovered In Buffalo

Not far from Point Pleasant there's a little town—population so far, 550—that is going nowhere, and has no need of electric service. It's a dead kind of place.

It's the remains of a Shawnee Indian village that flourished more than 300 years ago, and burial grounds that have to date yielded remains of 550 Indians. The fact that this entire area was Indian territory has been well-known for years, and local people with an interest in history—such as Billy Gilmour, administrative assistant in the Point Pleasant office—have frequently picked up Indian relics. But serious archaeological work on this site at Buffalo has been in progress only for two years.

The site is presently owned by a chemical company, and the possibility that future industrial expansion may obliterate the site brought Dr. Edward McMichael of the West Virginia Department of Geology to the scene.

In the course of his investigations, which included removal by shovel and handful, Dr. McMichael has located the village itself, and laid out some of the buildings. One building apparently measured about 50 by 25 feet. The site investigations have also discovered fireplaces and hundreds of postholes, which held supporting poles for houses. Apparently, over the years, the posts decayed and rotted off at ground level. The parts under ground rotted later, and were covered over with accumulations of dirt. Archaeologists spot the postholes now as black cylinders 12 to 15 inches below ground.

The Shawnee who lived here were hunters and fishermen, and were not inclined to a peaceful life.



Dr. Edward McMichael, left, and Billy Gilmour, Appalachian employee in Point Pleasant, examine the skeleton of a long-dead Shawnee uncovered during archaeological excavations at Buffalo, in the Huntington division.

Scores of the skeletons found in the village had flint arrowheads imbedded in them. Some burials apparently took place inside the buildings in graves no deeper than six inches, and when there were many dead to be buried—as after a battle—Dr. McMichael has found

evidence that bodies were dumped on top of each other in a common grave.

A great store of artifacts—pottery, tools, and fishhooks—has been uncovered and sent off to West Virginia University for further study and cataloging.

### Bluefield Youth Heads Interact

Tom Robinette, a senior at Bluefield High School, has been elected district governor of District 755, Rotary International Interact Clubs.



Tom Robinette

Rotary-sponsored Interact is a service organization for young men aimed at, among other things, promotion of international relations and good will. District 755 covers counties in Southern West Virginia.

A son of L. W. Robinette, power sales engineer in Bluefield, he is a member of the football team and attends College Avenue Baptist Church.



### Appalachian Power Company

#### Bluefield Division

BOBBY S. HYLTON from lineman B to lineman A.

#### Charleston Division

HOWARD BASHAM from utility clerk, senior, to credit and contract supervisor.

#### Clinch River Plant

HAROLD O. GARRETT from helper to maintenance man; GLENN MARSHALL from helper to junior maintenance man; GILES B. CARTER from junior maintenance man to maintenance man.

#### Kanawha River Plant

B. B. BRIGGS from helper to junior maintenance man; J. Q. BLAIR from helper to junior maintenance man; C. W. CRAWFORD from helper to junior maintenance man.

#### Logan-Williamson Division

JOE E. HATFIELD from lineman A to line foreman (non-exempt); HENRY D. HATFIELD from head material clerk to assistant stores supervisor.

#### Philip Sporn Plant

KENNETH O. ROLLINS from tractor operator to assistant yard foreman; PAUL E. FORBES from filter plant operator and sampler to chemist assistant; GEORGE W. NASH from junior maintenance man to filter plant operator and sampler; KENNETH S. HARRIS from results helper to instrument maintenance man C; GILBERT C. HART from instrument maintenance man C to instrument maintenance man B.

#### Roanoke Division

PATRICIA L. BRATTON from clerk stenographer to T&D clerk; FRANCES L. HAMP-TON from machine operator D, system accounting department to clerk-typist, division T&D department; SANDRA P. McCLELLAND from cashier to petty cash clerk; L. O. TURNER from lineman B to lineman A.

#### System

W. D. SMITH from system station operator C to system station operator B; A. V. HANNAH, system station operator A, from Roanoke station to Turner station.

### Kentucky Power Company

#### Pikeville Division

GLEN POTTER from meter serviceman B to meter serviceman A.

### Management Development



Recently completing a management training course in human relations were these Appalachian men. Seated: G. F. Murphy, S. R. Pritchard, J. E. Jones, Joe P. Gills, Miller Porterfield, and J. W. Kepner.

Standing: W. M. Johnson, W. E. Coleman, U. K. Vaught, D. M. Miller, J. B. Berg, J. R. Larew, J. A. Lyon, and W. A. McClung.



Willard Sutor and his wife pause to enjoy their comfortable farmhouse, made more so with its conversion to electric heat.

### Take One Large, Rambling House, Add Electric Heat, And You Have Comfort

Built around the turn of the century, a 10-room rambling farmhouse is home for Willard Sutor, his wife, and three children. And the entire house is all electric.

It became that way in 1963 when its entire 3,000 square feet was converted to electric baseboard heat. Storm windows and doors were installed and insulation blown into the walls and attic.

Mr. Sutor is general bookkeeper in the general records section of system accounting in Roanoke. H. A. Howbert, Roanoke division commercial, engineered the conversion.

The home itself has 9½-foot ceilings, large halls, porches and porticos. All rooms are furnished with original antiques which have been restored and refinished by the Sutors. There are two fireplaces and seven mantles with decorative mirrors. The floors are of rift pine. There are 25 windows in the house, four outside doors, and 15 doors inside.

The home, originally sitting in a farm of 500 acres, is constructed of handmade brick with red mortar, and has a handcut slate roof.

### No Detail Is Lacking In Scale Model Of Line Truck Constructed By Lineman

A scale model line truck, complete in every detail and with working parts, has been constructed by Charles F. Burchett, Logan-Williamson lineman, who just decided one day to build a model of the truck he works on.

The job took him three months of spare time, starting from a truck chassis he bought at a store in Williamson. The truck body was made of wood with compartments for tools. Digging shovels were fashioned from old scraps of No. 6 copper wire, small hot sticks were made of wood and nails, as were cant hooks and pike poles. The A-frame is of wood and metal. Jacks for the rear end were made from old No. 4 sleeves and a nail, and

twine in miniature coils represent various sizes of conductors.

Pieces of black one-inch by one-inch rubber serve as rubber protective blankets. Winch line, ladders, line hose and other equipment can also be found on the truck. Finally, the truck is painted orange on the outside and aluminum on the inside, and a Reddy Kilowatt decal is affixed.

Young Charlie—so known because his dad, Kermit area serviceman of the Logan-Williamson division, is also named Charlie—first started shop work with his father. He hopes to begin soon on a service truck, and follow up with other trucks in the company's automotive fleet.



Three months of work went into this scale model of a line truck, shown here by its builder, Charlie Burchett.

### After College

## Bill McAlpine Sees Europe On Shoestring

Traveling with a minimum of clothes in a canvas bag in one hand, a German book and "How to Travel in Europe on Five Dollars a Day" tucked under an arm, graduation money in billfold, Bill McAlpine has returned to Kingsport after a summer of footloose travel in Europe.

Bill, son of Mrs. Bennett McAlpine, Kingsport home service representative, won an AEP Educational Award in 1961. He attended Davidson College for two years before transferring to Amherst College. He graduated cum laude in May of this year with an A. B. degree in political science. It was during these last two years that his interest was sharpened in the field of international relations.

One of the customs of the Irish in Dublin was learned through embarrassment of being dressed in sports attire for breakfast instead of coat, tie and white shirt in the private home where he spent the first night of his trip.

From Dublin, he went to Scotland and the University of Edinburgh. Here he met a group of friendly students who made out a route for him to take and mentioned things of interest that he should see. One of the young men gave him a letter of introduction to his parents, who graciously had Bill as an overnight guest. On another occasion, a man not only gave him a ride to another city but took him home for dinner with him, his wife, two teenage daughters and son.



Bill McAlpine

In southern Scotland "thumb waving" proved good for a 400-mile trip through England to Dover with a business man.

He crossed the channel to Oostende, Belgium and went by steamer to Amsterdam. From here he moved south into Germany by train, since hitchhiking was illegal in some of the countries.

To fulfill a growing desire, and using the illegality of hitchhiking as a good reason, Bill invested in a motorcycle. From this point on, transportation was no trouble except for a few minor repairs to the vehicle.

Arriving too late in Frankfurt to find accommodations in a youth hostel, he spent Saturday night in a park. Church bells, as they tolled on Sunday morning, seemed to be more of a call to worship than church bells in the states.

This tour extended as far north as Stockholm, east to Budapest, south to Florence, and some distance along the French Riviera before he headed for Paris.

A little weary of steady travel, Bill stayed for over three weeks in Vienna. It was here that cables were misinterpreted and funds ran low. Employment was obtained for one day after the proprietor learned that his new employee could

only work for one week. Several days later, a week of employment was obtained from the American Embassy as caretaker, as a "fill-in" for an ill employee.

Although Bill was unable to locate a neighbor "student" in Frankfurt, he was reminded of the phrase that "it is a small world" when he met a girl from Queen's (college for girls near Davidson) in Vienna, a Kingsport girl in Copenhagen, and an Amherst professor in Hamburg.

Bill left Paris on Labor Day, arrived in New York on Tuesday and went immediately to Philadelphia where he was to register and begin classes on Thursday at the University of Pennsylvania Graduate School. His scholarship at this school will enable him to earn advanced degrees in political science.

