

Blue Ridge Hearings Resume Before Examiner December 7

Appalachian Power's request for a license to build the Blue Ridge Pumped Storage and Hydroelectric Project enters another phase in December.

Federal Power Commission Examiner William C. Levy will reconvene hearings on the license application on December 7 in Washington. The company is seeking to build the project on New River in Grayson County, Virginia.

The hearings are a continuation of a similar session held in Beckley this summer. The Beckley hearings dealt with the possible effects the project might have on recreation in the New River Gorge area in West Virginia. The Washington hearings will include the question of water quality storage and other matters.

Testimony for the Washington hearings was filed on November 16. Included in the filings was some testimony from the Congress for Appalachian Development and the Appalachian Research and Defense Fund.

These groups, headquartered in Charleston, had been permitted to intervene "out of time" by the Federal Power Commission. Their testimony essentially alleges that the record of the Blue Ridge proceedings does not consider the possibility of federal development of the hydro project. The testimony of the two groups calls for an in-

vestigation and favors government development of the project.

Meanwhile, Ashe and Alleghany Counties, North Carolina, which will be affected by the lakes created by Blue Ridge, were permitted to intervene in the proceedings, and at press time Grayson County, Virginia, in which both dams will be located, had also filed a petition to intervene. Grayson County officials said that recently the county's position on Blue Ridge had changed from that of the Commonwealth of Virginia, which heretofore had been representing the county in the proceedings.

The Blue Ridge Project in all of its ramifications has been underway for almost eight years. In June 1962, Appalachian asked the Federal Power Commission for a preliminary permit to conduct studies on the feasibility of the project. The preliminary permit was granted in March 1963.

Two years later, the company applied for a license to build the project. Since that time, February 1965, there have been hearings before the Virginia State Corporation Commission, the West Virginia Public Service Commission and at least 12 different sessions before the Federal Power Commission Examiner and one session before the entire Federal Power Commission. Numerous meetings have been held with other government and public groups during the eight years.



Vaughan



White



Taylor

Vaughan Named Assistant Vice President Of Appalachian; White, Taylor Promoted

John W. Vaughan will become assistant vice president of Appalachian on January 1. Succeeding him as Lynchburg division manager will be James B. White. Floyd H. Taylor, assistant manager of the Charleston Division, will succeed White as Logan-Williamson division manager.

Vaughan was employed by Appalachian in 1947 after graduating from Duke University with a degree in electrical engineering. He worked in the Roanoke and Fieldale Districts in various posts, returning to Roanoke in 1955 as district commercial manager. In 1959 he became Roanoke Division commercial manager and in 1960 was named system supervisor of commercial and industrial sales. He was promoted to Roanoke Division in 1962 and to Lynchburg division manager in 1966.

Vaughan was awarded a master's degree in industrial management from Massachusetts Institute of Technology in 1962, following a year of study on an Alfred P. Sloan Fellowship. He has also completed the Georgia Institute of Technology Public Utility Executive Course. Mr. and Mrs. Vaughan have four children.

White began his career with Appalachian at Pulaski in 1938. He worked as a draftsman until 1942, when he entered the Army Air Force. Following graduation from Virginia Polytechnic Institute, he returned to the company in 1949 as an engineer at Abingdon. He was promoted to power sales engineer at Bluefield in 1952 and returned to Abingdon as district manager in 1958 and moved up to Fieldale manager in 1963.

White attended the Public Utility Executive Program at the University of Michigan in 1958 and the Advanced Program in 1968. He is married and the father of two sons.

A graduate of West Virginia University, Taylor joined Appalachian in 1953 as a power sales engineer in Charleston. In 1954 he was assigned to the Point Pleasant office and was made commercial manager in 1956. He returned to Charleston in 1959 as division commercial and industrial sales supervisor and was promoted to division commercial manager in 1962. He became assistant manager of the Charleston Division in 1967.

Taylor has attended the Management Program at the University of Michigan. He and his wife are the parents of four children.

"If You Don't Do The Job, It Just Won't Get Done," Says Doris Foster



Enthusiasm shows in the face of Doris Foster as she talks about improvement projects for her community.

The children in Ammandaville have a new playground and recreational area because Doris Foster, St. Albans credit representative, Charleston Division, cared about her community.

Ammandaville is a small community near the St. Albans city limits. Doris says, "I grew up in Ammandaville and, frankly, I didn't like the way things were. I wanted to see a change." She and her husband, along with several other property owners, formed a community development and improvement committee. Several subcommittees studied the most pressing problems, and Doris was elected chairman of the subcommittee for development of a recreational area.

"The kids needed a place to congregate and play other than in the middle of the street" so her subcommittee set out to build a playground from scratch. "It took a lot of asking, but we convinced several large companies to donate building materials, recreational equipment and even some money." Through her personal efforts, a grant was obtained from the Federal Government which enabled the group to purchase several swing sets and equipment.

On completion of the project, St. Paul's Baptist Church donated a

fulltime service director through the summer months.

"We're not gloating over just one successful project because there's so much more to be done. We've already started a general cleanup campaign in the area and are working with the State Road Commission on installation of a stoplight at a dangerous intersection."

