

I respect faith, but doubt is what gets you an education.

—Wilson Mizner

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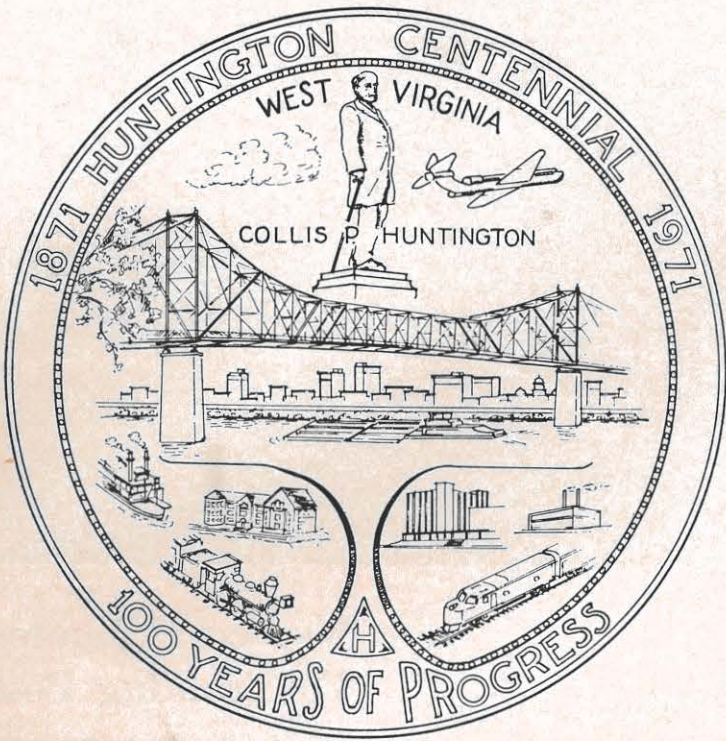
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The world belongs to the enthusiast who keeps cool.

—Wm. McFee

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An entry submitted by Gordon P. Chain (below at left) was chosen the winner in the Huntington Centennial Seal Competition. As the winner, Chain's creation will be the official seal for Huntington's 100th anniversary celebration in 1971. He is shown with Joseph Eschleman, C&P Telephone Co. public relations supervisor in the Huntington District and chairman of the seal competition committee sponsored by the Huntington Advertising Club. Chain is a chief draftsman at Huntington. He and his wife, Mable, are the parents of two daughters.

Chain Reaction



AEP Moving On Idea

'Plug-In' Substations Coming?

Modular, "plug-in" substations, with their transformers, regulators and switches concealed in handsome cabinets, may one day replace today's gaunt structures of steel beams and overhead wires.

According to Raymond E. Kunzmann, assistant chief electrical engineer for the American Electric Power Service Corporation, a number of such modular substations are now being planned and manufactured.

At present, he said, small, neat transformers in cabinets mounted on concrete pads are serving housing developments and other locations where the electrical service is brought in underground. These transformers, a few feet square and high, are mounted in backyards and often cloaked in shrubbery.

Kunzmann noted that AEP "conceived the idea of expanding those

neat little units to handle higher voltages, up to sub-transmission levels." He took the concept, which he calls "Powerpad," along with detailed specifications, to a number of transformer manufacturers. Five are now working on designs.

The substitution of the future—and Kunzmann sees no reason why the concept cannot ultimately handle 69,000 volts and higher—will be a free-standing group of smartly designed cabinets "without a wire to be seen." Electrical lines will be brought into the station underground and led out the same way. Cabinets will be of heavy gauge steel and tamper-proof, thus eliminating the need for today's efficient "but homely" fences.

"Add a little landscaping—grass, flowers, shrubbery, perhaps a few benches—and you've got the mak-

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Answering, Reply Briefs Due This Month

FPC Hearings Close On Blue Ridge Project

Hearings before the Federal Power Commission on Appalachian's application for a license to construct the proposed Blue Ridge Pumped Storage and Hydroelectric Development on New River in Grayson County, Virginia, were closed on June 11.

Presiding examiner William C. Levy set July 14 as the date for the filing of answering briefs and July 28 as the date for the filing of reply briefs.

In February 1965 the company applied to the Federal Power Commission for a license to construct the original Blue Ridge Development.

The original project included two lakes, the larger one being 15,000 acres and the smaller one covering some 3,000 acres and a generating capacity of 980,000 kilowatts.

The Department of Interior, the States of North Carolina and Virginia, and a group of REA Cooperatives intervened in the case.

In May of 1967 a hearing on the license application began in Washington. After several sessions the Federal Power Commission Staff in November of 1967 presented testimony modifying Appalachian's proposed project. In May of 1968 Appalachian accepted with qualifications the modified project, which enlarged the company's initial plans.

The modified project includes two dams. The lower dam would be located just upstream from the location of the U. S. 58 bridge crossing New River near Galax. The upper dam would be located below the point where Shoal Creek flows into New River. Both of

the dam locations are in Grayson County, Virginia. The two lakes and the two dams which are proposed under this plan would be much larger. The upper lake would cover about 26,000 acres in Grayson County, Virginia, and Ashe and Alleghany Counties, N. C. The lower lake would cover about 14,500 acres, most of which would be in Grayson County. The planned installed generating capacity is 1,800,000 kilowatts.

The estimated cost of the project has been placed by the company at \$297,000,000.

After the filing of the answering briefs and reply briefs, the presiding examiner will study the complete record of the hearings and will then make his recommendation on the license application to the Federal Power Commission.

AEP Files Bid For Re-Opening C&SO Hearings

In a one-day session June 19, the Securities and Exchange Commission held a hearing on AEP's application to re-open the record on its proposed acquisition of Columbus and Southern Ohio Electric Company. If the application is granted, a new hearing date will be set.

During the June 19 hearing, the staff of the Division of Corporate Regulation indicated it would not oppose the application.

AEP had sought to reopen the record of previous hearings on the case in order to present new testimony. Following conclusion of these hearings, the SEC staff last January indicated it would recommend against the acquisition.

The Department of Justice is now a party to the proceedings.

Lynchburg Hits Two Kwh Marks

Two mileposts were passed in April by the Lynchburg Division. The average annual kilowatt hour consumption per residential customer passed the 8000 kwh mark at 8044-kwh—the highest Appalachian division.

The division had a gain of 420-kwh per residential customer for the first four months of 1969. The average consumption of Appalachian's 482,819 residential customers is 6438-kwh per year, with 281-kwh increase per residential customer during the past four months.



LeMasters



Robinson

LeMasters Takes Post With I&M; Robinson New Glen Lyn Manager

W. M. Robinson, assistant plant manager at Glen Lyn, became manager there July 1 when G. E. LeMasters, former plant manager, assumed his new duties as executive assistant to the executive vice president of Indiana & Michigan Electric Co. at Fort Wayne, Ind. Announcements of both promotions were made last month.

At Fort Wayne, LeMasters will be responsible for coordinating activities of generating plants and of I&M's building program, stores and transportation and will be working with state commissions on water resources and air purification.

An 18-year veteran with Appalachian, Robinson has been assistant plant manager at Glen Lyn since June, 1966. He joined the company in 1951 at the Cabin

Creek Plant where he served as test engineer, maintenance foreman and plant engineer. In February 1958, he was transferred to the Clinch River Plant as maintenance supervisor and in 1962 was named operations supervisor.

A native of Uniontown, Pa., he served in the Navy during World War II. He attended Waynesburg College for two years and received a BS degree in mechanical engineering from West Virginia University in 1951.

Married and the father of three daughters, Robinson is a member of the Methodist Church. He resides at 308 Horsley Drive, Pearisburg, Virginia.

LeMasters, also an 18-year veteran, joined Appalachian in 1951 at the Philip Sporn Plant. In 1953 he was transferred to New York to work in the steam generation section of the AEP Service Corporation's engineering department. He became a staff engineer there in the mechanical engineering division in 1958. The following year he was transferred to Appalachian's Kanawha River Plant as assistant plant manager. He has been plant manager at Glen Lyn since August, 1966.

A native of Parkersburg, W. Va., he received a BS degree in mechanical engineering from the University of Kentucky in 1950, after serving 14 months in the Navy.

Married and the father of two sons and a daughter, he is a member of the Presbyterian Church and the American Society of Mechanical Engineers.

Annual Report Wins Again

For the third time and the second time in a row, the American Electric Power Company's annual report has been awarded the Grand Prize in annual competition sponsored by Reddy Kilowatt, Inc.

The 1968 AEP annual report and the Duke Power Company's report tied for the coveted top honor among investor-owned electric utilities in the U. S. and other countries.

The award was accepted by Herbert B. Cohn, executive vice president of the AEP Service Corporation, from Ashton B. Collins, chairman of Reddy Kilowatt, at the Edison Electric In-

stitute's annual convention in Portland, Ore. on June 9.

It was the seventh consecutive year in which the AEP report had won either the Grand Prize or the first prize for holding companies.

Judges of the competition were: William A. Doyle, business editor, *New York Daily News*; Henry J. Bingham, vice president, Spencer Trask & Co.; John L. Chatellier Jr., assistant vice president, Mutual of New York; Ruddick C. Lawrence, vice president—public relations, Continental Oil Company; and Warren W. Shew, publisher, *Electrical World*.

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Number, Please

Information sessions were held recently at Roanoke to remind Division and General Office employees of the correct procedure in placing their own long distance telephone calls. Roanokers will be placing their own calls in the future to expedite telephone service in and out of the office.

It's a good time for all of us to think once again of the importance of telephone courtesy and correct procedures for sending and receiving a call.

On any call to the company, you are the company. Because you can't be seen, your voice is all that you have to represent you—and the company. What you say and how you say it may have longer lasting, further reaching effects than you imagine.

The C&P Telephone Co. has several suggestions for improving telephone efficiency and manners:

When using the telephone be alert, attentive, natural, pleasant and speak distinctly. A customer or another employee likes to know that you are hearing what he says and that you are interested enough to listen. At the same time it is important that those whom you call can easily understand you.

When placing a call be certain of the person and the number you want, and your reason for calling.

Check the area code, listen for the dial tone before dialing, dial all the way to the finger stop and let the dial return at its own speed.

Whether making or accepting a call, identify yourself and finally, always give or receive as much information as is necessary—take or leave messages and see that they are delivered.

A few seconds of careful thought may prevent several hours of confusion.

Appalachian Commercial Department Moves Affect Two Divisions, GO

Three promotions in Appalachian's commercial department were announced last month affecting two divisions and the General Office. The moves were effective July 1.

E. Lawson Bailey, Huntington commercial and industrial sales supervisor, became GO heating sales coordinator at Roanoke. T. G. Allen, GO heating and air conditioning sales engineer, became heating and air conditioning engineer in the special projects section of the heating and air conditioning section of the AEP Service Corporation at Canton, Ohio.

Lewis D. Evans, Roanoke heating sales engineer, succeeded Allen as GO heating and air conditioning sales engineer at Roanoke.

Bailey is a native of Weston, W. Va., and joined Appalachian in Huntington as a residential representative in 1945. He became division commercial sales supervisor in 1960. He holds a BS degree in



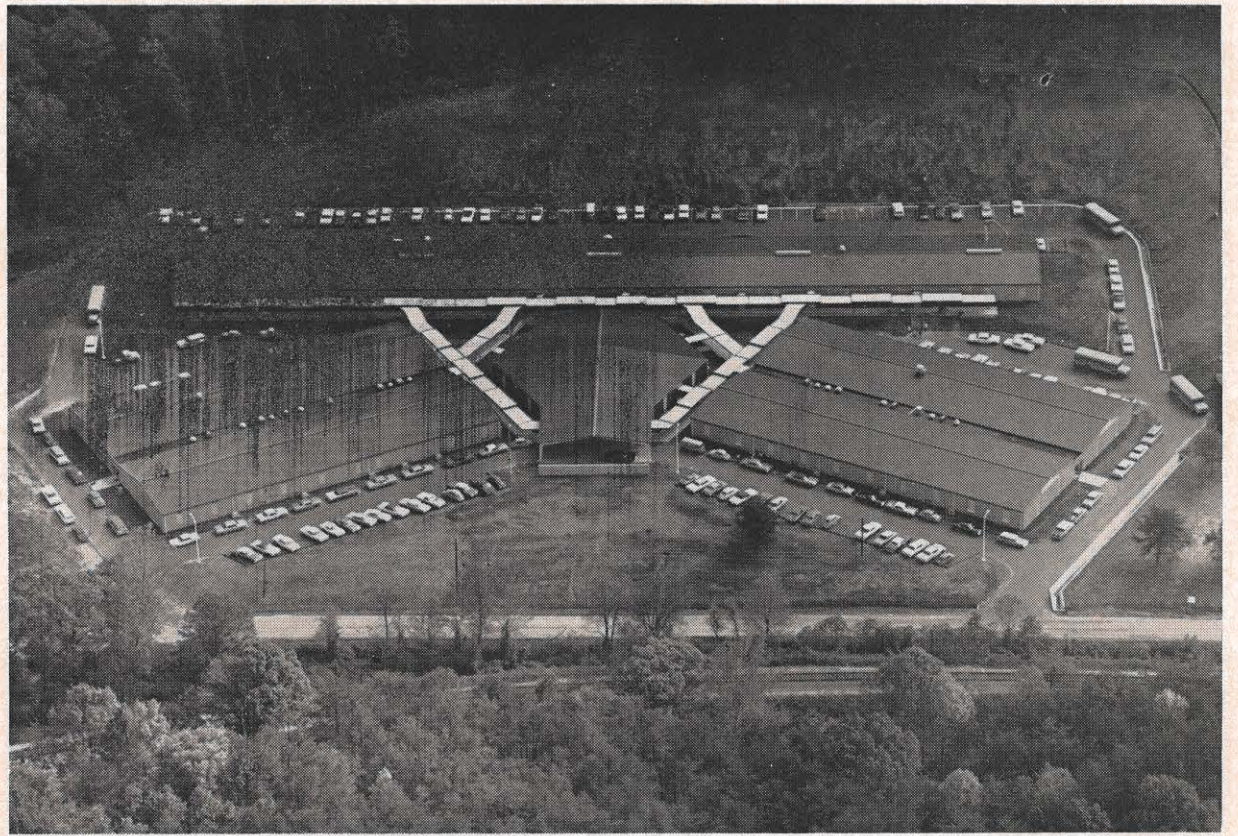
Allen

Evans

electrical engineering from ICS. He and his wife, Mavis, have two children.

