

# Blue Ridge Hearings Nearing Final Stages

## Records Are Filed During Extensive Cross-Examination

Hearings on Appalachian Power Company's application for a license to build the Blue Ridge Pumped Storage and Hydro-electric Project on New River in Grayson County Virginia, resumed on October 9 before a Federal Power Commission examiner in Washington. This is the second phase of the hearings. They originally began on May 23. After some of Appalachian's witnesses were cross-examined, they were recessed until October 9.

FPC Examiner William C. Levy, a Harvard Law School graduate and a veteran of many years with the Federal Power Commission, is conducting the hearing. He is one of 17 Federal Power Commission examiners and it is his job to hear all of the evidence, and then make his recommendations to the entire Federal Power Commission.

A hearing before the FPC is not like a court of law. All testimony in the case is filed prior to the establishment of the hearing dates. At the hearings themselves, the witnesses who filed the testimony are subject to cross-examination by opposing counsel for the intervenors and the staff of the Federal Power Commission.

In this case, Appalachian witnesses filed original testimony in June 1966, additional testimony in April 1967 and rebuttal testimony in September 1967. Intervenor—The Department of Interior and some REA Cooperatives filed testimony in much the same manner as Appalachian. The Federal Power Commission staff has also filed testimony in the case, as is its right and prerogative in cases requiring licenses from the Federal Power Commission.

Appalachian's counsel in this proceeding is Tom Debevoise of the Washington firm of Debevoise, Liberman and Corben and Joseph Dowd of the American Electric Power Service Corporation legal staff.

Counsel for the Department of Interior is Curtis Bell of Elberton, Georgia, a member of the legal staff of the department and counsel for the REA Cooperatives includes William T. Crisp, Ted G. West, Lynwood H. Wilson and Howard Caplan.

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## Positions Of Parties

The following is a brief resume of the position of the various parties in the Blue Ridge proceeding before the Federal Power Commission. Appalachian Power Company is seeking a license to construct the Blue Ridge Pumped Storage and Hydroelectric Development on New River in Grayson County, Virginia, and in Ashe and Alleghany counties, North Carolina. Intervenor in the case who are opposing Appalachian's application are some rural electric cooperatives in North Carolina and Virginia and one in West Virginia, and the Department of Interior.

### Appalachian's Position

Appalachian has submitted testimony which makes the following points:

(1) The project would involve an investment of about \$139-million to provide a two dam pumped storage project, having an installed capacity of 980,000 kilowatts.

(2) The company's proposal would contribute 160,000 acre feet of flood control storage and 25,000 acre feet of storage for low flow supplementation in the upper reservoir.

(3) The company's proposal would result in the creation of a major water-based recreation area, to the development of which the company would contribute in excess of \$1-million.

(4) The company's plans would create a relatively stable upper lake, having a surface area of about 15,000 acres and a shoreline of between 400 and 500 miles. The upper lake in the company's operating plans for the project would fluctuate 6 to 7 feet on a weekly basis, and even in the driest year would not be drawn down more than 8.2 feet.

(5) The project as proposed by the company would create substantial economic benefits for the area and help in the development of a major recreation industry and create substantial property tax benefits for the area.

(6) In addition, the company's project would benefit the coal industry because of the pump back features of the proposal. Electricity needed to operate the pumps of the ultimate installation of 6 units in the upper power station for pumping back water from the lower lake to the upper lake would require the burning of about 1,170,000 tons of coal annually at some of the company's coal-fired steam plants.

### Interior's Position

The Department of Interior has filed testimony on two different occasions, in which it indicated that it would oppose the granting of the license unless the project was modified to include, originally, one-half million acre feet of water quality storage in the upper reservoir. In later testimony, the Department of Interior has reduced this figure to 400,000 acre feet.

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## Economist, White House Advisor Slated For Management Meeting At Roanoke

Walter Heller, distinguished economist and White House advisor, will be the principal speaker at the American Electric Power System Management Meeting which begins November 8 at Roanoke.

Mr. Heller will address the 300 management men at dinner November 9 on "Prosperity Without Inflation: Is It In The Cards?"

The two-and-a-half-day program will open with the traditional state-of-the-company address by President Donald C. Cook. The remainder of the morning will be devoted to operating performance improvements, touching on transmission and distribution and 360 computer system and its relation

to operating personnel, among other things.

Engineering will take up the first afternoon. Topics for speakers will include generation planning, a progress report on the system's new generating units, design of the system's first nuclear unit and a discussion of fuels for the future. The 765,000-volt network, the esthetics of our facilities, reliability, and capacity will also be reported on.

The system's sales goals and its plans to meet them will be covered in depth on Thursday, with emphasis on the sales theme of "Move Up." Other talks on area development, personnel, and legal matters will round out the second day's program.

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## Roanoke Hits Safety Mark

On October 11, 1967, D. C. Kennedy, Roanoke division manager announced that the Roanoke division had worked a total of 500,000 safe man-hours since the last disabling injury.

The period began on February 3, 1967. The achievement puts Roanoke in fourth place in total hours worked behind Bluefield, Lynchburg and Kingsport.

On October 16, the Roanoke Valley Safety Council presented a citation and congratulations to D. E. Trout for Appalachian in recognition of this achievement. Mr. Trout supervises the safety program in the Roanoke division.

## New Long Term Disability Insurance Added To Companies' Benefit Plans

A new program to guarantee financial protection to employees in case of long term disability has been added to our companies' benefits package.

Its name is Long Term Disability Insurance and it becomes effective January 1, 1968. Employees will have until December 31 to sign up. The plan is being described in Employee Information Sessions over the system. Booklets will be distributed at a later date. Personnel supervisors have the necessary application cards.

The plan is designed to provide protection to an employee who, because of injury or disease, is no longer able to work for a living. Under it he is guaranteed a monthly income which is equivalent to half of his basic monthly salary at the time of his disability. This increases to 60 per cent if he is entitled to dependent's Social Security benefits. He would become eligible for LTD income after he completed the qualifying period, which is two months or the end of the company's sick leave benefits, whichever is later.

Virtually the remainder of the employee benefit package continues in effect for an employee totally disabled under the LTD plan. He continues to receive group life insurance, and without paying for it. He and his family continue coverage under the medical plan just as if he were a regular employee. He makes no further contribution to the retirement plan,

but he receives retirement credit from the time his LTD payments begin until he reaches the age of 65. At that time LTD payments stop, and regular retirement income begins.

Half of the cost of the new LTD program will be borne by the company. The employee will pay 20 cents a month for each \$100 of basic monthly earnings. To be eligible an employee must have a year's service, and be on the job at the time of application. The year's service requirement will be waived only for those enrolling in the plan by January 1, 1968.

The present Sickness and Accident Insurance will not be available for those who sign up for LTD. Further, the permanent and total disability feature of the group life plan will become unnecessary under LTD, thereby protecting their life insurance for their dependents.

## Pulaski Division Brushes Up

### How Are Your Telephone Manners?

Do you realize how important YOU are? Not Appalachian, nor Kentucky, nor Kingsport—but, YOU.

When talking on the telephone the spotlight is on YOU . . . and, YOU are the company.

This was just one point emphasized during Appalachian's Pulaski division "Telephone Manners" school last month. More than 200 employees participated in the programs held at Pearisburg, Christiansburg, Hillsville, Wytheville, Galax and Claytor hydro.

The initial course was presented October 10 at the monthly supervisors' safety and operating conference at Pulaski by a representative of the telephone company. Since then, H. B. Newland, division personnel supervisor, and O'Neal Amos, division administrative assistant, presented the sessions.

The program pointed out facets of good telephone manners which



Linda Jennings: Keep pen, note pad handy

every employee should know, and certainly does, but so often forgets to use. Take the five qualities of a good voice: alertness, expressiveness, naturalness, pleasantness and distinctness. Leave out any one and the conversation is botched.

Courtesy is probably the key to good telephone manners. It comes in various forms: greeting the caller pleasantly, using the customer's name, trying to visualize the person, being attentive, taking time to be helpful, apologizing for errors or delays and that proverbial "thank you" and "you're welcome." A good test is to talk on the 'phone in front of a mirror. Facial tones usually reflect what's in the voice.

The contact made on the telephone may be the caller's only contact with the company. And,

on the telephone, your voice is YOU—and the company.



Adelene Newman: B. B. McCall: Smile in voice Talk into phone



H. B. Newland discusses proper telephone use

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## Positions Of Parties

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This water would be released at the direction of the Department of Interior so as to dilute pollutants being discharged in the Kanawha River in West Virginia.

Appalachian has taken the position in this matter that such a requirement would drastically reduce if not destroy the recreational benefits from the project.

### Position Of Rural Electric Cooperatives

The Co-ops oppose Appalachian's project and recommend instead the construction by the Federal Government of a single dam in the vicinity of the site proposed for development by the company. The Co-ops also suggest as an alternative to Blue Ridge that Appalachian build a mountain-type pumped storage project using the Bluestone Reservoir on the river near Hinton as the lower reservoir.

### Position Of Commonwealth Of Virginia

The Commonwealth of Virginia has taken the position in filed testimony that in formulating its recommendations the Department of Interior did not consider the water resource requirements of the Commonwealth of Virginia. In one witness's testimony, it was stated that if the proposed reservoir were to have as great a fluctuation as that which would occur under Interior's plan, it would completely destroy the aesthetic qualities of the site and would not merit the investment of money for a state park.

### Position Of State Of North Carolina

The State of North Carolina in filed testimony has taken exception to many of the contentions of the Department of Interior in the matter of water quality storage and has testified that a disproportionate share of water quality storage should not be demanded of the Blue Ridge Project as long as storage which could be devoted to this purpose exists in other reservoirs in the New-Kanawha system.

A North Carolina witness has also testified that if the Blue Ridge Project were constructed according to the Department of Interior's proposal, the result would be highly detrimental to the natural resources of North Carolina and would seriously curtail further recreation development in the area.

This briefly is the position of the parties in this hearing.

## J. L. White Honored By SEE



J. L. White, Roanoke division T&D superintendent for Appalachian Power, was honored on October 12 by the Southeastern Electric Exchange for his outstanding work in the past. He is shown here on the right as he received the certificate of appreciation from R. W. Sherwood, vice-president of Gulf States Utilities. The citation reads: "In grateful recognition of his contributing to the electric power industry in the Southeast through his service to the Southeastern Electric Exchange as a charter member in the engineering and operating section—1934-1967."

# news events in brief

**Two Iowa Companies To Merge**—The directors of Iowa Power and Light Company and Iowa-Illinois Gas and Electric Company have voted to merge. Charles H. Whitmore, Iowa-Illinois chairman and president, and A. Paul Thompson, Iowa Power chairman and president, said the combined companies would be in a better financial position to finance the large power plants that are needed today. The service area of both companies is about 500,000 population each.

**FPC Examiner Approves Pumped Storage Plan**—The FPC presiding examiner has made an initial decision approving the granting of a 50-year license to Northeast Utilities, to build a million-kw pumped storage project on the Connecticut River in Massachusetts at a cost of \$72-million. The examiner said that there had been no opposition to the construction of the project.

**Rehearing Denied By FPC**—The FPC has denied applications for a rehearing by Kentucky Utilities Company and Paris, Kentucky, which ordered the utilities company to supply power to the city. At the same time, FPC denied a request by Paris to compel the utility to transmit power between Paris and a cooperative.