Although busy with her job and homemaking, she finds time to attend at least one or two meetings a week. "When you see our community beginning to take more pride in itself, you feel like the extra work is really worth the effort."

Bailey To Become GO Residential Sales Supervisor

E. Lawson Bailey has been named to succeed L. L. Koontz as General Office residential sales supervisor when the latter retires on January 31, 1971.

A native of Kincheloe, West Virginia, Bailey earned an electrical engineering degree through International Correspondence Schools and has attended management school at the University of Michigan.

He joined Appalachian in 1945 as a residential representative junior in Huntington and became rural sales representative A in 1947. He was named division residential sales representative in 1953 and moved up to electrical engineer in 1955. In 1958 he became a power sales engineer and division commercial and industrial sales supervisor in 1960. He was made sales supervisor in 1967 and transferred to General Office Commercial in Roanoke as a heating sales coordinator in 1969.

Bailey is married and has two children.

Belchee Becomes Assistant Manager In Charleston

William B. Belchee, presently sales manager of the Bluefield Division, will become assistant manager of the Charleston Division January 1, 1971.

An electrical engineering graduate of V. P. I., he joined Appalachian at Welch as a drafting clerk in 1943 and was an engineer and power sales engineer in Welch and Bluefield prior to becoming sales manager in 1964.

He is president of the Greater Bluefield Chamber of Commerce, a past director of the Bluefield Rotary Club, and a member of the Bluefield Citizen's Advisory Board and Princeton Chamber of Commerce. Also a member of Trinity United Methodist Church, he is married and father of a son and a daughter.



Belchee



George F. Schwartz, Huntington's T&D superintendent (left), and George E. Hervey, division manager, look over the plans for changes and additions to Appalachian's South Side Station.

Tri-State Construction Costs Will Be \$4-Million

A \$4-million building project, involving electric power lines and substations in the Huntington-Ashland-Ironton area, has been launched by Appalachian Power Company, Kentucky Power Company and Ohio Power Company.

The two main purposes of the program are to provide even greater reliability of electric service to the area with the addition of new facilities and strengthening of existing facilities and to provide additional electric power to meet expected growth over the next several years.

Appalachian's investment will include additions to the company's East Huntington, Darrah, South Side, Johnson's Lane, West Huntington and Kenova substations. Work will be done on several lines between these substations and new lines will be built.

In addition to line work in the Ashland area, Kentucky Power will also do work at its 47th Street, Ashland, 10th Street and Bellefonte substations.

The Pleasant Street, Center Street, North Ironton and Hanging Rock substations of Ohio Power will be affected by the project as will several lines in this area of Ohio. In addition, Ohio Power plans a new substation at Wheelersburg.

A 69,000 volt subtransmission system begun earlier in this area will be continued as part of this project. Previously the companies have designated 34,500 volts as their subtransmission system, but larger lines are needed with growth in demand for electric power.

In addition, a program of converting 4,000 volt lines to 12,000 volts in Ashland and Ironton is being continued.

Dividend Increase

The American Electric Power Company board of directors has declared a quarterly cash dividend of 42½¢ payable December 10 to shareowners of record November 10.

This raises the annual dividend rate per share from \$1.64 to \$1.70.

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Christmas 1970

In this hurly-burly world we live in, Christmas 1970 comes as an opportunity for all of us to pause and reflect on our heritage.

Almost 2,000 years ago in the Little Town of Bethlehem our Lord Jesus Christ was born—and there began our heritage. Through all of these years nations and people have taken time off from their otherwise mundane affairs to celebrate the birth of Jesus.

Christmas is many things—and it's different for each of us.

Christmas is the bright glow in the eyes of children when they unwrap packages brought by Santa Claus.

Christmas is the receiving of cards from old friends that we don't see often. And it is a time for remembering long lost friends with cards of our own.

Christmas is the time for the giving—or the sharing of our worldly goods with friends and neighbors.

Christmas is a time for loved ones to gather and share once again the old memories and the wonderful things that make life worth living.

Yes, Christmas is many things to many people. It is the joy of children, the giving and receiving of presents, a time of tinsel and lights, a time for togetherness with loved ones, and fruitcake and all the turkey and trimmings. But Christmas is more than these things.

In this age of seeking success, money and all of the other material things we strive for—Christmas is perhaps most important as a time for evaluating our own lives, reflecting on the goals we have established for ourselves and our families.

It is a time to rededicate ourselves to the principles which Christ gave to us. It is a time to think of those less fortunate than we are.

It is a time to remember that most wonderful present given to all of us on the glorious day of the three wise men almost 2,000 years ago.

Bluefield Elects Benevolent Officers



Recently-elected Benevolent Association officers in Bluefield are left to right, seated: E. E. Fanning, building supervisor, chairman; Lois Rounion, secretarial-stenographer, secretary; C. W. Breese, Jr., T&D clerk, treasurer. Left to right, second row: R. J. Gilpin, engineer B, director; T. A. French, Jr., material clerk, director; Betty Boyd, tracer, director. Left to right, third row: Clyde O. Welch, head T&D clerk, director; Ron R. Meador, transmission clerk senior, director. Employees have pledged \$6,275 for the coming year to the association which contributes to 21 different organizations.