### Sporn

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or change in the future, and a projection of new potential dynamic factors in the technological and commercial areas which will have to be implemented in order to achieve the projected goals.

This, he said, is "inventing the future."

### Roanoker Retires After 31 Years



Mr. Hendricks

Alfred Hendricks, janitor in the Building Service Department of the Roanoke main office building retired October 1 after more than 31 years of continuous service. Mr. Hendricks began his duties at the old Campbell Avenue location and has seen many changes and growth in our company since.

Mr. Hendricks is a fan of all sports, especially football, baseball, and basketball. He is a member of the High Street Baptist Church and the William Hutton Y. M. C. A. His future plans include some travel and a lot of fishing and hunting, but he will continue to call Roanoke his home.

### That Tears It



Another example of the many ways electricity can be put to use is the electric wastebasket, one of which is in operation in the managerial department of the Logan-Williamson division. Eleanor Cunningham, secretary in the department, illustrates how a paper shredder fits on top of the basket and effectively destroys papers of a confidential nature.

### Eskins, Retiring, Will Hunt, Fish



Mr. Eskins

Schley H. Eskins, area supervisor of the Whitesville area of the Charleston division, closed out with retirement November 1 a career that began nearly 40 years ago.

Mr. Eskins joined Appalachian in March 1926 as a utility man in Charleston. He became district serviceman in 1937, and in December 1949 was promoted to area supervisor and transferred to Whitesville.

A native West Virginian, Mr. Eskins served in the Navy during the First World War, and was an electrical contractor before joining the company.

He is a member of the Masonic Lodge, Scottish Rite Bodies, and Shriners. His hobbies are hunting and fishing, and he plans to enjoy both to the fullest during retirement.

For many years, Mr. Eskins' nickname has been "Mayor." It goes back, he says, to his younger days in Chelyan, when he was given credit for preventing several fights and thus maintaining order in the section of town where he lived.

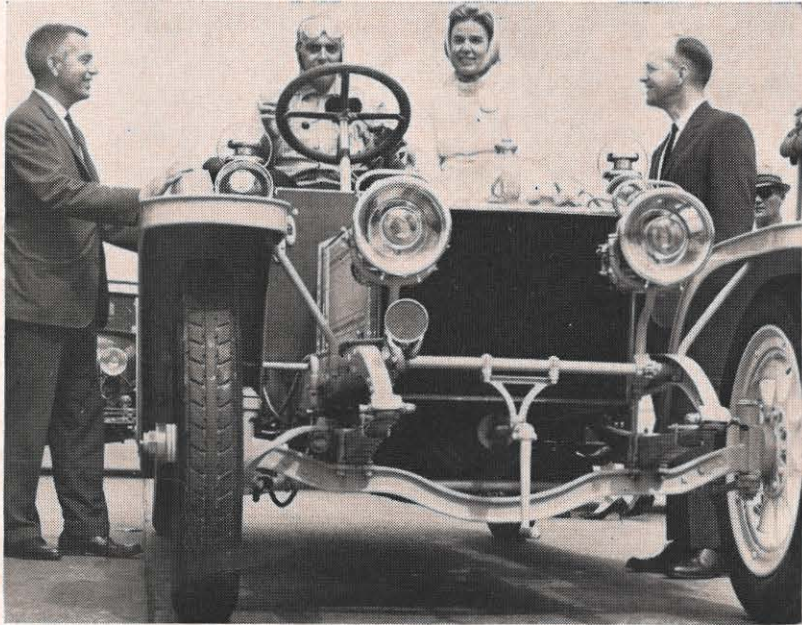
After a visit to relations in Texas, Mr. and Mrs. Eskins plan to settle in North Carolina, where the hunting and fishing are good.

### St. Albans Lights



The mayor of St. Albans, Averil L. Ramsey, left, discusses with Lloyd Pomykata and E. L. Munday Jr., the new mercury vapor street lights installed in the residential areas of St. Albans. Altogether 208 of the lamps, each 3,500-lumens, were installed.





Out-of-the-ordinary wheeled vehicles seemed to exert a fascination for employees in widely separated parts of the territory last month. In the top picture, John Gates, in his capacity as chamber of commerce president, welcomes the famous Glidden tour of antique automobiles to Beckley. He is at left, and Mayor John Smith is at right. The car is a 1907 Rolls-Royce, built in 1907 for Mr. Rolls himself, driven by Mr. and Mrs. Millard Newman. The tour also visited Bluefield before ending in Roanoke. In the middle picture is a vehicle a cut below an antique Rolls in style. It's a tractor driven by Roanoke division's Prince Thornton, who was parade marshal in the annual Franklin County Lord's Aere sale parade. In the parade were 23 units, and the entire cavalcade, tractor and all, ended at the high school where participating churches sold food and other items donated by members. In the bottom picture is Abingdon division's Gold Medallion Home float, which won second prize among commercial entries in the Burley Tobacco Festival at Abingdon, and third in the Apple Festival at Chilhowie. Fred Poe, dealer sales representative, is driving the towing Scout. (Top photo courtesy of Beckley Post-Herald.)

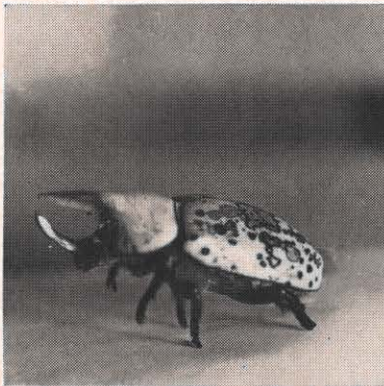


Ten Glen Lyn employees are pooling their time and talents to help build a parsonage for the Bozoo Christian Church. It's brick, seven rooms, and of course, electrically heated. The men are, from left, H. P. Jackson, L. B. Jackson, E. W. Ganoe, W. H. Dillow, J. C. Keatley, and R. K. McLaugherty. Others working on the project but absent from the picture are T. B. Skelton, H. Jackson Jr., D. T. Hayner, and H. O. Brookman.



In Bluefield, when someone retires, it's a custom to have a luncheon for him, and to invite all retired personnel to attend. Last month, when James Dodd retired, these retirees were on hand at lunch to welcome him to their ranks. Front: W. T. Elswick, F. P.

Claytor, C. R. Cruise, Otto Bressler, and A. L. Wellford Jr. Second row: W. G. Peck, H. W. Walk, L. H. Saunders, J. E. Taylor and P. E. Hilliard. Third row: B. E. Bates, R. L. Caudill, Mr. Dodd, and J. P. Gills.



Attention: one unidentified flying object spotted on top deck of Clinch River plant. Size: 2½ inches in length. Unpleasant-looking. Sighted and captured by Norman Bass, unit foreman. Anyone with information about this specimen, write to Clinch River.



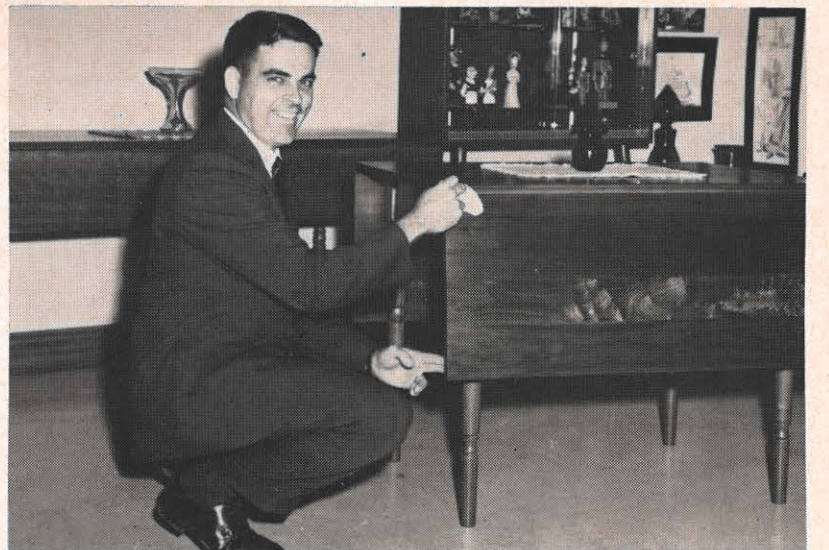
# Camera Roundup



More results of the agricultural use of fly ash are seen in this pumpkin grown by J. H. Oxley, chemist assistant at Glen Lyn. It measures 4 feet, 11 inches in circumference, and weighs 75 pounds.



Two Pulaski men, both honored by the United Daughters of the Confederacy with the UDC Cross of Military Service, compare notes. At left is Q. M. Harless, who received the decoration at the recent UDC convention. It is awarded to lineal descendants of Confederate veterans. Mar Harless's grandfather, Captain James Boyd, served with the Virginia Infantry during the War, and he himself was in the Pacific War, having been aboard two aircraft carriers and in Guam. George Chumbley, right, received the UDC Cross three years ago. He was in the European theater during the Second World War.



Bluefield's Archie Phlegar can be pardoned if he looks with real pride at the walnut drop-leaf table he is admiring. He made it, also the cherry table in the background. He is one of three Appalachian employees in Bluefield whose work is on exhibit and sale in the Skyland Arts and Crafts Shop at the top of East River Mountain. The other two are Mary Kirby, whose paintings are there, and Grady Parker, who makes wormy chestnut picture frames and gun racks. The shop represents a sales outlet to 413 craftsmen in the Virginias, who make jewelry, furniture, textiles, and the like. The shop is visited by 65,000 annually.