**Industry Challenged To Debate Metcalf**—The Consumer Assembly has challenged the investor-owned power industry to produce a spokesman to debate Senator Lee Metcalf (D-Mont.) when he speaks at the Assembly's meeting on November 2 and 3 in Washington, D. C. The senator is scheduled to discuss electric rates. The Assembly has just released figures alleging "overcharges" by the industry all over the nation.

**FPC Raises Price Of Use Of Indian Lands**—The FPC has increased the annual charge for the use of Indian lands to the Montana Power Company that will cost \$5.5-million in retroactive rental payments. The decision called for a boost in rental from \$238,375 to \$950,000 retroactive to May 1959. The company operates hydroelectric plants on the land.

**Westinghouse Will Have Fast Breeder Reactor**—Westinghouse Electric Corporation said that it hoped to have a fast breeder reactor in operation by the early 1980's which would reduce the cost of electricity about 25 per cent.

**New 'Consumer's Federation' In The Making**—A new National Consumer's Federation is expected to be formed at a meeting in Washington of the Consumer's Assembly on November 2 and 3. The assembly is an outgrowth of the old Electric Consumer's Information Committee, headed for years by Clyde T. Ellis, head of NRECA. Purpose of the assembly is not only to work for "lower" electric rates, but also to tackle consumer problems of all kinds. The new federation will be an association of official consumer agencies and

other consumer groups, including electric co-ops, forming in over 20 states. It will be closely associated with the assembly. Senator Lee Metcalf (D-Mont.) will speak on electric power rates at the November meeting.

**Senate Restores Dickey-Lincoln Funds**—The Senate Appropriations Committee approved the Public Works Appropriations bill last week and included \$1,676,000 to complete planning on the Dickey-Lincoln project in Maine. The item was deleted by the House. If the bill passes the Senate in its present form, funds for the project will become an issue in conference committee.

**Power Output to Stay in Canada**—Hydro-Quebec of Canada has notified the New England utilities that it will need all the power developed at Upper Churchill Falls by 1977, and that no long-term contracts could be expected.

**Schwengel Charges 'Politics' in Rea**—Representative Fred Schwengel (R-Iowa) charges last week that "someone" in REA is "playing politics", with co-op loans, and demanded exposure of those guilty. In a letter to REA Administrator Norman M. Clapp, the congressman complained that an REA news release announcing a loan to the Eastern Iowa Light and Power Co-op was given to another congressman 72 hours before Schwengel got it. He charged that this gave his colleague a chance to announce the loan first. "I condemn this practice of injecting politics into the granting REA loans and demand an investigation," Schwengel said.

**Removal of Commissioners in Oklahoma Asked**—The attorney general of Oklahoma has asked that the state Supreme Court remove from office the chairman and vice chairman of the Oklahoma Corporation Commission, which regulates utilities. The two men testified earlier before a state senate investigating committee regarding the payments by lobbyists to commission employees.

**Supreme Court Agrees to Second Hearing**—The U. S. Supreme Court has agreed to a second hearing on the SEC's effort to have the New England Electric System divest itself of its gas business. The SEC ordered divestment in 1957 but a lower court reversed this decision and the Supreme Court sent the case back to the lower court, which again reversed the SEC decision. Thus, another high court hearing.

**Urges Study of Appliance Servicing**—Betty Furness, special assistant on consumer affairs for the Federal government, told the Association of Home Appliance Manufacturers that she was interested in organizing a committee to study the servicing of home appliances. She said the committee should be made up of manufacturers, government officials, retailers and service groups to consider the service problem.

## Blue Ridge Hearings

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When the hearing opened in May, some 45 people including Senators Byrd and Spong of Virginia and Senator Ervin of North Carolina and Congressmen James T. Broyhill of North Carolina, William M. Tuck; William C. Wampler and Richard H. Poff, either appeared before the hearing to read a statement or filed statements with the commission in support of Appalachian's position and its application.

The company's witnesses who were cross-examined in May included Arthur Casagrande, Professor of Soil Mechanics and Foundation Engineering at Harvard, a consultant for the company; Arthur N. Vanderlip, hydraulic engineer for the American Electric Power Service Corporation; Gregory S. Vassell, Chief Planning Engineer for the AEP Service Corporation and Paul J. Johnson, hydro-electric superintendent for Appalachian. Mr. Johnson began his cross-examination in May and it was continued again when the hearings reopened in October.

Mr. Cassagrande's testimony had to do with soil studies and geological studies at the site of the project. Mr. Vanderlip testified as to costs of the project.

Mr. Vassell testified as to the economic feasibility of the project, how it would fit into the AEP system's generation and transmission system and other highly technical matters.

When the hearing reconvened on October 9, Paul J. Johnson was

called back to the stand. Mr. Johnson was questioned a great deal about matters pertaining to fish life, operation of the project and the design of the turbines and equipment.

Following Johnson was Conrad Wirth, retired director of the National Park Service, who was employed by Appalachian as a consultant on the recreation aspects of the project. Mr. Wirth's testimony was to the effect that if the project were to be developed as planned by Appalachian that it would create one of the finest recreation areas in the eastern part of the country.

Dorman M. Miller, vice president of the Service Corporation and formerly executive assistant of Appalachian, testified as to the benefits which would accrue to the

area from the project as proposed by Appalachian, and Joe P. Gills, executive vice president of the company, testified to the company's financial ability to build the project.

After cross-examination of Appalachian's witnesses had been concluded, witnesses from the State of Virginia and the State of North Carolina, who generally supported Appalachian's position in regard to the drawdown in the proposed lakes were cross-examined. These people included, from Virginia, J. M. Alexander, Commissioner of Water Resources; R. G. Gibbons, Park Planner for the state; Philip G. Hammer, a consultant for the state; and John Dudley Scruggs, a consultant for the state. For North Carolina the witnesses were R. J. B. Page, Chief of the Division of Navigable Waterways of the Department of Water Resources and Robert L. Buckner, Assistant Director of the North Carolina Recreation Commission.

Following this cross-examination, witnesses for the Rural Electric Cooperatives were cross-examined by Counsel Debevoise and Dowd for Appalachian. These witnesses included William L. Voodoo, a consultant for the REA and Benjamin E. Warner.

Cross-examination of Department of Interior witnesses was underway when THE ILLUMINATOR went to press.

Witnesses for the Department of Interior and witnesses for the Federal Power Commission staff were being cross-examined by Appalachian counsel as the hearing proceeded.

### Appalachian Retiree Group To Meet

Appalachian Employees Retirement Association will hold its annual meeting Tuesday, November 14, in the company auditorium at Bluefield, West Virginia. The meeting is scheduled for 10:30 a.m.

New officers will be elected and local chapter chairmen will give brief reports of the past year's activities.

## Kentucky Power's Substation Is Named For F. M. Baker

The Board of Directors of the Kentucky Power Company has named the 765/345-kv substation to be built at Big Sandy Plant. The Baker station is in honor of F. M. Baker, Kentucky Power's executive vice president.

The new Baker station will be an important part of a giant extra-high-voltage electric transmission

network capable of carrying more energy than any other such network in the world. The 765,000-volt network will extend 1,050 miles in parts of 5 states served by the American Electric Power System, composed of 7 operating electric companies, including Kentucky Power.

Mr. Baker, a graduate of Massachusetts Institute of Technology with a BS degree in electrical engineering, started his utility career in 1931 in the Pikeville Division, rising to division manager in 1947. In 1956 he was promoted to assistant general manager and to vice president and general manager in 1957. He was elected to the American Electric Power Service Corporation Board in 1964 and named to the newly created position of executive president in April of this year. Naming the station in his honor continues the tradition of recognizing significant contributions to the company's welfare, as indicated by Sorenson station in Indiana (honoring the retired Indiana & Michigan Electric Company's vice president) and the Don Marquis station in Ohio (honoring the American Electric Power Service Corporation's vice president).

Baker station will be a focal point in the giant transmission system. A direct tie will be made to the northeast with Ohio Power's Kammer Plant; to the southeast to Appalachian Power's Saltville station; and to the north to the Don Marquis station, which will interconnect with the existing 345,000-volt network of Ohio Valley Electric Corporation, an affiliated utility.

The size of the new transmission network is evident by the fact its 765,000-volt line is capable of transmitting 30 times as much power as a 138,000-volt line, a typical transmission line in service throughout the nation. Construction of the American Electric Power System's 765-kv network started this year and is expected to be completed in 1972.

## Employees Talk To Safety Group



W. S. Kitchen talks safety

The Roanoke Valley's Fifth Safety Seminar was held recently on three successive Monday nights in Appalachian's Roanoke auditorium. Three company employees were main speakers for the event.

The three Appalachian employees were W. S. Kitchen, general office safety director; J. C. Frazier, Charleston division personnel supervisor, and P. E. Thornton, Roanoke division administrative assistant.

Mr. Kitchen's topic covered the various aspects of home safety. Hand injuries was the topic discussed by Mr. Frazier, and Mr. Thornton spoke on traffic safety.

Approximately 60 persons attended.

## Roanoke Line Truck Is Dismantled In Maintenance Crew's Major Project



A. L. Stebar, garage foreman in the Roanoke division transportation department, examines the break discovered in one of Appalachian's two-ton trucks as R. E. Barkley, general utility man, on the right and S. S. Snidow, auto repairman, look on. The digger is in the foreground and the line body in the background.

Spreading a truck over a half acre is not easy, but that's what Appalachian's Roanoke division transportation maintenance force has done.

The truck, a two-ton model with four-wheel drive, line body, hydraulic auger and pole setting boom, was bought and put in service in 1965. It represents an original investment of over \$22,000 and was somewhat of an experimental type. It has traveled over 19,000 miles to date digging holes and setting poles. Its record has been excellent with only very minor maintenance problems.

Recently however it was noted

that the frame seemed bent behind the cab. Upon close observation the frame was found to be broken in such a way that no simple repair could be made. The decision was reached to repair the truck, so mechanics S. S. Snidow and R. E. Barkley began the task of dismantling it.

Huge channel irons were installed in the frame on both sides after more than 100 holes were drilled in the repaired frame to allow reassembly of the drive shaft, the digger and the truck body. This project required three weeks for completion.



B. L. Moore, left, and Robert Burnam, heating and builder sales representatives in the Huntington division, are shown standing beside the electric mobile

home that induced four conversions to total electric homes in the Huntington area.

## Mobile Home Used For Heating Conversion Sales

### Huntington Takes 'Store' To Customers

The Teay's Valley area of Putnam County, West Virginia, in the Huntington division is one of the fastest developing areas in the Appalachian Power's territory. Much progress has been made with the builders developing this area in total-electric living. However, the big problem facing the Huntington commercial department was contacting the customers that already lived in the Teay's Valley area and selling them on the idea of converting their present heating system to total-electric.

The idea of using a mobile home was suggested to "take the store to the customer." A local mobile home dealer agreed to order a special trailer heated electrically and move it to the location. Appalachian helped install all utilities and promoted the sale of all-electric mobile homes, as well as home conversions.

The promotion lasted one week. During that time four conversion sales were made and in addition the mobile home itself was sold.

## Wooten Promoted To Safety Post With Appalachian

C. R. Wooten, Lynchburg line inspector, has been promoted to company safety coordinator, effective December 1. This announcement was made by J. W. Vaughan, Lynchburg division manager.



