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Success depends upon backbone not wishbone.  
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Mr. Kincaid



Mr. Wood

## H. H. Kincaid, Pikeville, To Retire; J. M. Wood Succeeds As Manager

Herbert H. Kincaid, Pikeville division manager of Kentucky Power Company, is retiring February 1 after 37 years' service with the company. He is being succeeded by Jarrett M. Wood, assistant division manager in Pikeville.

Announcement of the changes was made by F. M. Baker, executive vice president.

A native of Page, West Virginia, and a graduate of West Virginia University with a BS degree in electrical engineering, Mr. Kincaid began his utility career in Pikeville in 1931 in meter work, later moving to Ashland in July 1933 where he became meter superintendent in 1939. He was promoted in 1946 to Ashland division superintendent. In January 1949 he was named assistant division manager.

He served as administrative assistant on the staff for six months in 1955, prior to his promotion and transfer to Pikeville as division manager.

He has been active in regional affairs in the Big Sandy Valley, including his service as chairman of Flood Control of the Pike County

Chamber of Commerce which promoted the development of Fish Trap Dam, has served as a director of Appalachian Regional Hospitals, a board member of the First Baptist Church, past president of the Kiwanis Club and the Pike County Chamber of Commerce. He is a member of the Kentucky State Professional Engineers' Society, member of the Board of Directors of the Methodist Hospital and has taken a leadership role in many Boy Scout affairs. He and his wife, Florence, reside in Pikeville.

Mr. Wood started with Kentucky Power in 1946 in the Pikeville engineering department. He became a power sales engineer in the commercial department in 1948, transferring to Ashland in 1961 as the company's heating sales supervisor. He was promoted to commercial manager of the company in January 1966. Wood was named assistant Pikeville division manager in April 1967.

A native of Minnesota, Mr. Wood attended West Virginia University. He attended the four-week AEP System Management Development

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## 3 Appalachian Men Win Top Awards For 'Operating Ideas'

The biggest prize ever in the annual AEP Operating Ideas Awards competition—\$1,000—has been given to two Appalachian employees. They are J. A. Moore, manager of Philip Sporn plant, and Howard Ferguson, plant engineer at Clinch River plant. Mr. Ferguson shared first place in 1964 and won second in 1963.

Their prize-winning article "Improving Plant Capability and Heat Rate," appeared in the May 1967 issue of Operating Ideas. At the time, Mr. Moore was manager at Clinch River.

In this year's competition, another Sporn plant man, R. E. Herndon of the results department, won second prize of \$400. His idea appeared in the March issue entitled "Saves Time in Dynamic Balancing." He also was a winner last year and in 1964.

Third prize of \$300 was shared by R. E. Tracy, chief civil engineer, and D. E. Henderson, senior civil engineer, both in the Canton general office of Ohio Power Company. Their article, "Cuts Cost Of Staking Transmission Lines," appeared in the December issue.

Indiana and Michigan Electric Company men shared fourth prize money of \$200. P. P. Papandria, senior engineer, and E. J. Hughes, division supervising engineer, both of South Bend, were the authors of another December article, "Notebook Prepared To Aid 12-kv Setting."

Three ideas tied for fifth, each worth \$150 to their authors. "Dry Air Compressor Aids Transformer Work," was written by J. S. Skekloss, I&M senior station engineer in South Bend. Another I&M man, R. E. Gifford, system meter engineer at Fort Wayne, wrote, "Improvements For Digital Transmitters." And two Ohio Power



Mr. Moore



Mr. Ferguson

men, L. H. White, general transmission foreman, Canton, and J. L. Roberson, transmission foreman, Lima, both of the general office, prepared an article on, "Improved Clothing Shield For Line Work."

In a separate contest for employees of the AEP Service Corporation, first prize of \$400 went to Harold Royden, consultant, and Nester Kolcio, research engineer, for their article, "Making Life Line Work Practical at EHV," published last April.

Second prize of \$300 was shared by J. W. Cook and R. W. Jurgensen, nuclear section, and R. I. Pawliger, turbine section. Their article, "More Facts About AEP's Nuclear Plant," was published in September.

M. Brian McNulty, regional planning, won \$200 for his "Guide for Interrupting Loop Circuits," and Alex Volk, who has since returned to his native Australia, took



Mr. Herndon

fourth prize money of \$150 for "Design Of Relaying For Industrial Service."



Huntington's Robert King (left), Elaine Bullion and W. R. Witzel receive Illuminator Award for 1967 on behalf of the division. Presenting the award is Marshall Julien, editor.

## Huntington Division Wins Illuminator Award

Huntington division won the 1967 Illuminator Award. The award was presented by the editor at the division's Christmas party December 15.

The West Virginia division won the first place award in a close contest over second place Roanoke division, last year's winner. Lynchburg division placed third, followed

by Ashland division and Clinch River plant.

The next five places went to Logan-Williamson division, Charleston division, Pikeville division, Glen Lyn plant and Abingdon division.

At the Christmas party, E. L. Munday Jr., division manager, paid special tribute to Robert King and W. R. Witzel and their reporting

team for the award-winning effort. Elaine Bullion received the first special individual reporting award, a 10-inch hourglass which will be given annually to an employee in the winning division.

Scoring in the competition is based on statistics compiled over a year's period. Huntington jumped from 10th spot last year.

## AEP Sets Record Expansion Budget Of \$1-Billion Over Next Three Years

The American Electric Power System in the next three years will invest a record-shattering \$1-billion in the expansion of its electric energy facilities.

Donald C. Cook, president of AEP and of our companies, said that this commitment included a capital budget for 1968 in excess of \$322-million, a figure one-third greater than 1967's estimated total expenditure of \$227-million.

"No electric utility company has ever projected a capital improvement of such magnitude," Mr. Cook said. He added that the 1968 figure represented the expenditure of well over \$1-million a day every working day of the year.

"It is imperative that we expand our facilities on such a large scale," he said, "if our System is to stay ahead of the rapidly growing demand for our electric service. The seven-state area we serve is showing a remarkable dynamism in industrial growth and in the use of electricity by all our customers. The increasing demands for electric service represent a challenge to us that can and will be met successfully. Our System plans and contemplates building more-than-adequate generation and transmission facilities and the maintenance of an electric system second to none in the United States."

The 1968 capital investment budget includes:

Power plants.... \$119,000,000  
Transmission.... 121,000,000  
Distribution.... 66,000,000  
Other..... 16,000,000

The high level of expenditures

will continue over the next several years as additional large generating and transmission facilities are placed under construction as rapidly as others are completed and put into service. Large new generating units now under way will be added to the System at the rate of one a year, beginning in 1968 and continuing through 1974, with additional options on equipment for installation in 1975 and 1976. In addition, the 765,000-volt transmission network as now planned, which is in the early stages of construction, will be completed in 1971.

Mr. Cook pointed out that, in the 21-year period since the end of the Second World War, the System has had total capital expenditures of \$2.2-billion. "Our projections for only the next three years equal half of that total," he said.

A breakdown of the total figure for 1968, by company:

Appalachian Power Company.....	\$88,100,000
Indiana & Michigan Electric Co.....	73,500,000
Kentucky Power Company.....	75,900,000
Kingsport Power Company.....	1,600,000
Ohio Power Company.....	77,400,000
Wheeling Electric Company.....	1,900,000

The remainder of the budget has been allocated to the smaller companies in the AEP System.

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Mr. Bolen (left) and Mr. Sutherland accepting deed from Mr. Gills.

## 422 Acres At Smith Mountain Project

# Land Presented To Virginia For Lake-Side Park

The Commonwealth of Virginia got an early Christmas gift.

It came from Appalachian, with best wishes for many happy recreation seasons.

The gift from Appalachian was 422 acres of land appraised at \$159,350, and it was given to the state for inclusion in the state park being planned for the shores of Smith Mountain Lake.

The choice acreage lies in Bedford and Franklin counties and has more than 4 miles of shoreline. Of the total amount, 256.89 acres are in Bedford County and 165.69 are in Franklin County. The Franklin County tract includes an area of the lake west of the county line and part of a peninsula jutting into the lake, directly across from the planned state park.

The land had been purchased by Appalachian during its land acquisition program for the Smith Mountain Pumped Storage and Hydroelectric Development.

The property is contained in four parcels, and all of each parcel was conveyed to the state by Appalachian. Of the total acreage, 165 acres is above contour 800 which is five feet above the normal full pool of the lake. The Franklin County land lies at the end of a private road extending off Route 942. The Bedford land, in two parcels, forms parts of two peninsulas and the state plans to acquire the rest of the land in these peninsulas. Both are located off Route 626 toward the lake.

Presentation of the land was made in Appalachian's Roanoke headquarters office. Joe P. Gills,

executive vice president of the company, presented the land to M. M. Sutherland, director of the Virginia Department of Conservation and Economic Development, and Ben H. Bolen, State Commissioner of Parks.

In his presentation, Mr. Gills said that "Appalachian is quite interested in the recreation potential of the Smith Mountain complex, in addition to the power our two dams generate. We can think of no better method of enhancing this potential than the development of a comprehensive state park like the one being planned on the shores of Smith Mountain Lake. We are pleased to be able to make a con-

tribution to its development."

Today's occasion marked the third major land program on Smith Mountain and Leesville Lakes which Appalachian has entered into with the state. Earlier the company made available to the Commission of Game and Inland Fisheries land for nine public boat launching ramps on the two lakes, and cooperated with the Commission in the establishment of a wildlife management area by making available land on Smith Mountain itself, which the company owns.

The company has also given 100 acres of land in Franklin County to the West Central 4-H District.

Rather blunt statement, isn't it? Well, it's a rather blunt fact.

Another fact which comes from the National Safety Council is that more than half of all passenger car occupants are now provided with seat belts—but, they are using those belts only about half the time.

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## A Thank You To Prospectors

It's a great big "thank you" from Appalachian's commercial people to employee prospectors for a job well done. It's also an announcement of more good things to come.

It came in the form of a letter expressing "deep appreciation and sincere thanks for employees' participation in the prospecting activities during 1967. It played a very important role in total 1967 results of which we may all be justifiably proud."

It went on to say that it will require our maximum effort and full employee participation to meet the challenges set for us by the AEP System in 1968. However, Appalachian has an established record for meeting and exceeding goals and challenges.

The employee prospecting program is more than just a chance for employees to win electrobucks and other prizes—although that's quite a bit in itself. It's another opportunity to demonstrate how employees' contributions, beyond their normal job responsibilities, add to a company's growth. And, our companies grow as our customers' demand for electric service grows.

Employee electrobucks earned during 1968 are redeemable for nationally advertised awards and trips, over 800 items to choose from, or they may be redeemed for cash. Electrobucks are given for electric heating prospects (both new and conversions) and dusk-to-dawn outdoor lighting prospects.

All active and retired employees are eligible, with the exception of active commercial department personnel.

It's all explained in the brochure with this month's Illuminator. For more information, check with your local commercial department.

## Kincaid, Wood

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Course at the University of Michigan in 1963. He served as a captain in the Air Borne Engineers during World War II.

A member of the Pikeville Rotary Club and former club president, he is on the Executive Board of the Lonesome Pine Council of the Boy Scouts. He has been presented the Silver Beaver Award and the Order

of the Arrow for his Scouting activities.

He is on the Board of the Executive Committee of Region 20 of the Mental Health and Mental Retardation Board, trustee of Pikeville College and has been active in the Presbyterian Church. Mr. and Mrs. Wood are the parents of a son.