Hazard's auditorium was the scene of a meeting of home economics teachers from a five-county area recently, staged by an appliance manufacturer. The purpose was to demonstrate new features of the ap-

pliances provided to schools without charge by Kentucky Power Company. Miss Sharon Jackson, Hazard division home service representative, is at the far right in back.

## Service Anniversaries Noted



**J. R. Beckett**  
30 Years  
System



**H. P. Laughon**  
30 Years  
Roanoke



**K. E. Farley**  
30 Years  
Cabin Creek



**J. J. Roseberry**  
30 Years  
Abingdon



**P. L. Bailey**  
30 Years  
Lynchburg



**Posey Payne**  
25 Years  
Pulaski



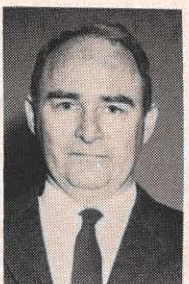
**K. C. Phillips**  
25 Years  
Pulaski



**R. C. Sharp**  
25 Years  
Pulaski



**R. L. Spencer**  
25 Years  
Roanoke



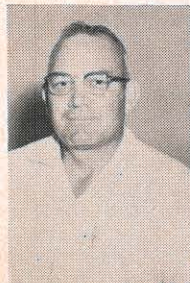
**T. B. Barnett**  
25 Years  
System



**Owen Wilson**  
25 Years  
Cabin Creek



**R. H. McDearmon**  
25 Years  
System



**J. H. Campbell**  
25 Years  
System



**L. R. Nicholas**  
25 Years  
System



**E. M. Jeffreys, Jr.**  
25 Years  
Logan-Williamson



**B. T. Bryant**  
20 Years  
Roanoke



**T. W. Holland**  
20 Years  
Roanoke



**J. L. McManaway**  
20 Years  
Roanoke



**W. E. Overstreet**  
20 Years  
Roanoke



**W. W. Scott**  
20 Years  
Roanoke



**D. R. Spicer**  
20 Years  
Roanoke



**P. B. Stump**  
20 Years  
Roanoke



**Helen Troutman**  
20 Years  
Charleston



**James R. Bailey**  
20 Years  
Bluefield



**Jessie D. Hill**  
20 Years  
Bluefield



**William C. Cox**  
20 Years  
Bluefield



**William F. Farris**  
20 Years  
Bluefield



**John B. Kahle**  
20 Years  
Bluefield



**Thalia Myles**  
20 Years  
Bluefield



**W. W. Munsey**  
20 Years  
Bluefield



**John C. Kinney**  
20 Years  
Ashland



**Russell Fleming**  
20 Years  
Ashland



**Luie Caldwell**  
20 Years  
Ashland



**William Barker**  
20 Years  
Abingdon



**C. K. Rowland**  
20 Years  
Abingdon



**H. M. Figg**  
20 Years  
Lynchburg



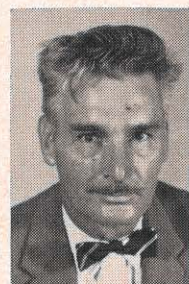
**K. A. Hayes**  
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System



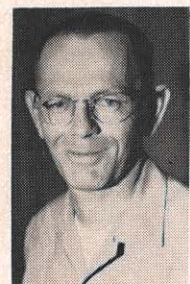
**Homer Combs**  
20 Years  
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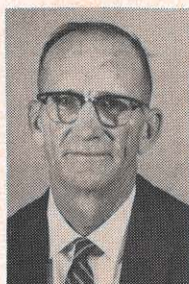
**C. L. Wilkinson**  
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Charleston



**W. D. Bennett**  
20 Years  
Charleston



**Hurston Webb**  
20 Years  
Charleston



**H. W. Cerrato**  
20 Years  
Logan-Williamson



**J. R. Crump**  
25 Years  
Huntington



**C. E. Hoschar Jr.**  
25 Years  
Huntington



**C. N. Chapman**  
20 Years  
Huntington



## Service Anniversaries

### Appalachian Power Company

**ABINGDON DIVISION**—30 YEARS: J. J. ROSEBERRY, area supervisor. 20 YEARS: WILLIAM BARKER, meter reader; W. C. LINDAMOOD, local office supervisor; C. K. ROWLAND, customer accounts supervisor. 5 YEARS: J. D. NICKOLS, lineman; PEGGY J. JOHNSON, stenographer.

**BLUEFIELD DIVISION**—20 YEARS: JAMES R. BAILEY, area serviceman; JESSIE D. HILL, cashier clerk; WILLIAM C. COX, instrument man; WILLIAM F. FARRIS, station man; JOHN B. KAHLE, heating sales engineer; THALIA B. MYLES, stenographer; W. W. MUNSEY, station man. 15 YEARS: JOSEPH S. STINSON, heating and builder sales representative; REBA D. BANNER, contract clerk; LUTHER J. MILLS, Jr., lineman. 10 YEARS: JAMES D. HAYNES, cashier clerk; CLYDE O. WELCH, Jr., T&D clerk. 5 YEARS: CLANCY C. MULLINS, groundman.

**CABIN CREEK PLANT**—30 YEARS: K. E. FARLEY, mechanical maintenance man. 25 YEARS: OWEN WILSON, mechanical maintenance man. 15 YEARS: D. W. HOPE, stores clerk.

**CHARLESTON DIVISION**—40 YEARS: L. C. MOLLOHAN, station foreman. 20 YEARS: HELEN A. TROUTMAN, stenographer; C. L. WILKINSON, area serviceman; W. D. BENNETT, meter reader; HURSTON WEBB, hydro maintenance man. 15 YEARS: KATHRYN WILKERSON, assistant credit supervisor; W. H. LIVELY, line inspector. 10 YEARS: NELL WENZEL, home sales representative.

**GLEN LYN PLANT**—10 YEARS: L. B. JACKSON, utility man.

**HUNTINGTON DIVISION**—25 YEARS: J. R. CRUMP, line foreman; C. E. HOSCHAR, JR., head meter clerk. 20 YEARS: C. N. CHAPMAN, auto repairman.

**KANAWHA RIVER PLANT**—15 YEARS: J. A. BENNETT, operations supervisor; R. S. JOHNSON, maintenance man; C. W. O'DANIELS, labor-janitor foreman.

**LOGAN-WILLIAMSON DIVISION**—25 YEARS: E. M. JEFFREYS, JR., station man. 20 YEARS: H. W. CERRATO, administrative assistant. 15 YEARS: GLEN BALL, meter reader; C. R. WILSON, Jr., power sales engineer; OKEY TAYLOR, groundman; TRUMAN SMITH, lineman.

**LYNCHBURG DIVISION**—30 YEARS: P. L. BAILEY, division superintendent of T&D. 20 YEARS: W. C. BLANKENSHIP, groundman; H. M. FIGG, heating and builder sales representative. 15 YEARS: R. A. CAMPBELL, draftsman.

**PHILIP SPORN PLANT**—15 YEARS: STANLEY HARBOUR, unit foreman; WALTER R. COUCH, equipment operator; HAROLD A. TEAFORD, unit foreman; ROBERT E. DAILEY, master maintenance man.

**PULASKI DIVISION**—25 YEARS: POSEY C. PAYNE, transportation supervisor; K. C. PHILLIPS, maintenance man; R. C. SHARP, meter serviceman. 10 YEARS: W. M. GARDNER, lineman.

**ROANOKE DIVISION**—30 YEARS: H. P. LAUGHON, division residential and rural sales supervisor. 25 YEARS: R. L. SPENCER, lead draftsman. 20 YEARS: B. T. BRYANT, meter reader; T. W. HOLLAND, engineering aide; J. L. MCMANAWAY, lineman; W. E. OVERSTREET, lineman; W. W. SCOTT, truck driver-groundman; D. R. SPICER, meter reader; P. B. STUMP, truck driver-groundman. 15 YEARS: C. S. PAGE, janitor. 10 YEARS: G. O. GIVENS, III, T&D clerk; M. B. PITCHES, T&D clerk.

**SYSTEM**—30 YEARS: J. R. BECKETT, system station operator. 25 YEARS: J. H. CAMPBELL, system electrical engineer; L. R. NICHOLAS, system station man; T. P. BARNETT, JR., work order cost billing clerk; R. H. MCDERMION, retirement cost clerk, senior. 20 YEARS: RUTH H. WRIGHT, payroll clerk; K. A. HAYES, system transmission foreman. 15 YEARS: W. R. HOUCHINS, system meterman; E. L. MOREHEAD, system transmission man. 10 YEARS: MILDRED H. SMITH, accounts receivable clerk. 5 YEARS: NELSON E. LAM, classification clerk.

### Kentucky Power Company

**ASHLAND DIVISION**—20 YEARS: JOHN C. KINNEY, meterman; RUSSELL FLEMING, head janitor; LUIE CALDWELL, lineman.

**HAZARD DIVISION**—20 YEARS: HOMER COMBS, head material clerk; ARNOLD BRYANT, truck driver-groundman. 15 YEARS: MARVIN COMBS, meter reader.

