

AEP's Electric Heating Strides Pointed Out To Shareowners

Approximately 53 per cent of all new homes, including 84 per cent of all apartment units and 78 per cent of all school buildings started in the seven-state service area of the American Electric Power System in 1967 are, or will be, heated electrically.

President Donald C. Cook told shareowners at the 61st annual meeting of American Electric Power Company on April 24 that all sales goals "were either achieved or surpassed" last year. At year's end, the AEP System was serving 83,200 electrically heated homes and apartments—a record of growth of about 20 per cent per year for the last 10 years.

Shareowners approved an increase from 50-million to 65-million in the number of authorized shares of common stock, and turned down a stockholder's proposal to give shareowners unlimited pre-emptive rights in future new issues of common stock. The latter proposal had been opposed by management.

Mr. Cook characterized 1967 as "an excellent one, when we take into consideration the adverse economic factors which necessarily had an effect on us along with other businesses generally." He said that the net system load increased more than 11.3 per cent to 54.3-billion kilowatthours as the AEP System continued to maintain

its position as the largest supplier of electric energy among all investor-owned utilities. "For the last 10 years, net system load has grown at a compound rate of 8.7 per cent per year," he said, "well above the national average."

He told the shareowners that the AEP System's 1967 load factor—a direct measure of the utilization of its \$1.9-billion investment in utility plant—had increased to 72.2 per cent. This is about 10 percentage points above the average for the next four largest investor-owned utilities, he pointed out, explaining that this meant that AEP was able to use its investment "16 per cent more productively

than the next four companies.

Operating revenues and net earnings both increased 7.3 per cent last year, the former to \$523.7-million and the latter to \$94.1-million. "This achievement, increasing earnings by the same percentage experienced for operating revenues, continued our record, on the average, of the past 10 years," Mr. Cook said.

"Our promotion of electric heating in 1967 was not directed solely to the residential market, important as it is," the AEP president said. "Thus we were successful in convincing 78 per cent of the school boards, or boards of trustees, that made final decisions on school and

college buildings last year that electric heating was in the best interests of the students and taxpayers." He added that there are more than 6.4-million square feet of electrically heated school and college buildings on the AEP System, "and this figure continues to grow rapidly."

He said that the 53 per cent figure representing the penetration of the new home market by electric heating was in contrast to 50 per cent the previous year, and that the record 84 per cent penetration of apartment units was based on a total of more than 3,000 constructed last year.

The first hour of the morning is the rudder of the day.
H. W. Beecher

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No man ever became wise by chance.
Seneca

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Fifth Shell Building Awarded; Occupancy Of One Announced

Appalachian announced two developments in its Project Decision Program last month, both affecting the Lynchburg division.

A new shell building will be built in Amherst County and it was revealed that a new industry will move into the existing shell at Lynchburg.

The new shell, a 34,500 square foot building, is scheduled to be constructed in the recently created industrial park outside the town of Amherst, the county seat. The company also will assist the county in locating an industrial tenant.

Lynchburg's new industry is the E. F. Houghton & Company of Philadelphia, manufacturer of rubber products, lubricants and oils. The firm expects to begin production at the plant late this year and that employment will ultimately be more than 200.

The plant will be operated by the Rubber Products Division of Houghton, which will complete the Project Decision Shell Building to its own specifications. When it is completed, it will represent an investment of nearly a half-million dollars by that company. Work on the building is already under way.

Products of the new plant will be O-rings and custom molded rubber parts that are used as seals for valves and for many other purposes in a wide range of machinery.

The Houghton Company, which has its headquarters in Philadelphia, presently employs more than 800 people in plants at Philadelphia; Chicago; Detroit; San Francisco; Carrolton, Georgia; Hopkins,

Minnesota, and Manchester.

Appalachian completed the Lynchburg shell building in late 1966 and has been working, along with the Lynchburg Chamber of Commerce officials, in finding a tenant for the building.

Williams F. McDonald, president of Houghton, in commenting on the Lynchburg location of his company's plant, praised the co-operation of Appalachian and the chamber.

A bonus of the Shell Building's presence was pointed out by the fact that while showing the building to prospective tenants, some of them decided to locate in Lynchburg, even though the building did not meet their specifications.

Amherst County's newly announced Shell Building will be the fifth in Appalachian's continuing program to help communities get new industry. Others are at Abingdon and Pulaski, Virginia, and Princeton, West Virginia, besides the one at Lynchburg.

Under Appalachian's Project Decision program, the buildings are awarded to communities which are judged to be the most attractive to industry. Part of the program requires that the winning community put in escrow a sum equal to the amount which Appalachian initially invests in the buildings.

Once a tenant is found, the community returns Appalachian's investment and negotiates lease or lease-purchase arrangements with the industry. Then Appalachian takes its investments and constructs another shell building elsewhere.



Mr. Munday



Mr. Hervey



Mr. Hall

Munday, Hervey, Hall To Move

Appalachian Promotes Three Managers

Three Appalachian managerial promotions will become effective on July 1.

E. L. Munday Jr., Huntington division manager, was promoted to general commercial manager for the company with headquarters in Roanoke. He will be succeeding H. L. Cushing on the latter's retirement on February 1, 1969.

George E. Hervey, Logan-Williamson manager, was named to succeed Mr. Munday as Huntington manager.

O. C. Hall, manager of the Point Pleasant area in the Huntington division, was named Logan-Williamson division manager.

Mr. Munday began his career with Appalachian in October of 1936 after being graduated from Virginia Polytechnic Institute with a BS degree in industrial engineering. His first job with the company was as a groundman in Roanoke.

A great deal of his career has been in the commercial and sales field. He has served as power sales engineer, Roanoke district residential and rural supervisor, Roanoke district commercial manager, and in 1960 he was named manager of the Fieldale district.

In 1963 Mr. Munday moved to Charleston as district manager and a year later was named assistant division manager there. In 1966 he was named assistant division manager at Huntington and became division manager in February of 1967.

A native of Waxpool, Virginia, Mr. Munday served in the Army from 1941-46 and holds the rank of lieutenant colonel in the inactive Army Reserve. He and his wife are the parents of two children.

He plans to move his family to Roanoke in the near future.

Mr. Hervey is a native of Morgantown, West Virginia, and was graduated from West Virginia University in 1932 with a BS in electrical engineering.

He joined Appalachian at Charleston as an engineer. He served as district station supervisor, district supervising engineer and district superintendent at Charleston. In 1957 he was named manager of the Point Pleasant district and in 1963 was moved to Logan as district manager. In 1964 he became manager of the Logan-Williamson division.

He served three years in the European Theater during World War II and holds the rank of lieutenant colonel in the Army Reserves (retired).

Mr. and Mrs. Hervey have two daughters and will be moving to Huntington soon.

Mr. Hall has been associated

with Appalachian since 1950 following his graduation from the University of Kentucky. He was first employed as an engineer trainee at Roanoke.

In 1951 Mr. Hall moved to Beckley, West Virginia, as a power sales engineer and a year later was named local superintendent at Point Pleasant. He has been manager of the Point Pleasant area since April of 1963.

A native of McDowell, Kentucky, Mr. Hall served in Europe with the amphibious forces of the U. S. Coast Guard during World War II.

Mr. Hall and his wife have two children. He plans to move his family to Logan in the near future.



Joe P. Gills, left, executive vice president of Appalachian, is shown during presentation of shell building. Accepting the building are, from left, Russell M. Franks, executive secretary of Amherst County Chamber of Commerce, and J. Harold Tipton, chamber president.

Cabin Creek Plant Continues Lead In AEP System Safety Competition

Our companies continued among the leaders in the first-quarter standings in the AEP System's annual safety competition.

In Group A (Divisions), Ohio Power Company's Zanesville and Tiffin divisions are first and second, followed by Appalachian's Bluefield division.

Appalachian turned the rankings around in Group B (Plants) by placing Cabin Creek and Radford Army Ammunition first and second. Ohio Power's Windsor plant was third.

In Group C, Ohio Power leads. In first is Ohio Power's General Office (except T&D and Accounting). Appalachian's General Office Accounting is second, and Ohio's General Office Accounting is third.

The first five in each group are:

Group	Company	Manhours Since Last Disabling Injury
Group A	Zanesville	1,507,318
	Tiffin	1,465,992
	Bluefield	1,080,579
	Roanoke	851,689
	Kingsport	844,602
Group B	Cabin Creek	1,562,363
	Radford Army Amm.	1,283,084
	Windsor	759,043
	Kanawha River	603,903
	Big Sandy	505,163
Group C	General Office except T&D and Acctg.	1,047,591
	General Office Acctg.	780,120
	Roanoke General Acctg.	717,678
	Roanoke General Office	661,671
	Indiana and Michigan	598,461

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AEP: Again A Leader

Anyone who has seen a once beautiful countryside after a surface mining operation has passed through knows the importance of land reclamation.

Today there are laws in most states stating that "strip" miners must attempt to restore the earth's surface.

The AEP System is involved in surface mining through a subsidiary company of our sister Ohio Power Company. It is more than involved in land reclamation—it is a leader.

Twenty-four years ago, long before public opinion had rightfully caused the laws against ruining the land to become strengthened, land rec-

lamation was a big part of Ohio Power's mining program.

Today, it is a shining example of what can be done. It's an example of how a liability can be turned into an asset. It's an example of how an eyesore to the public can be turned into an outdoor recreation haven for that same public. And, it was done without government intervention.

Ohio's program has drawn plaudits from several areas, including national outdoor magazines. This doesn't happen unless it's deserved.

It's nice to know that your company isn't shirking its responsibility to the public.

(See story on page 7)



E. L. Munday (left) accepts award from W. S. Kitchen.

Huntington Division Employees Cited For Passing Two Safety Milestones

A special "coffee break" was held at Huntington and Point Pleasant on April 5 for all the Huntington division employees to celebrate two safety milestones reached by the division.

On April 4, the employees of the division completed one full year with no disabling injury and passed the half-million man-hour mark without a disabling injury. It is estimated the division will pass the

million man-hour mark in February 1969.

Special decorations were prepared for both auditoriums where the coffee breaks were held, creating the theme of "shooting for the moon"—symbol of the million man-hour goal.

W. S. Kitchen was present at the Huntington occasion and presented E. L. Munday, division manager, with a certificate symbolic of the achievement.

Eight Electric Utilities Tell Plans For East-Central Holding Company

Eight electric utilities serving parts of three East-Central states on April 9 announced plans to form a holding company and a service corporation to provide centralized services for the total system.

The eight utilities already are interconnected, directly or indirectly, with each other. They are:

OHIO—The Cincinnati Gas & Electric Company, The Cleveland Electric Illuminating Company, The Dayton Power and Light Company, Ohio Edison Company and The Toledo Edison Company.

PENNSYLVANIA—Duquesne Light Company and Pennsylvania Power Company (subsidiary of Ohio Edison).

KENTUCKY—Union Light, Heat & Power Company (subsidiary of Cincinnati Gas & Electric).

All of the companies are neighbors of, and interconnected with,

the American Electric Power System at a total of 17 points, with five additional interconnections under construction. All except Union Light are members, with AEP, in the East Central Area Reliability Coordination Agreement; all except Cleveland Electric, Duquesne Light and Union Light are sponsor companies, with AEP, of the Ohio Valley Electric Corporation.

The plan is subject to approval by the directors and shareholders of the utilities and by regulatory authorities, including the Securities and Exchange Commission under the Holding Company Act.

Total assets of the proposed holding company would be more than \$3 billion and annual revenues are estimated at \$1 billion. The eight utilities have a combined generating capacity of more than 11-million kilowatts. They serve a population of about 9-million living in an area of about 22,000 square miles.

In their announcement, the eight power companies said that the holding company operation would result in lower cost electricity and improved reliability of bulk power supply, to be achieved through the economies of scale, including larger and more efficient generating units and transmission lines, and area-wide planning of facilities.

Each of the companies would continue to operate under local management, the utilities said. The service corporation would handle financing for all of the companies, as well as engineering, system planning and related services.

Folsom Returns To AEP Board

Dr. Richard G. Folsom, president of Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, was elected to the American Electric Power Company board of directors and the other 12 directors were re-elected at the annual meeting of shareholders on April 24.

Dr. Folsom had resigned from the board last year to assume the chairmanship of the Governor's Committee on Electric Power in New York state. These duties having been completed, he was available to rejoin the board.

The incumbent directors re-elected were: Malcolm P. Aldrich, chairman, The Commonwealth Fund, New York; John E. Amos, attorney and businessman, Charleston, W. Va.; Harold Boeschstein, chairman of the Executive Committee, Owens-Corning Fiberglas Corporation, Toledo; Courtney C. Brown, dean of the Graduate School of Business at Columbia University.

Herbert B. Cohn, executive vice president, AEP Service Corporation; Donald C. Cook, AEP president; Richard M. Dicke, partner in Simpson Thacher & Bartlett, New York, general counsel of the company; James M. Gavin (Lieutenant-General, U. S. Army, Ret.), chairman, Arthur D. Little, Inc., Cambridge, Mass.