## Robie Is Named To Right-Of-Way Maintenance Post

S. E. Robie of Charleston has been promoted to the position of right-of-way maintenance engineer with Appalachian and will

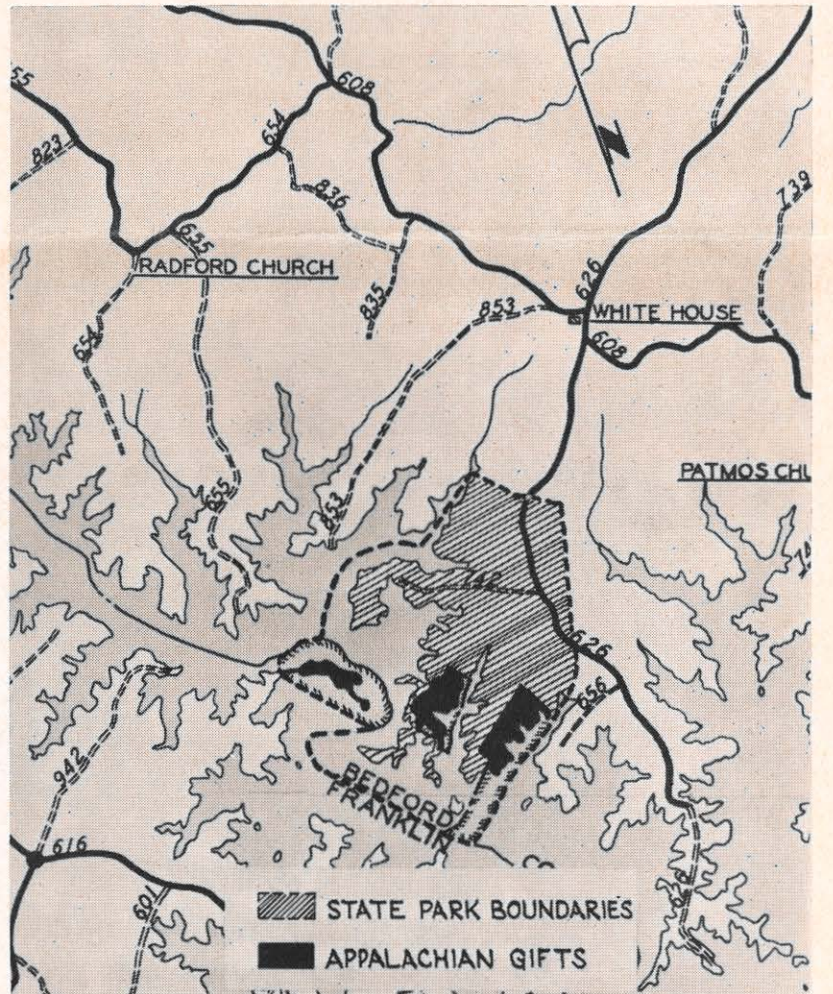


Mr. Robie

have responsibilities throughout Appalachian's West Virginia service area. The move was effective January 1, 1968. Mr. Robie was right-of-way agent for the company's Charleston division. In his new duties he will be a part of the company's general office transmission and distribution department, but will continue to work out of Charleston.

He joined Appalachian August 4, 1948 as a right-of-way agent in Charleston. He is a native of Ripley, West Virginia and studied business law at Morris Harvey College. He has also completed several real estate courses in the school's Adult Education Program.

An Army veteran of World War II, Mr. Robie served two years in the West Virginia Advisory Committee of the Federal Housing Authority. He is a member of the First Christian Church. He is married and has two sons and two daughters.



## Appalachian Is Presented Award For Leadership In Civil Defense

Appalachian has been awarded the Department of Defense Certificate of Commendation for providing "leadership in the field of Civil Defense."

The award was presented by Col. George D. Rich, director of Region Two of the Office of Civil Defense, to J. W. Kepner, superintendent of operations for Appalachian. In addition to coordinating Appalachian's Civil Defense activities, Mr. Kepner is also chairman of the electric power group of the Virginia Office of Emergency Planning, and deputy director of Area 7 of the Defense Electric Power Administration.

A portion of the citation reads "Appalachian Power by its tremendous effort devoted to the attainment of virtually all Civil Defense industrial goals is truly outstanding. It reflects a devotion

and dedication to the public at large and an abiding concern for the welfare of Company employees and their families."

The citation lists Appalachian's achievements in Civil Defense, including establishment of an emergency operating center in Roanoke, 10 fixed monitoring stations in Virginia and 13 in West Virginia—"most of which were established without state or federal aid," microwave radio equipment at all power stations, and capability of "radio communication between their emergency operating center and the State of Virginia emergency operating center."

The citation also pointed out that Appalachian has trained a substantial number of radiological monitoring instructors, monitors, and shelter management instructors.

**Vietnam Widow, Brother-In-Law Enlist**

**Roanoker's Family Believes In Country**

Much too often throughout the United States the citizens of this country, both vocally and physically voice their disapproval of our participation in the trouble spots throughout the world even though our ultimate goal is to enable other peoples of the world the rights and privileges which many of us take for granted. However, occasionally we hear about patriotic people that demonstrate patriotism that is a welcome sight in today's atmosphere of violence and demonstrations. Such is the case with the Lee R. Spangler family.

Mr. Spangler, PBX operator in Roanoke, and Mrs. Spangler have three children. The oldest is a girl that married an Air Force career man. The oldest son, Henry, volunteered for military service at the age of seventeen. After serving in Germany, he was transferred to Vietnam where he was killed in action. His wife was given his Oak Leaf Cluster and various air medals which he earned for honorable service.

The last son, Gary, and his widowed sister-in-law, Mrs. Henry Grammer, both enlisted in our nation's military establishment on the same date—December 4, 1967. Mrs. Grammer only 22, joined the WAC and will train in Alabama in hopes of entering flight duty. Gary joined the Army and will train as an air mechanic and hopes to



Gary and Mrs. Grammer enlisting in the service.

eventually qualify as a helicopter pilot.

Needless to say, Mr. and Mrs. Spangler are very proud of Henry's

widow and all of their children, and the people of this country should have just as much pride in this truly patriotic family.

**Fred E. Rotenberry, Claytor Hydro, Retires To End 31-Year Career**

Fred Ernest Rotenberry, division hydro supervisor at the Claytor Hydro plant in the Pulaski division, retired on December 31 after 31 years of service.

He was employed in 1928, but had broken service from 1930 to 1936 when he worked with J. P. Jones on the construction of substations throughout Appalachian's territory.

When he returned in 1936 he worked on the final stages of construction at Claytor plant, mainly the switchboard wiring. He worked as an electrician and was made assistant plant supervisor in 1943. In 1948, he was named plant supervisor and continued in this capacity until his last promotion to division hydro supervisor.

A native of Tom's Creek, Virginia, he attended elementary and high school in Wise County prior to graduating from Virginia Polytechnic Institute with a degree in electrical engineering in 1926.

Married to the former Mary Elizabeth Thompson, Mr. Rotenberry has one son. He and his



Mr. Rotenberry

wife attend the Presbyterian Church and plan to continue living in Radford. The couple plans to do some traveling when Mr. Rotenberry is not working in his home machine workshop.

**Blackwell Named Training Supervisor; Rotenberry Promoted As Successor**

J. Emmett Blackwell, administrative assistant on the staff of Appalachian's executive vice president, has been named company training supervisor.

In making the announcement, Joe P. Gills, executive vice president, said that T. A. Rotenberry, tax accountant in the general office accounting department, succeeds Mr. Blackwell as administrative assistant.

Both promotions were effective January 1, 1968.

A native of Roanoke, Mr. Blackwell earned a BS degree in business administration from Roanoke College and a masters from VPI.

He joined the company in 1958 as a business trainee and in 1961 was named market analyst in the area development department. He became an administrative assistant in 1965. All of his service has been at Roanoke.

Mr. Blackwell has been active in civic work, especially Jaycees. He is a past president of the Roanoke Jaycees, received a life membership in the Virginia Jaycees and was included in the 1967 edition of "Outstanding Young Men of America." He also is a past board member of the Roanoke Valley Heart Association and of the Roanoke Valley Chamber of Commerce. He was co-chairman of the 1967 Roanoke Valley United Fund pilot campaign.

He is married and the father of



Mr. Blackwell Mr. Rotenberry

three sons. The family resides at 2311 Fairway Drive, S. W.

Mr. Rotenberry is a native of Broadford, Virginia, and earned a junior accounting degree from the National Business College and a BS degree in business administration from VPI. He also has taken graduate work at the University of Virginia extension.

Joining the company in 1962 as a business trainee, he also served as budget and report analyst before being named tax accountant in 1966.

Mr. Rotenberry also has been extremely active in Jaycee work. He is a past vice president of the Roanoke group and has received several Jaycee honors, including the Internal Key Award and the President's Cup.

He is married and the father of one daughter. He and his family reside at 3516 Georgetown Road, S. W.

**'Jimmy' White Retires At Roanoke After Career Spanning 41 Years**

James L. White, Roanoke division superintendent of T&D, retired on January 1 after serving over 41 years with Appalachian, mostly in Roanoke.

Mr. White was born at Abingdon and attended the public schools there before receiving a BS degree in electrical engineering from Virginia Military Institute. After graduation he came to work for Appalachian in Lynchburg as a distribution engineer, but was transferred to Roanoke five months later.

Upon arriving at Roanoke, he became "the" engineering department for the division, since he was the department's only employee. He was one of the first tenants in the Walnut Avenue building when eight men, comprising seven departments, worked there. These early leaders included Ed Sanderson, line superintendent; W. S. (Pappy) Peek, service and substation superintendent; Ben Fracker, the only draftsman; Jimmy Swartzel, timekeeper; Fred Bowman, clerk; Bill Chilton, meter superintendent; B. H. McKeever, assistant meter superintendent; and Mr. White. Three members of this early work force are still alive, but Mr. Bowman is the only one still with the company.

Since 1931 Jimmy, as he is affectionately known to his friends, has held the positions of assistant district manager, Roanoke district manager, division supervising engineer and superintendent of T&D for Roanoke.

Jimmy has assisted and contributed to the many advances in the company such as the distribution growth from a 2,300 volt system to a 34,500 volt system around Stuart, the transmission growth from 132 kv. to 765 kv., and the installation of the first regulator ever used.

An active and charter member of the Southeastern Electric Exchange since its formation in 1934, Mr. White has made many valuable contributions to his community throughout his career. He was a



Mr. White

member of the Rotary Club and Roanoke Country Club. He is a member of the Roanoke German Club, the Chamber of Commerce, the Shenandoah Club, the Roanoke Historical Society, the Roanoke Fine Arts Center, and the Roanoke Symphony Society. In addition, he is on the board of the Roanoke Blue Cross and has served as president since 1955.

Mr. White is married to the former Clare Stone of Roanoke. The couple has two children and two grandchildren. The Whites are active members of St. John's Episcopal Church where Jimmy has held several offices. Mrs. White is the woman's editor of the *Roanoke Times*.

Mr. White hopes to enter the foreign service for the U. S. State Department or the United Nations organization and has applications submitted at several locations. However, he plans to continue living in Roanoke.

He was honored by his friends and associates in Appalachian with a dinner of December 28, and was presented with a retirement gift just three days before the end of his long service.

**William H. Honaker, Logan Veteran, Retires After Career Of 43 Years**

William H. Honaker, line and station supervisor, retired January 1 after more than 43 years service.

Employed July 31, 1924, at Kanawha Valley Power Company he worked in civil engineering capacities around the system prior to moving to Logan in November 1935. From 1944 to 1946 he worked in Williamson. In September 1946 he returned to Logan as senior engineer, was promoted to district superintendent in February 1954 and line and station supervisor in April 1955.

A native of Scott Depot, West Virginia, Mr. Honaker attended West Virginia University, and received a BS degree in civil engineering through ICS. He is married to Goldie C. Honaker, a teacher at Logan junior high school.

He has long been active in civic affairs. He is a mason, past president of the Logan Rotary Club, past exalted ruler of Logan Elks, American Red Cross board member and chairman of safety services (First Aid Training), and choir member of First Baptist Church.



Mr. Honaker

His hobbies are fishing, golf, sketching, and travel. During retirement, he plans to devote more time to these, plus civic and charity programs.

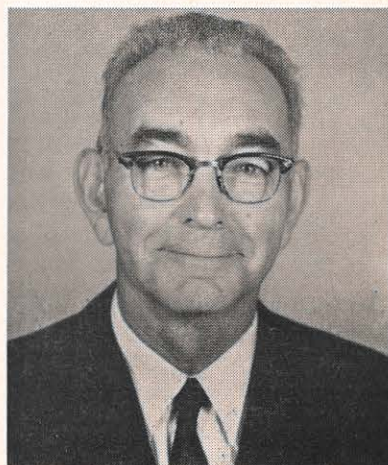
**Glen Lyn Plant's Estil I. Skeens Ends Career Spanning 44 Years**

Estil Irving Skeens, unit foreman at Glen Lyn plant, retired on December 1 after 44 years in the operations department.

A native of Elgood, West Virginia, Mr. Skeens was first employed by the company in 1923 as a laborer and later served as turbine oiler, boiler room man, boiler operator and control supervisor before he was unit foreman.

