

Experience is a wonderful thing, for it enables you to recognize a mistake when you make it again.

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The man whose pants wear out before his shoes is making too many contacts at the wrong place.

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Environmental Demands Are Unprecedented; Cook Says AEP Will Meet The Challenge

At the American Electric Power Company's 63rd annual meeting on April 22, President Donald C. Cook acknowledged the nation's concurrent focus on Earth Day by emphasizing the necessity for "a fair and reasonable accommodation between the public's need for electric power and the desirability of not only maintaining but, where possible, enhancing the environment."

Long an advocate of utilities' involvement in community problems, Cook also labeled housing as "one of America's most urgent priorities" and discussed AEP's recent response to that challenge.

And he told the shareholders of the AEP System's plans for assuring an adequate, reliable power supply in the years ahead. "We have for years placed great emphasis on long-range planning in all of its aspects," Cook said. "This planning has been implemented in the engineering and construction of an electric utility system which I believe has no equal any place in the world today."

"However, the demands of the future are inexorable in character and unprecedented in magnitude. Therefore, I believe that the planning of the past will have to be further refined and perhaps to some extent expanded in scope if we are to meet the rising demands of tomorrow. We have such a program."

Cook devoted a major portion of his address to the environmental challenge, pointing out that AEP had long considered the preservation of air and water quality a part of its long-term responsibilities. In support, he made these 10 points:

- AEP introduced the tall-stack concept to the nation's electric utility industry in the early 1950's.
- The company has consistently kept pace with technology by upgrading the efficiency of the air quality control equipment in its coal-fired power plants.
- AEP is participating in research on the removal of sulfur dioxide from stack discharge.
- AEP's newest coal-fired plants use water cooling towers to eliminate warm water discharge into adjacent streams.
- The company is sponsoring extensive thermal and radiological surveys of Lake Michigan, site of its first nuclear power plant.

- The utility's hydro-electric and pumped-storage developments give significant recognition to the requirements of fish, wildlife and recreation.

- An ever-increasing role is being assigned to aesthetics in the design of new power facilities.

- AEP's new 765,000-volt transmission network has substantially reduced land requirements for power delivery. One such line needs but 1/30th the right-of-way of 138,000-volt lines delivering equivalent energy.

- For over a quarter-century, AEP has been developing a model surface coal mine, including coordinated land reclamation, reforestation and recreation.

- AEP has already invested more than \$100-million for protection of the environment, and recently announced a commitment totaling more than \$50-

million for new air and water quality facilities.

"Controlling air and water pollution is a major challenge, which will grow as the nation's needs for electric energy expand," Cook said. "Our record in meeting this problem has been a good one. As technology advances, we will improve it with each passing year."

He made it clear, however, that a balance must be struck between seemingly conflicting public interests. "The answer certainly cannot be to protect the environment by eliminating power supply facilities required to meet society's needs for energy—any more than it can be to disregard the environment in order to facilitate the construction of power facilities," he said.

"I doubt that even the most zealous conservationists would seriously advocate a cessation in the construction of homes and factories and that people should do without shelter or a means of livelihood in order to protect the purity of nature. Indeed, the extremists forget that the efficient generation of electric energy in large central stations has substituted for alternatives involving an otherwise staggering encroachment on our environment."

Noting the unique relationship of utilities to the communities they serve, Cook declared, "We will prosper only so long as our customers find their communities decent and desirable places to live and work," and then pointed to AEP's concern for housing.

"The President and the Department of Housing & Urban Development have encouraged the nation's business and industry to help in the solution of this problem," he said in prefacing a description of AEP's recently announced plan to become involved in housing. AEP's first proposed housing development is a 100-unit project in Cambridge, Ohio, estimated to cost \$2.5-million. It is subject to approval of the Securities and Exchange Commission and Federal Housing Administration.

Blackwell Studies Virginia Programs

J. Emmett Blackwell, training supervisor for Appalachian, has been named to a task force that will study Virginia state government operations to find if they can be run on less money.



Blackwell

The study was commissioned by Governor Linwood Holton and has the endorsement of the 1970 General Assembly.

Blackwell is serving on a team which will study health, welfare and correctional programs.

He has been elected president of the newly-formed Roanoke Valley Training and Development Association.

A native of Roanoke, Blackwell holds a BS degree in Business administration from Roanoke College and a master's from Virginia Polytechnic Institute. He joined Appalachian in 1958 as a business trainee and in 1961 was named market analyst in the Area Development Department. He became an administrative assistant on the staff of Appalachian's executive vice president in 1965 and was promoted to training supervisor in 1968.

FPC Orders Blue Ridge Proceeding Opened Again

The Federal Power Commission for the second time has re-opened the proceeding involving Appalachian's Blue Ridge Pumped Storage and Hydro-electric Project on New River in Grayson County, Va.

In calling for further hearings on the proposed 1,800,000-kilowatt two-dam project, the FPC said that the question of the effect of the project on the New River's recreational aspects in West Virginia should be considered.

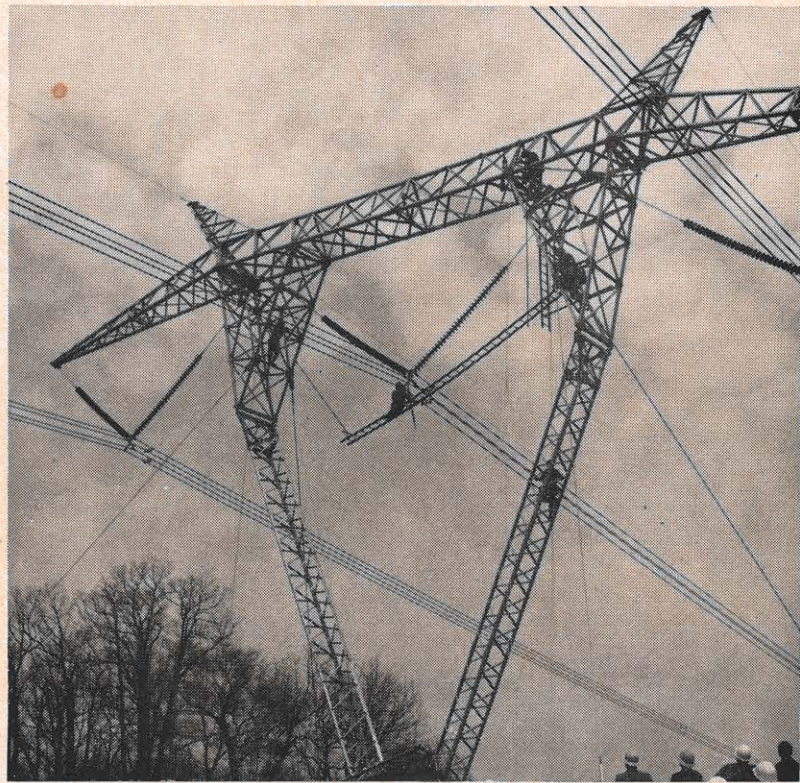
At the same time, the Commission permitted the State of West Virginia to intervene in the proceeding. Both West Virginia and the West Virginia Division of the Izaak Walton League, which was permitted to intervene two months ago, have contended the project will have adverse effects on recreational activities along the New River in West Virginia.

The FPC provided for further

hearings to be held in Washington or West Virginia, or possibly both places, at dates to be set later. It said that exploration of the recreation question may in turn raise issues relating to the operation, design and construction of the project, particularly with regard to water quality control on the New-Kanawha, and that all these matters should be considered.

The FPC decision came a few days before the first of a series of hearings on Blue Ridge before the U. S. Senate Committee on Public Works, at which spokesmen for Appalachian, the Department of the Interior, and the U. S. Corps of Engineers appeared.

For a complete story of the Blue Ridge Project since its inception, see the inserted page in this issue.



General Office transmission linemen wearing carbonized suits work the 765 line from suspended ladders. Foreman for the project was Bob Wolford, general line foreman.

World's Highest Voltage Lines Are Worked Hot In Kentucky

The world's highest voltage transmission grid was worked hot in a program of development of tools and techniques on Kentucky Power Company's 765,000-volt line near Wurtland.

The A. B. Chance Company, manufacturer of electrical equipment and tools, and the American Electric Power System are pioneering in the replacement of insulators without taking the line out of service.

The first 68-mile section (of what will become a 1,200-mile grid in 1972) went into service last fall, connecting Kentucky Power's Big Sandy Plant with

Ohio Power's Marquis Station north of Portsmouth. A 765-kv line carries 30 times as much power as a 138-kv line, the most common transmission line in service in that region.

Looking much like a space man, the lineman in a conductive suit developed for such use is kept at the same potential as the high-voltage line. The suit, with its conductive shoes, prevents difference in potential between his hands and feet. He is much like "the bird on the wire" which experiences no electrical shock because there is no path to ground for the electricity.

Much of the work for the two-day program was extending the knowledge gained in equipment and procedures from working the 345,000-volt network, which has served as the backbone transmission for the AEP System. The work being done is accomplished by use of specially-designed insulated hot sticks and equipment, including ladders that hang from tower cross-arms about seven stories above ground.

The second section of the 765-kv network will connect Big Sandy with Appalachian's Broadford Substation near Saltville when it is completed later this year.



F. W. "Jeep" Harman, General Office transmission line crewman, dons one of the special carbonized suits worn in 765 hot line work. Jeep's suit is last year's model but has the same safety features as those worn by the current working crews.

AEP Earmarks \$50-Million To Help Protect Environment

The American Electric Power System has taken another step—the biggest to date—in its continuing fight to safeguard the environment.

President Donald C. Cook said that AEP has awarded contracts or options totaling in excess of \$50-million for new facilities to ensure the quality of the air and water in the vicinity of new power plants. The facilities will be installed in connection with AEP's forthcoming series of four 1.3-million-kilowatt, coal-fired generating units.

Contracts were awarded to:

- Research-Cottrell, Inc., of Bound Brook, N. J., for construction of the world's largest water cooling tower—with options for three more just like it; and

- Koppers Company, Inc., of Pittsburgh, for four sets of six electrostatic precipitators, designed to remove 99.5% of the combustion particles entering power plant stacks.

The first tower will be built and the first set of precipitators will be installed to serve the new Unit 3 of the AEP System's John E. Amos Plant now under construction near Charleston. The remaining towers, if options are exercised, and the remaining precipitators will be installed in connection with other new generating facilities now in the design stage and to be built at a site or sites not yet determined.

The cooling tower at Amos will be 500 feet high—almost 200 feet

above the Lincoln National Bank Building in Fort Wayne, Ind., the tallest building in the seven-state area served by the AEP System. Its base diameter of 400 feet is roughly equivalent to the playing area of a baseball field. It will be of hyperbolic design, built of poured concrete, and capable of cooling 600,000 gallons of water per minute by 20°. The other towers would have similar specifications.

The 24 electrostatic precipitators will be designed, fabricated, erected and tested by the Metal Products Division of Koppers, of Baltimore. Representing the most modern ash and dust removal system yet devised, they will have highest design efficiency of any precipitators installed on the AEP System. Each set of precipitators is 155 feet in height, as tall as a 15-story building.

President Cook pointed out that the AEP System, as of the end of 1969, had spent over \$113-million for facilities, methods and research in all fields of environmental protection. The announcement of additional facilities, when coupled with others now under construction, will raise that total to the neighborhood of \$194-million when such facilities are completed.

"This is a measure of our acceptance of a responsibility," Cook declared, "for we recognize that safeguarding the environment of our only world is of paramount importance. We take this responsibility most seriously."

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Little Things Count

Now then, class, here's a quick quiz.

- What's the quickest, most efficient, and least troublesome way to waste \$40.00 a day? Really waste. Not spend it on such vitals as books, records, theater tickets, and the like. Choose one:
 - Burn four \$10.00 bills.
 - Hand out 160 quarters to the first 160 persons you see on the street.
 - Get everybody who works for the AEP System to throw away one—just one—paper clip.
- Pencils are to: (choose one):
 - Write with.
 - Stir coffee with.
 - Take home to the kiddies.
- AEP knows where the money tree is. True or False?

* * *

So, now let's grade the papers.

Question 1. All the answers are good. But nobody is going to set fire to four ten dollar bills, right? And the guy who accosts 160 persons on the street is just looking for trouble, right? Answer C is the one we want, because if you throw away a paper clip, the cost is one-third of a cent. And even if you get Orville and Wilbur in the next two desks to throw away one each, you've still only cost us a penny. But if 12,500 people over the System each waste one, there goes \$40 down the drain.