Mr. Wooten

In his new position, Mr. Wooten will be responsible for safety activities in the Lynchburg, Roanoke, and Pulaski Divisions. He and his family will move to Roanoke shortly after December 1.

Mr. Wooten was employed on November 11, 1957, as a clerk-stenographer in Lynchburg's T&D department. He fulfilled his military obligations in February, 1959, and after a six-month tour of duty, returned to his former position.

On August 24, 1962, he was granted a four-year educational leave of absence when he attended Bluefield College for two years and two years at VPI, where he received his BS degree in economics. He returned to Appalachian on July 1, 1966 to his present position of line inspector.

Mr. Wooten is a member of the Industrial Management Club and the Junior Chamber of Commerce. He attends the Holy Cross Catholic Church.

He is married to the former Miss Anita Bomar of Lynchburg and they have two children.

## Cook Is Named To Committees

Donald C. Cook, president of the American Electric Power Company, has been named to two important positions outside of the company.

First, Mr. Cook has been elected to the Board of Directors and the Executive committee of the National Coal Policy Conference, Inc. The NCPC is an organization of U. S. companies associated with the coal industry—producers, haulers and users—and dedicated to the promotion and further development of this energy form.

The second honor for Mr. Cook is his being named to the Visiting Committee of the Alfred P. Sloan School of Management at Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He also holds similar post at Harvard University, University of Michigan, and University of Virginia.

## Historical Mabry's Mill Is Featured In National Advertising Program



Mabry's Mill today and yesteryear

One customer of Appalachian has just received much public exposure nationally and internationally.

A well-known cigarette featuring "coolness" in its current TV commercial shows an attractive girl seated under the spray of a beautiful rustic and authentic overshot water wheel.

This mill pond and mill are a faithful restoration of a beautiful and rustic grain mill served electrically by Appalachian from the Stuart office in the Roanoke Division. It is located on the Blue Ridge Parkway, about 50 miles west of Roanoke.

Ed Mabry as a resourceful farmer-craftsman, early in the 1800's built a blacksmith shop, cane mill, saw mill, and grain grinding mill to increase his income

and to serve his neighbors. The last two mills are water powered. All have been completely restored and are operational. Meal ground on the site is sold to tourists and delicious meals are served to the public.

A troupe of professional advertisers and models came to Mabry's Mill, near Meadows of Dan on Route 58 in late spring this year to produce a TV commercial for cigarettes, emphasizing the coolness.

A more appropriate spot would be hard to find, situated in a wooded area atop the Blue Ridge Mountains, where many thousands of tourists travel the Blue Ridge Parkway each season to marvel at the beauties of nature. The trip is worth the time, especially if you have never seen Mabry's Mill.

## Pikeville's Men Keep Flag Flying

The flag will fly again on the Johnson County Court House at Paintsville, Kentucky, because of the men and equipment of the Pikeville division of Kentucky Power.

The rope had been broken on the flag pole for more than a month. No one could be secured to climb the pole, or furnish a ladder or a

ladder truck to repair it.

Denver Layne, line foreman; Auburn Helvey, working line foreman, and Hershell Clark, lineman, all of the line section of T&D offered to aid in this project.

Using the bucket truck they repaired the damaged rope on the flag pole and also assisted in replacing lights on the football field.



**Leonard-Meade**

Elna Gay Leonard and Roy Meade were married August 5, at the Abingdon Methodist Church. Mrs. Meade is the daughter of Jack Leonard, Abingdon area serviceman.



**DeHart-St. Clair**

Louise DeHart was married to James Warren St. Clair on August 12 at the First Baptist Church, Pearisburg, Virginia. Mrs. St. Clair is the daughter of Robert E. DeHart, transmissionman, St. Albans, Charleston division.



**Flynn-McDaniel**

Patricia Flynn became the bride of Donald C. McDaniel on September 10. Mrs. McDaniel is the daughter of R. H. Flynn, customer accounts supervisor, Pikeville.



**Scarberry-Machir**

Mary Scarberry became the bride of David Machir. Mr. Machir is a lineman helper, Point Pleasant, Huntington division.



**Straughan-McIntyre**

Patsy Ruth Straughan was married to Lloyd Everette McIntyre on July 14 at the Old Brick Methodist Church at Cedar Grove. Mrs. McIntyre is a clerk-typist, Kanawha River plant.



**Dillow-White**

August 28th was the wedding day of Patricia Ann Dillow and Theodore Lee White, who were married in a double-ring ceremony performed at the Bozoo Christian Church. Mrs. White is the daughter of W. H. Dillow, brakeman, Glen Lyn plant.



**Ballard-Lovern**

Wanda Gail Ballard and David Wayne Lovern exchanged nuptial vows in a double-ring ceremony on September 15. Mrs. Lovern is a clerk-trainee, Roanoke.



**Hoard-Charles**

Doreatha Hoard and Carroll Charles were united in marriage at the Shiloh Baptist Church on September 3. Mrs. Charles is the daughter of W. H. Hoard, janitor, Kingsport.



**Gordon-Morrisette**

Ann Gordon and Jimmie M. Morrisette were united in marriage in a double-ring ceremony at the Quaker Memorial Presbyterian Church on September 16. Mrs. Morrisette is a cashier, Lynchburg.



**Reid-Mallow**

A double-ring ceremony performed September 3 in the Flat Creek Baptist Church united Barbara Ann Reid and Aud Michael Mallow. Mrs. Mallow is the daughter of James K. Reid, engineer, Lynchburg.

**Sharpe-Moore**

Anna Carolyn Sharpe became the bride of Michael Moore in a double ring ceremony performed at the Mount Carmel Methodist Church on June 17. Mrs. Moore is the daughter of the late Campbell Bascom Sharpe who was employed as a line crew foreman in the Abingdon division.

**Combs-McCoy**

Sheila Lynne Combs was married to Eddie A. McCoy on August 19 in the Lothair First Baptist Church. Mrs. McCoy is the daughter of Homer Combs, division stores supervisor, Hazard.

**Randolph-Dillard**

June 23 was the wedding day of Gladys Randolph and Marvin Dillard, who were married at the Roxalana E. B. Church, Dunbar, W. Va. Mr. Dillard is a lineman helper, Charleston.

**Price-Armstrong**

LaJean Price was married to Gerald L. Armstrong on September 5. Mr. Armstrong is a utility operator, Philip Sporn Plant.

**Sorden-Henry**

Sandra Louise Sorden and Terry M. Henry were married on September 3 in the Mason Methodist Church. Mr. Henry is a utility operator, Philip Sporn Plant.

**Scott-Moore**

Patricia Lee Scott and J. D. Moore were united in marriage on August 5 at the Rosedale Baptist Church. Mr. Moore is a lineman, Abingdon, and the son of J. A. Moore, plant manager at Philip Sporn Plant.

**They're Engaged**

SHARON PARKER to Roger L. Hess. Mr. Hess is a draftsman, T&D dept., Bluefield.

SHARON LYNN BURKETT to Michael T. Lawson. Mr. Lawson is a student in the division T&D dept., Bluefield.

PHYLLIS JUNE NICHOLS to Gary L. Burkhardt. Mr. Burkhardt is a laborer at Cabin Creek Plant.

SHERRILL YVONNE SHEPHERD to Donno Lee Slaughter. Miss Shepherd is the daughter of H. B. Shepherd, area serviceman, Galax, Pulaski Division.

JUDITH MATHENY to Gary Triplett. Miss Matheny is a clerk-stenographer, Huntington.

**Call-Rollins**

Linda Call and Dale G. Rollins were married on September 9 in the Clifton Methodist Church. Mr. Rollins is the son of Kenneth O. Rollins, assistant yard foreman, Philip Sporn Plant.

**Barker-Thomas**

Bonnie Elaine Barker became the bride of Ervin R. Thomas on August 19 in the Harmony Baptist Church. Mr. Thomas is the son of Stanton E. Burdette, maintenance man, Philip Sporn Plant.

**New Arrivals**

**Charleston Division**

MR. AND MRS. RALPH BAUGHAN JR., a son, David Lee, October 14. Mr. Baughan is a utility clerk in the St. Albans office.

MR. AND MRS. T. C. PALLARES, a son, Phillip Anthony, October 2. Mr. Pallares is a heating and building sales representative.

MR. AND MRS. CARAVEL GOARD, a son, Tyrone Terriell, October 4. Mr. Goard is a T&D lineman helper.

**Huntington Division**

MR. AND MRS. LANDON STEPP, a daughter, Leslie Page, September 27. Mr. Stepp is a lineman.

MR. AND MRS. JAMES R. NISBET, a daughter, Kelley Jane, October 9. Mr. Nisbet is an engineer.

**Lynchburg Division**

MR. AND MRS. G. G. COOPER, a son, Gerald Adam, August 26. Mrs. Cooper was employed in division accounting.

**Pulaski Division**

MR. AND MRS. RALPH S. JONES, a daughter, Melanie Anne, September 17. Mr. Jones is a lineman.

**Logan-Williamson Division**

MR. AND MRS. CHESTER E. ELKINS, a daughter, Jennifer Sue, October 9. Mr. Elkins is service coordinator.

**Roanoke Division**

MR. AND MRS. EARL DALTON, a son Jeffrey Allen, September 28. Mrs. Dalton was employed in the division commercial dept., Fieldale.

**General Office**

MR. AND MRS. C. W. HAAS, a son, Michael Scott, October 7. Mr. Haas is a regional dispatcher.

MR. AND MRS. B. C. JONES, a daughter, Melissa Ann, September 28. Mr. Jones is an engineer.

**Hazard Division**

MR. AND MRS. EARL NAPIER, a daughter, Vanessa Dawn, September 23. Mrs. Napier was employed in the accounting department.

**Kingsport**

MR. AND MRS. R. L. FERRELL JR., a daughter, Lea D'Anne, September 19. Mr. Ferrell is head T&D clerk.

**New Roanoke Benevolent Officers**



Roanoke division and general office employees who head the Employee Benevolent Association this year are shown above. From left: Gail Walker, secretary; Roger Gowl, treasurer; David Stone, chairman; and

Helen Honaker, Betty Harris and L. F. Logan, all members. The group was pictured while meeting to direct United Fund contributions by the Roanoke employees.

**Dorsey-Fletcher**

Sue Gail Dorsey and Marvin Fletcher were united in marriage. Mrs. Fletcher is the daughter of J. L. Dorsey, building supervisor, Huntington.

**Matthews-Ernest**

Judy Gay Matthews and Lewis W. Ernest were married at the Jefferson Avenue Baptist Church. Mr. Ernest is the son of Liston Ernest, PBX operator, Huntington.



# Firebug

An arsonist was loose in the Pulaski division of Appalachian last month. But, unlike other firebugs, he put out his own fires, and, hopefully ignited an awareness in employees of how to identify different types of fires and effectively extinguish them.

The occasion was Appalachian's Fire Training School under the direction of C. H. Yoho, AEP fire training supervisor from Canton, Ohio. He was assisted by C. B. Yearout, Appalachian safety coordinator stationed at Bluefield.

Taught in the course were descriptions of the three types of fire—wood, grease and electrical—and the ways of combating them. Employees were introduced to a variety of fire extinguishers and participated in demonstrations pointing out their effectiveness with the different types of fire.

The actual use of extinguishers by employees gained one of the major objectives of the school—to acquaint them in the physical use of the extinguishers seen in every office, plant and other facility in our companies' territory.