Walter O. Menge, chairman, The Lincoln National Life Insurance Company, Fort Wayne; George V. Patterson, executive vice president, AEP Service Corporation; W. J. Rose, vice president and secretary of the company; and Philip Sporn, retired AEP president.

Former Glen Lyn Man Promoted

Robert H. Walton, Jr., has been appointed assistant manager of Ohio Power Company's Muskingum River Plant effective immediately.

Mr. Walton, presently operations supervisor at Cardinal plant at Brilliant, Ohio, succeeds W. J. Hardman who recently was named Muskingum River plant manager.

A long time employee of the American Electric Power System, Mr. Walton began his career at Glen Lyn, Virginia with Appalachian as engineer-jr. in 1949. He progressed through all the engineering posts at Glen Lyn and was named plant engineer in 1956 and maintenance supervisor in 1965 before transferring to Ohio Power's Cardinal plant.



Mr. Walton

A native of South Boston, Va., he was graduated from Welch, Virginia high school and earned his mechanical engineering degree from Virginia Polytechnic Institute. He also completed AEP's management training program at the University of Michigan in 1961.

Appalachian Gets Promotion Award

Appalachian received a national award from Edison Electric Institute (EEI) for the company's sales promotion program using small electric cars.

The award came during the annual awards program conducted by EEI at its annual sales conference in Chicago. EEI is a national trade association of investor-owned electric utility companies.

Accepting the award on behalf of the company was L. L. Koontz, supervisor of residential and rural sales for Appalachian.

The award came in competition among nearly 200 electric utilities from throughout the country.

Appalachian's winning program consisted of eight child-sized electric cars given as prizes, one in each of the company's operating divisions.

All-Electric Home Builder Honored

Charles Shockley, a Roanoke builder, was recently honored as "Gold Medallion Builder of the Month" by the nationally circulated magazine "Electricity in Building".

D. C. Kennedy, Roanoke division manager, made the presentation to Mr. Shockley at the April meeting of the Roanoke Valley Home Builders Association. The award was an engraved barometer.

Since entering the building business in 1960, Mr. Shockley has built more than 50 total-electric homes.

Land Cleared For Station



The land has been cleared for the Matt C. Funk station west of Salem, Virginia. When completed the station will be a major 138-kv and 345-kv distribution site as well as a 765-kv station. The 345-kv station area will exceed six acres and the 138-kv area will have an additional three acres. The proposed 765-kv station will be even larger. So far 109,620 cubic yards of dirt have been moved from the 345 site and 72,370 from the 138.



This year Appalachian sponsored two Junior Achievement companies in Roanoke. The products sold during the year included cutting boards, first aid kits and Christmas novelties. The coordinator for Appalachian in Roanoke was James E. Jones. Some of the advisors who worked with him are shown above (left to right): W. M. Mills, R. A. Fuller, J. C. Shelton, W. L. Carter, A. L. Stebar, C. V. Smith and W. H. Hart. The other advisors not included in the picture are: J. A. Dunham, M. D. Wilson Jr., J. A. Wheeler and L. L. Barton.

JA and Citizenship

JA stands for Junior Achievement. The "junior" is in reference to the youths involved, not the achievements.

It's through JA that many teenagers in our communities learn the meaning of capitalism. They learn that profit is not a bad word. They learn that free enterprise is one of

the factors which make a democracy function.

The pictures on this page are only two of several JA groups sponsored by our companies.

Our employees act as advisors to these groups on a volunteer basis.

It is just part of being a member and citizen of each community we serve.



Huntington JA group discussing product and company charter are (left to right): R. A. King, John Hunsaker, president of TAMCO, E. L. Munday, Huntington division manager, and G. H. Burns. Mr. King and Mr. Burns are advisors for the teenage company.

147 Proposals Processed

First Quarter W-S Winners Are Announced

During the first quarter of 1968, there were 11 Work Simplification—Better Methods proposals chosen as winners out of 147 processed.

A winning suggestion was submitted by J. P. Gilbert, results engineer, and R. H. Eason, assistant results engineer, both Philip Sporn plant employees. They proposed that a new type pitot tube should be used at all plants. The new tubes would improve boiler air flow reliability and provide safer operation.

Two Cabin Creek employees, W. R. McDaniel, performance engineer, and O. E. Willis, results engineer, described a new method of obtaining flyash samples. The new method is a fast, simple way of collecting samples which will act as guides for the operators to improve boiler firing.

C. E. Allinder, office and stores supervisor at the Kanawha River plant, suggested that vacuum hose extension connectors for plant vacuum cleaning systems should be made instead of purchased. It is cheaper to make them than it is to buy them.

E. E. Crist, maintenance man at the Clinch River plant, illustrated a new method for stopping leaks in the coal conveyor feeder belt skirts. In the new proposal,

the skirts can be used again once the worn edge is repaired.

C. L. Musselman, line inspector in the Roanoke T&D department, submitted a proposal which suggests that the discharge chute on the right-of-way brush grinder be modified so as to turn 90 degrees either left or right. This would allow the chips to be distributed in the right-of-way instead of being collected in a truck and hauled away.

John T. Russell, records supervisor in the Huntington T&D department, questioned the need of one step in the processing of contractors invoices for payment. Up to now one step was repeated by employees in the field and others in the general office accounting department. Now the step is done only by the accounting department.

Melvin W. Brown, Roanoke customer accounts clerk, pointed out in his proposal that it was cheaper to mail letters that weighed over 13 ounces by air mail than by first class. He also suggested that all letters over 13 ounces be mailed together.

Frank Queen, head T&D clerk, and C. E. Frye, administrative assistant, both Logan-Williamson employees, suggested that deeds

needed in right-of-way agreements should be photographed. Until recently in deeds were copied in longhand. Photographs would save time and eliminate errors.

The proposal submitted by D. E. Johnson, Cabin Creek supervisor of operations, called for the use of natural gas to ignite coal in chain grate boilers instead of oil. The natural gas would be easier to handle, much faster, and would save some intermediate steps.

Two Lynchburg employees, Jane W. Plunkett, head record clerk in the T&D department, and J. O. Franklin, meter service foreman, suggested using a semi-monthly blanket letter contract for underground service work instead of a separate one for each job. This was possible because one contractor does most of the underground work.

J. L. White, retired Roanoke division T&D superintendent, and R. L. Spenser, lead draftsman in Roanoke division, recommended that Redwood strips be used to beautify substations. The strips are installed one at a time by inserting them down through the open links in the fences around most stations. The strips would eliminate the ground level view of the station.

J. Garnett Harvey, Roanoke, Ends 42-Year Career With Retirement

J. Garnett Harvey, Roanoke division personnel supervisor, retired on May 1 after nearly 42 years of continuous service in Roanoke.

Mr. Harvey began with the company in 1926 as a clerk in the old Campbell Avenue office only four months after Appalachian was formed. He later was promoted to office manager and assumed supervision of all the accounting and some personnel matters. In 1947, he was promoted to administrative assistant, and in 1949 became the Roanoke division personnel supervisor.

Mr. Harvey was born in Princeton, West Virginia, and lived in Radford a short while before his family moved to Roanoke. He received his elementary school education in Roanoke and graduated from Blackstone Military Academy in 1924. He later attended the University of Virginia extension department and Roanoke College. In 1958, Mr. Harvey attended the Public Utility Executive School at the University of Michigan.

Married to the former Esther Ann Phelps of Roanoke, Mr. Harvey has two children: Mrs. M. D. Childers of Charlotte, North Carolina, and James G. Harvey II, meter serviceman in the Roanoke division. Mr. and Mrs. Harvey also have two grandchildren.

Mr. Harvey has worked on several high-level projects during his career with Appalachian. He has been an instructor in the Advanced Management School and a member of the committee on clerical evaluation. In addition, he has worked on the policy manual and the safety manual. In 1965



Mr. Harvey

and 1966, he represented the Roanoke division at the AEP board meeting in New York when the division was presented the systems top safety award.

Mr. Harvey is a member of the Kiwanis Club, Personnel Association of Roanoke, Roanoke Country Club, Masons, Virginia Heights Lodge No. 324 A.F. and A.M., and Roanoke and Virginia Chambers of Commerce. He belongs to the Virginia Heights Baptist Church where he is on the finance committee and a past member of the board of deacons.

His retirement plans include an August trip to California and a January trip to Hawaii. He and Mrs. Harvey plan to continue living in Roanoke during the winter and at their Claytor Lake home in the summer.

Hobert Lee Nester, Glen Lyn Plant, Retires; Career Spanned 40 Years



Mr. Nester

Hobert Lee Nester, assistant shift operating engineer at the Glen Lyn plant, retired on May 1 after

nearly 40 years with Appalachian Power.

Mr. Nester began with the company in 1926, but had broken service from November 1931 to August 1933. On his return he was employed as a laborer. He later was promoted to water tender, auxiliary equipment operator, boiler operator, control supervisor and unit foreman before his final promotion in 1966 to assistant shift operating engineer.

A native of Mercer County, West Virginia, Mr. Nester is married to the former Vanena Burch and has two children—Margaret N. White and Charlotte N. Brotherton whose husband, T. L. Brotherton, is an auxiliary equipment operator at Glen Lyn.

The Nesters are planning to travel and to spend some time in warmer climates. Mr. Nester also plans to catch up on his hunting and fishing.

Ronald H. Hively Gets New Post

Ronald H. Hively, supervisor of commercial-industrial sales, was promoted to director of tariffs, rates and contracts of Appalachian Power on May 1.

This is a newly created post and Mr. Hively will report directly to the executive vice president. Mr. Hively will advise the company on policy matters pertaining to tariffs, rates and contracts. He will also be responsible for the filing and application of the company's rates, and will render guidance to Appalachian's eight operating divisions of these matters.

A native of Flatwoods, West Virginia, Mr. Hively is a 1949 electrical engineering graduate of West Virginia University. He was employed with the company at Charleston, West Virginia, as a power sales engineer in 1949. Seven years later he became area superintendent at Montgomery, West Virginia. In 1957, he was named Charleston division commercial manager, and went to Roanoke as commercial and industrial sales supervisor in the general office commercial department in 1961.

A member of Calvary Baptist Church, Mr. Hively is married and has two sons.



Mr. Everett

M. D. Everett, Lynchburg, Ends 35-Year Career

Mannie David Everett, janitor in the Lynchburg division, retired from Appalachian on March 31 after nearly 35 years with Appalachian.

The Bedford County, Virginia, native was employed in 1933 as a janitor and has continued to work in that capacity. All of his service was in Lynchburg.

Mr. Everett and his wife, Georgia, have three children and seven grandchildren. They belong to St. Paul's Baptist Church, and take part in all church affairs.

During his retirement, Mr. Everett plans to continue living in Lynchburg and enjoy gardening, fishing and hunting.



Mr. Harris

Mr. Berry

Huntington Men Get Promotions

Edward C. Berry and Walter Harris, two Huntington division employees, have recently been promoted to line foreman, exempt.

Mr. Berry began his career with Appalachian as a laborer in 1947. He later worked as groundman, lineman and foreman. He is a native of Huntington and is active in the Methodist Church. A resident of Scottown, Ohio, he is a member of the volunteer fire department and is a Mason. He enjoys the outdoors and spends much time on his farm.

Mr. Harris was first employed with the company in 1955 as a lineman. He was promoted to foreman in 1964. He is a native of Cabell County, West Virginia and now resides in Barboursville. A member of the Olive Baptist Church, he is a deacon and teaches an adult faith class. Mr. Harris enjoys fishing and hunting as hobbies.

Virginia Retiree Taken By Death

A. B. Litteral, retired regional chief dispatcher in the Appalachian general office operations department, died at his home at Ivanhoe, Virginia.

Mr. Litteral was first employed with the company in 1920 as a hydro operator at the Byllesby plant. In 1927 he was transferred to the general office operations department at the Switchback regional dispatch office. In 1946 Mr. Litteral was promoted to regional chief dispatcher, and he retired on February 1, 1960.

He is a native of Ivanhoe and is survived by his widow, Gladys, one daughter and three sons.



Mr. Litteral

Four Appalachian Employees Author Items In AEP's 'Operating Ideas'

In the March issue of AEP's "Operating Ideas", there were three stories contributed by four Appalachian employees.

D. F. Woolcook, chief chemist at the Philip Sporn plant, authored a story concerning porous pipe filters. The "poroswall" piping allows the saturated brine stored in concrete basins to filter through its walls, while holding back undissolved salt crystals that formerly could get into the brine draw-off and eventually prevent complete regeneration of water softeners.

Two Bluefield division men, James Cook, building supervisor, and E. W. Meador, electronic engineer, contributed an article discussing the installation of an auxiliary control circuit at local office drive-up cashier's windows. When a customer's car stops at the window, the voice amplifier turns on automatically and a chime sounds the alert to the cashier.

C. W. Frishette, Mitchell plant civil construction department, wrote about a dual-purpose truck which combats dust or fire. The truck, a converted gasoline tanker, was remodeled to control dusty



Mr. Woolcook

Mr. Cook



Mr. Meador

Mr. Frishette

road conditions and provide the necessary fire protection.