Question 2. The manifest destiny of a pencil is to be written with, to live long and usefully, to expire honorably as a stub, whose life was respected and retirement mourned by all. But a pencil is not a citizen of the world, as it were: pencils become Company pencils when they move to Company supply shelves. And Company pencils they should remain. The ordinary, yellow garden variety pencils we use cost a nickel apiece. Terry Cloth's little girl needs one; so does Jim Class's son. Let's say that just once every two months, Terry, Jim and each one of their 12,500 fellow employees takes home, misplaces or throws away a usable wooden pencil. Know what the annual tab would be?

If your answer is \$3,750, you've got an excellent grasp of arithmetic. And if your answer to Question 3 is False, you've got an excellent grasp of simple economics, because there just isn't a money tree.

What this exercise hopes to demonstrate is that little things add up.

By now, everyone knows that the System is in a major cost-reduction program. Deferrable expenditures are being deferred, fat is being squeezed out of budgets. The reason is that AEP's affairs are simply reflecting the turmoil of the economic world.

Interest costs are at record high levels, and this is aggravated by the fact that our construction programs are at record high levels and we must make frequent visits to the money market for very large amounts of capital funds. We are caught also by the inflationary spiral in the cost of everything we must buy.

What effect do these special money pressures have on our business? Simply, they cut sharply into earnings. And even though sales revenues continue to increase, they simply cannot increase fast enough to offset the higher costs. Reduced earnings adversely affect our ability to raise capital to finance expansion and to prosper.

Thus, to reduce operating expenses even at the paper clip-and-pencil level is, among other things, a matter of job security. Obviously, we're not in business merely to save paper clips, although our little quiz demonstrated that there are also savings to be achieved by thinking small.

Somewhere between re-evaluation of a pencil's lifetime and postponement of line construction, there lies an area of cost reduction open to all.

The key word to any cost reductions undertaken by the System is "non-essential." The construction of generating units and essential transmission and distribution facilities will continue unaffected. There are to be no cutbacks in expenditures for the tools the System requires to carry out its obligation to provide an indispensable service.

The kind of purse-tightening we're going through now isn't new. We've been called on to do it before, and each time we've done it. And we've come out—as we will this time—a little leaner, a little tougher, a little more efficient. All to the good.



Bluefield Wins Outstanding Safety Trophy For AEP Divisions In 1969

Donald C. Cook (right), president of American Electric Power and our three companies, presents the outstanding safety trophy for divisions in the American Electric Power Company for 1969 to W. J. Gillespie, Bluefield Division Manager. This is the first time the Bluefield Division has won the coveted award, which was presented at the February board meeting in New York. Employees of the division had worked over 940,000 safe manhours as of April 15 and hope to reach the million manhour mark during May.

Clarence Brown Will Be Camping During His First Retirement Weeks



Brown

A familiar face, a friendly smile, and the number one picnicker around the General Office is missing—he's probably lying in that hammock, the one that's tied to two tall pines at a cabin in the mountains near Clifton Forge.

Clarence Brown, head of Forms and Supplies in Appalachian's General Office Accounting Department, retired April 30 after almost 28 years of service—and unknown to most General Office employees, after almost as many years of staking claim to the annual company picnic sites.

State parks where the picnics are usually held are on a first come first served basis and as a committee of one Clarence has been up at six o'clock on picnic day "holding" the area until nine when most picnickers start straggling in. Sometimes he has spent the night in his favorite hunting lodge near Dalton Park so that Appalachian people would have the best picnic place there. And he's probably cut "a million watermelons" during those picnic afternoons.

Clarence Brown is a devoted father, grandfather. His daughter, Mary Beth, is a senior at William Byrd High School and as much a camper as her father. It's a father-daughter team almost every summer weekend near Clifton Forge. There's a beach for Mary Beth and Clarence has his hammock in the shade. Now that he has retired the lodge will be even more of a second home. His son lives almost next door in Roanoke and Clarence sees a lot of his eight-year-old granddaughter and two young grandsons.

He was born in Roanoke and whether he was selling furniture or

insurance or delivering bills for the Roanoke Railway and Electric Company, the Roanoke area has been home. His grandparents lived in Vinton and he remembers walking dirt streets there and in Roanoke, slipping electric bills under front doors and riding the company water wagon, sprinkling the street car lines to keep down the dust.

By the time the street cars had moved out and Appalachian had moved into the car barn on Walnut Avenue, Clarence had moved into the company offices where the downtown Leggett store is now located. In 1942 he was an addressograph operator making plates for customer billing. By 1949 he was head operator and in 1966 he was made head of Forms and Supplies.

Clarence is a member of Mt. Pleasant Methodist Church and the Mt. Pleasant Lions Club where he is on the board of directors. He is also president of the Mt. Pleasant Life Saving Crew. He has a lot to keep him busy along with traveling to visit relatives, camping and growing flowers.

He was honored by his friends and fellow employees at a dinner given at Tinker Mountain Restaurant and at a luncheon. The cake he is holding was a surprise at the office.

Nora Wright Earns Homemaker Award

Nora Frances Wright, a senior at Bluefield High School, was selected from 6,813 contestants as West Virginia's 1970 Betty Crocker Homemaker of Tomorrow. For this Nora will receive a \$1,500 college scholarship from General Mills.



Nora

As winner of the State Homemaker title, Nora joined winners from other states for a tour of Washington, D. C., and Colonial Williamsburg, Virginia, April 12-17.

The daughter of D. C. Wright, administrative assistant, Nora ranks first in her senior class, was named a National Merit Scholarship semi-finalist this year, and is a winner of a \$1,000 AEP Educational Award.

Nora feels, "The most important ability of a homemaker is to be able to manage a household efficiently without sacrificing the emotional, spiritual or physical well-being of her family." Cooking and sewing are her favorite pastimes and she enjoys collecting records—both classical and pop—the choir, singing and dancing.

After graduation, she plans to study home economics at Bluefield College for two years and then at VPI in Blacksburg, Virginia.

Two Get Foreman Posts At Sporn



Bumgarner

Simonton

Two Philip Sporn Plant men were promoted to maintenance foreman on April 1. Leland C. Bumgarner rose to the post from master maintenance man, and David R. Simonton moved up from senior performance engineer.

Bumgarner joined Philip Sporn Plant as a coal handler in 1952. He worked as barge attendant, maintenance helper, junior maintenance man and maintenance man before becoming master maintenance man in 1968. A native of New Haven, he attended Wahama High School. He is a member of the Union United Methodist Church of Letart.

Simonton was employed as a test engineering aide at Sporn in 1964. He was performance engineer and maintenance engineer before being promoted to senior performance engineer in January of this year. He attended West Virginia Tech. Simonton is a member of the United Methodist Church of New Haven and is first vice president of the Lions Club.

Welch Benevolent Association Officers



Recently elected officers of the Welch Benevolent Association are (seated from left) L. H. Myers, area supervisor, chairman; Nonia Gay Hunt, clerk, trainee, secretary and treasurer; (standing from left) Terry Simpson, T&D clerk, director; John W. England, lineman C, director; and R. H. Ruff, engineer senior, vice chairman. Pledges in the amount of \$897 were made to the Association by Welch employees.

G. R. Woolwine, 49, Dies At Home



Woolwine grandchildren.

Garnett R. Woolwine, boiler operator at Radford Army Ammunition Steam Plant, died of a heart attack at his home on March 31. He had 18 years' service at the plant. Woolwine is survived by his wife, one son and three grandchildren.



Brewer

Virgil L. Brewer Ends Long Career

Virgil L. Brewer, who helped to make the first distribution maps used in the Ashland Division, will end his 43-year career with the company June 1.

Virgil was born in Ashland and was graduated from Ashland Senior High School in 1925. He started with Kentucky Power the following year as a clerk in the Engineering Department, was promoted to draftsman nine years later and moved to his present position, draftsman senior, in 1944.

During his first years with the company he did field work, making scale drawings on location of the division distribution system. Since then he has drawn many additions to these original maps.

Virgil is an excellent radio repairman, likes to squirrel hunt and arranged some of his vacation time each year during squirrel season.

He and his wife Gertrude have one son. They plan to continue living, for the present, at their home in Catlettsburg, Kentucky.

Thomas Promoted In Montgomery

Keith V. Thomas, customer accounting supervisor in Montgomery, has been promoted to area supervisor.

Thomas replaces Paul Pauley, who was recently transferred to the Beckley Division.

He attended Cedar Grove and East Bank public schools and West Virginia Institute of Technology in Montgomery.

A veteran of World War II, Thomas started with Appalachian in the Accounting Department in 1951. In 1964 he was promoted to accounting supervisor in Montgomery.

He has served as a member of the Town Council of Glasgow for ten years and is a member of the Montgomery Rotary Club.

Thomas is married and has one daughter. The family lives in Glasgow, West Virginia.

Manager At Kyger Dies Unexpectedly

James B. Harrel, manager of the Kyger Creek Plant of Ohio Valley Electric Corporation, died unexpectedly March 22. He was 58.

Harrel joined the American Electric Power System in 1935 and worked for Indiana & Michigan Electric Company for 13 years. In 1948, when he was I&M's superintendent of system operations, he was transferred to the Philip Sporn Plant. He was superintendent of plant operations there until 1952, when he was transferred to Appalachian Power Company as assistant manager of its Roanoke Steam Plant. He moved to OVEC in 1954 as assistant manager of the Kyger Creek Plant and became plant manager in 1956. He was a graduate of Perdue University.

He is survived by his wife and two sons.

First Of Several

AEP To Build 100-Unit Housing Development In Cambridge, Ohio

The American Electric Power System has announced plans to build a 100-unit housing development, probably of the townhouse type, in Cambridge, Ohio.

AEP President Donald C. Cook said that the project will cost an estimated \$2-million to \$2.5-million and is tailored to meet the specific rental housing needs of that eastern Ohio community of 14,500.

"Housing is one of America's most urgent priorities today. The President and the Department of Housing & Urban Development have encouraged the nation's business and industry to participate in the solution of this problem. Our proposal is in direct response to this challenge, and we trust that the Cambridge project will be only the first of several such developments throughout the AEP System's seven-state service area," President Cook declared.

He pointed out that the proposal is subject to approval of both the Securities and Exchange Commission and the Federal Housing Administration. The SEC exercises jurisdiction over utility holding company systems, such as AEP; the FHA, with respect to the project's details, such as its planning, style, cost and rental rates.

The proposal contemplates the formation of a limited dividend

housing corporation, Cambridge Housing, Inc., as a subsidiary of Ohio Power Company, which provides electric service in the Cambridge area. Cambridge Housing would build and operate the housing complex under provisions of the National Housing Act. Section 236 of the Housing Act provides that a sponsor may borrow 90% of the project's cost from private lenders under FHA-insured mortgages. The other 10% would be put up by Cambridge

Housing.

Cook commented, "I believe that the utilities are in the best position to help their communities take care of their own mass housing needs. They know their communities, and they have the necessary resources as well as the willingness to undertake the job." An SEC ruling a year ago, on a proposal by a utility holding company in Michigan, authorized that utility to sponsor such a housing development.

Hawkins, Thompson, Bibb Promoted In Kentucky Commercial Department



Hawkins

Thompson

Three promotions were announced in the Kentucky Power Company's General Commercial Department in April.

Earl F. Hawkins, general commercial and industrial sales coordinator, has been named to succeed E. C. Cassidy as commercial and industrial sales supervisor upon Cassidy's retirement in September.

Robert B. Bibb, general heating and air conditioning engineer, was promoted to the new position of tariff, rates and contracts supervisor.

Allen D. Thompson, commercial and power sales representative, moved from the Ashland Commercial Department to the General Commercial Department as heating and air conditioning engineer.

Hawkins, a native of Ohio and a graduate of Case Institute of Technology with a BS degree in electrical engineering, worked with Ohio Edison Company in distribution engineering for five years.

Mann Receives Salesman Award

Otho Karl Mann, heating and builder sales representative in Princeton,

was chosen one of the top 19 salesmen in the area by the Bluefield Sales Executive Club. Presentation of the honor was made at the annual awards dinner held at the Bluefield Country Club.

Mann is a native of Alderson, West Virginia, and is a graduate of Concord College. He has been an Appalachian employee since 1956 when he joined the company as a business trainee. He has worked as a junior and senior merchandise order and billing clerk.

The award was given for his consistent annual high sales records. In 1969 Mann was in second place in the Bluefield Division for selling new electric heating and conversion installations.



Mann



Simpson

Simpson Elects Early Retirement

William Teddy Simpson, yard foreman at the Radford Army Ammunition Steam Plant, took early retirement on April 1 after 20 years' service.

He joined the Radford Plant in 1949 as a mechanical maintenance man and worked as maintenance mechanic and coal handling foreman before becoming yard foreman in 1969.

Simpson plans to pursue his hobbies of gardening, fishing and following sports. He is a member of the United Central Methodist Church in Radford.

He and his wife of 32 years plan to remain living at their home on Second Street in Radford. They have two children and two grandchildren.