Allen, a native of Hinton, W. Va., joined Appalachian in 1958 as a power sales engineer at Beckley. He went to Point Pleasant, W. Va., as engineering department supervisor in 1963, and came to Roanoke in 1965. He holds a BS degree in electrical engineering from West Virginia University. He and his wife have three children.

Evans was first employed in Roanoke as a rural area representative. In 1953 he went to Lynchburg as area sales representative. In 1960 he was transferred to Roanoke as heating sales engineer. Evans is a graduate of Hampden-Sydney. He is married and has two children.



K-shaped Ashland vocational school

La Fon Speaks At Ceremonies

Ashland Vocational School Opens

W. S. La Fon, executive vice-president of Kentucky Power, was keynote speaker at the ceremonies dedicating the Ashland Area Vocational School on April 25. He called the new educational facility a promise for progress and remarked that the range of skills represented by this vocational-technical school encompasses present-day industry needs.

The four building, K-shaped complex is constructed of locally manufactured Armco steel and has a pupil capacity of 650. The all-electric facility is considered to be one of the most modern schools of this type in the nation.

The administration building features electric heat pumps that provide heating and cooling. The

laboratory-type classes are climate controlled with through-the-wall heat pumps for heating, cooling and ventilating. The shop areas in the back building are space conditioned electrically by unit-type resistance heaters and quartz heaters for comfort heating and processing paint finishes. Each building is zoned independently of adjoining buildings.

Each individual area in the buildings is thermostatically controlled and programmed for typical operating use and employs underground facilities. The lighting throughout the buildings was designed specifically for the type activity to be done in the various areas. Modern lighting on the seeing task varies from 50 foot candles to 300 foot candles.

During the past year, more than 2,200 students received instruction at the Ashland vocational facilities. These included high school, adult, and part-time students in both day and evening classes. Among the many trades available are electronics, electricity, drafting, cosmetology, practical nursing, and food trades.

'Plug In'

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ings of a vestpocket park." Kunzmann said, "and on much less land than the usual substation needs."

The modular concept has other important advantages in addition to its good looks and small plot size, according to the utility executive.

"It saves time," said Kunzmann, "sometimes as much as a year over the ordinary, custom-designed substation." He said that about 50 new distribution substations are designed and installed each year in the seven operating electric utility companies of the American Electric Power System. The great majority of these must be designed expressly for the site they will occupy.

"Design time alone can run into months and, of course, the fabricated steel must be ordered in advance."

The usual power transformers for 34,500-volt and higher work had to be ordered as much as a year in advance, Kunzmann said, whereas the Powerpad concept uses a standardized design that can be manufactured in 18 weeks or less. In addition, all of the components: newly designed switches, fuses, regulators, reclosers, will soon be shelf items and quickly available.

The modular units are a "one-time design," the engineer pointed out, and can be stocked. "If a new industrial customer wants service, we can get out there, set or pour the concrete pads, hook up and install the cabinets and be serving him in two weeks." This compares with months the old way, designing and drawing up blueprints for steel structures, grading, foundations, fabrication, and so on.

"What about money?"

"Well," said Kunzmann with relish, "we estimate that for a 34,500-volt station, depending on its capacity, Powerpad could mean savings of from \$3,000 to \$20,000."

Handsome is as handsome does . .

Wooten Promoted To Training Post

Charles R. (Rudy) Wooten has been promoted to training coordinator in Appalachian's General Office Personnel Dept. at Roanoke. He rises from GO safety coordinator for the Roanoke and Lynchburg divisions.



Wooten

In his new position he will be working with J. Emmett Blackwell, company training supervisor. He joined the company in 1957 as a clerk-stenographer at Lynchburg. In 1962 he took an educational leave of absence and in 1966 received a BS degree in economics from Virginia Tech. He returned to Lynchburg as a line inspector and in 1967 came to Roanoke as safety coordinator.

Wooten is a native of Wilson County, N. C. He is a member of the Jaycees and the Southwest Engineers Society. He is married and the father of two children.

AEP Service Corporation Commercial Promotions Go To Napier, Coleman

Appointment of James B. Napier as special projects consultant in the Commercial Division of the AEP Service Corporation's Commercial Department, effective July 1, has been announced.

William R. Coleman, sales supervisor for the Coshocton Division of Ohio Power Company, has been named to succeed Napier as director of commercial sales for the Service Corporation.

In his new assignment, Napier will be responsible for a number of larger commercial sales projects, including colleges, large schools and major shopping centers. Coleman, meanwhile, will oversee commercial sales activities.

Napier is a 34-year veteran with the AEP System. A native of Elwood, Ind., he joined Indiana & Michigan Electric Company in 1935 as a heating plant operator in that community. He subsequently was employed in Elwood, Marion

and Muncie and, at the time of his transfer to New York in 1951, was commercial-industrial sales supervisor for the Marion District.

He holds a BSEE degree from Purdue University and served in artillery and armored forces in the U. S. Army during World War II, being discharged with the rank of lieutenant colonel.

Coleman, a native of Portsmouth, Ohio, joined Ohio Power in 1948 as an engineer's assistant in the Transmission & Distribution Department. He became a commercial sales representative in 1952, senior commercial sales rep in 1962, and was named the company's national accounts representative in 1964. Last year, he was named sales supervisor for the Coshocton Division.

He studied engineering at the University of Kentucky and Ohio University.

Virginian Earns 2nd Purple Heart

Lance Corporal Edward L. McFall, 1st Marine Division, recently was awarded his second purple heart for wounds received in action in Vietnam. He received the first medal in May 1968. He returned to active duty and in February 1969 was again wounded.

His second medal was given April 24.

Corporal McFall was flown to the USMC Naval Hospital in Portsmouth, Virginia where he is recuperating. He is the son of William McFall, lineman, Abingdon.

Nearly 600 Years Represented

16 Appalachian Employees Receive 35- And 40-Year Pins

Sixteen veteran employees received service pins last month representing 590 years with Appalachian.

Heading the list with 40-year pins were: Mrs. Vera Haynes, Beckley; J. R. Wolford, GO-T&D-Bluefield; F. M. Lawson, GO-operations at Clinch River; Hampton L. Davis, Lynchburg; G. Karnes Hoge, Bluefield, and W. E. Coleman, GO-R/W & R/E.

Recipients of 35-year pins were: William H. Mitchell, Beckley; Robert C. Hooper, Lynchburg; Paul M. Vannoy, Huntington; Patricia Hastings and Ralph H. Williams, both Cabin Creek; Frank B. Barns, Bluefield; O. A. Hawkins, General Office, and J. W. Bryant, E. W. Holland and J. W. Craig, all Roanoke.

Mrs. Haynes began work in the payroll department and was promoted to her present position in 1968. She is a Beckley native and attended Mountain State Business School.

Wolford was a lineman in construction in 1929, he was promoted to foreman in 1934 and made transmission general foreman in 1963. He is a native of Wythe County, married and the father of five children.

Lawson joined the company in Bluefield as a helper in T&D. He was promoted to chief station operator in 1956 and regional chief dispatcher in 1958. He is a member of the Russell County Chamber of Commerce and secretary of the Lions Club.

Davis has been in building service since he came to Appalachian. During World War II he saw active service in the European Theatre. He was discharged as a corporal. He is married and has three sons.

Hoge worked as a merchandise serviceman and appliance serviceman before he became air conditioning engineer. He is a graduate of Princeton High School and the Delco Lighting and Refrigeration School.

Coleman, superintendent of Right of Way and Real Estate, is a native of Summers County, W. Va. He came to Appalachian as a supervising draftsman. He is a graduate of William Byrd

High School and the AEP Management Course at the U. of Michigan. Mitchell was first employed in Beckley as a groundman and lineman. He was transferred to Charleston in 1942. In 1946 he was promoted to area serviceman. He was born in Tornado, W. Va. He and his wife live in Seth.

Hooper was hired by the meter dept. and served there in several capacities. He was an electrician's mate in the Navy during World War II. He and his wife have one daughter and three grandchildren.

Vannoy began employment in Logan as an engineer. He was promoted to power sales engineer, his present position, in 1959. He is a member of the West Virginia Society of Professional Engineers.

Mrs. Hastings started her service at Cabin Creek in the office department. She was promoted to stenographer in 1965.

Williams, shift supervisor, began as a maintenance man. He held various positions in the turbine room before being promoted to assistant shift supervisor.

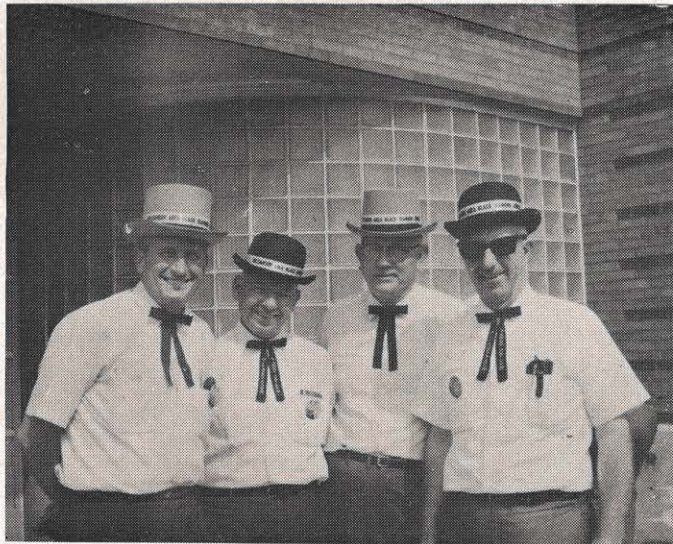
Barns began work as a lineman. He has served as groundman, distribution engineer and line supervisor. He was recently promoted to area supervisor. He attended the University of Richmond and served in World War II. He was discharged as a Technical Sergeant.

Hawkins was first employed as a stenographer and clerk with Kanawha. He was transferred to the main accounting office in 1939 and after several promotions reached his present position as general records, tax, and statistical supervisor.

Bryant was hired as an "overheadman" in 1934, a job similar to today's lineman. His present job is stationman. He and his wife have one son.

Holland began working as a meterman and has spent all his service in related work. His present job is meter service foreman which he has held since 1960.

Craig began working as a clerk-stenographer. A graduate of Jefferson High School and National Business College, he is "Head T&D clerk."



Williamson "Smoothies" display their sparkling unobstructed smiles. From left: Jay Runyon, C. L. Miller, E. E. King, and Claude Ward. Jerry Aker's new look (above) is something between a misplaced riverboat gambler and an upper class hobo sporting his newly found stogie.



Peering out through their foliage, at this stage mostly scrub, are (front from left) Okey Taylor, James Muncy, Jack Riddle, Ronnie Horne, and Ronnie Ferrell. Back, from left: Glenn Felty, Roland Staton, Bob Hatfield. Ronnie Horne (above) proudly displays his "project."

Black Diamond 'Hair'

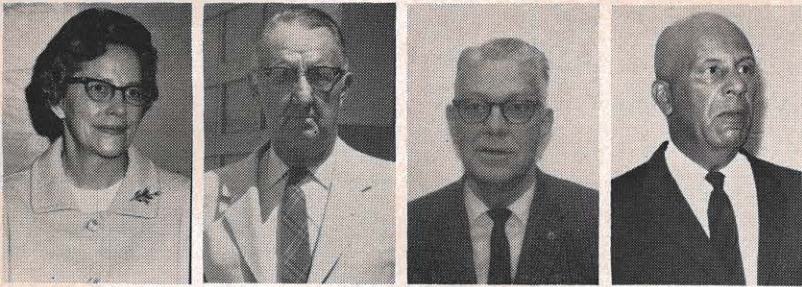
The hairy creatures at Williamson are not Hippies—would a Hippie wear a string tie? They aren't mountaineers reverting to their native dress (the costumes they wear for summer tourists). They are employees. Some have been around for years.

The various types of wiry or silky hirsute appendages are expressions of their personal involvement in the Williamson 75th anniversary celebration July 20-26. The official classification for this group is "Brothers of the Brush." Most of

them have grown quite attached to their whiskers and won't be giving them up easily.

Several Williamson employees wear Black Diamond Jubilee ties and hats but have decided to forego displaying whiskers. However, to remain a smoothie involves a slight fee and being required to wear an exemption badge. Even in this case conforming is less conspicuous.

A few Williamson men have decided to display their whisker ability later—the celebration might last through the summer and longer.



Mrs. Haynes Wolford Lawson Davis



Hoge Coleman Mitchell Hooper



Vannoy Hastings Williams Barns



Hawkins Bryant Holland Craig

Pikeville Youths New Graduates

Children of seven Pikeville employees were graduated from colleges in June.

Four were the sons and daughters of commercial workers. Jane Craig Fields, daughter of Craig Fields, received a degree in mathematics from Transylvania College. She has been granted a fellowship to the University of North Carolina for further study.

William T. Smith, son of Guialene Smith, received a degree in political science from Eastern Kentucky State University and will enter law school in the fall.

Grover Syck, son of William Syck, completed the requirements for an associate degree in industrial arts at Eastern Kentucky, and Vivian Coleman is now a medical technician and plans to complete her work at the Methodist Hospital. Vivian is the daughter of Victor Coleman.

In the accounting department, Patricia Flanary, daughter of Dorothy Cardinal, was graduated cum laude with a major in English from Pikeville College, and Kenneth Cline, son of Mont Cline, received a degree in marketing from Eastern Kentucky.

Karen Cline, whose father Perry Cline is a stationman, received a BA degree in elementary education from Morehead State University.

Simmons Going To Kanawha River; Nease Moves To Logan-Williamson

Charles A. Simmons of Logan is being promoted to a post at the Kanawha River Plant. He was succeeded by G. S. Nease, Jr., of Roanoke.

Simmons, supervising engineer of the Logan-Williamson Division, will become plant engineer at Kanawha River on August 1. Nease, who is distribution engineer in the General Office Distribution Section, became Logan-Williamson supervising engineer July 1.