In the past, the AEP Fire Training school had been used mainly for plant and field employees. The swing through Appalachian's service area, marked one of the first times the school was taken to division towns for office personnel.

The classes in the Pulaski division were attended by more than 175 employees.

## Visits

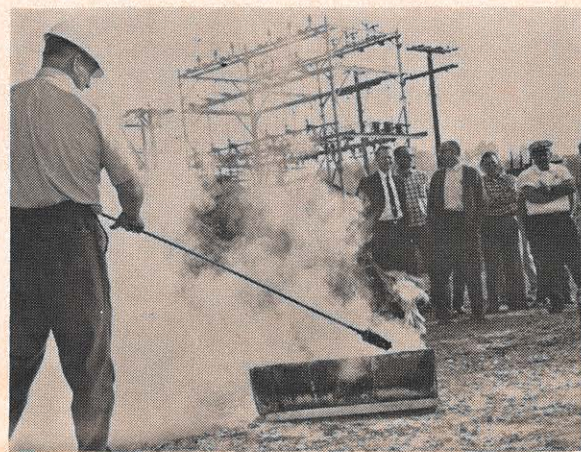
## Pulaski



C. H. Yoho hogties C. B. Yearout in sidelight demonstration of how to truss an unconscious person for lowering from pole.



While demonstration goes on in background, employees learn how to re-fill spent extinguishers.



"Assistant firebug," C. B. Yearout, touches torch for another demonstration.

## All-Electric Railroad, Giant Dragline Join AEP

An electric railroad and the world's largest coal-mining machine will be the principal features of a \$40-million expansion now underway at an American Electric Power System surface mine in southeastern Ohio, it was announced last month.

In making the announcement, Donald C. Cook, president of American Electric Power Company and of our companies, said that the new electric railroad consisting of two coal-hauling trains will be totally automated. The mining machine, nicknamed "Big Muskie," will be the world's largest dragline when it is completed in the Fall of 1968. It will cost approximately \$20-million, Mr. Cook said.

The mine is being expanded to serve the fuel needs of a 615,000-kilowatt generating unit being added to the 880,000-kw Muskingum River plant of Ohio Power

Company, one of our sister AEP companies. The mine is operated by Central Ohio Coal Company, a subsidiary of Ohio Power, and is known as the Muskingum Mine.

Expected to begin work about mid-1968, the two electric trains will comprise the Muskingum Electric Railroad—the first totally electrified railway built in this country since the 1930's. Pulling each train's string of fifteen 100-ton coal hopper cars will be a newly developed General Electric Company "E-50" locomotive that embodies a number of significant advances in electric railroading.

Mr. Cook pointed out that while most electric railroads require a substation every eight or ten miles along the track where ordinary alternating current can be changed, or "rectified" into direct current to provide pilling power, the E-50 carries its own rectifying equipment.

"This makes it possible to take power for the train's overhead catenary wire directly from a nearby power line. Only one substation with simplified transforming equipment is needed."

Mr. Cook noted another feature of the GE locomotive, the fact that it operates at 25,000 volts, the highest voltage yet used in this country for the purpose.

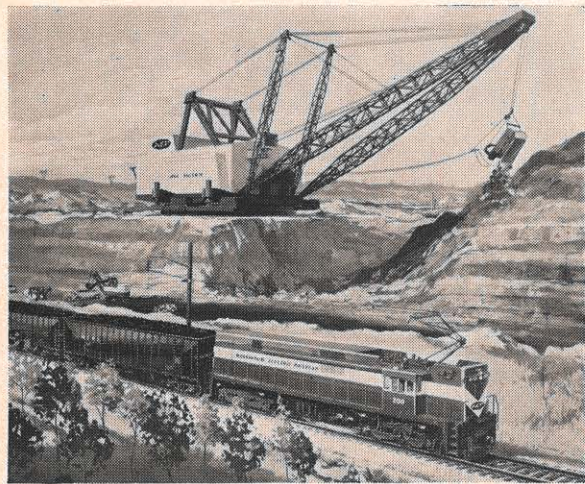
"It is expected," he said, "that maintenance on the 5,000-horsepower E-50 will cost less than half that on a diesel locomotive of comparable horsepower—and that locomotive life will be considerably longer. In addition, the train's automatic controls will allow faster 'turn-arounds' and more trips per day," Mr. Cook said.

Big Muskie, a 27-million-pound machine, will have a 310-foot-long reach, a 220-cubic-yard "bucket," and will remove 325 tons of over-

burden (the earth covering coal seams) at one pass. By contrast, the largest shovel now in use at the mine removes 60 tons of earth at a time—in itself a huge bite.

Mr. Cook said that the new mining "team," the dragline and the railroad, will nearly double the output of coal from the mine. He also pointed out that the new dragline "represents an invaluable step forward in our twin programs of mining and reclamation which we began 22 years ago." He said that the longer reach of the dragline's 300-foot boom will allow better positioning of overburden so as to speed reclamation of mined areas.

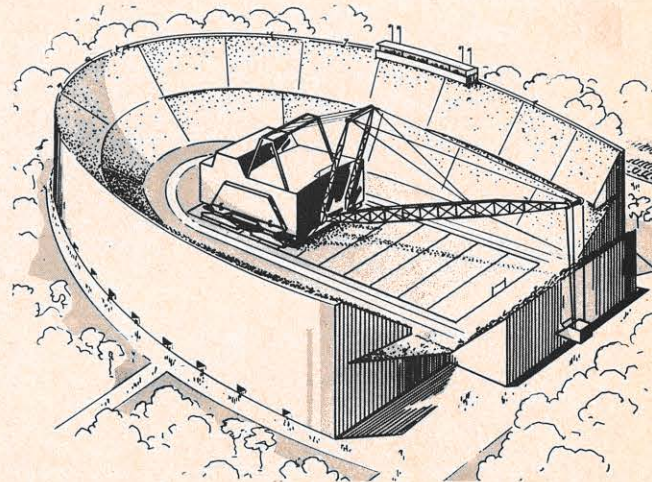
The dragline's housing will be 140 feet long, 120 feet wide and 40 feet high—the size of a fairly big apartment house—and will be ventilated by 1-million cubic feet of air a minute.



In an artist's conception, the American Electric Power System's new \$20-million dragline, world's largest mining machine, and its new automated, electric railroad, both under construction, are shown at work in a surface coal mine in Ohio. Dragline, nicknamed "Big Muskie," will lower mining costs and simplify land reclamation. Young trees in foreground are some of 23-million planted in AEP'S mining area.

## Facts About "Big Muskie"

- Placed on a 100-yard football field, its boom lowered to a horizontal position, Big Muskie's "walking shoes" would extend beyond the sidelines, the end of its boom 18 yards beyond one goal line and the rear of its housing 18 yards beyond the other.
- Looked at another way, this is more than three times the length of the Wright Brothers' first airplane flight.
- Big Muskie has a working area of 290,000 square feet—as much as a six-acre field. It can raise a load 325 feet and dump it 610 feet away.
- Big Muskie can dig 185 feet down, as deep as Lake Erie. Perched on a building's 18th floor, the machine could serve as an elevator from the ground to the 32nd floor.
- In weight, Big Muskie will equal that of 13,500 automobiles or 150 fully loaded railroad coal cars.
- Its bucket will be big enough to hold 12 automobiles.
- Big Muskie will use as much electrical power as 27,500 average homes.



No, "Big Muskie" isn't a new defensive tackle for the Ohio State Buckeyes. The mammoth dragline is depicted here—in the 81,100-seat Ohio Stadium in Columbus—only to show that, with its cab in one end zone, its shovel could easily dig a hole beyond the bleachers at the open end of the horseshoe.

# 'Mr. Company'

might be the meter reader



Bill Farrar explains to Judy Matheny that dusk-dawn-light will improve dark parking lot.



Brady Riggs explains service bill to Mrs. Nancy Bailey.



Fred Erwin pauses to aid motorist with flat tire. The motorist is Mrs. Tama Followay.

"A jack of all trades and a master of most" might be a fitting description of our companies' meter readers.

Probably no other job classification has more "above and beyond" demands made on it during a routine work day.

Meter readers are salesmen, trouble-spotters, public relations representatives, handy men and opinion surveyers, to name just a few of their services. Huntington's meter readers, the ones illustrated on this page, are typical of Kingsport's and Kentucky's, as well as others in Appalachian Power Company's territory.

Company records are full of reports where meter readers have stopped to render first aid, report a fire, call the police or fix a flat tire for a fair damsel in distress. These are just a few of the "off-the-job, on-the-job" services they render. The men's job descriptions won't reveal these neighborly acts, but to them it's just part of the job. It's part of the job of being a meter reader, and part of the job of just being a good neighbor.

Meter readers need to be informed about the company's operating, service and sales policy. They need to because they may be a customer's only personal contact with the company.

They answer a variety of questions or pass the query along to the proper department which follows it up. Many minor complaints are solved this way before they grow into major problems.

The men also are salesmen. They secure prospects for electric heat and dusk to dawn lighting for the commercial department.

They are also walking monitors. They keep an eye out for company equipment that might be in the need of repair. Again, minor problems are caught before they cause trouble.

Weather can be a friend or a foe to the meter readers. Their jobs go on despite rains, sleet or snow—like the proverbial mailman.

But, weather is only a minor inconvenience in their work. Meter readers have been seriously bitten by dogs, chased by bulls, attacked by roosters, scared by snakes and even threatened by people. One was bitten by a so-called tame chimpanzee which nailed him as he entered a dark basement.

If any employee in our companies qualifies for the title of "Mr. Power Company," the meter reader would have to be one of the first considered.



C. D. Jackson prepares for wet work day.



Earl Bowen discusses advantages of electric heat with Mrs. Beckey Hensley.



Ernie Colegrove spots clothesline on guy wire pulling shield loose.



Miss Bradshaw with car and trophies.

### Huntington Woman Makes Believers Of Men Drivers On Dragstrip

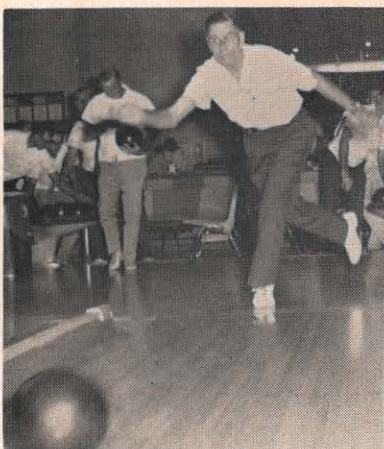
Nearly all women have a hobby of one type or another. It might fall into the category of reading, sewing, knitting, gardening or painting. Jo Ann Bradshaw, PBX operator in Huntington, has an unusual hobby for a woman. She is a stripper—a drag stripper, that is!

On Saturdays and Sundays, Miss Bradshaw spends her spare time racing a four-wheel terror—a 1967 Chevelle with a 375-horsepower engine and a 4-barrel carburetor. In the factory built machine with a stock engine, Miss Bradshaw races all comers in her car's class. She seldom races against other women, since few participate in this thrill sport.

Since taking up drag racing a little over a year ago, Miss Bradshaw has established an impressive record. She has eight trophies to her credit and holds the local quarter-mile track record of 13.31 seconds. In addition, she does most of her own mechanical work, including adjusting the carburetor and re-working the transmission.

If any readers are in the Huntington division and have the urge to pull up beside a pretty lady at a stoplight and ask her if she wants to drag, they might think twice. The lady in the car just might be Miss Bradshaw.

