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It is always in season for old men to learn.

Aeschylus

June, 1969

Appalachian Man Throws Test Switch

First 765-Kv Line Energized

At 1713 hours (5:13 p.m.) on May 2, Tom Holland turned a black pistol-grip handle and energized the first completed section of the world's most powerful transmission lines at its full 765,000 volts.

Tom, a relay engineer for Appa-



Tom Holland "Plugs In"

Firm Gets Entire Pollution Curb Contract At Amos

Research-Cottrell, Inc., of Bound Brook, New Jersey, has been awarded a contract to provide all of the three major facilities for air and water pollution control at Appalachian's John E. Amos plant near Charleston.

It was the first time that a single company had been selected to furnish all such equipment for a power plant. At Amos, Research-Cottrell will provide electrostatic precipitators to treat up to 9 million cubic feet of gas per minute, a 900-foot Custodis concrete chimney, and two Hamon-Cottrell cooling towers. The latter will exceed 40 stories in height and 300 feet in base diameter and will cool up to 520,000 gallons of water per minute.

lachian Power Company, and now one of the few people who have ever plugged in such an extension cord, was relatively unmoved by his historic act:

"I don't really remember how I felt. There had been a lot of long days and long nights of checking things before that . . ."

To turn the line on, Tom had been standing at a wall of gauges, graphing instruments and switches at the 765,000-volt Baker Substation near Big Sandy Plant in Kentucky. The completed section of line stretches north for nearly 68 miles to the Marquis Substation, across the Ohio River near Sargents, Ohio.

As he turned the switch, Tom said, he watched a synchroscope to check for "a zero phase-angle difference across the breakers—between the line and the bus, you know." Of course.

The line "stayed in" only briefly, for 18 minutes, on May 2, then was shut down. Since then it has been on and off several times for engineering performance tests. It is expected that this line will become a normal part of the system following a two-week series of design verification tests that began May 19.

Construction began on the Baker-Marquis link in August 1967 and was completed this past April. Scheduled for completion next, early in 1970, is the 230-mile line that will traverse Indiana from north to south.

Camp Kilowatt Folder Ready

A new folder containing complete information on Camp Kilowatt is now available to employees.

Personnel supervisors in company offices and plants have a supply of the folders on hand, and employees may obtain one on request.

The folder describes the facilities at the employees' campground on Smith Mountain Lake in Virginia, and contains a location map.

Cooling Tower Freak Mishap At Big Sandy Delays Full-Scale Operation Of Plant's Unit 2

A delay of several weeks in the full-scale operation of Big Sandy Plant Unit 2, the AEP System's largest generating unit built to date, is the probable result of a freak mishap there last month.

The wooden structure portion of the new cooling tower serving Unit 2 at Kentucky Power Company's plant collapsed, without warning, on May 6. No one was injured, and the separate concrete hyperbolic tower itself, rising 370 feet above ground, was not affected.

"Nonetheless, we hope to achieve partial operation of the new unit by mid-June," John Tillinghast, executive vice president—engineering and construction, of the AEP Service Corporation, said.

He explained that this would be achieved by re-building the giant wooden ring in three sections. While the entire job will take several weeks, it is anticipated that completion of the first section will permit partial use of the tower by the middle of this month, even while rebuilding work on the remaining sections is still going forward.

The tower, the largest capacity structure of its kind in operation, was designed and built by The Marley Company, Kansas City, Mo., which also is re-building the wooden structure portion of it.

The tower had been in test operation in preparation for placing the new 800,000-kilowatt generating unit on test this summer. It is the first unit of its size on the AEP System.

The wooden structure, which is made of treated fir and redwood and is 54 feet high and 1,250 feet in circumference, serves to break water into droplets, allowing air to pass over them and cool the water by evaporation. The cooled water then flows into the plant to condense steam in the generation cycle.

Mr. Tillinghast estimated damage well in excess of \$600,000. He said that, although investigations have not yet determined the cause of the collapse, modifications, including sectionalizing, were being made in the new structure.



Massive Pile-up Could Have Been Worse

Charleston Men Think Fast

Two Charleston division employees played a vital role in diverting traffic away from a massive pile-up on Interstate 64 late in April. The men, C. E. Jones and W. F. Harmon, were credited with saving several lives.

It was a fog-patched morning; not unlike many other early mornings in the Kanawha Valley. The heavy traffic was typical, too, with the morning work crowd rushing into Charleston on Interstate 64.

Then it happened. A car went out of control and ended up resting in the east-bound lane. Before it was all over one person was killed, 11 hospitalized and many others suffered minor injuries. Thirty cars and trucks were piled up in a tangled mess and 10 others received minor damage.

It all started about 7:30 a.m. while Jones and Harmon were en route to Big Sandy plant. Traffic was flowing the usual 70 miles per hour on the interstate down a long grade and around a slight curve. Around this curve a heavy ground fog had fallen, cutting visibility to about the length of a car for nearly a mile.

Jones and Harmon spotted the (Continued on Page 12) The wooden structure at the base of the cooling tower can be seen in the top picture, taken before the mishap. In the bottom picture, after the mishap, none of the wooden structure is standing. The collapse was apparently a chain-reaction type, circling the entire tower. Reconstruction is well underway now in an effort to prepare the tower for partial operation of Unit 2 sometime this month.

John R. Larew Named School's 'Top Alumnus'

John R. Larew, Appalachian personnel director, was named West

Virginia Tech "Alumnus of the Year" for 1969.

Mr. Larew, a 30-year veteran with the AEP System, received his BS degree in 1941 and an MBA at Harvard. He joined the company at Beckley and has worked in New York and



Mr. Larew

several places in Ohio Power Company's territory, mostly in supervisory personnel positions. He came to Roanoke in 1965 as assistant personnel director and became personnel director in 1966.

A native of Raleigh County, West Virginia, he is married and the father of four children.



Lifting Fog Reveals Pile-Up

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A Question Of Fashion?

Has patriotism gone out of style? Is it old-fashioned to show the flag?

Some think so. We don't.

Too many brave men have died in the past 200 years for the great American experiment to be written off as a failure. Imperfect in many ways we are, but so long as men of good intention live, that imperfection will diminish, and the closer we will come to the ideals expressed by the Republic's Founders.

It is this heritage of ideals that the flag represents. Henry Ward Beecher wrote that, when one "sees a nation's flag, he sees not the flag, but the nation itself. And whatever may be its symbols . . . he reads chiefly in the flag the government, the principles, the truths, the history that belong to the nation. The American Fag has been a symbol of Liberty and men re-

THE ILLUMINATOR is pleased to enclose with this issue a small American flag for display, with the hope that the hope and idealism it represents, like patriotism, will not wither.

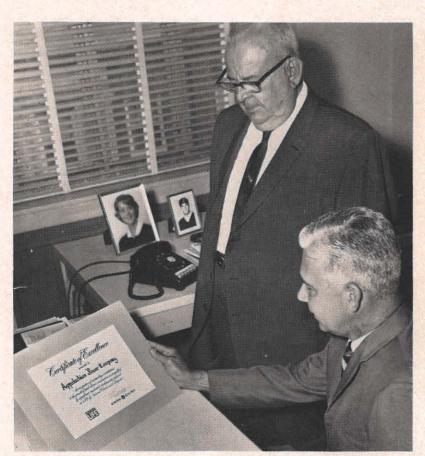
How To Apply

This replica of the Flag may be applied to any clean, dry, non-porous surface when the temperature is 60° or above. Safety officials suggest the emblem, if applied on a car, be applied on a side window near the rear of the car. It also may be applied on either the front or rear bumper.

Pledge Of Allegiance

flag of the United States of under God, indivisible, with America and to the Republic liberty and Justice for all."

"I pledge allegiance to the for which it stands, one Nation



Total-Electric Effort Cited

E. L. Munday (seated), Appalachian commercial manager, and L. L. Koontz, residential sales supervisor, admire "Certificate of Merit" received by the company from General Electric in recognition of outstanding contribution to the promotion of and growth of total-electric construction in Appalachian's service area.



Kentucky Linemen Complete School

Kentucky recently completed a lineman's training school. Sixteen trainees participated in the two-week course under the supervision of C. D. Broughton, safety supervisor, with instruction by personnel from the three divisions. In the front row (from left) are the foreman instructors: Jess Collier, Pikeville; Bill Conley, Ashland; Bearl Ewen, Hazard; and Luie Caldwell, Ashland. Second row: Willis Tackett, Pikeville; Ed Kemper, Ashland; Sam Wilson, Ashland; Larry Contrell, Pikeville; John Combs, Hazard; Danny Hamilton, Pikeville; McArthur Combs, Hazard; Bobby Beam, Ashland, and Robert Cornwell, Ashland. Third row: Simon Lunce, Hazard; Ted Asher, Hazard; Jim Speaks, Ashland; Carlson Lewis, Hazard; Dale Hughes, Ashland; Bobert Cray, Ashland, and Torry Hees, Ashland; Robert Green, Ashland, and Terry Horn,

Big Muskie, Electrified Railway Dedicated For Service In Ohio

The American Electric Power System added two more super-latives to its roster late last month in dedication ceremonies in Ohio.

Big Muskie, the world largest mobile land machine, and the Muskingum Electric Railroad, the Muskingum Electric Railroad, the first totally electrified railway built in the United States since the 1930's, were formally put into service by Donald C. Cook, president of American Electric Power Company and of our companles.

At the same time, he dedicated to the service of the people of Ohio the extensive recreational facilities established in the mining area by Ohio Power Company in 1964, and enlarged and improved each year

since.
The dragline and the railroad are part of a major expansion of Ohio Power's Muskingum Mine, which soon will be producing 5-million tons of coal per year. The expansion represents an investment in excess of \$45-million.

In the expanded mine operation, Big Muskie uncovers coal seams and removes overburden at the rate of 325 tons per bite. Smaller shovels follow to remove the coal and load it into 110-ton haulers. It is taken to a trestle for re-loading into the railroad's hopper cars for the trip to Muskingum River Plant. Philo plant, near the area, receives some of the coal, but Muskingum River plant will receive the bulk, some 18,000 tons a day. This will be delivered by the railroad to an existing 41/2-mile conveyor system, then on to the plant.

Relating these operations to the AEP System at large, Mr. Cook told the audience, "We want to do our job in the most efficient, the most economical way. We need to bring the advantages of scale to bear on the job of producing cheap power, whether the particu-lar task at hand is lifting 325 tons of overburden in a single bite, or producing and delivering millions of kilowatts over long distances to waiting customers.'

He said that AEP constantly strives for "efficiency of the kind exemplified by the Muskingum Electric Railroad, in the sense that it can deliver larger quantities of coal for our generating station at a lower cost than ever before.

Mr. Cook, commenting on the company's extensive land use program, which includes reforestation and the establishment of recreational areas for fishing and camping, said, "Long before the national conscience became exercised over the waste of our natural blessings, and long before committees of exercised citizens began making their thoughts known, Ohio Power had begun the job of reclaiming the areas from which coal had been mined."