DAV Cites Appalachian



The Lynchburg chapter of Disabled American Veterans recently presented awards on behalf of the national organization. Linford W. Turner (left), senior vice commander of the Lynchburg chapter, presented the National Commander's Award to the Lynchburg News and the Lynchburg division of Appalachian Power. Accepting the awards are Loyd T. Smith (center), administrative assistant, and Del P. Smith of the News. Photo courtesy of Lynchburg News.



Hamblin-Martin

Shirley Ann Hamblin and Hansel Keith Martin were united in marriage at the Belspring Methodist Church, Belspring, Virginia, on April 12. Mrs. Martin is an employee in the general office accounting department, Roanoke.



Castle-Lee

Glenna M. Castle and Larry E. Lee exchanged nuptial vows in a double ring ceremony at the Free-will Baptist Church on March 15. Mrs. Lee is a clerk-stenographer, Big Sandy plant unit 2 construction.



Stephens-Cowan

Linda Stephens was married to Gary Cowan on March 3 in the Bethel Baptist Church, Hurricane, West Virginia. Mr. Cowan is a lineman, Huntington.



Mr. McCarthy

Lynchburg Division's J. W. McCarthy Retires After Career Of 43 Years

Joseph W. McCarthy, accounts supervisor in the Lynchburg accounting department, retired on May 1 after more than 43 years with Appalachian Power.

Mr. McCarthy was employed in 1925 and worked at the Reusens hydro station for nine years. In 1933 he was transferred to the Lynchburg accounting department where he became customer complaint adjuster. He later was promoted to credit supervisor and assistant local office manager before becoming customer account supervisor in 1965.

Mr. McCarthy is the second generation of the McCarthy family to be employed by an electric company. His late father C. H. McCarthy operated the now abandoned Lynchburg Electric Company's hydro plant. In addition, he has two brothers—Clarence D. McCarthy and Charles H. McCarthy—who also worked at Reusens.

Mr. McCarthy is a native of

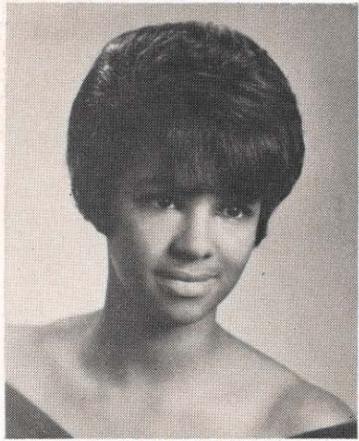
Lynchburg and received his high school education there. After finishing high school he completed a correspondence course in accounting through the LaSalle University extension.

He is married to the former Alma Walker and has two children and seven grandchildren. Members of the Court Street Methodist Church, he and his wife plan to continue living in Lynchburg. Mr. McCarthy plans to seek part time employment in addition to hunting, fishing and growing a garden.



Neel-Cutlip

A double ring ceremony performed February 17 in the Calvary Baptist Church united Sharon Lee Meel and Harold K. Cutlip. Mr. Cutlip is a draftsman, Bluefield.



Ferrell-Bradburn

Rita Ferrell and Jerome Bradburn, III, were married on March 15. Mr. Bradburn is an office messenger, Huntington.



Sykes-Game

Martha Lemons Sykes became the bride of Jack D. Game on March 15 in the First Methodist Church. Mrs. Game is the daughter of A. E. Lemons, dealer sales representative, Pulaski.



Atwell-Ratcliffe

Susan Rebecka Atwell and John Robert Ratcliffe were united in marriage in a double ring ceremony at the College Avenue Baptist Church on January 27. Mr. Ratcliffe is a meterman, Bluefield.



Slone-Brown

A double ring ceremony performed March 16 in the Grundy Baptist Church united Jonnie Sharon Slone and Charles J. Brown, III. Mr. Brown is the son of Charles J. Brown, Jr., Grundy area serviceman, Bluefield division.



Kirk-Napier

Sandra Kirk became the bride of James Orville Napier on March 9. Mr. Napier is the son of Orville Napier, meter serviceman, Rocky Mount, Roanoke division.

They're Engaged

FRANCES MARIE BOWER to Billy Taylor Lynch. Miss Bower is an employee in the general office accounting department, Roanoke.

JANE DUDASH to William Gordon Smith. Miss Dudash is the daughter of Steve Dudash, station foreman at Switchback, Bluefield Division.

FRANCES L. LESTER to Charles C. Marcum. Miss Lester is a stenographer in the commercial dept., Bluefield.

OLA SUSAN GRAHAM to Jerry David Adcock. Mr. Adcock is a lineman, Roanoke.

BRENDA MARIE PRESLEY to Gary Willard Manning Davis. Miss Presley is the daughter of Elbert H. Presley, lineman, Kingsport.

JENNIFER COLE WARRICK to Chris MacLee Bower. Miss Warrick is the daughter of Gordon Warrick, auto repairman, Kingsport.

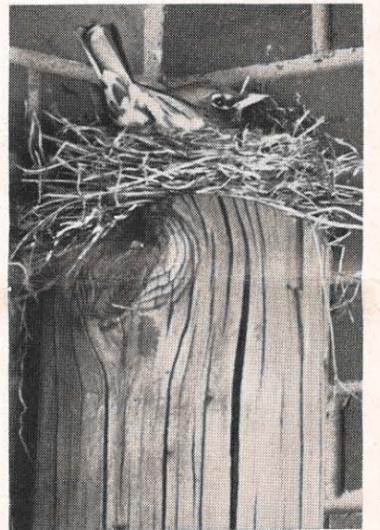
MARY ELIZABETH GARRETT to Thompson Charles Pfaff. Miss Garrett is an employee in the general office accounting dept., Roanoke.

LEAH SUE FARRIS to Ronald Wingo. Miss Farris is a daughter of Hazel Farris, pre-audit clerk, Williamson accounting department.

PATRICIA WILSON HALEY to David Grayson Foster. Miss Haley is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Haley. Her father is a meterman-A at Lynchburg.

BETTINA ANN BIAS to Allen Blood. She is the daughter of Leo C. Bias, customer accounts supervisor at Huntington.

Those Mothers



One recent Friday afternoon members of a Huntington line crew sawed off a portion of a used pole and leaned it against the wall at the Huntington loading dock. When the storeroom clerk came to dispose of the pole the next Monday morning, he found a robin had built a nest on top of it. So it was decided to leave the pole in place. The members of the line crew agree that the pole is somewhat in the way, but also agree that changes can be made in the daily routine of loading the line truck in order for "mother Robin" to raise her family.

Roanoke Man, J. C. Irby, Dies

J. C. Irby, garage foreman in the Roanoke division, died suddenly April 19 at Bedford, Virginia.

Mr. Irby started with Appalachian in Lynchburg as a mechanic in 1934. He transferred to Roanoke in 1946 and was promoted to garage foreman in 1956. He was a graduate of George Washington in Danville and also studied at the Sweeney Auto School.

Mr. Irby is survived by his widow, Evelyn, two sons, and three daughters.



Mr. Irby

Otway O'Brien, Lynchburg, Dies

Otway C. O'Brien, retired Lynchburg right-of-way agent, died at his home on April 4.

Mr. O'Brien was first employed in 1924 as a meter tester in the meter department. In 1929 he was transferred to rural extension agent in the right-of-way department, and was promoted to right-of-way agent in 1945. He retired on February 1, 1967.

He belonged to the Masons and the Elks. He was a member of the Centenary Methodist Church and attended the men's Bible Class there.

His wife, the former Maxine Crute, died last year. Mr. O'Brien is survived by a son and two grandchildren.



Mr. O'Brien

New Arrivals

Abingdon Division

MR. AND MRS. LEWIS R. MOORE, a daughter, Julie Ann, March 10. Mr. Moore is a lineman helper, Gate City.

Bluefield Division

MR. AND MRS. MARVIN SMITH, a daughter, Kimberly Darlene, March 21. Mr. Smith is a lineman helper, Princeton.

MR. AND MRS. E. LYNN FRANKENFIELD, a daughter, Melissa Ruth, March 14. Mrs. Frankenfield is the daughter of O. R. Nunnery, meterman.

Roanoke Division

MR. AND MRS. RONALD L. SWITZER, a daughter, Kimberly Lyn, April 9. Mr. Switzer is a rodman.

General Office

MR. AND MRS. PAUL F. ROUSH, a daughter, Lori Ann, February 20. Mr. Roush is a regional dispatcher at the Sporn Station.

MR. AND MRS. RON WESTFALL, a son, Michael Dean, December 16. Mr. Westfall is an engineer, T&D dept., Roanoke.

MR. AND MRS. BUREN CARTER, a son, Thomas Darren, March 4. Mr. Carter is an employee in the accounting dept., Roanoke.

MR. AND MRS. BRUCE A. BEAM, twins Sara Beth and Bruce Austin, Jr., April 20. Mr. Beam is the tax counsel, executive office, Roanoke.

Cabin Creek Plant

MR. AND MRS. ROY B. WEHRLE, a

daughter, Melissa Dawn, March 21. Mr. Wehrle is a plant janitor.

Clinch River Plant

MR. AND MRS. CHARLES H. PRUITT, a son, Mark Allen, March 12. Mr. Pruitt is a utility operator.

Big Sandy Plant

MR. AND MRS. BRUCE Q. BUSSEY, a son, Brian Quentin, March 22. Mr. Bussey is a material clerk.

Ashland Division

MR. AND MRS. R. M. STEPHENSON, a daughter, Elizabeth Hunt, April 3. Mrs. Stephenson is the daughter of W. S. LaFon, executive vice president.

Mitchell-Gillenwater

March 16 was the wedding day of Willie Mae Mitchell and John Albert Gillenwater, who were married in a double ring ceremony. Mr. Gillenwater is the son of Mr. and Mrs. S. W. Gillenwater, employees in the Abingdon division.

Viers-Smith

Mildred Ann Viers became the bride of James Wallace Smith on March 22 in the First Christian Church, Draper, Virginia. Mr. Smith is an employee in the general office accounting department, Roanoke.

Abingdon

Leah Fleenor, daughter of J. E. Fleenor, was the sixth grade winner in D. A. R. American History essay contest sponsored by Black's Fort Chapter. The essay was to be written about an American inventor and his invention. Leah chose Samuel Morse. The award was presented at a tea given at the Martha Washington Inn. Leah is 12 years old, plays flute in band and is a member of the Library Club.



Leah

H. C. Breeding was appointed a member of the Mt. Rogers Regional Planning Commission by the Washington County Board of Supervisors.

Worley Grizzel, Gate City, was awarded "The Outstanding Citizen Award" by the Dan'l Boone Ruritan Club. Mr. Grizzel is a member of the Yuma Ruritan Club and is District Governor of Southwest Virginia for 1968.

Mrs. J. L. Cook, wife of meter reader, was recently installed marshal of the Saltville Chapter of the Order of the Eastern Star.

C. M. Wagner has been named treasurer of the United Fund for 1968 in Washington County.

Gale Turner, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Eldridge Turner of Gate City, attended the Christian Student Movement Convention in Atlanta, Georgia, recently. She is a sophomore at Morristown College.



Gale

Peggy McGlothlin, wife of W. B. McGlothlin, Jr., Marion, graduated as a practical nurse from the Smyth County Community Hospital—Smyth County School of Practical Nurses.

L. C. Peck, P. V. Kelsey and J. E. Prater participated in the recent Rotary Club minstrel. Mr. Peck and Mr. Kelsey were members of the cast. Mr. Prater was the make-up artist for the entire cast.

Pulaski



Musser (left) receives diploma.

Claud K. Kirkland, Pulaski division manager, is shown presenting J. G. Musser with his diploma from the International Correspondence School for completing his practical lineman course. Mr. Musser is a member of the Hillsville line crew.

Lucille Vaught has been re-elected parliamentarian of the Wytheville Garden Club for the year 1968-69. She has won five blue ribbons for her flower arrangements in the artistic division during the past year. One of the arrangements was made around a Madonna on a decorated styrofoam meter base.

K. L. Buckland has been elected president of the Fairlawn Lions Club.

D. K. Spivey was recently elected to represent the electricity class at New River Vocational and Technical School. He will be on a committee to draw up a constitution for student government.

Sympathy is extended to Vernon Hinton on the death of his mother. Mrs. James M. Brown, widow of a retired employee, died recently.

Happenings Around The Circuit

Logan-Williamson

William H. Honaker, retiree, served as a judge for the Logan Junior High School Science Fair.

Arch Peyton, retiree, was honored recently on the occasion of his 77th birthday with a party given by his daughter, Mrs. Denver Combs, of Man.

Sympathy is extended to Kermit Epperly on the death of his brother.

Hazel Kinser, Dallas Kinser, was recently selected as a member of the planning committee for the Logan County PTA's annual spring banquet. Mrs. Kinser will be in charge of the PTA of the Year and school count awards.

Ruby Henritze, wife of retiree T. L. Henritze, was installed as president of the Southwestern District, West Virginia Federation of Women's Clubs, at the annual state convention held recently at the Greenbrier Hotel, White Sulphur Springs, West Virginia.

Recently attending the Lineman Helper Training School conducted in Charleston was Napoleon Burris. Mr. Burris is a Lineman Helper in Logan.