Miller And Horne Take New Posts



Miller

Horne

W. R. Miller, supervising engineer in Kentucky's Pikeville Division, has been named to the new position of engineering superintendent in the General Transmission and Distribution Department in Ashland. L. J. Horne, Jr., Pikeville power sales engineer, succeeds Miller as supervising engineer.

A native of Knott County, Miller is a 1954 graduate of the University of Kentucky with a BS degree in electrical engineering. He joined Kentucky Power at Pikeville in 1954 as a distribution engineer and was promoted to Hazard Division supervising engineer in 1964. He was transferred to the Pikeville Division in 1966 as supervising engineer. He is married and the father of a son.

Horne, a native of Robinson Creek, is also a graduate of the University of Kentucky. He completed his BS degree there in 1958 in electrical engineering. Horne joined the company as a distribution engineer in 1958 in Pikeville and in 1969 was promoted to division power sales engineer. An Air Force veteran, he is married and the father of two daughters.

Group To Study Availability Of Generating Units

A planned, concerted effort to increase the generating unit availability on the American Electric Power System has been announced.

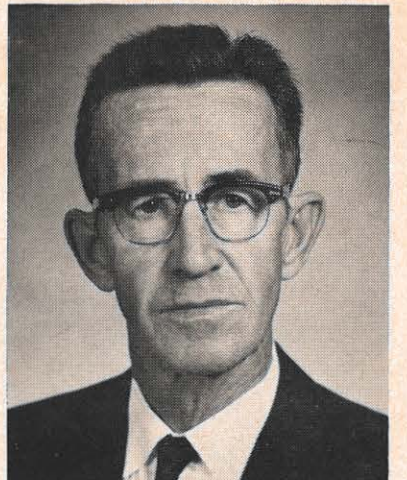
Citing 1969's System weighted unit availability figure of 84 per cent as a "poor record", President Donald C. Cook announced the formation of a task force assigned to improve that performance and the appointment of Ralph D. Dunlevy, vice president and assistant to the president of Ohio Valley Electric Corporation, as head of the group.

Serving on the task force will be John Dolan, vice president and chief engineer, and A. G. Mehlman, assistant vice president-operations. The group will from time to time call on other AEP personnel with special knowledge and background.

Cook said that lack of availability of units last year cost the System more than \$7-million for emergency and interim power alone. "Add to this the income we could have received by selling the unavailable power had it been produced, and it becomes obvious that our earnings were materially reduced," he said.

Dunlevy explained that a one-day outage of a 600,000-kw generating unit results in out-of-pocket costs for replacement energy alone of between \$20,000 and \$70,000 a day.

Ferguson Ends His Huntington Career



Ferguson

After 44 years with Appalachian in Huntington, Alton Benton Ferguson retired March 31.

Ferguson was born in Guyandotte, West Virginia, in 1905 and attended Spring Hill High School until 1921.

He joined the company in 1925 as a meter reader. In 1945 he became a collector senior and in 1946 moved to clerk senior. From 1949 to 1951 he was head meter reader. He was promoted to customer service representative in 1951 and held that position until his retirement.

Ferguson, whose hobbies range from gardening to reading Greek history and English poetry, says that his retirement plans are not definite but he will continue to live in Huntington and visit relatives in Virginia and North Carolina. He and his wife Mabel are the parents of two children and the grandparents of eight. They attend Cross Roads Baptist Church in Huntington.



"Wise Owl" Award

William D. Robinson (right) receives his "Wise Owl" certification from T. W. Abolin, Clinch River Plant manager. Robinson, maintenance helper, was wearing safety lenses when an emery wheel shattered and struck him in the forehead. The right lens warded off a heavy particle that probably would have punctured his eye.

Pulaski

Joy Lynn Hale, daughter of Leonard Hale, Pearisburg meter reader, was crowned Miss Montgomery County at a pageant held recently in Christiansburg. She will represent the area in the Miss Virginia pageant to be held in Roanoke this summer. She received a \$200 scholarship, savings bond and gifts from local merchants.



Joy Lynn

Larry Allen Taylor, son of David D. Taylor, Pulaski accounting supervisor, received one of the intermediate honors in the College of Arts and Sciences at the University of Virginia recently. The award, based on academic achievements for the first two years in college, is the highest that can be given undergraduate students and was presented at the Founder's Day Exercises.

C. A. Shepherd, line foreman at Hillsville, was honored for his 21 years' service with the Hillsville Volunteer Fire Department at a dinner recently.

Alice Payne, daughter of P. C. Payne, transportation supervisor, has been elected vice president of the rising tenth grade at Pulaski High School.

E. H. Ocker, Jr., part-time employee in the Transmission and Distribution Engineering Section, has resigned.

Sympathy is extended Glenn H. Reynolds, area development consultant, on the death of his father and to A. S. Morgan, meterman, on the death of his brother-in-law.

Abingdon

H. C. Breeding, electrical engineer, has been appointed to the nominating committee of the Mount Rogers Planning District Commission.

Mary Rowland, daughter of Kelly Rowland, Marion Accounting, has been named editor of the Smyth County 4-H newspaper.

Peggy McGlothlin, wife of W. B. McGlothlin, meter serviceman, was elected second vice president of Area 23 Licensed Practical Nurses Association.

JoAnn Crabtree, daughter of Tom Crabtree, was named to the dean's list at Longwood College.

Several sons of employees participated in Abingdon's Junior Basketball League and tournament. Jeff Rasnick was on the championship team. George and Michael Gregory were on the runner-up team of the league. Mike Landreth and Chip Thayer were on the runner-up team of the Midget League. Others participating were Hugh Ferguson and Scott Gregory.

Central Appalachian Coal

Dale Richards has been hired for the newly-created position of environmental control supervisor.

"Real" Economy

Wayne Jacobs, Electric Plant and Stores Accounting Division in Roanoke, feels that Appalachian is making progress toward economy measures. He had to pay six cents postage due on the letter he received March 18 from the company stressing the economy drive.

Happenings Around The Circuit

Ashland

Libby Stayton, wife of C. L. Stayton, personnel supervisor, was elected vice president of XI Rho Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi Sorority.

Richard Nash, commercial and power sales representative, has been named chapter president of the Boyd County Cancer Crusade.

Phyllis James, junior clerk in Division Accounting, is a new employee.

Waldo S. LaFon, executive vice president of Kentucky Power, began a three-year term on April 1 as director of the Kentucky Chamber of Commerce.

Mary Elizabeth "Libby" Adkins, junior clerk in General Office Accounting, reigned as "Miss Leprechaun" in the sixth annual St. Patrick's Day parade in Ashland. She represented Phi Alpha Gamma Chapter of Beta Sigma Phi Sorority in the selection of "Miss Leprechaun."

Michael E. Parks, transmission and distribution man D, has returned to work after two years' military leave of absence. He served one year in Vietnam and was awarded three Bronze Star medals for valor and meritorious service. He attained the rank of sergeant during his tour of service.

Kingsport

J. W. Gilliam, truck driver-groundman, has returned to work after an extended illness.

R. C. Scarlett, Monroe Lynch and F. S. LaRue, who are on Long Term Disability Leave, visited the office recently.

Joyce Parsons, private secretary, has been elected corresponding secretary of the Kingsport Altrusa Club. She also serves on two committees.

Logan

Cynthia Warren, daughter of Wayne E. Warren, Logan stores and garage supervisor, made the dean's list at Marshall University.

Steve Dunham, son of James A. Dunham, sales manager, was a member of the first place team in the Bantam Boys Division of the Logan Junior Bowling Association City Tournament. Penny Nease, daughter of G. S. Nease, Jr., supervising engineer, was a member of the second place team in the Girls Division.

James B. White, division manager, has been elected to the board of managers of the Logan Medical Foundation.

Pikeville

Shelia Greer is a new employee in the Commercial Department.

Bluefield

Patricia Cornett, daughter of McKinley Cornett, supervising engineer, has been named to Who's Who in Outstanding American High School Students. A senior at Bramwell High School, she is president of the FHA, National Honor treasurer, and a member of the choir, band, Pep Club, GAA and annual paper staff. Pat plans to enter West Virginia University.



Pat

Sympathy is extended W. P. Horton, transmission and distribution clerk, and C. E. Dangerfield, area serviceman, on the deaths of their mothers-in-law.

Cathy Smith, daughter of Chester G. Smith, line inspector, has been elected vice president of the newly-formed Upsilon Upsilon Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa, scholastic organization for junior colleges.

Barbara Morrison, daughter of Garland Morrison, car washer, has been voted a senior princess in the May Court at Tazewell High School.

Carla White, daughter of H. S. White, line foreman at Welch, tied for second place award in an essay contest sponsored by the National Society, Daughters of the American Revolution.

Brenda McCall, daughter of Arminta McCall, clerk typist, made the dean's list at Virginia Polytechnic Institute for the winter quarter.

New employees are Jackie R. Farmer, lineman helper; Robert W. Edwards, Jr., tracer; and D. Harlen Hudson, Jr., stationman helper.

Clinch River

Tommy Peay, son of deceased employee Tom Peay, won top honors in the Lebanon Cub Scout Kite Contest.

Dottie Massie, wife of unit foreman J. A. Massie, continues to maintain an honor student standing at Southwest Virginia Community College, where she is enrolled in a pre-teaching program.

Mike Frye, co-op student engineer, has returned to Virginia Polytechnic Institute for another quarter of study.

Clinch River sons and daughters who are members of the rock and roll group "Morning Sun" won a trophy at a recent Lebanon High School talent show. They are Brian Smith, Eric Senter, Jane Peay, and Denise Smith.

Richard Kimmell, son of Elwell L. Kimmell, won third place honors in state-wide competition of vocational-technical school welders.

Beckley

Sympathy is extended Archie Riner on the death of his father-in-law.

Emory W. McGuffin, Oak Hill Credit Department, has been named chairman of the finance drive for the Oak Hill "Dollars for Scholars" foundation.

Glen Lyn

William E. Keatley, son of J. C. Keatley, maintenance mechanic B, has been selected for the forthcoming edition of *Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges*. He is vice president of the Student Government Association at Bluefield State College, where he is majoring in mechanical engineering. He received an AS degree in mechanical technology from West Virginia Tech in 1966.



Bill

Robert W. Keatley, another son of J. C. Keatley, has been commissioned a second lieutenant in the U. S. Air Force following graduation from Officer Training School at Lackland AFB, Texas. He has been assigned to Keesler AFB, Mississippi, for training as a communications officer.

J. H. Coulter and K. D. Cooper are new employees in the Maintenance Department.

R. E. Mann has returned to work after a lengthy illness.

Winnona Shires, wife of B. H. Shires, brakeman, modeled recently in a fashion show. She was also Heart Drive chairman for the Rich Creek area.

Retired employees R. Y. Woodburn, C. W. Dobbins, H. M. Mann, L. C. Drain, C. M. Thomas, Ira Wiley, W. M. Collins, H. L. Nester, L. S. Ellison, H. F. Davis, O. G. Brown and E. I. Skeens visited the plant recently.

Charleston

David R. Fisher, auto repairman helper, has returned to work following a military leave of absence.

Dennis G. Eads, stationman helper A, and Lawrence E. Kitts, part-time meter reader, have resigned.

James H. Strickland, son of Mrs. Marjorie Derrick, custodian in the Clendenin Office, has been promoted to Specialist Fourth Class in the Army. He received a letter of commendation with the promotion.

E. J. Shaver, Jr., accounting supervisor, is serving a three-year term on the board of directors of the Goodwill Industries of Kanawha Valley, Inc.

Fred Helm, sales manager, has been named to the board of directors of the West Virginia Farm and Home Electrification Council.

Nick Roomy is serving on the steering committee of the Governor's Food and Agriculture Exhibition, Inc. He also is executive committee liaison for the information and education committee of the Exhibition.

Lynchburg

Geraldine T. Robertson was installed worthy matron of Lynchburg Chapter No. 54, Order of Eastern Star. Her husband, W. A. Robertson, was installed associate patron.

John W. Vaughan, division manager, has been appointed to the master plan committee—Central Lynchburg and to the board of trustees of Virginia Baptist Hospital.

Deborah Ford, daughter of W. W. Ford, Jr., sales manager, was elected into the E. C. Glass High School Chapter of the National Honor Society.

General Office

Carolyn H. Henderlite, clerk junior in General Office Accounting, Roanoke, is a new employee.

Roanoke

Carole Blount, stenographer in the Personnel Department, has been elected co-captain of the Roanoke Buckskins' cheering squad.

Joyce Greenway, stenographer in Accounting, has returned to work after the birth of a daughter.