### Retiree Busy



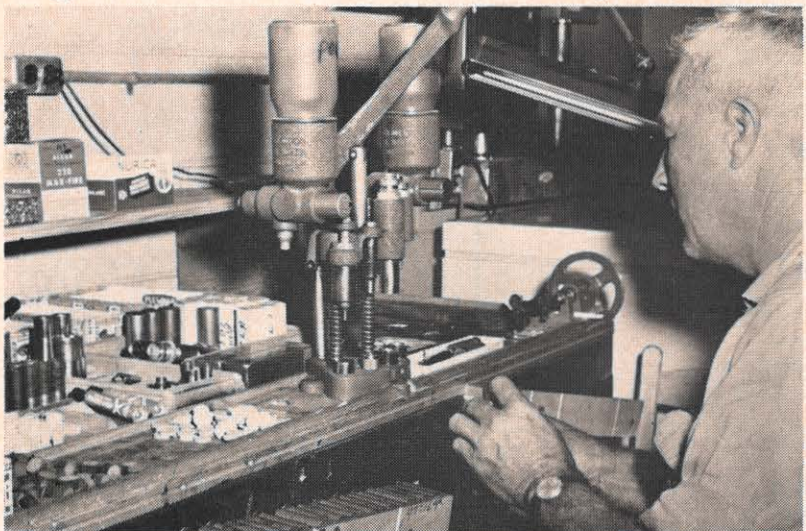
When W. S. Shanks retired from Appalachian Power in 1962, he was looking forward to having more time to devote to bowling. Since then, Mr. Shanks has been able to fulfill his wish. In the above picture he threw a strike. He bowls in the Appalachian League on the Commercial team, and participates in the Architects and Engineers League. Mr. Shanks bowls every week.

### Roanoke Bowlers Near Half-Way League Point

The Roanoke division bowling league, with heavy participation, is approaching the first-half mark of the season. The standings indicate the teams are more evenly matched than it appeared at the first of the season.

A tie exists between Distribution and the Kilowatts with a record of 15 wins and 9 losses. Service is in the third position, two teams are tied for fourth and two more are in a deadlock for the sixth spot.

### Hobby Of Hunting, Loading Shells Right Combination For Jerry Sanders



Jerry operates handloader near safe, flameless electric furnace.

With hunting seasons opening, chances are that Jerry Sanders, Fieldale line foreman, will have his shooting eye sharp.

Jerry, who doesn't let his hunting activities rest over the summer, has been busy potting crows. He combines two hobbies in the sport, shooting and loading his own shells.

His crow season starts in earnest early in May and he shoots throughout the year. When fall game bird season starts, he's ready.

Jerry, and his hunting comrades, report good success. They use the calling method and have killed as many as 300 crows in one day. Often they get as high as 200. They achieve this by calling in one place for a limited time and then

moving on a mile or so.

His second hobby almost pays for itself—hand-loading his shotgun shells. He reports that he saves about half the cost of wholesale shells. His loader adapts for 12, 16 and 20 gauges.

He prefers to load his own shells for more than the savings involved. By loading his own, he is able to get the exact powder and shot shell size combination he desires.

Jerry also has had good success hunting deer. He has three bucks mounted in his den.

He has worked with Appalachian since 1941. He advanced through several positions in the line crew and was promoted to line foreman in 1956.

### Barrett Wins Medal Play

## Kentucky Golf Tourney Draws Record Field

Maxwell "Buddy" Barrett, Hazard attorney, won the champion medal play in the annual Kentucky Power Company Golf Tournament held at Paintsville, Kentucky.

Medal play runner-up was O. L. Robinson, division accounting supervisor at Bluefield. A total of 104 entries, the largest field since the tournament began in 1958, came from Big Sandy, Pikeville, Ashland, Hazard and Williamson along with several Appalachian employees from various divisions.

There were 13 flights each day in a modified double elimination. Flights, winners and runners-up, in order, were as follows:

Thrush—Bob Elliott, Big Sandy and Curtis McClung, System, retired; Finch—Dana Riley, Ashland and A. D. Thompson, Ashland; Swallow—Curtis Wallen, Pikeville and Everette Carrico, Williamson; Gooneybird—Dennis Hughes, Ashland and Bob Bibb, Ashland; Eagle—Chandis Tackett, Paintsville and J. R. Paul, Ashland; Canary—R. H. Johnson, Logan, and J. A. Palmer, Ashland; Catbird—William Jackson, Big Sandy and J. K. Wells, Paintsville.

Wren—F. M. Baker, Ashland

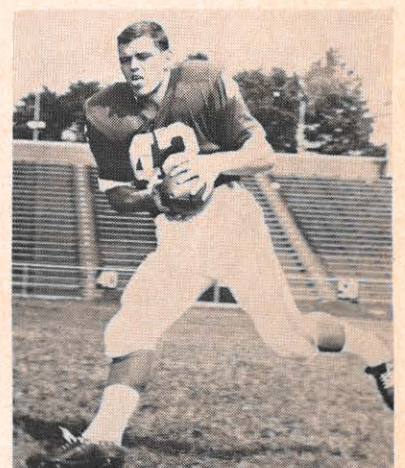
and Dr. Hall, Paintsville; Oriole—Charles Stayton, Ashland and Morgan Ozee, Hazard; Lark—T. M. Watkins, Jr., Ashland and Don Bryan, Ashland; Robin—Craig Fields, Pikeville and Harold McKenzie, Ashland; Cardinal—Ed Berginnis, Ashland and Stan Slone, Hazard; Bluejay—H. H. Kincaid, Pikeville and F. E. Varney, Williamson; Dove—Herb Charles, Ashland and Tom Cooksey, Ashland; Pigeon—W. W. Zoellers, Pikeville and Bill England, Big Sandy; Parakeet—Paul Prive, Paintsville and J. L. Richmond, Logan.

Warbler—J. R. Blankenship, Hazard and Rufus Prater, Big Sandy; Flicker—Mason Gallagher, Ashland and Leonard Brammel, Ashland; Falcon—Tildon Justice, Pikeville and Gary Frazier, Ashland; Crow—Jess R. Ross, Ashland and Don Wade, Ashland; Sparrow—Ray Adkins, Ashland and Harold Coleman, Pikeville; Martin—J. W. Scholtens, Ashland and C. B. Burner, Big Sandy; Owl—Leon Huffman, Pikeville and Homer Matheney, Big Sandy; Hawk—O. L. Robinson, Bluefield and Cliff Boyd, Pikeville; Pelican—C. R. Wilson, Logan and Tom Jenks, Big Sandy.



Waldo Lafon, assistant vice-president of the Kentucky Power Company at Ashland, Kentucky, presents the champion trophy to Maxwell "Buddy" Barrett.

### Sporn Man's Son Gets Grid Honors



Bruce Wallace

Bruce Wallace, summer employee and son of D. R. Wallace, unit foreman at Appalachian's Philip Sporn plant, was named "Lineman of the Week" in the Mid-American Conference during the first week of the football season in October.

Bruce, a defensive end at Marshall University, was rated outstanding despite his team's 14-7 loss to Toledo. The 5-11, 185-pound junior from Middleport, Ohio, was credited with four individual tackles and seven assists. He intercepted an errant Toledo pass and sped 85 yards for Marshall's only touchdown, in addition to making two key tackles during a goal-line stand that repelled a Toledo drive late in the first half.

### Huntington Men Are Promoted To Foreman Positions



Mr. Locke Mr. Sarsfield

Two men were promoted recently to foreman positions in Appalachian's Huntington division. W. T. Locke moved up from station man to station foreman, and W. E. Sarsfield succeeded M. H. Stevenson who retired in October as meter foreman.

Mr. Locke was first employed with Appalachian in June, 1950 as a maintenance helper in the T&D department and was promoted to positions in the meter, line and station sections. A native of West Virginia, he is married, has two children and is a member of the company bowling league.

Mr. Sarsfield began his career with the company in 1950 as a meter helper and has been in meter work ever since. He is a native of West Virginia, is married and has two daughters. He served in the Air Force from 1943 to 1945. He also is a member of the company bowling league.

## Familiar Faces In New Places

### Appalachian Power Company

#### Abingdon Division

J. S. ORR from lineman b to lineman a.

#### Bluefield Division

WILLARD A. JOHNSON from meter reader, Princeton accounting, to T&D clerk, Bluefield T&D. HAROLD K. CUTLIP JR. from tracer to draftsman. ROGER L. HESS from tracer to draftsman. GUY C. CLARK JR. from tracer to rodman. WILLIAM H. VANCE from draftsman to draftsman sr. RHONDIA R. STEWART from lineman helper to lineman. LINDA D. HESS from clerk trainee, Bluefield accounting, to clerk-typist, Princeton accounting.

#### Charleston Division

JACK E. JARRETT from hydro maintenance mechanic b to hydro maintenance mechanic a. CAROL WHITTINGTON from groundman to meter service helper.

#### Logan-Williamson Division

FRANK QUEEN from T&D clerk to head T&D clerk. JOE PRIDEMORE from auto repairman b to auto repairman a. GENE P. STEPP from draftsman to draftsman sr.

#### Lynchburg Division

CAROLYN M. HAWKINS from clerk-trainee to clerk-typist. JANE W. PLUNKETT from T&D clerk sr. to head T&D clerk. H. A. HUGHES JR. from lineman helper to lineman. G. T. BROOKS from lineman helper to lineman.

#### Roanoke Division

B. L. ALTICE from T&D clerk to engineering aide. C. L. HILL from lineman to T&D clerk. S. G. BOBLETT III from rodman to draftsman.

#### General Office

J. G. WILLHIDE from operations engineer to senior operations engineer. B. M. ANGELO from Charleston Division T&D dept., station man, to general office operations dept. station operator. B. C. WALLACE from Bluefield Division T&D dept., T&D clerk, to general office operations dept., station operator. C. C. SISSON from utility helper to station operator.

### Kingsport Power Company

R. L. FERRELL JR. from T&D clerk to head T&D clerk. J. L. ARNOLD from draftsman to engineering aide. H. C. GREENE from T&D clerk to auto repairman helper.

### Employee's Son Takes Bow Title

Daniel W. Farley, summer employee of Appalachian Power and son of Clyde Farley, area supervisor in Tazewell, Virginia, took top honors in the first annual Bow Hunter's contest held recently by the Princeton Archery Club with a score of 460.

Danny began shooting tournament archery in 1963 with the primary interest of improving his accuracy. His interest built up rapidly and soon he was traveling all over the state of West Virginia entering archery competition.

Danny's wife, Bettye, is in her first year of archery competition, and the two of them hope to continue shooting for many years to come.



Daniel takes aim



## Service Anniversaries Noted Across Our Companies

30  
Years



H. E. Bragg  
Charleston



O. W. Kallmerton  
Charleston



R. F. Miller  
Roanoke



W. E. Miller  
Pulaski



G. P. Williams  
Pulaski



J. A. Mundy  
GO-Personnel



W. H. Coffey  
GO-Accounting



K. S. Lazenby  
GO-RE/RW



P. E. Theis  
GO-Accounting



25  
Years



Dorothy Lawless  
Welch



L. E. Hopson  
Roanoke



W. B. Jackson  
Huntington



Virginia Oakley  
Huntington



Hilda Winner  
Beckley



Hiram Stollings  
Logan-Williamson



Lat Bevins  
Logan-Williamson



E. E. Wyatt  
Clinch River



L. M. Safriet  
Kingsport



Henry Gilreath  
Kingsport



Betty Roach  
Logan-Williamson



Paul Jeffrey  
Logan-Williamson



W. H. Jackson  
Huntington



W. L. Myers  
Bluefield



Vernon Costello  
Charleston



J. W. Thomas  
Roanoke



Virginia Rorrer  
Pulaski

These pins are awarded in recognition of years of faithful service. Each of these pins recognizes the

part the employee has played in the progress of the company.