Educated in Chestnut Knob, West Virginia, Mr. Skeens married Bertha Mae Thornhill in 1923. The couple has a daughter Agnes whose husband is maintenance foreman at the Glen Lyn plant. There are three grandchildren.

Mr. Skeens is a member of the Methodist Church in Rich Creek, West Virginia, and plans to continue living in Glen Lyn and work on his hobbies of knitting, crocheting, sewing and gardening.



Mr. Skeens

**Benjamin Cook, Lynchburg, Ends 41-Year Career**



Mr. Cook

After 41 years of service with the Lynchburg division, Benjamin Calvin Cook retired on January 1.

Employed in July 1926, Mr. Cook started as a groundman and advanced through the positions of stores tool and material man, and clerk before being promoted to material clerk in 1952. He also worked with Ohio Power, a sister company of Appalachian, during 1923 and 1924.

Married to the former Cornelia Payne, Mr. Cook is a member of the Rivermont Avenue Baptist Church, the Boonsboro Volunteer Fire Department, Taylor Lodge 117 and is past president of the Lyn-Buck Hunt Club.

He plans to spend the first three months of his retirement hunting before establishing a definite pattern. The Cooks have one daughter and plan to continue to live in Lynchburg.

**Pulaski Service Dinner Draws 117**

The Pulaski division recently honored the employees with 20 years or more of service at a dinner meeting in the Pulaski office. Thirty-six service pins were presented.

Dinner was served to 117 guests including retired employees of the division. This is an annual affair in honor of all employees who have passed the twenty-year mark.

# Wedding Bells Ring



**Hogsett-Humphreys**

November 23rd was the wedding day of Debra Hogsett and James Humphreys, who were married at the Ninth Avenue Methodist Church. Miss Hogsett is the daughter of Randall M. Hogsett, dealer sales representative, Huntington.



**Wolfinbarger-Connett**

The Church of Christ in Cross Lanes, W. Va., was the setting of the November 24th wedding of Shelia Ann Wolfinbarger and Richard Allan Connett. Mr. Connett is a laborer at the Kanawha River Plant.



**McGlothlin-Brown**

Joyce L. McGlothlin and Bobby Gene Brown were married December 1 at Barnhardt Baptist Church, Goodview, Va. Mrs. Brown is a clerk-stenographer in the g.o. operations department, and Mr. Brown is a rodman in the division T&D department, Roanoke.



**Gills-Hobbie**

Cynthia Louise Gills became the bride of Jason Dexter Hobbie IV of Roanoke in ceremonies performed by the Rev. Charles Fuller at the First Baptist Church at Roanoke on December 19. She is the daughter of Joe P. Gills, executive vice president of Appalachian.



**Boyd-Trimble**

Lana Ann Boyd, daughter of Clifford Boyd, heating sales representative in the Pikeville commercial department, was married to Mark Trimble on November 10 at Paintsville, Kentucky.



**Fariss-Winebarger**

Susan Fariss and Delmer Curtis Winebarger Jr. exchanged nuptial vows on December 1, at the Nicopolis Methodist Church, Bedford, Va. Mr. Winebarger is employed in the Lynchburg Division.



**Pulliam-Prillaman**

Joyce Lee Pulliam became the bride of Ray Prillaman on November 4 in the Gethsemane Baptist Church, Collinsville, Va. Mr. Prillaman is material clerk, Roanoke.



**Brookman-Claytor**

Betty Sue Brookman and Robert Eugene Claytor were united in marriage in the Bozoo Christian Church on October 28. Mrs. Claytor is the daughter of H. O. Brookman, maintenance man, Glen Lyn Plant.



**Mills-Hess**

Elizabeth Irene Mills was married to Allen Roger Hess on November 25 in the Woodlawn Methodist Church. Mrs. Hess is the daughter of R. L. Mills, power sales engineer, Roanoke.



Mr. and Mrs. Albert Lewis working on new gifts.

## Huntington Couple Make Useful, Attractive 'Gadgets' In Spare Time

When most working couples return home at night, they have supper, perform their household duties and then sit back to a quiet evening at home. However, this is not the case with Mr. and Mrs. Albert Lewis of Huntington.

Mr. Lewis, meter clerk in the Huntington division, learned a skillful hobby of making useful gadgets before the two people were married, and today the two make them every night.

Among some of the things that they produce are pot scrubbers and

lint dusters made from strips of art foam and an ordinary dowel pin. They can take an ordinary bar of soap and decorate it into a gift item which is too pretty to use. Hair clips and book markers are two of the more favorite items which they make.

Albert and Janet sell some of the items and give away as many as they sell. They contribute many items to the PTA and Church fund raising activities. In addition the Lewises give away gadgets for presents and occasionally take an order for several of a kind.

## Pair Celebrates 60th Anniversary

Mr. and Mrs. Hodges W. Foltz of Bluefield celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary with friends and relatives invited to an "open house" at their home. They were married at Crewe, Virginia, on September 30, 1907.

They have spent most of their married life in Bluefield and are the parents of two daughters: Mrs. John M. Waters of Roanoke and Mr. Paul W. Parks of Bluefield; and one son Earl W. Foltz of Norfolk. Mrs. Parks is the wife of Paul W. Parks, general clerk in the Bluefield commercial department.

## Lawrence Hall Retires At Sporn



Mr. Hall

Lawrence Hall retired from the Philip Sporn plant on January 1, 1967, after 18 years of service.

Mr. Hall was originally employed as a guard at the plant in 1949 and was promoted to his last position of coal sampler in 1961.

A native of Mason County, West Virginia, he attended school in Mason. He is a member of the United Brethren Church and resides with his wife, Garnette, in Middleport, Ohio.



Miss Howard

## Annie Howard, Bluefield, Retires After 33 Years

Annie Neal Howard, private secretary in the Bluefield managerial department, retired on January 1 after completing 33 years of service with the company and having missed only two days during this period because of illness.

A native of Pulaski Miss Howard came to work with Appalachian after teaching school, working for a gas company and helping in a law firm. During her tenure with the company she has worked for the following division managers: G. L. Furr, J. P. Gills, L. W. Bates, D. P. Minichan, and W. J. Gillespie.

Miss Howard attended the public schools in Pulaski and graduated from Central high school in Washington D. C. She received her AB degree from Goucher College in Baltimore and later attended the University of Virginia and Strayer College.

A member of the Trinity Methodist Church in Bluefield, Miss Howard plans to travel extensively during her retirement, but she plans to continue living in Bluefield.

## 'Jack' Jackson, Glen Lyn, Ends Lengthy Career

Harry Paul (Jack) Jackson, assistant shift operating engineer, retired from the Glen Lyn plant on January 1 after 31 years of service with Appalachian.

Employed in 1936, Mr. Jackson started as a laborer and also served as watch engineer and shift supervisor.

A native of Keystone, West Virginia, Mr. Jackson received his education there and farmed for three years in Peterstown, West Virginia, before joining the company. He married the former Lucille Mann and they are the parents of eight children. Two of his sons and one son-in-law are employees at the Glen Lyn plant. They are: Harry P. Jackson, Maintenance man, Lloyd B. Jackson, utility operator, and C. D. Thompson, auxiliary equipment operator.

During retirement Mr. Jackson plans to become a "gentleman farmer" and devote his spare time to hunting and fishing. He is building a trailer for his truck to use in his outdoor sporting activities.

The grandparents of 18 grandchildren and one great-grandchild, the Jacksons plan to continue living in Peterstown during Mr. Jackson's retirement period.



Mr. Jackson

## New Arrivals

### Huntington Division

MR. AND MRS. GLEN C. HICKS, a daughter, Vanessa Lee, November 30. Mr. Hicks is a lineman.

### General Office

MR. AND MRS. R. A. REED, a daughter, Laura Kathryn, November 28. Mr. Reed is an engineer in the T&D-meter section.

## They're Engaged

EVA RENE ARTHUR to Jerry Ray Armstrong. Miss Arthur is the daughter of Jennings D. Arthur, results maintenance man, Cabin Creek Plant.

DONNA MARIE WORKMAN to Donnie L. Waugh. Mr. Waugh is a boiler operator, Cabin Creek Plant.

## Cabin Creek

Miss Kathryn Graham, daughter of Thomas A. Graham, boiler maintenance man, has been cited for her volunteer work in "New Worlds for Children," a program sponsored by the Community Service Society of New York City. She entered the service project through Gamma Nu Delta chapter of Beta Sigma Phi Sorority, New York.



Miss Graham

chapter of Beta Sigma Phi Sorority, New York.

## Lynchburg

Thomas M. Sandidge, station man at Reusens hydro station, received the "Outstanding Citizen of the Year" award, an honor bestowed upon an outstanding member of the county each year by the Boonsboro Ruritan Club in Bedford County. Mr. Sandidge has been active in the Ruritan Club for the past 12 years and has served as vice president, treasurer and director. At present he is chairman of the finance committee. He also is active in the Boonsboro Volunteer Fire Department and the Boonsboro Methodist Church.

Ray D. Layne, lineman helper in the T&D department, is a new employee.

## Glen Lyn

Twenty-eight supervisors attended the Advanced Supervisory Training Courses at Penn Hall on November 15, 16, 17, 29, 30 and December 1.

The Christmas dinner-dance for active and retired employees and their wives was held on December 2 at the Giles high school cafeteria and Giles County Club. A theatre party was held for the employees' children on the same date.

## General Office

New employees in the transmission section include C. S. Boyd, T. L. Lawson, R. L. Hill and D. V. Hamilton.

Harold D. Cook and William L. Windsor are new employees in the T&D civil engineering section.

Sympathy is extended to Edan McNeil on the death of her mother.

Rebecca L. Zimmerman and Carolyn L. Wainscott are new employees in the accounting department.

Sympathy is extended to Margaret Winn on the death of her sister.

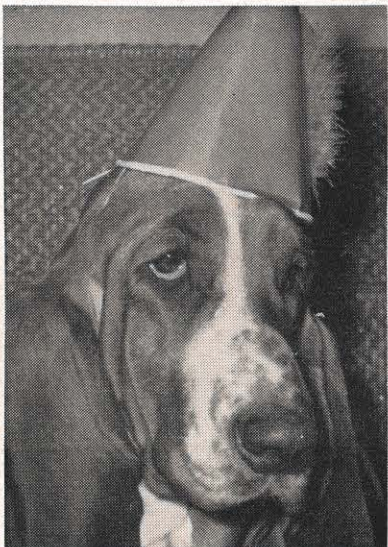
## Pikeville

Marvin B. Sword, engineering record clerk in the engineering department, was recently appointed a Kentucky Colonel on the staff of Governor Edward Breathitt of Kentucky.

## Philip Sporn

New utility men in the utility department are: James W. Juhling, Franklin J. Ryther and Glenn E. Evans.

# Happenings Around The Circuit



## A Gay Old Dog Morning After Night Before

Song was a gay old dog during the New Year's eve party. Although it was her night to howl, she did feel a little silly in her party hat. The next morning that tired blood began acting up and it was time for the ice bag. The basset is owned by Mr. and Mrs. John O. Rasnick. Her correct name is Music Land's Twilight Song. Mr. Rasnick is a stationman at Gate City, Abingdon division.



## Roanoke

W. R. Dittman, right-of-way maintenance supervisor, recently had an article published in the Electric Light and Power magazine. The article discussed the maintenance of right-of-ways.

Division employees attended the Christmas parties on December 8 at Fieldale and December 16 in Roanoke. The Children's Christmas parties were held on December 22 in both Fieldale and Roanoke.

## Ashland

Jay Fugitt, working line foreman in the T&D department, received a pin at the Ashland bloodmobile unit on December 1, which represented the donation of his sixth gallon of blood. This is only the seventh such pin to be awarded in the Boyd County blood program. He has been most active in the program helping secure other donors.



Mr. Fugitt

## Bluefield

Brenda Sigmon, clerk-typist; Donna Molnar, clerk-trainee; Dorothy Lawless, stenographer; and Lia Pais, home sales representative, held a baby shower for Judy Fragile, clerk-trainee.

O. W. Adams, Welch area manager, has been elected a director in the Welch Chamber of Commerce. He has also been elected chairman of the McDowell County Cancer Society.

Frank B. Barns, Welch line supervisor, has been selected by the New Guyandotte Presbytery to help organize and set up committees for this new organization.

Dorothy W. Lawless, stenographer, served as hostess and mother advisor for the annual banquet for the Order of Rainbow Girls in Northfork, West Virginia.