**PIKEVILLE DIVISION**—20 YEARS: FAREST BEVINS, serviceman. 15 YEARS: LEONARD BRUCE PRATER, T&D clerk.

### Kingsport Power Company

15 YEARS: J. L. WILLIAMSON, line foreman (non-exempt).

## Trippers, Stores Lead In Leagues

The Sporn plant bowling league, after six weeks of competition, has the Trippers in first place with a 12-6 record, closely followed by the Dispatchers, 11-7. High average so far belongs to George Wright with 180, and James Haggerty second with 178. Paul Forbes has high single game, 225, and James Haggerty high three game, 634.

The Trippers show why they're first with high game, 949, and high three games, 2,665.

In Roanoke, the race is just as close. Stores, with a 15-9 record, is closely pressed by Local Office, 14-9-1. High game goes to Billy Poff, 232, and high team game belongs to Stores, with 953.

## Glen Lyn Officers



Officers of the Glen Lyn plant bowling league are, left to right, J. J. Turner, president; D. T. Hayner, vice president; J. A. Johnston, secretary, and D. E. Brown, treasurer.

### 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.



Winner and runner-up in Big Sandy plant's Golf League this year are shown here: The winning team was Robert Kise, kneeling, and Tommy Jenks, right. Runner-up team was William Marushi, left, and Carl Burner.

## Two Aces Mark Golf League Season

Two holes-in-one were the high points of play in Big Sandy plant golf League's first year of competition.

The aces were recorded by William England, chemist, on a 176-yard hole—the first of his career; and by Tommy Jenks, unit operator, a 245-yard hole. It was Tommy's second hole-in-one. Both men received awards from the manufacturer of the balls they were using, and a dozen falls each from the League.

Twenty players were formed into ten teams for the competition. Tommy Jenks and Robert Kise took first place. Runner-up team was composed of William Marushi and Carl Burner. Low actual award went to Tommy Jenks, and low with handicap to James Gallaher.

Special awards went to Michael Babinetz, as most improved golfer, and to Arthur "Splash" Hill for hitting the most balls into the lake hazard.

Seven plant golfers also participated in the annual Kentucky Power Company Golf Tournament, and five won trophies: Harold Ferguson, Ruffus Prater, William England, Carl Burner, and Tommy Jenks.

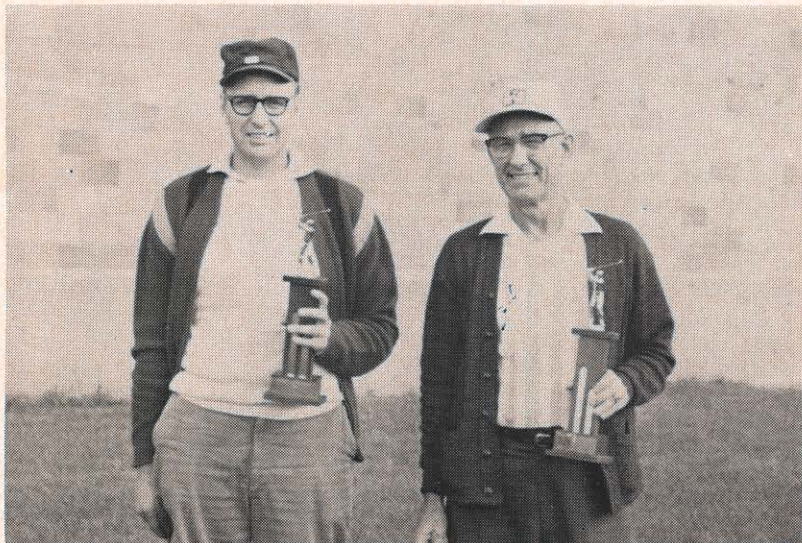
## Woman's World? She Picked Winners

Mr. Myrtle Smith, wife of T. R. Smith, Huntington division's service foreman, knows her football. Last month she was the Grid-Guess Winner in the Huntington newspaper.

Mrs. Smith won the cash prize of \$25.

She came very close to a perfect record missing only two out of 20. She picked Notre Dame over Purdue, a natural mistake, and Tennessee over Auburn. That one ended in a 13-13 tie.

## Sporn Winners



Winners of the Philip Sporn Plant Golf League were Willis Dudding, left, and Clarence Tennant. Jerry Arnold and Glen Roush were runners up. The Philip Sporn Golf League was made up of 24 teams, with two golfers on each team. Jerry Arnold and Glen Roush were winners of the maintenance department section, and Willis Dudding and Clarence Tennant in the operations department section. In the play-off Dudding and Tennant defeated Arnold and Roush for the championship.

## The Fannin Report What Happened? Nothing Much

Stonewall Fannin of the Huntington line crew doesn't get excited very often. When he speaks, he speaks softly, as befits a six-foot, 250-pounder, and he takes life as it comes.

Not long ago, he took his family to a football game. The next work day, his foreman Walter Harris, asked about it. This is the conversation:

Stonewall: Well, it was fine, but a funny thing did happen on the way.

Walter: What was that?

Stonewall: It was dark, and the car slipped off the road while we were crossing the railroad tracks, and it got hung up across the tracks.

Walter: What did you do?

Stonewall: We got out and tried to jack up the front end. That's when we saw a train coming.

Walter: Then what?

Stonewall: I told my boy to grab a flashlight and run up the track and try to stop the train.

Walter: And then . . . ?

Stonewall: I told the rest of the family to get out of the way.

Walter: What happened?

Stonewall: The train stopped about ten feet away.

Walter: What happened?

Stonewall: The crew got out and helped us push the car off the tracks.

Walter: Then what happened?

Stonewall: We went to the game.

Walter: What did the family think?

Stonewall: I didn't ask them.

Walter: What did you say to them?

Stonewall: I told them it was a dang good thing the train stopped, otherwise we would have had to walk to the game.

## Football Spotlight



Football is not just for the boys. Above are sons and daughters of Clinch River plant employees who are active in football this year: front row, Buell Cook Jr., Carol Mamoran, Dana Buskirk, and Joe Kiser. Back row: Dickie Murphy, Van Johnson Jr., Danny Johnson, Susan Peay, Ann Senter, and Eddie Mamoran Jr.

## Personals

(Continued from page 4)



Fred Austin and George Stone, both Lynchburg T&D men, were featured along with other Lynch-

burgers in the United Fund brochure "Thoughtful Contributions Give a Fair Share."

David Tibbs, son of R. A. Tibbs, commercial department, has been elected president of the junior class at E. C. Glass High School, and is also a member of the varsity football team.

Two Lynchburg employees drew civic appointments last month: Kathryn Jessee was named awards chairman for the Miss Lynchburg Pageant, sponsored by the Fort Hill Junior Woman's Club, and L. G. Dougan was named division director of first aid and water safety for the Lynchburg Safety Council.

## Big Sandy Man In Real-Life Drama

L. D. VanSickle, instrument man at Big Sandy plant, is the plant's version of TV's Dr. Kildare. He co-starred with his wife in recent real-life drama of do-it-yourself delivery.

Not long ago Mr. VanSickle rushed his wife to Louisa General Hospital's emergency room, and there, without the services of an attending physician, a featured player in the scene, eight-pound Jennifer Louise, made her appearance on stage.

The entire cast is doing well, but no one is looking forward to a repeat performance.



## Ribbon Winner

Marvin T. Roush, unit foreman at Philip Sporn, and his son Marvin C. Roush have been big winners of several awards at County Fairs recently. They showed the grand champion and reserve grand champion females in the open class of the cattle show at the Mason County Fair held at Point Pleasant, W. Va. The following week they had the reserve grand champion female at the Meigs County Fair at Pomeroy, Ohio. Mr. Roush and his family have a small herd of registered Herefords on their farm at New Haven, W. Va.

## Rookie Shows Up Farm Pros

"Greek Week" at Marshall University was filled with events the ancient Greeks never, for all their philosophy, dreamed of. They ranged from a beauty contest to a tug-of-war over a mudhole and included a cow-milking contest.

Many of the students at Marshall were raised on farms and when it comes to a cow-milking contest, they are perfectly capable of taking things into their own hands. One of the contestants was Tommie Sue Templeton, 18-year-old daughter of T. R. Templeton, Huntington garage foreman. When her turn came, she stepped up to old bossy and showed them how it was done.

She was elected the best milker of the bunch, displaying a fine touch and indicating a world of experience.

The experience: all she knew about milking a cow she learned from her father the night before the contest in a cram session on their farm in Chesapeake.

## Right License — Wrong State

James Hicks, engineering aide in the Huntington division got an unpleasant surprise recently when a game warden issued him a citation for fishing in the Ohio River without a fishing license.

I've got a license, replied Jimmy as he produced it for the officer.

Sure enough, he had an up-to-date Ohio Fishing License and the game warden agreed that it was beautiful.

However it wasn't Jimmy's day. He started out fishing from a boat in Indian Guyan Creek, a tributary of the Ohio River in Ohio. He failed to notice the fact that his boat drifted out into the Ohio River.

According to law, the 255 miles of the Ohio River which flows between Ohio and West Virginia belong to West Virginia all the way across to the low water mark on the Ohio side.

The result of this story is that Jimmy was right and so was the game warden. Jimmy did have a proper license and Jimmy started out fishing in Ohio but when his boat drifted out into the Ohio River, it put him in the position of fishing in a West Virginia stream without a license.

It's nice to be right, but it cost him a fine just the same.