Pony Messenger Coles Acts As Good Samaritan To Aid Accident Victims

Four victims of an auto accident received immediate first aid treatment thanks to Marcellus C. Coles.

Coles, pony messenger in the General Office General Services Department, Roanoke, was making the Sunday run on November 8. Heading northwest on the Route 460 by-pass near Blacksburg, he saw a car which had gone out of control and come to rest on the median strip. Coles stopped and administered first aid to the more seriously injured occupants, using all the supplies in his kit. When a second car stopped, he asked the driver to call the State Police and rescue squad.

The investigating trooper said if the injuries had not been attended to immediately, the outcome could have been more serious.

Elmer D. Vaught Promoted In GO

Elmer D. Vaught, station engineer in the General Office Transmission and Distribution Department in Roanoke, has been promoted to station staff engineer.



Vaught

A native Roanoker, Vaught attended National Business College before going on to Virginia Polytechnic Institute to earn an electrical engineering degree. He joined Appalachian as an electrical engineer in 1958 in the General Office T&D Station Section at Bluefield. He returned to Roanoke in 1963 and was named station engineer senior in 1967.

Vaught is married and has one child.

Clarence W. Haas Writes For Ideas

C. W. Haas, regional dispatcher, Roanoke office, is the author of an article in the November issue of *AEP Operating Ideas*. The article describes a new computer routine to keep reclosing information up-to-date.

Haas comments, "This type of local computer application is becoming more necessary every day. The use of the computer for engineering and information applications can save much time and print out inaccuracies that were very hard to detect under manual means of checking such reports."

This is the second time this year he has written for *Ideas*.



Haas

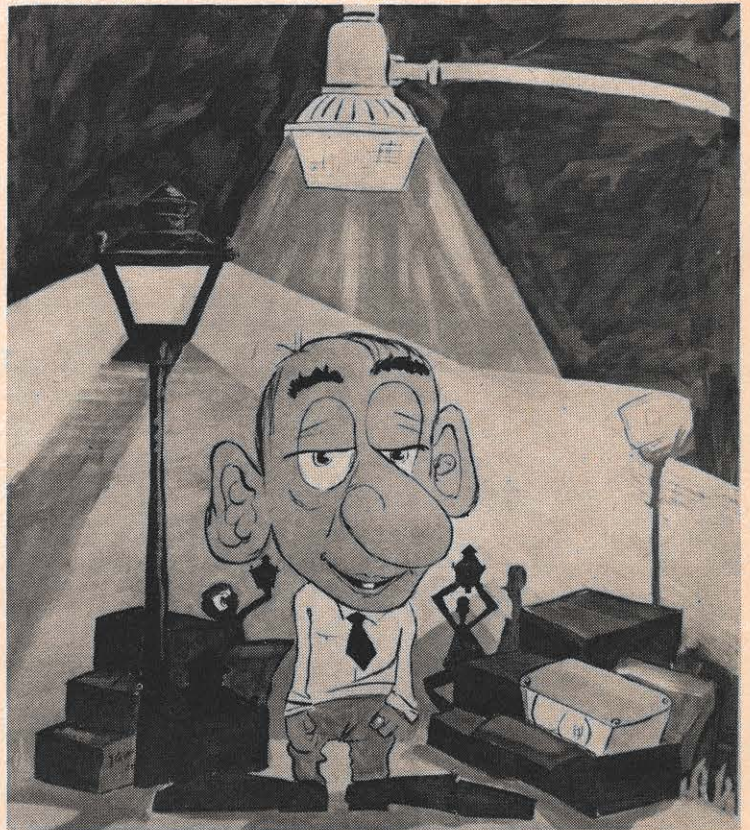
General Office Accounting Leads All APCO Locations In Work Simplification

General Office Accounting attained the highest percent of goal of all participating divisions, plants and general office departments in Appalachian's work simplification/better methods program.

By the end of October, the Accounting Department had accumulated 1,819 points, 300% over their goal of 600 points. Since January, 41 proposals have been submitted, with an estimated savings of \$35,414.

In a congratulatory message to employees, J. B. Berg, accounting manager, noted the "many individual contributors in achieving this fine result" and encouraged everyone to keep up this record.

MUNDAY'S BEGINNING TO SMILE



Not only employees but electrical suppliers are trying to put the smile back on E. L. Munday's face before Christmas. Recently Munday, Appalachian commercial manager, attended a General Electric outdoor lighting institute at Hendersonville, North Carolina. He was accompanied by John Pharis with the General Electric Company in Roanoke.