Simmons is a native of Powellton, W. Va., and is an electrical engineering graduate of West Virginia Institute of Technology. He joined Appalachian at Point Pleasant in 1956 as an electrical engineer. He was in Charleston as area superintendent before coming to Logan in 1964.

A former Logan City councilman, Simmons is a member of the West Virginia Society of Professional Engineers and the First Baptist Church of Logan. He is married and has a son and two daughters.

Nease, who was born in Logan, is an electrical engineering graduate of West Virginia University. He served in the Air Force from 1950



Nease Simmons

to 1954, attaining the rank of staff sergeant.

He joined Appalachian at Huntington as electrical engineer in 1959, and went to Roanoke in 1961. He became distribution engineer there in 1967.

He is a member of the Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers and the underground distribution standardization subcommittee of the Southeastern Electric Exchange, and is a registered professional engineer in West Virginia. He is a member of the Colonial Presbyterian Church in Roanoke, and is married and has five children.



Royster-Thompson

A double ring ceremony performed May 29 in the Scott Street Baptist Church united Carolyn C. Royster and Charles T. Thompson. Mrs. Thompson is a clerk trainee in Bluefield.



Vannoy-Garnand

Susan Dianne Vannoy and Harry J. Garnand, III, were united in marriage in a double ring ceremony at the Tabernacle Baptist Church, Salem, Virginia, on June 14. Mr. Garnand is the son of Edythe Garnand, Abingdon commercial department.



Grisso-Thompson

Karen Annette Grisso was married to K. K. Thompson on May 16. Mrs. Thompson is the daughter of P. A. Grisso, meter serviceman in Roanoke.



Pack-Tillis

Karon Lee Pack and Garry Tillis were married on May 24. Mrs. Tillis is the daughter of A. V. Pack, meter serviceman in Huntington.



Sowers-Austin

Ruth Elaine Sowers became the bride of Joe N. Austin Jr., on February 15. Mrs. Austin is the daughter of Ralph Sowers, an employee in Gate City, Abingdon Division.



Adams-Kirby

Francine Adams and Steven Ray Kirby were united in marriage in a double ring ceremony at the First Methodist Church on June 1. Mrs. Kirby is the daughter of Fred Adams, commercial sales representative in Welch.



Allison-Snuffer

Priscilla Ann Allison and Danny Snuffer were married on June 7. Mr. Snuffer is a customer accounts representative in Charleston.



Garnet-Rasnak

Judith A. Garnet was married to Charles Rasnak on May 31 in the Grace Covenant Presbyterian Church of St. Albans. Mrs. Rasnak is a clerk trainee at the St. Albans office, Charleston Division.



Mills-Napier

Sharron Mills and Michael J. Napier were united in marriage at the First Christian Church, Pearisburg, Virginia, on May 23. Mrs. Napier is a clerk stenographer in Logan.



Martin-Prince

Patricia Carol Martin and James R. Prince exchanged nuptial vows in the Oak Grove Community Church on May 10. Mr. Prince is an auto repairman helper, Beckley.

Herald-Justice

Lois Faye Herald became the bride of Leon Justice on May 31 in the Silver Creek Baptist Church, Crum, West Virginia. Mrs. Justice is the daughter of Wayne Herald in Williamson.

Kingsley-Hoover

Margaret C. Kingsley became the bride of John P. Hoover on May 23 in the chapel of Colgate Rochester Divinity School, Rochester, New York. Mr. Hoover is the son of B. C. Hoover, line inspector in Huntington.



'Miss Logan'

The new Miss Logan County, Beverly Watkins, is the daughter of Oscar L. Watkins, Logan stationman. Beverly represented Logan County in the Miss West Virginia pageant held in Charleston June 23-27. Both pageants are preliminary to the Miss America competition. Beverly is a senior at Bluefield State College.

Dudash-Martin

Nancy Steven Dudash became the bride of William Martin in a double ring ceremony on May 31. Mrs. Martin is the daughter of Steve Dudash, Switchback Station foreman in the Bluefield Division.

They're Engaged

CONSTANCE ANN COMPELL to Larry Kenneth Beheler. Mr. Beheler is the son of Alonzo B. Beheler, customer service representative, Fieldale.

SHARON REESE to John Mullineaux. Miss Reese is a key punch operator in the general office accounting department, Roanoke.

EDNA NICHOLS to Edward Brisbane Rhett. Mr. Rhett is the son of Charles H. Rhett, engineer, Pulaski.

SHIRLEY ANN PRUNTY to John Walker Jr. Mr. Walker is a janitor, Bluefield.

KARREN SUE REPASS to John David Honaker. Mr. Honaker is a stationman helper, Bluefield.

SHARON RAY JOHNSON to A-1C Odlund H. Spangler, Jr. Miss Johnson is the daughter of Willard A. Johnson, T&D clerk, Bluefield.

EVELYN M. SALISBURY to Richard D. Thompson. Mr. Thompson is a maintenance man, Big Sandy.

JUDY CAUDILL to Kenneth V. Beck. Mr. Beck is a utility operator, Big Sandy.

DELLA FARMER to William G. Simpkins Jr. Miss Farmer is a clerk-stenographer, Logan.



New 'Grad'

Shad "sits" with his owner, Mrs. Beverly Niemann, home service representative in Huntington. Shad is a June graduate of obedience school and patiently wears his academic cap and gown at his commencement.

New Arrivals

Roanoke Division

MR. AND MRS. CECIL L. HILL, a son, Cecil Lee Jr., June 3. Mr. Hill is an employee in T&D.

MR. AND MRS. GARY W. WOLFORD, a son, Greg Walter, June 9. Mr. Wolford is a lineman helper.

MR. AND MRS. NATHAN C. TESTER, a daughter, Leslie Katherine, June 10. Mr. Tester is a lineman.

Big Sandy Plant

MR. AND MRS. PAUL R. WILLIAMSON, a son, Carl Ryan, April 18. Mr. Williamson is a maintenance helper.

Kanawha River Plant

MR. AND MRS. M. T. LAWSON, a

daughter, Anne Marie, May 28. Mr. Lawson is a test engineering aide.

Bluefield Division

MR. AND MRS. ROBERT W. YOST, II, a son, Robert W., III, May 14. Mr. Yost is a tracer.

MR. AND MRS. TERRY D. SIMPSON, a daughter, Kelli Ann, May 21. Mr. Simpson is a lineman.

MR. AND MRS. ROGER HESS, a daughter, Faith Lynette, May 29. Mr. Hess is a T&D clerk.

General Office

MR. AND MRS. A. K. HARVEY JR., a son, A. K., III, May 24. Mr. Harvey is a T&D-transmission section employee, Bluefield.

Familiar Faces In New Places

Appalachian Power Company

Abingdon Division

WILLIAM A. DENNY from line inspector to right of way maintenance inspector. LARRY A. BROWN from rodman to draftsman.

Bluefield Division

HENRY THOMAS GOFORTH JR., from engineering aide to right of way agent. LARRY WAYNE SIGMON from stationman helper a to stationman c. CLOVIS LEWIS COLEMAN from lineman c to lineman b. TERRY DALE SIMPSON from lineman c to lineman b. ALBERT BRITTON HERALD JR., from lineman a to line foreman.

Charleston Division

OSWALD E. LEWIS JR., from lineman helper to lineman c. RAYMOND E. MARTIN from lineman b to lineman a. DARRELL K. BROWN from lineman b to lineman a. JACKIE L. CALDWELL from lineman b to lineman a. LEWIS G. BURNS from lineman b to lineman a. ROBERT J. SULLIVAN from lineman helper to lineman c. LANDERS G. OXYER from lineman helper to lineman c. JAMES F. WILSON from lineman helper to lineman c. ROBERT S. LEADMAN from lineman helper to lineman c. KENNETH J. CLARK from lineman helper to lineman c.

General Office

BASIL L. BALLARD JR., from station operator c to station operator b at Clinch River Dispatch office. OLIVER G. BARBOUR, utility helper, from Switchback Station to Clinch River Dispatch Office. G. S. ARNOLD from mail clerk to customer accounting clerk in Roanoke. WAVERLY THORNHILL JR., from janitor, building service, to messenger, accounting. T. P. BARNETT JR., from w/o cost billing clerk to w/o cost billing clerk. sr. J. E. MCCALLUM from data processing operator c to data processing operator b. BARBARA D. CHAPMAN from key punch operator b to key punch operator a. WANDA G. BOBBITT from key punch operator c to key punch operator b. PEGGY O. CLINE from key punch operator c to key punch operator b. BLONDELL L. WEBB from clerk-trainee to clerk. BRENDA G. BROWN from clerk-stenographer to stenographer. THOMAS FARRAR PUCKETT from purchasing clerk to purchasing clerk sr. ROBERT R. SHORT from station maintenance man c to station maintenance man b.

Logan-Williamson Division

OSCAR L. WATKINS from stationman c to stationman b. LAWRENCE A. BIRD from draftsman VI to lineman helper. MARION DAVIS from lineman c to lineman b.

Roanoke Division

T. W. HOLLAND from engineering aide to line inspector. C. L. MUSSELMAN from line inspector to right of way maintenance inspector. A. A. JACOBS from meter service helper a to meter serviceman c. JOYCE R. CARTER from clerk-typist to customer accounts representative. W. S. WILLIAMS JR., from PBX operator, miscellaneous department to customer accounts representative, accounting department.

Clinch River Plant

ROGER C. MEADE from utility man, labor-janitor, to results helper, results. MICHAEL R. CAMPBELL from utility man, labor-janitor, to helper, maintenance. ALVIN E. HARRISON from utility man, labor-janitor, to utility operator, operations. JOE C. BREEDING from utility man, labor-janitor, to utility operator, operations.

Glen Lyn Plant

ROGER LEE GAUTIER from utility man, maintenance, to utility operator, operation. JACKIE RAY THORNTON from utility man, maintenance, to utility operator, operation. BUDDY HOGE SHIRES from coal sampler to brakeman. WILLIAM RANDOLPH CAMDEN from utility operator, operation, to coal sampler, coal handling. ROY EDWARD PENDELTON JR., from utility man, maintenance, to utility operator, operation.

Kentucky Power Company

Ashland Division

CALVIN C. BURNETT from meter serviceman a to serviceman. SHEILA N. CHILDS, junior clerk, from g. o. accounting to division commercial. LUCY TAYLOR from clerk trainee to clerk typist.

Lynchburg

John W. Vaughn was appointed chairman of the Emergency Disaster Committee and member of the Advisory Board and Youth Committee of the Salvation Army.

Lloyd T. Smith was appointed to the Sunshine Committee of the Lynchburg Rotary Club and Commercial Development Committee of the Lynchburg Chamber of Commerce.

Joseph Preston Crouch, son of Waddie E. Crouch, retiree, was graduated from Marshall-Wythe School of Law of the College of William and Mary. Crouch, an honor graduate, is now with the legal department of Babcock and Wilcox Company.



Crouch

John W. Vaughan Jr., Mary Ellen Miller and Thomas W. Pillow, children of employees, participated in the annual Spring Music Festival at the E. C. Glass High School.

George D. Capito was appointed to the Highway Committee of the Lynchburg Chamber of Commerce.

Delores L. Figg, daughter of H. M. Figg Jr., was named President-of-the-year for her work with "Sapeco," a Junior Achievement Company.

Paul L. Bailey was elected president of the Fort Hill Methodist Men's Bible Class.

Huntington

Robert L. Calhoun has been accepted as a member of the U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary.

Earl Bowen has been elected for the 5th term as councilman of the 1st Ward in Kenova.

Anna Laura Kovich, daughter of Joe A. Kovich, received the DAR award, and the Journalism award at the Huntington High School graduation exercises. Another daughter, Jenni Jo was elected treasurer of the French Club.

Richard Butler, son of Jack Butler, was appointed by the Adjutant General's office to attend the West Point Preparatory School in Fort Belvoir, Virginia. He will attend for one year beginning in August and hopes to participate in football and basketball.



Richard



Lynn

Lyn Butler, his sister, was selected as one of three girls to attend the June session of the Rhododendron Girls State at Jackson's Mill this month. Lyn is a junior commercial major at Huntington East High School.

Homer P. Hagaman was elected first vice-president of the Tri-State Management Club.

Jerry Jordan was elected State Secretary-Treasurer of the National Campers and Hikers Association.

Margaret Ann Hagaman, daughter of H. P. Hagaman, was graduated from Huntington High School. Peg, a member of the Torch Society, will attend West Virginia Wesleyan College in September.

Teresa Sarsfield, daughter of W. E. Sarsfield, received the Music Award at Huntington High School. She plans to attend Marshall University this fall.

Sympathy is extended to Roy M. Bates in the death of his mother and to Chapman Rutledge Jr. in the death of his father.

Happenings Around The Circuit

Big Sandy

Rita Ann Spears, daughter of William S. Spears, was inducted into Kappa Delta Pi, a national honor group in education. A junior at Morehead State University, she is majoring in history and English. She is secretary of Alpha Sigma Rho sorority and treasurer of Gamma Beta Phi honor society. A member of the University's Honors Program, she has been named a tutor-counselor in the federal government's Upward Bound Program. Next year she will serve as vice president of Kappa Delta Pi. She was a recipient of an AEP Educational Award in 1966.



Rita Ann

New employees are: Michael R. Walton, utility man-B; Len C. Duren, utility helper, and William G. Kise, utility helper.

Fred R. Kitchen Jr. has returned to work after an extended illness.

Sympathy is extended to Kenneth V. Beck on the death of his great-grandmother; and to Ronald Marshall on the death of his father.

James Scott Sampson, son of W. F. Sampson, received dual honors recently at Cannonsburg Elementary School. The 13-year-old won second place with his physical science project in the school's annual Science Fair. His project was growing alum crystals in a solution of distilled water and alum. The second honor was being named King of the Beta Club, a scholastic honorary group. He won in an election and reigned as king at the annual Sweetheart Ball.

Cabin Creek

Jane Ellen Morrison, daughter of Marvin F. Morrison, was inducted into the National Junior Honor Society at Horace Mann Junior High School. Active in athletics, too, she was a member of the school's tennis team which won the Kanawha County Championship for the fifth consecutive year. She played in the singles matches and for the third straight summer will be playing with Tennis Inc. at Charleston. She also received an award and became a member of the President's Physical Fitness Program.