Four children of Rocky Mount employees made the dean's list at their schools recently: Dreama Plybon, Franklin County Junior High School, and Frieda Plybon, Radford College, daughters of Silas Plybon, meter serviceman; Peg Martin, William and Mary College, daughter of A. R. Martin, area supervisor; and Julia Edwards, Radford College, daughter of Peggy Edwards, customer accounts representative.

Jackie Scruggs, stenographer in the division manager's office, has been elected second vice president of the Roanoke Valley Junior Woman's Club.

Cynthia McCrickard, who placed 10th in the 1970 graduating class of 303 from Jefferson High School, is doing part-time VOT work in the Division Accounting office.

Sympathy is extended W. F. Keehne, retired General Office accounting manager, on the death of his wife.

Doris Young, general clerk commercial, has been elected first vice president of the Roanoke Business and Professional Women's Club.

Two employees' children were selected to sing in the District VI All-State Chorus at Cave Spring High School. They are Melissa Paitzel, William Byrd High School, daughter of Marion P. Paitzel, heating and builder sales representative, and Paige Martindale, Cave Spring High School, son of Miriam Martindale, home sales representative.

George A. Bronson, engineer B in the Transmission and Distribution Department, is a new employee.

Calvin O. Goode, part-time custodian, has resigned.

Fieldale

J. Robert Davenport, manager, was elected a commissioner of the Patrick Henry District, Blue Ridge Council, Boy Scouts of America, to fill an unexpired term.

Dillard F. Gravely, line inspector, and Maynard G. Handy, clerk, are recent graduates of a Dale Carnegie course taught at Patrick Henry College.

Philip Sporn

Christopher E. "Pete" Anderson, utility man A, has returned to work after a military leave of absence. He served one year in Vietnam as a military policeman with the 1st Infantry Division. He was awarded the national defense service medal, Vietnam service medal, Vietnam campaign medal w/1960 device, two overseas bars, Army commendation medal, good conduct medal and the Vietnam cross of gallantry w/palm.

New employees are Nikki A. Creameans, Accounting clerk-typist; Richard W. Elliott, Stores clerk-typist; Virgil W. Watson, utility man B; Robert E. Bowen, utility man B; and Sam H. Goradia, performance engineer.

Huntington

Jenni Jo Kovich, daughter of J. A. Kovich, electrical engineer, was elected vice president of the Keyetts at Huntington East High School. She attended a three-day Keyetts state conference and workshop in Jackson Mill, West Virginia in April.

Jerome K. Bradburn, meter reader, has returned to work after an extended illness.

Sympathy is extended W. L. Halstead on the death of his brother, and J. K. Bradburn on the death of his grandmother.

30→ Years



Lauren Himes
Office Services
Supervisor
Roanoke

25→ Years



Jean C. Perry
Customer
Representative B
Logan-Williamson



James D. Cassell
T&D Clerk
Senior
Bluefield

20→ Years



R. T. Burgess
Air Conditioning
Engineer
Huntington



Don Rea
Maintenance
Foreman
Philip Sporn



Carl Tennant
Maintenance
Foreman
Philip Sporn



William N. Hall, Jr.
Master
Maintenance
Man
Clinch River



Bethel Vance
Assistant Shift
Operating
Engineer
Philip Sporn



Maxwell K. Spraker
Line Foreman
Bluefield



Charles Weaver
Assistant Stores
Supervisor
Philip Sporn



C. J. Woods
Meter Serviceman
Huntington



Burnett Adams
Meter Reader
Hazard

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

7 Employees Have 260 Years Service

Seven veteran employees received service pins in April for 260 years of service with Appalachian.

40 Years

Raymond J. Fisher, transmission foreman senior in the General Office Transmission and Distribution Section in Bluefield, joined the company as a groundman in 1930. He was promoted to transmission foreman in 1937 and to his present position in 1968.



Fisher

E. T. Gills, transmission superintendent in the General Office Transmission and Distribution Section in Bluefield, began his career as a line inspector in Bluefield. He was named engineer in 1938 and transferred to General Office Transmission Line as engineer senior in 1945. In 1950 he became senior transmission engineer, supervising transmission engineer in 1953, and was promoted to his present position in 1964.



Gills



Yost

Okey B. Yost, right of way agent in the Bluefield Transmission and Distribution Department, joined Appalachian in 1930 as a meter reader and collector. He became collector in 1936 and clerk in 1937. In 1941 he was named senior clerk and moved to clerk special in 1944. He was promoted to assistant local office manager in 1945 and to customer accounts supervisor in 1964. He was made right of way agent in 1966. He has been retained on a contract basis since his retirement on December 1, 1969.



Comer



Goode

35 Years

C. B. Comer, records supervisor in the Roanoke Division Transmission and Distribution Department, began doing rural electrical survey work for Appalachian in 1935. He became appliance serviceman in 1936 and worked as assistant electrical engineer, clerk, engineer junior, engineer senior, and distribution engineer before being promoted to his present position in 1953.



Porterfield



Knight

M. A. Goode, area serviceman in the Montgomery area of Charleston Division, started with the company as a laborer. He was promoted to lineman in 1945 and became an area serviceman in 1950.

O. S. Knight, shift operating engineer at Glen Lyn Plant, join the company in 1935 and worked as a maintenance man, turbine operator, control supervisor, unit foreman and assistant shift operating engineer before being promoted to his present position in 1962.

Miller C. Porterfield, vice president of Appalachian and manager of the Charleston Division, began his career as a rural surveyor in Bluefield and eight months later moved to assistant distribution engineer. He transferred to Pulaski

in 1937 as distribution engineer and became assistant distribution superintendent in 1938. He was promoted to district superintendent in 1945 and in 1950 went to Welch as assistant district manager. In 1954 he became Logan District manager and moved to Roanoke in 1963 as assistant to the general manager. In 1969 he transferred to Charleston in his present position.



Kelsey

Paul Kelsey Plans Fishing In Phoenix

Paul C. Kelsey, Huntington Division line engineer, retired April 1. Now that he has completed his 34-year career with Appalachian, he plans to spend his winters in Phoenix, Arizona, and his summers in Boone, North Carolina. In between trips to his homes, he plans to visit the four states that he hasn't seen. When he isn't traveling he plans to do some fishing and gardening.

Kelsey is a native of Monterey, Indiana, and a graduate of Purdue University with a degree in electrical engineering. He has worked as an engineer for Appalachian since 1935. He became distribution engineer in 1950, electrical engineer in 1954 and has been line engineer since 1959.

He is a member and past president of the Tri-State Management Club, member and past president of Tri-State AIEE and on the board of directors of the Riverside Club.

He and his wife Margaret have two children and one granddaughter.



Service Anniversaries

Appalachian Power Company

BLUEFIELD DIVISION—15 YEARS: DAVID R. MANN, Area Serviceman. WILLIAM A. PERDUE, Customer Service Representative. 10 YEARS: VIRGINIA V. BELCHER, Customer Representative C.

GENERAL OFFICE—40 YEARS: MARY M. HALEY, Secretarial Stenographer. 25 YEARS: Elinor Oliver, Stores Accounting Clerk Senior. 10 YEARS: LOUIS E. DREW, Messenger. 5 YEARS: ROBERT A. POPE, Engineer B.

HUNTINGTON DIVISION—15 YEARS: Q. H. WICKLINE, Dealer Sales Representative.

ROANOKE DIVISION—15 YEARS: R. D. MORRIS, Lineman A. 5 YEARS: T. M. BERKHEAD, Lineman B.

KANAWHA RIVER—5 YEARS: LEWIS ALEXANDER JOHNSON, Test Engineering Aide.

PHILIP SPORN—10 YEARS: BETTY WEHRUNG, Plant Clerk.

Kentucky Power Company

ASHLAND DIVISION—25 YEARS: VIRGINIA L. KITCHEN, Stenographer.

Familiar Faces In New Places

Appalachian Power Company

Abingdon Division

THOMAS F. CRABTREE from Head Meter Reader, Accounting, to Meter Serviceman B, T&D. W. B. McGLOTHLIN, JR., from Meter Reader, Accounting, to Meter Serviceman B, T&D. W. H. GRIZZEL from Lineman to Line Foreman. C. E. FIELDS from Lineman to Line Foreman. J. J. WHITE from Lineman to Line Foreman. T. J. OVERBAY from Area Serviceman to Line Foreman. S. S. STEVENSON from Lineman to Line Foreman. G. B. GENT from Lineman to Line Foreman.

Bluefield Division

HAROLD WADE LANTER from Engineering Aide to Engineer. JAMES GILBERT WILLIAMS from Lineman C to Lineman B. JOHN PETE MONTAGUE from Electrical Engineer to Electrical Engineer Sr.

Charleston Division

VEDA LOU YOUNG from Stenographer to Personnel Clerk. ROBERT C. MASSEY from Lineman Helper to Lineman. JAMES L. UTT, JR., from Lineman Helper to Lineman. JAMES G. INGRAM from Lineman Helper to Lineman. BURL D. MILLER from Lineman C to Lineman B. CHARLES L. JUSTICE from Clerk-Trainee, Stores, to Meter Reader, Accounting.

General Office

WILLIAM M. MEADE from Station Operator to Regional Dispatcher. JAMES R. LOWPHER from Electrical Engineer to Meter Engineer Sr. WALTER R. WOODYARD from Power Sales Engineer, Charleston, to Commercial Sales engineer, Roanoke.

Huntington Division

D. L. HOPKINS from Collector to Customer Service Representative. W. C. FARRAR from Meter Reader to Collector. W. P. ROESER from Clerk to T&D Clerk. VIRGINIA J. BLACK from Homes Sales Representative to Residential & Rural Sales Development Representative. T. J. GORDON from Lineman Helper to Lineman C.

Logan-Williamson Division

ELMOND L. ADKINS from Lineman to General Serviceman.

Lynchburg Division

B. L. JEFFERSON, JR., from Lineman Helper to Lineman. W. C. FARMER from Material Clerk, Stores, to T&D Clerk, T&D. CAROLYN M. HAWKINS from Clerk Typist to Customer Accounts Representative.

Pulaski Division

JAMES H. PALMER from Lineman Helper to Lineman. CLAYBORNE H. WIRT from Lineman to Line Foreman. CLARENCE E. ROSENBAUM from Lineman to Line Foreman.

Roanoke Division

M. L. CROFT from Customer Accounts Supervisor H to Customer Accounts Supervisor G. L. H. PRICE from Meterman to Stationman Helper.

Glen Lyn Plant

JACKIE R. THORNTON from Auxiliary Equipment Operator—Upper Pump, Operations, to Maintenance Helper, Maintenance. F. LEON FERGUSON from Utility Operator to Auxiliary Equipment Operator—Upper Pump. ROY S. MEADOWS from Utility Man, Maintenance, to Utility Operator, Operations.

Kanawha River Plant

TERRANCE L. WOLFE from Laborer, Labor-Janitor, to Utility Operator, Operations.

Philip Sporn Plant

TOMMY R. BELCHER from Barge Attendant, Yard, to Helper, Maintenance. HELEN L. HANDLEY from Work Order Clerk to Time Clerk. DAVID G. FRYE from Utility Man, Utility, to Coal Handler, Yard. DAVID R. SIMONTON from Performance Engineer, Performance, to Maintenance Foreman, Maintenance. LELAND C. BUMGARDNER from Master Maintenance Man to Maintenance Foreman. DAVID G. FRYE from Utility Man to Coal Handler. RANDALL L. DAVIS from Utility Operator to Auxiliary Equipment Operator. JOSEPH F. FLIAS from Coal Handler to Barge Attendant. JIMMY J. HEMSLEY from Utility Man, Utility, to Helper, Maintenance. GLENN A. ICENHOWER from Utility Man, Utility, to Helper, Maintenance. MICHAEL W. BURRIS from Jr. Maintenance Man to Maintenance Man. NORMAN W. MORA from Jr. Maintenance Man to Maintenance Man. PAUL E. ZERKLE from Jr. Maintenance Man to Maintenance Man. BURTON C. HICKMAN from Utility Man B to Utility Man A. ELIZABETH J. WEHRUNG from Plant Stores Record Clerk to Plant Clerk. GEORGE E. HOLMAN from Auxiliary Equipment Operator to Equipment Operator. RODNEY L. RIGGS from Utility Operator to Auxiliary Equipment Operator. RONALD G. MARTIN from Helper to Jr. Maintenance Man. NORMAN G. HYSSELL from Helper to Jr. Maintenance Man. ARTHUR E. CASEY from Helper to Jr. Maintenance Man.