He said that the tree-planting program, now 25 years old, has provided not only scenery, but in time will also provide the basis for a second industry, a second natural resource, with jobs and millions of board feet of lumber for the homes and apartments our society needs, "and from all this, a new level of local prosperity."

Mr. Cook concluded by saying that AEP is "demonstrating that American business can care strongly about its commitment to civilization."

Edward Smith, Officer, Retires

Edward Smith, assistant treasurer of American Electric Power Company and of the AEP Service Corporation, and assistant treas-urer and assistant secretary of 15 other AEP System companies, took early retirement May 1 after 45 years of service.

Mr. Smith joined the Service Corporation on May 1, 1924, work-ing in the former Stock Record and Dividend Department, which he later headed. More recently, in later headed. More recently, in addition to his duties as a corporate officer, he had supervised the issuing of shares of AEP common stock to more than a thousand employees under the payroll deduction purchase plan.





Mrs. Stowers

Mr. Finley

Finley, Stowers Gain Promotions

Promotions will become effective July 1 in two supervisory positions in Appalachian's general office ac-

counting department in Roanoke.
K. L. Finley, general records accountant, will become office and stores supervisor at Ohio Power Company's Cardinal plant at Bril-liant, Ohio.

Patricia A. Stowers, general book-keeper, will succeed Mr. Finley as general records accountant.

Mr. Finley, a native of Wheeling, West Virginia, is a graduate of the Steubenville, Ohio, Business College. He was employed in the content of struction department at Ohio Power's Tidd plant as a clerk, October 16, 1946. He was a clerk, plant accounting clerk, and investment accountant at Appalachian's Philip Sporn plant before coming to Roanoke in 1964 as general bookkeeper. He was named general records accountant in 1967

He is a member of the board of Trustees of Thrasher Memorial United Methodist Church in Vinton, and was a Junior Achievement advisor for the Appalachian-sponsored company this past year. He is married and has four children.

Mrs. Stowers is a native of Saltville and attended Virginia Southern College. She worked for Appalachian for several months in 1956, and rejoined the company February 11, 1957 as a clerk-typist in Point Pleasant. She returned to Roanoke as a cashier in 1958, and was petty cash clerk before moving to general office accounting as general accounting clerk in 1964. She was named general bookkeeper

Married, Mrs. Stowers is a member of the First Church of God.

Glen Lyn Plant's James G. Carr Looking Forward To Farm Life

An Appalachian career of more than 26 years came to an end June 1 with the retirement of James Grant Carr, maintenance man at the Glen Lyn plant.

Mr. Carr, who farmed before joining the company, plans to return to this first love on a parttime basis during retirement. He also expects to spend more time hunting and fishing-his favorite sports.

A native of Lovern, Virginia, he attended schools at Pipestem, West Virginia.

Mr. Carr joined the company in 1943 as a laborer. He later worked as a skilled laborer, mechanical repairman helper, mechanical maintenance helper, and mechanical maintenance man before being named maintenance man. All of his service was at Glen Lyn.

He and his wife, Virginia, reside on Rt. 1, Narrows, and are the parents of two children, James L.



Carr, who is serving in the Army and Sandra Kay Carr, at home.



New And Old Clintwood Facilities

New service facilities at Clintwood in the Abingdon division went into use recently. The old building and combination crew quarters and storeroom in the pictures on the right show conditions as they existed in 1966. The attractive modern metal building offers

new crew quarters and spacious storeroom space with an orderly arrangement of materials. The result will be better working conditions and more efficient service for our customers in the Clintwood area.

F. B. Barns Gets Welch Area Post

Frank B. Barns, Bluefield division, has been promoted from line supervisor to area superin-

tendent A.

In this new position he will be directly responsible for the supervision of all transmission and distribution facilities in the Welch, Grundy, and Pineville areas, but will work directly out of the Welch office. The



Mr. Barns

move was effective April 1.

Mr. Barns was born in Tazewell,
Virginia, and attended schools in
that area. Upon graduation from
high school he attended the University of Richmond for two years.
He served in World War II from
1942 to 1945 and was discharged

as a Technical Sergeant.

He was employed by Appalachian on July 5, 1934 as a laborer. He worked as a lineman from 1934 to 1937, groundman and clerk from 1937 to 1938, assistant storekeeper from 1938 to 1942, clerk special from 1945 to 1949, senior distribution records clerk from 1949 to 1950, distribution engineer from 1950 to 1953, line inspector from 1953 to 1958, and was made line supervisor April 1, 1958.

Mr. Barns is a member of the

Mr. Barns is a member of the Anderson Memorial Presbyterian Church. He and his wife, June, are the parents of two daughters.



New "Turtle"

George T. Linger Jr., Cabin Creek maintenance man, holds 20-pound piece of fire brick that fell some four feet and struck him on the head, momentarily dazing him. His safety hard hat saved him from serious injury and qualified him for membership in the Turtle Club.

Cooking School Big Success

The Harry Haga Annual Cooking School at Lynchburg has been an outstanding achievement for the fourth consecutive year. For the first three years, each of the 769 seats of the Plaza Theatre has been filled, with 25 or 30 persons turned away due to lack of seating capacity. This year, between 160 and 200 were refused admission by the local Fire Department due to lack of space.

The school is a joint effort on the part of the local dealer, Westinghouse Sales Corporation and the sales personnel of Appelachien

Appalachian.

According to Roger Masquelier, utility representative of Westinghouse, "This school is uneblievable. It is one of the finest I have witnessed throughout the country."

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This particular school has been "featured" in various trade journals and has received national recognition.

Peter DeMaria Elected Officer

Peter J. DeMaria was elected assistant treasurer of American Electric Power Service Corporation on May 29.

A senior administrative assistant on the treasury staff, Mr. DeMaria had joined the Service Coporation's tax division in 1959. He was transferred to the treasury staff the following year.

In his new position, he will continued to follow such accounting matters as uniform application of electronic data processing procedures, taxes, and special projects such as nuclear fuel accounting.

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"Pete" is a native of New York.

He and his wife, Pat, and their three daughters reside in Rego Park, New York.

John H. Horne Dies At Age 59

John Henry Horne, 59, a retired senior operating engineer for Appalachian, died April 27. He had taken early retirement in 1963.

Mr. Horne joined the company in 1929 after graduation from Bliss Electrical School. A native of Glade, Virginia, he started as an electrician's helper. He worked in several capacities for the company including inspector and tester, electrical engineer at Kanawha Valley hydro plants and engineer in the Welch district. He transferred to general office operating in Roanoke in 1948

He is survived by his widow, Charlotte, who resides at 1808 Westland Road, S.W., Roanoke.

Cook Honored By B'nai B'rith

Donald C. Cook, president of American Electric Power Company and of our companies, will receive the Americanism Award of the Anti-Defamation League Appeal at a ceremony in New York on June 18.

Samuel Dalsimer, national chairman of the Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith, in his announcement of the award, cited Mr. Cook for "long and outstanding years of service in both the public and private sectors of American life."

The ADL Appeal is campaigning nationally for \$7.1-million to support its inter-group research and education program, community relations and civil rights. The ADL is a leadership group of American Jews founded in 1913.

AEP Engineer Changes Made

Verlin J. Warnock, supervising engineer for Indiana & Michigan Electric Company, has been appointed head of the distribution engineering section of the American Electric Power Service Corporation.

Richard J. Bentzel, assistant head of the Service Corporation's distribution engineering section, has been named staff engineer—overhead systems.

Mr. Warnock, an engineer with I. & M. since his graduation from Purdue University in 1950, will direct the AEP System's distribution engineering activities, including those of the Service Corporation's Canton Engineering Division.

Mr. Bentzel's new assignment will include responsibility for engineering and evaluation studies with respect to distribution transformers, regulators, lighting protection systems, capacitors and switchgear. He will also handle special engineering studies in the transmission and distribution field.

The two new appointments complete a series of organizational changes in the electrical engineering division.

Arnold Bryant, Hazard, Claimed

Arnold Bryant, truck drivergroundman, died unexpectedly April 16. The Hazard division employee joined Kentucky in 1945 as a laborer. He also worked as a groundman before being promoted to truck driver-groundman. He served in the U.S. Army from 1942 to 1945. He is survived by his widow, Virginia Bryant.

Otho A. Williams, Roanoke, Retires To Resume Life Of Serving Others

After nearly 30 years of service to others in the company, Otho A. Williams, Roanoke janitor, retired June 1.

Mr. Williams, one of the Roanoke area's most popular employees, has dedicated his life to serving others. He started young. The oldest of 12 children in the family, his father died when he was 13, leaving Otho as the man of the house.

When he was 20, his mother died and Otho assumed the responsibility of raising his 11 brothers and sisters. At age 28, Otho married and a niece and nephew came to make their home with the Williams. Mr. and Mrs. Williams are now raising the niece's son.

Otho remarked although he and his wife had no children of their own, they have raised three generations.

A common way of life for Otho in the early years was holding down two jobs. He has worked the whole gamut of work days from 12 hours a day, 7 days a week with no vacation nor holidays to today's 5-day week.

Otho first joined Appalachian in 1927 at the old Campbell Avenue building as a janitor but left the company during the depression and returned in 1943 to begin continuous service.

Otho has found time in his busy work and family schedule to be extremely active in civic and church work. He is a deacon of the Hill Street Baptist Church, president of the men's club and assistant secretary of the Men's Union with members from 15 churches. He also is a member of the Deacon's



Mr. Williams

Conference and on its Executive Board of Southwest Virginia. He has been a Sunday School teacher in his church for 27 years and has been chairman of the finance committee since 1956.

He helped organize the Valentine Social Club and the Just Right Social Club. He is president of the latter. He also is a member of the YMCA. One of his hobbies is writing poetry, just for the fun of it.

Otho was the first president of the Roanoke Employee Benevolent Association, taking office in 1951.

He plans to just take it easy during retirement and "play it by ear;" "but," he said, "I expect my wife will find plenty to keep me busy".

42-Year Vet, Clayton A. Athey, Sporn Plant, Enters Retirement

Clayton A. Athey, shift operating engineer at Philip Sporn plant took early retirement June 1 after completing over 42 years of company service.

Mr. Athey was born at Williamstown, West Virginia and at the age of 19 was employed by the company as a laborer at the Windsor plant of the Beech Bottom Power Company, at Power, West Virginia. He later became a boiler room man and a turbine operator. He transferred to the Philip Sporn plant as a control operator July 16, 1949, was promoted to assistant shift operating engineer June 1, 1950 and to his present position of shift operating engineer November 1, 1961.

His retirement plans include spending some time swimming, hunting and fishing. He is looking forward to visits in Florida where he and his wife will get together with other retired Sporn employees and Windsor employees who now reside there part of the year. The couple expects to continue to reside in New Haven, West Virginia.