Jane Ellen

Vicie Carrico, daughter of Harold H. Carrico, received a \$25 U. S. Savings Bond for winning the International Spelling Contest for East Bank High School and for taking 160 words a minute on a key punch office machine test.

Marvin Morrison was elected to the Board of Directors of the Greenbrier Pool Associates at Charleston.

Sarah C. Perkins, clerk-stenographer, is a new employee.

The annual plant picnic will be held July 19 at the Fayette County 4-H Camp. This picnic is for active and retired employees and their families.

Pulaski

Alice Payne, daughter of P. C. Payne, has been elected secretary of the Freshman Class at Pulaski High School.

B. B. McCall Jr., 1969 Pulaski High School graduate, received the Junior Chamber of Commerce Citizenship Award.

Linda Jen Buckner, daughter of Cecil Buckner, received her degree from Bridgewater College. John A. Blair, son of R. J. Blair, received a degree from VPI.

Mrs. Bernadine Lester, wife of R. E. Lester, has been elected corresponding secretary of the Woman's Club of Christiansburg.

Mrs. Dorothy Whitaker was elected corresponding secretary of the Madeline Harman Woman's Club. B. B. McCall Jr., son of Bruce McCall, served as town manager in the annual Youth Day sponsored by the club. Joey C. Buckner, son of Cecil Buckner, was the youth Recreational Director. Mrs. Bruce McCall was chairman.

D. H. Crabtree was elected a director of the Pulaski Jaycees.

Sympathy is extended to C. A. Shepherd and H. B. Shepherd on the death of their mother; to W. C. Hager on the death of his mother; to A. F. Horne on the death of his brother; to Jack D. Spraker on the death of his mother, and to Joseph L. Weddle on the death of his mother.

New employees are James W. Gettys, Bruce H. Sayles, C. A. Neely, J. M. Green, P. F. Dawyot, R. N. Parks, R. C. Sharp, R. A. Hugate, R. K. Chumbley, D. D. Blevins, M. L. Flanagan, and B. E. Spraker.

Kingsport

B. J. Ingram was elected first vice-president of the Mount Carmel Lions' Club.

The recipient of the Citizenship Award this year in Mill Bartley's third grade class at Jackson Elementary School was Kimberly Ferrell, daughter of Roy L. Ferrell.



Kim

John E. Faust was honored as a former board member by the Kingsport Chapter of the Red Cross at their annual meeting in May.

Representing Kingsport Power Company on the newly-elected Sullivan County Nutrition Committee is Mrs. Bennett McAlpine. The committee will instruct recipients in the use of food stamps.

Kent Stair received the "Times-News" Teen of the Year Award at the Honor's Day Assembly at Dobyns-Bennett High School.

Gayle Rayfield has been re-elected majorette at Dobyns-Bennett.

Fred Pierce has taken a Long Term Disability leave.

Wayne Matthews has received awards for two speeches in the Dale Carnegie Course he is taking.

Lawrence Miller received his third year advisor pin at the JA Annual Awards Banquet. C. S. Lingar was presented a second year advisor pin.

Logan-Williamson

Robin Kinser, daughter of Dallas A. Kinser, was selected a four-year National Merit scholar. Miss Kinser was one of two finalists from Logan High School. She has been named to Merit's "Who's Who Among High School Students for 1969" and the Society of Outstanding American High School Students. She will enter VPI for the fall term and plans a major in Chemistry.



Robin



Carol

Carol Lynn Miller, daughter of C. L. Miller was graduated from the Appalachian Regional Hospital School of Professional Nursing at Harlan, Kentucky.

Mr. and Mrs. M. Donohoe celebrated their 15th wedding anniversary June 18. They now live in Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. Mr. Donohoe retired in 1961.

Stella Mae Bivens, daughter of W. E. Bivens has been selected by Dr. Ken Hechler, West Virginia Fourth Congressional District Congressman, to work in his office this summer. She will enter American University in the fall. Abra Lynn Elkins, daughter of Chester Elkins, received the Girls' Citizenship Award at Logan Central Junior High.

Thomas R. Hanley, son of T. J. Hanley, received a master's degree in chemical engineering from VPI.

Sympathy is extended to Howard J. Collins on the death of his mother-in-law, Mrs. R. R. Vaughan.

E. E. King presented a Community Betterment Award to the town of Kermit, W. Va. on behalf of the West Virginia State Chamber of Commerce. King is a chamber member and on the board of directors.

John B. Buskirk returned to work following an extended illness.

Emery Jeffreys Jr. was elected vice-president of the Leo Club at Logan High School. Oval Adams, son of Anthony Adams, retiree, was elected taitwister. The club is sponsored by the Logan Lions Club and is the first Leo Club to be formed in West Virginia.

Ashland

Bill Holbrook, son of William Holbrook, was named to the National Honor Society at Paul Blazer High School and to "Who's Who Among Student Leaders in High Schools of America." Bill is one of this year's AEP Educational Award recipients and will enter the University of Kentucky in September. He plans to earn a degree in law.

James Gallaher, son of Mason Gallaher Jr., was graduated from Morehead State University with a B.M.E. degree. Jim, a music major, plans a career as a band director.

Jacqueline Pauley won the championship of Greenup County for her demonstration in liquid embroidery in recent 4-H competition. Jackie placed second in the regional contest held in Paintsville, Kentucky. She is the daughter of Jack Pauley.

Nancy Louise Russell was graduated from Eastern Kentucky University "with distinction." An elementary education major, she is presently teaching in the Cincinnati school system. Nancy is the daughter of Otto Russell.

Sympathy is extended to Ruth Perry on the death of her father, John Millis.

Roger Jones is a new employee in the division commercial department.

W. S. La Fon was recently named Commercial Division Chairman of the fund campaign for the YMCA. The campaign is aimed at raising \$1.8 for a new building which will house recreational and other facilities.

John Broughton, son of C. D. Broughton, entered the U.S. Air Force at Lakeland, Texas.

Charleston

Lloyd F. Pomykata was elected secretary of the St. Albans Chamber of Commerce for 1969-70. The installation ceremonies were held during a dinner-dance at the El Rancho Restaurant in St. Albans May 17.



John

John Thomas Hull, son of John Hull Jr., was named as alternate in "Week in Washington" sponsored by Congressman Ken Hechler. John is a junior at Pocahontas High School where he is a member of the National Honor Society. He plans to enter UVa upon graduation.

Joel Taylor, son of Floyd H. Taylor Jr., was chosen to represent Woodrow Wilson Junior High School at Boys County. The conference will be located at Camp Virgal near Charleston.

New employees are William A. Romeo, Benjamin G. Shew, and Nolan R. Byars, T&D; Cecilia A. Jackson, accounting; Danny L. Cantley, stores; William G. Laxton, Misc.; and Yvonne M. Giomora, personnel.

Douglas B. Brown, son of F. Q. Brown, was awarded a National Honor Society Scholarship.



Douglas

Douglas also received an AEP Educational Award. He is a graduate of George Washington High School and will enter Yale University in the fall. He plans to try for the Yale track team in the 440 and half mile.

Fred O. Helm was elected secretary of the Charleston Symphony Orchestra.

Beckley



Janet



Kevin

Janet Greene, daughter of Homer W. Greene, was selected Worthy Advisor of Beckley Assembly No. 47 Order of Rainbow Girls. She is also drill leader for district 10. Janet is a junior at Woodrow High School where she is a member of the Bible Club, the school chorus and Madrigal Chorus. Her brother, Kevin Ward Greene, a sixth grade student, received the Citizenship Award of the Beckley Civitan Club at the Mabscott Elementary School. Kevin is the third member of the Greene family to receive this award.

Miss Doris Hairston is a new employee in Beckley Accounting; Billy Ray Abshire is new in the Rupert area.

Mr. Archie Riner taught a 15-hour First Aid course at the Bluefield YMCA. Because of his volunteer efforts, the Bluefield area has 13 new qualified First Aid Instructors.

Kanawha River

C. L. Knight, F. H. Mannon and W. W. McColgan were recently elected to the Town Council of Glasgow.

W. B. Moore III is a new employee.

Sympathy is extended to J. E. Loudermilk on the death of his brother.

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A Look At Appalachian

What do young engineering graduates think of the electric utility industry? Is there enough challenge? Is it too conservative?

These and other questions were answered recently when Appalachian was host to two groups of junior and senior electrical engineering students from West Virginia Institute of Technology.

There was no subterfuge. This was an obvious recruiting session. Progressive companies such as ours must continually attract top graduates in order to continue to be a leader in our industry.

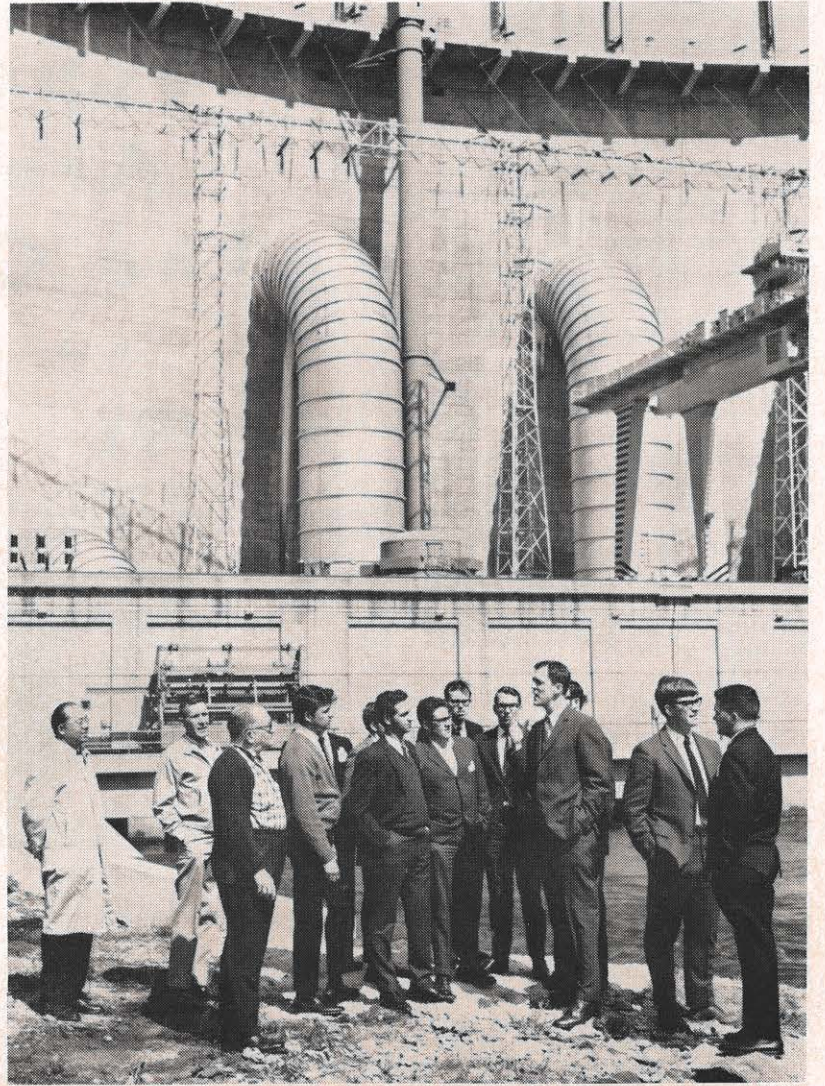
The 18 students toured Appalachian's Smith Mountain Hydro-Electric and Pumped Storage Project and the Roanoke general offices. At Smith Mountain Lake they stayed overnight at Penn Hall the company's training facility, from where they launched excursions to the Information Center and the power house.

The groups saw the films, "The River That Runs

Uphill," and "The Appalachian Story". Joe P. Gills, executive vice president, and W. S. White Jr., vice president, addressed the group, outlining the challenges and opportunities in the electric utility industry today.

Panel discussions were held for both groups. Speakers and the areas represented were: W. G. Bell, generation; T. W. Old, stations; E. C. Rankin, T&D; R. D. Webster, sales; B. W. Middaugh, electronics, and Jack Lloyd, management. Second session speakers were: J. W. Kepner, G. E. LeMasters, G. W. Skaggs, E. T. Gills, and G. M. Guill. At Roanoke, the groups also toured the operations center under the guidance of G. M. Gillock.

The inspection trip to Appalachian facilities was planned and developed by the Charleston Division Personnel Department. The purpose was to dispel any doubts and to correct any false impressions the students may have had about the electric utility industry and the role of the engineer in it.



C. R. Saul, Roanoke Division personnel (third from right), pauses with group before tour through generating facilities at Dam. R. W. Speas, division hydro supervisor (third from left), conducted the tour.

Editor's Note: A few students were asked for written comments of their impression of Appalachian and the electric utility industry prior to and following the trip. The following are excerpts from these comments.



Gills bids farewell to students on departure from Penn Hall.

Comments From Future Engineers

"I must say that I was very impressed with Appalachian Power Company during my visit to Smith Mountain Dam. The members of high ranking company officials that spoke to our group were astounding. When the Executive Vice President of a company takes time to address a group of visitors, one can be sure that a personal interest is felt towards that group.

"One thing I can say of everyone involved, they were very good salesmen. I am seriously considering a career with the AEP System."

"Undoubtedly, I had a good time on the trip, but the most important point was to see how

Appalachian operates. My concept of the Power Industry was certainly changed and expanded by the trip. There are several other points about AEP that I have discovered; that it is a very complex system, it covers an extensive territory, and it is a progressive system.

"To sum up, now I would consider working in the power industry, before the trip I never would have considered working in the power industry."

"My trip to Appalachian Power Company's Smith Mountain Dam was most enlightening, and very interesting. I have never spent a more enjoyable time in my college

career than the two days as Appalachian's guest at the Penn Hall lodge.

"Appalachian had planned our trip very well. We were able to follow our timetable satisfactorily, thanks to Mr. Saul. Being exposed to the energetic and knowledgeable members of the panel made quite a favorable impression on me. They projected to me a company which was growing, perhaps as fast as any in the world, and a company which needed bright, young, and ambitious men to lead this expansion.

"The men of Appalachian seemed to be men who were very much devoted to their work and loved to talk about it, which they proved in our discussion session Tuesday night."