Nancy Collins, daughter of Howard J. Collins, was a member of the All-State Chorus for West Virginia which presented a concert at Huntington on March 30. The chorus consisted of students from various parts of the state and was directed by Doctor Moses of Indiana University. This is the second year Nancy has been selected to sing with this group. Nancy was also chosen to attend a senior high school weekend at the Union Theological Seminary in Richmond, Virginia on April 6 and 7.

Patricia, daughter of N. P. Cantley, was a first-place winner in her division of the Logan Junior High School Science Fair. Patricia's exhibit dealt with the various stages of oxidation and its effects on metal. Larry, son of Ernest L. Bevins, Customer Accounts Supervisor, received an honorable mention for his exhibit dealing with the effect of color on light.

Logan employees appearing in an Easter cantata entitled "I am He That Liveth" were: Emma Jane Reynolds, Mary Randan, W. E. Bivens, Howard Collins and Mary Elizabeth Davis. Miss Davis served as choir director and organist for the cantata, which was presented at the Peach Creek Methodist Church. Mary Randan served as Narrator and W. E. Bivens was one of the soloists.

Jack Blevins, son of Richard Blevins, was one of the three Logan County students chosen to attend the third annual West Virginia Junior Science and Humanities Symposium held during April in Morgantown. Jack is a junior at Logan High School.

Robin, daughter of Dallas Kinser, was elected president of the Keyettes at Logan High School and also to the office of Corresponding Secretary of the Logan County Girl Scout Planning Board for the coming year.

Mrs. Beatrice King, wife of E. E. King, was recently elected treasurer of the Woman's Society of Christian Service of the First Methodist Church of Williamson. Mrs. King steps down from the presidency, and office which she has held for the past several years.

Philip Sporn

New employees in the utility department are Ralph R. Ross and Roger T. Manuel.

Paul R. Higginbotham is a new employee in the results department.

More Personals on Page 8

Fred E. Varney, Williamson, was elected president of the Williamson Lions Club for 1968-69. An active member of the club for three years, Mr. Varney has served as first vice president and on several committees. He presently is chairman of the new Park Committee which is spearheading the building of small playground parks throughout the city. He will assume his new office July 1.



Mr. Varney

Cynthia Anne Warren, daughter of Wayne E. Warren, was inducted into Epsilon chapter of Kappa Omicron Phi, the National Home Economics Honor Society. Membership in this society is determined by personality and scholarship in both general studies and the field of home economics. She is a sophomore at Marshall University.

David A. Vankovich is a new employee in the accounting department at Logan.

Mary Alice Ward, daughter of Claude Ward, Williamson, was a member of the cheerleading squad winning the "best cheerleading" trophy at the conclusion of the Williamson Midget Basketball League's season recently. Mary helped lead cheers for the South Williamson entry in the league.



Mary Alice



Barbara

Barbara Phillips, daughter of Millard Phillips, Williamson, was recently named "Betty Crocker Homemaker" for 1968 at Belfry High School. A senior, the award qualifies Barbara for state competition toward a scholarship.

Diane Hanley, daughter of Thomas J. Hanley, received the God and Community award during ceremonies at the First Christian Church of Logan. She is a member of Girl Scout Troop 83. She is in the ninth grade at Logan Central junior high school and a member of the Science Club, Prayer Club and the Golden Circle.

Linda Gilpin traveled to Honolulu, Hawaii, to visit with her husband, John, on rest and relaxation leave from service in Vietnam.

Gene Stepp has been appointed a member of the City of Logan Planning Commission. The commission is presently engaged in the formulation of zoning codes and regulations for the city.

General Office

George R. Lowe, Ronald K. Callahan and Roger B. Smith are new employees in the accounting department.

Robert D. Atkinson is a new employee in the payroll and personnel accounting division of the accounting department. He is a March graduate of National Business College.

Pikeville

Sympathy is extended to H. H. Kincaid, retired division manager, on the death of his mother-in-law.

L. M. Newsom, records supervisor, engineering, was elected third vice president of the Shelby Lions Club.

Paul Price, area supervisor, Paintsville, was elected a director of Paintsville Chamber of Commerce.

Jane Craig Fields, daughter of Craig H. Fields, was elected treasurer of Delta Delta Delta social sorority at Transylvania College.

Greg Scott, son of Ernest Scott, serviceman, took first place honors in a piano contest sponsored by the Pikeville Woman's Club. Greg will represent Pikeville in the state contest.

G. D. Ison, engineering aide, engineering, acted as judge in the Science Fair held in Pike County schools.

Janice Lynn Sword, daughter of Marvin Sword, engineering record clerk; Mareta Horne, daughter of L. J. Horne, distribution engineer; Teresa Bartley, daughter of Jerry Bartley, appliance serviceman A, all had projects selected to represent the Pike County Science Fair in the Regional Fair at Morehead State University.

Alice Burdsal, daughter of James Burdsal, division superintendent, was honorable mention in Morehead Regional Fair and was second in the junior division of the Pike County Science Fair. She was first in Pikeville school science fair in junior division with exhibit of holograph with the laser beam.

Thomas Earl Bellamy, son of Earl Bellamy, lineman A, won first place in the Pike County Science Fair in the senior division in chemistry. Tommy is a senior at Johns Creek High School. Tommy placed second in the senior division of Morehead regional fair in chemistry.

Christy Ann Bartley, daughter of Jerry Bartley, appliance serviceman A, commercial, won the top award in the junior high division of the Regional Science Fair held at Morehead College. Christy is a seventh grade student at Robinson Creek School. Christy's science project, "A Study of the Functions of Stems in Plants," was not only judged as the best junior high biological science project but was judged to be the most outstanding junior high science project in all fields of this division. She received a gold medal for first honor and a twenty-volume set of World Encyclopedia for the second and highest honor. Christy received the second place award at the Pike County Fair before going to Morehead, Kentucky.

Clinch River

Ginny Kiser, daughter of coal equipment operator Paul Kiser, and Anne Senter, daughter of assistant plant manager R. E. Senter, won first place honors in the Girls Physical Science Division during the Russell County Science Fair held on March 8. Their entry, "Voltage of Battery Cells," was a case study of varying voltages produced by different types of metals and electrolytes. The young ladies entered their exhibit in the Southwestern Virginia Regional Science Fair at Clinch Valley College and again were tops in their division. Their project will be on display in the Western Science Fair to be held at Roanoke College.

Other children of Clinch River Plant employees who had winning entries in the Russell County Science Fair were Debbie Abolin, daughter of plant manager T. W. Abolin, who was a fourth place winner in the Girls Physical Science Division, and Victor Arrington, stepson of Virgil Adams, operations supervisor, who was a fourth place winner in the Boys Physical Science Division.

Not to be outdone by her younger sister, Linda Abolin was an All-State Band selection. The All-State Band performed in a concert held at Pulaski, Virginia, on March 3. Miss Abolin plays the flute and is a member of the Lebanon High School Band.

Lynchburg

New employees in the accounting department are John K. May and Connie S. Fore.

M. E. Dickerson and G. W. Cunningham are new employees in the T&D department.

Steve Vaughan, son of John Vaughan, played in the fifth performance of the student piano ensemble presented by the Piano Teacher's Association recently at E. C. Glass high school. There were 12 pianos on stage and each was played simultaneously. Over 300 students took part in the performance which featured both classic and modern numbers.

Four employees are on Lynchburg Chamber of Commerce committees. They are John W. Vaughan and Loyd T. Smith on the industrial and commercial committee; Earl R. Driskill on the membership committee; and George D. Capito on the highway and traffic committee.

James H. Haley, Jr. has recently conducted a 10-hour study session at the Trinity Methodist Church under the auspices of the Ecumenical Council—World Conference of Churches.

J. B. Rice has been appointed district deputy grand master for the 25th Masonic district. Mr. Rice will serve as the personal representative of the Grand Master in all the local lodges in the district for 1968. Mr. Rice's appointment was made by the Grand Master at the recent annual communication of the Grand Lodge.

At the retirement party given for Joseph W. McCarthy, the following retirees were present: Clara J. Burnett, Rose S. Harvey, Bessie L. Johnson, Sallie L. Moore and Sally K. Pollok.



Mr. Rice

Glen Lyn



Mr. Buckland

Mr. Raley

Donald A. Buckland and Gerald L. Raley were elected to offices in the Peterstown Rotary Club for the coming year. Mr. Buckland was elected president and Mr. Raley was elected sergeant at arms. Mr. Buckland is active in church and community affairs and is a member of the Peterstown Baptist Church. He has been active in sports in this area and has served as President of the Athletic Boosters Club at Peterstown high school for several years. He resides with his wife, two sons and one daughter at Cashmere, West Virginia. Mr. Raley came to the Glen Lyn in 1962, after previously working at the Breed plant at Sullivan, Indiana. Mr. Raley has participated in community improvement activities and has been very instrumental in assisting with the activities of the Science Club at Peterstown high school. He lives at Peterstown, West Virginia, with his wife, one daughter and a son. The Raleys attend the Baptist Church at Peterstown.

Performing in the Rich Creek Lions Club's 21st Annual Minstrel were E. S. Freeman and O. S. Knight. D. T. Hayner, R. R. Coffman and Betty F. Freeman assisted with arrangements. Performing in the Narrows Lions Club's 19th Annual Minstrel was G. A. Thwaites.

Betty F. Freeman has been elected Recording Secretary of the Rich Creek Junior Womens Club.

Lawrence T. Walkup, Jr. is a new employee in the maintenance department.

W. M. Robinson, has been elected chairman of the Giles County Educational Advisory Committee.

Wigs For Lunch,

Anyone?

Our companies have always been forerunners in the electric utility industry. And, our employees are generally considered progressive, future-minded people in their communities.

The female variety is no different, especially when it comes to fashions.

Now wigs are in—and have been for some time—and the girls at Huntington are in an enviable position. They work just down, or maybe it's up, the street from a wig shop—The Parisienne Wig Shop.

Quite often lunch hours are spent looking at wigs, wiglets and hair falls. As everyone knows, a wig is the full head of hair, the wiglet is just the "cap" which fits on top and the fall is the long hair that hangs down—or something like that.

Photographer Bill Joseph, Huntington's reproduction department, trailed along with the girls one day and took the pictures on this page. The girls "are all" Beckey Hensley, clerk-stenographer in the commercial department.



That's a nice look



Do Blondes really . . . ?



I'll need a new stole



Marvel Hayslett, hair stylist, prepares to show the many different looks possible by varying the hair style.



Long hair? Well . . .

AEP Setting Example For Land Reclamation After Surface Mining

On the morning of last March 25 in Morgan County, Ohio, seven or eight men began a halting march across a slope that looked like a corner of the moon, starting to plant something over a million trees.

These seven or eight wouldn't do the entire 1,200,000. Other crews in other places would be working, too. They would be impersonating a lurching corps de ballet: In line across. Two steps forward. Stop. Thrust a hole-digger into the soft ground. Follow with a tree seedling. Stamp the hole shut. Rise. Take two steps forward . . . and so on until, hopefully by the end of April, all the trees are planted, 1,000 to the acre. The trees come from state nurseries, and at about a penny apiece, are one of today's bargains.

What they are doing is the first step in what Walter Smith, Ohio Power Company's reclamation supervisor, describes as "leaving the land at least as good as it was when we found it—or better." For 24 years, long before public opinion became concentrated against despoilers of the land, Ohio Power has systematically repaired the countryside worked over in its surface coal-mining operations.

This reforestation is but one part of a program of land reclamation and use. Ohio Power's efforts in this direction won from "Outdoor Life Magazine" this appraisal in an otherwise gloomy review of the consequences of surface mining:

"Ohio has one of the country's outstanding examples of devastated land that has been reclaimed for public use. This is the 100,000-acre Ohio Power Recreation Area . . ."

In another place, the magazine article reported that "all in all, it is clear that the power company is making a substantial contribution to outdoor recreation in that area, and is buying a liberal slice of public goodwill as well."

Those million trees a year—24-million since the program was begun—are great, but when outdoor types talk about "substantial contributions," they mean the camp sites, hunting areas, and fishing areas developed, built, and maintained by Ohio Power in cooperation with the State Department of Natural Resources.

For this camping season—which started in late March for some dedicated campers—Ohio Power will have ready a dozen camp areas capable of supporting more than 300 tents or trailers, and containing ample picnic facilities for those looking for a day in the sun, and a loaf of bread under the boughs.

Then there are the lakes, totalling some 2,000 acres. Some, to be sure, are no bigger than a half-acre, but most of them are well-stocked.

The state's Natural Resources people have put in bass, pickerel, catfish, and bluegills in attractive numbers.

Word of this recreational complex has spread, thanks to publicity given through such publications as "Outdoor Life Magazine." Persons who had never heard of say, Renrock, Ohio, now learned that it was close to a wonderful place where a man could lean against the trunk of a silver maple, and with only minimal effort draw from a lake a strapping bass.

And—it used to be a coal mine.

The fundamental goal of the Ohio Power program, as Smith said, is to leave the land "at least as good" as it was. In most of the 100,000 acres that have been—or will be—affected by the Company's surface mining, that land was not much better than marginal in the first place. Timber is a good business, but farming and grazing are generally poor.