"Clayte" as he is called by his friends attends the United Metho-



Mr. Athey

dist Church in New Haven, is a member of the Masonic Lodge and a member of the Central Operating Company Veterans Association. He and his wife Iva have four children: Harry, Clayton Eugene, Richard and Judy.



Scouts Cite Company

Appalachian was one of seven Charleston area firms to receive a Buckskin Trailblazer Award in recognition of outstanding support of scouting. In the above picture (from left), Art Greiner, scout executive, and Steven Nutter, son of John Nutter, meter serviceman; present award to Miller C. Porterfield, vice president and Charleston division manager.

Company Couples Exchange Wedding Vows



Harris-Ellis

Betty Jean Harris and James R. Ellis were united in marriage in a double ring ceremony at the Thrasher Memorial United Metho-dist Church of Vinton, Virginia, on May 3. Mrs. Ellis is a stenographer in the public affairs department,



Groseclose-Pendleton

Patricia Angela Groseclose and Larry Glenn Pendleton exchanged nuptial vows on April 26 in the First Presbyterian Church of Kings-port, Tennessee. Mrs. Pendleton is the daughter of W. C. Groseclose, administrative assistant, Bluefield.



Farley-Flemming

Judith Lynne Farley and John Judith Lynne Farley and John William Flemming were united in marriage in a double ring ceremony at the First Methodist Church, Princeton, West Virginia, on April 4. Mrs. Flemming is the daughter of Clyde L. Farley, Tazewell area supervisor, Bluefield division.



Martin-Richardson

Sandra Jeanne Martin and George Luther Richardson, II, were united in marriage in a double ring ceremony on May 10. Mr. Richardson is a time clerk at the John Amos Plant construction.



Patton-Crawford

Linda Sue Patton became the bride of Michael Ray Crawford on April 11. Mrs. Crawford is a clerk-trainee in the accounting department, Ashland.



Standing (from left)—Barbara Sue Rice, president of the Kilo-ettes; Shelia Childs, project chairman; sitting: Carmin Shannon and Lucy Taylor, committee members.

Planning GI Christmas

The Kilo-ettes club of Kentucky Power in Ashland would like to help Santa arrive early this year for our GIs overseas. The girls plan to collect, package and ship gift boxes filled with items badly

Francis J. Kiener, wage and salary superivsor for Ohio Power Company for 20 years, died May 16 following a lingering illness. He

Veteran Ohio Power

Supervisor Succumbs

was 60.

They're Engaged

KATHERINE CLAUDETTE RIDDLE to Ronald Dane Brown. Mr. Brown is the son of Melvin W. Brown, customer accounting supervisor, Fieldale, Roanoke division.

KUTURA CAREY to Larry Peters. Mr. Peters is the son of Leveeta Peters, maid, Huntington.

CAROLYN C. ROYSTER to Charles T. hompson. Miss Royster is a clerk trainee,



Elsie Burdsal, wife of James R. Burdsal, Pikeville division superin-

tendent, was selected as "Outstanding Teacher of Year."
This honor

for Mrs. Burdsal was an-nounced at the annual spring meeting of the Woman's Club. Ballots for this honor are taken and cast secretly



Mrs. Burdsal

and no one knows who will receive the award until it is announced at this annual meeting. In addition to the award Mrs. Burdsal was presented a framed note written by one of her students which aptly described her ability to inspire as a teacher.

Mrs. Burdsal teaches the second grade in the Pikeville city grade school and has taught in this school system for more than fourteen years. She previously taught in the Hazard, Kentucky and Perry County school systems.

Mr. and Mrs. Burdsal and family live in the Green Meadows or Wells Addition section of Pike County and attend the First Baptist Church in Pikeville, Kentucky.



Poe-Jones

Jacquin Jane Poe became the bride of Sp/5 James W. Jones on April 4 in the Pleasant Hill United Methodist Church, Independence. Mrs. Jones is a clerk-stenographer in the Blue Ridge Development office, Independence, Virginia.

Robertson-Barnett

Diana Robertson was married to Fred Barnett on April 12 in the First Presbyterian Church. Mr. Barnett is the son of Clifton Barnett, engineering record clerk,



Pope-Moore

March 21st was the wedding day of Louise Antoinette Pope and Pvt. Michael Dewey Moore, who were married at the Arlington Christian Church of Levinette Kontucky Church of Lexington, Kentucky.
Mrs. Moore is the daughter of
Charles Pope, general office accounting department, Ashland.

Teubert-Epling

Blondene Teubert was married to William F. Epling on April 12. Mr. Epling is a customer accounts representative, Beckley.



Aew Arrivals



Bluefield Division

MR. AND MRS. THOMAS R. MARTIN, a son, Gregory R., April 30. Mr. Martin is a stationman helper.

MR. AND MRS. GRADY L. PARKER, a son, Douglas Leon, May 9. Mr. Parker is an electrical engineer.

Huntington Division

MR. AND MRS. MIKE GEORGE, a daughter, Michelle Lynn, April 27. Mrs. George was a customer accounts represen-tative.

General Office

MR. AND MRS. ROGER C. LAW, a son, Scott Douglas, April 20. Mr. Law is an employee in the classification & accounts payable section of general office accounting, Roanoke.

MR. AND MRS. C. E. HYLTON, a son, Christopher Graham, April 16. Mr. Hylton is a general office accounting clerk, Roanoke.

Logan-Williamson Division

MR. AND MRS. CHESTER E. ELKINS, a daughter, Trecia Allana, May 3. Elkins is division service coordinator.

Lynchburg Division

MR. AND MRS, THOMAS R. BURLEY, a son, David Rhea, April 26. Mr. Burley is an engineering aide.

Philip Sporn Plant

MR. AND MRS. JAMES H. BENNETT, JR., a son, James H., III, April 23. Mr. Bennett is a utility operator.

Ashland Division

MR. AND MRS. THOMAS JAMES, a son, Thomas Arthur, April 29. Mr. James is a meter reader.

Hazard Division

MR. AND MRS. ATANA WELLS, a son, Patrick Atana, April 20. Mr. Wells is an appliance serviceman.



Mini-Headset

Mrs. Helen Terry, Roanoke division PBX operator, demonstrates a new headset which the operators are using. The entire unit is so light it can be attached to the operator's eye glasses, if worn.



needed by our servicemen. Needed are small items which cannot be

easily broken and non-perishable, packaged foods. Collection boxes for gifts have been placed in the Ashland offices, Big Sandy plant and at various other locations in

Since front line GIs must often

do without many of the simple, everyday necessities of life which we take for granted, the girls hope that their gifts will tell the service-

men that we still remember and

appreciate their efforts.

Huntington Benevolent Group Elects

Newly elected officers of Huntington's Benevolent Committee are (from left) C. W. McCormick; L. A. Meador, president; Laura Collins, secretary; Albert Lewis, vice president; and Charles Adkins.

Kingsport

Donna Lingar, daughter of C. S. Lingar, commercial sales representative, received a superior rating for



her flute solo at the recent Upper East Tennessee
Solo and Ensemble Festival. A ninth
grader at John
Sevier junior high school, she has been a member of the school band for three years and is a memberofthe Kingsport

Symphony Youth Orchestra. In addition to her music activities, Donna is a candy striper at Holston Valley Community Hospital, a reporter for the teen page of the local city newspaper, a Cadet Scout (having been a Girl Scout for eight years), and is active in church work.

The first Treasurer of the Blountwille Business and Professional Women's Club, which received its charter on May 2, is Mrs. Wanda Barnes, wife of Lake Barnes, appliance serviceman.

A recent graduate of Johnston Memorial Hospital School of Nurs-ing in Abingdon is Mary Safriet, daughter of L. M. Safriet, general serv-



Mary

three years, Mary was treasurer of the Student Body Association her senior year, a member of the Glee Club for three years, a senior mem-

iceman. An honor student throughout her

dent Council, junior class parlia-mentarian, and member of the Student Nurse Association of Vir-ginia. She plans to "take it easy" this summer and begin her career as a registered nurse in the fall at a local hospital.

Attending the 29th Annual Convention of the National School Board Association in Miami were John Faust, power sales engineer, senior, and J. W. Bolton, meter supervisor. Being chairman of the Kingsport Board of Education, Mr. Faust represented the city of Kingsport, and Mr. Bolton, secretary and vice chairman of the Sullivan County Board of Education, represented Sullivan County. Highlighting the formal class sessions was a speech by Col. James A. McDivitt, Apollo 9 Astronaut.

Curtis Hurd, truck driver—groundman, and Fred S. LaRue, heating and builder sales representative, have taken Long Term Disability leave due to ill health.

Condolences are extended to J. L. Melton, lineman helper, on the death of his father-in-law.

Roy L. Ferrell, head T&D clerk, has been elected a member of the Board of Directors of the Sevier Terrace Recreation Center.

Huntington

Richard Bruce, son of Fred Bruce. the National Junior Honor Society at Barboursville junior high school. He was one of five in his class to be accepted.

New division employees are: Judy Blevins, clerk-stenographer, commercial; Harold M. Rowe, meter reader; Karl B. Click, janitor at Point Pleasant, and Hubert W. Johnson, lineman helper at Point

Returning to work after extended illnesses are Marshall Foster, meterman helper, and J. E. LeMaster, stationman.

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Happenings Around The Circuit



May was the month of queens in the Lynchburg division. In the above picture Roy A. Tibbs, commercial sales engineer, places crown on his daughter, Jane Ellen, this year's May Queen at Longwood College. Below, Kelly Chapman, president of Ruritan National, crowns Susan Elizabeth Morris as Miss Nelson Teenage VI at the annual Nelson County Day celebration. Susan Elizabeth is the granddaughter of R. D. Curtis, retired lead draftsman.



Roanoke

Martin L. Ratcliff, heating builder sales representative, was elected a director of the Roanoke Jaycees and named "Jaycee of the

R. C. "Sea Biscuit" Simmons has returned to work after an extended

J. R. Davenport, administrative assistant, was appointed to the development committee of Downtown Roanoke Inc.

Sympathy is extended to John H. Terry, transportation foreman, on the death of his mother, and to Mary Tyler, clerk-typist, accounting, on the death of her brother in

Helen Young, Janet Wynot and K. D. Cox, all T&D employees, took a two-day bus tour with 42 other Roanokers into horse country and visited such places as Arthur Godfrey's horse farm and the Charleston race track.

Annise Craig, secretary to the division manager, was elected vice president of the Wesleyan Service Guild of the Huntington Court Methodist Church.

New employees are: Alie A. Mason, part-time clerk-trainee, Rocky Mount; Daniel O. Napper, janitor, Roanoke; and Donald W. Lawhorn, lineman helper, T&D.

Fieldale

J. W. Wright, D. G. Merriman and Ray Martin recently finished a refresher course in cardiac massage for the Stuart and Fieldale line crews.

Nelson Havens won first prize in the locally sponsored photography contest for a black and white

Dan G. Tyler attended a GE cooking clinic in Chicago.