John Frazier (center), Charleston Division personnel supervisor, runs through Appalachian recruiting magazine with students (from left) Randall Hurst and John Baisden.



White (head of table) and Rankin (far left with back to camera) lead a bull session during lunch.

A Jack of ALL Trades, He Is a . . .

He is one of our companies' unsung heroes. He is a jack of all trades. He is a stationman.

His work is critical. He's called out in the worst type of weather. A mistake on his part could mean the injury of a fellow employee miles away. He has to know his job. He is a stationman.

Although he doesn't climb poles, he must have the knowledge of a lineman. He is an electrician, plumber, painter, carpenter, machinist, welder, mechanic, riveter and a husband and a father. He is a stationman.

He constructs, maintains and operates our companies' multi-million-dollar distribution stations. There's only one way to learn his job—experience. When he does, he is a stationman.

He knows the make-up of a transformer, can disassemble and overhaul an oil reclosure, has a thorough knowledge of electronics and can install complicated relays. If the installation of a commercial transformer pad or bracket

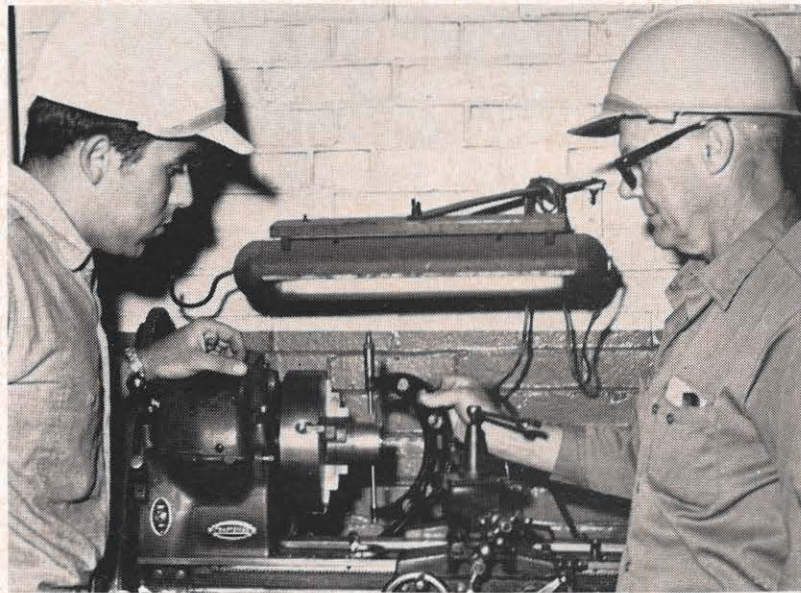
is required and the device can't be purchased, the answer is simple. Tell the station crews what is needed and let them build it.

The pictures on this page are of Huntington station personnel but they could have been taken any place in the system.

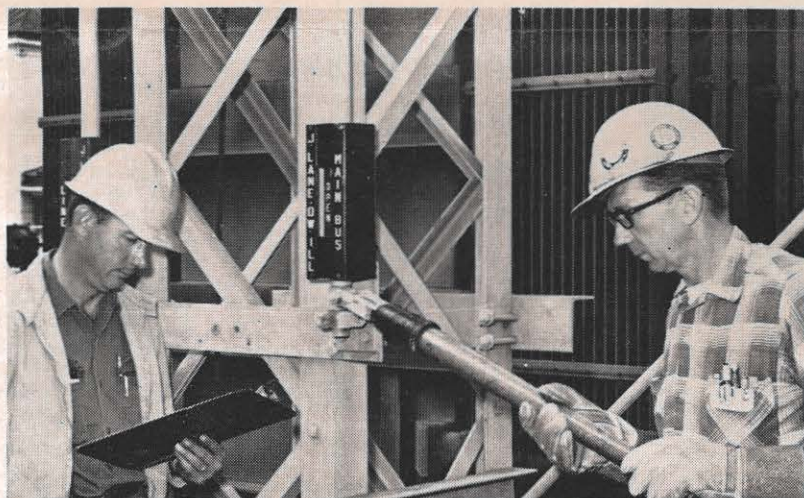
The Huntington department is composed of 18 men, headed by Fred Bruce, station supervisor. The department is charged with the responsibility for construction, maintenance and operation and appearance of the division's 33 substations.

Two of the key men in the department, J. B. Jarrell and Vernon Thacker have been with the company since 1924, two years before the present firm was formed. Another, Frank C. Lake, started with the company in 1933 and during his career has served with the West Virginia State Legislature.

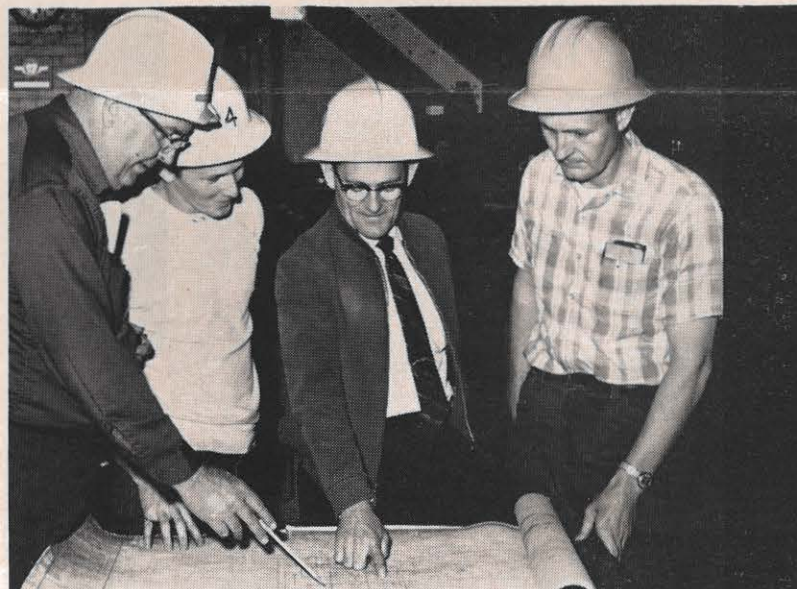
They are part of the backbone of our companies. They are stationmen.



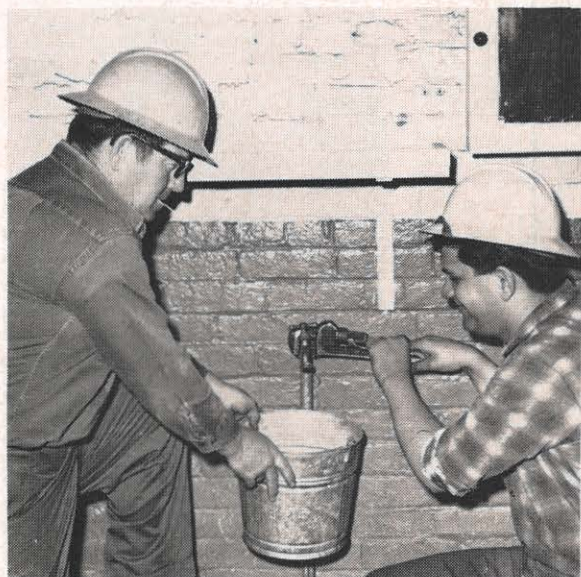
The younger men learn from the veterans. Ed Murray (left) receives instructions on the operation of a lathe from Nolan Campbell.



Switching is critical and leaves no room for error. Bill Locke, foreman (left), gives instructions to Troy Hatfield.



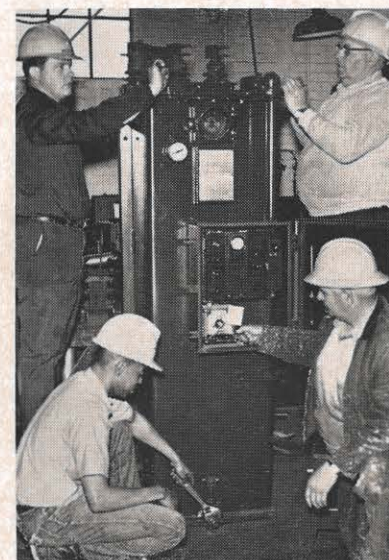
Planning a day's work are (from left) Vernon Thacker, foreman; Tom Wells; Fred Bruce, supervisor, and Lyle Grose.



Plumbing is part of a day's work sometimes. From left: David Ritchie and Tracy Kitchen repair a pipe.



A new 50-kva transformer failed in service. H. H. Perdue (from left) Claude Thompson and Frank Lake are charged with the responsibility of determining "why."



Team work is part of the job. From left (top) Tom Bloss, J. B. Jarrell, (below) Tom Kincaid and L. M. Smith join forces to repair voltage regulator.



Cabin Creek assistant plant manager George E. Briers Jr., sits on his Bultaco Matador. His son, David, is on a Yamaha Twin Scrambler.

Entire Families Join In

Cabin Creek Catches Cycle Fever

At Cabin Creek the latest craze is motorcycle riding. But in this case the "gangs" are adults and their families who have discovered bike riding is an exciting sport. George E. Briers, assistant plant manager, is a motorcycle enthusiast and spends much of his spare time riding hills and trails in the Kanawha State Forest with his family and motorcycle friends. On Briers' street, seven families own bikes and three are two-bike families. On many jaunts, there are 10 to 20 bikes in the group. Briers owns two bikes, a Bultaco Matador 250-cc which he rides himself, and a Yamaha Twin Scrambler 125-cc which his wife Durfee and son David use. The Matador is a Spanish bike with

knobby tires front and back, high fenders, and is a five speed with good low end torque. The Bultaco was designed by Juan Bulto whose family personally tests each model. The Bultaco is considered by most riders to be the Cadillac of the line. This fast growing sport of trail and competition riding has been popular in Europe for several years, and is now becoming increasingly popular in this country, especially in West Virginia. The riders in Briers' group are quite safety conscious and wear crash helmet, gloves, boots and goggles.

Archery Shoot Won By Akers

Harold Akers, Williamson meter serviceman in the Logan-Williamson division, recently scored 279 points of a possible 300 to win first place in the men's division of the same contest. The trophies will take their places among dozens of others the expert archer has won through the years.



Mr. Akers

Kentuckians Get Bowling Awards

Kentucky held its annual bowling picnic May 17 at Armco Park at Ashland and presented championship trophies to the Cutouts, a General Office mixed team. Members of the winning team were Charles and Pat Tackett, Wally Hall, Jack and Sally Keaton and Ron Wright. The league runners-up were the Livewires of the Big Sandy Plant. Team members were: Ray Stein, Ken Beck, Bob Elliott, Tom Jenks, Norman Leget, Everett Lycan and Homer Matheney. Some of the individual trophies presented were Homer Matheney, high average for men, Charles Tackett, high game, and Bill England, high series. Most improved bowlers were Greta Hall and Ron Wright. Bo Humphrey received three trophies, high average, high game, and high series for ladies. Eleven awards were presented to bowlers rolling a 230 or above actual game.



Bowling league trophies were presented at the annual Kentucky Power picnic. Winners were (front row from left) Norman Leget, Melinda Ackerman, Greta

Hall, Carl Burner, and Sally Keaton; (second row from left) Ken Beck, Harold McKenzie, Bill England, Jack Keaton, Charles Tackett and Tom Jenks.

**By A Dam Site, He Said Dryly
Charlestonian's Cycle Situation Sad**

A Honda Trail 90 will go "almost" anywhere. It's designed for rugged endurance. Hills and steep grades are no challenge, but water gives it a little trouble. Rodger Woodrum, sales representative at Charleston, found this out the hard way. He also found it difficult to forget—thanks to the constant ribbing from his "friends." Rodger's tale of woe started when he went camping with Mr. and Mrs. Howard Sampson and

son, Jack, at the Carbide Hunting and Fishing Club. Mrs. Sampson is a clerk-stenographer at Charleston. Rodger took his new Honda along to test it on the meandering trails around the lake. He and Jack Sampson, who also owns a Honda, decided to try some unfamiliar terrain. Rodger was going to test Jack's riding skill. With Jack in close pursuit, Rodger roared up an unexpectedly smooth and sloping hill. The

next thing Jack heard was a loud verbal outburst, followed by a louder splash. Rodger had ended up on the wrong side of an earthen dam. Jack stopped himself at the top of the dam just in time to see Rodger and his new Trail 90 slowly submerge. The Honda wasn't damaged, but Jack's pride may be soggy for some time. It may be even longer before he regains his trail leadership.

Roanoke Girl Tops in Tennis

Debra Kay Abshire, 17, has won seven trophies in tennis singles and three in doubles competition in the past seven years. Her latest conquest was the Roanoke Jaycees Tennis Championship which she won with scores of 4-6, 8-6, 7-5. In the past two years she has been in the runner-up spot in high school doubles competition. Debra is a rising senior at Patrick Henry High School. She plans to attend Madison College and study physical therapy along with more tennis. This summer Debra is competing in five tournaments and working as a Junior Counselor in Girls State. Debra is the daughter of T. W. Abshire, Roanoke division T&D meter serviceman.



Heads Cheers

Mary Margaret Driskill, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Earl R. Driskill, Lynchburg, was elected Head Cheerleader at the Holy Cross Academy. Mary Margaret, a rising senior, is a member of the Glee Club, Varsity Club, and extremely active in dramatics. It will be her fourth year in cheerleading. Mary also excels in piano. After high school, she plans to enter college to major in math.



Narrows speedster Barney Ratliff (left) edges competition to qualify in the 100-yard dash at the New River track meet. When the chips were down in the finals, Ratliff left the pack to win by a comfortable margin.

Glen Lyn Man's Son, Barney Ratliff, Takes Three Firsts In District Meet

Barney Ratliff was the top trackman of the New River District meet held at Giles High School. Ratliff took three first places with times of 10 seconds in the 100-yard dash, 23.4 seconds in the 220 and a jump of 20 feet and 1 inch in the broad jump. He went on to compete in the state track meet held at Virginia Tech, but was injured in the first event. Ratliff was also a star football

player at Narrows High School. The 165-pound tailback was named to the offensive first team in the New River District. His football performance and his B average scholastic record won for him a full scholarship-grant to VPI. He will enter Tech in the fall with plans for a mechanical engineering major. Ratliff is the son of R. B. Ratliff, maintenance supervisor at the Glen Lyn Plant, and is a summer employee there.