Calvin Burnett  
Ashland



H. D. Trimble  
Pikeville



T. K. Shepherd  
GO-Personnel



J. L. Kesterson  
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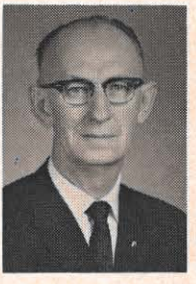
E. M. Jones  
Kingsport

### 35-40-Year Pins Received

## Appalachian Employees' Long Service Cited

During the month of October four Appalachian employees received recognition for extended service with the company.

Two of these men have been employed by the company for 40 years. E. E. Ratcliffe, regional chief operator in Danville, started to work for the company in 1927 at Blue-



Mr. Ratcliffe



Mr. Fletcher

field. After attending public schools in Lebanon, Virginia, Mr. Fletcher worked on a farm for several years before coming to work with Appalachian in 1927 as a laborer. He was promoted to lineman in 1936, line foreman in 1938, general foreman in 1950 and line supervisor in 1953. A Russell County, West Virginia, native, he is a member of the Baptist Church, Masonic Lodge, the Pocahontas Electrical and Mechanical Institute and an active participant in Appalachian's Work-Simplification Program.



Mr. Jordan



Mr. Kennedy

C. E. Jordan, lineman, received a 35-year pin. Mr. Jordan was employed in 1932 in the distribution department as a groundman. A veteran of World War II, Mr. Jordan is a member of the Fairview Christian Church and attends the men's Sunday School class there. Twice during Mr. Jordan's tenure with the company he has received the honored Merit Award from the Edison Electric Institute for saving the lives of two fellow workers.

The fourth extended service pin recipient is D. C. Kennedy, Roanoke division manager, who began his employment in October 1932. After beginning as an engineer he was made Lynchburg district manager in 1945, and Lynchburg district manager in 1954 before assuming his present position in 1962. Mr. Kennedy is a graduate of West Virginia University and is extremely active in community and church affairs.

field. A native of Grundy, Mr. Ratcliffe later served in Williamson, Huntington, Portsmouth and Roanoke before going to Danville. He is married and the father of three sons. An active member in Masonic work and a 32nd Mason and Shriner, Mr. Ratcliffe is a member of the Moffett Memorial Church in Danville.

The second 40-year man is C. M. (Tip) Fletcher, line supervisor at

### Bragg Completes 30 Years With No Absenteeism

H. E. Bragg, utility clerk in the Charleston division accounting department has just completed 30 years of service with Appalachian Power. This fact alone is worth noting. However, throughout Mr. Bragg's 30 years with the company, he has not missed one single day of work either through injury or sickness.

A native of Gassaway, West Virginia, Mr. Bragg was first employed by the company in 1937 as a messenger in the accounting department. In the ensuing years he held nearly every position in the department from meter reader to contract supervisor.

Mr. Bragg lives with his wife, Evelyn, and one son at St. Albans, West Virginia. He says that he would like nothing better than to finish the next 16 years without missing a day and retire with a perfect record.



### Appalachian Power Company

BLUEFIELD DIVISION—40 YEARS: CLIFFORD M. FLETCHER, line supervisor. 30 YEARS: JOHN VERMILLION, electrical engineer. 25 YEARS: DOROTHY W. LAWLESS, stenographer. 20 YEARS: WILLIAM L. MYERS, meter reader. 15 YEARS: LYDIA J. BEAREE, pre-audit clerk. 10 YEARS: BOBBY S. HYLTON, lineman.

CHARLESTON DIVISION—30 YEARS: H. E. BRAGG JR., utility clerk. O. W. KALLMERTON, line foreman. 25 YEARS: HILDA J. WINNER, contract clerk. 20 YEARS: VERNON COSTELLO, engineering aide. 10 YEARS: JOAN BONHAM, pre-audit clerk. W. T. DURRETT JR., lineman. R. G. HARPER, draftsman. JACQUELENE HOTTE, stenographer.

CLINCH RIVER PLANT—25 YEARS: EUGENE E. WYATT, coal equipment operator. 15 YEARS: GEORGE W. ABSHIRE, maintenance man.

GLEN LYN PLANT—15 YEARS: B. A. WALKER, auxiliary equipment operator.

HUNTINGTON DIVISION—25 YEARS: VIRGINIA OAKLEY, asst. credit supervisor. W. B. JACKSON, janitor. 20 YEARS: W. H. JACKSON, truck driver-groundman. 10 YEARS: J. W. CAMPBELL, janitor. 5 YEARS: H. E. RHODES, commercial sales engineer.

KANAWHA RIVER PLANT—10 YEARS: J. W. KITCHEN, auxiliary equipment operator.

LOGAN-WILLIAMSON DIVISION—25 YEARS: HIRAM STOLLINGS, stationman helper. LAT BEVINS, general serviceman. 20 YEARS: PAUL JEFFREY, dealer sales representative. BETTY ROACH, T&D clerk.

LYNCHBURG DIVISION—35 YEARS: CLAUDE E. JORDAN, lineman. 5 YEARS: THOMAS R. BURLEY, engineering aide.

PHILIP SPORN PLANT—15 YEARS: JAMES H. BEARHS, maintenance man. TOMMY B. SIMMONS, tractor operator. PAUL E. FORBES, chemist assistant. BOB R. MOORE, maintenance man. OSCAR O. CASTO JR., maintenance man. DENVER E. WELL, maintenance man.

PULASKI DIVISION—30 YEARS: W. E. MILLER, line inspector. G. P. WILLIAMS, engineering aide. 20 YEARS: VIRGINIA E. RORRER, stores clerk.

ROANOKE DIVISION—35 YEARS: D. C. KENNEDY, division manager.

GENERAL OFFICE—15 YEARS: J. E. BAILEY, transmission clerk. P. R. SYNAN, transmission man. 10 YEARS: G. R. GARNER, transmission man. L. E. CHITTUM, control wireman

### Kentucky Power Company

ASHLAND DIVISION—20 YEARS: CALVIN BURNETT, lineman.

HAZARD DIVISION—15 YEARS: REX B. CRAFT, meter reader.

PIKEVILLE DIVISION—20 YEARS: HARRY D. TRIMBLE, serviceman. 10 YEARS: JAMES V. SKILES, T&D man. L. J. HORNE JR., distribution engineer.

### Kingsport Power Company

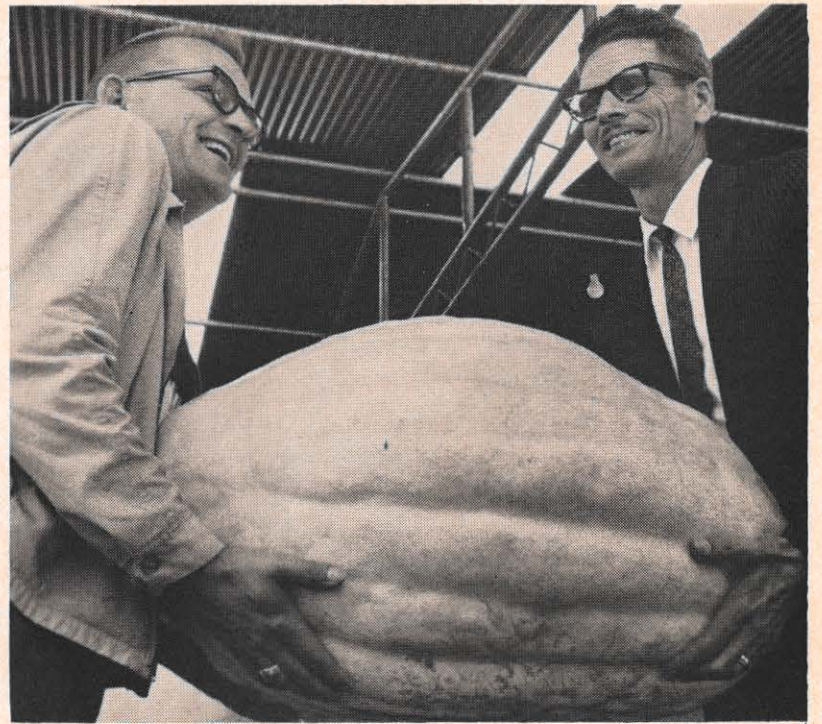
30 YEARS: C. C. MCCLELLAN, truck driver-groundman. 25 YEARS: HENRY GILREATH, PBX operator. L. M. SAFRIET, general serviceman. 20 YEARS: J. D. SPIVEY, station man. E. M. JONES, station man. J. L. KESTERSON, heating and builder sales repr.

# People, Places and Things



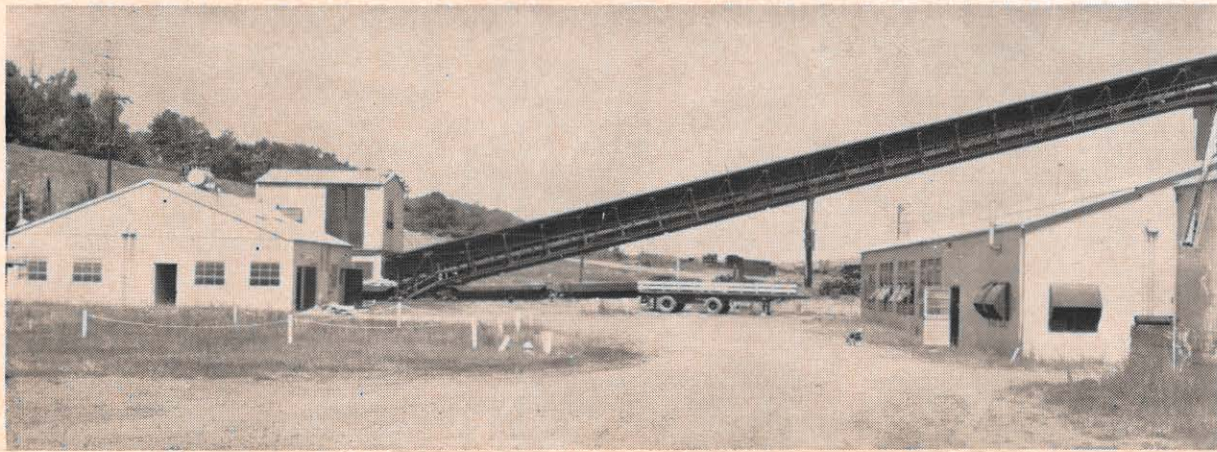
I. W. Henderson, Bluefield administrative assistant, stands beside his *Cyphomandra Betacea*, a Brazilian tree which bears fruit similar to a tomato. The tree is two years old and blooming, but the fruit will not mature for another year.

## Gardens Galore



Charles Ferguson, residential and rural sales development representative in the Huntington division, shown here on the right, recently assisted Carl Malcolm in judging the farm produce at the Wayne County Fair. When the two men saw this pumpkin they could not believe its size for good reason. The above pictured pumpkin weighed 146 pounds and, needless to say, was the largest at the fair.