Lynchburg

Lawrence R. Hudson, T&D, was elected chairman of the Pool Tournament Committee of the Elks

James H. Haley, Jr., customer service representative, spoke to the General Electric Engineers' Wives Club on "Safety In The Home". A cash donation in Mr. Haley's name was given to the building fund of the Lynchburg First Aid Crew. Mr. Haley was a charter member of the

Captain William A. Kelly, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. Kelly, has been enrolled in the Air Force Institute of Technology. The graduate-level A. F. I. T. program prepares career officers for management assignments and positions in scientific and development engineering fields. Mr. Kelly is a general serviceman.

Mrs. Richard O. Cash has been appointed publicity chairman of the Madison Heights Junior Women's Club. Her husband is a meter serviceman.

John W. Vaughan, division manager, has been named to the Master Planning Committee of Central Lynchburg, Inc.

Donna Ashworth and Deborah Ford have been elected senior cheerleaders of E. C. Glass high school for the coming year. These young ladies have also been selected by the junior class to attend "Girls State" at Radford College this summer. Donna is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse L. Ashworth. Mr. Ashworth is dealer sales representative. Deborah is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Ford, Jr. Mr. Ford is sales manager.

General ttice

Raymond D. Bright, classification & accounts payable section of the accounting department, was elected vice president of the Roa-noke Jaycees. He has served as Jaycee secretary and received the group's SPOKE of the Year Award

Thomas L. Robertson, husband of Joyce Robertson, accounting department, was elected president of the Roanoke Jaycees. He has served as vice president, director and treasurer and is a Certified Public Accountant.

Ashland

Gloria Kirtz and Sandra Loar are new employees in the general office accounting department. office accounting department.
Gloria is married and her husband is currently serving in the Air Force in Okinawa. Sandy is a native of Kenova, West Virginia.

At a recent meeting of the Ashland Women's Bowling Associa-tion, Bo Humphrey was elected President for the 1969-70 season. Bo has previously held this office twice. There are 1,170 members in the association.

Sympathy is extended to William Chaffins, retired employee, on the death of his wife, Virgie, on May 10.

James Vanover was recently graduated from Morehead State University. He was a music major and completed his practice teaching at Raceland high school.

Jim has been awarded a graduate
assistantship at Morehead and
intends to continue his college work toward a master's degree in music. Jim is the son of Everett Vanover, engineering record clerk in the engineering department.

Rita and Lois Compton, daughters of Roscoe Compton, general office accounting department, were both elected to the honor societies at their schools. Rita attends Paul Blazer high school and Lois was honored at Putnam junior high school.

Virgil Brewer, Jr. has been appointed a civil engineer in the works engineering department of the Arm-co Steel Corporation in Ashland. A 1958 AEP Educational Award recipient and a graduate of the University of Kentucky, he recently returned to this country after completing a tour of duty with the Air Force. Virgil is the son of Virgil Brewer, draftsman, in the engineering department.

Charles Stayton, personnel supervisor, and Ray Adkins, lineman, were presented with gold galloneer pins from the Red Cross Bloodmo-

bile this month.

Mary Lynn Scholtens, daughter of John Scholtens, T&D manager of Kentucky Power, was named to the honor roll at Transylvania College in Lexington where she is a senior biology major. Miss Scholtens achieved a 3.77 for the

The Ashland school system recently sponsored a city-wide pos-ture poster contest in which Ronnie Cole, a sixth grade student, won first place for Crabbe elementary school and placed second in the city competition. Ronnie's poster depicting correct and incorrect posture is currently contending for state honors. This was a busy month for Ronnie as he also was among the group of Ashland School Patrol children which were given a tour of Washington D. C. His mother, Mary Cole, is an employee in the general office meter department.

Charles R. Keeton has been named to the dean's list at Morehead University in Kentucky where he is a sophomore. Gregory Keeton was recently graduated from Morehead University with a BBS degree. Charles and Gregory are the sons of Walter Keeton, serviceman sr. in the T&D department.

Margaret Whitaker is a new employee in the Ashland division

commercial department. She is our new home service representa-tive who will replace Becky Mayo who plans to be married soon. Mrs. Whitaker is a graduate of Eastern Kentucky University.

Donna Hickman began employ-

ment this month in the division accounting office. Donna is married and a native of Ironton, Ohio. She and her husband are residents of Ashland.

Another new employee is William Wallace, T&D man in the T&D department. Bill is married and has one son. He and his family reside in Ashland. He enjoys hunting, fishing and sports in his spare

Kanawha

New employees are Raymond L. Wehrle and Raymond C. Fletcher, both laborers.

Sympathy is extended to F. W. Holden on the death of his brother and to H. C. Skaggs Jr. on the death of his brother.

Clinch River

Carolyn Sue McDonald and Kim Browning (from left), daughters of Clinch River plant employees Lovell H. McDonald and Clarence Browning were members of a group of six students from the fifth grade at Lebanon elementary school that won first place in the Russell County Junior 4-H Talent Show. The girls performed an "Alley Cat Dance" and won out over 20 other entries



Carolyn and Kim

T. W. Abolin, Clinch River manager, received the National Veterans of Foreign Wars "Distinquished Service Citizenship Award" t the annual Russell County Civic

Banquet re-cently. He was specifically cited for his acts in this mote Americanism and good citizen-ship. He was instrumental n securing proper equip-ment to display the American flag in three loca-



Mr. Abolin

tions that had long needed such facilities. He also provided small decals of the National Colors to all of his plant employees so that they too might indicate pride in our country. VFW Post 9864 nominated him for the award. He also has served the area as president of the Russell County Chamber of Commerce, an active member of the Lebanon Lions Club, a member of the Southwest Virginia Community College Curriculum Committee and member of the Executive Board of Sequoah Council of the Boy Scouts.

Luther C. Houchins, III, son of Clinch's personnel supervisor, was

selected by the faculty of Lebanon high school to receive the Williams H. Dan-forth Award for outstanding leadership qualities exhibited and per-sonal accom-plishment atained during four years at the school. His achievements



Luke

ranged from state-wide recognition for creative writing to playing middle guard on the varsity football team. "Luke" will enter King College this fall with plans to prepare for a career in public or industrial relations.

Hazard

Sympathy is extended to Simon Lunce on the death of his aunt to McArthur Combs on the death of his grandfather, and to Callie Mc-Guire on the death of his grandmother.

C. A. Zoellers, managerial assistant, and Russell Muncy, senior distribution engineer, attended the district meeting of the Kiwanis Club at Natural Bridge, Kentucky.

School For Brides



Small electric appliances drew attention.



Mrs. Crabtree (right) helps dishwasher manufacturer's representative point out benefits.



Model brides at model reception setting



Kathy Wampler (left), a student at Gate City high school, is shown here with Mrs. Gibson (center) and Mrs. Snodgrass. Kathy participated in a skit at the school.

Bachelors in Scott County, Virginia, had better be wary if the attendance at the first—and perhaps the annual—"School for Brides" at Appalachian's Gate office was any indication of what the girls have in mind.

The idea of Carolyn Gibson, an Abingdon division home sales representative, the school was co-sponsored by Appalachian and the Scott County Co-operative Extension Service.

Nearly 600 women came to the four Thursday evening sessions late in March and early April. They came to get tips on "how to plan

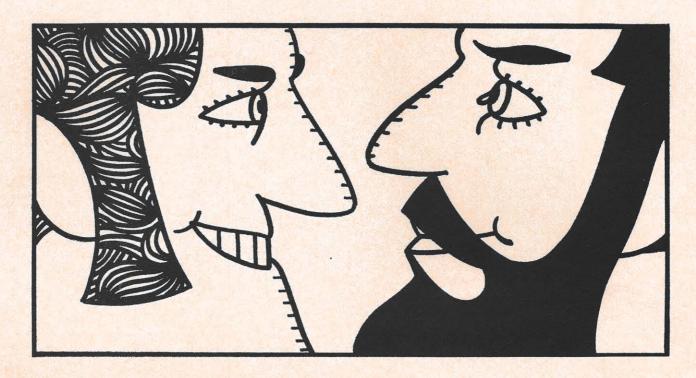
a beautiful wedding . . . how to be a gracious hostess . . . how to plan your home for better living electrically", just a few of the subjects on the program which every bride-to-be should know.

The girls weren't all future brides. New homemakers and mothers of brides were there, too. They saw bridal fashion shows and demonstrations of electrical work saving devices. They watched a bride's "First Meal" prepared and heard advice on "Money Management for the Young Couple."

Premarital counseling information was presented by an area minister and reception and floral arrangements were covered in another session.

Working with Mrs. Gibson on arrangements for the school were Mrs. Judi Crabtree and Mrs. Pattie Snodgrass, both of the extension service.

The affair was reported to be a great success and many requests have been received to make the school an annual event.



about beards, mini-skirts...

Fashions and fads come and go. Miniskirts are "in" today and what red-blooded American boy is going to complain about that?

But, mini-skirts can cause problems. Take the poor guy, for example, who while trying hard not to stare at the mini-mini-skirted waitress ordered "bacon and legs" for breakfast. The yolk was on him.

Speaking of fads, how about long hair on males? What parent of a pre-schooler hasn't been embarrassed when his child stopped on the street, pointed to a passing youth and asked, "Is that a boy or a girl?"

Yes, fashions and fads come and go. It's probably a good thing they do—it helps keep life from being dull.

How do fashions and fads affect employees of companies like ours? Is there a so-called "standard" of dress and grooming?

John R. Larew, Appalachian's personnel director, commented, "There's no question that attire of employees is changing, and rapidly so. For men there are more and more colored shirts, wide and sometimes psychedelic ties, sports jackets, cuffless trousers, creeping sideburns, and some beards. And girls: straight-long or sculptured-short hair, miniskirts, thick-heeled shoes and patterned stockings. But," he added, "extreme dress eccentricities are rare, almost non-existent.

"Although there may be some employees who prefer the ultra-conventional look, the average employee, male and female, maintains standards of good grooming and tasteful dress."

The personnel director said, "We certainly approve of our employees keeping abreast of the modern style of dress. After all, this is part of our image as a progressive, modern company. For an example, we certainly wouldn't want our girls to wear ankle length dresses with high button shoes when these aren't in vogue.

"On the other hand, we also wouldn't want them to dress in a flamboyant manner, giving the public the impression that we're a 'deviltake-care' outfit.



"One thing that we, as employees of an investor-owned utility, must always keep in mind is that we are constantly in the eye of the public. Our customers wouldn't appreciate, and rightfully so, our companies creating an unstable image, and, believe it or not, the types of employees and the way they dress are a big part of the company's local image."

Mr. Larew added, "It really boils down to common sense, horse sense or good taste, whatever you want to call it. It's up to the individual to keep in contact with current styles, while at the same time being realistic toward what standard of dress and grooming is conducive to a good business atmosphere."