Terry D. Simpson and James M. Graham are attending night classes at Bluefield State College. They are taking technical courses.

Over 100 employees and guests attended the Welch Christmas party held at the Legion Club in Welch on December 15.

James A. Boone, lineman helper, is a new employee in the Welch line crew.

Angela Newland, daughter of Jack Newland, engineer, and Kelly Crowder, daughter of R. E. Crowder, area serviceman, received certificates after completing a series of lessons over a four-week period in cooking which was conducted for their Girl Scout Troop.

## Charleston

New employees in the division are: Jacquelyn D. Bruer, Rodney C. Wilson, Lenders G. Oxyer and James F. Wilson.

David V. Wickline has just returned from military leave of absence.

James M. Snider, son of E. O. Snider, retired Beckley area employee, and a senior at Alderson-Broadus College in Philippi, West Virginia, is in Salzburg, Austria where he will study for three months along with 28 other seniors. The group will return to New York on February 29, 1968.

Shelia Mae Farley is a new employee in the division accounting department in Beckley.

A/1c Howard D. Sampson, son of Hazel Sampson, secretary in the commercial department, has spent a month at home following a year in Ubon, Thailand. He is now assigned to McDill Air Force Base in Tampa, Florida.

The children's and teenage Christmas parties were held on December 16. The children were entertained at the State Theatre to a cartoon show and each received a gift from Santa Claus. The teenage party was in the transportation building and the music was provided by a dance combo.

The adult Christmas was held on December 22 with about 500 people in attendance. There was a buffet dinner followed by a dance. Bingo was played between dinner and the dance.

## Logan-Williamson

Among those elected to serve as council members of the Chief Cornstalk Council of the Boy Scouts of America for 1968 are E. E. King, P. C. Gosney, Everette Carrico and C. L. Miller.

Howard J. Collins, division personnel supervisor, has been re-elected to the office of secretary for the Logan County Community Chest for 1968.

Newly elected to office on the 1968 Williamson Power Company Employee Chest Fund are: Clyde Runyon, president; Henry D. Hatfield, vice president; Lorraine Corea, secretary; and Henry Kiser, treasurer.

H. W. Cerrato, administrative assistant, was recently awarded a five-year perfect attendance pin by the Williamson Kiwanis Club.

The Logan Christmas dinner-dance was held on December 8 with dinner in the Logan high school cafeteria and dancing and bingo at the grade school. In Williamson the adults enjoyed dinner and dancing at the Mountaineer Hotel on December 15.

Mrs. Thomas L. Henritze, wife of retired Logan line foreman, was elected president of the southwestern district, West Virginia Federation of Women's Clubs at its annual convention recently held in Huntington. Mrs. Henritze is past president of the Woman's Club of Logan and currently chairman of the Logan County clean-up campaign. She also presently serves as president of the Logan chapter of the National Secretaries Association. She and her husband are active members of the First Baptist Church of Logan and are the parents of two children.



Mrs. Henritze

## W. Graham Claytor, Jr. Heads Southern Railway

W. Graham Claytor, Jr., son of Graham Claytor, retired vice president of the American Electric Power and Appalachian Power Companies, has been elected president and chief executive officer of the Southern Railway.



Carl (left), Col. Allen

## Huntington

Carl L. Phillips, heating & builder sales representative in Huntington, recently was presented his commission as a Kentucky Colonel. He was cited for his church and civic activities. Mr. Phillips is the teacher of one of West Virginia's largest adult Sunday school classes, the Berean Bible class of Baptist Temple. He is chairman of the Sheltered Workshop, president of the Hildacrest Civic Association, and active in other organizations. Colonel R. L. Allen and Dr. Bruce W. Trent made the presentation signed by Governor Edward Breathitt.

Sympathy is extended to J. W. Swann in the death of his mother.

Charles H. Ferguson, residential and rural sales development representative, has been awarded the "Friend of 4-H" award from the Wayne County chapter.

O. C. Hall, manager of the Point Pleasant office, has been elected to the board of directors of the Point Pleasant Mason County Chamber of Commerce and will serve as vice president.

E. M. Sterrett, customer service representative, has been appointed to a 10-member committee of the Mason County airport.

Sympathy is extended to H. V. Mayo in the death of his mother; to W. C. Gilmour in the death of his father-in-law, Earl Freeman, and to J. L. Dorsey, in the death of his mother.

## Retired Couple Marks 50th Year



Mr. and Mrs. Larry Dunn

Mr. and Mrs. Larry Dunn recently were honored on their golden wedding anniversary with a dinner for the immediate family and a surprise party in their home. Mr. Dunn retired from the Bluefield division in 1957.

Mr. and Mrs. Dunn who were married on November 30, 1917, at Camp Lee, Virginia, have a son Joe Dunn who planned the celebration, and a daughter, Miss Dorothy Dunn of Charlotte, North Carolina.

Arrangements for the occasion were made somewhat easier since most of the family was in Bluefield for Thanksgiving. One of the guests, Mrs. G. W. Hetherington, was present at both the wedding and the 50th anniversary.

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# REPORTERS



Kingsport—From left: Adele Williams, J. H. Carter, R. L. Ferrell, Mae Deakins and Blanche Thompson. Wilson Trumbo is associate editor.



Hazard division correspondents (from left) Joyce Hurley, Clara Peters, Jack Blankenship (associate editor), Shawnee Dix and Wallace Cornett. Woodrow Fugate was not present when picture was taken.

The ILLUMINATOR reporters and associate editors featured on these pages are without question the backbone of your newspaper. Without them, there could be no paper.

They are the ones in your division, plant, office, department or working location who are responsible for reporting news about you and your area. And, it's a big responsibility; one that demands much of their time and efforts.

They're the unsung heroes, or heroines, as the case may be, and a credit to our companies.

This is a tribute to them.



Pulaski—Seated from left: Opal Newland, Lois Collins, Virginia Rorrer and Patra Armbrister. Standing: Evelyn Buckland, Adelen Newman and Dorothy Whitaker.

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Philip Sporn—From left: Rome Williamson (associate editor), Ralph Gibbs Jr. and Mary Jane Sayre.



Glen Lyn—C. L. Spangler (associate editor) and Betty F. Freeman.



Pulaski area—Clockwise from left corner: R. L. White, Christiansburg; B. W. Hicks, Hillsville; A. J. Lawson, Galax, and H. S. Compton, Wytheville. Center: H. M. Martin, Pearisburg.



Pikeville—Front row, (left to right): Betty Robinette, Dorothy Cardinal and Doris Robinson. Back row: R. L. Huffman, J. Perry Cline and Harold Coleman. Bill Barnett is associate editor.



Abingdon—Paul Dunn, associate editor, standing. From left: Jewel Swindle (Clintwood), Jimmy Hughis (Gate City), Brownie Yeager, Peggy Johnson, John Rasnick and Ann Poe (Marion). Not shown are James E. Flunan and Lorene Neston (Lebanon).



Big Sandy—Robert Elliott, Carl B. Burner (associate editor), Paul Snyder, Betty Henigin, Barbara Burton and Tommy Jenks.



Cabin Creek—From left: Andra Mullins, Marvin F. Morrison (associate editor) and Thomas D. Whittington.



Roanoke—Seated from left: Ruth Lucas and Prince Thornton. Standing from left: Elmo Payne, L. M. Absher, Ann Jamison, Joyce Rutledge, Lawrence Hopson, Jim Loving, Gayle Walker, J. C. Shelton, Frances Hampton and Sylvian Snidow. Jean Livesay and Peggy Edwards were unable to be present for the picture.



Ashland—From left in front row: Carl Hopson, Shirley Moore, Melinda Ackerman, Lori Williamson. Back row: Earline Sexton, Barbara McCoy, Virginia Kitchen and Pat Skaggs. C. L. Stayon and C. D. Broughton are associate editors.



Clinch River—Seated from left: Betty Johnson, Ruth Jones, Sandra Arrington and Jean Sykes. Standing: Charles Murphy, John McAvoy, Ray Thompson, Tom Watson, Russ Senter, Page Ott, B. C. Ferrell, Gene Wyatt and Carson Rasnake. Luther Hutchins is associate editor.



Fieldale/Roanoke—John Wright and Betty Romero.



Huntington—From left: Bob King, Judy Triplett, Becky Hensley, Tama Followay, Dorcas Russell, Elaine Bullion, Bob Oakley, Barbara Calhoun, Larry Dickerson, Pearlene VanOoteghem, C. H. McCallister, Gene Davis, T. J. McComas, Bill Locke, C. W. Browning, Inis Nebel and W. R. Witzel, associate editor.



Williamson/Logan—From left: Ruth Boothe, Lorraine Corea and Betty Roach with Howard Collins, associate editor. At rear: Eddie Herald and H. W. "Ace" Cerrato.



Point Pleasant/Huntington—From left: W. C. Gilmour, Jerry Jordan, Joan Baird, Bernice Roush, and T. J. Rose. Not shown, J. E. Crum, Ripley area.



Kanawha River—Jeanne Sheets was named associate editor following the recent death of Tom Whited.



Logan—From left: Emma Jane Reynolds, Benjamin Donevant, Eleanor Cunningham, Gene Stepp, Bill Broughton, Mildred Maynard and Howard Collins, associate editor.

Due to the reorganization of Appalachian's General office, personnel functions, picture of its reporters and associate editor will appear next month.



Lynchburg—From left with back to wall: Loyd T. Smith (associate editor), Charlene Thompson, Nick Langhorne, Kay Hudson and Otis Franklin. At front: Jane Plunkett and Dawn Daniel. Not shown are George Elder, Hazel Bell and Anna Lackey.



Charleston—At right: Guilford Smith, associate editor. Front row table, from left: Hazel Sampson, Carolyn Meek, Mary Jo Quickle (St. Albans), Golda Johnson, Carol Boggess and Ray Walker. Back row: Jackie Hottle, Ann Surber, Veda Waggoner (Kanawha Valley Power Company), Eldiva Gullian, Pam Snodgrass, Louise Martens, Janice Champe (Montgomery), Leland Price. Absent were Jo Snyder (Clendenin) and Pat Cummings.



Beckley/Charleston—John Gates, standing. Seated from left: S. J. Farmer Jr., John M. Wright (Oak Hill), H. K. Evans, Parthenia Glover and Gloria Connoley. R. W. Bradshaw (Rupert) was not present for the picture.



Welch/Bluefield—From left: R. H. Huff, Dorothy W. Lawless, Otho J. Bragg and W. C. Groseclose. At right is S. W. Hylton Jr., Grundy.



Dale Cooper, Princeton (left) and James Cassell, Tazewell, of Bluefield division. Neva Shepherd (left) and Frances Keller of Bluefield.



Aerial view of Pikeville, Kentucky. (Photo courtesy of Courier-Journal and Louisville Times.)

# Pikeville:

## All-American City Last Year, Named Among 'Model Cities'

Pikeville, which was named an All-American City just last year, has been selected for participation in the federal government's "Model Cities" program.

The Kentucky Power Company division town was one of 63 cities representing 33 states which will share in \$11-million in initial planning grants. The cities were selected from 193 applicants based on improvement plans submitted. After a planning period of about one year, the cities will share in \$312-million in funds for carrying out their programs.

According to the announcement by the U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, the six-year program should provide the basis for a national effort to rebuild American cities rivaling the Marshall Plan for European recovery after World War II.

Much of the credit for Pikeville's selection was given to second-term Mayor William C. Hambley who realized a boyhood dream of being mayor of Pikeville and was instrumental in drafting the plans which qualified for the program. The city commission proclaimed "Mayor Hambley Day" in his honor.

Pikeville had several distinctions in its selection. It was the smallest city with a population of 6,000; it was the only entire city selected—all others were sections of larger cities; it was the only city in Kentucky to qualify and the only city in our American Electric Power System's operating area.

A thumbnail sketch of the individual projects planned under the model cities program includes:

- Relocation of the C. & O. Railway.
- A new downtown municipal build-

ing of perhaps five or six stories, containing, if Pike Fiscal court agrees, county offices too.

New recreational facilities for young people.

Beautification, from uniform advertising signs downtown to parks and a better river bank.

Better library and education facilities, especially vocational training and adult education.

A new ridge-top airport south

of town.

Expansion of the Methodist Hospital of Kentucky.