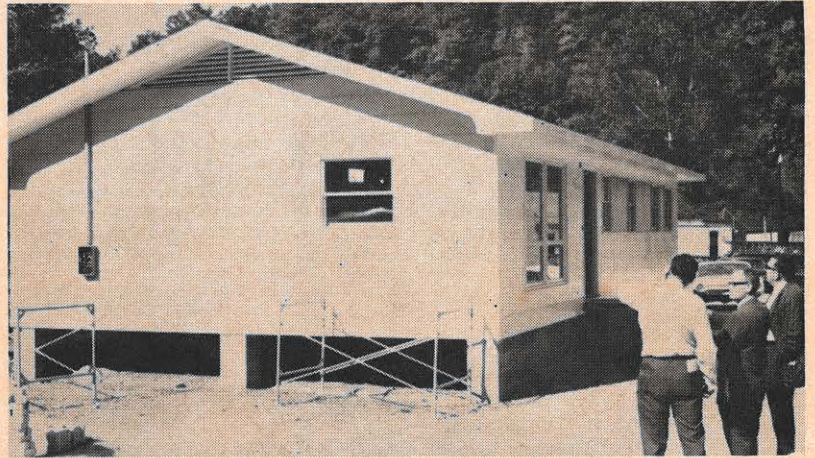
Upon arrival, a receptionist told the men the meeting was being held upstairs in the "blue room". Mr. Pharis commented, "I have been here many times, but I've never heard the conference room called the 'blue room'." The receptionist said, "You'll find out why when you get there."

When they walked into the room, resting on an easel at the front was a cartoon of Munday standing underneath a dusk-to-dawn light. The cartoon was painted in shades of blue. Following the lighting presentation, GE lighting personnel stated they were going to do all they could to make Munday smile. At that time a cartoon of Munday with a smile on his face was placed on the easel. In this drawing, he was shown surrounded by various lights manufactured by General Electric. The cartoon was drawn originally by James Gibson, Stone Printing Company, Roanoke, and adapted by R. L. Jones of General Electric.

Appalachian employees have also been busy this past month in securing prospects for electric heating and dusk-to-dawn sales. Below is a list of employee prospects that resulted in sales in each division.

Division	Dusk-to-Dawn	Heating
Abingdon	5	8
Beckley	0	2
Bluefield	111	6
Charleston	78	1
Huntington	81	3
Logan-Williamson	62	5
Lynchburg	9	0
Pulaski	63	26
Roanoke	62	4
Total	471	55

Students Design Total Electric Home As An Answer To Low Cost Housing



Viewing the completed total electric home are (l. to r.) Jimmy Fleenor, dealer sales representative; Kermit Rakes, carpentry instructor; and J. L. Osborne, heating and builder sales representative.

Would you believe a house that can be constructed in one location, taken apart in the middle and transported in two sections to be reassembled on a home site? Today it's a reality because of the ingenuity of students at Dickenson County Vocational School.

The idea was originated by Kermit Rakes, carpentry instructor at the school, and given to the drafting class to draw a set of plans. The result was a completely mobile 1,200 square foot home containing three bedrooms, one and a half baths, living room, kitchen and dining area. The house has two separate ridge, ceiling and floor beams which enables it

to be transported in two completed 12 foot wide sections.

The drafting, carpentry and electrical classes worked on the house as a joint project, using materials bought from local suppliers. After electric baseboard heating was selected, the boys made the entire layout and installation. J. L. Osborne, Abingdon heating and builder sales representative, was called in to inspect the job.

Several contractors plan to bid on the house. Proceeds from its sale will be used to construct another total-electric home. Mr. Rakes believes this could be an answer to low cost housing which can be mass produced.



Left to right, Bennett McAlpine, Parthenia Deal and Linda Hartley decorate the Christmas tree for the auditorium stage.

Holiday Fair In Kingsport Auditorium Featured Christmas Trees, Decorations

More than 600 people attended the "Holiday Fair" held recently in the Kingsport Power Company auditorium. Christmas trees of all types and other festive decorations were displayed by Bennett McAlpine, home service representative, and members of the Sullivan County home demonstration clubs.

Visitors felt the holiday mood upon entering the front doors, on which were hung two large lighted wreaths. Immediately inside was an easel on which was given the traditional story of the Christmas tree. Beside this was a small tree decorated and lighted with candles depicting the early trees. The center of attraction was a large tree

on center stage, highlighted from above and adorned with red velvet bows and tinsel.

Various types of tree decorations were displayed, including some for children. Entitled "A Child's Very Own", one tree featured cookies shaped like fairy tale characters and Christmas characters. Another had painted wooden storybook figures. Also of interest to the group was a small live pine tree decorated with Chrismons, made of gold and white pearls, each one a religious symbol. A tree, appropriately titled "For The Birds", was made of pine cones and decorated with greenery and berries.

GalaxLineman Has Served As Santa For Over 24 Years

"Among the many amusing incidents that have occurred during the 24 years I have been Santa Claus, perhaps the most amusing involved my own sons. They paid 'Santa' a visit, sat on my knee, shared their Christmas wishes with me and never once suspected that the man in the red suit was their dad." Many other recollections can be made by S. J. "Red" Johnson, lineman A in Galax, who began leading this "double life" in 1946 when he became Santa Claus for the Galax Volunteer Fire Department.

Since that time he has played Santa for church groups, hospitals, the Joy Ranch Children's Home, and merchants' parades. He has also brought Santa Claus to the Pulaski Division company parties. One Christmas when his wife's bridge club was meeting at his home, several members saw him ready to begin his Santa Claus visits. The club members asked his wife if he would come visit their children and she promised that he would. The private home visits continued until his list included 186 stops one Christmas eve.