Bluefield

Donald H. White, son of H. S. White, line foreman, Inon-exempt, has accepted



Donald

an appointment to the United States Naval Academy at Annapolis, Maryland. The Congressional appointment was from Senator Rob-ert C. Byrd and Representative James Kee of the 5th West Virginia Dis-

trict. Donald is a senior at Welch high school where he served as secretary of the Key Club, a member of the National Honor Society, Quill & Scroll, a member of the Annual Staff, Future Medical and Future Teachers Association of America, the Pep Club and Teens Against Cancer. Donald will report to the U. S. Naval Academy on June 30,

Grady L. Parker, senior electrical engineer, has been elected a director of the Glenwood-Green Valley Kiwanis Club.

E. E. Fanning, building supervisor, has been appointed Trustee of Harman Lodge No. 222, AF&AM, Bluefield, Virginia.

Sam Conner, meter reader, was recently installed sergeant-at-arms in the Loyal Order of Moose, Princeton Lodge No. 1521.

Mrs. W. B. Belchee, wife of Belchee, sales manager, the 1969-71 vice president of the Trinity Methodist W.S.C.S. in Bluefield and is also the new librarian in the McGuffey Book

Benny Nash, son of G. B. Nash, Lineman in Tazewell line crew, has been inducted into the National Junior Honor Society at Tazewell junior high school.

Jane B. White, customer accounts representative in the Welch accounting office, has resigned to move to Norfolk, Virginia, with her husband who is stationed there with the U. S. Navy.

The following new employees were welcomed: Judith J. Burchette, employed temporarily in the meter department during conversion of meter records. Judy is a former employee. Thomas T. Garrett, temporary employee in the building service department; Douglas M. McClanahan, station man helper; William P. McKinney, Jr., line-man helper in the Welch crew; and David M. Francisco, engineering aide in division T&D.

Jane Meadows, wife of Howard S. Meadows, senior electrical engineer, was installed as parliamentarian of the Bluefield Civic League.

Among winners in the "Laurel Leaves" creative writing contest at Bluefield high school were: Nora Wright, junior, daughter of D. C. Wright, administrative assistant, who received a gold pin for first place in poetry, and Marty Crotty, junior, son of Arnold Crotty, engineering aide, who received a bronze pin for third place in short story.

Donald White, son of H. S. White, line foreman, was inducted into the W. R. Keyser Chapter of the Quill and Scroll at Welch high school where he is a senior. The Quill and Scroll is a distinctive award bestowed on students performing outstanding service in the cause of high school journalism.

James Reynolds, stationman, and Clyde "Bus" Dangerfield, area serviceman, were elected third vice president and treasurer, respectively, of the Pocahontas, Virginia, Lions Club.

Mrs. B. E. Bates, wife of retired meter supervisor B. E. Bates, was re-elected chaplain of the John Chapman Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution.

Mrs. W. C. Kidd, wife of retired division T&D superintendent W. C. Kidd, was installed as president of the Little Gardens Club.

Mary Helen Kirby, home sales representative, was elected secretary-treasurer of the newly organized organization of home economists at their initial meeting. She also demonstrated the versatronic oven and range for the group.

Happenings Around The Circuit



Chester Smith, Pikeville administrative assistant, won second place in the annual membership drive of the Pike County Chamber of Commerce. Smith (center) is shown here receiving an attache case as second prize from (left) Dr. R. H. Myers, chamber president, and Dee Dawahare, vice president.

Charleston

Douglas Newman, son of D. P. Newman, engineering supervisor, received a BS

degree in mar-keting from West Virginia University. At the same time he was com-missioned a second lieutenant in the U.S. Army. Douglas has delayed orders in re-porting for active military duty and is



Douglas

studying for
his MBA degree at the University.
New employees at Charleston
are George David Begler, John
Vincent Kelly, Raymond H. Young and James Edward Hazelett, all lineman helpers; Patricia Sue Graham, draftsman senior, and William Scott Walker, electrical engineer.



Ronald

Terri

Children of three employees received the state's Golden Horseshoe Award recently. They were Ronald Griffith, son of R. R. Griffith, senior engineer, and Terrill daughter of Glenn A. Paul. Paul, daughter of Gle meter serviceman, both Charleston, and Ann Barker, daughter of J. C. Barker, Beckley dealer sales representative. Ronald was one of six Kanawha County students to win the awards on the basis of scores on a test covering state history, geography, development, government and other topics. Terri represented Lincoln County and was one of only four students from that area. The winners from each county gathered at the state Capitol May 9 to receive their awards. Ann represented Raleigh County and was one of four students from there. No picture of Ann was available.

Beckley

Chrissie Presley, daughter of R. E. Presley, was elected Council Representative to the Sub-Deb

Pikeville

Mrs. R. L. (Minnie) Huffman, mother of Ruth Newsom, preaudit clerk, was named "Mother of the Year" by the Grace Baptist Church congregation at Shelbiana. The announcement, which had remained a secret, was made at the Mother's Day service at the church. This is the second time since the program was started several years ago that an employee's wife or mother received the honor.

Marketta Blackburn, daughter of Henry Blackburn, engineering record clerk senior, won first place in the senior division of the 4-H clothes designing and making competition. She will represent Pike County at the State Fair again this year. This is the second year that Miss Blackburn has ranked high in this competition.

Glen Lyn

James H. Smith, R. Clayton Atwood and Charles R. McCallister, Jr., are new employees in the maintenance department.

Philip Sporn

New employees in the results department are Bruce E. Hall and Robert L. Kincaid II, both engineers B.

John E. Amos

Sympathy is extended to J. D. Hunley, civil engineering, on the recent death of his father.

Council, representing the Co-Quette Sub-Deb Club of Woodrow Wilson high school. Her father is stores and garage supervisor at Beckley.

Mrs. Edna Arnott, wife of H. F. Arnott, credit supervisor at Beckley, was elected first vice president of the Fidelis Class of the First Baptist Church.

Chapter No. 71, Order of Eastern Star at Beckley recently honored past matrons and patrons of the chapter. Among those honored were Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Thorne and Mrs. Virginia Bonds. Thorne is a retired employee and Mrs. Bonds is the wife of A. W. Bonds, truck driver-groundman.

Logan-Williamson

A Logan high school senior has been appointed by Representative Ken Hechler, West Virginia Fourth

Congressional District, to serve as a princess in the Court of Queen Silvia XXXIII for the 33rd Mountain State Forest Festival Octo--5 i n West She Elkins, Virginia. is Miss Stella Mae Bivens, daughter of



Stella Mae

W. E. Bivens,
Logan-Williamson sales supervisor.
Active in Girl Scouting, Miss
Bivens is a member of the National Honor Society, the National Thespians and Keyettes at Logan high school. She plans to major in political science in college for a career in journalism or public

Raymond E. Gay, Engineer B, a new employee in the Logan Engineering Department.

Karyn Cantees, daughter of Naomi, Williamson accounting, was named Pikes Peak Queen at the Pikes Peak Day games held recently at Marshall University in Huntington. Miss Cantees was chosen by Pi Kappa Alpha Fraternity which annually sponsors the event. She was a candidate of Alpha Chi Omega Sorority of which she is an active member. Miss Cantees is a sophomore at Marshall majoring

Hazel Kinser, wife of stationman Dallas, received an honorary life membership in the Parents Teach-ers Association at the recent spring dinner meeting of the Logan County PTA Council.

Sympathy is extended to Richard C. Atkins on the death of his father-in-law and to Edith Williams on the death of her mother-inlaw

Glen, son of C. A. Simmons, ivision engineer, and Melody, division engineer, and Melody, daughter of stationman Dallas A. Kinser, were recently inducted in the Chief Cornstalk Chapter of the National Junior Honor Society.

Zack Browning, retired, and now living in Plant City, Florida, was a recent visitor to the Logan Office.

Mickey White, son of line & station supervisor, M. A. White, won \$10 and a world yearbook recently in the nationally known "Junior Editors Quiz". Mickey's question submitted to the Quiz was, "What is meant by a clipper ship"?

Mary Elizabeth Davis, commercial department, recently represented the Logan County Women's Bowling League at the Women's International Bowling Conference in San Diego, California.

Mrs. Ruby Henritze, wife of retiree Thomas L., was guest speaker and installing officer for installation ceremonies of the Verdunville Woman's Club. Mrs. Henritze is president of the Southwestern District of the West Virginia Faderstion of Woman's Clubs ginia Federation of Woman's Clubs.

New K.Y.A.P. Credit Union officers recently elected at Williamson are: Alberta Shelton, president; T. F. Valley, vice-president; C. L. Miller, treasurer; Betty Roach, secretary; Joe Hartzog (retired), and Lawrence Corons tired) and Lorrayne Corea, directors. Elected to the supervisory committee were: Jack Riddle, Chairman; Albert D. Browning d Staton members Those serving on the credit committee are: Virginia Renn, chairman, Emma Warren and C. J. Maynard.

Mrs. Beatrice K. King, wife of area manager, E. E. King, has been selected to serve as chairman of the "Celebration Belles" committee during the Black Diamond Jubilee celebration commemorating Williamson's 75th anniversary. Alberta Shelton, Managerial, will serve as secretary of this committee.

Mary Ann, daughter of Ralph Bragg, area serviceman, Madison, won first place in the Madison Grade School Science Fair. Mary Ann's entry was an exhibit describing electric generation. She is 10 years of age and attends the fifth

Sympathy is extended to Ralph T. Williams, stationman on the death of his father.

Abingdon

JoAnn Crabtree, daughter of Tom Crabtree and a student at

Longwood College, was named to Lambda Iota Tau, an inter-national honor society for outstanding achievement in language literture course. Membership is composed of juniors and seniors who have not only

JoAnn

reached a high degree of achievement in literature courses but have also submitted acceptable examples of their writing for review by a chosen committee. JoAnn serves as social chairman for Alpha Phi Sorority, is a member the Student Education Association and has been active in orientation work. She is majoring in Spanish.

Leah Fleenor, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James E. Fleenor, Abingdon, won a first place in the American History Essay Contest in the Eastern Division of the National Society DAR. Leah's essay, which won on the local level, was sent on to the state competition where it won again. The win in the Eastern Division was in competition with essays from five states and the District of Columbia.



Leah

Kathy

Kathy Garrett, daughter of V. W. Garrett, Lebanon line crew, was a first place winner in the annual Lebanon high school science fair. Participants in the Abingdon science fair and winners were Bo Sheffey, Mike McFall and Bobby Hefner.

Sharon Honaker, daughter of Eleanor Honaker, and Leah Fleenor, daughter of James Fleenor, members of Abingdon high school band, won chairs in the All-County Band. Sharon was also a member of a cornet trio who won Division I rating at a regional Solo and Ensemble Festival. Beth Hughes, daughter of James Hughes, won first chair (flute) in the Scott County Cavalier Band.

Sympathy is extended to Fred Rosenbaum on the death of his mother and to Mrs. W. C. Lindamood on the death of her brother.