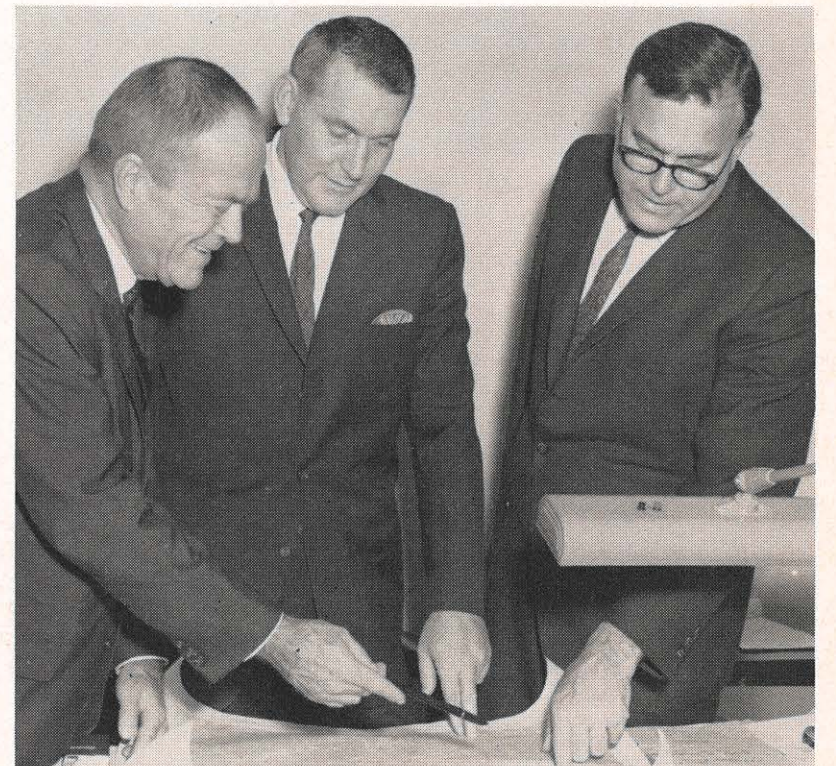
Low rent public housing.

Streets and street lights and other municipal facilities.

An industrial park of perhaps 100 acres near the present airport.

A new bridge.

A housing rehabilitation program.



Talking over plans for the "Model City" are (from left) J. M. Wood, assistant division manager, William Turner, project director, and Mayor W. C. Hambley.



## Hunters Report Success On Deer

Several Appalachian employees reported success during Virginia's deer season.

Blue Ridge development men were high on the list. J. D. Butler, senior clerk, killed a nine-pointer while hunting the Johns Creek section of Craig County on the opening day. He'd gone 15 years without connecting. Taking bucks in Grayson County were Blue Ridge's K. M. Sells, an eight-pointer, and K. L. Hern, engineer, a spike.

Nelson Quesenberry, Pulaski division heating-building sales representative, got a big deer, a 225-pound, 10-point buck on his father's farm in Wythe County. It was his second 10-pointer and the fifth consecutive year he has gotten his deer on the first day. It was his eighth deer.

Roanoke division men also had good hunts. W. R. Parcell, stationman, and J. R. Newman, lineman, both of Fieldale, killed deer on the first day in Patrick County. Ray bagged a 200-pound, eight-pointer, and Jim got a 125-pound doe. It was Ray's first deer and Jim's second.

W. R. Zimmerman, Roanoke air conditioning engineer, bagged an eight-point buck in Botetourt County on Thanksgiving Day. This was his sixth deer. Bob Webster, general office commercial department, and Marshall Julien, public affairs, both got deer, a doe and spike, respectively, while hunting together the first day in Craig County.



J. D. Butler, 9-pointer



Quesenberry, 10-pointer



Jim Newman, Ray Parcell



W. R. Zimmerman, 8-pointer

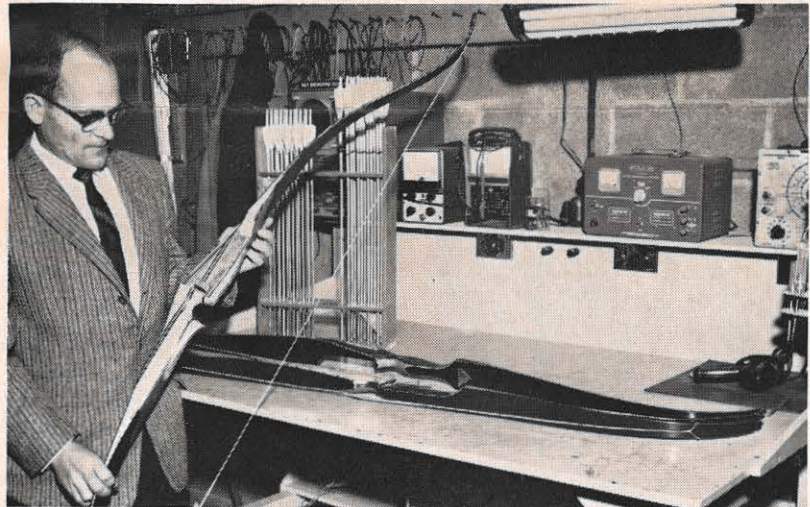
## Big Sandy Man Coaches Champs

William Reid, utility operator at Big Sandy plant, coached the Lions football team to its second consecutive Little League championship. The 1967 team was undefeated, untied and rolled up 188 points to the opponents' 6. Last year's team was undefeated but tied twice. Contributing greatly to the success of the championship team was Mike Castle who played both offensive and defensive tackle. Mike is the son of Clarence Castle, utility operator at Big Sandy.



Mr. Reid

## Huntington Man Carrying On Art Of Precision Hand-Made Bows



Fred Bruce checks bow at his work shop bench.

Many people can shoot a bow and arrow with great accuracy, but how many people shoot like an expert and at the same time make their own equipment. Fred Bruce, station supervisor in the Huntington division, is one. He makes his own bows and arrows and has a full trophy room to prove their accuracy.

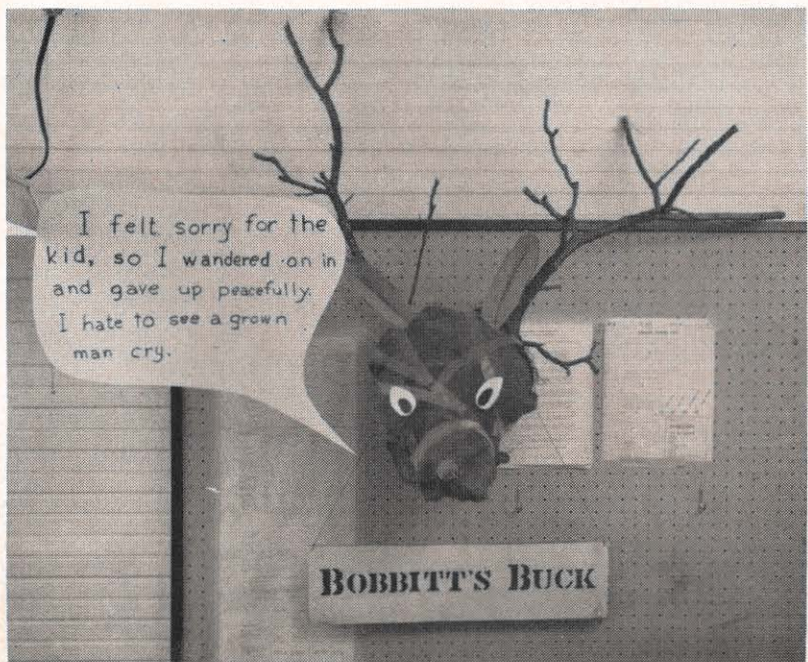
His bows are fabricated from assorted layers of cherry, maple, walnut, and osage woods, each sanded to within one-thousandth of an inch depending on their particular need and place in the bow. Each is hand-rubbed for

hours and coated with at least 12 coats of varnish and polish. Some of the bows are even supported with fiber glass strips.

Mr. Bruce also makes his own arrows however, he says that they require mostly patience and little skill since the only requirement is the ability to assemble parts from kits.

Mr. Bruce is one of the gifted people that have the natural ability to build things. He has built three houses by himself and has a large family cruiser in his back yard, which he also built.

## 'Bobbitt's Buck'



J. W. Bobbitt, engineer in the Blue Ridge construction department, hunted long and faithfully during deer season, but without success. So, some of his sympathetic fellow workers presented him with an 18-pointer, all mounted and ready for the den.

## Fisherman's Luck Bags Deer

Many employees of Big Sandy plant spent long hours in preparation for the deer seasons in Kentucky and surrounding states.

The bow hunters sharpened arrows, practiced and prowled the hills day after day. Then came the gun hunters with their expensive rifles, tramping through the bush and standing in the worst kind of weather.

But, alas, all to no avail. All of this produced exactly nothing in the way of venison or a trophy for the den.

Then along came Gilbert Farthing, operating foreman, who took his vacation to visit relatives in Florida and fish, which he did quite successfully. What happens on the way home? You guessed it. He bagged a deer with his car. Unfortunately he didn't get to keep the deer and the damage to his car cost \$200. But, he did get a deer.

## Familiar Faces In New Places

### Appalachian Power Company

#### Abingdon Division

JOHN CHARLES MOREFIELD from engineering aide to engineer.

#### Bluefield Division

SAMUEL JAMES CONNER from lineman helper, division T&D, to meter reader, division accounting. ESTEL CRABTREE from lineman to area serviceman. CHARLES DEAN STOVER from lineman c to lineman b.

#### Huntington Division

R. L. BOSTIC JR. from lineman helper to lineman. LANDON STEPP from lineman c to lineman b.

#### Kanawha River Plant

CLAYTON BARKER from barge attendant to conveyor operator. N. W. KIDD JR. from coal handler to barge attendant. D. E. CARTE from laborer to coal handler.

#### Lynchburg Division

N. R. FOWLER from lineman helper to lineman. L. G. RAMSEY from station man c to station man b. GEORGE A. VOLK JR. from lineman to general service man.

#### Philip Sporn Plant

JAMES C. PAULEY JR. from helper to maintenance man. JAMES R. PROFFITT from junior maintenance man to maintenance man. JAMES C. MCKNIGHT from utility man to Sporn material laboratory.

#### General Office

LARRY M. CONNER from lineman helper to lineman c. DONALD J. DICKERSON from lineman c to lineman b. HOWARD W. CHILDRESS from lineman helper to lineman. RONNIE B. HORNE from rodman to draftsman. RAYMOND E. RICE from lineman c to lineman b. JACK D. ADAMS from lineman to general serviceman.

### Kentucky Power Company

#### Ashland Division

LUIE J. CALDWELL from lineman to working line foreman.

#### Hazard Division

NORMA SUE DONAHUE from contract clerk to contract clerk sr.

#### Pikeville Division

RONALD D. WHITT from T&D man d to T&D man c. BILLY E. TIBBS from T&D man d to T&D man c.

## Glen Lyn Well Represented On Winning Team

Rich Creek's midget football team won the Giles County Midget league by defeating Pembroke 31-19 in the league playoff.



Karen Sue

old daughter of the coach, pictured here, was the team's mascot.

Mike Trawick, son of A. J. Trawick Jr., plant engineer, was the left guard for the team which gave up only a total of 20 points prior to the playoff.

## Speedway Station Work Underway

A major new substation and lines to serve the new Pipestem State Park and provide another source of power for the Athens and Concord College area near Bluefield is being built by Appalachian. It will be called the Speedway Station.

The 20,000-acre state park will have year-round recreational facilities including electrically heated cabins and lodges. It will also have three golf courses and an aerial tramway.

In addition to serving the expanding Concord College, the new station will serve an area which is experiencing a growth rate of 7 per cent annually.

The power will be fed into the new substation from the 138,000 volt line from Glen Lyn to Switchback.

## Abingdon Brothers Bag Pheasants



John O. Rasnick, station man (left), and his brother, Harry Rasnick, lineman at Gate City, are shown with part of their ringneck pheasant limit. The brothers spent a week near Sioux Falls, South Dakota, where they both got their limit of 60 birds.