The wealth here is not on the land, but under it: great, thick seams of coal beneath parts of four counties. Ohio Power has title to much of this land. When new areas are opened up for mining, the first step is to get rid of the timber. It's hauled out for pulpwood or sawmills. Big electric shovels and draglines remove what is called the overburden—the rock, gravel, and soil cover—to get out the coal for delivery to our Muskingum River and Philo Plants. When that's done, you have a parcel of land the appearance of which has been likened to the "far side of west hell."

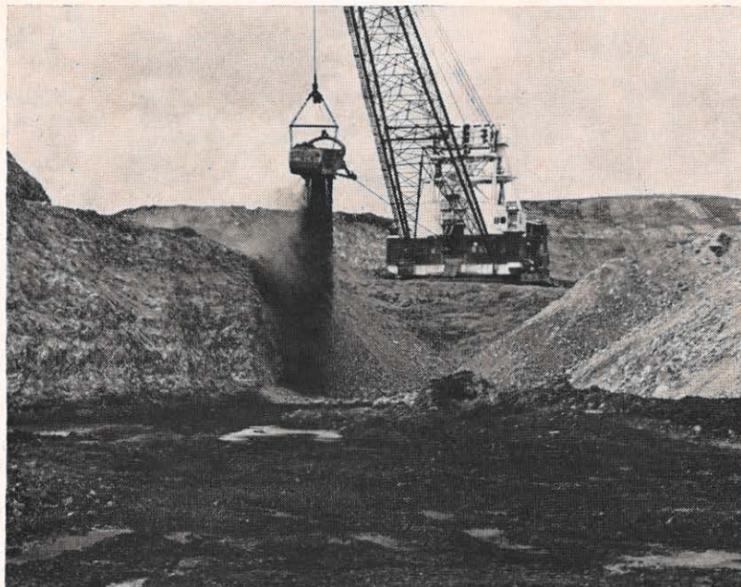
That's when reclamation begins.

After the coal is removed, the overburden is replaced and graded. Streams and underground springs begin to create lakes behind dams built of overburden. All of this work is done under the terms of the state's tough surface mining laws, and regularly inspected by state officers. But it's a point of pride to say that Ohio Power started its program before there were any laws worth the name regarding reclamation work.

Chuck Keffer, Ohio Power's supervisor of natural resources, says that the Company's program, lumped under the general heading of "reclamation" actually has two parts: reforestation and recreation.

The first goes back to 1943, the second only to 1961 or so. The cynic asks "What's in it for Ohio Power?" And the answer is a disarming "Nothing." At least, nothing that ever shows on a balance sheet.

It's still Ohio Power's land, whether the coal is still under it or not. Those who use the camping, fishing, hiking, and picnic facilities pay nothing for the privilege. All they need are the state fishing



Overburden removal uncovers the coal, causes the problem.



Tree planters will put in 1,200,000 seedlings this year.

and hunting licenses, which would be required in any case, and a permit—also required by state law—to pursue those activities on private land. This permit is available at no cost from Ohio Power.

On those graded slopes come little trees to grow into big ones. Into the little lakes—the biggest is only 50 acres—come little fish to grow up and be caught. Into the area come thousands of visitors—31,583 in 1967 alone.

The recreational benefits are immediate and obvious. The reforestation efforts less so. The principle here is to replace one resource—coal—with another: timber. But good and productive stands of timber take time, and the growth of a substantial timbering business in southeastern Ohio is still some years away. But even now it holds great promise.

As to time, nobody seems particularly in a hurry. Look how long it took to make that coal.



Previous tree plantings.



Picture made last summer shows camp site in full use.

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Roanoke

New employees are: Haywood J. Graves, W. G. Worley, J. H. Crider and Gary W. Arnold.

Jerry S. Hunt, son of Dock R. Hunt, has received his honorable discharge from the U. S. Army after serving two years. He served for one year in Vietnam with the 200th Assault Support Helicopter Company.

Miss Cathy Woolridge, daughter of Earl and Jewel Woolridge, recently was a contestant in the Miss Roanoke Valley Contest. She won a \$100 prize as a nonfinalist award for her talent. She sang a folk version of "Today."



Jerry Cathy

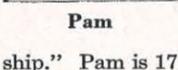
Sympathy is extended to Peggy I. Edwards on the death of her grandfather.

Several employees' children have done well in the scholastic competitions of the annual science fairs held in most of the high schools. They are: Dana Hutcherson, daughter of J. K. Hutcherson, won first place at William Fleming for her demonstration of the effect of vitamin B1 on flowers; Greg Peters, son of I. B. Peters, won third place at William Fleming for his experiment on the coloration of frogs; Vincent Howard, son of Roy Howard, won second place at William Byrd for his project dealing with reptiles; and Mark Fulp, son of C. Larry Fulp, took third place at Andrew Lewis for his study on computing the mass of an electron.

Sympathy is extended to L. H. Price on the death of his father.

Sympathy is extended to G. O. Givens on the death of his father.

Pam Goggin, daughter of Jimmy Goggin, was awarded the TOPS award recently at William Fleming high school by the student cooperative association for "dependability, trustworthiness, good sportsmanship, school spirit, and excellence in scholarship." Pam is 17 and a senior.



Pam

Charleston

New employees in the T&D department are: William Samuel Chester, Richard Lee Drake, Jeffery Lee Mooney and Joseph Andrew Motus, Jr.

James Vincent Goodall is a new employee in the accounting department.

New persons in the Red Cross Galonteer Club are Dennis Blake, Paul Curry, Glenn Paul and S. E. Reed.

Beckley

Miss Diane Keatley, daughter of K. K. Keatley, was selected the best individual cheerleader at the state basketball tournament held at Charleston. Diane is co-head cheerleader at Woodrow Wilson high school in Beckley.

Miss Carolyn Miller, daughter of E. R. Miller, won the good grooming contest at Brooks Adair elementary school, and Kevin Greene, son of Homer W. Greene, won the good grooming contest on the county level in the senior division.

John Thompson was recently honored along with other past presidents of the Beckley Shrine Club at a past president party at the Beckley Elks Club.

John R. McGinnis, recently won a bridge tournament held in Charleston in the mixed double division.

W. C. Reynolds recently had an article published in the March 1968 issue of *Electric Light and Power* magazine. The article "Precoding Insures Instrument Transformer Wiring" first appeared in AEP's "Operating Ideas".

Sympathy is extended to Lawrence H. and James M. Hopson on the recent death of their mother.

Sympathy is extended to Harry W. Dodd on the death of his father.

Margaret (Peg) Martin, daughter of A. R. Martin, was recently named to the dean's list at William & Mary.

J. M. Burnett has just been elected to the board of trustees of Greenvale Nursery.

Jerry Beatty, son of A. M. Beatty, has been elected editor of the yearbook at Bridgewater College for 1968-69. Jerry is a junior majoring in English.

Patty Booker, daughter of W. P. Booker, former Roanoke district manager, will appear in the annual modern dance concert at Converse College at Spartansburg, South Carolina.

Bob Ramsey, son of Flora D. Ramsey, is a member of the second place team in the recent Franklin County 4-H talent contest. His group presented the "Skeltons".



Charlotte O. Jarrett was recently installed as worthy matron of Hillcrest Chapter 159 of the Order of the Eastern Star. It takes four years to advance through the line of officers from associate conductress to worthy matron. Pictured with her is Larry Corlette who was installed as worthy patron.

Fieldale

James B. White was recently elected to the board of governors and vice president of Chatmoss Country Club.

J. W. Wright, recently received a three-gallon pin as a blood donor for the American Red Cross.

Sympathy is extended to Donna France on the death of her grandmother; and to Dorothy Via on the death of her grandmother.

W. G. Gourley has been elected to the board of directors of the Martinsville-Henry County Chamber of Commerce for 1968-69.

Hazard

Sympathy is extended to Hershel Adams, lineman A, on the death of his brother, Carnel Adams; and to Earl Smith, truck driver-groundman, on the death of his sister-in-law, Mrs. Lloyd Smith.

Rev. and Mrs. Rubin Riddle of Viper, Kentucky, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on April 4. They are the parents of Burchel Riddle, auto repairman A, and the mother- and father-in-law of Hershel Adams, lineman A.

Lynette Combs, daughter of Adrian Combs, senior distribution engineer, has been named state winner of the Kentucky Chamber of Commerce Student-Teacher Achievement Recognition Award. The 16-year-old Hazard high school senior, the only girl among the regional winners, scored highest among the group in both standard achievement tests and National Merit Scholarship tests. She was presented a \$500 cash scholarship and a trophy at a luncheon in Louisville, Kentucky.

Charles Yonts, son of Wesley Yonts, lineman A, submitted a question for the "Ask Andy" column in the Louisville *Courier-Journal*. His question was chosen for publication; and as a result, Charles received a set of World Book encyclopedias. Charles is a fifth grader at the Roy G. Eversole School in Hazard.

Happenings

Bluefield

William B. Belchee was elected a director of the Bluefield Rotary Club.

Mrs. C. R. Ryan, wife of C. R. Ryan, was elected Treasurer of the Bluefield Trillium Garden Club.

Grady L. Parker, Princeton area, was elected first vice president of the Mercer County Heart Association.

Kelly Crowder, daughter of R. E. Crowder, Princeton area, won a Spelling Bee for the Mercer School by spelling down the fourth, fifth and sixth grades. Kelly is 10 years old and a fourth grade student. She is also a member of the Baptist Church choir and is active in Girl Scouting.

Nancy Dudash, daughter of Steve Dudash, Switchback, was voted the Biggest Flirt, Most Musical, Noisiest and Best Brownie" by the Bramwell high school senior class members when they voted on the senior superlatives for the year.

H. T. Goforth, Jr., has been named leading knight in the Bluefield Elks Lodge activities.

SP/4 William M. Gordon, Jr., son of William M. Gordon, Princeton, was wounded for the second time in Vietnam. He will be discharged in June and plans to join the West Virginia State Police Department.

During the 1968-69 term of the Florence Ann Chapter No. 133, Order of Eastern Star, Bill Mitchell, of Grundy, will serve as associate Patron and his wife, Marilyn, will serve as conductress. Forrest Brown, Grundy, will serve as Marshal and his wife, Mary, will serve as Adah.

Carolyn Rhudy, daughter of J. B. Rhudy, Welch, is a member of the chorus at Virginia Intermont College, Bristol, Virginia, which is on its spring concert tour. Concerts are being presented in colleges and churches in Virginia, Maryland, Tennessee and Washington, D. C.

Judith M. Fragile, a former employee in the accounting and PBX offices at Welch, has returned to work as clerk-trainee.

Janie Kahle, daughter of John B. Kahle, was crowned Miss Graham High School of 1968. This is one of the highest honors a senior girl may hold at Graham. The Tenth Annual Miss GHS Dance was held in her honor Friday, March 22.

Don Martin, son of Jack D. Martin, Pineville Serviceman, and a seventh grade student at Pineville grade school, was a member of the basketball team that boasted a perfect season with a record of 17 wins.

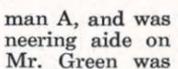
Johnny B. Hawks, son of Jack E. Hawks, Tazewell, and a winner of one of the AEP Company Educational Scholarship Awards, was also a recent winner of a du Pont scholarship.

Andy Hicks, son of Emmett Hicks, was first place winner in the Princeton Junior High School Science Fair. He is an eighth grader.

Dianne Fanning, wife of E. E. Fanning, was elected vice president of the Double Gates P. T. A.

Jack C. Green has been elected president of the Welch Lions Club for the coming year. He will assume office on July 1.

First employed by the company on October 1, 1948, he has worked as a laborer, meter helper, meterman C, meterman B, meterman A, and was promoted to engineering aide on March 12, 1966. Mr. Green was born in Norton, Virginia on June 6, 1928. He graduated from Welch high school. He served in the U. S. Navy from July 26, 1946 to July 6, 1948. He has always been very active in sports and at the present time is serving as one of the sports officials in the area. Mr. Green is married and the father of three sons and two daughters.



Mr. Green

Ashland

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Burchett celebrated their 42nd wedding anniversary on March 20, 1968. Mr. Burchett is an employee in the general meter department.

Mrs. C. C. Darrah, wife of C. C. Darrah, has been named Camp Kysoc Chairman in Boyd County. Camp Kysoc, at Carrollton, is owned and operated by the Kentucky Society for Crippled Children and is the only resident camp facility in the state designed to serve children with practically all types of physical handicaps. As Camp Kysoc Chairman, Mrs. Darrah will work with local health agencies, physicians, therapists, and teachers in helping to enlist more handicapped children for attendance at the camp this year. She will also assist in obtaining camperships for families who cannot afford the camp fee.

Jetta Goble, a clerk trainee in the Ashland division commercial department, has been chosen Miss Young Republican for 1968 for the City of Ashland.

On March 15, 1968, the Ashland Killo-Etts donated \$50 to the Boyd County Boys Farm. This money was obtained through club projects held in the last year.

The Ashland Jaycees have appointed Rodney Lyons, division commercial, as Exhibits Chairman for the 1968 Appalachian Science and Technology Conference to be held in Ashland on April 25 and April 26.