Roanoker Keeps Scouts Busy

Stuart G. Boblett III was a Life Scout in Troop 37 sponsored by Grandin Court Baptist Church. He was "tapped out" as a member of the Order of the Arrow, one of scouting's select organizations. Boblett has continued an active interest in scouting and is now Scoutmaster of Troop 17 at St. John's Episcopal Church. He has been scoutmaster for only 14 months but at a recent Court of Honor 17 of his 45 scouts advanced to a higher rank. Five boys were advanced to Eagle Scout, four to Life Scout and three to Star Scout.

The secret of his troop's success is continuous activity. Once each month the boys go camping and between campouts they take lengthy hikes. The program is supported actively by the boys and parents. Boblett has five assistant scoutmasters. He is a native Roanoker who joined Appalachian as a clerk trainee immediately after graduation from Patrick Henry High School in 1964. He was promoted to draftsman in Roanoke T&D.



S. G. Boblett III, contacts a member of his Parent Committee on a scouting assignment for Troop 17,

Johnston Hits Hole-In-One

James A. Johnston, time clerk sr. at Glen Lyn, made a hole-in-one on number five at the Giles Country Club. He used a nine iron on the 139-yard par three. Johnston has an eight stroke handicap on the par 72 course. Tradition has it that anyone making a hole-in-one hosts everyone at the club. Johnston says "It was a sweetly spent \$9."

Happenings Around The Circuit

Abingdon

Michael McFall, son of William McFall, received one of the three \$500 scholarships presented by HAPCO, Division of Kearney National, at Abingdon High School's commencement. Christina Ellison also received a HAPCO scholarship.



Mike Chris

Mark Lindamood, son of W. C. Lindamood, left June 16 for Europe with the Foreign Study League. He will visit England, France, Italy, Austria and Belgium and will return July 20.

Paul V. Kelsey was re-elected secretary of the Mt. Rogers Citizens Development Corporation for 1969.

Fillmore McPherson Jr. presided at the graduation exercises for the senior class of the Johnston Memorial Hospital School of Nursing.

Sympathy is extended to Sylvia Darnell on the death of her brother-in-law and to C. W. Hale on the death of his brother.

Tom Swindall was awarded the Scoutmaster's Key at the Lonesome Pine District Scouter's Appreciation Dinner in Pikeville, Kentucky.

Arthur Self is coaching the Corvettes Little League team for a second season. His son Scottie is on the team.

David Lawler and Dean Robinson completed a 10-week First Aid course.

Employees recently elected officers in the Abingdon Lions Club are A. S. Buchanan, first vice-president; D. C. Landreth, secretary; Hunter Thayer, tail-twister; and W. H. Ferguson Jr., director.

Sons and daughters of employees receiving college degrees in June were P. V. Kelsey Jr., Bill Valley and Don Leonard from VPI; Harry Barnard, III, from UVA; Ruth Sowers from Radford College; and Becky Bondurant from Longwood College. Ellen Wood Hall received the degree of Master of Arts in French Literature at Bryn-Mawr College.

Vickie Fletcher, daughter of Pat Fletcher, won third place in the State for an essay on air pollution sponsored by "Virginia Wildlife."

New employees are W. M. Gilliam, H. W. Counts; H. A. Howard, E. C. Funk, and Edward Wyatt.

Pikeville

Bill Barnett, son of Bill E. Barnett, was initiated into Phi Beta Kappa honorary fraternity at the University of Kentucky where he is a senior majoring in chemistry and physics. He will graduate in December.

Gregory Corbin Miller, son of W. R. Miller, and William David Zoellers, son of William W. Zoellers, were awarded perfect attendance awards at Pikeville City School. David and Greg, active in sports and band, and high in scholastic achievement, had perfect attendance for the first eight grades.

Sympathy is extended to Nancy H. Williamson of the death of her grandfather, and to Andrew Poulos on the death of his father-in-law.

Sons of three Pikeville employees were graduated from high school in June. Robert Huffman, son of Robert L. Huffman finished at Johns Creek High School, and Terry Bevins, son of Don Bevins at Mullins High School. Alexander Poulos, son of Andrew Poulos, received the Best All Round award at Pikeville High School.

Kentucky

Teresa G. Combs received the Henry W. and Edna Austin Award for scholarship at Berea College. This award is given to the four students having the highest grade averages in the sophomore class. Teresa, who is majoring in home economics, was one of the 1967 AEP educational winners. She is the daughter of Adrian Combs.

Phillip Hays, a junior at Morehead State University, has been selected as "Mr. Future Business Executive" by the MSU chapter of Phi Beta Lambda, national business honorary. Phillip is the son of Nolan A. Hays.

Nell Rose Turner was recipient of the Sarah Fuller Smith Prize Loom as outstanding student weaver at Berea College's 47th annual Labor Day program. Labor Day is celebrated annually at Berea College the first Tuesday in May to honor students who have made significant contributions to the college's student labor program. Nell is the daughter of Billy Turner.

Sympathy is extended to Robert Bruce Muncy on the death of his father, W. B. Muncy.

Glen Lyn

Donetta Buckland, daughter of Donald A. Buckland, has been elected treasurer of the West Virginia Future Home-makers of America. She has been a member of the Peterson Chapter FHA for three years and served as vice-president of national and state projects. She is president-elect of the Peterstown chapter.



Donetta

Dana W. Hazelwood and Marvin E. Pennington are new employees in the Maintenance Dept.

Charles A. Powell was named to the Dean's List at VPI for the spring quarter and Anna D. Powell was an honor graduate at Narrows High School. They are the children of G. T. Powell.

General Office

Lewis A. Sydnor, husband of Elizabeth, personnel, was selected to appear in the 1970 edition of "The Community Leaders of America." He is principal of Booker T. Washington Junior High School and was chosen for his outstanding contributions to the community. He is a member of the Selective Service Board, the National Association of Secondary School Principals and several other educational organizations. He also is trustee of Burrell Memorial Hospital, financial secretary of St. Paul United Methodist Church and budget chairman of Omega Psi Phi fraternity. He and Mrs. Sydnor are the parents of three children.

Sympathy is extended to Huyda Hedrick, accounting; on the death of her father; and to L. L. Koontz, commercial, on the death of his brother.

Roger L. Gowl, accounting; received a certificate from the Staff College of Battle Creek, Mich., for completing a course in Civil Defense.

New employees are: Randall T. Odell, Mrs. Anna Shrader and R. L. Saddler Jr., all T&D transmission section at Bluefield; Donald E. Robbins, accounting; and Ruth C. Bowman, Phyllis P. Craun and Glenn A. Perfater, all of purchasing.

D. T. Crickenberger was recently promoted to meter engineer sr. instead of meter engineer as previously reported. Jack B. Sudderth is a new employee in the T&D meter section instead of station section as previously reported.

Bluefield

Pat Cornett, daughter of McKinley Cornett, was elected president of the Future Home-makers of America at Bramwell High School, named an alternate to the Science Program at West Virginia University and alternate for the Life Sciences Institute.

Calvin Green, son of Jack Green was elected eighth grade Student Council Representative at Welch Junior High School.

B. M. Vassar was elected president of the Greater Tazewell Recreation Center, Inc.

Nora Wright, daughter of D. C. Wright, was inducted into the National Honor Society at Bluefield High School.

The current project of the men of the First Methodist Church in Princeton is the furnishing of a meditation room in the Princeton Community Hospital in honor of deceased General Office employee, Earl H. Graham. Garlin E. Hill was elected president of this group. He also was re-elected president of the Industrial Bowling League, and vice-president of the City Bowling League.

Heber G. Stafford has been elected vice-president of the Industrial Bowling League of Bluefield.

Grady L. Parker was elected president of the Mercer County Heart Association.

Kathy Martin, daughter of Jack C. Martin, has been named varsity cheerleader at Pineville High School where she is a junior.

John William Belchee received a degree in biology from Wake Forest University. Bill has been accepted for the U. S. Air Force OCS and has reported to San Antonio.

Scott M. Robinson, son of O. L. Robinson, was graduated from Virginia Polytechnic Institute with a BS Degree in Electrical Engineering.

Alfred Spraker, son of M. K. Spraker, was a member of the All-county Band from Welch High School.

At the first Awards Day Program at Bramwell High School, Lois Ann Dudash, daughter of Steve Dudash, was presented the Science Award. Karl Mann, Jr. received the Spanish Award at Princeton.

Eddie Fanning, son of E. E. Fanning, received the Presidential Award for physical fitness, ranking better than 85 per cent in all national tests.

Three from Bluefield have been elected president of their Parent-Teachers Associations. They are: Mrs. Jack Martin at Pineville Junior High School, Mervyn E. Anderson at Falls Mills, and Mrs. Kenneth Jackson at Brushfork.

Sympathy is extended to M. K. Spraker and C. E. Spraker on the death of their mother, and to Wade Nash on the death of his mother.

Clinch River

Ronnie Lee Brown, son of W. Henry Brown, was graduated from the Medical College of Virginia on June 7 as a Doctor of Dental Surgery. Dr. Brown was the recipient of an American Electric Power Educational Award in 1962. He was vice-president of his class at Virginia and received the Lyons-Yingling award. He has been selected for a U. S. Army Internship at Madigan General Hospital, Tacoma, Washington.



Brown



K. D. Cox repeated blood donor, spends a coffee break with Jane Poff, an Illuminator correspondent.

Roanoker Passes 3-gallon Mark

K. D. Cox, Roanoke T&D, engineer has been donating blood to the Appalachian Regional Red Cross since 1939. In June he passed the three-gallon mark.

Cox is a native of Carroll County and a graduate of Marshall High School. He served for two years in the South Pacific as a member of the U. S. Navy Amphibious Force, and was discharged as an Electrician's Mate Second Class. He came to Appalachian in 1946 as a draftsman, became lead draftsman in 1959 and reached his present position in 1967.

K. D. is an active sportsman who fishes, hunts, target shoots and rides horses. A former high school boxer, he once boxed an exhibition for an earlier employer. In 1967 he entered a Demolition Derby in Roanoke in which he won the first heat but lost the semi-final due to transmission failure (no low or reverse). The object of a derby is to eliminate all other cars by crashing into them. He says that one thing he learned was the value of a safety belt. "Without one you couldn't stay in one of those wrecks."

Roanoke

Gordon Thomas Brown Jr. is serving as summer assistant pastor at Roanoke's Huntington Court United Methodist Church.



Brown

He is a graduate of Bridgewater College and will begin seminary studies at the Wesley Theological Seminary this fall. He is the son of Gordon Thomas Brown Sr. The past three summers he has worked with the Roanoke division T&D and Accounting Depts.

New employees are Emily Sue Vaughn, commercial, and Rachel H. Wheaton, accounting.

Sympathy is extended to L. G. Gregory on the death of his mother; to O. B. Gillespie on the death of his father; to R. H. Thomas Jr. on the death of his step-father, and to Mary Tyler on the death of her brother in Viet Nam.

D. K. Craft, George L. Murphy and Lawrence Hopson recently completed the Basics of Supervision course.

H. P. Laughon has returned to work after an extended absence following surgery.

Kaye A. Reynolds, daughter of W. C. Reynolds, was graduated from Mary Washington College of the University of Virginia with an AB Degree in sociology. She also received her professional teacher's certificate and will teach in Albemarle County.

Sandra Elaine Mills, daughter of W. M. Mills, was graduated from Cave Spring High School in June and will be attending Radford College this fall.

R. B. Horne and R. O. Ragland have passed the one-gallon mark in blood donations.

Martin L. Ratcliff served as chairman of the Jaycee committee sponsoring safe gun handling for youths in the Roanoke area.

Sympathy is extended to Mariam Martindale on the death of her mother.

Recent high school graduates were Richard Lee Bryant, son of J. W. Bryant, Cave Spring, who plans to attend Virginia Western College, and Kemp Hutcherson, son of J. K. Hutcherson, William Fleming, who will attend Emory and Henry College.

Jerry Beatty, son of A. M. Beatty, was graduated from Bridgewater College and will teach in Roanoke City schools.

Prince E. Thornton was elected to a one-year term as first vice president of the Roanoke Hart Lions Club.

Richard R. Snedegar was elected a director of the Roanoke Exchange Club.

A. R. Martin Jr., son of A. R. Martin, Rocky Mount, was graduated from the College of William and Mary in June.

Wanda Harris recently joined the Red Cross Blood Program's one-gallon club.

Fieldale

Dianna Lea Via, daughter of Dorothy B. Via, was elected the FHA president of the Fieldale-Collinsville High School chapter and vice president of the Virginia FHA.



Dianna

Mrs. George Turner was elected treasurer of the Edleweiss Garden Club at Collinsville.

Frances Fair Merriman, daughter of Derwood G. Merriman, presented her sophomore piano recital at Meredith College at Raleigh, N. C.

Melvin Brown was elected president of the Men's Club of the Fieldale United Methodist Church where he is church organist, a member of the administrative board and men's class teacher. His son, Geoffrey, a sixth grade student at Fieldale Elementary School, recently received a letter as honorary Baby Bengal of the John D. Bassett High School at Bassett. He served as JV football manager last fall. Another of Brown's sons is football and golf coach and general science teacher at Bassett.

Dorothy Via and W. L. Nichols Jr. have returned to work after extended absences.

Richard McBride, son of A. W. McBride, was graduated from the Union Theological Seminary and has accepted a position as assistant chaplain and Baptist student union director at Wake Forest University.

Michael Garland Morrison, son of J. G. Morrison, Stuart, was graduated from Ferrum Junior College. He plans to attend the University of Virginia.