# Service Anniversaries Noted Across Our Companies

## 30 Years



Leo C. Bias  
Huntington



D. E. Ballard  
Cabin Creek



F. B. Mitchell  
GO-T&D



C. E. Holyoke  
Kingsport



A. L. Ward  
Lynchburg



C. A. Shepherd  
Pulaski



W. R. Elkins  
Pulaski

## 25 Years



W. H. Crowl  
Cabin Creek



D. C. Castro  
Cabin Creek



E. C. Kingery  
Cabin Creek



O. A. Williams  
Roanoke



Anne Surber  
Charleston

## 20 Years



Dorcus Russell  
Huntington



J. E. Chapman  
Welch



A. O. Yost  
Beckley



Lois Rounion  
Bluefield



J. S. Stinson  
Bluefield

### L. M. Shepherd Taken By Death



Mr. Shepherd

Lawrence Melvin Shepherd, janitor in the North Charleston service building, died November 22 in Thomas Memorial Hospital at South Charleston after a short illness. He was 43.

Employed by Appalachian in 1961, Mr. Shepherd served with the Army during World War II and saw service in the Normandy Campaign, Northern France, Ardennes, Rhineland and Central Europe.

He was a native of Thayer, West Virginia. He was a member of the Ebenezer Baptist Church in Charleston.

Mr. Shepherd is survived by his wife, Katherine, and two sons and three daughters.

### P. H. Shawver Gets 40-Year Pin

Paul Hicks Shawver, general clerk in the Bluefield commercial department, received his 40-year pin recently for extended service with the company.

He was employed by Appalachian as a book-keeper in the accounting department in 1927, and was transferred to the Pulaski district as chief clerk in 1934.

After returning to Bluefield in 1935, he was promoted to chief clerk in 1943, and department supervisor in 1945. He became power billing supervisor in 1950, and division power billing supervisor in 1951. He has held his present position of general clerk since 1963.

Mr. Shawver is a member of the Graham Christian Church and has served as Sunday school teacher and now is an Elder. The native of Shawver Mill, Virginia, enjoys hunting, reading and woodworking in his spare time.

Mr. Shawver is married and resides in Bluefield.

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.



E. L. Adkins  
Logan-Williamson



H. S. Jimison  
Logan-Williamson



L. G. Clark  
Philip Sporn



G. C. White  
Philip Sporn



D. C. Oliver  
Philip Sporn



### Appalachian Power Company

BLUEFIELD DIVISION—20 YEARS: JUNIOR E. CHAPMAN, lineman. LOIS KARNES ROUNION, secretarial stenographer. JOSEPH SHANNON STINSON, heating & builder sales representative.

CABIN CREEK PLANT—30 YEARS: DONALD E. BALLARD, boiler maintenance mechanic. 25 YEARS: ESKER C. KINGERY, control operator. DELMER C. CASTO, turbine operator. WADE H. CROWL, turbine operator.

CHARLESTON DIVISION—30 YEARS: BROOK MILLER, auto repairman. 25 YEARS: ANNE SURBER, transportation clerk. 15 YEARS: THELMA PATTERSON, stenographer. 10 YEARS: JOAN QUICKLE, general clerk. J. E. WEBB, heating & builder sales representative.

CLINCH RIVER PLANT—25 YEARS: LON R. BREWER, unit foreman. 10 YEARS: FORD O. JACKSON, utility coal handler.

HUNTINGTON DIVISION—30 YEARS: LEO C. BIAS, customer accounts supervisor. 20 YEARS: DORCAS H. RUSSELL, customer service clerk. G. C. FOWLER, lineman. 10 YEARS: J. E. CRUM, meter reader.

KANAWHA RIVER PLANT—15 YEARS: J. B. CARUTHERS, master maintenance man. B. J. FARRY, head material clerk. J. E. FRAZIER JR., conveyor operator. B. O. GARDNER, conveyor operator. R. J. WAGNER, conveyor operator. 10 YEARS: W. G. MASSEY, auxiliary equipment operator. M. W. STANLEY, auxiliary equipment operator.

LOGAN-WILLIAMSON DIVISION—20 YEARS: HAROLD S. JIMISON, meter serviceman. ELMOND L. ADKINS, lineman.

LYNCHBURG DIVISION—30 YEARS: A. L. WARD, line foreman.

PULASKI DIVISION—30 YEARS: CHARLES ALVA SHEPHERD, line foreman. WALTER RALEIGH ELKINS, lineman.

ROANOKE DIVISION—25 YEARS: O. A. WILLIAMS, janitor. 15 YEARS: H. N. MURPHY, garage attendant.

GENERAL OFFICE—30 YEARS: F. B. MITCHELL JR., trans. man. 15 YEARS: T. M. WISE, trans. man. 10 YEARS: T. G. ALLEN, heating & air conditioning sales engineer.

### Kentucky Power Company

HAZARD DIVISION—15 YEARS: BURCHEL RIDDLE, auto repairman.

### Kingsport Power Company

30 YEARS: C. E. HOLYOKE, superintendent.

### Fieldale Officers Elected



The Fieldale area of the Roanoke division elected officers for the AP Co. employee club. Shown in the picture are (left to right): R. D. Morris, vice president; L. E. Joyce, president; Betty Romero, secretary; and Judy Lamkin, treasurer.

### Appalachian, Kentucky Men Write Items For AEP 'Operating Ideas'

Ten Appalachian employees and one Kentucky Power man contributed stories to recent issues of AEP's 'Operating Ideas'.

E. V. Harris, chief chemist at Appalachian's Glen Lyn plant, in his article "More Mechanization For Coal Sampling" discusses how the increased mechanization saved the company at least \$18,000 last year.

G. L. Raley, R. R. Coffman and J. H. Oxley, all of whom work in the Glen Lyn chemical department, wrote an article concerning a new way to handle and store coal samples. It pointed out that if the samples are placed in metal containers on racks, a more accurate method of storing coal samples, reduced housekeeping, and time saving is obtained.

J. E. Fleenor, customer service representative in the Abingdon division points out in his article that a meter checker has proved very successful in assuring customers that their meter is in proper working order.

According to E. A. Childers, instrument man at Kentucky's 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.

R. B. Kilgore, station supervisor, and R. W. Swain, station foreman, both in the Roanoke division, devised a method which will stop compressed air leaks in 69-kv OCB solid piping and gasketed couplings. The two men discovered that a heavy-duty reinforced hose will stop the leakings that a pipe could not contain.

In recent years our companies have experienced some failures of the thrust ball bearings on ash pumps. The failures seemed to be caused by misalignment due to wear on the surfaces of the radial bearings. A solution to this problem was reported by A. F. Hanning, master maintenance man at the Kanawha River plant. He suggested that the roller bearing be increased 1.26 in. in width, the shaft and radial bearings modified slightly and a new thrust sleeve be made. Since these changes have been made the thrust roller has given trouble-free operation.

J. L. Kern, instrument maintenance man at Kanawha River, suggested that a neon lamp be installed on the unit load recorder and connected to its amplifier output. In this way the operator would be given an advanced warning of any voltage failure in the recorder.



Mr. Harris



Mr. Coffman



Mr. Raley



Mr. Oxley



Mr. Fleenor



Mr. Childers



Mr. Kilgore



Mr. Swain



Mr. Hanning



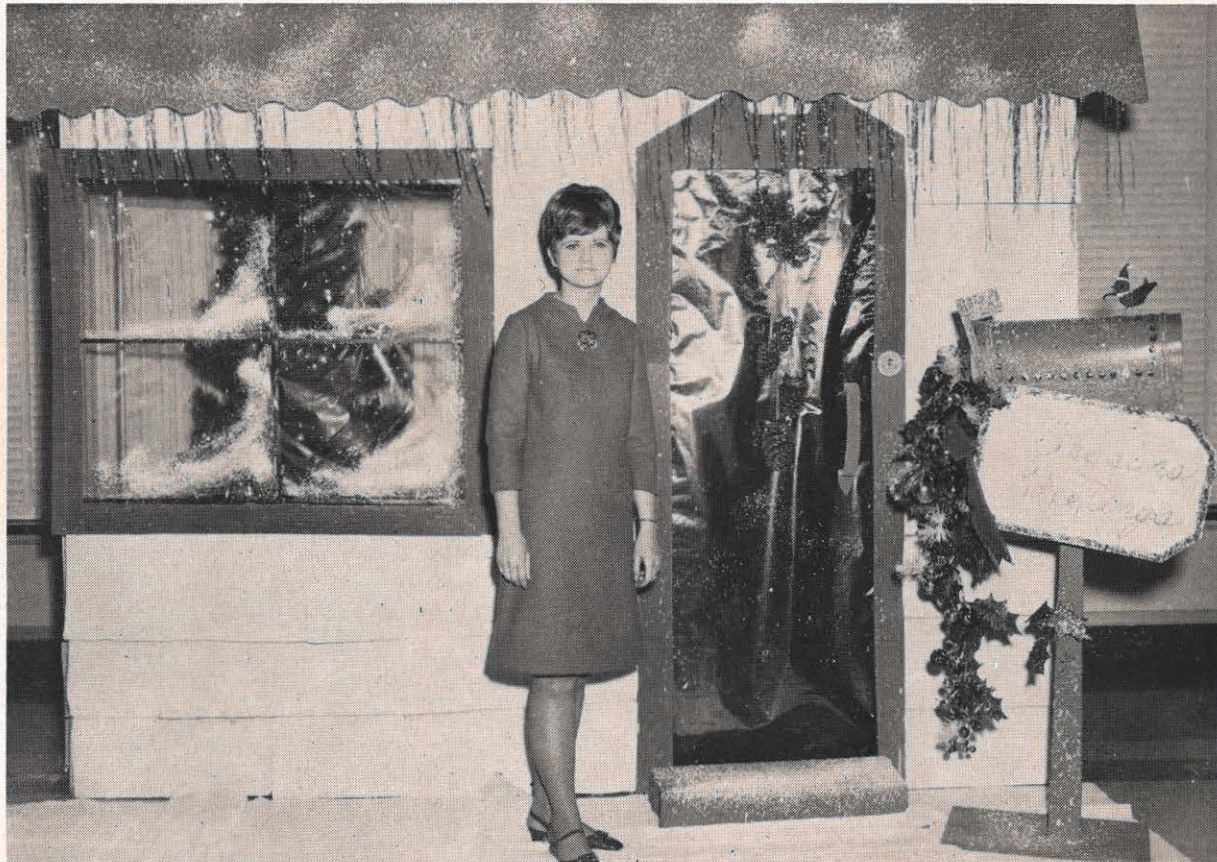
Mr. Kern

### Logan Yard Wall Under Way



In 1963 and again in March of this year, flood waters in the Logan area caused extensive damage to the retaining wall at the Logan switchyard. Presently workmen are making repairs behind a dike which is diverting the river so that the men can work eight feet below the normal water level.

### House Built Around Mailbox



Lois Lee Wright, home service representative in the Pikeville commercial department, stands beside the display she made for the company during the holiday season. The company purchased a rural mailbox with a season greetings card attached for use in windows

in all divisions. She constructed a gold medallion home complete with picture window and Christmas tree to go with the mailbox. She then put snow and icicles on the roof and snow on the yard with Christmas decorations on the door.

### Kentucky Holds Training Courses



Kentucky Power recently held a supervisor's training course at the Paintsville office. Those in attendance at the meeting were (seated, left to right): J. W. Ellis, Ashland; Homer Matheney, Big Sandy; R. H. Flynn, Pikeville; R. T. Cornett, Hazard; (standing, left to right): W. E. Irving, instructor, AEP service corporation; B. J. George, Big Sandy; W. W. Zoellers, Pikeville; D. C. Keyser, General Office accounting; A. H. Hill, Big Sandy; E. S. Slone, Hazard; H. F. Charles, General Office purchasing.



Also participating in the course were (seated, left to right): O. O. Henderson, Ashland; Instructor C. D. Broughton, Ashland General Office; Donald P. Wade, Ashland; Luie Caldwell, Ashland; Bill Sampson, Big Sandy; Allen D. Cline, Hazard; (standing, left to right): R. N. Hurt, AEP service corporation; Roscoe Compton, Ashland; Clarence E. Farley, Big Sandy; J. M. Wood, Pikeville; Dewey Sizemore, Ashland; R. B. Bibb, Ashland; C. A. Zoellers, Hazard; and L. M. Newsom, Pikeville.

**People,  
Places  
and  
Things**

### Reddy Joins In Festivities



On November 24, the City of Ashland welcomed Santa Claus and watched the lighting of the downtown Christmas decorations. A parade was arranged in honor of the visit from Old Saint Nick and joining in the festivities were Reddy Kilowatt and Frosty the snowman who rode in the buckets of a Kentucky Power Company line truck. Reddy was Rodney Lyons, commercial department, and Frosty was Becky Mayo, home economist. The float was planned and decorated by employees in the Ashland commercial department.