Kentucky Power Company

Ashland Division

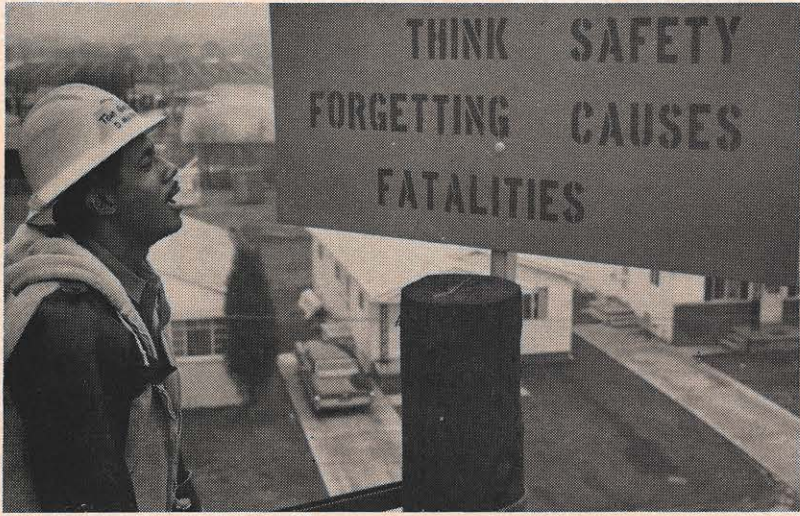
CAROLYN S. MILLER from Clerk-Stenographer to Stenographer. JACK T. PAULEY from Meter Serviceman B to Meter Serviceman A. KATHRYN M. SAUNDERS, Jr. Clerk, from Accounting to G.O. Commercial. JUDY A. LOGAN from Clerk Typist to Clerk-Stenographer. WINFRED R. MILLER from Engineering Supervisor, Pikeville, to Engineering Superintendent, Ashland. ALLEN D. THOMPSON from Commercial & Power Sales Representative, Division Commercial, to General Heating & Air Conditioning Application and Service Engineer, G.O. Commercial. ROBERT B. BIBB from General Heating & Air Conditioning Application & Service Engineer to Tariffs, Rates, and Contracts Supervisor.

Pikeville Division

DON F. BLACKBURN, Distribution Engineer, from T&D to Engineering. PAUL V. PRICE, JR., from Area Supervisor, Paintsville, to Power Sales Engineer, Ashland. L. H. HORNE, JR., from Power Sales Engineer, Commercial to Engineering Supervisor, Engineering. E. GAYLE COLVIN from Heating Sales Specialist to Commercial and Power Sales Representative. DAVID A. LANG from Station Foreman, Pikeville, to Area Supervisor, Paintsville. EMIL MAYOR from Distribution Engineer, Engineering, to Station Foreman, T&D.

Kingsport Power Company

LINDA'S. HARTLEY from Clerk-Trainee to Clerk-Stenographer. HOWARD HUDSON from Draftsman to Engineering Aide.



Tom Gordon, Huntington lineman helper, reads the sign atop the 40-foot penalty pole used in the training school. Each time a student broke a safety regulation, his penalty was to climb the pole and read the sign in a voice loud enough for everyone to hear.

22 Lineman Helpers Learn To "Think Safety" As Part Of Training School

Huntington was host to a lineman helper school recently. Training included climbing poles, operation of hydraulic equipment, safety and general line construction.

Dean of the school was Walter Harris of Huntington. Instructors were H. M. Bailey, Charleston; H. L. Back, Huntington; B. C. Harlowe, Fieldale; D. E. Murray, Beckley; and B. J. Brumfield, Logan.

Employees attending were J. R. Prince, Beckley; A. S. Faucett,

G. A. Merial, G. D. Begler, J. E. Hazelett, R. H. Young, Jr., Charleston; E. D. Lambert, W. T. Mattox, Point Pleasant; D. G. Scott, Ricky S. Crist, Lynchburg; J. E. Blake, A. W. Richardson, D. G. Simms; D. S. Fuller, T. J. Gordon, R. L. Pinson, J. D. Queen, Huntington; D. W. Lawhorn, C. E. Stull, Roanoke; J. E. Hall, II, Montgomery; R. J. Haynes and J. V. Goodall, St. Albans.



James E. Crouch, right, accepts a life membership card in the Virginia News Photographers Association from Howard Hammersley, Jr.

Roanoke Retiree Receives Honor

James E. Crouch, retired administrative assistant in the Roanoke Division, has been awarded a life membership in the Virginia News Photographers Association. He was presented a sterling silver membership card. Any person over 60 years of age who has been a member of the Association for 10 years is eligible for the honor.

Crouch retired from Appalachian on February 1, 1967, after 41 years' service. He began taking pictures for the company in 1950 as part of his assignment. He worked primarily with rural groups, including 4-H, FFA and home demonstration clubs and has received honors from the 4-H and FFA organizations.

Charlie Carter, Retiree, Expires

Charlie E. "Buck" Carter, 52, retired station maintenance man in the General Office Transmission and Distribution Department in Roanoke, died April 2 after a long illness.

Carter joined Appalachian in the Transmission and Distribution Section in 1953.

He is survived by his wife and three sons.



Carter

Lewis Mills Elected Lions Club Head

R. Lewis Mills, power sales engineer in the Roanoke Division Commercial Department, has been elected president of the Raleigh Court Lions Club for 1970.

Mills, a member of the club for 15 years, has held most local club offices including Lion Tamer, Tail Twister, director first, second, and third vice president.

He is married and the father of three children, a daughter and twin sons. One son is a student at VPI; the other, at Roanoke College.

Mills joined Appalachian in 1949. Raymond G. Taylor, General Office Accounting, was elected club treasurer at the same time.



Mills

Jack Akers Retires In Williamson, Recalls Early Line Construction



Akers

Having worked 41 years for the power company without a disabling injury and never missing a day of work due to sickness are the accomplishments of which Jack "Babe" Akers is most proud. He retired May 1 as station foreman at Williamson in the Logan-Williamson Division of Appalachian Power Company.

Five Service Corporation Men Go To Canton Plant Engineering Division

Five AEP Service Corporation men have transferred to the new Plant Engineering Division and will move to Canton in the near future.

They are James B. Parker, named to head the Performance, Instrumentation and Control Section; Lear R. Roberts, named to head the Plant Engineering Section; and Charles T. Brooks, George F. Dusch and Patrick L. Grimes.

The new division was created in January and will be based in Canton. Carl P. Lugin is the division head and Edwin A. Painter, assistant head. When at full strength, the division will number about 50, drawn from the Service Corporation, the operating companies and outside the company.

Parker's AEP career began at Indiana & Michigan Electric Company's Breed Plant in 1959. He was performance engineer there at the time of his transfer to the Service Corporation in 1966 and was later named assistant head of the Results Section. He has a degree in mechanical engineering from Perdue University.

Roberts has been with the Service Corporation since 1955, working in the Boiler and Turbine Sections. Most recently he has been a staff engineer, concerned with the planning and scheduling of unit outages.

He is a graduate of West Virginia University.

Starting with Appalachian Power Company in 1959 as a test engineer at Kanawha River Plant, Brooks transferred to the Service Corporation in 1967 as an engineer in Mechanical Engineering. He is a graduate of West Virginia Institute of Technology.

Dusch's first job on the System was test engineer in Ohio Power Company's Windsor Plant. In 1953 he was transferred to Ohio Valley Electric Company and worked as results engineer and plant engineer before moving to the Service Corporation's Turbine Section in 1963. He was named a senior engineer earlier this year. He has a degree in mechanical engineering from West Virginia University.

Grimes, in his 35-year AEP career, has worked in three System plants: Appalachian's Glen Lyn (twice), Ohio Power's Tidd, and I&M's Tanners Creek. He also worked in New York from 1937 to 1943, and returned in 1967. He moved to Mechanical Engineering as a senior engineer in 1968. He holds a bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering from North Dakota University and a master's degree from Virginia Polytechnic Institute.

Campbell, Rookstool, Powers And Ferrell Promoted At Clinch River



Campbell

Rookstool

Powers

Ferrell

Promotions of four Clinch River Plant employees have been announced.

Dorus D. Campbell, unit foreman, has become assistant shift operating engineer; Albert W. Rookstool, equipment operator, has been promoted to unit foreman; Conrad M. Powers, master maintenance man, has moved up to maintenance foreman; and Burbus C. Ferrell, Jr., master maintenance man, has been named engineer B.

Campbell joined Appalachian in 1942 as a laborer at Cabin Creek Plant. He worked there as auxiliary equipment operator A and boiler operator A before transferring to Clinch River as unit foreman in 1958. He was named assistant shift operating engineer March 1.

Rookstool began his career as a laborer at Cabin Creek Plant in 1955. In 1958 he transferred to Clinch River Plant as auxiliary equipment operator and was promoted to equipment operator in

1961. He moved up to unit foreman March 1.

Powers also joined Appalachian as a laborer at Cabin Creek Plant in 1940. He worked there as maintenance man, mechanical maintenance man and mechanical maintenance mechanic A before transferring to Clinch River in 1958 as master maintenance man. On January 1, he became maintenance foreman.

Ferrell joined Logan Plant as a laborer in 1950 and worked as electrical maintenance helper, utility operator C, and utility operator B before moving to the Logan District in 1954 as a car washer. He transferred back to Logan Plant that same year and worked as utility man and electrical maintenance helper before going to Clinch River Plant in 1958 as a maintenance man. He was promoted to master maintenance man in 1968 and became engineer B March 1.

Fisher Author Of "Ideas" Article

R. J. Fisher, transmission foreman senior in the General Office Transmission Line Department in Bluefield, was the author of an article entitled "Ways to Protect Conductors" in the March issue of AEP's "Operating Ideas".

According to Fisher, plastic pipe has proved very useful for protecting overhead conductors from abrasive damage under unusual construction conditions. The plastic pipe is split from one end to the other and placed over the wire as you would a rubber line hose. The pipe can also be used for covering conductors while on the ground to prevent rubbing, scratching, or dirt from getting imbedded between strands.



Fisher



Witt

Beckley Surveyor Begins Retirement

"Getting to the job location was the biggest problem in the early years. Quite often three or four men had to work out of one vehicle", says Roland M. Witt, who retired May 1. Witt was first employed as a surveyor and had been with the company 33 years. All of his career was in the Beckley Engineering Department.

Witt was born in Bramwell, West Virginia, but he considers Bedford, Virginia, as the "old home place" because his family moved to a farm in Bedford in 1914. The farm had been used as a camping area by Confederate troops on their way to Lynchburg, Virginia.

Witt attended school in Bedford and was graduated from Bedford High School. He attended Virginia Polytechnic Institute in Blacksburg where he studied civil engineering.

Witt is a veteran of World War II, having served as a first lieutenant in the Coast Artillery. He is a member of the Beckley Presbyterian Church and plans to devote full time to his hobbies of gardening, woodworking, and visits to his seven grandchildren.

E. A. Murray, Jr. Taken By Death

E. A. (Bud) Murray, Jr., retired division power sales engineer sr., died recently at his home in Charleston.

Murray was employed in 1931 as a power salesman in the Huntington Division, later being promoted to power engineer. In 1948 he was promoted to district commercial manager of the Charleston District. He assumed the title held at retirement when the district setup was changed to the division setup.

Murray is a native of Clifton Forge, Virginia. He attended high school in Huntington and earned a BS degree in electrical engineering from Carnegie Mellon University. He was a member of Sigma Nu Fraternity.

He was a member of the University Club, Army & Navy Club, Exchange Club, Meadowbrook Country Club, and was a registered professional engineer in West Virginia. He was also a member of St. John's Episcopal Church.

Murray is survived by his wife, Pauline.



Murray

AEP Receptionist Dies Unexpectedly

Chances were that, over the past six years, the first person a visitor to the AEP Service Corporation offices at 2 Broadway, New York, would see on his arrival was Mrs. Mildred O'Connor, the 11th floor receptionist.

Mrs. O'Connor last worked for the company on March 19. That night she died, unexpectedly, at her home on Staten Island. She was 55. She is survived by her husband and a son.

V. M. Marquis Retires From AEP, Helped Plan Interconnected System



Marquis

Having a part in the building of OVEC was "fun," and wartime Washington was "exciting."

That's the way V. M. "Don" Marquis sums up two of the peaks in his American Electric Power career stretching back to 1928.

The career came to an end April 30 when he retired as vice president and assistant to the president of the Service Corporation and as a director of Appalachian Power Company, Kentucky Power Company, Kingsport Power Company, Wheeling Electric Company, and the Service Corporation.

Marquis was born in Oklahoma while it was still officially a territory and later lived on the Snake River in Idaho. He holds degrees in both mechanical engineering and electrical engineering from Stanford University, and a master's from Union College, obtained while he was working for the General Electric Company.

With AEP Marquis was active in engineering and operating innovations, pushing for developing procedures for economical loading of generating plants, for full use of interconnections with other companies, and for developing and promoting automatic frequency and tie-line control.

In 1942, Marquis was loaned to the war effort by the Service Corporation. He served in the Office of Production Management and later as chief of the Power Division of the Office of War Utilities.