C. M. Wagner, Jr., sales supervisor, was recently elected treasurer of the Washington County United

Cynthia Anne, daughter of Wayne Warren, stores & garage supervisor, Logan, was recently elected vice president and pledge trainer of the Epsilon Chapter of Kappa Omicron Phi, Home Eco-nomics National Honor Society. Miss Warren, a junior at Marshall University, maintained a 3.66 grade point average for the first semester of this term.

O. F. Toalston, retired employee, was a recent visitor to the Logan Office.

Auston Newsome is a new emloyee in the Logan Accounting Department.

Charles A. Simmons, division engineer, was recently appointed to serve as acting mayor of the City of Logan during the two-day absence of the city's regular mayor, Dr. H. H. Cudden.

A 100 hour pin was presented to Mrs. Hendry D. Hatfield, wife of the Williamson stores & garage supervisor, recently at a meeting of the Williamson Appalachian Regional Hospital Auxiliary.

Ben Donevant, Logan credit representative, has been appointed co-chairman of the West Virginia Junior Chamber of Commerce's State Driving Ro-de-O.

Sympathy is extended to Everette Carrico on the death of his brother-in-law.



Pikeville Officers

The Pikeville Division Bowling League elected officers for the 1969-70 season recently at its annual banquet. New officers are (from left) Curtis Wallen, president; Lenore Biliter, secretary; David Lang, vice president, and L. M. Newsom, treasurer.

Roanokers Open Title Bid



Members of Appalachian's B League entry are (front row, from left) Price, Jamison, Switzer, Croft, Saunders, Law, Blevins, Agnew, Wolford. Back row: Hale, Ensley, Adcock, Moran, Arnold, Norcross, Naff, Peters, Reynolds.

Roanoke division and general office employees opened their bid for the city's B League softball championship early this month.

Each team in the 10-team league will play an 18-game schedule, winding up the season in August.

Manager Charlie Price is predicting a league title for his charges, several of whom are new faces on the Appalachian team. Carrying

the pitching load this season will be Reggie Reynolds and Don Hale.

Team members are: Gordon E. Peters, Jerry Adcock, R. E. Ensley, R. L. Jamison, Reggie Reynolds, Don Hale, Gus Croft, Jerry Saunders, Ronnie Switzer, Daniel C. Naff, Jr., Randy Agnew, Pete Norcross, George S. Arnold, Ronald G. Blevins, Roger Law, L. H. Moran and Gary Wolford.

Bluefield Golf Winners



Golf winners with trophies are (from left) T. B. Henly, Herman St. Clair, Richard Bocock and D. C. Wright. O. L. Robinson was another winner.

The Bluefield Division Golf Tournament was held on May 3 at the Fincastle Country Club at Bluefield. Thirty-five company employees participated in this annual tournament. C. J. Light, retired stores supervisor, was the only retired employee to partici-

Prizes were given for first and second place, low gross, and first, second and third low net. Richard Bocock, customer accounts representative, was first low gross with an 83 and T. B. Henly, division right-of-way agent, was second

low gross with an 86. D. C. Wright, administrative assistant, was low net with a 73 and Herman St. Clair, engineer, and O. L. Robinson, accounting supervisor, tied for second low net.

Prizes consisted of a golfing rain suit, a golf bag, an umbrella, a putter, and a sweater.

This tournament is the third annual event to be held in the Bluefield division and a different employee has won the tournament each year.

Fishing Contest Pulls Lunkers

A public fishing contest at Smith Mountain Lake early in May produced several lunkers.

At least two Appalachian employees scored. Scott Haskins, who has left the company for other employment since the contest, landed a 6-pound 5-ounce bass to place fifth in the largemouth division. He won \$50 worth of fishing equipment. Two 9-pound-plus largemouths led the contest.

R. B. Horne, Roanoke division instrument man, caught two that didn't win any prizes but were still good fish. He caught a 4-pound 4-ounce largemouth bass and a 6-pound 12-ounce catfish. Both fish were entered in the Roanoke Employees' Fishing Club contest.

Agnew, Powell Win At Roanoke

About 120 Roanoke division and general office employees participated in the annual company golf tournament last month at the Ole Monterey course.

Randy Agnew, a co-op student, walked off with low gross honors with a 71. Ted Carroll, general office, T&D, was runner-up with a gross 75.

Aubrey Powell, general office station, carded the low net score of 70. Runner-up spot was a three-way tie between Bob Main and Calvin Sisson of general office and Dewey Henry of division.

Lynchburg Youth Cited By Team

James R. Dorman, 16-year-old sophomore at the Holy Cross Academy, received a soccer trophy for being the "most improved" player. He is the son of J. R. Dorman, Lynchburg division engineer.

In addition to the varsity soccer team, Jim is a member of the JV basketball team and the varsity baseball team. The members of these three teams elected Jim to receive the "Best Spirit Award".

Kingsport Youth Reaps Trophies

John Randall's prowess with a tennis racket is backed up by his trophies.

Last summer he won three trophies—first place in the senior division of the Kingsport Tennis Tournament and first place in both the junior division doubles and singles at the East Tennessee State University Tournament.

A member of the Dobyns-Bennett High School tennis team for three years, John is the #2 man on the team. The teams 1969 record is 15 wins and 1 loss.

John, the son of J. A. Randall, Jr., residential heating salesman at Kingsport, plans to attend East Tennessee State University in the fall, and he hopes to become a member of the school's tennis team.



John and trophies

Bowling Champions



The Final Bills edged second place Pinsplitters to win the Logan Kilowatt Bowling League. Members of the winning team above are (from left) Harold Jamison, Wayne Warren, Mary Randan, Bill Broughton and Mike Weddington.



Industrial League champion at Bluefield was the Kilowatts, a team composed of (from left) Garlin Hill Jr., E. W. Linkous, R. D. Simmons, H. G. Stafford and J. M. Loyd. Absent when picture was taken was V. J. Claytor. The Kilowatts won the first half of the season and then won the title in a roll-off with the second half winner. Only three pins separated the champion from the runner-up in the roll-off. Linkous had a 232 in the last game of the roll-off.



The Roanoke Bowling League title went to the Engineers. Members of the winning team are (front row, from left) T. W. Old, T. D. Carroll, C. L. Robinson Jr. Back row. D. L. Buckingham, G. W. Skaggs and J. H. Johnson. Absent was M. R. Creedle.



Huntington's Buzz Bars won the bowling league championship. From left are: T. J. McComas, Steve Cahn, Bill and Mary Sarsfield and Homer Hagaman. The team won both halves of the season. Runner-up team was the Breakers, composed of Bill and Doris Locke, Margaret McComas, Bill Cook and Herb Davis.



Mr. Porter

Mr. Jackson

Three Observe 35-Year Service

A Kentucky Power man, a Kanawha Valley Power employee and one from the Lynchburg division of Appalachian received 35year service pins last month. They were, in order, Lincoln Bloebaum, Charles C. Jackson and Robert

H. Porter. Mr. Bloebaum has spent all of his service at Ashland, starting in 1934 as a meter helper and advancing through vari-ous positions to meterman-A. A native of Boyd County, he graduated from high school there and also com-



Mr. Bloebaum

pleted an ICS course in electrical engineering. An active farmer, he is serving as a director of the Southern States Cooperative.

Mr. Jackson, hydro plant supervisor-A, first worked at Appalachian's Cabin Creek plant before moving to Kanawha Valley Power. He has served as hydro maintenance man, repairman and working foreman. He's a native of Buffalo, West Virginia, was educated there and later studied for his master river pilot license.

Lynchburg's Mr. Porter started with Appeles Mr. es a station

with Appalachian as a station operator at the Blackwater substation. He also worked as an electrician, and maintenance man before being named substation foreman in 1946. He is active in his church and in Masonry.

James C. Neely, Retiree, Dies

James C. (Jack) Neely, retired Glen Lyn plant employee, died April 3 in Giles

Memorial hospital at Pearisburg follow-ing a short illness. He was

85. Mr. Neely joined the company in 1936 as a laborer and on his retirement in 1949 he served as janitor and mail carrier. He is



Mr. Neely

survived by his widow, one daughter, seven sons, 26 grandchildren, 19 great-grandchildren and three

Familiar Faces In New Places

Appalachian Power Company

Abingdon Division

RUFUS M. BONDURANT from superintendent of T&D-B to superintendent. ROBERT A. SHEFFEY, JR., from engineer to engineering supervisor. JAMES D. FARMER, lineman, from Logan-Williamson to Abingdon. GEORGE G. WOOD from accounting supervisor b to accounting supervisor. C. KELLY ROWLAND from customer accounts supervisor d to customer accounting supervisor. JACK B. FRIER from personnel supervisor b to personnel

Bluefield Division

MARVIN H. SMITH from lineman helper to lineman. HERMAN F. ST. CLAIR, JR. from engineer to electrical engineer. RHONDIA R. STEWART from lineman c to lineman b. CLARENCE W. BREESE, JR. from lineman helper, T&D, Princeton. to T&D, clerk, T&D, Bluefield; RONNIE A. DANIELS from meter reader, accounting, to lineman, T&D.

Charleston Division

VEDA LOU YOUNG from clerk-stenographer, personnel, to stenographer, commercial. JAMES D. HALL from auto repairman helper to auto repairman b. LEWIS EDWARD DUFF from meterman, meter maintenance, to meter clerk, meter clerical. WILLIS J. WINE-BRENNER, JR., from meter reader to collector. JAMES EDWARD STONE from clerk, accounting, Montgomery, to customer accounts representative, accounting. Charleston. JAC-QUELYN DELORIS BRUER from clerk-typist to customer accounts representative.

Huntington Division

C. H. FERGUSON from residential & rural sales development representative, commercial, to right of way agent, T&D. B. V. WINKLER from instrument man to engineering aide. W. K. BAIRD from janitor, T&D, to meter reader, accounting.

Logan-Williamson Division

BOBBIE MIXON from lineman c to lineman b. JAMES R. McCOWN from stationman b service representative.

Lynchburg Division

W. T. MARTIN, III, from lineman helper to lineman. W. B. SPENCER from stationman c to stationman b. G. W. CUNNINGHAM from lineman helper to lineman.

Roanoke Division

P. H. LYNCH from instrumentman to engineering aide. R. B. HORNE from draftsman to instrumentman. B. G. BROWN from rodman to draftsman. H. W. DODD from lineman helper to lineman. S. M. HUNDLEY from lineman helper to lineman. DJUNA S. BOWER from PBX operator, miscellaneous, to cashier, accounting. LEE R. SPANGLER from PBX operator to chief PBX operator. DAVID B. BAUMGARDNER, JR., from customer accounting clerk, g. o. accounting, Roanoke, to customer accounts representative, division accounting, Fieldale.

John E. Amos Plant

WALDO M. HOCK from assistant chief, mechanical, Muskingum No. 5 to Amos Plant

Cabin Creek Plant

ZANE F. SELF from laborer, laborer dept., to utility man, coal handling dept.