Michael E. Parks, T&D man—D in the Ashland T&D department, was called in the U. S. Army on March 22, 1968.

Michael began working for Kentucky Power on November 3, 1967. He attended Boyd County high school and is a native of Ashland, Kentucky.

Ronald Wright, general office personnel, was chairman of the Ashland Jaycees "Radio Day" on March 23. The club sold commercial spots to the local merchants and industry and manned radio station WCMI for the day. Several hundred dollars earned in this successful project went to the club charity fund.

Dick Nash, division commercial, is serving as vice president of the Cancer Drive this year.

The Quarter Century Club in Ashland division, general office, and Big Sandy plant held a dinner meeting on March 1st at the Holiday Inn. Mr. and Mrs. Gene Moore and Mr. and Mrs. Orville Henderson were co-chairmen of the event. Thirty-eight members attended the event. The entertainment included music and songs by the "Assorted Blessings," a folk singing group. Mrs. Ronald Marshall was winner of the door prize drawing. Orville Henderson, whose birthday falls in the month of March, was presented a cake.

Cabin Creek

O. A. Hesson, supervisor of maintenance, has successfully completed the Dale Carnegie Course, receiving a certificate in effective speaking and human relations. During the course of study, Mr. Hesson was honored with the award for best speech, human relations award, elected president of his class, toastmaster for graduating banquet and was elected graduating assistant to Dale Carnegie Instructors.

Ned A. Hope, son of Dan W. Hope, Stores Clerk, received recognition for his work in developing a highly advanced J79 stage 1 turbine nozzle, for use in jet aircraft, the F104 (phantom), which represents a major advance in the durability of the J79's on which it is utilized. Mr. Hope is a 1963 graduate of West Virginia Institute of Technology, and is a J79 turbine design engineer for General Electric Company, Evendale Plant, Cincinnati, Ohio.

Huntington

Anna Laura Kovich, daughter of J. A. Kovich, was elected secretary of Keyettes for the 1968-69 school term at Huntington East high school. Keyettes is a service club affiliated with Kiwanis International. She was also awarded a pin by the Torch Society of the school for outstanding scholastic achievement in the Junior class during the fourth six weeks of school.

John Rairden, son of Paul Rairden, Point Pleasant, has been awarded his Life Award in Scouting. He is presently working on the rank of Eagle Scout.

Models in a recent Style Show of the Point Pleasant Junior Woman's Club were Lynda Hall, daughter of O. C. Hall, and Wandell Pancake, draftsman. Miss Hall was also a "Miss Springtime" candidate.

Condolences to Paul Rairden, Point Pleasant area, on the death of his mother, Mrs. Stella A. Rairden.

Judie Jackson, daughter of Earl A. Jackson, Point Pleasant, was on the honor roll for the first quarter at the Gallipolis Business College. Miss Jackson is taking the Executive Secretarial Course.

Sympathy is extended to Mrs. Inis Nebel, in the death of her husband, Karl.

Jack Butler was saluted recently by the Huntington YMCA for his services as tournament director for the Tri-State "Buddy Basketball Tournament".

Ethyl Hyldahl was recently elected treasurer of the V.F.W.-Howard P. Hall Post No. 1064 Auxiliary.

E. L. Munday, Jr. has been elected to the Greater Huntington Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors for a two-year term.

Lynda Hall, daughter of O. C. Hall, Point Pleasant Manager, has been named salutatorian of the 1968 graduating class at Point Pleasant High School.

A. J. Darrah, retired vice president and division manager in Huntington, was recently honored by the Cammack Children's Center in recognition of his 16 years of service on the Board of Directors.

Mary Ellen Pugh, daughter of J. R. Pugh, has been promoted to rank of captain in the U. S. Army Nurses Corps. She is stationed at the 97th General Hospital in Frankfurt, Germany.

T&D employees returning to work after extended illnesses are: Ralph Persinger, E. C. Berry, W. L. Halstead and H. V. Mayo.

New employees in Huntington are: M. R. Carver, Auto Repairman Helper; H. D. Sowards, and Raymond Gill, Linemen A.

Kingsport



Kent Emily

A son and daughter of two employees were selected to attend Boys and Girls States. They both attend Dobyns-Bennett High School.

Kent Stair, son of Arthur W. Stair, power sales engineer, was one of five boys selected to attend Tennessee Technological University at Cookeville, Tennessee, during the first week of summer vacation.

Emily Simpson, daughter of commercial manager, M. C. Simpson, was one of three to attend Middle Tennessee State University located at Murfreesboro, Tenn.

The two were selected from a junior class of 576 students.

To be eligible, a student must have a B or better grade average with a high rating in citizenship, school activities and leadership.

The purpose is to study the Tennessee government, elect and function as the government from local to state officials.

Cabin Creek, Huntington Win Third Annual Bowling Tourney

Teams from Cabin Creek plant and Huntington division won the men's and women's titles in Appalachian's Third Annual Bowling Tournament. The company-wide tourney was held at Charleston on April 20 and was hosted by Kanawha River plant employees. Cabin Creek's Flintstones won the men's championship by edging second place Operations No. 2 from Roanoke, 5022 to 4996. Russell (Buck) Stone paced the winners with a five-game series of 918. Leonard McKinney, also from Cabin Creek, rolled a 160 triplicate to qualify for an award from the American Bowling Congress. McKinney posted an 818 series.

Other members of the winning team were: Alva Kuhl, 897; Ed

Jarrett, 804, and Karl Evans, 845. Evans, who rolled a fourth game score of 200, was the first retired employee to compete in the three-year old tourney.

Huntington's women defeated Bluefield by a three-game score of 2489 to 2457. Huntington's Jean Harbour led the winners with a 202-542 to win the high game and the high series honors.

Other team members were Joyce George, 429; Dorcus Russell, 420; Pauline Smith, 379, and Rose Martin, 374. Bluefield's Thalia Myles scored a 507 for the runner-up.

The tournament board of directors accepted Huntington's invitation to host the 1969 tournament.



Cabin Creek's team stands with trophies. From left: Leonard McKinney. At right is P. T. Schneider, plant manager. Russell Stone, Karl Evans, Alva Kuhl, Ed Jarrett and

Employee's Son Active At School

Stan Ferrell, son of B. C. Ferrell Jr., maintenance man at Clinch River plant, played a big role in his Cleveland high school basketball team winning the Russell County basketball championship. In addition to the 6-4 junior's basketball prowess, he was elected president of the Student Council Association for 1968-69 and of the National Honor Society at the school. He also is sports editor of the school's annual.



Stan

Munday, Keene Hit Golf Aces

Two Appalachian golfers scored holes-in-one this spring.

E. L. Munday Jr., Huntington division manager, got his on a 135-yard 6-iron shot at the Guyan Golf and Country Club. The ace came on the 6th hole. It was Munday's first hole-in-one.

O. A. Keene, Roanoke division T&D, hit the second hole-in-one of his career. It came on a 145-yard 7-iron shot on the 8th hole at Gordon Trent Golf Course. Several years ago he made one on the 3rd hole at Mount Airy Country Club.



P. T. Schneider, Cabin Creek plant manager, congratulates the winning women's team from Huntington. From left are: Pauline Smith, Rose Martin, Jean Harbour, Dorcus Russell and Joyce George.

Pikeville Champions



The above Pikeville division employees composed the champion Electrons team which won the division bowling play-off. From left are: James W. Skiles, Robert H. Flynn, Neucedia Miller, Ruth Newsom—captain, and David Lang. High averages for the league were: Curtis Wallen, 174, and Neucedia Miller, 147. High games were 236 by Tilden Justice, and 208 by Neucedia Miller. William Zoellers had the high three-game series with a 636.

Bradshaw Takes Foreman Position

William K. Bradshaw, lineman A for Kingsport Power, recently was promoted to line foreman. Mr. Bradshaw was first employed with the company as a groundman in 1948. In 1950, he was promoted to lineman C, and for 16 years he worked as lineman A. Mr. Bradshaw is married and has three children.



Mr. Bradshaw



Wins It ALL

Paul Cantley, commercial sales representative at Logan, took all the individual honors in a recent bowling tournament. Although his team failed to reach the finals, Cantley walked off with the high game actual with a 247, high game handicap with a 268, high series actual with 635 and high series handicap with 698.

Bass Surpasses State Record

"I had just come out of the hospital the week before and the doctor told me to get some exercise. My wife suggested fishing." With an excuse like that, why wouldn't a guy head for a stream?

The guy was Arlen R. Ash, general office transmission man-B, stationed at St. Albans, West Virginia. And, he got his exercise by catching a 10-pound largemouth bass, a pound and a half bigger than the existing state record.

Ash was fishing in Coal River near his home at Tornado. It was March 21. He said he and his wife both heard a fish jump and he cast a Rapala lure toward the area. Something hit it but didn't hold on. He cast again and the big bass took it immediately. He was only using six-pound test line and didn't have a net, but managed to land the lunger.

Unfortunately, Ash cleaned the fish before he realized he had caught a record (the old record was 8 pounds, 6.8 ounces), but he had witnesses to the catch. The fish was weighed on a hand scale.



The fish measured 24 inches long. Ash is having the head mounted.

Davis Shift Wins Sporn Tourney

Davis Shift won the Philip Sporn plant bowling tournament. Members of the winning team were: Bob Couch, Harry Davis, Buck Tennant, Delbert Murray, Willis Dudding and Bob Gilmore.

The Carroll Shift team was in second place.

The doubles event was won by Sonny Haggerty and Glen Hensler with Doug Miller and George Johnson in second place. Dorwin Clark was singles champion with Willis Dudding in second place.

The all-event winner was Bob Couch with Pee Wee Wright second.



W. E. Mekolites Is Named Fellow

William E. Mekolites, assistant head of the Regional planning section of the AEP Service Corporation's regional power supply division, has been named a Sloan Fellow. Beginning in June he will undertake a year of advanced study at the Alfred P. Sloan School of Management at Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Mr. Mekolites joined the Service Corporation in 1956, and was a senior engineer before his promotion April 1 to assistant section head. He holds a degree in electrical engineering from Manhattan College and a master's in business administration from New York University. He and his family live in Somerville, New Jersey.

Sporn Plant's Trippers Win Mason Tournament

Philip Sporn plant's Trippers won the Mason Bowling Association Tournament.

Members of the team were Cricket Searls, Russel Wood, Karl Wiles, Nelson Roush and Charles Yeager.

Sonny Haggerty and Pee Wee Wright won the doubles. Doug Miller took the singles and all-event award.

Big Sandy Men Helping Cagers

Big Sandy plant employees and sons were active in Little League Basketball in their home areas. At left, standing, is Bobbie George, unit foreman, who coached a seventh grade team at Cooper School. His two sons, Freddy and Billy, played in the Boyd County League. Tommy Jenks, unit operator, and Richard McComas, office coordinator, center and right standing, and Mont Wheeler (not in picture) coached more than 60 boys in the Louisa Little League. Kneeling at left is Mike Armstrong, son of Robert Armstrong, operating foreman, who was official score and timekeeper. Bobby Jacobs, center, was a member of one of the league teams, and Scott Jenks, right, holds team trophy for winning second place in the league.

Service Anniversaries Noted Across Our Companies

30 Years



Nelle L. Phillips
Roanoke



O. B. Gillispie
Roanoke



C. L. Slusser
Huntington



W. D. Gesling
Ashland



J. R. Bostic
Charleston



H. H. Hutcheson
Charleston

25 Years



Garnie Edmonds
Pikeville



G. M. Bray
Roanoke



Anna B. Schrader
Pulaski



Brad Smith
Cabin Creek



Georgie Sevy
Charleston



Jennie Hall
Charleston



C. B. Smith
Charleston



R. B. Comer
Glen Lyn

20 Years



K. E. Mason
Philip Sporn



D. L. Philips
Philip Sporn



R. C. Jenkins
Pulaski



R. R. Snedegar
Roanoke



J. D. Austin
Roanoke



J. C. Thomas
Roanoke



G. D. Bratton
Roanoke



O. R. Nunnery
Bluefield



B. M. Vassar
Bluefield



Jessie Centers
Ashland



E. F. Thompson
Charleston



Holmes Cassady
Logan-Williamson



R. W. Gwinn
Kanawha River

Bluefield Post Goes To L. B. Lee

Lloyd B. Lee was promoted to Bluefield division T&D superintendent on April 1.



Mr. Lee

Mr. Lee joined Appalachian in 1936 as district serviceman in Pulaski. He later served as rural service salesman and solicitor, and distribution engineer before being transferred to Abingdon in 1948 as distribution supervising engineer. After being promoted to district superintendent in 1951 he was transferred to the Bluefield division in 1955 as district superintendent. In 1964, he advanced to assistant division superintendent.

A native of Colonial Beach, Virginia, Mr. Lee graduated from Virginia Tech in 1936 with a BS degree in electrical engineering. In 1965, he attended to AEP Management School at the University of Michigan.

Mr. Lee is a member of the American Legion, Bluefield Chamber of Commerce and the Immanuel Lutheran Church in Bluefield. He is married to the former Ruth Lester Yost and is the father of five children. The family resides in Bluefield.