But even that beloved elf of every child's dreams encounters hazards in his trade. Red said, "Hazards? Sure! At almost every parade there are peashooters, rubber bands, paper wads, inclement weather, and just plain old smart-alecs and mean little boys. But, in spite of this, I will continue to be Santa to many boys and girls every year."



Santa is ready for the annual Christmas parade.



Sandra prepares to decorate for Christmas.

Sandra Collier Lives In America, But Her Christmas Is Still "Typical" English

Roasted cockerel stuffed with thyme and parsley and garnished with potatoes, Yorkshire pudding and Brussels sprouts are only part of the Christmas tradition of Sandra Collier, clerk stenographer in the GO Commercial Department, Roanoke. Sandra, a native of Ipswich, England, finds the thing she enjoys most about Christmas is the "English way of celebrating it."

She finds the food served in England at Christmas different from that served traditionally in America. Aside from the things

already mentioned, included in the elaborate home-cooked dinner is the Christmas Pudding. Brandy is poured over it and set afire before it is served with custard. Inside the pudding are surprise silver trinkets and coins which when found are supposed to bring good luck. This dinner, served at 1:00 p.m., is followed by having the family sit around the open fire, roast chestnuts and talk.

At 5:00 p.m. on Christmas day tea is served. This is a festive occasion which includes giving every member of the family a "cracker," a favor which, when opened, has a small gift inside. These hats are worn during the serving of tea, sausage rolls, cheese straws, mince pies, Christmas cake and "trifle." "Trifle", one of Sandra's favorites, is a dessert made of spongecake, macaroons and jam and soaked in wine or a liquor. Decorating the table at tea time is traditionally a chocolate yule log garnished with a red mail box, a robin and holly. These ornaments are symbols used during the Christmas season.

Two Celebrations On Christmas Day



Kevin poses with his family and the birthday cake his mother made in the shape of a Christmas tree.

Christmas 1970 will be different this year for the Paul W. Kennedy family from the one they celebrated five years ago. Their youngest son, Kevin, came into the world at 2:30 a.m. on that Christmas day.

As his father recalls, he and his wife, Sandy, and their two children were at the home of the maternal grandparents on Christmas eve. They had opened some gifts and returned to their home about 17 miles away. Soon after they had gone to bed, Sandy realized it was almost time for the birth of the baby.

"That certainly turned out to be a most memorable Christmas," Kennedy recalls, "for I had to call her folks and have them come over and keep the children for the night. We started for the hospital. It was a terrible night with hard rain and a windstorm. Twice on the way the wind blew the car off the side of the road. We arrived at the hospital at 2:00 a.m., the doctor arrived at 2:15 and Kevin made his appearance at 2:30."

Since that day, every Christmas afternoon we plan a birthday party for Kevin and the entire family. It is separate from the Christmas festivities, and he has his birthday gifts just as if he hadn't already received lots of Christmas presents. But this year instead of having relatives from both sides of the family visit for a birthday party, the family will travel back to Indiana for the holidays.

Santa's Helpers Are Busy All Year Repairing Toys In Their Workshop



The Goforths collect, repair and distribute toys each Christmas to children who would otherwise be without gifts.

Gathering, repairing, and delivering toys to children who would not receive Christmas gifts otherwise has become a special Christmas project for one employee and his wife. Henry T. Goforth, Jr., Bluefield Division right-of-way agent, and his wife, Mary, began this project 11 years ago when her church circle collected and repaired toys. The circle decided to discontinue the project the following year, but the Goforths were so impressed with the excitement it had created the first year that they have continued the venture for the past ten years themselves.

The toys are obtained from

friends, neighbors, and members of their own families throughout the year. Most of them need only minor repair, but sometimes lots of work is involved in getting a toy ready for Santa. They are repaired throughout the year so there will be time to have them all in good condition.

Faces of children are brightened in about ten families each Christmas because of the work of the Goforths. The children are chosen from names submitted throughout the year. Both Henry and Mary said, "It gives us a wonderful feeling when we see the excitement of these children."



Six Gallon Blood Donor



As of November 1, 1970, Roy F. Howard, draftsman, senior, General Office R/E & R/W, Roanoke, has donated six gallons of blood. He donates through the Red Cross and is often called upon in emergencies because of his rare O-RH negative blood.

30→ Years



H. R. Ballard
Tractor Operator
Cabin Creek
Plant



C. A. Farley
Area Supervisor
Bluefield



E. W. Woody
Executive
Assistant
GO—Roanoke



L. M. Smith
Station Man B
Huntington

25→ Years



P. P. Hancock
Station Foreman
Beckley



W. L. Salmons
Draftsman Senior
Charleston



C. D. Hopson
Engineering Aide
Ashland



Diana Bohon
Stenographer
Roanoke



Steve Dudash
Station Foreman
Bluefield



W. A. Wilson
Meter Reader
Pulaski



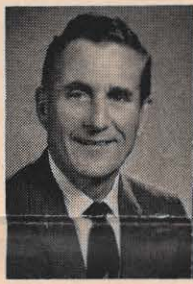
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W/O Accounting
Clerk
GO—Roanoke