When he returned to AEP, Marquis was system planning and operating engineer in the Service Corporation. In 1949 he became vice president in charge of system planning.

Helping out on the multitude of problems, both technical and human, that had to be solved in putting the System together, and developing the techniques of operating it on an interconnected and integrated basis remain for Marquis the outstanding achievements of a 40-year career.

But he admits that a close second to this was the great experience of working closely with the Ohio Valley Electric Corporation project from its inception. The project's goal was to produce the vast amounts of energy needed by the Government's atomic diffusion plant near Portsmouth, Ohio. Industry leaders, including AEP's former president, Philip Sporn, told the government they could do the job. The proposal was made to the Atomic Energy Commission in May 1952 by a group of 15 investor-owned electric utilities, including three AEP System companies.

"The group met for a final review in Washington one day," Marquis remembers. "Some changes had to be made in the proposal, and that night Rick Dicke (Richard M. Dicke, a director of American Electric Power Company, and a partner in Simpson Thacher & Bartlett, AEP's legal counsel) and I cranked a mimeograph machine all night to get the changes incorporated. We had a lot of talent," he says with a smile, "but we got the proposal in on time."

In December of that same year, ground was broken for the construction of OVEC's Clifty Creek and Kyger Creek Plants. In February, 1956, slightly more than three years later, the first unit went into service.

AEP Promotions Affect Three Men In Power Supply

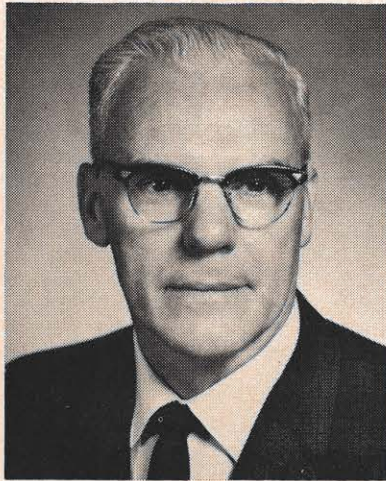
Three changes in the AEP Service Corporation's Bulk Power Supply Division became effective April 1.

Raymond M. Maliszewski has been promoted to assistant head of the division; Norman B. Johnsen has moved from assistant head to head of the EHV, Interconnection, and Coordination Planning Section, replacing Maliszewski; and Gerald I. Stillman, who has been a staff engineer, has been named head of the newly-formed Technical and Special Studies Section.

Maliszewski started with the Service Corporation in 1956 as an assistant engineer, moving to System Planning the next year. In 1966 he was promoted to section head in the Bulk Power Supply Planning Division. He holds a bachelor's degree in electrical engineering from Manhattan College and a master's from New York University.

Johnsen began his career with AEP in 1962. He has been an associate engineer, engineer and senior engineer and was named assistant section head last year. He graduated from Brooklyn Polytechnic Institute with a degree in electrical engineering, earned a master's from Illinois Institute of Technology, and did graduate work at Northeastern University.

Stillman interrupted his six-year Service Corporation career for one academic year (1967-68) to teach at Massachusetts Institute of Technology as part of the continuing company-campus relationship between AEP and MIT. Returning in 1968, he was named a staff engineer in the Bulk Power Supply Planning Division. Stillman earned a bachelor's degree in electrical engineering from City College of New York and a master's from the University of Pittsburgh.



Campbell

Stationman, Campbell, Ends Huntington Career After 32 Years of Service

Nolan Campbell retired March 31 after 32 years with Appalachian in Huntington. He was a stationman B in the Transmission and Distribution Department.

A native of Wayne County, West Virginia, he attended Ceredo Kenova High School until 1928 and completed a machinist course in 1937.

Campbell joined the company in 1939 as a maintenance man. In 1943 he was made master mechanic. He later worked as working foreman, maintenance mechanic, and again as working foreman before becoming stationman B in 1958.

He enjoys gardening, fishing and hunting. He and his wife Cloteen have made no particular retirement plans.

Dennis Promoted To Line Foreman

Robert E. Dennis, Roanoke Division transmission and distribution line foreman non-exempt, was promoted to line foreman effective March 1.

He began working for the company in September 1948 in Roanoke. He has worked as groundman; lineman, moving from C classification to A; and working foreman.

Dennis is a native of Bluefield and was educated there. A Navy veteran, he served in the South Pacific during World War II with the Mobile Construction Battalion of the Seabees. Dennis is married and the father of two sons.

As a line foreman, Bob Dennis has been involved in aerial patrolling of lines. He has the fortunate distinction of being perhaps one in a thousand to come out of a helicopter crash unharmed. He and the pilot were about 800 feet up when the plastic "bubble" cover of the copter burst. The pilot was able to right the copter just before it crashed to the ground. The experience made a lasting impression but it hasn't stopped Bob's aerial work.



Dennis

Robert Caudill Taken By Death

Robert L. Caudill, retired line inspector in the Bluefield Division, died April 5.

A native of Tazewell, Virginia, Caudill joined Appalachian in 1924 as a chairman. He worked as a surveyor's helper, rodman, surveyor, chief of party, transit man, civil engineer and inspector senior before his promotion to line inspector.

He is survived by his wife, three sons and two daughters.



Caudill

James Taylor Bing Of Huntington Retires To Camp, Fish And Relax

With his camper ready for the road, James Taylor Bing retired in Huntington February 28. He is planning to camp and fish and just relax.

Bing had been with the company 45 years. He began as a meter reader in 1924. By 1929 he had moved to meterman and in 1934 began working as a meter tester. Between 1944 and 1955 he worked as meterman B and A. From then until his promotion to meter service foreman he held the position of working foreman.

A native of Wayne County, W. Va., Bing attended Wayne County High School. He attends Seventh Avenue Baptist Church in Huntington where he is a member of the adult choir. He and his wife Edna have three children. Five grandchildren and one great-grandchild.



Bing



Merriman

Merriman Retires In Fieldale T&D

J. H. Merriman took early retirement from the Fieldale Transmission and Distribution Department May 1 so that he will be free to travel and enjoy life more fully.

"Pete" as he is known to his friends, joined Appalachian in 1928 when he was 18. He has been with the company since then except for three years leave for military service. He was transferred from Fieldale to Roanoke in 1933 but returned to Fieldale in 1949.

During his career he has worked as a lineman helper, overhead man, lineman, working foreman, and until his retirement as line foreman.

Merriman is a native of the Fieldale area and was educated there. He is unmarried and makes his home with his sister who operates the Virginia Home. He plans to continue living in Fieldale; but, being an enthusiastic baseball fan, he will be making several trips south to watch some major league teams.

Samuel Metzger, Huntington, Dies

Samuel B. Metzger, 59, engineer in the Huntington Division, died on April 2.

A native of Salyersville, Kentucky, he graduated from Marshall University in 1932. During World War II he rose to the rank of lieutenant commander in the Navy. He was an honorary Kentucky Colonel, a member of Huntington Lodge 313 BPO Elks, Howard P. Hall Post 1064 of the Veterans of Foreign Wars, and the Big Green Club.

He completed 35 years of service with Appalachian in November, 1969. All of this time had been spent in the Transmission and Distribution Department.

Metzger is survived by his wife.



Metzger

Response High To Abingdon Show

Over 1,200 people attended the total-electric home equipment show hosted by the Abingdon Commercial Department April 7-9.

The show, held in the ballroom of the Martha Washington Inn, featured the latest in electric heating-cooling equipment, built-in and free-standing appliances, home lighting fixtures and traffic appliances.

Home demonstration clubs, home economics classes, 4-H groups and others attended special demonstrations during the morning hours. The doors were open to the general public from noon until 5 P. M. each day and the evenings were directed to appliance dealers, and to heating and building contractors.

With special emphasis placed on kitchen planning, home lighting, heating equipment, and heat pump service, dealers and representatives were given the opportunity to visit 21 different displays. Interest ran so high among dealers that extra tables had to be set up each night. Their encouraging response to the program may make it an annual event.



Warfield

Garage Foreman, Warfield, Retires

Forrest C. Warfield, working foreman in the Hazard Garage, took early retirement May 1.

"Frosty" Warfield had been with the company 28 years. He joined Kentucky Power in 1942 as a mechanic. He was promoted to auto mechanic A in 1944 and to working foreman in 1948.

He was born in Morgan County, Kentucky, in 1908 and attended schools there. He completed his auto mechanics training through ICS.

Now that he has retired, he plans to farm and fish. He and his wife Margaret are the parents of six children and the grandparents of seven. They attend the Lost Creek Presbyterian Church.



Firebaugh

C. E. Firebaugh Retires As Line Foreman May 1

Clarence E. Firebaugh, line foreman in the Roanoke Division Transmission and Distribution Department, retired May 1 after more than 40 years' service.

When Firebaugh joined Appalachian in 1929 as a groundman, there were only four line trucks and two meter trucks. All holes were hand dug and most poles were set by hand. The men rode to the job in open trucks—even the cabs were open.

In 1933 he was promoted to overheadman, and worked as a lineman before his promotion to line foreman in 1947.

He is a member of the Green Ridge Baptist Church, where he serves as secretary of the Class of Brothers Sunday School class. He and his wife of 42 years have two children and five grandchildren. Retirement plans include a little traveling and work around his home on Route 2, Roanoke, on his hobbies of gardening, flower culture and working on small motors.

Fourteen Couples Repeat Wedding Vows



Gibson-Sowards

Vickie Gibson and Ira Sowards, Jr., were united in marriage on March 27 at the Providence Baptist Church, Milton, West Virginia. Mrs. Sowards is a clerk-stenographer in the Commercial Department, Huntington.



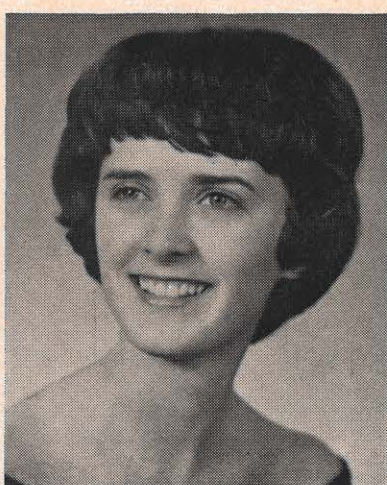
Petersen-Sexton

Seaman 2/C Judy May Petersen was married to Seaman 1/C Alan Brett Sexton on February 18 in the Base Chapel at Moffett Field, California. Seaman Sexton is the son of W. C. Sexton, engineer, Bluefield.



Matthews-Piercy

Sandra Kay Matthews became the bride of William James Piercy on April 4 in the Charlton Heights Methodist Church. Mrs. Piercy is the daughter of D. O. B. Matthews, unit foreman, Kanawha River Plant.



Everett-Cozad

Dana Rae Everett was married to David Bruce Cozad on December 27 in the Rand Chapel of Central Presbyterian Church in Atlanta, Georgia. Mrs. Cozad is the daughter of G. C. Everett, sales supervisor, Huntington.



Wainscott-Jamison

Carolyn Lucille Wainscott became the bride of Wallace D. Jamison on April 6. Mrs. Jamison is an employee in the Office Services Division of General Office Accounting, and Mr. Jamison is an engineer in the General Office Operating Department, Roanoke.



Robinson-Forman

Karen Diane Robinson and Donald Ray Forman were united in marriage on March 6 at the New Hope Baptist Church, St. Albans, West Virginia. Mrs. Forman is the daughter of George S. Robinson, general serviceman, Charleston.



Taylor-Huffman

Charlotte Ann Taylor became the bride of Roy M. Huffman on March 27 at the Marlaing Gospel Tabernacle, St. Albans, West Virginia. Mr. Huffman is an office messenger in Charleston.



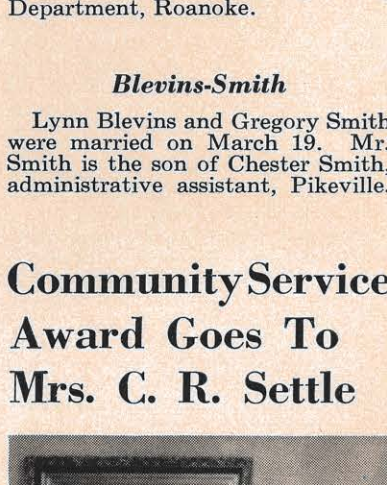
Hill-McCallister

Martha Jane Hill became the bride of Randy Steven McCallister in March at the United Methodist Church, Chesapeake, Ohio. Mr. McCallister is the son of C. H. McCallister, engineering aide, Huntington.



Dorsey-Fisher

Marhalene Dorsey was married to Kermit W. Fisher on March 28 at the First Baptist Church. Mr. Fisher is division station engineer, Charleston.