## Kentucky Winner



R. L. Huffman, left, of Pikeville, collects his winner's trophy for his victory in the Seventh Annual Kentucky Power Company Golf Tournament, held last month at Paintsville. Ron Marshall, manager of the host Big Sandy plant, presents the award. Leon defeated Ashland's Waldo LaFon in the championship flight competition, a repeat performance of last year's play. This is the fifth time Leon has won the championship flight trophy. Eighty-eight men competed in the tournament.



Four visitors from Australia inspected the Smith Mountain Project last month, looking for ideas and equipment that might be adapted in the huge Snowy Mountains Scheme back home. At left, E. E. G. Warrell talks with Joe Plunk, of Appalachian's hydro

department. At right, Paul Johnson, supervisor of hydro generation for Appalachian, explains the workings of Smith Mountain's unit 2. From left are A. N. G. Bray, A. C. H. Frost, Mr. Johnson, and E. J. R. Gibson.

## Australians Inspect Work At Smith Mountain

Appalachian's Smith Mountain dam was inspected by four visitors from Australia last month, who pronounced the job "marvelous." The four are Eric J. R. Gibson, Eric E. G. Warrell, A. N. G. Bray, and A. C. H. Frost, and their stop in Roanoke was one of many in the course of an extensive trip through North America, Britain, and Europe. Their purpose in visiting pumped storage developments and

equipment manufacturers is to collect information and ideas to apply to a major hydro project in Australia. This is the project labelled by the American Society of Civil Engineers "one of the five future wonders of the world." Its official title is the Snowy Mountains Scheme, and when the final work is done, it will have been under construction 25 years. A complicated system of lakes, rivers, dams and tunnels, the project has a dual purpose: peak load electric power, and the irrigation of the dry edges of the heart of the Australian continent.

The heart of the Snowy Mountains Scheme lies along the great dividing range in southeast Australia, the highest land mass in the country. Rivers rising here flow southeast into the well-watered coastal belt; but on the western slopes are areas that receive only 12 to 16 inches of rain a year. This is the part of the country that needs irrigation. For more than 80 years the question of how best to do it was brought up.

Shortly after the war, the Commonwealth Government and the states of New South Wales and Victoria studied the problem anew. As a consequence the Snowy Mountains Authority was set up to design and construct the far-flung project. This entity is somewhat like the Tennessee Valley Authority, being financed by the Commonwealth Government, but with the difference that the Authority pays the going rate of interest for Commonwealth loans, which must be paid back out of electric revenues.

Eight dams are visualized. Four are completed, two under construction, and the other two in the design and investigation stages.

## Callihan Named Stores Supervisor

Bronson Callihan has been promoted to the post of stores supervisor of the Ashland division of Kentucky Power Company to succeed the late Hugh T. Mitchell. The promotion was effective October 11, 1965.

Mr. Callihan began working for the company on April 4, 1951 in the T & D department. In 1952, he was transferred to the stores department as material clerk and promoted to head material clerk in 1954.

Mr. Callihan served three years in the armed forces during World War II. He attended the Ashland Junior College. He is well-known for his sports activities which include golf, bowling and softball. He is married and has two children.



Mr. Callihan

They range in height from 148 feet to 500 feet. There are seven tunnels, the longest 15 miles, and ten power stations with a total ultimate capacity of 3,445,000-kw.

This vast network, with the aid of pump turbines, will thus not only produce power for the fast-growing Australian economy, but also move water for irrigation purposes to the near-desert lands west of the mountains.



Mr. White

## Beckley Supervisor Retires November 1

Bernard H. White, Jr., customer account supervisor in Beckley, retired November 1, after 42 years of service. He was first employed by the company on October 3, 1923 as a ledger clerk in Charleston. In February 1926 he was transferred to Bluefield as payroll clerk where he remained until January 1927. He worked in Ashland, Kentucky for nine years, then in Charleston again. In March 1944 he was transferred to Beckley, and 2 years later was promoted to local office manager and remained in that position until his retirement.

He was born in St. Albans, and attended Capitol City Commercial College in Charleston.

Mr. White is active in civic organizations and has served as secretary of the local Civitan Club for the past 16 years. He is past president of the Sons of American Revolution, member of the West Virginia Historical Society, Elks Club, Chamber of Commerce and is Chairman of the Advisory Board of the local Salvation Army. He was instrumental in helping to found the Woodrow Wilson Scholarship Foundation and is past president of the organization. He attends the St. Francis DeSales Catholic Church where he is a member of the Holy Name Society.

His hobbies are stamp and coin collecting.

He is married and the father of a son and a daughter, both married, and he and his wife will make their retirement home in Xenia, Ohio.

## PUAV Sponsors Seminar For Architects, Engineers

Systems for controlling electrically the environment of commercial and industrial buildings was the general subject of a seminar for architects and professional engineers in Roanoke last month.

The seminar was sponsored by the electric utility companies of the Public Utilities Association of the

Virginias (PUAV) and participating companies, including our three. The conference theme was "New Dimensions in Design."

Some 200 architects, professional engineers, and professors of architecture and electrical and mechanical engineering from Virginia, West Virginia, Ohio, Tennessee, North Carolina, Kentucky, Maryland, and the District of Columbia attended.

Educational and industrial leaders from throughout the nation discussed many aspects of environment control during the two days of meetings.

Among them were Karel Yasko, assistant commissioner for design, General Services Administration, who will be the banquet speaker tomorrow night; John H. K. Shanahan, vice president and executive director, Electric Heating Association; Benjamin H. Evans, director of research programs, The American Institute of Architects; Henry Wright, regents-professor of environmental technology, Kansas State University; Dr. John A. Logan, Jr., president, Hollins College; and many others.

The talks ranged in nature from specific case histories of buildings using electric heat to reports of social influences on design and construction. Also covered were many of the new developments in the field of environmental control.

## Two Honored For Service



Mr. Armstrong



Mr. Mollohan

John J. Armstrong, with 45 years of service, and Lloyd C. Mollohan, with 40 years, both Appalachian men, marked long service anniversaries this month.

### Mr. Armstrong

Mr. Armstrong is system chief operations coordinator in Roanoke. Born in England, he started his company service as patrolman at Cabin Creek plant in 1920, when it was owned by the Virginian Power Company. From 1926 to 1934 he worked at Turner station, and in the latter year was promoted to station supervisor at Switchback. He transferred to system operating in 1937, and worked at South Point, Ohio until 1941. Mr. Armstrong later became assistant chief system operator in Charleston and chief operator in Huntington. In 1949 he came to Roanoke as system operating supervisor, and was promoted to system assistant operations coordinator in 1959, and to his present position in 1963. He is married and has two married sons.

### Mr. Mollohan

Mr. Mollohan, station foreman in the Beckley area, received his 40-year pin September 5. It was on that date in 1925 that he started to work for Appalachian as an electrician in Charleston. In the following years he was utility man, serviceman, substation operator, and working foreman. He was promoted to station foreman in May, 1948. A native West Virginian, Mr. Mollohan is active in community affairs, and is a member of the First Baptist Church. He is married and is the father of two married children, and makes his home in Beckley.

## Rollins Promoted At Sporn Plant

Kenneth O. Rollins, tractor operator at Philip Sporn plant, was promoted to assistant yard foreman, effective September 1. He replaces James L. Hart who was promoted to yard foreman.

Mr. Rollins was first employed June 20, 1951 as a laborer. He later became a coal handler, tripper operator, harbor boat operator, conveyor operator and was promoted to tractor operator February 20, 1961.

He is a graduate of Wahama High School and served two years in the U. S. Navy. During his tour in the Navy he served overseas.

Mr. Rollins is a member of the Advent Christian Church where he, his wife and daughter are members of the Guiding Star Choir. His spare time is spent in operating a general farm. He is married, has three children and resides on the farm near Letart, W. Va.



Mr. Rollins

## Good Housekeeping Seal



Appalachian's general office building in downtown Roanoke was honored by the city's Chamber of Commerce during the recent National Fire Prevention Week. The building was given a "good housekeeping" award for the way employees maintain it. Shown are from left: Roanoke Fire Chief Sidney W. Vaughan; D. C. Kennedy, Roanoke division manager; and Jack Butler, president of the Roanoke Chamber.

## Hydro Sprucing



Maintenance work continues on the Marmet, Winfield, and London hydros on the Kanawha River near Charleston. Here, Diver Sam Whitson relaxes in a giant tire he found while inspecting rack bars, and talks to Jack Jarrett, mechanical maintenance man. The tire and the tree trunks are just part of the debris he found at the bottom of the river. He also recovered four pontoons lost last year. Winfield and Marmet hydros were also painted after nine weeks of sandblasting. Used were 305 gallons of subway black and 150 gallons of stainless steel paint.

The things we worry over  
most never happen.

Nolan

# The Illuminator

We have committed the  
golden rule to memory; let  
us now commit it to life.

Markham

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## AEP Managers Meet In Roanoke November 9-12

The American Electric Power System's 18th annual Management Meeting will be held in Roanoke, November 9-12.

Again held at the Hotel Roanoke, the meeting will be opened on Tuesday, November 9 with a keynote address by Donald C. Cook, president of American Electric Power Company and of our companies.

The first day's agenda also includes a discussion of legal and governmental factors affecting the system and an engineering review of the arts of generation and transmission. The review will be introduced and summed up by Philip Sporn, chairman of the AEP System Development Committee.

An afternoon inspection of Appalachian Power Company's Smith Mountain Dam on Wednesday will follow morning talks on power distribution techniques and federal programs for economic development. John Sweeney, co-chairman of the federal Appalachian Regional Commission, will speak on economic development.