R. E. Barkley
General
Utility Man
Roanoke



J. F. Wilson, Jr.
Properties
Representative
GO—Roanoke



C. E. Yeager
Electrical
Engineer
Huntington



E. A. Martin
Line Foreman
(NE)
Pulaski



C. B. Cornett
Residential
Sales Advisor
Hazard



R. R. Gregory
Line Inspector
Abingdon



Walters Venters
Meter
Serviceman A
Ashland



C. S. Suthers
Meter Reader
Pulaski



C. E. Campbell
General
Serviceman
Pikeville



P. H. Steenbergen, Jr.
Electrical
Engineer Senior
Charleston



L. H. McDonald
Maintenance
Foreman
Clinch River
Plant



E. J. Clouser
Purchasing &
Stores Director
GO—Roanoke



H. A. Cross
Heating Sales
Engineer
Huntington



C. E. Moore
Commercial
Sales Engineer
Roanoke



R. P. Lawson
Customer
Accounting
Supervisor
Pulaski



W. C. Conley
Working
Line Foreman
Ashland



C. A. Smith
Maintenance
Foreman
Philip Sporn
Plant



E. L. Kimmell
Master
Maintenance Man
Clinch River
Plant



W. S. Wood, Jr.
Relay Engineer
Senior
GO—Roanoke



L. F. Craft
Heating Sales
Representative
Hazard



W. F. Fry
Maintenance Man
Philip Sporn
Plant



C. W. Knapp, Jr.
Regional
Dispatcher
GO—Huntington



Buell Cook
Unit Foreman
Clinch River
Plant



B. C. Ferrell, Jr.
Engineer B
Clinch River
Plant



J. T. Cornette
Lineman A
Ashland



Harold Parks
Area T&D Clerk
Abingdon



C. D. Jackson
Meter Reader
Huntington



J. M. Burnett
Sales Manager
Roanoke

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.

Veterans of Kentucky And Appalachian Receive Pins For Long Years Of Service

Veterans of Kentucky Power and Appalachian Power were honored for lengthy service recently. One employee, Harry C. Bobbitt, has 40 years' service. Five others, J. R. Beckett, Howard J. Collins, J. A. Ebeling, W. H. Key and Harsten Swiney, have 35 years' service.

40 Years

Harry C. Bobbitt, meterman A in Pikeville, began his career with the AEP System in 1929 at Charleston, West Virginia. He had broken service before being employed by Kentucky Power in the Pikeville Division as a meter reader and utility man in 1933. He held the positions of serviceman and meter tester before being promoted to meterman A. He attended Bliss Electrical Trade School.

35 Years

J. R. Beckett, station operator A at the Turner Regional Dispatch Office, began working as a laborer at Logan Plant. He held the positions of boiler room man, boiler operator C, boiler auxiliary equipment operator A, assistant boiler operator A and auxiliary equipment operator before becoming shift supervisor in 1956. He transferred to the Operating Department in 1961 as a system station operator A and was promoted to his present position in 1967.

Howard J. Collins, Logan-Williamson Division personnel supervisor, was employed as a stores



Bobbitt



Beckett



Collins



Ebeling

clerk in the old Logan District. He transferred to Logan Plant as a clerk in 1936 and worked in several capacities before being promoted to plant office supervisor in 1949. He was named Logan District personnel supervisor in 1951 and became division personnel supervisor in 1964.

J. A. Ebeling, supervising engineer in the General Office Operating Department, Roanoke, holds a BS degree in mechanical engineering from the University of Pennsylvania. He was employed as an assistant results engineer in Charleston and held various jobs associated with the plants and incremental studies until 1945, when he was transferred to the Operating Department. He was promoted to supervising engineer in 1950.

Woodrow Hatcher Key, meter serviceman A in Lynchburg, began working in the Line Section there in 1935. He transferred to the Meter Department in 1937 and



Key



Swiney

worked in various capacities until being promoted to meter serviceman A in 1953.

Hursten Swiney, line foreman in Logan, began his career as a laborer in the Logan District. He was promoted to inspector in 1938 and to lineman A in 1952. In 1953 he became a working foreman and moved up to line foreman in 1965.