## Sporn Mine In Operation



The National Carbon Division of the Air Reduction Company started producing coal from the Philip Sporn mine on September 5. Under terms of a newly signed 10-year contract, the Air Reduction Company

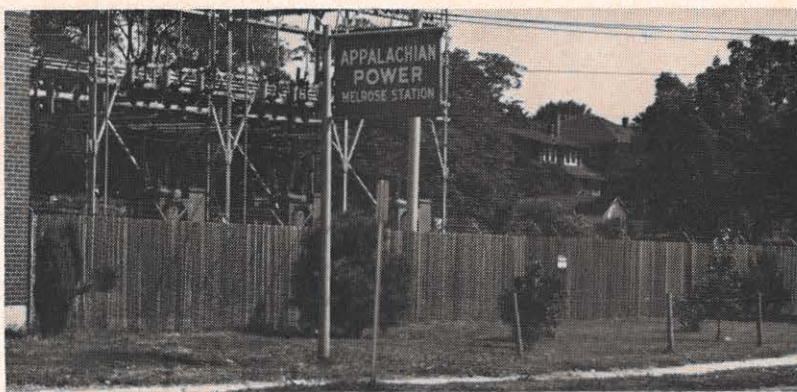
is now operating the mine and will supply 6-million tons of coal to the Philip Sporn plant. Shown in the picture is part of the half mile conveyor which extends from the mine mouth to the plant.

## Big Project



Kentucky Power's Ashland division recently came upon the problem of transferring a 92,100-pound transformer from one site to another. It was solved by the use of two cranes, 40- and 35-tonners, that set the transformer on a low-boy which hauled it to the substation. Using this procedure, only six hours were required to finish the job.

## Substations Get New Look



J. L. White, Roanoke division superintendent of T&D, has come up with an effective and inexpensive treatment for substation fences which are located in residential areas. The treatment consists of inserting natural colored redwood strips into the weaving of a cyclone fence. The strips are easily placed in the fence and attractive concealment of all ground level installations in the substation yard is obtained.



H. L. Buston, meterman in the Bluefield division, displays a tomato which he grew in his garden that weighed nearly three pounds.



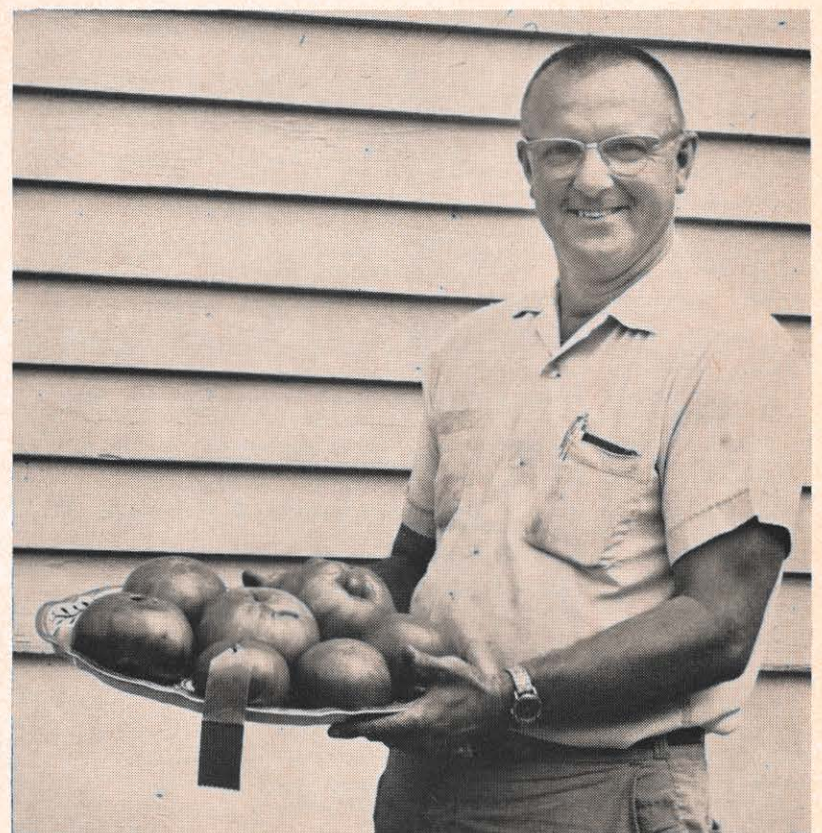
E. A. Proffitt, auto repairman in the Bluefield division, is shown kneeling in his garden next to a couple of his largest pumpkins. These two both weighed over 100 pounds.

## Lynchburg Retirees Visit Information Center



Twelve retired employees visited Smith Mountain Dam's Visitors Information Center recently as part of the first organized activity of the Lynchburg Division Retired Employees Association. In picture (left to right) are: John W. Vaughan, division manager,

F. M. Cloyd, J. W. McCarthy, Baxter McIntosh, H. A. Brooks, Mrs. R. D. Curtis, R. D. Curtis, Waddie Crouch, Mrs. Waddie Crouch, Mrs. W. E. Metts, Boyd Burnley, T. L. Baily and W. E. Metts.



Cecil Ball, Williamson station man, displays a few of his tomatoes that captured both the first and second place ribbons during the recent Magnolia Fair. This is the second time that Mr. Ball has been awarded a blue ribbon in this classification having taken first place in the 1965 fair.

## R. D. Curtis Retires At Lynchburg Following 40 Years Of Service



Mr. Curtis

R. D. Curtis, lead draftsman in the T & D department at Lynchburg, has retired from Appalachian after 40 years of service. His retirement was effective October 1.

Mr. Curtis first came to work with the company in 1927 as a draftsman and was promoted through the job classifications of junior draftsman and senior draftsman to his present position.

Born in Syracuse, Mr. Curtis graduated from Lynchburg high school in 1923 and later attended the New York State Ranger School in Syracuse. He also received a certificate from VPI in 1941 in recognition of courses he took in civil engineering.

Being very active in the Lynchburg community, Mr. Curtis is a member of the Westminster Presbyterian Church where he served as Sunday School superintendent for 35 years. He also is a deacon and elder in the church and was treasurer for four years. In addition he is very active in Boy Scout activities and has served as secretary, treasurer and president in the Dale Carnegie Alumni Association.

Mr. Curtis married to the former Iva Thacker, has two children and four grandchildren. He and his wife plan to reside at Lynchburg after returning from trips to California and New York.

## John Cassell, 81, Taken By Death



Mr. Cassell

John Cassell, retired Williamson employee, died September 18 at the age of 81. Mr. Cassell retired from Appalachian in 1951 after serving the company for 22 years. He worked in the maintenance department.

Mr. Cassell is survived by his wife. Burial was in Fairview Cemetery at Williamson.

## Caldwell Promoted To Stores Auditor

C. G. Caldwell has been promoted to the post of stores auditor for Appalachian Power Company. The move was effective September 1, 1967.



Mr. Caldwell

In his new position, Mr. Caldwell will be responsible for the audit of the company's stores inventory including stores accounting methods and procedures. Mr. Caldwell joined Appalachian on May 7, 1957, as a junior clerk in the general office accounting department. He was promoted to machine operator in the data processing division in March, 1958. In November, 1961, he was elevated to the position of control clerk in the customer accounting division and in September, 1964, was named a general bookkeeper in the general records division which he held prior to his recent promotion.

Mr. Caldwell, a graduate of Virginia Southern College in Roanoke, is married and the father of two sons. He and his family reside at Troutville, Virginia.

## Kentucky Power's Blackburn Cited For Civic Work

Moscoe Blackburn, Kentucky Power Hazard division line foreman, was selected one of the outstanding civic leaders of his community. The board of advisory editors announced that Mr. Blackburn's name would be listed in the 1967 edition of the national publication, "Outstanding Civic Leaders of America."



Mr. Blackburn

Doug Blankenship, past U. S. Jaycee president and chairman of the board of advisory editors, stated that "These persons have distinguished themselves in civic work to the point of being outstanding."

Mayor Jerome P. Kavanaugh, president of the United States conference of mayors, has said that "The men and women listed in this book, through their abilities and services as civic leaders, have earned the gratitude of all citizens. They have proved America is confident of its ability to put aside doubt and take action."

The 800-page 1967 edition is scheduled for publication in January of 1968.

## Roanoke Nearing Street Light Goal

Roanoke division is making steady progress toward total mercury-vapor lighting in all its municipal street lighting.

The Town of Stuart, Virginia, in Patrick County was the first in the division with 111 lights in July, 1965. Since that date, eight towns and one county have gone to mercury vapor, for a total of 1,423 street lights. Only Fieldale, with 204 lights and Roanoke city with 3,722 lights, remain to convert.

A recent contribution to the Roanoke lighting program was the installation of 71 new mercury-vapor lights on the south and final section of Interstate 581 spur into downtown Roanoke which was opened October 12 and lights turned on that night.

## Appalachian, Kentucky Men Contribute Items To AEP's 'Operating Ideas'

Five Appalachian employees and one Kentucky Power man contributed stories to the October issue of AEP's Operating Ideas.



Mr. Reed

H. H. Reed, maintenance foreman at the Glen Lyn plant, discussed the technique employed in training men in the proper use of mirrors in certain welding procedures when one cannot look directly at the spot that is being repaired.

A new method to double the life of the hydraulic doors on ash hoppers was reviewed by L. P. McFarland, maintenance man, and H. G. Gillespie, maintenance foreman, at the Clinch River plant. They pointed out that the life of the doors on ash hoppers could be doubled by turning them upside down when they begin to wear on the bottom. In this way a close fit is achieved, but new doors do not have to be purchased.

R. E. Herndon, test engineering aide at the Philip Sporn plant, wrote an article about a methodical approach to time saving in dynamic balancing that has saved \$3,500 worth of man-hours last year on balancing fans alone.

L. H. McDonald, maintenance man at the Clinch River plant, has discovered a new way to improve pin-type wrenches by drilling holes in the inside faces of the jaws and driving tight-fitting pins of untempered tool steel into them.

According to E. A. Childers, instrument man at the Big Sandy plant, new tester equipment recently developed enables men to readily check or repair amplifiers under simulated load conditions without opening the remaining amplifier trip and alarm circuits. A picture of Mr. Childers was unavailable.



Mr. McDonald

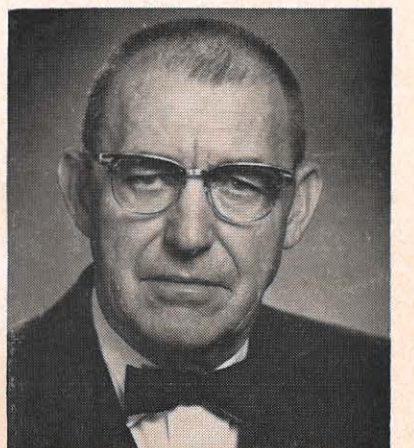
Mr. Gillespie



Mr. Herndon

Mr. McFarland

## A. L. Merrifield, Huntington, Dies



Mr. Merrifield

A. L. Merrifield, distribution engineer in the Huntington division, died September 6 following a heart attack. Mr. Merrifield lacked one day of having been employed by Appalachian for 40 years.

Starting with the company in 1927 as a lineman, Mr. Merrifield worked in every phase of the engineering department and recently designed a mercury vapor street lighting system for every municipality in the Huntington division.