GLEN M. GOAD from auxiliary equipment operator, operations, to maintenance helper maintenance. LEE B. MARTIN from auxiliary equipment operator—upper pump to auxiliary equipment operator. HUNTER D. BRADLEY from auxiliary equipment operator—upper pump to auxiliary equipment operator—upper pump to auxiliary equipment operator—upper pump. BILLY L. STAFFORD from utility operator to auxiliary equipment operator—upper pump. FRANK A. AGEE from maintenance helper to maintenance man. EARL S. FREEMAN from work order clerk, maintenance, to plant clerk, results, JAMES A. JOHNSTON from plant clerk, results, to time clerk, accounting. WILLIAM H. DILLOW from brakeman, coal handling, to maintenance helper, maintenance. CLARENCE D. WILEY from auxiliary equipment operator, operations, to maintenance helper, maintenance

Kanawha River Plant

ARNOLD RAY SCHLAEGEL from maintenance man to master maintenance man. ROGER SHIRLEY JOHNSON from maintenance man to master maintenance man.

Philip Sporn Plant

OSCAR O. CASTO from maintenance man to master maintenance man. JAMES L. FRY from jr. maintenance man to maintenance man. PAUL F. MARR from jr. maintenance man to maintenance man. ELTON G. CLEVENGER from jr. maintenance man to maintenance man. VIRGIL G. ROUSH from maintenance man to master maintenance man. JAMES C. PAULEY from jr. maintenance man to maintenance man.

Kentucky Power Company

GARMIN SHANNON from clerk-stenographer to general accounting clerk.

Hazard Division

LINDEN ASHLEY from T&D man to lineman.



Recruiters Busy On College Scene

A recent recruiting trip by Appalachian personnel to the Southwest Virginia Community College resulted in eight job applications from students. The two recruiters met with the president of the college and part of his staff. Shown here discussing career op-portunities are (from left) A. C. Wilson, coordinator of engineering and business technologies; Arlene M. Ebner, instructor in psychology and student counselor; Dr. Charles R. King, president; J. A. Munday, supervisor of employee relations for Appalachian; J. B. Spurlock Jr., assistant supervisor of employee relations, and L. C. Hutchins, Clinch River plant percentage apparatus. sonnel supervisor.

Two Pen Items In AEP's 'Ideas'

Two Appalachian men authored items in the May issue of AEP's "Operating Ideas" magazine.

Charles A. Simmons, Logan-Williamson division engineer, contributed a lengthy article titled "Helicopter Aids Pole Line Construction." The article starts on page four.

W. J. Buchanan, maintenance supervisor at the Kanawha River plant, explained how a problem of warped furnace roof doors on boilers was solved. The article is



Mr. Buchanan Mr. Simmons

titled "Improves Design Of Water-Cooled Door" and appears on page

Service Anniversaries

Years



J. N. Helton



E. Huffman



R. E. Larabee Cabin Creek



H. W. Dent



J. L. Wiley



M. C. Gibson



J. D. Poore Kanawha River



C. T. Clark Sporn Plant



W. W. Wentzell Sporn Plant



P. E. Huber Sporn Plant



D. T. Crickenberger GO-T&D



I. R. Bostic Kanawha River



J. R. Blankenship Hazard

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.



Appalachian Power Company

BLUEFIELD DIVISION-20 YEARS: MILLARD C. GIBSON, meter serviceman. CHARLESTON DIVISION—20 YEARS: MILLARD C. GIBSON, meter serviceman.

CHARLESTON DIVISION—35 YEARS: CHARLES C. JACKSON, supervisor—hydro-plant.

YEARS. HUNTINGTON DIVISION-15 YEARS: ALBERTA LUNSFORD, customer representative.

LOGAN-WILLIAMSON DIVISION-5 YEARS: BILLY LEE, janitor, LYNCHBURG DIVISION-35 YEARS: ROBERT H. PORTER, station foreman. GENERAL OFFICE—25 Years: John N. Helton, transmission foreman. 20 Year David T. Crickenberger, meter engineer. 10 Years: Billy E. Earls, transmission man

CABIN CREEK PLANT-25 Years: Edward Huffman, maintenance man. Robert E. GLEN LYN PLANT—25 YEARS: HERMAN W. DENT, maintenance helper. James L. WILEY, maintenance helper.

KANAWHA RIVER PLANT—20 YEARS: JAMES ROGER BOSTIC, master maintenance man. JAMES DAVIS POORE, auxiliary equipment operator. 5 YEARS: LAWRENCE RAY PETTIT, plant performance engineer.

PHILIP SPORN PLANT—20 YEARS: PAUL E. HUBER, auxiliary foreman. WILLIAM W. WENTZELL, material clerk. CLYDE T. CLARK, crane operator.

Kentucky Power Company

ASHLAND DIVISION—35 YEARS: LINCOLN BLOEBAUM, meterman. HAZARD DIVISION—20 YEARS: JACK BLANKENSHIP, personnel supervisor. 10 YEARS: SUE DONAHUE, contrack clerk.

Kingsport Power Company

10 YEARS: CARL S. BACON, commercial sales representative.



Ann Humphrey (front row in black dress) watches Smith Mountain film at weekly meeting of the Center Cine Club at Rochmond, London.

Film About Smith Mountain Project Has Long, Long Run Across Ocean

"The River That Runs Uphill", a documentary film about Appa-lachian's Smith Mountain Hydro-

a documentary film about Appalachian's Smith Mountain Hydro-Electric Project, ran clear across the Atlantic Ocean.

It all started in 1965 when Ann Humphrey, a 16-year-old English girl, arrived in Roanoke to spend a year with the D. C. Kennedy family and attend school with the division manager's daughter, Martha. Much of the time was spent on Smith Mountain Lake.

When the English girl returned home, she and Martha continued their friendship through letters and in 1968 Martha visited Ann in England. While there, Martha suggested that her English friend might like to view a copy of the film since she had enjoyed herself so much on the lake.

So far, so good. Mr. Kennedy sent the film to Ann in Sheffield, England. Postal employees informed him that it would take about two weeks to arrive. The film was insured. When it did not arrive after a reasonable length of time past the two-week period, Mr. Kennedy filed a claim. He was told that the parcel post crossing would take six to eight weeks.

By this time the England vacation was over and Martha returned to Roanoke and still no film. Finally the film arrived and it was

shown at Rochmond, London, where Ann was in school at the time, and at Sheffield where it was seen by the American Field Service people who had made arrangements for Ann's trip to Roanoke. After being viewed by the Center Cine Club of Rochmond, it was shipped back. The film spent about five months on the ocean, going and coming.

The Kennedys' mailing problems weren't over yet. As a gesture of appreciation to the Humphrey family for the hospitality shown Martha, the Kennedys sent a gift, a cordless electric knife. When it finally arrived there was a tariff which seemed outrageous. When the English family questioned the the English family questioned the amount, postal authorities returned it to New York. All this was unknown to the Kennedys, but it was finally determined that the knife had been judged a commercial import by postal authorities which accounted for the high tariff.

The Kennedys have sent the knife back to England with a special form explaining that the knife is a gift and therefore not subject to the import duty.

The Kennedys know their English friends liked the film. They are positive they also will like the knife, but who knows, it hasn't arrived yet.



Mrs. McAlpine Explains Point

Home Sales Representatives Busy

Home sales representatives serve

home sales representatives serve in a variety of ways.

Mrs. Bennett McAlpine, Kingsport home service representative, senior, and Mrs. Helen Stocking, Sullivan County home demonstration agent, recently conducted Structural Lighting Workshop for the home management chairmen of the Home Demonstration Clubs at Kingsport's auditorium. public was invited to attend. Using similar methods of teach-

ing, Mrs. McAlpine and Mrs. Stocking gave each lady a questionnaire at the beginning of the meeting to determine their knowledge of the subject to be discussed in the workshop. The session was begun with Mrs. McAlpine's defin-ing "structural lighting"—the term ing "structural lighting"—the term used by lighting designers to describe light sources built into the home as a part of its finished structural installature; it denotes a custom installation, designed and assembled to fit

a particular situation.
Starting with a history of lighting, she progressed to incandescent and fluorescent means of artificial light, placing emphasis on the flourescent type. Cove lighting, use of recessed

lights and dimmer switches, piano lighting, and under-cabinet lights were demonstrated using the newly remodeled auditorium as an example. Luminous ceilings were discussed and the company's lobby was used as an illustration. Following this, fixtures for different sized bedrooms and multiple socket fixtures were displayed.

Slides and a shadow box were utilized to illustrate the different types of lighting. The shadow box compared the kind and amount of light given by a 15 watt incandescent bulb and a 15 watt fluorescent tube. Placed in the four sections of the box were different colored fluorescent bulbs and identical swatches of fabrics and carpet to show the effect of the light on color and texture.

In conclusion, Mrs. McAlpine distributed another questionnaire which served two purposes: 1—to be sure that pertinent points of the workshop had been understood and 2-to serve as an outline for those leaders when teaching structural lighting in their respective clubs.

But, All Three Love It

Life Rocky For Lynchburg Division Trio

Life in Lynchburg used to be so sweet and simple. Weekends were quietly spent on the golf course, taking hikes through the country, a drive with the family, or other similar forms of recreation.

But for three people, the weekend means "back to the mines." Armed with spades, buckets, spiked shoes or boots, geologist pick, small bottles, wire screen, and plastic bags, the rockhounds take to the mines in search of turquoise crystals. These crystals are found at the Bishop Mine near Lynch Station.

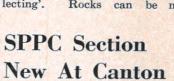
Bishop Mine near Lynch Station.

What makes the turquoise found at Lynch Station so unique and highly prized? The turquoise with which we are all so familiar cut en cabochon is the heavenly blue gemstone which was so greatly valued by the ancient Pharoahs of Egypt, who sent expeditions into the Sinai peninsula to mine it, and by Montezuma, the last Aztec Emperor of Mexico. The Persians mined it, too, and Persian (now Iranian) turquoise is much desired for its fine quality. The literature shows that it had also been mined in Tur-Kestan which lies north of in Tur-Kestan which lies north of the Iranian border. It has been speculated that the word turquoise came from the word Turquie, which is French for Turkey, because it was believed that the stone came from that country, although that from that country, although that is questionable because it has never been mined there. Since it has been mined in Turkestan from whence it found its way to Persia and India and then to Europe, perhaps it got its name from that country. This is the massive, or cryptocrystalline turquoise.

The turquoise found on the Bishop property near Lynch Station, which is so rare, consists of natural crystals of a very beautiful blue color. The crystals are quite small and the crystal form can best be seen using a lens.

When asked the question, "What makes you a rockhound?" Lawrence R. Hudon, T&D, replied, "I just don't know. I have always liked to collect rocks, study their structure and rocks. ture and read about them. I have visited mines similar to the Bishop Mine all through Virginia and some in North Carolina. I got to know some other rockhounds and we always enjoy talking about our various specimens and experiences. It is just something which grows on you and then you become an addict."