20→ Years



Service Anniversaries

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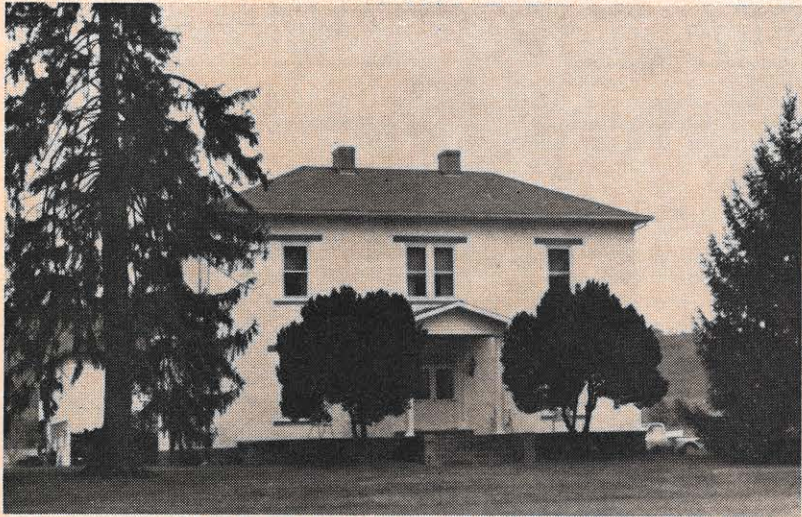
- ABINGDON DIVISION—5 YEARS: R. E. BELLAMY, Lineman B.
- BECKLEY DIVISION—15 YEARS: JENNINGS W. BEGLEY, Line Foreman (Non Exempt).
- GENERAL OFFICE—15 YEARS: R. W. SHEAFF, T&D Meterman A. W. E. MCCALLISTER, Engineering Aide.
- HUNTINGTON DIVISION—25 YEARS: H. C. SMITH, Meter Serviceman A. 15 YEARS: D. C. MILLER, Lineman A. 10 YEARS: H. E. RHODES, JR., Power Sales Engineer.
- PULASKI DIVISION—5 YEARS: LENFORD A. WILLARD, Auto Repairman A.
- ROANOKE DIVISION—15 YEARS: HELEN K. WEST, Personnel Assistant. 10 YEARS: JOYCE GREENWAY, Stenographer. 5 YEARS: C. C. WHORLEY, Lineman B.

Kentucky Power Company

- ASHLAND DIVISION—30 YEARS: FERN GESLING, Assistant Payroll Supervisor. 15 YEARS: JARRITT MULLINS, Messenger.
- HAZARD DIVISION—25 YEARS: CRUSOE HOLLIDAY, Groundman. EARNEST PENNINGTON, Lineman A. 15 YEARS: CLYDIA B. COMBS, Cashier Senior.
- PIKEVILLE DIVISION—25 YEARS: JESSE R. COLLIER, Working Line Foreman.

Kingsport Power Company

- 5 YEARS: DONALD L. HARTGROVE, Meter Serviceman B. RICHARD LONG, Lineman C.



The William Gustin home as it appears today.

Total Electric Features Added To Restored Mansion Near Huntington

Many years and a lot of planning have gone into the restoration of a 135-year-old mansion which was forgotten and empty too long. Nearby farmers had used the house for chickens, vandals had broken all the original windows, and the elements had shown it no mercy. When R. H. Smith, heating and builder sales representative, was contacted about the possibilities of making the house total-electric, he realized there would be many complications. The electricians spent hours painstakingly drilling through sixteen-inch solid brick and plaster walls in order to adequately wire the house. The old baseboards had to be removed in many areas so the new baseboard heat could be installed, and receptacles had to be added which meant removing plaster and running new wiring. All in all, it was an

involved job. This house, located at Greenbottom, West Virginia, was built in the state of Virginia in 1835, and the land became part of West Virginia during the Civil War in 1863. It was one of four houses built by Captain Jenkins, an operator of transport boats on the Ohio River, for himself and his three sons. The only house that survives today was built for his son William, a physician, in 1835. In 1939 the William Gustin family purchased 30 acres of land which included the dilapidated remains of the William Jenkins home. While living in another house on the property, they decided to restore the original one. This has been a do-it-yourself project on a large scale for the family, and today the house contains a blend of antiquity and convenience.

C. M. McCrady Dies In Kingsport

C. Marvin "Preacher" McCrady, meter serviceman in the Pulaski Division, died October 19 in a Kingsport, Tennessee, hospital.



McCrady

Employed in June 1941 as a lineman and truck driver in the Bluefield Division, he was promoted to serviceman in 1953 and his present position in 1957. Since 1962 he had worked in the Pearisburg area.

McCrady is survived by his widow and two sons.

E. C. Flannery Dies Unexpectedly

E. C. Flannery, Charleston Division administrative assistant, died unexpectedly at his home on November 7. He was 59.

Flannery began his 35-year career with Appalachian as a meter reader in Huntington in January 1935. He became a clerk in 1936 and was transferred to Logan in 1937 as credit manager. He was named assistant chief clerk at Logan in 1938 and transferred to Huntington in that position in 1941. He was promoted to district chief clerk in 1944 and moved up to local office manager in 1945. He moved to Roanoke as division local office manager in 1947 and went to Charleston in 1948 as division local office manager there. He was promoted to administrative assistant A in 1955.

Flannery is survived by his widow, two sons, one daughter, three grandchildren and his mother.



Flannery

Sales Personnel Receive Training

Appalachian's General Office Commercial Department has launched an extended training program for all division sales personnel. The purpose of the program is to keep commercial sales employees up-to-date on the changing attitudes of customers and new methods of communication and selling.

Entitled "The Successful Selling Cycle", the course was developed by International Salespower Institute over a ten-year period. Roanoke Division employees were the first to receive instruction.

Edgar R. Garner, GO Bluefield, Dies

Edgar R. Garner, transmission office supervisor in the General Office T&D Transmission Section, Bluefield, died October 22.