On Thursday morning, the 300-member group will hear discussions on area development, finance, employee relations, and public relations. The afternoon sessions will concentrate on energy sales. Jesse W. Dillon, chairman of the Virginia Corporation Commission, will address the group following dinner on Thursday evening.

A question-and-answer session and closing remarks by Mr. Cook will end the meeting on Friday morning.

## Appalachian Leads AEP In Safety Competition

Appalachian continued to hold the top three places as the American Electric Power System Division Safety Contest swept past the year's three-quarter mark.

Roanoke division held first place with 1,532,000 safe man-hours worked since its last disabling accident in July 1963.

Roanoke passed the million-hour mark December 29. In second place was the Radford Army Ammunition Plant, a facility operated by Appalachian for the U. S. Government. Radford employes passed the million-hour mark on May 27, and have piled up a total of 1,029,000 safe hours since their last accident in December, 1954.

Third place was held by

Appalachian's Cabin Creek plant with 904,838 injury-free hours worked since its last disabling injury in October 1961. Ohio Power Company's Division Three, at Coshocton, was in fourth place. Employees there have worked 898,261 hours without an injury since their last mishap in September 1963.

### THE SAFETY CONTEST STANDINGS

Division	Company	Manhours Since Last Disabling Injury	Date of Last Disabling Injury
Roanoke	Appalachian	1,532,183	July 20, 1963
Radford Army Ammunition Plant	Appalachian	1,029,314	Dec. 29, 1954
Cabin Creek Plant	Appalachian	904,838	Oct. 2, 1961
Division Three—Coshocton	Ohio Power	898,261	Sept. 18, 1963
Division One—Steubenville	Ohio Power	801,746	July 23, 1964
Logan-Williamson	Appalachian	654,804	Aug. 8, 1963
Division Six—Portsmouth	Ohio Power	641,109	Dec. 18, 1963
Division Two—Canton	Ohio Power	551,409	Oct. 18, 1964
Division Four—Zanesville	Ohio Power	527,383	Apr. 28, 1964
Marion	Ind. & Mich.	486,233	Oct. 26, 1964

## Sporn Sees 6-Trillion KWH Generation, 300 New Plants In U. S. In 35 Years

Six-trillion kilowatt-hours of electric power will be generated annually in the United States by the year 2000—better than six and a half times today's yearly production.

This prediction was one of several looks into the future by Philip Sporn, chairman of the AEP System Development Committee in a lecture, "Research in Electric Power," delivered at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute.

To implement "this grand invention," Sporn said that the U. S. power industry will have to build facilities involving a total investment of about \$420-billion in the next 35 years.

He also foresaw, as necessary parts of the coming power picture, these other developments: a 20% improvement in the efficiency of converting primary energy into electric energy; a 35% reduction in the unit cost of electricity; the con-

struction of some 300 new power plants with capacities of 2½ to 3-million kilowatts each; the development of a-c transmission up to a million volts and exploitation of the full potential value of d-c transmission; and the conversion of many areas of energy use to the electrical form, so that electric energy will account for 40% of our total energy used (now less than 23%).

Mr. Sporn retired in 1961 as president of American Electric Power Company and of our companies.

In his lecture Mr. Sporn stressed the great role research played in the birth and subsequent development of electric power over the past 80-odd years, to the point where the power industry today is "the most capital-intensive industry in the U. S.," supplying 40% of the world's electric energy. This, he said, has been achieved by vast improvements in the technology of generating, transmitting and distributing electric energy and by utilizing the economies thus obtained to extend, improve the quality, and reduce the cost of service, and by using the increased utilization thus obtained to develop further the technology and the attractiveness of electric energy use in every branch of activity of our dynamic society.

Looking toward the future, Mr. Sporn pointed out the great difficulty in making reliable projections beyond a very limited few years, but then suggested that this did not apply to setting specific goals for periods as far ahead as the end of this century. These, to make sense, he said, can be laid down only on a base of thorough knowledge of all the underlying factors of performance in the past, a study of their likely continuance

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## Guess Contest Brings 4,316 Entries; Promotes Sales

More than 100 sales of electric heat were recorded by Appalachian during the recent "Total Electric Living Costs Less Than You Guess" contest, with many more expected. In addition, one of the eight winners in the contest had converted her home to electric heat within two weeks of the close of the contest.

Those are two of the results of the month-long contest, open to all Appalachian customers. Contestants were asked to estimate the average monthly electric bill of a pictured and described total electric home. The person in each division coming closest to the actual figure won up to \$1000 for electric heat installation in his home.

Among the eight winners, the widest miss was only four cents, and one winner, Mrs. Dorothy Shaw, of Blacksburg, estimated the bill exactly: \$24.46 for a 1,340 square foot home with electric heat and 10 other uses of electricity.

Altogether the contest attracted 4,316 entries in the eight divisions. Commercial department people

say the contest has two benefits: first, the immediate sales, and the sales expected to come from the large number of prospects turned up through the contest's incentive features; and second, the opportunity it provided to tell the home heating cost story to large numbers of customers.

Attention of customers was drawn during the contest to liberal financing terms available through Reddy Kilowatt Recommended Heating-Cooling Dealers for conversions, and to the guarantee of satisfaction that goes with each installation. Under the terms of this guarantee, a customer must be satisfied with his electric heat installation in all respects, following a 12-months' period; if not, the dealer will buy back the heating equipment and return all costs to the customer.

A further feature of the contest calls for a payment of \$25 to every entrant who converts his home to electric heat before the end of the present year.

## Highest Distribution Voltage On AEP System Being Built

Appalachian Power Company has begun work on the first leg of a three-stage project in the Hillsville-Floyd-Stuart section of Virginia that will establish the highest voltage distribution network the company has ever operated.

Under construction is a 34,500-volt distribution network, which will make available more electricity for customers' use and provide even greater reliability of service. The project, costing nearly \$2.5-million, will be completed in 1967.

Before the current project, a 34,500-volt line was considered part of the transmission system. Distribution lines from Hillsville to Stuart and Floyd now operate at 12,000-volts.

The first leg of the project involves conversion to 34,500-volts of a 45-mile long, 12,000-volt line from Stuart substation to the Hillsville substation. Other parts of the project will include conversion of another 12,000-volt line from Stuart to Hillsville, this one 34 miles long,

and a 28-mile long, 12,000-volt line from Hillsville substation to Floyd substation. These three stations provide distribution service to a 700-square-mile area in Patrick and Carroll Counties.

This project represents a pilot program for the entire American Electric Power System.

In addition to actual conversion of the lines, work will be done at each of the three stations involved. Transformers will be replaced to take care of the new voltage, including transformers located on poles.

The present plan is to energize each five-mile section of the line at 34,500-volts as it is completed. A 3,000-kva mobile transformer will be used to accomplish this job. Because the transformer can step electric power down, it will be possible to operate a completed section of the line at 34,500-volts and the rest of the line at 12,000-volts. As each new section is completed, the transformer will be moved down the line.

## Milton Is First On System To Have All Mercury Lights

Milton has become the first municipality in the Appalachian system to have an all mercury-vapor street lighting installation, and the lighting up of the system was the occasion for community-wide celebrations.

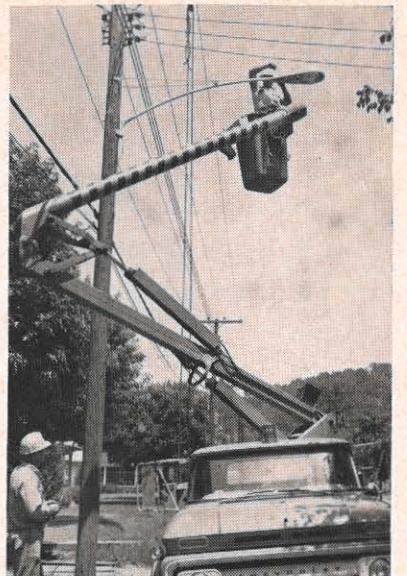
Involved in the work were six 20,000 lumen lights on Main Street, replacing the old 1000-lumen units. In the residential sections, 84 3,500-lumen lights went up, and Highway 60, passing through town, was also lighted with nine 7,000-lumen units.

To give an instant effect of new lighting, the new downtown units were not energized on installation. Instead, they were mounted just above the old units and kept unlighted.

Meanwhile, downtown merchants were planning a Milton Fall Festival, and it was decided that the great lighting ceremony would take place in conjunction with it.

When the day—or rather, the night—came, the high school band was on hand, and town officials spoke from the steps of the bank building, Appalachian's lineman, Jig Back disconnected the old lights, and the mayor flipped the switch for the new lights.

The mercury vapor lights require a few minutes to reach full light level, and gradually they came on to the applause of the crowd. At maximum illumination, the new units provided exactly twice the light of the old.



W. H. Holley, line foreman, installs one of Milton's new street lights.



M. A. Fotos Jr., area supervisor; E. C. Joyce, assistant mayor of Milton, and Jonathan Lowe, master of ceremonies at the Milton lighting-up celebration, prepare to flip the switch.



Who's the mystery man reading the morning paper at the breakfast table—just like home? His name, spelled backwards, is Det LliheruC.



Could Jim Rose (New York) and Tim Darrah (Ashland) be discussing Kentucky Power Company's forthcoming financing over their coffee?