C. W. Dalton, Of Pulaski, Retires After Career Of Nearly 33 Years

Carson Webb Dalton, power sales engineer in the Pulaski commercial department, retired on April 1 after nearly 33 years with Appalachian.

Mr. Dalton was first employed with the company in 1935 at Bluefield in the rural department. He was transferred to Pulaski in 1937 and worked as rural solicitor and distribution engineer until 1941 when he was moved to the commercial department.

Born in Sylvatus, Carroll County, Virginia, Mr. Dalton attended the Pulaski public schools and received a B.S. degree in electrical engineering from Virginia Tech in 1930.

Mr. Dalton is married to the former Mary Elizabeth Pugh. The couple has one daughter.

Mr. Dalton is a member of the Pulaski Kiwanis Club and attends Christ Episcopal Church. The couple plans to spend the winter months in Florida.



Mr. Surber



Mr. Bostic

Appalachian Men Cited For Service

Two Appalachian Power employees received long-term service pins last month.

H. L. Surber, operations supervisor at the Glen Lyn plant, received his 45-year pin. He was employed as a laborer in 1923. Since then he has worked as a turbin oiler, watch engineer, shift superintendent and shift supervisor before being promoted to operations supervisor in 1951. He is a native of Smythe County, Virginia, and presently resides in Glen Lyn. He is a member of the Christian Church and is married with one son.

The other recipient was H. L. Bostic, Charleston division T&D general serviceman, who received a 40-year pin. He started with the company in 1933 as a laborer. He has also worked as groundman, truckdriver, lineman, and lineman A. A native of Sissonville, West Virginia, he is an avid hunter and fisherman. He resides in Charleston with his wife, Eulah.

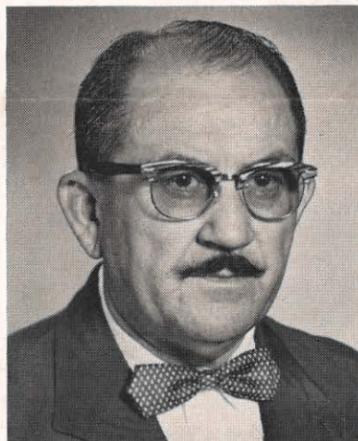
Huntington Division's Jack B. Smith Retires To Close 43-Year Career

Jack Bell Smith, meterman in the Huntington division, retired on May 1 after nearly 43 years with Appalachian Power.

Mr. Smith was employed with the company in 1925 as a helper in the meter department. He later worked as utility meterman, meter tester and meterman C until his promotion to meterman B in 1950.

A native of Lexington, Kentucky, Mr. Smith graduated from Huntington high school. He collects guns and for over 25 years had his own orchestra in Huntington. He is a member of the Catholic Church and also belongs to the Elks and the Knights of Columbus.

Mr. Smith and his wife, Lucille, have two daughters and plan to move to Winterhaven, Florida, in the near future. Mr. Smith plans to build his own total-electric home there.



Mr. Smith

SERVICE

These pins are awarded in recognition of years of faithful service. Each of these pins also recognizes the part the employee has played in the progress of the company during these years of service.



B. M. Grisso
Roanoke

Glen Lyn Men Get Promotions

Carl B. Patteson and Dudley R. Clemons were recently promoted at the Glen Lyn plant. Mr. Patteson moved up to assistant shift operating engineer, and Mr. Clemons advanced to unit foreman.

Mr. Patteson was employed at the Glen Lyn plant in 1937 as a clerk. He later was promoted to auxiliary equipment operator, switchboard operator and unit foreman before being promoted to assistant shift operating engineer on May 1.

Mr. Patteson was born at Roanoke, Virginia, and attended Roanoke-Salem College in Salem, Virginia. He now resides at Glen Lyn and is active in community affairs. Presently he is clerk of the town council. He is married and has three daughters and one son.

Mr. Clemons was employed with Appalachian at Glen Lyn in 1942 as a laborer. He advanced through several operations classifications and was promoted to switchboard operator on January 1, 1968. In his latest promotion to unit foreman, Mr. Clemons succeeds Mr. Patteson.

Mr. Clemons is a native of Mercer County, West Virginia, and now lives in Glen Lyn. He is active in community affairs and is a member of the Glen Lyn Christian Church. He is married and has one daughter.



Mr. Patteson



Mr. Clemons



Appalachian Power Company

- ABINGDON DIVISION—30 YEARS: RALPH SOWERS, line foreman.
- BLUEFIELD DIVISION—20 YEARS: O. RAY NUNNERY, meterman. BASIL M. VASSAR, heating & builder sales engineer.
- CABIN CREEK PLANT—25 YEARS: BRAD SMITH, utility operator.
- CHARLESTON DIVISION—40 YEARS: H. L. BOSTIC, general service man. 30 YEARS: J. R. BOSTIC, station man. H. H. HUTCHESON, sales supervisor. GEORGIE SEVY, private secretary. JENNIE HALL, contract clerk. C. B. SMITH, area serviceman. 20 YEARS: E. F. THOMPSON, meter reader. EUGENE M. O'NEAL, line inspector. 15 YEARS: C. L. CONNER, lineman. 10 YEARS: CAROL BOGGESS, secretarial stenographer. 5 YEARS: J. R. DAVIS, auto repairman. J. G. BURNSIDE, T&D clerk.
- CLINCH RIVER PLANT—10 YEARS: DORSE EARL CAMPBELL, equipment operator.
- HUNTINGTON DIVISION—30 YEARS: C. L. SLUSSER, senior foreman.
- KANAWHA RIVER PLANT—20 YEARS: R. W. GWINN, equipment operator.
- LOGAN-WILLIAMSON DIVISION—20 YEARS: HOLMES CASSADY, meter serviceman. 15 YEARS: WILLIARD W. CHAMBERS, meter serviceman. 5 YEARS: FANNIE HOLLAND, cashier.
- PULASKI DIVISION—25 YEARS: ANNA BEASLEY SCHRADER, general clerk. 20 YEARS: REFERT COLUMBUS JENKINS, meter serviceman.
- PHILIP SPORN PLANT—20 YEARS: KENNETH E. MATSON, helper. DAYTON L. PHILLIPS, storekeeper.
- ROANOKE DIVISION—30 YEARS: O. B. GILLISPIE, general serviceman. NELLE L. PHILLIPS, utility clerk. 25 YEARS: G. M. GRAY, meter reader. 20 YEARS: B. M. GRISSO, customer service representative. J. C. THOMAS, auto repairman helper. J. D. AUSTIN, collector. G. D. BRATTON, line foreman. R. R. SNEDEGAR, electrical engineer.

Kentucky Power Company

- ASHLAND DIVISION—30 YEARS: W. D. GESLING, distribution engineer. 30 YEARS: JESSIE CENTERS, head janitor.
- HAZARD DIVISION—20 YEARS: FRED M. SKAGGS, truck driver-groundman.
- PIKEVILLE DIVISION—GARNIE EDMONDS, stationman.

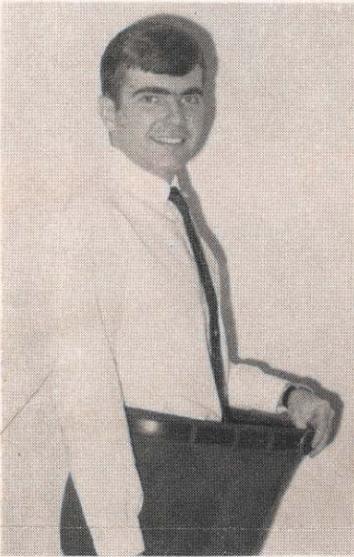
G. P. Maloney Takes AEP Posts

Gerald P. Maloney, controller of the AEP Service Corporation, on April 25 was elected assistant vice president of six operating companies of the AEP System, including Appalachian Power, Kentucky Power and Kingsport Power Companies. He was also elected to the same position in Michigan Gas and Electric, Ohio Power and Wheeling Electric Companies. Earlier, he had been named to that post with Indiana & Michigan Electric.



Mr. Maloney

Logan Employee Sheds Weight



Pants too large

When Ben Donevant, Logan's assistant credit supervisor, began employment with Appalachian in 1966 as a meter reader, he felt that he surely would lose some weight since he weighed a large 220. Confident that the exercise from walking necessary in reading meters would reduce poundage, one can imagine how he felt when he weighed 233 pounds by the end of the year.

Mr. Donevant's determination grew and he met the challenge head on. By the end of 1967, he was down to 160 pounds—a 73-pound decrease.

He did not go on a crash diet or begin taking any miracle drugs or capsules. For Mr. Donevant it was simply a matter of realizing that with determination his weight problem could be licked. He ate all the foods that he had always eaten. The only difference was that he restricted the amounts. He still ate all of his favorite foods—just smaller portions.

Roanoke Retiree Dies In Florida

W. Grayson Haller, retired Roanoke division appliance service foreman, died at his home in Florida on March 30.

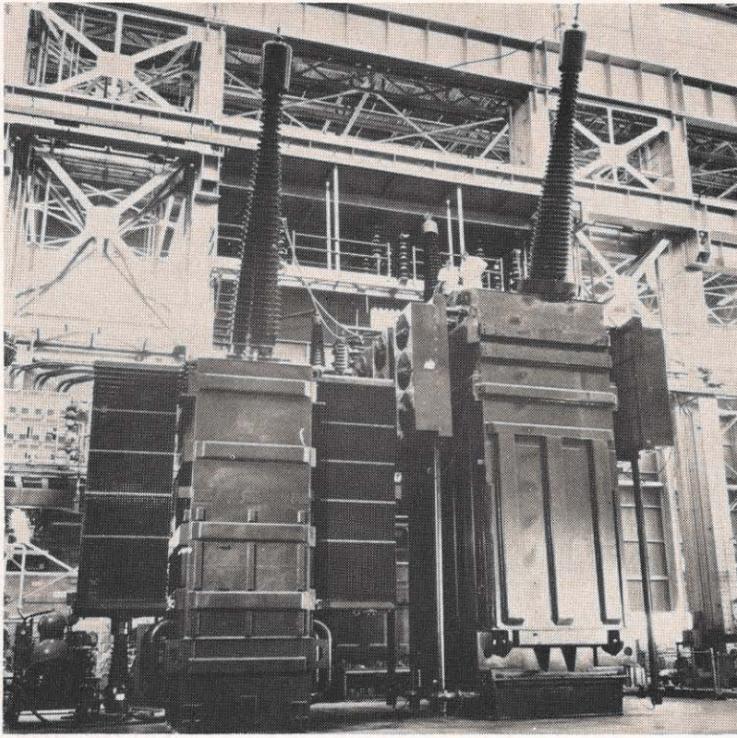
A native of Roanoke, Mr. Haller joined Appalachian in 1913 and advanced through several positions until being promoted to appliance service foreman. He retired on August 1, 1955. Mr. Haller held the distinction of installing the first electric range and the first water heater in Roanoke.

He is survived by his widow, the former Esther Elinor Donaldson.



Mr. Haller

Another AEP First



This 765-kv autotransformer, the highest voltage transformer ever manufactured in the United States, was recently shipped to Ohio Power Company's Kammer substation near Cresap, West Virginia. Ohio Power is our sister company in the AEP system. The transformer (right) weighs 685,000 pounds when it is installed and filled with insulating oil. It stands nearly 50 feet tall from the base to the top of the insulator bushings. Also shipped was the shunt reactor (left) which permits transmission lines to carry much more power than they otherwise could. The transformer will be at the station for one year while being tested by AEP.

Familiar Faces In New Places

Appalachian Power Company

Bluefield Division

GLENN BOYD NASH from lineman b to lineman a. HAROLD WADE LANTER from station man to engineering aide. CHARLES EDWARD LONG from station man helper a to station man c. PAUL WILLIAM HALL from meter serviceman to area serviceman. CHESTER GARLAND SMITH from engineering aide to line inspector. JAY WARD FARLEY from line inspector to engineer.

Cabin Creek Plant

THOMAS D. WHITTINGTON from work order clerk to plant clerk.

Charleston Division

ALFRED MARVIN JONES from head janitor, building service dept., to truck driver-groundman, division T&D. PAMELA DANKS SNODGRASS from meter clerk to clerk-stenographer. LEWIS GARDNER BURNS from lineman c to lineman b. CHARLES CLAYTON MOORE from lineman helper to lineman c. CHARLES EDWARD JONES from station man c to station man b. JERRY FERRELL MARTIN from station man c to station man b. RONNIE RAY PERDUE from laborer to utility man. JOHN WILLIAM SMITH from lineman b to lineman a. CHARLES FREDERICK CARUTHERS from lineman b to lineman a. DARRELL KEITH BROWN from lineman c to lineman b. JACKIE LEE CALDWELL from lineman c to lineman b.

General Office

JOYCE McGLOTHLIN BROWN from clerk-stenographer to stenographer. ORAL ROSCOE LAMASTUS, reg. asst. chief operator, from Switchback Station to Danville Station.