Blevins-Smith

Lynn Blevins and Gregory Smith were married on March 19. Mr. Smith is the son of Chester Smith, administrative assistant, Pikeville.

New Arrivals

Abingdon Division

MR. AND MRS. ELWOOD L. MULLINS, a son, Shannon Blake, March 12. Mullins is a lineman A in Clintwood.

Bluefield Division

MR. AND MRS. THEODORE L. WHITE, a son, Steven Lee, April 10. White is an electrical engineer.

Pulaski Division

MR. AND MRS. JAMES W. BLANKENSHIP, a daughter, Jeanette, April 10. Blankenship is a lineman.

Roanoke Division

MR. AND MRS. OSBY WOODROW HARVEY, JR., a son, Kevin Woodrow, April 6. Mr. Harvey is a part-time meter reader and Mrs. Harvey is a former stenographer.

Radford Army Ammunition Steam Plant

MR. AND MRS. NATHAN VIA, a son, Nathan Eugene, March 18. Via is a utility man.

Clinch River Plant

MR. AND MRS. LARRY J. NULL, a daughter, Tammy Renee, January 14. Null is a maintenance man.

MR. AND MRS. JERRY W. JOHNSON, a daughter, Michelle Lynn, February 8. Johnson is a utility operator.

Glen Lyn Plant

MR. AND MRS. EMMITT G. CLEMONS, a son, Randall Lee, March 9. Clemons recently took early retirement.

Pikeville Division

MR. AND MRS. DAVID A. LANG, a son, Christopher Allen, April 6. Mr. Lang is area supervisor at Paintsville and Mrs. Lang is a former employee.

General Office

MR. AND MRS. HAROLD WITLOCK, a daughter, Angela Carol, March 28. Witlock is an employee in the Accounting Department, Roanoke.

MR. AND MRS. WAYNE A. JACOBS, a daughter, Debra Anne, March 31. Mr. Jacobs is an employee in the Electric Plant and Stores Accounting Division and Mrs. Jacobs is a former employee in the division Managerial Department.

MR. AND MRS. J. E. COOK, a son, Chad Allen, March 24. Cook is a regional dispatcher at the Tri-State Regional Dispatch Office in Huntington.

MR. AND MRS. A. A. SIERS, JR., a daughter, Julie Lynette, March 4. Siers is a T&D Transmission Section employee, Bluefield.

MR. AND MRS. L. C. JENNINGS, a daughter, Jenifer Joy, April 6. Jennings is a lineman.

Charleston Division

MR. AND MRS. L. C. JENNINGS, a daughter, Jenifer Joy, April 6. Jennings is a lineman.

Community Service Award Goes To Mrs. C. R. Settle



Mrs. Settle

"We all need each other working together for our town, county and the world we want to live in." This is the philosophy of Mrs. Charles R. Settle, wife of the Pulaski Division superintendent, who won The Southwest Times Community Service Award for 1969.

A comparatively new resident of Pulaski, Mrs. Settle has made her five years there count. She has been active in church, club and community work.

She is membership cultivation chairman and a member of the Woman's Society of Christian Service at the First United Methodist Church.

Mrs. Settle is conservation chairman for both the Count Pulaski Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution and the Woman's Club of Pulaski. She has served as a member of the Pulaski Beautification Committee.

Active in the work of the Hensel Eckman YMCA, she was a "quota buster" during the building fund drive and participated in the latest membership drive.

She serves her town government as a member of the Pulaski Planning Commission. Active in the Woman's Democratic Club, she is chairman of the Democratic Women in the Massie District.

Mrs. Settle also is vice president of the Pulaski Garden Club and club advisor for the Hoe and Hope Garden Club. She is president of the Book Review Club and a member of the Embroidery Club.

Her essay on "Doing My Own Thing" recently submitted to the Woman's Club Fine Arts Contest sums up the ideals she aspires to as a citizen.



Evans-Taylor

Dinah Kathryn Evans and Roger Lynn Taylor exchanged nuptial vows on March 26 at the Lebanon Baptist Church. Mr. Taylor is the son of Hubert S. Taylor, area serviceman, Abingdon.



Hopkins-Humphreys

Deborah Kay Hopkins and Michael A. Humphreys were married on March 7 at St. Joseph's Catholic Church. Mrs. Humphreys is the daughter of D. L. Hopkins, customer service representative, Huntington.



Robinson-Janey

Barbara Elizabeth Robinson became the bride of Arthur Lewis Janey on February 12. Mrs. Janey is the daughter of W. M. Robinson, Glen Lyn Plant manager.

60th Anniversary



Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Cody recently celebrated their sixtieth wedding anniversary. Their daughter, Adele Williams, is a customer accounts representative for Kingsport Power Company.

They're Engaged

EMILY SUE VAUGHAN to Airman Glen Martin Musgrove. Miss Vaughan is a clerk-typist in the Commercial Department, Roanoke.

SUSAN MARGARET KILBY to Aubrey Nelson Simpson. Miss Kilby is home sales representative in Pulaski and Mr. Simpson is heating sales engineer in Roanoke.

RITA M. EASTERLING to James H. Nickels, III. Nickels is the son of J. H. Nickels, Jr., engineer, Kingsport.

MARY L. McALPINE to Thomas F. Evans. Miss McAlpine is the daughter of Louise B. McAlpine, home sales representative, Kingsport.

NANCY SUE OUTLAW to Lt. John William Belchee. Lt. Belchee is the son of W. B. Belchee, Bluefield Division sales manager.

DREAMA LEE SIGMON to C. N. Comerose. Comerose is an engineering aide, Bluefield.

SUSAN KAY KIDD to Albert W. Trail, Jr. Miss Kidd is the daughter of Roy J. Kidd, retired meter serviceman, Bluefield.

JANET LYNN GREEN to Ronald Keith McLaughlin. McLaughlin is a lineman helper in Pineville, Bluefield Division.

NONIA GAY HUNT to Lt. Kyle Jones, Jr. Miss Hunt is a clerk trainee in Welch and Lt. Jones is on military leave from the Huntington Division where he is electrical engineer.

ROSEMARY RUTH HAMBRICK to Richard Gregory Ruff. Ruff is the son of R. H. Ruff, power sales engineer at Welch.

CHERYL YOUNG to John E. Walters. Walters is a lineman helper at Welch.

SAUNDRA KAY HUMPHRIES to James Herbert Chapman. Miss Humphries is a home economist in the Beckley Division.

LAURA LYNN HUDSON to John B. Robertson. Miss Hudson is the daughter of L. R. Hudson, an employee in the T&D Section, Lynchburg.

CONNIE LYNN BOWLES to Daniel W. Switzer. Switzer is an employee in the Office Services Division of G. O. Accounting, Roanoke.

ALOMA LYLE to Roger L. Smith. Smith is an employee in the Office Services Division of G. O. Accounting, Roanoke.



Winners of the Pikeville Bowling League are (left to right) Denton Biliter, R. L. Huffman, Ruth Newson, David Chafin, and William Zoellers.

Volts Champs In Bowling League

The Volts are the undisputed champions of the 1969-70 Pikeville Division Employees Bowling League. They clinched the championship by winning both halves of the season. The Volts won 38 points and lost 18 during the first half of the season; won 40 and dropped 16 in the second.

Members of the winning team are Ruth Newson, pre-audit clerk, captain; Leon Huffman, right-of-way agent; David Chafin, meter reader; William Zoellers, sales manager; and Denton Biliter.

Second place in the league was decided in a roll-off between the OCBs and the Regulators. The OCBs, who finished second in the first half, won the roll-off. They are Don Blackburn, distribution engineer; R. H. Flynn, customer

accounts supervisor; Emil Mayor, station foreman; Hershell D. Clark, lineman A; and Neuceddia Miller.

High average trophies for the season were won by James Hopson, instrument man, with 179 and by Neuceddia Miller with 143.

High series trophies were won by Hershell D. Clark, lineman A, at 611 and Nancy Williamson, clerk-stenographer, at 493.

Trophies for high game went to David Lang, area supervisor, with 245 and Neuceddia Miller with 213.

Nancy Williamson, clerk-stenographer, was awarded the most improved bowler trophy.

Clark Outstanding In Three Sports

Gary Clark is outstanding in three sports. Gary, whose father is Gerald Clark, maintenance man at Philip Sporn, attends Wahama High School in Mason, W. Va. where Coach Grant Barnette calls him the best three sport player he has seen.

The talented senior has caught the eyes of pro scouts in baseball, helped to lead his team to the state tournament as a guard in basketball, and starred as a halfback in football.

A 5' 10", 155-pounder, he snagged 71 passes for 2,236 yards for an average of 16.0 and scored 96 points during the season.

In basketball Gary had a 24.5 scoring average, hitting 49 percent from the floor and 66 per cent from the foul line. His high game for the year was 40 points against Kyger Creek. Gary was named to the AA All-Tourney team and made honorable mention All-State.

But for all of his basketball and football skill Gary prefers baseball and led his team last season with a .300 batting average.

With all of his sports Gary is an honor student and president of the senior class at Wahama High School.



Rod

Rod Butler High Scorer In YMCA Basketball League

Rod Butler, 13-year-old son of Jack Butler, Huntington general serviceman, was leading scorer in the Buddy YMCA Basketball League for 1970, with an 18-point average.

During the recent YMCA basketball tournament, Rod won the foul-shooting contest for the Huntington "Red" team by making 31 of 35 shots. In his third year on the Huntington All-Star team, he also led the league in assists.



Clark

Employees Donate To Roanoke Team

Appalachian's Roanoke softball team opens its 1970 season this month with a game on May 25.

Last year the team finished third in the Western District Tournament. It competed in the Virginia State Fastball Tournament in Winchester, advancing to the quarter-finals before losing.

Making up the team this year are Charlie Price and Norman Young, co-managers; Jerry Saunders, Jerry Adcock, Ron Jamison, Reggy Reynolds, Don Hale, Gus Croft, Ralph Ensley, Gordon Peters, Ron Blevins, Lonnie Moran, Dan Bird, George Arnold, H. D. Brewer, Don Robins, David Baumgardner, T. W. Likens, Randy Agnew and Dan Naff.

Donations from other employees as well as the players made it possible for the team to organize this year. They will use last year's equipment and uniforms.

Moving from the B league into the A league sponsored by the Roanoke City Recreation Department, the team will play twenty games, two weekly.



Bluefield Fields Basketball Team

Appalachian entered its first team in the Bluefield Industrial Basketball League this season. The team matched its enthusiasm with a physical fitness program and got in shape to win 30 per cent of its games. Standing (from left) Larry Sigmon, station man C; John W. Hurt, lineman helper; David Dodson, engineer B; A. E. Anderson, lineman A; T. E. Buzzo, lineman helper, Larry Taylor, lineman helper; and Richard Davis, lineman C. Kneeling is C. P. Lampert, lineman A, who managed and coached the team. Not pictured are A. E. Martin, station man helper; George Hartwell, lineman helper; and Charles Long, station man B.

Charleston Karate Class Learns That Self-Defense Takes Practice



Following the lead of their instructor are (left) Jackie Bruer, Barbara Markham, Elaine Rogers, and Janet Divita.

Never underestimate the power behind a pretty face. She may be soft and feminine and still hold a black belt in karate. Considering the American sociological situation, the knowledge of self-defense could well be as important to feminine training as cooking and fashions.

Several girls in the Charleston Accounting Department have decided that learning self-defense does have a part in their weekly activities, and they have enrolled in karate classes at the local YWCA.

Ken Reisburg, their instructor, drills his students exhaustively with all the precision and discipline of ballerinas. Whether they learn

karate or not, the practice alone will make the girls physically fit to take care of most situations.

Reisburg, who holds a brown belt in karate and ju jitsu, can attest to their beginning efficiency (they have greatly improved since). During one of the first classes Jackie Bruer slipped and punched him in the nose.

Asked why they feel they need this special skill, the girls commented, "you can never tell what will happen or who you might encounter even on a shopping trip to town." "Besides," they said, "it certainly helps in keeping our husbands in line."

Take Logan Title

Richard L. Trammell, stationman A, and C. E. "Bill" Broughton, head transmission and distribution clerk, captured the men's doubles title in the annual Logan City Bowling Tournament.

They rolled 1341 pins for the highest doubles score ever recorded in the event.

Bass Running In The Roanoke

Grab your tackle and head for the car!

Fishing in the Roanoke River below Leesville Lake should be great for the next few weeks. It's the spawning season for striped bass and last year during this period fishermen had a field day pulling in prize catches.

The striped bass choose where they will make their run on the basis of water temperature and steady flow. To entice the fish in Kerr Reservoir into the Roanoke River, Appalachian increases the flow of the river below the Leesville Lake. The increased flow began in early April and according to Jack Kepner, superintendent of operations, conditions should be right about four weeks after the greater flow starts.