Want to bet that Philip Sporn, retired AEP president, and Jack Kepner, Appalachian's operations superintendent, are discussing the big blackout?



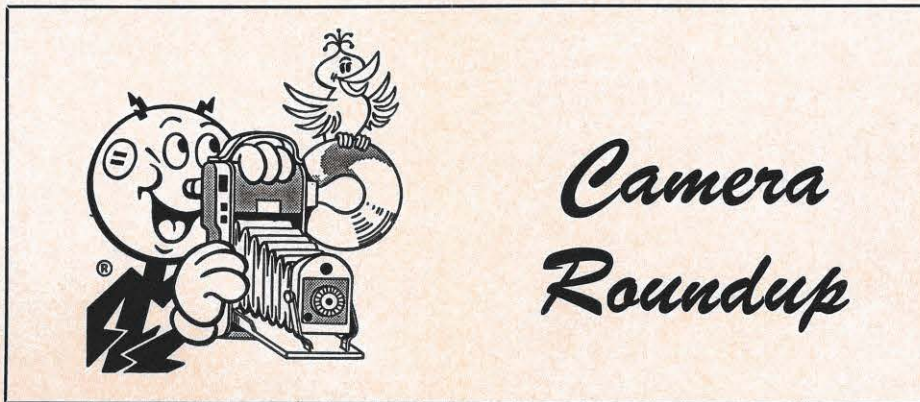
Monday morning's session has just ended and Bill Stewart, Wheeling; George Patterson, New York, and Mac Baker, Ashland, head for the coffee cups.



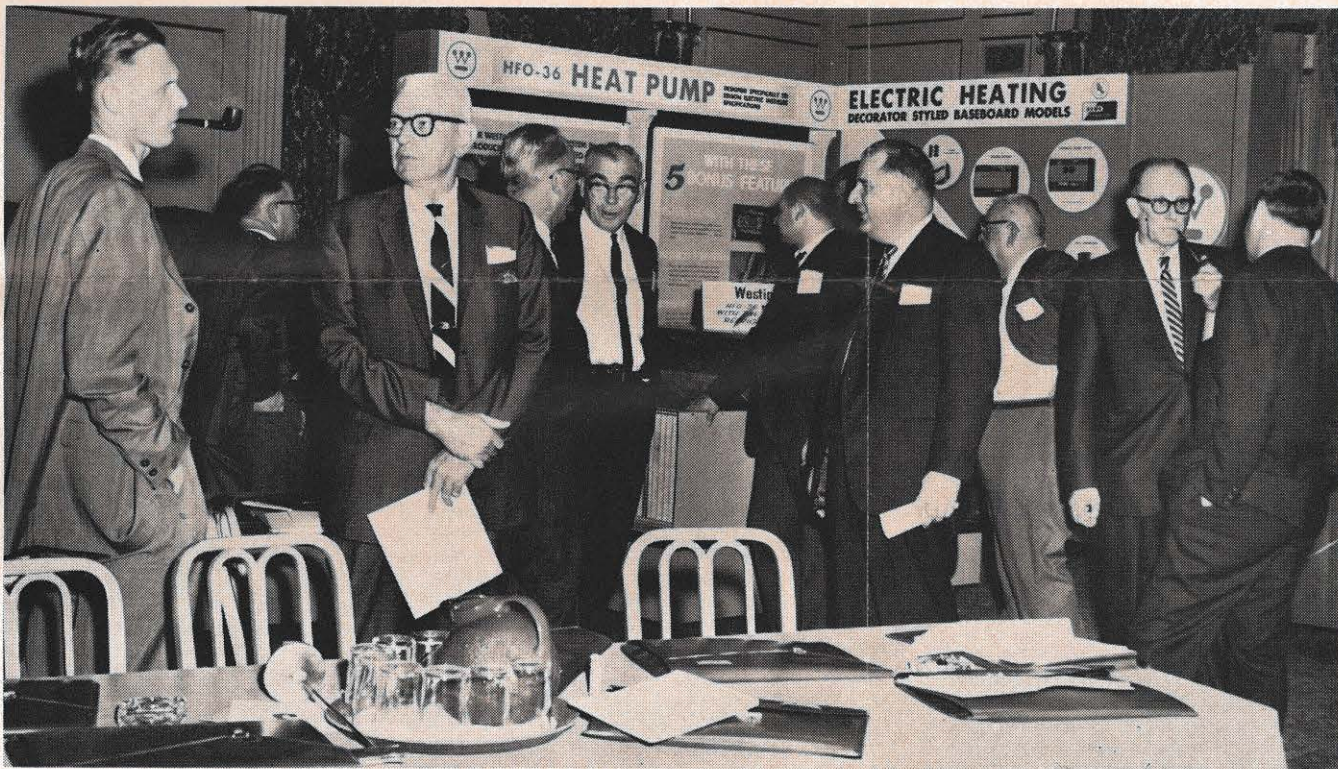
An understanding of the "strainer" process at the Smith Mountain dam is the objective of this sextet of visitors. From left: Les Scales, Canton; Waldo LaFon, Ashland; Harry St. Clair and Jerry Maloney, New York; Tim Darrah, Ashland, and Herb Cohn, New York.



Twenty-six managers play follow the leader after their arrival by bus at Smith Mountain Dam. How many can you identify? Roanoke's usually mild and sunny weather turned dreary for the tour, but it failed to dampen the enthusiasm of the many viewing the project for the first time.



Homer Sager (left), who manages a steam plant in Indiana (Breed), finds falling water a different kind of fuel at the Smith Mountain hydro operation. Sharing Homer's interest here are New York's Jim Samuelson (center) and Ashland's Waldo LaFon.



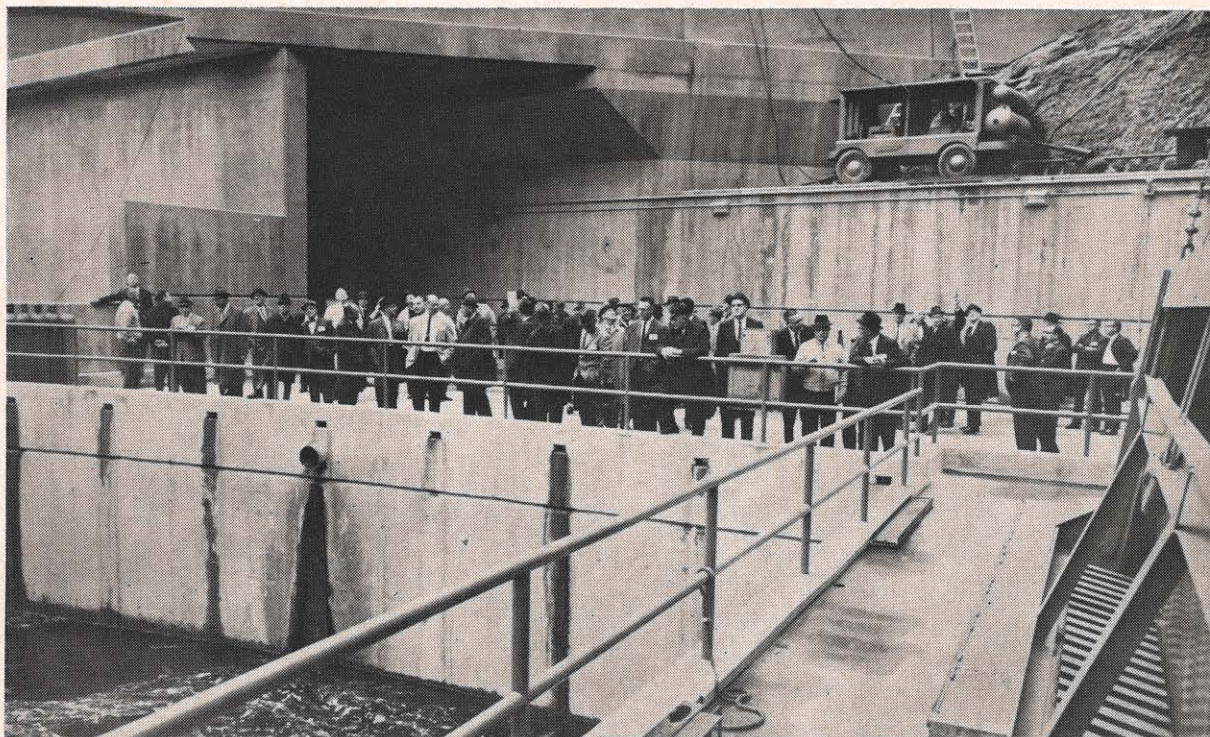
One of the meeting's features was the Westinghouse heat pump display. Caught by the cameraman in the exhibit corner are (l. to r.): Jim Berg, Roanoke; Mitch Mills, New York; Sam Pritchard, Roanoke; Clarence Archer, Cardinal Plant; George Millman and Chet Kalinowski, New York; Skinny Koontz, Roanoke; Hal Hoebel, Canton, and "friend."



Newark checks in at the registration desk. Walter Spitzer, Bob Bull and Bob Baggs, reading left to right, receive their portfolios from registrar Don Piedmont. Management members began arriving Monday, and the registration desk was a busy spot from then on.



New York's Chet Kalinowski, Gene McLoughlin and Frank Sweeney, all of New York, smile at the prospects of an afternoon off—and a visit to Smith Mountain via Trailways. Partly hidden are Hal Hoebel and Jim Cassidy, of Canton and Ashland, respectively.