Glen Lyn Plant

DEWEY GILMER LUSK from equipment operator to switchboard operator. JAMES MASON WHITE from turbine operator to boiler operator. JAMES CARL SUTPHIN from auxiliary equipment operator to turbine operator. LLOYD BAILEY JACKSON from auxiliary equipment operator (UP) to auxiliary equipment operator. LEE BROWN MARTIN from utility operator to auxiliary equipment operator. BILLY LYN STAFFORD from utility man, maintenance, to utility operator, operation. FRANK A. AGEER from brakeman, coal handling, to maintenance helper, maintenance. EVERETTE EUGENE BROWN from coal sampler to brakeman.

Logan-Williamson Division

J. R. McCOWN from station man helper a to a station man c. JOHNNY VARNEY from lineman helper to lineman c.

Philip Sporn Plant

MICHAEL W. BURRIS from utility man, utility, to helper, maintenance. PAUL E. ZERKLE from utility operator to auxiliary equipment operator. TERRY M. HENRY from utility operator to auxiliary equipment operator. GLEN L. JOHNSON from utility man to utility operator. EDGAR M. DORST from janitor to utility man. KENNETH E. MATSON from auxiliary equipment operator to helper. WILLIAM K. CURTIS from auxiliary equipment operator, operations, to helper, maintenance. RUSSELL L. WOOD from utility man, utility, to helper, maintenance. ROBERT C. ROUSH from utility man b to utility man a. TOMMY R. BELCHER from utility man b to utility man a. ARCHIE J. BROWNING from results helper to instrument maintenance man. MARVIN G. BURT from master maintenance man, New Haven, to Big Sandy Plant Construction Dept., Kentucky Power Company. CARL A. GARDNER III from utility man b to utility man a. CECIL R. DUNCAN from utility man b to utility man a. DONALD G. GOODNITE from utility man b to utility man a.

Roanoke Division

W. H. KAHLE from lineman to area serviceman. FRANCES E. RADER from meter clerk to meter clerk sr. W. G. SIMPSON from meter serviceman to lineman. A. A. JACOBS from lineman helper to meter service helper. DJUNA S. BOWER from clerk trainee to PBX operator. K. W. WINGER from meter serviceman c to meter serviceman b. C. R. BROGAN from meter serviceman b to meter serviceman a. JACKIE R. HALEY from mail clerk, general office accounting, to meter reader, division accounting dept. T. R. KENNEDY from lineman helper to lineman c. SANDRA P. McCLELLAND from petty cash clerk to petty cash clerk sr. ROBERT O. RAGLAND from draftsman to lead draftsman. C. C. WHORLEY from lineman helper to lineman. T. W. JETT from street light attendant to general serviceman. E. R. HYLTON from station man b to station man a. W. G. GOURLEY from area superintendent b to area superintendent a. J. D. ADAMS from general serviceman to lineman. A. G. ADAMS from truck driver-groundman to street light attendant. J. L. INGRAM from lineman to meter serviceman.

Kentucky Power Company

Big Sandy Plant

RALPH D. FERGUSON from utility man to maintenance helper.

Ashland Division

GEORGE TRAVIS from auto repairman helper to auto repairman b. CAROLYN S. MILLER from clerk trainee to PBX operator. DENNIS WILLIAMS from T&D man d to T&D man c. MELINDA S. ACKERMAN, clerk stenographer, from division commercial to division personnel.

Kingsport Safety Cited



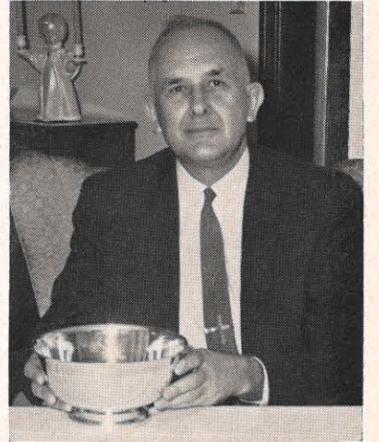
Kingsport Power recently received the 1967 group III Southeastern Electric Exchange first place safety award. The company was the only one reporting to the Exchange with a perfect safety record for the year. The Kingsport employees accrued 228,195 man-hours during 1967 without a disabling injury, and have worked almost 850,000 safe man-hours since their last injury in June 1964. In the above picture, the Kingsport line and station crews admire the award which was presented to C. J. Bryan, executive vice-president.

Safety Winner



Each month a "safety facts" pamphlet is put in with each employee's pay check at the Philip Sporn plant. Later names are drawn, a telephone call is made to the employee's home and a question pertaining to the pamphlet is asked. If a member of the family answers the question correctly the employee wins a prize. Winner of the March Safety Facts Contest was Charles Yeager, master maintenance man. Mr. Yeager won the contest when his wife, LaVera, was able to answer the safety question. Presenting the prize, a dry chemical fire extinguisher, to Mr. Yeager (right), is J. A. Moore, plant manager. The idea of the contest is to have the employees carry safety home with them.

Bridge Champion



James R. Paul, Ashland division accounting supervisor, was recently invited to fill-in as a participant in the Armco Steel Company bridge tournament. Mr. Paul repaid the gracious invitation by winning the first place award. The tournament, consisting of 25 players in duplicate bridge, was held at the Holiday Inn. Mr. Paul won a total of 65 points to capture the beautiful silver bowl.

Hazard Man's Artistic Talents Vary From Portraits To Cartoons



Bobby Combs and some portraits.

Bobby Combs, Hazard division draftsman, began approximately two years ago to draw portraits in pastels. During that time he has completed over 35. His subjects are from Indiana, Ohio and all sections of Kentucky.

He began drawing at an early age and won an art contest while in grammar school. He later won an art scholarship when he was in

high school.

Bobby does not confine his talents to portraits or pastels. He does oil paintings, cartoons for the local newspapers, billboard drawings and decorative paintings for business establishments.

In addition, Bobby has been instrumental in forming the Perry Arts Club of Hazard.



In 1930. Loyd T. Smith, Mr. and Mrs. Sutor, and E. T. Johnson.

Home Built Before Civil War

17-Room 'Plus' Conversion Was Big Job Combining Modern Heating With The Past



Sprawling mansion first built with slave labor.

Electric Living

38 Years Ago

What to some may seem like a very short while ago—only 38 years—in the early depression days of 1930, four youngpeople approached a stage. They walked nervously to the podium and began with these words:

"The contribution of electric service to American home life has been phenomenal in its uplift since the invention of the first electric lamp by Mr. Edison in 1879. If we will but turn back the pages of electric history to the beginning, we can readily see the change which has taken place in the home to revolutionize it as it were and put drudgery in the discard."

The occasion was a public speaking contest sponsored by the National Electric Light Association, which is today's Edison Electric Institute. The four people were Appalachian employees, representing the company's Lynchburg district as a team. Today they all are at Lynchburg. Recently they all found copies of their talks.

They had a choice of two subjects in the competition, "The Electric Utilities' Contribution To My Community, State and Nation," or "The Contribution of Electric Service To American Home Life and Its Future Possibilities."

Elmer T. Johnson, who was in the accounting department then, and who today is commercial sales engineer, selected the first subject for his talk. The other three, E. L. Sutor Jr., then petty cash clerk and now division accounting supervisor; Jessie Wrigglesworth, then credit clerk and now Mrs. E. L. Sutor Jr., and Loyd Smith, then commercial lighting engineer, now administrative assistant, all chose the latter subject.

The electric utility industry was less than 50 years old in 1930, but its impact on American life was being felt.

In all of the talks, reference was made to the refrigerator. But, they were called electric mechanical refrigerators. Everyone was very excited about an appliance which would "one day" bring comfort to the home—an electric furnace. An office building was being built on the American Gas and Electric System which would use this type heat.

One clarion voice proudly stated, "In the summer the arctic breezes are blown from the blades of electric fans to bring comfort from the intense heat."

Mrs. Sutor, in speaking of the "modern day homemaker" stated, "Picture the happiness of the bride when she starts housekeeping in a modern electrically equipped home, with her percolator, toaster, waffle iron, grill, and egg cooker for use to prepare an appetizing meal. If she wishes to prepare a more elaborate meal, she has an electric range for her convenience. She can cook an entire dinner and be away from home while the meal is being cooked to perfection."

Another wonderful appliance of the 30's was the vacuum cleaner. "No more unsanitary ways of cleaning a home with mops, dusty rags, and brooms."

All of the speakers were high in their praise of countless new appliances, such as a clock which is run and regulated by electricity. Of course, there was the radio which "provides a source of education and amusement, and fills many an otherwise lonesome hour with pleasure and enjoyment."

They also spoke of the laundry equipment, but failed to mention the dryer.

According to the speakers, the days during the time were certainly "golden days". Electricity had lifted the drudgery of housekeeping from the homemaker, increased factory output and improved the farmer's life.

One speaker emphasized, "There is now over \$23-billion invested in the electrical industry in the United States and the industry is still expanding. The nation is growing and the utilities have to grow even faster, in order to meet the needs as they arise. This year's budget of the utilities calls for over \$913,000,000."

Compare these with today's figures—\$23 billion, with over \$53-billion invested today. In 1968, Appalachian will invest more than \$88-million in the expansion of its electric energy facilities, twice as much as in any previous year. The sum is part of the \$322-million investment planned by the American Electric Power System.

What will happen during the next 38 years? Only time will tell and maybe someone will look back upon the "golden years" experienced in the late 60's.



Today: Loyd T. Smith, Mrs. Sutor, E. L. Sutor and E. T. Johnson.

There are many all-electric homes throughout our companies' areas. There also are many old homes, rich in heritage and still proudly wearing their pre-Civil War charm.

The Fieldale area of Appalachian's Roanoke division serves a home which combines both factors—the largest such on the AEP System.

The plantation style home is known as the "old Hairston place" and is just outside Martinsville, Virginia. It's surrounded by a 4000-acre estate.

The old mansion is owned and occupied by Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Covington, their three children and 13 grandchildren. Mr. Covington is retired from the tobacco import-export business. The home was in Mrs. Covington's family.

In 1959 the Covingtons decided to move into the home. One problem was finding enough wood to burn in the nine fireplaces to heat the 17-room, 9-bathroom structure. Besides heating, the house also lacked other modern conveniences, so the family built on an addition.

The new addition, all on one floor, met the requirements for a Gold Medallion home and is heated and cooled by a heat pump. When about half through with the addition, the decision was made to restore and modernize the old portion of the house.

The walls and ceilings were stripped of plaster, properly insulated and equipped with ceil heat under the new plaster and several baseboard installations.

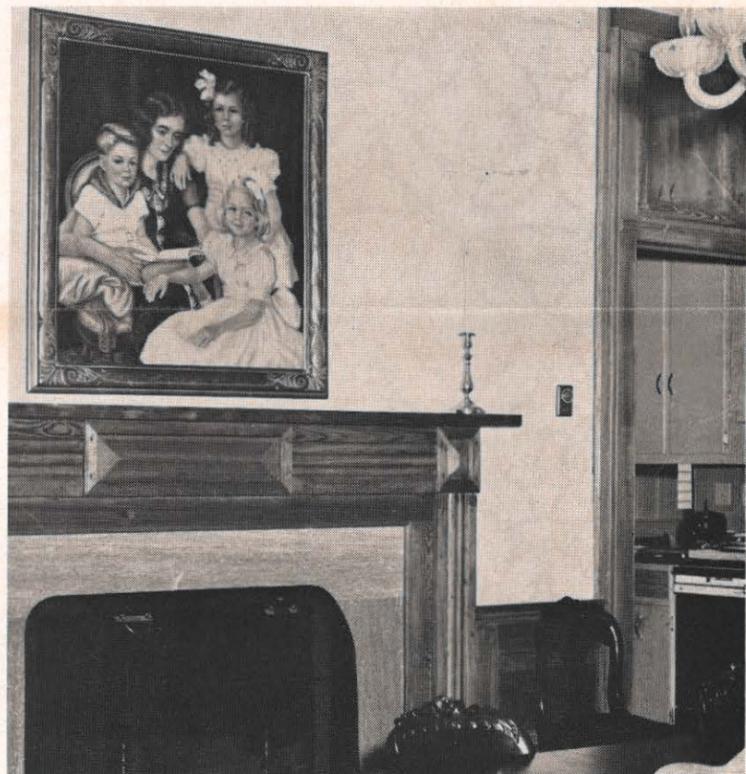
The beautiful old home does not reveal its modern petticoat. Only the individual room thermostats, lighting fixtures and an intercom system would tip off a visitor that he hadn't gone back in time a century.

The original home contains 6106 square feet of floor space and boasts nine bathrooms, all equipped with water heaters. The kitchen, of course, is also modern all-electric. The new addition increased the floor space by 1750 to a total of 7910 square feet.

The home was first built by slave labor 160 years ago and was restored about 40 years later after a fire. The present structure is 120 years old.

The home is served by entrance control switches rated at 1000 amps from an underground transformer vault and has a connected load of 243-kw. The installed heating load consists of 73-kw in ceiling cable and baseboard, a 5-kw heat pump, with 27-kw in auxiliary resistance heating for a total of 105-kw.

Other modern features of the



One of nine fireplaces in home.



House features antique furniture.

home include swimming pool, tennis court and summer cottage. The play areas are lighted and the cottage is heated electrically. The old mansion also has a modern sprinkling system for fire protection which was built in during the remodeling.