### Santa's Little Helpers



Two Appalachian employees with the aid of a company truck put up the downtown Christmas decorations in Beckley. Arnold Yost, on the ground, and Fred Bonham installed the lights on their own time and the company donated the use of the truck. As shown in the above picture, the bucket was the perfect thing for the job.

### Kingsport JA



C. J. Bryan, executive vice president of Kingsport Power, is shown buying the first share of stock in Achievers In Action, the Junior Achievement Company sponsored by Kingsport Power for the second year. Greg Bundrant, president of the Junior Achievement Company, is making the sale. Mr. Bryan is currently serving as vice president of the organization which directs the youth-operated firms.

May Be Largest Ever Placed

# Giant Order Placed For Turbine-Generators

The American Electric Power System last month placed what will probably prove to be the largest single commitment for steam turbine-generators in history. Winner of the giant order was Brown, Boveri & Company, Ltd., of Baden, Switzerland.

The AEP commitment includes the firm purchase of two large-size turbine-generators and options for two more. If both options are exercised, the total generating capacity involved could be as much as 5-million kilowatts—by a wide margin the largest single order for turbine-generators ever placed.

By way of comparison, this amount of capacity would be more than half the total combined capacity of all 30 existing power plants on the seven-state AEP System, the nation's largest investor-owned producer of electric energy. Further, only nine utility systems in the entire United States today have total capacity of as much as 5-million kw.

Aside from the magnitude of the order, it is also unique in its flexibility. First of the four turbine-generators will be a 1.1-million-kw

machine to be installed in the AEP System's first nuclear power plant. The other three can be either 1.1-million-kw units for use in nuclear generation or 1.3-million-kw machines for use in conventional, coal-fired power plants. This arrangement will permit the utility to defer decisions on fuel and the locations of the generating facilities and to make the decisions in the light of all the then-relevant prevailing circumstances.

The first turbine-generator will be installed as part of Unit 2 at the Donald C. Cook Nuclear Plant, to be constructed near St. Joseph, Mich. The plant will be built, owned and operated by the AEP System's Indiana & Michigan Electric Company, which filed application last month for an Atomic Energy Commission construction license.

Donald C. Cook, president of AEP and of I. & M., announced the order and said that, in addition to major savings to be realized, the large order also made it possible for another manufacturer to gain entry into the turbine-generator field in the United States and to

spur competition in an area in which there are only two domestic manufacturers. He said that the Brown-Boveri purchases were made at "substantial savings over the costs for equivalent machines manufactured in this country."

He also emphasized that, prior to the commitment, the AEP Service Corporation's engineering organization had made extensive investigations into the design, performance and manufacturing capabilities of Brown-Boveri and was satisfied that the quality and reliability of its products would meet AEP's high standards.

The initial Brown-Boveri turbine-generator is the largest one ordered to date from a foreign manufacturer for use in a nuclear plant in the United States. It will also be the first foreign-made turbine-generator installed on the AEP System. It will be shipped from Baden to Basel, Switzerland, by rail; from Basel to Rotterdam by Rhine River barge; and from Rotterdam to the Lake Michigan plant site by freighter.

The turbine-generator for the Cook Nuclear Plant's Unit 1, also of 1.1-million-kw capacity, will be furnished by General Electric Company. The plant's two pressurized-water reactors will be provided by Westinghouse Electric Corporation. These orders were announced earlier.

Both the GE and Brown-Boveri turbine-generators at the Cook Plant will be single-shaft, tandem-compound machines. The GE machine is scheduled for commercial operation in 1972, the Brown-Boveri in 1973.

First of the four Brown-Boveri turbine-generators is scheduled to be shipped in December 1971; the second, in 1972. "If options for the third and fourth machines are exercised, as now appears likely," Mr. Cook said, "they would be shipped in 1973 and 1974, respectively."



The employees shown in the above picture are the new officers in the Welch area Appalachian Benevolent Association. (Left to right): James M. Graham, secretary; Dorothy W. Lawless, treasurer, and J. B. Rhudy, chairman.

## Welch's Benevolent Association Elects Officers For Coming Year

At the annual meeting of the Employees' Benevolent Association in Welch the following employees were elected to serve for 1968: J. B. Rhudy, chairman; Dorothy W. Lawless, treasurer; James M. Graham, secretary and Terry D. Simpson and Walter T. Lanter, both directors.

During 1967 the employees in

the Welch area contributed some \$940 to the association with 95 per cent employee participation. Contributions were made to the March of Dimes, Heart Fund, Cancer Society and United Fund.

So far \$630 has been pledged for the coming year with 61 per cent participation by employees.

## Nearly 44 Years Of Service Closes With Retirement Of W. Earl King

After nearly 44 years with Appalachian Power and remembrances of days when oxen were used to haul the equipment which helicopters move today, William Earl King retired from Appalachian on January 1, 1968.

Mr. King began his utility career with Interstate Power Company, one of the companies that consolidated to form Appalachian, in 1923 at Charleston, West Virginia. At that time he worked on a construction crew and lived mostly in a tent in the field.

After working with several other companies that eventually formed to become Appalachian Power, Mr. King transferred to the American Gas and Electric Service Corporation payroll in 1939. He worked at Atlantic City, New Jersey, and supervised the inventory of the overhead system of the Atlantic City Electric Company. During this time Mr. King remembers boats being used to haul equipment over the swamps where much of the electric company's work was done.

In 1948 he transferred to Appalachian and became system appraisal engineer in the General Office Valuation Department. In this capacity Mr. King took inventory and appraised various electrical facilities.

A native of Tornado, West



Mr. King

Virginia, Mr. King attended school there and also took a six-month business course and an ICS course to further his knowledge of electrical engineering.

He is married to the former Fanny Ethel Williams and has two daughters and three grandchildren. He is a member of the Huntington Court Methodist Church and is an avid gardener. Mr. King has no immediate plans for retirement, but he plans to continue living in Roanoke.

## White, Hill Get Logan Promotions



Mr. White Mr. Hill

M. A. (Sonny) White was recently promoted to line and station supervisor in the Logan-Williamson division. W. M. Hill moved up from area serviceman to succeed Mr. White as service foreman.

Mr. White was employed at Logan in 1948 and worked as groundman and lineman before being promoted to working foreman in 1957. In 1963 he was named engineering aide and promoted to the position of service foreman in 1964.

He is an Army veteran and a graduate of Logan high school. He attended the Huntington School of Business and studied electrical engineering through ICS. He also is past exalted ruler of the Logan Elks, active in the local Boy Scouts, and a member of the Stollings Christian Church. He is married and has two sons.

Mr. Hill started with Appalachian in 1951 as a meter helper. He advanced through serviceman classifications and was promoted to area serviceman in 1956. A native of Boone County, West Virginia, he graduated from Scott high school in Madison. He later studied electrical engineering with ICS and served two years in the Army.

Mr. Hill is married and has one daughter. He is active in community affairs and is a Mason.



Mr. Blevins Mr. Riddle

## Logan-Williamson Men Promoted

Two Logan-Williamson division employees have been promoted from engineering aides to engineers in recent announcements. Richard D. Blevins and Jack Riddle assumed their new positions on October 1, 1967.

Mr. Blevins began his employment with the company in 1948 and advanced through the positions of meter helper and engineering aide before his last promotion. He is a native of Logan and is a 1948 graduate of Huntington East high school. He presently is studying electrical engineering through the International Correspondence Schools. Mr. Blevins served in the Navy for two years and is active in amateur radio circles. He is married and has two sons.

Mr. Riddle joined the company in 1950 as a junior clerk and has worked in the Logan engineering department since then. He is a native of Williamson, a graduate of Williamson high school and an Army veteran. He also is studying electrical engineering with ICS. Mr. Riddle is married and is the father of one son and a daughter.

## Skeen Retires, Ends 31 Years With Appalachian

After 31 years of service, Abingdon's A. C. Skeen retired last month from Appalachian.

Mr. Skeen started with the company in 1936 as a lineman at Bluefield and advanced to serviceman. In 1949 he was named local representative at Abingdon and later area serviceman before assuming the position as line inspector.

Born in Cleveland, Virginia, Mr. Skeen completed public schools there and later attended college. He is a member of the Cedar Creek Baptist Church and serves as a Bible Class teacher.

He is the father of four children, three sons and one daughter. He and his wife, Fannie, plan to remain living in Lebanon, Virginia.



Mr. Skeen

## Lundy B. Morris, Ashland, Retires After 30 Years With Company

Lundy Boone Morris, Ashland T&D line foreman, retired December 1 after 30 years of service.

Mr. Morris began his service in the Pikeville division in 1937 as a truck driver. He was promoted to lineman in 1943 and transferred to the Ashland division that same year. After advancing through the lineman classifications, he was promoted to line foreman in 1946.

Mr. Morris has had a lifetime interest in emergency rescue work. Prior to his employment with Kentucky Power, he served four years as fire chief for Pikeville. In January 1965, he and fellow crew member, Ray Adkins, were awarded the Edison Electric Institute Life-saving Medallion for saving the life of a fellow employee with mouth-to-mouth resuscitation and closed chest heart massage.

Mr. Morris and his wife, Eva, plan to continue living at their



Mr. Morris

present home in Ashland at 2755 Monroe avenue.

## Post Office Cites Appalachian



O. C. Caldwell (far left), supervisor of office services in the general office accounting department, is shown after receiving an award from the U. S. Post Office for "significant contributions to Post Office department activities." Mr. Caldwell accepted the award on behalf of Appalachian because of his directing the mail program that voluntarily ZIP coded all its mail and presorted all its first-class mail "beyond postal requirements." Presenting the award is Frank J. Brizzi, a postal official. Appalachian was one of only three Roanoke area firms receiving the award.

### Ashland Women Go Back To School



Recently some of the girls in Kentucky's Ashland division and general office decided that additional shorthand would be helpful to them. So, the company arranged for the Ashland Vocational School to instruct the girls in a 10-week course which would be taught in the company's main office building. The cost was only \$1.25 per employee and some of the wives of other employees also enrolled, at a slightly

higher cost. Shown in the above picture are the participants in the shorthand course. Seated left to right: Rosalie Savage, Shirley Moore, Melinda Ackerman, Ruth Perry and Pam Artis. Standing left to right: Lucy Taylor, Jayne Carter, Mary Thompson, Betty Henigin, Mary Simpson, Glenna Castle, Greta Hall, Elmo Charles, Joyce Brammell, Pat Skaggs and the instructor, Don Barr.

### Fire Drill Proves Plant's Readiness In Sporn, Mid-Ohio Valley Test



Fire trucks ready outside plant.

The Mid-Ohio Valley Industrial Emergency Planning Council recently conducted a fire drill at the Philip Sporn plant.

Within two minutes after the fire siren went off the plant's fire truck was at the scene. In six minutes the New Haven Fire Department truck and rescue car arrived shortly followed by the Mason Fire Department. The Pomeroy, Ohio, Fire Department pulled in only 19 minutes after the sounding of the siren.

Many other fire units reported they were standing by. These were: Gallipolis and Middleport, Ohio; and Point Pleasant, Ravenswood and Ripley, West Virginia.

The Planning Council is composed of representatives from over 15 industries, hospitals and police agencies that provide mutual aid and assistance to members in a four county area. The four counties are: Mason and Jackson in West Virginia, and Meigs and Gallia in Ohio.

### Kentucky Man's Son Presents 87 Paintings In One-Man Show



Bob Broughton with one of his paintings

Bob Broughton, son of C. D. Broughton, supervisor of safety and employee relations at Kentucky Power, presented 87 paintings in a one-man show at the Ashland Center University of Kentucky.

Bob's exhibit revealed the paintings of a rapidly developing artist. The show was large and full of variety and merit. The types of media used were oil, watercolor, pen and ink, pastel, tissue paper, mono-print, tempera, acrylic and mixed media. The styles in-

cluded realism, surrealism, impressionism, abstract and 14 other classifications according to subject.

Bob's plans for the future include two years at Ashland Community College followed by a study of commercial art at Cincinnati. His long-range aim is to become a creative painter.

While Bob is studying in Cincinnati his wife, Jeannie, will be studying also at the Cincinnati Conservatory of Music for a career in the opera.

### Million Manhours For Appalachian

Appalachian employees successfully attained a million consecutive manhours without a disabling injury on December 11, and the record is continuing.