Service Anniversaries Observed

30 Years



W. S. LaFon
Ashland



J. W. French
Roanoke



J. D. Cooper
Roanoke



W. M. Mills
Roanoke



P. W. Parks
Bluefield



J. R. Pugh
Huntington



W. D. Hocker
Huntington



David Booth
Lynchburg



J. K. White
Kingsport

25 Years



Fred Burnett
Pulaski



C. A. Sweeney
GO



Smith Compton
Bluefield



Emma Jean
Wilson
Beckley



Patricia N. Dunn
Glen Lyn



W. M. Woodyard
Glen Lyn



L. O. Whittaker
Glen Lyn

20 Years



D. G. Merriman
Roanoke



O. M.
McLaugherty
Glen Lyn



C. L. Stayton
Ashland



L. D. Evans
Roanoke



H. E. Farmer Jr.
Bluefield



Maggie Spurlock
Huntington



R. W. Martin
Beckley



Archie Riner
Beckley



D. P. Newman
Charleston



Mary E. Davis
Logan



R. H. Johnson
Logan



R. R. Griffith
Charleston



R. E. Warner
Philip Sporn



J. A. Bryan
Philip Sporn



R. H. Love
Pulaski

Appalachian Men Contribute 'Ideas'

Articles by four Appalachian men were published in the June issue of AEP "Operating Ideas."

Danny F. Woolcock, chief chemist at the Philip Sporn Plant points out the importance of fully evaluating job procedures in an article on page 2.

Leonard Carnifax, master maintenance man at the Cabin Creek Plant describes the operation of machining turbine rotors on page 5.

R. E. Senter, assistant plant manager, and T. D. Watson, plant performance engineer at the Clinch River Plant, explain the remote control procedure for thawing loaded coal cars in an article on page 7.



Woolcock



Senter



Carnifax



Watson



Appalachian Power Company

ABINGDON DIVISION—15 YEARS: PEGGY J. JOHNSON, personnel clerk.
BLUEFIELD DIVISION—40 YEARS: G. KARNES HOGE, air conditioning engineer. 35 YEARS: FRANK B. BARNES, area superintendent. 30 YEARS: PAUL W. PARKS, general clerk. 25 YEARS: SMITH COMPTON, groundman. 20 YEARS: HENRY E. FARMER JR., meter serviceman. 15 YEARS: JOHN E. M. SCOTT, lineman.

CHARLESTON DIVISION—40 YEARS: VERA R. HAYNES, customer accounts assistant. 35 YEARS: WILLIAM H. MITCHELL, area serviceman. 30 YEARS: DONALD P. NEWMAN, engineering supervisor. 25 YEARS: EMMA JEAN WILSON, stenographer. 20 YEARS: ARCHIE RINER, head T&D clerk. ROBERT W. MARTIN, area supervisor. ROBERT R. GRIFFITH, engineer senior. 10 YEARS: NORMAN J. CALDWELL, custodian. 5 YEARS: PAMELA SNODGRASS, clerk-stenographer.

GENERAL OFFICE—40 YEARS: W. E. COLEMAN, R/W and R/E superintendent. 30 YEARS: CECIL ALLEN SWEENEY, draftsman. 10 YEARS: HELEN A. HONAKER, clerk-stenographer. BETTY H. THOMPSON, stores accounting clerk. 5 YEARS: BONNIE H. FERRELL, clerk-stenographer. CAROL DAWN AKERS, clerk-stenographer. CLAUDE E. HYLTON, general bookkeeper.

HUNTINGTON DIVISION—35 YEARS: P. M. VANNOY, power sales engineer. 30 YEARS: W. D. HOCKER, custodian. J. R. PUGH, meterman. 20 YEARS: MAGGIE SPURLOCK, customer accounts representative. 15 YEARS: BARBARA CALHOUN, customer accounts representative. LEANNA FORD, T&D clerk. M. A. FOTOS, JR., line supervisor.

LOGAN-WILLIAMSON DIVISION—25 YEARS: VICTOR HARRIS, area serviceman. 20 YEARS: RALPH H. JOHNSON, sales manager. MARY E. DAVIS, secretarial stenographer. 5 YEARS: BOBBIE MIXON, lineman. EMMA JANE REYNOLDS, clerk-stenographer.

LYNCHBURG DIVISION—40 YEARS: HAMPTON L. DAVIS, building service. 35 YEARS: ROBERT G. HOOPER, meter man. 30 YEARS: DAVID E. BOOTH, stationman.

PULASKI DIVISION—30 YEARS: FRED BURNETT, maintenance man. 20 YEARS: ROBERT H. LOVE, engineering supervisor.

ROANOKE DIVISION—40 YEARS: J. W. CRAIG, head T&D clerk. 35 YEARS: E. W. HOLLAND, meter service foreman. J. W. BRYANT, stationman. 30 YEARS: J. D. COOPER, right of way agent. W. M. MILLS, electrical engineer. J. W. FRENCH, power sales engineer. 25 YEARS: D. G. MERRIMAN, station foreman. 20 YEARS: L. D. EVANS, heating sales engineer. 15 YEARS: D. W. COOPER, lineman. J. B. BELL, groundman. 10 YEARS: J. M. QUARLES, lineman. 5 YEARS: R. E. MICKY, T&D clerk. C. L. ALTICE, lineman.

CABIN CREEK PLANT—40 YEARS: FRED E. HEMMINGS, shift operator engineer. 35 YEARS: PATRICIA A. HASTINGS, stenographer. RALPH H. WILLIAMS, shift operator engineer.

GLEN LYN PLANT—25 YEARS: WILLIAM M. WOODYARD, maintenance man. O. MILTON McCLAUGHERTY, chemist assistant. PATRICIA N. DUNN, private secretary. LAWRENCE O. WHITTAKER, coal equipment operator. 10 YEARS: THOMAS E. CREWEY, plant performance engineer.

PHILIP SPORN PLANT—20 YEARS: RALPH E. WARNER, operations supervisor. JOHN A. BRYAN, guard.

Kentucky Power Company

ASHLAND DIVISION—30 YEARS: WALDO S. LA FON, executive vice president. 20 YEARS: C. L. STAYTON, personnel supervisor. 5 YEARS: FRED LONG, engineer.

PIKEVILLE DIVISION—15 YEARS: W. R. MILLER, supervising engineer.

Kingsport Power Company

30 YEARS: J. K. WHITE, administrative assistant.

Fred E. Hemmings, Cabin Creek, Retires After Career Of 40 Years

Fred E. Hemmings, shift operating engineer at the Cabin Creek Plant, retired July 1 after 40 years of service with Appalachian.

"Ted", as he is known to fellow employees, is a native of Chelyan, W. Va. where he was graduated from East Bank High School in 1929.

He joined Appalachian in June, 1929 as a filter plant operator. In July, 1944 he was promoted to boiler operator and in October, 1950 became assistant shift operator. He has been shift operating engineer since 1954.

Active in community affairs, Hemmings is a member of the local Moose Lodge, the Fraternal Order of Eagles and the Nazarene Church of Chelyan.

He and his wife Stella will continue to live in Chelyan although they are planning several short trips. His newest interest is bowling and he plans to improve his average during his retirement. He also plans to spend more time hunting—his favorite sport.

"In appreciation of his years of conscientious service," Hemmings received an engraved wrist watch from fellow supervisors and a \$50 gift certificate from the plant employees.

New Directors Named To Executive Committee

Nelson Schaenen and Dr. Frank Stanton, newly elected directors of American Electric Power Company, have been elected to the board's Executive Committee. Nine of the 13 board members are now on this committee.

Ross, Mekolites In AEP Moves

Blair A. Ross has been named assistant to the vice president—system planning, AEP Service Corporation at New York effective July 1, and has been succeeded as head of the Regional Planning Section by William E. Mekolites. Mekolites has just returned to the Service Corporation after spending a year as Sloan Fellow in the Alfred P. Sloan School of Management at Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

In his new post, Ross will assist T. J. Nagel in various planning activities and will undertake special assignments.

Ross (BS, United States Military Academy, and MS, Purdue University), joined the Service Corporation as an engineer in System Planning Section in 1966. Following his graduation from West Point he served in the Army in the United States and Korea, and later was on the West Point teaching staff. He is a member of the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers and of several other engineering societies.

Joining the Service Corporation in 1956, Mekolites (BS, Manhattan College, MBA, New York University, and as of June, MS, MIT) was named assistant head of the Regional Planning Section in 1968. The section's prime function is to plan the subtransmission systems, and associated substation facilities supplying the various load areas of the System, together with the facilities required to serve major industrial and wholesale customers.



Hemmings

Appalachian Aids Driving Course

The Defensive Driving Course of the National Safety Council received a big boost when it was presented to a class of future instructors by the Danville Highway Safety Commission recently.

The commission approached D. C. Kennedy, Roanoke Division manager, looking for help in presenting the course. Prince E. Thornton, administrative assistant, who is a qualified instructor, represented Appalachian.

Thirty-two citizens of Danville attended four 3-hour sessions. These people will instruct similar classes throughout the area.

This Safety Commission program is directly related to the Virginia Governor's Highway Safety Commission. The Danville instructor program was the first in the State,

Boyd Thompson, Huntington, Dies

Boyd Thompson, groundman in Huntington, died June 11 in a local hospital after a brief illness. Mr. Thompson began working for Appalachian in 1930 in T&D, held the position of groundman from that time. He would have retired July 1. Thompson was born June 21, 1904 in Wayne County, W. Va. He is survived by his wife and three children. The home address is 4465 8th St. Rd., Huntington.



Thompson

Philip F. Carl Takes New Post

Philip F. Carl, Jr., engineer in the Distribution Section of the AEP Service Corporation's Electrical Engineering Division, has been promoted to administrative assistant to the executive vice president—operations.

Carl, who had served in the same position on an acting basis in 1964-65, succeeds George F. Theis, who has been named a Sloan Fellow for a year's advanced study at Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

Born in Crown Point, Ind. and a 1962 graduate of Purdue University, Carl joined the Service Corporation that same year. He holds a BS degree in electrical engineering from Purdue and a master's in business administration from New York University.

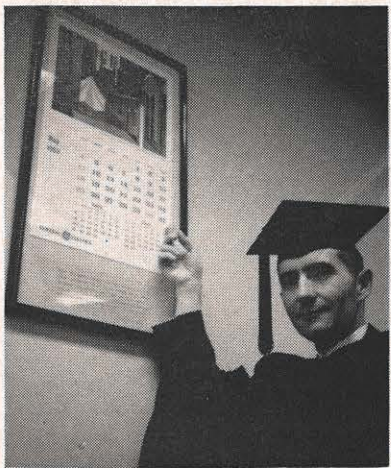
He and his wife, Marlene, and two children, Philip III and Lisa, reside in New Providence, N. J.

W. P. Hawkins, 72, Dies In Florida

Walter P. Hawkins, retired Bluefield Division employee, died June 11 in Orlando, Fla. A native of Galax, Va., he was 72. Hawkins came to Appalachian Power as a truck driver in 1926. He retired as an assistant stores supervisor due to disability in 1959. He was a mason and very active in community affairs. He is survived by his wife, Ruth V. Hawkins, and his son, Roy A. Hawkins, Bluefield area communications supervisor.

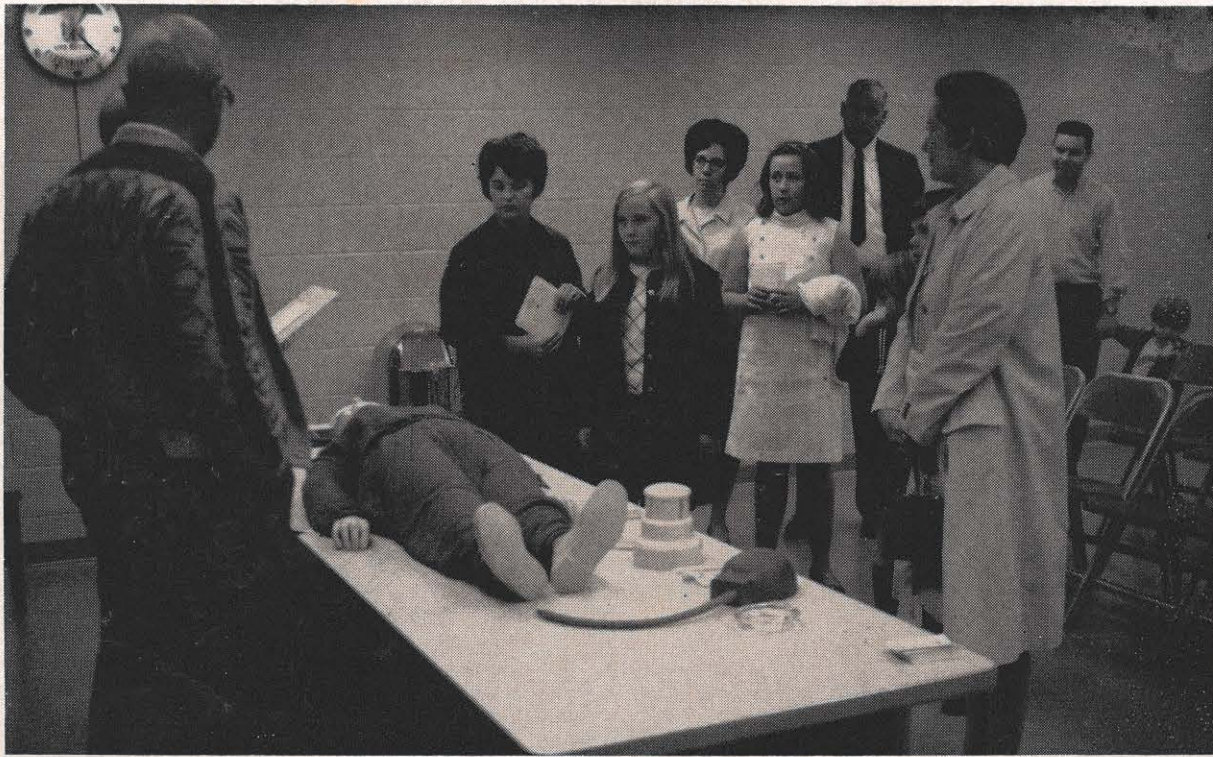


Hawkins



Oakley Capped

Robert M. Oakley has been attending night classes at Marshall University since 1959. On May 31 he received his Bachelor of Business Administration degree. Bob's degree was financed almost entirely through the company education plan. Here he points with pride to his commencement date. Oakley is general clerk in Huntington's commercial dept.



Hazard Open House

Morgan Ozee, administrative assistant, and Fred Skaggs, truck driver-groundman, demonstrated mouth-to-mouth resuscitation and cardiac massage on Resusci-Anne during the Open House held at the new service center in Hazard. Open House was May 11 for employees and their families and May 24 for the general public. W. S.