# Camera Roundup



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Willard, Roanoke; Clarence Archer, Cardinal Hillman and Chet Kalinowski, New York; Ashland; Hal Hoebel, Canton, and "friend."

Above, AEP System management people, during their tour of the Smith Mountain Dam facilities, were fascinated by the turbulence in the Roanoke River created by the discharge of water from Unit 1. This unit and Unit 2 were in operation at the time.



Right: Hoosiers all. Here are the four Indiana & Michigan Electric Company personnel who appeared on the speaking program. Left to right: Warren Widenhofer, General Manager Red Doyle, Jim Hughes and Paul Humphries, all of Fort Wayne.



Above, John Vaughan, of Roanoke, member of the Management Meeting arrangements committee, briefs the three pretty Appalachian ladies of the special office staff who manned AEP headquarters at the Hotel Roanoke. They are (l. to r.): Roxanna Caudill, Jewell Woolridge and Elizabeth Bosang.



Roanoke's Chet Kalinowski, Gene McLoughlin and Frank Sweeney, all of New York, are seen at the prospects of an afternoon off—and a visit to Smith Mountain via the Shenandoah Valley Railway. Partly hidden are Hal Hoebel and Jim Cassidy, of Canton and Ashland, respectively.



The four happy Buckeyes who posed so nicely (left), for the photographer here are (l. to r.): Al Willenar, Canton; Don Dick, Tiffin (and, in recent weeks, Willard); Paul Meadows, Portsmouth, and Lloyd Fowler, Canton.



## Among The Early Arrivals



Among Monday's early arrivals at Woodrum Field were these five officers of the AEP Service Corporation. From the left are: Donald C. Cook, president; H. B. Cohn and George V. Patterson, vice presidents; C. P. Maloney, controller, and S. N. Fiala, vice president.

### Management Meeting Musings

This is the 18th annual Management Meeting of the American Electric Power System (and before that, the American Gas and Electric System).

It's also the fifth in Roanoke—and the third time in the last four years for the Star City of the South.

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Here's the record for Management Meetings since they began in 1947:

1947—Roanoke	1957—Fort Wayne
1948—Wheeling	1958—Roanoke
1949—Canton	1959—Canton
1950—New York	1960—Fort Wayne
1951—Atlantic City	1961—New York City
1953—Atlantic City	1962—Roanoke
1954—Fort Wayne	1963—Roanoke
1955—Huntington	1964—Wheeling
1956—Canton	1965—Roanoke

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Total attendance: 315. Number of meals served by the Hotel Roanoke: over 3,500. Number of talks: 44. Total elapsed speaking time: 14½ hours (not counting the question-and-answer period). And total slide illustrations for talks: over 450.

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Where do they come from? From 17 communities in Ohio, from 13 each in Indiana and West Virginia, eight in Virginia, four in Kentucky, two in Michigan and one in Tennessee. And lil' ol' New York.



Buckeye Staters Bob Baggs (Newark) and Chuck Bullock and John Wilder (both of Canton) enjoy their smoke break on the meeting's opening day.

### Election Puts Town Into AEP System

The American Electric Power System took a special interest in two local elections—one in Ohio and one in Michigan—within the past week.

#### ONE UP

In Willard, Ohio, on Tuesday, Nov. 2, voters chose to sell that community's electric power plant and distribution facilities to Ohio Power Company for an offered \$1,575,000.

The vote was 1,032 in favor and 605 against—a 63% majority. This action will add approximately 2,200 customers to Ohio Power's Division 7 (Tiffin).

#### ONE DOWN

Then, in South Haven, Mich., north of Benton Harbor, voters turned down Indiana & Michigan Electric Company's offer to buy the municipal facilities there. That election took place on Monday, Nov. 8.

I. & M. won an easy majority—1,084 to 756, or 58.9% favorable. Charter law, however, required an OK by a 60% majority.

The I. & M. bid had been for \$3.5-million. Approximately 4,700 customers were involved.

### Kammer Improved

H. A. (Bert) Kammer, senior vice president of the American Electric Power Service Corporation and a vice president of each of the six AEP System operating companies, is now at home and "feeling good." He had undergone surgery recently, in connection with his current illness, and in his own words, is "better every day."

Bert lives at 27 Ridge Road, East Williston, Long Island, N. Y.

## New Steam Unit Is Planned For West Virginia In 1970

Appalachian Power Company will build a major new steam-electric power generating unit "somewhere in West Virginia" by 1970.

This was one of many news highlights emanating from a free-wheeling press conference on Monday evening preceding the opening of the Management Meeting. President Donald C. Cook discussed a wide range of subjects brought up by newsmen from Roanoke area newspapers and television and radio stations.

Their scope included local, state, national and international matters.

Cook disclosed that the new West Virginia power unit is expected to be "at least 750,000 kilowatts," which would make it 22% larger than the biggest units now under construction on the American Electric Power System. He said that the new unit might be constructed on a new site or as an addition to an existing power station and that its location probably would be announced by 1967.

#### Highlights

Other highlights of the press conference included these developments:

- Start of construction on Appalachian's second proposed pumped-storage hydroelectric project, the Blue Ridge Development on the New River in Grayson County, will depend upon the date of issuance of a construction license by the Federal Power Commission, anticipated in 1966. A similar license has been granted by the Virginia Corporation Commission.

- Appalachian's first such project, the Smith Mountain Development, is expected to be fully operational by early Spring.

- Appalachian has begun development of a 1,200-acre tract in Franklin County, Va., adjacent to the Smith Mountain Project on the Roanoke River. Known as "B-Bar-B," this development will include a boat club, marina and "possibly" a golf course—as well as 800 lots for homes, both year-round and summer-type and, of course, all-electric. Construction is expected to start in the Spring.

- Also to be undertaken in the Spring is a general beautification program for the Smith Mountain Dam area. This will include an overlook and exhibit building (with a "working" pumped-storage model) at the dam proper, with excellent views of the river, and a large picnic and recreation area, complete with lagoon, just below the dam.

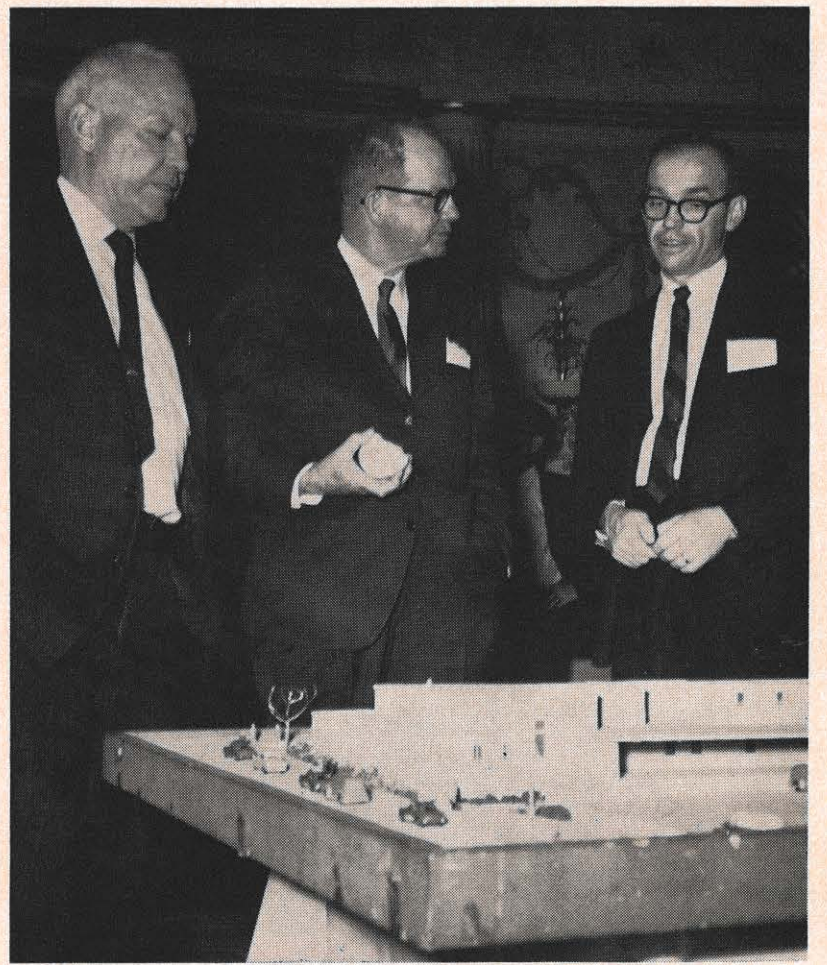
#### Jet Year

- 1966 might well be remembered as the "jet year" because of the ease of remembering forecasts of the Gross National Product—\$707-billion for the calendar year and with the GNP zooming to an annual rate of \$727-billion by next year's fourth quarter.

- Reasons for the prediction of "the most outstanding year of all time" for 1966: (a) anticipated capital expenditures of \$53 or \$54-billion for the nation, and (b) another record-smashing year for the automotive industry.

- The AEP System's own capital expenditures, within the very near future, will attain the range of \$150-\$200-million annually.

- Almost half of all new homes and apartment units now being built on the AEP System are all-electric. Our target: a 51% saturation of all dwellings.



Kingsport's new U. S. post office is all-electric. A model of the building is explained here by Kingsport's Marv Simpson (right) to Herb Kincaid of Pikeville and Knight Thigpen of New York.