This is the second year that the increase in flow has begun in April. The early start and the extended period are at the request of the Virginia Commission of Game and Inland Fisheries.

Safety Steak

Will it be brown beans or steak? The menu for supervisors at Central Appalachian Coal depends on the safety record of their men. The supervisors are divided into two teams. At the end of each quarter they meet, compare safety records and then sit down to dinner—with steak eaters and bean eaters facing each other across the table. Top safety takes the steak, of course.

Winners this quarter: Bernard Smith, Bill Tucker, Ray Spangler, Jim Petry, Lawrence Brown, Bill Angel, Fiz Dearien, Herb Nickoson, Ralph Taylor, Joe Thomas, Cecil Procter, C. W. Franklin, Lonnie McMillion, U. M. Smoot, Bob Stone, Sam Caldwell, Clifford Weeger, Frank Snyder, Claydean Sherman, Bill Malone, Bob Sult, and Leonard Snodgrass.

There Goes Another MC-45 Fox-Kart!



The B. W. Manns pose with their Kart and trophies.

B. W. Mann, stationman at Pulaski, thinks a hobby should be a family affair and he has his whole family involved in go-kart racing.

His ten-year-old son Dale drives in the junior class races and reaches speeds of 50-60 miles per hour.

His wife Joyce started out about three years ago in the powder puff races for women drivers only. Her interest increased and she found that she could compete with the men drivers. She drove in three races against Benny, her husband, beating him in all three.

After that Benny decided to become chief mechanic, looking after their Fox-Kart, powered by a MC-45 motor. The Kart uses Nitro-X racing fuel to which Benny adds his own sauce to reach top performance. He says, "The fuel mixture has to be just right, if not—P-O-O-F-F! there goes another MC-45."

The sportsman classes the Manns enter are open and speeds go up to 90 mph. There are usually 10 to 12 entries. Last year they entered the Fox-Kart at Lynchburg, Harrisonburg, and Glen Lyn. Mrs. Mann, driving against male drivers, won two firsts, two seconds, and one third place trophies.

About the karts Benny says, "The equipment today is good quality. My job is to make sure they're safe and running well."



Bowling League Champions

Members of the Engineers bowling team who won both halves of the season to clinch the Roanoke league championship are (from left) Leonard Thomas, Don Buckingham, Chester Robison, captain; Tom Old, and Ted Carroll who bowled a 253 for the season high game. The Engineers represent the Station Section of the General Office Transmission and Distribution Department.

AEP's Maloney, Rose, Barber, Steenland Take New Service Corporation Posts



Maloney Rose



Barber Steenland

Gerald P. Maloney last month was elected a vice president of the American Electric Power Service Corporation and of all the AEP System operating companies, and was designated their chief financial officer, effective May 1. He continues as controller of the Service Corporation.

In his new financial posts, Maloney succeeds W. James Rose, who had directed the financial affairs of the AEP System for more than two decades. Rose remains a vice president of the Service Corporation, with the added designation of assistant to the president. He will also serve AEP as financial consultant. In addition, he continues as vice president and secretary of the

parent American Electric Power Company, and as a director of the parent and of the operating companies.

In still another elevation in corporate management, Peter R. Steenland was elected an assistant vice president of the Service Corporation and of all the AEP System operating companies. He had been an assistant secretary and assistant treasurer of the former. In his new assignment, he will serve as executive assistant to the president, with special responsibilities for the System's general real estate properties.

Bruce M. Barber, who had been executive assistant to the president, was elected assistant controller of the Service Corporation. His special responsibilities will include financial analysis and planning, and assisting the financial vice president.

The election of Richard E. Dismore as deputy controller of the Service Corporation, which took place in March, was announced last month. While holding that office, in which he will be responsible for general supervision of the Controlling Department, he will continue to serve as operating manager—transmission and distribution.

In addition to being named vice president—finance, Maloney was elected a director of four operating companies: Appalachian Power, Kentucky Power, Kingsport Power and Wheeling Electric Companies. In these directorships, he succeeds V. M. Marquis, Service Corporation vice president who retired April 30.

Cox Outstanding Jaycee President

Jimmy R. Cox, work order clerk at Clinch River Plant, has been named the outstanding president of a new chapter of the Jaycees in Region 10 of the State of Virginia.

Cox is one of the founders and charter members of the St. Paul-Castlewood Chapter and served as vice president prior to becoming president. Under his direction, this Jaycee chapter was named a Blue Chip Chapter after increasing membership by fifty per cent. It also established a scholarship fund to Southwest Virginia Community College, gave financial assistance to the victims of Hurricane Camille and donated flagpoles to the St. Paul and Castlewood schools. As a sponsor of youth projects, the chapter completed dugouts for the St. Paul Little League this past year.

He served with the U. S. Air Force in Alaska before joining Appalachian in 1968.

Emil Mayor Named Station Foreman

Emil Mayor, distribution engineer in Kentucky Power Company's Pikeville Division has been promoted to station foreman in the Station Section of the Transmission and Distribution Department.

Mayor joined the company in 1966 after graduating from the West Virginia Institute of Technology with a BS degree in electrical engineering. He transferred from the Engineering Department to the Transmission and Distribution Department in 1968 and back to the Engineering Department in 1969, where he remained until his promotion.

A bachelor, Mayor is a native of Missouri.

Jan Jones Wins Forensic Trophy

Janice Page Jones' oral interpretation of the life of Philip Nolan brought a first place trophy from the 1970 West Virginia Interscholastic Forensic League Tournament to Bluefield High School.

The daughter of W. S. Jones, General Office Station Department electrical test specialist in Bluefield, Jan has been a cheerleader for five years and was voted two Senior Superlatives—most friendly and most school spirited. She is vice president of the Pep Club, corresponding secretary of the Bluefield High School National Forensic League, and a member of the National Honor Society, Junior Civitans, French Club and National Thespians.

Jan will make the annual Laurel Leaves presentation in May and has been asked to compose and recite a poem on the class motto "Once to Every Man a Nation" for the graduation exercises in June. She plans to attend the University of Kentucky.

Largest Pump Is Slated For Amos

Four of the largest boiler feed pumps ever manufactured have been purchased from the Cameron Pump Division of Ingersoll-Rand Company for use in the American Electric Power System's forthcoming series of 1.3-million-kilowatt coal-fired generating units.

First of the four 70,000-horsepower pumps is scheduled to be installed in Unit 3 at the John E. Amos Plant, under construction near Charleston, W. Va. Sites for the others have not yet been determined.

Each pump, with a capacity of 22,900 gallons per minute and a discharge pressure of 4,830 p.s.i., will serve as a single, full-capacity feed pump to serve each generating unit. Use of a single pump, contrasted to previous practice of using two or more, results in operating economies and improved plant operation.

Price, Lang Move To New Positions



Price Lang

Paul V. Price, Jr., Paintsville area supervisor in the Pikeville Division of Kentucky Power Company, has been promoted to power sales engineer in the Ashland Division Commercial Department, effective April 1. Succeeding Price as area supervisor is David Lang, station foreman in Pikeville Division's Transmission and Distribution Department.

Price joined Kentucky Power in 1965 as an associate engineer in Ashland following his graduation from the University of Kentucky with a BS degree in electrical engineering. In 1966 he was promoted to distribution engineer and moved to the Pikeville Division as Paintsville area supervisor in 1967. A native of Williamson, West Virginia, Price is married and has two children.

Lang graduated from West Virginia Institute of Technology in 1965 with a BS degree in electrical engineering. In 1966 he joined Kentucky Power as an associate engineer in the Pikeville Division and was promoted to station foreman in 1969. He is married and the father of a son and daughter.



LeMaster

Frederick W. LeMaster Retires After 31 Years In Huntington Division

Frederick William LeMaster, groundman in the Huntington Transmission and Distribution Department, retired March 31 after 31 years of company service.

A native of Wayne County, West Virginia, he attended Ceredo Kenova High School until 1917. He joined Appalachian in 1939 as a watchman. Beginning in 1941 he worked as a pumpman, turbine auxiliary equipment operator, turbine operator A, control operator, and became a groundman in 1956.

An avid sports fan, he enjoys hunting, fishing, bowling and horse racing.

Gordon Broyles, Roanoke Division Station Supervisor, Retires Early

Gordon H. Broyles, retired station supervisor in the Roanoke Division Transmission and Distribution Department, likes to tell of the day in 1936 when his crew of four, including the foreman, left the shop at 8 AM for the pole yard, where they loaded 11 poles, drove to Vinton and built an 11-pole extension, strung copper wire, hung a transformer and ran service to a house, energized the line and returned to Walnut Avenue—all before lunch. The secret of this speed was the fact that the customer dug all the holes to keep the cost of the line down.

Broyles, who took early retirement April 1, joined the company as a groundman in Roanoke in 1935. He worked as truck driver, second class lineman, first class lineman, troubleman, station engineer and service foreman before being promoted to station supervisor in 1968.

A native of Roanoke, he attended Virginia Polytechnic Institute for two years and Coyne Electrical School in Chicago for one year.

He plans to continue living at Route 1, Roanoke, during retirement and follow his hobbies of gardening, checker playing and collecting and working puzzles. He plans to do some electrical wiring

Ford And Blowers Get Kyger Posts

Louis R. Ford, Jr., assistant manager of the Kyger Creek Plant of Ohio Valley Electric Corporation has been named plant manager to succeed James B. Harreld, who died March 22. Named to succeed Ford as assistant plant manager is Raymond H. Blowers, Jr.

Announcement of the new appointments were made jointly by Donald C. Cook, president of OVEC and the American Electric Power Company, and by Ivan O. Hawk, vice president in charge of OVEC operations.

Ford joined OVEC as a plant engineer at Kyger Creek in 1954. He served as maintenance supervisor from 1955 until October 1966 when he was promoted to assistant plant manager. A native of Brooklyn, he attended Columbia University and received a BS degree in mechanical engineering from the U. S. Coast Guard Academy.

Blowers joined OVEC in 1954. He served in successive positions of test engineer, maintenance foreman and results engineer at the Kyger Creek Plant until 1967 when he was transferred to the company headquarters in Pike County, Ohio, as staff engineer-production. In this capacity he worked closely with the Kyger organization and the company's sister plant, Clifty Creek Station, Madison, Indiana. A native of New Boston, Ohio, Blowers attended Marshall College and received a BSME degree from West Virginia University.

Three Engineers On Military Leave



Bush Shrader

Three Appalachian employees, Michael Thacker, David Bush and Bruce Shrader, will be serving in the Army for the next two years on military leave from the company.

Thacker, civil engineer in the General Office Hydro Department, has been with the company since January 1969. He began as an engineer B and was promoted to civil engineer in June of last year. A graduate of Virginia Military Institute, he will report to Fort Benning, Georgia, June 28 as a 2nd Lieutenant in the Infantry.

Bush, electrical engineer in the General Office Distribution Department, is also a graduate of VMI. He will report to Ft. Bliss, El Paso, Texas, May 13 where he will serve as a 2nd Lieutenant in Air Defense Artillery. After ten weeks of training he will join the 7th Army USAEUR 32nd Air Defense Command in Germany.

Shrader, engineer B at the Philip Sporn Plant in the Performance Department, left the company April 1 to report to Ft. Knox, Kentucky. Shrader had been with the company since May 1969. He is married and holds an associate degree in engineering from West Virginia Tech.



Thacker



Broyles

also. Fellow employees will remember him as a master at telling jokes.

Broyles is married and has two daughters and five grandchildren. He is active in the Vinton Baptist Church, where he sings in the choir, teaches the Fellowship Class, and is a deacon and member of the Brotherhood.

Allen Blackburn, Pikeville, Retires After More Than 47 Years' Service

Allen "Lightning" Blackburn, stationman B in the Pikeville Division of Kentucky Power Company, retired May 1 after more than 47 years' service.

Blackburn joined the company in 1922 at Huntington, West Virginia. He worked on the Sprigg-Beaver Creek 138 kv line as a water boy and dug pole holes and worked in the camp cooking, cleaning and making beds. Then he worked with the old Turner Construction Company, later called the New River Development, as a water boy and digging holes on high line construction. He acquired the nickname "Crum Boss" when he was made cook and camp helper.

In 1925 he became a truck driver with Appalachian in Roanoke and was transferred to the Pikeville Division of Kentucky Power in 1930. He served as assistant line foreman, line foreman, auto mechanic 1st class and working foreman (garage) before his promotion to stationman B.

Blackburn is presently recuperating from a heart attack. He occasionally fishes and likes to work on trucks and automobiles. He



Blackburn

has been quite a squirrel hunter and gardener. He attends the Old Regular Baptist Church. Blackburn and his late wife had 13 children, 10 of who are living. He also has 15 grandchildren and 2 great-grandchildren.