La Fon, executive vice-president, and A. R. Barber, division manager, were hosts to 750 visitors who toured the building and participated in the drawing for door prizes. Brenda Bailey (center), clerk-trainee, presents Mrs. Stanley Slone her door prize, while Mary Rhoda Slone hides a smile.

Instructor Put To Test

Charles Hoschar, head meter clerk, and part time First Aid instructor for the Huntington division, recently returned a film to the local Red Cross Chapter office. He had borrowed the film for a company safety meeting. When he entered the office, he found employees in a state of confusion, excited and frightened because of a female employee who had fainted.

Charlie happened to know this particular woman and knew she had a past history of a bad heart. He suspected that the emergency could be much worse than everyone suspected. When anyone faints anywhere, it always creates much confusion and excitement, and the situation calls for someone with a cool head to take charge. This is exactly what Charlie did. He ordered for an ambulance called

immediately and proceeded to do what he could to keep the victim comfortable and breathing until help arrived.

The ambulance arrived shortly and oxygen was administered to the woman on the way to the hospital. The diagnosis in the hospital proved that Charlie was correct. The woman did have a heart condition and a valve in her heart was starting to malfunction and she was on the verge of having a serious heart attack.

Charlie sums up the situation by saying, "It was just one of those things". "I'm glad I was there when I was and glad everything turned out okay."

Clincher's Son Gets Eagle Award

Glenn Herbert, son of Fred Herbert, equipment operator at the Clinch River plant, received the coveted Eagle Scout award.

Congressman William C. Wampler of the 9th District presented the award during a scout dinner held by the leaders of Lebanon Troop 239. Glenn has been a senior patrol leader in his troop and a summer camp counselor for both the Lonesome Pine and Sequoyah councils.



Glenn

Richard Bocoock Goes To Sporn

Richard L. Bocoock, customer accounting representative at Bluefield has been named supervisory assistant at Philip Sporn Plant.



Bocoock

Mr. Bocoock first worked for the company as a summer employee while attending college in 1963. He was employed in meter records on February 28, 1968 and later transferred to accounting. A native of Bluefield, he was graduated from high school there and in January 1968 from Carson-Newman College in Jefferson City, Tenn. with a BS degree in Business Management. Mr. Bocoock now lives in New Haven, W. Va.

Flu Spoils 22-Year Mark

February was a dark month for Harry Smith, Tazewell meter reader in the Bluefield Division.

A three-day bout with flu spoiled his perfect 22-year work attendance record. Smith, a native of Chatham Hill, Virginia and a former Marine staff sergeant, came to work for the company in 1946 and until February had not missed a day because of illness. He served in the Korean Conflict from 1949 to 1951, attended Nashville Auto and Diesel College and Manassas Trade School. He is married and the father of two sons and a member of the Knights of Pythias Lodge in Tazewell.



Smith

New Engineer Sections Created

Further strengthening of the AEP Service Corporation's electrical engineering division, including the creation of three new engineering sections, was announced last month.

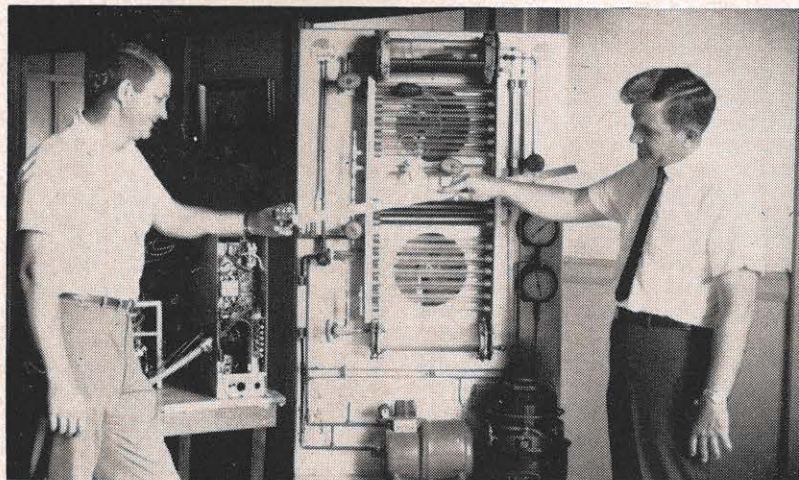
The new groups are the system protection and control section, formerly the relay section, and two new units created from the former transmission section: the transmission structure engineering section and the transmission line engineering section.

Robert L. Retallack, formerly assistant head of the transmission section, has been appointed staff engineer—overhead systems. He will be responsible for coordination of major right-of-way plans and needs, liaison on major plant and substation sites, and special engineering studies in the transmission and distribution field.

Richard A. Kravitz has been named head of the transmission structure engineering section, and Ron Marsico, head of the transmission line engineering section. Both had been senior engineers in the transmission section.

Joseph M. Intrabartola is head of the newly designated system protection and control section; Andrew Politis has been named assistant section head.

Vincent Calca, who had been acting head of the electrical research section, was named section head. In Canton, Robert H. Meister has been promoted to assistant head of the electrical design section.



A. J. Anderson, Pulaski service representative, holds a control relay which he has just removed from a heat pump control panel. E. R. Coltrane, service coordinator, points out what caused a failure in operation.

Pulaski Holds Heat Pump School For 16 Area Dealer Servicemen

E. R. Coltrane, service coordinator, and A. J. Anderson, service representative, Pulaski, were instructors for a nine-week course on Applied Electricity.

Sixteen dealer servicemen in the Pulaski area were enrolled in the 27-hour course and met two nights weekly. The purpose of the training was to assist in establishing more trained dealer servicemen to service customer heat pump installations.

Along with slides, recordings and data manuals, the instructors used a training board which was wired

to duplicate the operation of a heat pump. Thirty-two faults or problems could be simulated by setting a group of switches, and the students located the trouble, evaluated it, and made proper repairs. The spirit of competition was kept in solving these problems. As the course progressed, it became increasingly difficult to set up a situation to stump the group.

The enthusiasm of those involved in the course has led to plans for an "advanced course in refrigeration" which will begin in September.



Garrison "knits one, purls two"

It's All Right With Us, Sir

I Like To Knit—So What?

It pays to be big if you have an unusual hobby.

"Yes, I knit—I like to knit. In fact, I have been knitting since I was six years old," stated Hugh Garrison, 230-pound, all muscle stationman at the Reusens Hydro Plant. Then he added, "So what?" No one in the Lynchburg Division would dare question his right, or ability, to follow one of his many hobbies.

When Hugh was a small boy he would visit his grandmother as often as he could. She was always knitting something and, naturally, her

grandson was interested in what she was doing. In order for her not to "drop a stitch", as well as keep her grandson quiet, she taught him to knit. In a very short time it was "knit one, purl two." Later on his training included using four needles, in which three needles are threaded and the fourth one is used to "pick-up." After learning this phase of knitting, Hugh was able to make mittens, socks, and sweaters. "While I was in grade school, I made the mittens and sweaters I wore to school," said Hugh. "Another thing, in those days pure wool was relatively inexpensive. Today, pure wool is very expensive and the finished product can be purchased cheaper from the stores. The materials for knitting are becoming more of the synthetic type, and are cheaper than the pure wool."

For a number of years Garrison stopped knitting, but in 1939 his wife's desire for a knitted dress started him knitting again. That year, the latest ladies' style was knitted dresses, sweaters, and skirts. Garrison watched very patiently while Mrs. Garrison struggled with her dress then, just like an old fire horse who hears the fire bell, he could not stand the "clicking of the needles." He just took over the knitting and in due time his wife had a new "up-to-the-minute" style dress.

The art of knitting goes back into the centuries. It has been done in practically every country in the world. In Charles Dickens' book, "The Tale of Two Cities", Madame DeFarge knitted at the base of the guillotine, during the beheading of the royalists.

Some doctors recommended knitting as therapy, as it takes the person's mind off of their problems. According to a recent newspaper article, executives of large corporations knit while flying, or waiting for subway trains.

It stands to reason, if knitting helped Madame DeFarge at the guillotine in calming her nerves, it should work today for tired businessmen.



"Like this"

20 Years Later—The Degree

Richard R. Smith, a college student for twenty years, was graduated from Morris Harvey

College in Charleston last month with a BA Degree in History. Smith was not avoiding the draft by keeping his student classification in good standing. He was earning his degree the hard way—in night classes. Smith a T&D clerk at Beckley, began attending night classes at Beckley College in June 1949 and in August 1952 completed requirements for an Associate in Arts Degree.

Twelve years later he decided



Smith

to try for a full bachelor's degree. Again he enrolled in night classes.

His new venture involved three weekly trips between Beckley and Charleston for a total of 432 miles and taking what students loathe—Saturday classes. When he received his degree he had traveled more than 55,000 miles in four years on the West Virginia Turnpike. Many of these miles were under difficult weather conditions.

During one ten-week period he was late six times because of automobile accidents in which he was involved—voluntarily. He administered first aid, transported victims to the hospital and in one case comforted a dying girl.

His area of study was not included in the Educational Assistance Program and "Smitty" has paid the entire cost of his education. Was it worth it? Mr. Smith says, "Yes, definitely. Graduation fulfilled a lifetime ambition."

Roanoker Raised Two Families

Retiree Honored As Father Of The Year

EDITOR'S NOTE: C. L. Robison Sr., retired Appalachian employee, was honored last month as Roanoke's Father of the Year in Family Life. He was featured in a story in the Roanoke Sunday Times on June 8. The article written by Robert Motley, is being presented in its entirety, courtesy of The Times. One of Robison's sons, Chester L. Jr., is supervising circuit breaker engineer in the General Office T&D Department at Roanoke.

Most parents are content to rear one set of children. When father's day awards are passed out, many feel that the honor is to be shared—for two have kept a vigil over the offspring.

Chester L. Robison Sr., Roanoke's 1969 Father of the Year in Family Life, has had to keep the vigil twice alone—rearing two sets of children after the deaths of their mothers.

Robison, 69, is a native of Philo, Ohio. He was transferred to Roanoke in 1928 as an employee in the accounting office of the Appalachian. At that time, he had been married for nine years to the former Gladys Atkinson of Cambridge, Ohio.

The Robisons had two children, a son, Chester Jr., born in 1920, and a daughter, Winona, born in 1921. Life was peaceful in Roanoke until Mrs. Robison died during a third pregnancy in 1934.

Robison recalled that "the children were 14 and 13 when their mother died. I tried hard to fill the role of both parents, taking care to be especially close with my daughter. There were fewer pressures in those days—young people were exposed to a different kind of radio than the throbbing rock 'n' roll of today.

"There were movies," he said, "but we didn't have to worry about suggestive themes. The kids enjoyed slumber parties, picnics, wholesome entertainment. Chester and Winona had about the same problems going through adolescence that young people have today. The difference was that there weren't so many distractions, no constant barrage of temptation."

When the children were grown, Robison married Edna Martin of Moneta, Va., in 1942. "My mother, who never lived to meet my second wife, said that she wanted me to be happy but was saddened that I might have family burdens again," he said.

A son, Martin, was born in 1944, and a daughter, Nancy, in 1945. Robison continued to work at Appalachian, becoming a tax and statistical supervisor.

"We didn't think then that a familiar pattern was repeating itself," he explained. "In 1954, we moved into a house at 2304 Kipling St., where I still live. My wife and I designed the home that we wanted. The 'fifties were happy years for us as a family—until 1959."

Robison's second wife died in that year of injuries received from a fall in her kitchen. "It happened so suddenly," he recalled. "She saw me to an airport limousine, for I had to go to Richmond on company business. When I arrived, I was told to go home. It was the most terrible night of my life. She had died within a few hours of the fall."

Once again, Robison was a widower with two children to support. "Martin was 15, Nancy was 14. We weren't back in the comfortable 'thirties, but in an era when there was a veritable assault on family life from all sides," he said.

"I suppose I did things differently the second time around," Robison explained. "I had to be more lenient, and broadminded. Martin and Nancy made things much easier for me, just as Chester and Winona had done before," he said.

"Chester Jr. works for Appalachian in Roanoke. Winona has a family in Los Angeles. Martin is married and teaching school. Nancy is also a teacher, and lives with me," Robison said. "I'm



Robison relaxes with favorite sport.

proud of all of them because we got through the difficult days with so little trouble."

Now, Robison works "six days a week" to keep an acre of land "in good shape." There are spacious lawns around his house, and a large garden. A cocker spaniel "Lady," keeps watch from her house by the garden.

"I can still handle all of it myself," Robison said proudly. "We have help once a week in the house, but the yard is my work. He paused before a rosebush in full bloom. "I just like flowers—I'm not a fanatic about them."

Robison's major hobby is golf, which he plays five afternoons a week "on pleasant days." He uses a set of clubs given to him by Appalachian employees when he retired in 1964.

"I am blessed with three things: my family, my church, and my home," he said. Robison is a

member of the Highland Park United Methodist Church.

Asked if he thought a generation gap was inevitable in any family, Robison replied that "there will always be a difference of opinion on certain matters. This is as it should be. If there is also love and respect among family members, the differences of opinion will be played down instead of up. Children learn everything from their parents—if they absorb cynicism, unwholesome habits, and disrespect, as so many seem to today, they can also absorb tact, understanding and resilience."

Robison saw his interviewer to the car. He seemed to be a tanned, healthy man in his fifties. Looking back, one could see his house, yard, garden, roses, and golf clubs. An old proverb came to mind: double burdens are given occasionally to those with the strength to bear them.

Ashland Men Rescue Worker



Ashland men pause with construction worker after rescue. From left: Hughes, Estep, Taylor, and Green.

Quick action by three Ashland employees—Dales Hughes and Bob Green, T&D men and Herman Taylor, lineman—saved a construction worker from possible serious injury last month.

Don Estep of South Point, Ohio was erecting a scaffolding on the roof of a building on 15th Street near the Ashland office. He stumbled and fell over the edge, caught the guttering with one hand and was dangling more than 100 feet

above the street when the men saw him. They were on a platform installing transformers at the time. They quickly climbed down, moved a ladder and helped him to the street.

Estep suffered only minor lacerations on his left arm and hand and a slight abrasion on his right arm. He was able to return to the job site, after treatment at the local hospital, and personally thank his rescuers.