The million manhours began on October 18. This is the eighth time all employees of the company have attained the coveted mark.

The General Office Accounting department also reached a million manhours. The record began on September 2, 1967 and was reached on August 7.

### I&M Construction Permit Submitted For Nuclear Plant

Indiana & Michigan Electric Company last month submitted to the Atomic Energy Commission an application for a permit to construct the proposed 2.2-million-kilowatt Donald C. Cook Nuclear plant on the shore of Lake Michigan near Bridgman, Mich. It will be the American Electric Power System's first nuclear power plant.

Accompanying the application was a three-volume preliminary safety analysis report covering all aspects of plant and reactor design.

The plant will consist of two 1.1-million-kilowatt generating units powered by pressurized water reactors. The first unit is scheduled for completion in 1972, the second in 1973. Cost of the entire plant is estimated at \$300-million.

### LTD Program Becomes Effective

The new Long-Term Disability Insurance (LTD) program, guaranteeing financial protection to employees disabled for long periods of time, became effective January 1 after a sufficient number had registered.

All employees who had signed up for the plan before January 1 are participants from the beginning. Those who sign up by January 31 will participate as of February 1. After January 31 an employee who wishes to enter the LTD plan may be required by the insuring company to take a physical examination.

Cost to the employee is 20¢ per month for each \$100 of his basic monthly earnings. Half of the cost of the program is borne by the company.

If an employee is no longer able to work because of illness or injury, the LTD plan provides a monthly payment equivalent to half his basic monthly salary at the time of his disability, or 60 per cent if he is entitled to dependents' Social Security benefits.

Employees with questions concerning LTD benefits are urged to contact their personnel supervisors.

### Associate Chief Counsel Appointment, Legal Department Promotions Told

The appointment of an associate chief counsel of the American Electric Power Service Corporation and the promotion of two members of its Legal Department have been announced. All three appointments were effective January 1.

James B. Henry, Jr., a partner in the New York law firm of Kaye, Scholer, Fierman, Hays & Handler, has been named associate chief counsel. In this capacity, he will assist T. H. Sayre, vice president and chief counsel, in the direction of the legal activities of the AEP System.

Philip A. McKinsey, senior counsel with the Service Corporation, has been appointed general counsel of Indiana & Michigan Electric Company.

And Klaus Bergman, attorney in the Legal Department, has been named administrative assistant to H. B. Cohn, executive vice president-administration and corporate services.

Mr. Henry, a partner with Kaye-Scholer since 1962, is coming to a company with which he is particularly familiar. He played a major role in the legal activities carried on by several AEP System operating companies in their now-concluded anti-trust suits against a number of electrical equipment manufacturers.

He is a native of Baltimore and a graduate of the University of Arizona, BS degree in 1939, and of the Harvard Law School, LLB 1948. He is a World War II

veteran and achieved the rank of captain in the Army Corps of Engineers. He has been associated with New York law firms since his graduation and is a member of the New York City, New York State and American Bar Associations.

Mr. McKinsey's appointment as general counsel for I&M is the second such move on the AEP System in recent months. Last June, Fred L. Forni, then administrative assistant to President Donald C. Cook, was named general counsel of Ohio Power Company.

Mr. McKinsey has been with the Service Corporation since last September. He was born in New York City, lived in Hawaii, and was graduated summa cum laude with an AB degree from Wabash College and magna cum laude with an LLB degree from Harvard Law School. He is a member of the Chicago, Illinois and American Bar Associations and of Phi Beta Kappa. Prior to joining AEP he was in law practice in Chicago.

Mr. Bergman joined the Service Corporation in 1965. For the previous six years he had been with the New York law firm of Nixon, Mudge, Rose, Guthrie, Alexander & Mitchell. A native of Germany, he holds an AB degree from Columbia College and an LLB degree from Columbia Law School; he is a member of the American Bar Association. He was an officer in the U. S. Coast Guard from 1956 to 1959.

### Cabin Creek First Aid Course



Participating in the recent first aid instruction class at Cabin Creek plant were (first row, left to right): Roy B. Wehrle, Zane F. Self, Alexander Gillies, Russell D. Castro, Francis E. Hoyt and Clarence E. Petry; (standing, left to right): Ellis S. McDaniel, Donald E. Ballard, William Bondurant, Walter L. Johnson and Thomas D. Whittington. The victim is Fred H. Reese. The 10-hour course was taught by Mr. Hoyt, maintenance foreman. David K. Welcher also took the course.

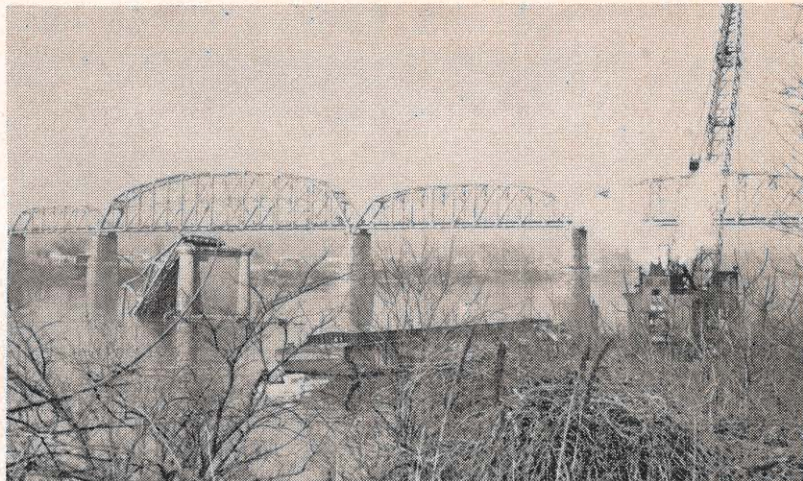
### 41 Years Without Mishap



A. B. Ferguson (right), customer service representative in the Huntington division, was cited by management recently for completing 41 years of service to Appalachian Power without a disabling injury. At one time or another Mr. Ferguson has read every meter, traveled every road and climbed practically every hill in the Huntington division. He has probably met more customers than any other employee working in the division. Presenting the emblem is L. C. Bias (left), customer accounts supervisor in the Huntington division.



The Silver Bridge once stood strong and tall.



Fallen Silver Bridge with railroad trestle in background.

# Tragedy Strikes Point Pleasant

On Friday evening, December 15, tragedy struck in the Huntington division—the Silver Bridge spanning the Ohio River at Point Pleasant collapsed during the heavy rush hour and hurled scores of cars, trucks and their occupants into the icy current.

The death toll is still climbing and chances are that an absolute count may never be possible, because there's no way of telling exactly how many people were on the bridge.

The first thought that went through Appalachian employees' minds was, "How many of our employees or their families were on the bridge?" As far as is known, a brother-in-law of Nicholas Roomy, area development consultant in Charleston, was the only relative of an employee reported missing. All employees have been accounted for.

This is not to say that the company and its employees were not involved. Anyone close to the scene had to be. The company assisted in every manner possible. Crews rushed to the scene; our leased telephone lines were put into emergency service.

But to the Point Pleasant employees, just standing by helplessly while not knowing if their loved ones and friends were involved, was almost a tragedy itself.

The following is just a brief description of their reactions.

The day began just as any other day with bright Christmas decorations adorning streets and show windows in downtown sections in Huntington division towns. In Point Pleasant, most of the service crews had completed their days work at 4:30 p.m. and had left for home. The employees in the accounting department were totaling the day's business and preparing for the evening trip to the bank and Post Office just before going home. In Huntington, a festive atmosphere was in the air as employees were home dressing and making final preparations to attend



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the annual Christmas dinner and dance to be held that evening at the Hotel Frederick.

When most of the Huntington employees arrived home shortly after 5:00 p.m. they found their children, just like most all children, gathered around the television watching the evening cartoons. At approximately 5:15, a BULLETIN appeared on the screen and the announcer stated that an unconfirmed report had been made that the Silver Bridge across the Ohio River at Point Pleasant had collapsed. A state of shock and disbelief hit everyone who heard the announcement. Further news was short in coming as another announcement was made that the sheriff in Gallipolis, Ohio, confirmed the report that the Silver Bridge had completely disappeared.

In Point Pleasant, Paul Baker, commercial sales engineer, was leaving the office shortly after 5:00 p.m. when he heard a loud "boom", which he thought was a jet plane breaking the sound barrier. He drove to his home, about ten minutes away, and heard his tele-

phone ringing as he walked in the door. It was his daughter calling from Columbus, Ohio, checking to see if her family happened to be on the bridge, news of which she had heard on her television. This was Paul's first knowledge of the disaster, even though he heard it and was within one mile of it when it happened.

O. C. Hall, manager of the Point Pleasant office, was leaving his home with his wife at 5:05 p.m. for the 45-minute drive to the Christmas party in Huntington. His phone rang and a neighbor informed him of the tragedy. Mr. Hall and his wife couldn't believe such a report so they proceeded to drive to the scene and see for themselves. Upon arriving near the area of the bridge, a mammoth traffic jam developed. From that point on, it didn't take long for Mr. Hall to forget his trip to Huntington and return to the office in preparation for emergency calls, the likes of which he had never experienced.

Paul Sayer, material clerk, was delivering the company mail to the Post Office, located at the foot of the bridge when he heard the loud boom. He looked outside and noticed the bridge was gone. He ran outside to look further and his first thought was to call someone. He ran to a nearby telephone, but didn't know of any particular person to call. The shock and disbelief was so great in his mind that he forgot about calling anyone and went back to the scene to look again to see if his mind and eyes were deceiving him. The only thing he could see was the remains of a tractor-trailer floating and he could hear cries for help. The river is over 2,000 feet wide at this point, and about the only thing anyone could do was stand there in frozen terror and watch people drown.

George Roberts, utility clerk, was tied up at a traffic light just around the corner from the bridge when he saw the overhead distribution line start to rock and flash.



Approach to the fallen bridge.

He heard the crash and thought someone had run into the side of the bridge or possibly rammed a street light pole on the structure. The light changed, George moved a few feet further, and suddenly realized he had been within a few feet of the greatest disaster in the history of West Virginia.

The first thought that went through the minds of almost everyone in Point Pleasant was to check on other members of their families. It was known that this bridge would be congested with bumper-to-bumper traffic in both directions at this particular hour. Who was on the bridge was in the minds of everyone. In this particular area, almost anyone could have been on the bridge, and in the course of a day, almost everyone crosses it.

W. C. Gilmour, administrative assistant, first heard about the news and tried to call his daughter, who very possibly could be crossing this bridge at this particular hour. The telephone system was hopelessly jammed, so Bill drove to her home and found her there.

Joan Baird, cashier, frantically called her parents only to find they were in line waiting to cross the bridge when her father was stopped by a traffic light. Had that not happened, her mother and father would have been on the bridge when it fell.

M. C. Clark's son had just crossed the bridge seconds before the disaster.

Earl Jackson, customer accounts supervisor, has a daughter who attends school across the river. She too crosses the river at this hour. This particular evening she was running late, and this may have saved her life.

K. C. Morris, Fred Nibert and C. E. Fowler Jr. are members of the National Guard. All were called to report for emergency duty.

The C&P Telephone Company called Mr. Hall and asked if Appalachian would surrender their leased telephone lines for emergency calls. The request was very quickly granted.

As the evening rolled on and emergency rescue teams started to arrive, J. R. Hoffman, area serviceman, was called out to install services for emergency lighting, heating, etc.

In Huntington, the Christmas party went on although a damper had been cast on the festive occasion. A number of employees have been transferred to Huntington from the Point Pleasant area and each tried frantically to place a call to Point Pleasant in order to check on their families. This proved to be almost impossible.

Employees of the Sporn plant located 20 miles upstream from the disaster heeded to the call for help by donating cots for the rescue workers.

People in Point Pleasant still just can't believe it really happened.

The sadness and shock felt by all of the employees can best be described by a story told by Earl Jackson. The disaster took place on Friday evening. On Saturday morning, Earl noticed that the living room light was burning in the window of his next door neighbor. When he called this to his wife's attention, she remembered that her neighbor had told her early Friday evening that she and her husband planned to drive across the river, have dinner in a local Gallipolis restaurant, and then buy a Christmas tree before returning home. The bodies of the couple living next door to the Jacksons were recovered from the river on Sunday. The light burned for several days in the window next door to the Jackson home, standing as a symbol for a couple that would never return.



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