Mr. Merrifield was a Mason, a Shriner, member of the 5th Avenue Baptist Church in Huntington, and a charter member of the Huntington Chapter of the Professional Engineers.

He is survived by his wife, two daughters and eight grandchildren.

## A. J. Good Retires From Roanoke Division Career



Mr. Good

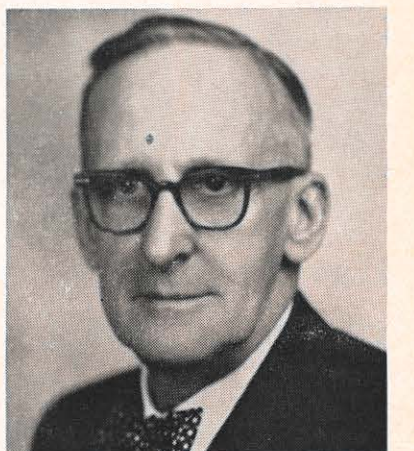
A. J. Good, lineman in the Roanoke division, retired on November 1, after 29 years of service with Appalachian Power.

A native of Knoxville, Tennessee, Mr. Good was employed by the company in 1938 after working with several other companies in the Roanoke area. After beginning as an electrician, he progressed through several classifications as a troubleman and then lineman.

Educated in South Boston and Crew, Virginia, Mr. Good said that one of the happiest days of his life occurred when he was first employed by the company. He is on the official board at Trinity Methodist Church and is a former member of the Cave Springs Lions Club and the Masonic Club.

He is married to the former Helen Crumpecker and has two sons. After his retirement Mr. Good plans to travel, work on a small tract of land and help on church projects. The couple plan to continue residing in Roanoke.

## Retired Manager Of Glen Lyn Dies



Mr. Turner

L. E. Turner, who retired as manager of Appalachian Power Company's Glen Lyn plant 10 years ago, died October 7 at the age of 73.

He started his career with the construction work at the plant in 1919, and became assistant manager from 1950 until his retirement in May 1957. He lived in Pearisburg, Virginia during his retirement. He is survived by his widow, a son, and two daughters.

## Wagner Is Named Meter Supervisor

W. R. Wagner has been named Huntington division meter supervisor and will succeed C. W. Dunlap who retired November 1, 1967.



Mr. Wagner

Mr. Wagner's career with Appalachian began in 1950 as an engineer trainee. He has worked in the T&D department as power sales engineer, area supervisor, senior line engineer and senior electrical engineer. A graduate of West Virginia University where he received a degree in electrical engineering in 1950, Mr. Wagner is a native West Virginian and is married.

## Beckley Girl High On Scotchman



Ann Barker, 12-year-old daughter of J. C. Barker, dealer sales representative in the Beckley area, began taking riding lessons about two years ago and has had remarkable success. Now she's the proud owner of her own horse—the "Scotchman," an Arabian-Tennessee walker. She has shown in three horse shows and won seven ribbons, including three first place blue ribbons and one trophy in the English pleasure class. In addition she took second place honors in the equitation class the first time she entered in that category.

### C. W. (Doc) Dunlap, Of Huntington, Retires To Close 42-Year Career

After 42 years of service with Appalachian, C. W. (Doc) Dunlap, Huntington division meter super-



Mr. Dunlap

visor, retired on November 1. All of his service was in the Huntington division.

Mr. Dunlap began in 1925 as a service clerk in the meter department and was promoted to division meter supervisor in 1929. His first service was with Consolidated Light, Heat & Power Company, one of Appalachian's predecessor companies.

Red House, West Virginia, was his birthplace and he graduated from high school in 1923 before entering Morris Harvey College in 1924 and the Bliss Electrical Trade School in 1925.

A member of the First Presbyterian Church, Mr. Dunlap likes to work with flowers in his spare time. He belongs to the Chamber of Commerce and the Elks Club.

Mr. Dunlap and his wife, Bernice, plan to reside at Huntington after their contemplated two-month tour of the United States.

### Lynchburg Employees Learn Knack Of Building Bowling Pin Lamps



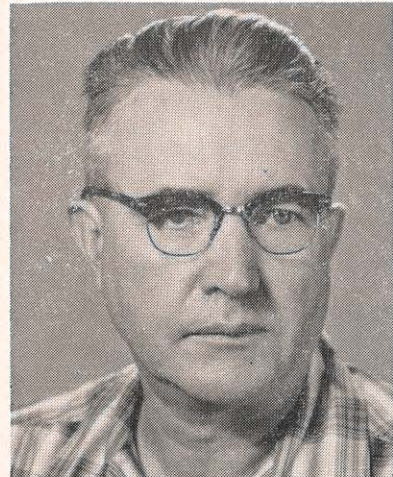
Participants in the lamp building school watch Nelson Simpson as he shows them how to attach the sockets. Pictured from left to right are: Mary Campbell, Anna Lackey, Charlene Thompson, Mr. Simpson, and Betty Bomar.

The Lynchburg division of Appalachian Power recently held a "school" for its employees to

instruct them in ways of adding a decorative note to their homes. Primarily the idea was to show the group the proper procedure in making lamps.

Prior to the opening of the school, Nelson Simpson, agricultural engineer, located a large number of bowling pins from a bowling alley which had discontinued business. He bored a small hole through the center of each pin and another hole in the side of the pin approximately one inch from the base. Mrs. Earle Pearson, home economist, and Mr. Simpson instructed the group step-by-step starting with pulling the cord through the bowling pins, installing the plug, fastening the harp, tying the underwriter's knot and installing the socket.

For the entire project each employee paid \$2.75 to cover the cost of materials.



Mr. Pridemore

### Ray Pridemore, Charleston, Dies

Ray Pridemore, meter service helper in the Charleston division T&D department, died at his home at Chapmanville, West Virginia, September 30. He was 60. Mr. Pridemore had worked with Appalachian Power for 29 years.

A native of Mount Gay, West Virginia, Mr. Pridemore attended the public schools in Logan before his employment with the company in 1938. He worked in Logan until the Logan plant was closed in 1961 when he was transferred to Charleston.

The burial was in the McKinney Cemetery at Chapmanville.

Mr. Pridemore is survived by his widow, Erma, one son, one daughter, and a sister.



Mr. Fulcher

### Roanoke's Fulcher Retires After 39 Years Of Service

On November 1, L. A. Fulcher, personable commercial dealer sales coordinator in the Roanoke division, retired from Appalachian Power Company after 39 years of service.

Born and educated in Albemarle County, Virginia, Mr. Fulcher came to work for the company in 1928 as the meter reader. Since that time he has served as clerk, junior power engineer, power sales engineer, district power sales supervisor, district residential and rural sales supervisor, division dealer and section leader.

He is married to the former Bernice Whitlow, and member of the Greene Memorial Methodist Church, past president of the Barraco Bible class and a member of the Chamber of Commerce. He also is the father of two sons and has six grandchildren.

Mr. Fulcher plans to travel and fish in the future while residing with his wife at Roanoke.

### Education Award Field Is At 107

The 1967 American Electric Power Educational Awards Competition attracted 107 children of the employees of our three companies this year. The total number of entrants from all companies in the AEP system was 269. Most of those youngsters will take the required College Entrance Exam on December 2.

Following grading of the exams, winners of the 27 awards will be announced around February 2.

### Roanoke Kitten Samples Service

Recently in Roanoke a kitten belonging to a 13-year-old girl climbed to the top of one of Appalachian Power's transmission poles. After futile attempts by the fire and police departments to rescue the kitten, Appalachian's J. R. Watkins, general serviceman in the T&D department, was called to aid the situation.

Mr. Watkins gradually persuaded the kitten to move away from the power line with a hot line stick and then was able to rescue it. The result was a contented kitten, a happy little girl, and another service supplied by one of Appalachian's employees.

### Huntington Division's Oldest Retiree, Wife Pose 59 Years After Wedding

Born October 24, 1880, George Ballard of Kenova, West Virginia, is the oldest retired employee of the Huntington division and possibly one of the oldest in the entire Appalachian Power system.

A native of Ashland, Kentucky, Mr. Ballard came to work for the company in 1931 and worked as a watchman, storekeeper and clerk before he retired in 1945. All of his company career was spent with the old Kenova plant which has since been dismantled. He recalled that in his first presidential election he voted for Theodore Roosevelt,

that he first saw a car in 1926 and the first radio he heard was a home-made one.

Mr. Ballard always has been active in civic work and was chosen as "Man of the Year" by the Ceredo Chamber of Commerce in 1962. His congressman, Ken Heckler, came to visit him from Washington to make the presentation of the award.

Mr. Ballard was married to his wife, Agnes, in 1908. The couple have four children, nine grandchildren and five great grandchildren.



Mr. and Mrs. George Ballard have been married for 59 years. These two pictures show them in 1908 and today. The picture on the left was taken in 1908 just three weeks after they were married, and the one on the right is a recent picture of the Ballard's taken at their home in Kenova, West Virginia.



Mr. Stover

### Ernest D. Stover Retires After 29 Years Of Service

After more than 29 years of service to Appalachian E. D. Stover retired Nov. 1. He was automotive inspector in the general office transportation department, Roanoke.

Mr. Stover was first employed with the company in 1938 as a mechanic in the Huntington district. He later worked as a auto mechanic and an inspector in Huntington until he was promoted to inspector for the system transportation department in 1946. He assumed his position of General Office automotive inspector early this year.

Born in Hurricane, West Virginia, Mr. Stover and his wife, Jewel, have 5 children, five grandchildren and one great grandchild. The couple attends the Colonial Presbyterian Church and plan to make their permanent home in Roanoke.

### John A. Bostian Given Promotion

John A. Bostian has been promoted to meter supervising engineer in Appalachian's general office transmission and distribution department meter section at Roanoke. He rises from the position of senior meter engineer.

A native of Roanoke and a 12-year Appalachian employee, Mr. Bostian joined the company in 1955 after graduating from Virginia Tech with a bachelor of science degree in electrical engineering. He began as an electrical engineer and was named senior meter engineer in 1962. All of his Appalachian service has been in the meter section at Roanoke.

He is a member of the Northview Methodist Church which he serves as a member of the official board. He also has served as assistant church school superintendent and is a past member of the Roanoke Jaycees.

Mr. Bostian is married and the father of one son. He and his family reside at Hollins.



Mr. Bostian

### Lynchburg Electrical Code School Popular



The commercial department in the Lynchburg division of Appalachian Power is sponsoring an electrical code studies group with approximately 145 persons participating in the course. The group consists of architects, consulting engineers, electrical contractors, Vo-Ag teachers, and industrial maintenance personnel.

R. H. Martin, commercial sales representative, and A. N. Simpson, agricultural engineer, are the instructors for the class that began meeting on September 25 and will continue through December 14. In the above picture, R. H. Martin is shown conducting a discussion with the group.



Mr. Keeling

### Clyde L. Keeling, Retiree, Claimed

Clyde L. Keeling, retired Charleston division T & D line foreman, died October 16 at his home in Buffalo, West Virginia.

Mr. Keeling first came to work for Appalachian as a groundman in 1926, and was later promoted to working foreman, foreman and the position he held at his retirement.

He is a native of Garrett's Bend, West Virginia where he attended public schools and is survived by his widow, Florence, one daughter, three sons, one sister and one brother.

Burial was in Buffalo Memorial Park.