Miss Jane Plunkett, T&D, said, "I have always liked the outdoors. I like flowers, trees, bird watching, so naturally I am interested in rocks and atoms. I have account bealers. and stones. I have several books and magazines on 'Rock Col-lecting'. Rocks can be most



Robert R. Ross has been named head of the newly created operating engineering section in the AEP System Power Production and Control Center in Canton.

The new section, part of the System Operating Division, will provide engineering support to various operating groups dealing with interconnected power system operation. Others named to the section include J. M. Miller, who will become senior engineer; L. J. Phillips, assistant engineer, and K. R. Prater, engineering assistant.

Mr. Ross, who had been senior engineer in the SPPC, joined the System in Indiana & Michigan Electric Company in 1951. He was system chief operating coordinator when he was transferred to the Service Corporation and SPPC last November. He is a graduate of Indiana University.

Mr. Miller, who has been planning engineer in Bulk Power Supply in New York, joined the Service Corporation in 1955. He is a graduate of Milwaukee School of Engineering, and has been a specialist in EHV and interconnection planning coordination.

Mr. Phillips, a graduate of Purdue, joined I&M in 1967, and was named operations engineer in Fort Wayne later that year.

Mr. Prater joined the SPPC as a technical assistant in 1961, and later became power coordinator.



Lawrence Hudson "pans" with Jane Plunkett and Elmer Johnson.

interesting and fascinating; when

interesting and fascinating; when you dig in the ground you never know what you will find."

Elmer T. Johnson, commercial department, says, "You might say Lawrence got me interested. We play golf together and every time Lawrence would see a rock, he would pick it up, examine it, and start talking about its various characteristics. The next thing I knew, I was a rockhound.

The turquoise crystals have no

The turquoise crystals have no commercial value, but are excellent to trade or exchange with other collectors. The story is told, among rockhounds, in which one collector sent a turquoise crystal to another collector. The second collector was so impressed, he promptly sent the first collector 30 pounds of assorted "genuine" rocks.

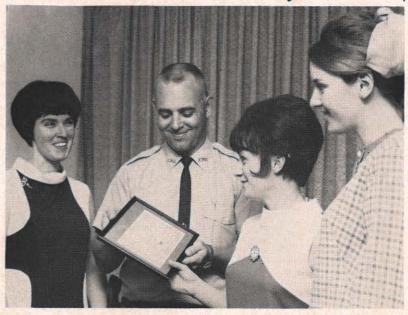
It is believed the Bishop Mine is the only place in the United States where these crystals are

where these crystals are States



Rockhounds dig away.

Ashlander 'Nabbed' By Law



Sherryl is pictured here receiving her award from Patrolman Tom Lynch of the Ashland Police Department. Also pictured are Mrs. Richard M. Blazer, left, and Mrs. David Floyd of the womans' club. (Photo courtesy of McCullough, Ashland Daily Independent.)

Sherryl Fields, home service representative in the Ashland di-vision, was selected by the Ashland Junior Women's Club as the Safety Driver of the Week in observance of Safety Week. The selection was of Satety Week. The selection was made in cooperation with the Ashland Police Department.

Sherryl was driving through downtown Ashland on an errand.

She observed through the rear view mirror that a police cruiser was following her and after making several turns, noticed that they

were still following and began to worry as to what might be the reason. Eventually the cruiser's red light was turned on and she pulled over to the curb. The city patrolman asked to see her driver's license and notified her that they had been observing her driving habits through the city and had judged her the safe driving award winner. Needless to say, Sherryl was very much relieved to find out why she was being followed by the law.



Mrs. Burnett (left), "Secretary of the Year," and Mr. Kitchen, "Boss of the Year," display their awards as Mrs. Amos, publicity chairman of the chapter, looks on.

Roanoke Employees Receive Honors As Secretary, Boss Of The Year

Appalachian employees made a clean sweep of honors when the National Secretaries Association, Roanoke chapter, held its annual Executive Night late in April.

Betty B. Burnett was named "Secretary of the Year" and W. S. Kitchen, company safety supervisor, was crowned "Boss of the Year". Mrs. Burnett is secretary to J. A. Dunham, Roanoke division commercial sales supervisor. Mr. Kitchen was nominated by his secretary, Jewell Woolridge.

Mrs. Burnett was selected on the basis of her "devotion to NSA activities and community service" and other contributions to the profession of secretary. A charter member of the Martinsville chapter which was founded in 1956. In 1961 she was transferred to Roanoke and

has filled several offices in the Roanoke chapter. In 1964-65, she served as chapter president, earning several honors for the chapter.

other Appalachian secretaries who have received the honor are Guyda Hedrick, "Secretary of the Year" and president in 1959-60, and Mrs. Woolridge, "Secretary of the Year" in 1966-67 and president in 1967-68. Other Appalachian women who are members of the Roanoke chapter are Mary Agnes Sublett, Ann Tuck, and Faye Amos. Mrs. Amos was chairman of the publicity committee for the National Secretary Week, during which the annual meeting was held.

William F. Keehne, retired general office accounting supervisor, is the only other Appalachian man to be named "Boss of the Year."

Machines Unearth Past

New Hobby Found In Soil At Amos Site

When ground breaking ceremonies were held last July 18 for the John Amos plant, on the Kanawha River near Charleston, John Sink was one of those in attendance who was fascinated by a collection of artifacts exhibited that day by a local archeologist. Within a few months after his transfer from Ohio Power Company's Muskingum plant construction department to Amos as a concrete construction assistant, John had become a confirmed relic hunter.

As a soil inspector, John had ample opportunity to tie in his new hobby with his work, and as backfills were made, it was more than easy. The fling knives, drills, scrapers and projectile points were so plentiful and so close to the top soil in some cases that he could just spot them without having to dig. The archeologist who, by now, was doing research on the job site said that John had an unusually good eye for these ancient relics.

Soon John's collection boasted some projectile points, comparatively rare, that are estimated to be from 8,000 to 10,000 years old. These he found at depths of approximately 8 to 16 feet. They are distinguished by the edges, which run down to the tip of the blade and are grooved. In John's collection, these grooves are distinctly defined. It is believed by some that these grooves made for ease in attaching shafts to the stone points, while others think it aided in bloodletting from wounded game. Still others say they don't promote bleeding at all. At any rate, such points are seldom seen except in museums or large private collections.

Of course, archeologists are not all in agreement about the age of artifacts or the history of them. They do use the depths at which they are found as one means of determining their age, and who made them. Most agree that those nearer the topsoil are as recent as 200-500 years old. It is a historical fact that the last known white man killed by an Indian in Kanawha Valley met his death in 1794—just 175 years ago in what is now Kanawha City.

Some archeologists say the earliest of these fluted points could be as much as 25,000 years old. This is determined by carbon-dating of surrounding organic materials. These points are believed to be spearheads because Aborigines knew nothing of the bow and arrow. Some of these may have been used by early hunters of Mongoloid tribes who came here from Asia.

As excavations were made at



John Poses with New Hobby

the Amos site, Indian camps and village sites were unearthed. Campfire hearths were found as deep as 12 feet under the surface, which indicates that the site was once under water. Many layers of sand, clay and river silt were on top of the old hearths. The stones of the ancient campfires were arranged in a circular manner and were charred.

Arrowheads, or spearheads, whichever they are, were found in abundance near these hearths. They were probably stored under the sand there for easy accessibility when the owners wanted to hunt.

The first time John ever saw any of these projectiles was at the groundbreaking. After that, when he began finding them himself, he became interested in the history of the area. From reading, he believes these particular relics were those of Mingo tribes who lived in Kanawha Valley. He thinks they came here to hunt, and that the absence of skeltal remains of the tribes is due to the fact that they buried their dead in higher country.

Although there are many legends

and much evidence in remain of the Indians of the great Kanawha Valley, John's collection is rather unique. A recent article in a Charleston newspaper said that a person could really consider himself lucky to find projectiles such as this, because, in all probability, he could hunt for a lifetime and never find a one.

John's wife, Leeta, who is an instructor in biology and science at Lee Junior high school in Roanoke, uses these artifacts as teaching aids. He has two small daughters, Lisa, 4, and Sandra Lynn, 6, whom he thinks may appreciate his collection a little later.

John's hobbies and interests had, up to his tranfer to Amos, been of a more athletic nature. A native of Roanoke, he attended the University of Houston, Texas, and later used his 6-foot, 4-inch height to advantage as a semi-pro basketball player for Roanoke and the Winston-Salem Bullets. He has several all-tourney trophies as well as a few for golf and drag-strip racing.

Charleston Men Think Fast

(Continued from Page 1)

first wreckage in the fog and knew immediately what was going to happen. They parked their truck a safe distance away and with flares started working against traffic warning the oncoming cars.

Another passer-by, who reported the fast-thinking efforts of our employees, joined the pair. Between them they diverted more than 300 cars which probably would have crashed into the pile-up. Even while they were signaling the cars to stop, they could hear others piling into the wreckage.

By this time, cars had been knocked into the west-bound lane, too, blocking traffic in both lanes. In less than 30 minutes the fog had lifted, but it was nearly noon before all the wrecked cars were removed.

Harmon and Jones went on their way. Because of them, many others were able to go on their ways, too.



Jones, Harmon Were There

Company Buys Industrial Site

Appalachian has purchased 89.5 acres of land in the Washington County Industrial Park to hold for future possible industrial expansion in the area.

The land is located adjacent to Interstate 81 and three miles from an interchange of I-81 and U. S. 58/11.

Good industrial sites—that is, ones which are properly developed for new industry—are in short

demand in the area, and the land was purchased to protect it for the possibility of attracting a new industry or industries to Washington County.

The park itself already has an industrial access road, constructed by the state from U. S. 11 to Virginia State Route 609. The new site can easily be served by electricity, railroad, natural gas, good highway, and water.

Service Center At Lynchburg To Be Expanded

Appalachian last month announced plans to expand its Lynchburg service center by adding over 10,000 square feet to the existing building.

The project will enable the company to locate all of its engineering and operating groups into one location, thus providing efficient service for a rapidly growing region.

The 23,500 square foot service center was completed in early 1965 on a 22-acre site on Mayflower Drive, near the Lynchburg Expressway. The modern structure already houses line crews; substation machine shop and storage area; garage facilities; service men; other maintenance shops; and a loading dock. Also located there is a portion of the division transmission and distribution department.

The addition will enable the remainder of that department, now located in the main office at 523 Main Street, to move to the service center for better coordination of operations and service to customers.

The addition at the service center which will be in the form of a main floor and a basement, will enable Appalachian to provide Civil Defense shelter in the service center, in keeping with Appalachian's policy of providing shelter for its employees and their families.



'Shut-In' Gets Surprise

C. D. Ross (seated) was surprised, to say the least, one day last month while at home recuperating from surgery. W. D. Ditman, right of way maintenance supervisor (center) and J. E. Blackwell, training supervisor, shown above hamming it up a little, dropped by the house to personally present a certificate for a right of way maintenance course which Ross recently completed. While there, the two also gave Ross a get well present from the Jolly Watt Club, a Roanoke employee organization. Ross was in stitches over the whole deal.