He was employed in the Valuation Department of the American Electric Power Service Corporation in 1939 and transferred to the Bluefield Division in 1947. In 1954 he moved to the General Office T&D Transmission Section.

He was a deacon emeritus of the First Christian Church, Bluefield. He is survived by his widow, Pearle, and two sons, Gene and Robert. Gene is employed in the Transmission Section.



Garner

Five Employees Have Been Promoted To Amos Plant Supervisory Positions



Matthews

Herndon



Shoemaker

Grubb

Five men have been promoted to supervisory positions at John E. Amos Plant. Ralph L. Matthews, coal equipment operator at Cardinal Plant, was named assistant yard supervisor. Robert E. Herndon, engineer II with the AEP Service Corporation in New York, became performance supervising engineer. Wilmer L. Grubb, construction stores assistant in Amos Construction, moved up to stores supervisor at the plant. Rexford F. Shoemaker and Mason A. Vaughan, Jr., were promoted from performance engineers senior to performance supervising engineers.

Matthews was employed by Ohio Power in 1957 at Brilliant, Ohio. He worked as a utility man A and auxiliary equipment operator before transferring to Cardinal Plant in 1966 as a coal handler. He was promoted to coal equipment operator in October of that year. A native of Wheeling, Matthews is married and has three children.

Herndon's career began as a test engineering aide at Cabin Creek Plant in 1957. He held the positions

of maintenance engineer and maintenance foreman before being transferred to New York in 1969. He and his wife are the parents of four children.

Grubb began working at Clinch River Plant as a junior bookkeeper in 1957. He served as a time clerk and time clerk senior before transferring to Amos Construction in April 1968 as an accountant trainee. In December of that year he became construction accountant and was promoted to construction stores assistant in July 1970. Grubb attended National Business College and has five children.

Shoemaker was employed as a performance engineer at Kanawha River Plant in 1968 and became performance engineer senior in the Amos Construction Department in 1969. He holds a BS degree in mechanical engineering from the West Virginia Institute of Technology. He is married and the father of three daughters.

Vaughan began his career as a chemist assistant at Clinch River Plant in 1959. He was promoted to chemist in 1960 and transferred to Ohio Power's Muskingum River Plant in 1967. He worked there as performance engineer and performance engineer senior before transferring to Amos Plant in June of this year. A graduate of Emory & Henry College, he is married and has four children.



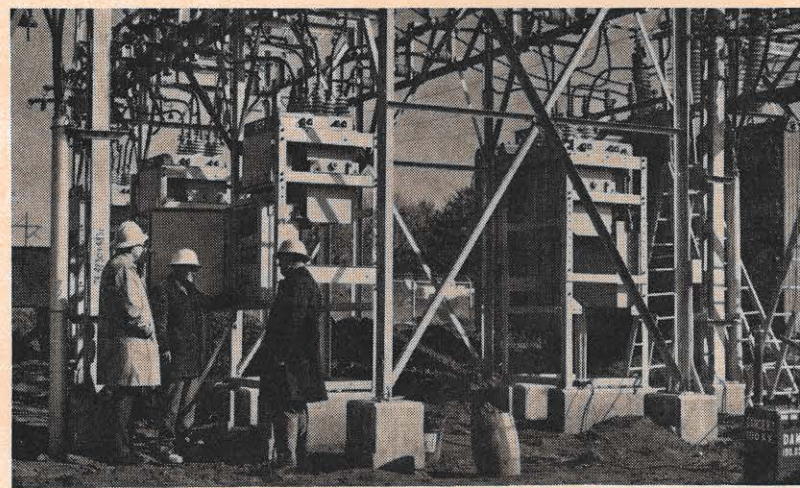
Vaughan

Aunt Hattie's Horse Barn Converted To Total-Electric Nurses' Quarters



There's quite a difference in these before and after pictures of "Aunt Hattie's Barn" in the Hazard Division. The barn was built in 1939 to house horses that were used by nurses to get to some locations in the mountains of Leslie County, Kentucky. Remodeling of the barn into nurses' quarters was completed early this year. It was converted to eight single rooms downstairs and five total-electric apartments upstairs.

Lynchburg Energizes New Substation For Additional Power In Forest Area



John W. Vaughan, division manager, R. H. Porter, station foreman, non-exempt, and P. L. Bailey, division superintendent, inspect the new Forest substation. This 138kv substation has been completed and put into service nine miles west of Lynchburg near Forest, Virginia. The additional power supply will provide for future residential, commercial and industrial load growth in the area.

George Arthur Taken By Death

George W. Arthur, truck driver-groundman in the Charleston Division, died October 29 after an extended illness.

Arthur began his 25-year career with Appalachian on October 2, 1945, as a groundman in the Charleston District. He was promoted to truck driver-groundman in 1949 and transferred to Point Pleasant. He was transferred back to the Charleston Division in 1953.

He was a member of the Central United Methodist Church and is survived by his widow and two daughters.



Arthur

Bud Farry Dies At Kanawha River

Bartley J. "Bud" Farry, head material clerk at Kanawha River Plant, died November 11. He had been on LTD leave since August of this year.

Farry began his career with Appalachian in 1953 as a store-room clerk in construction at Kanawha River Plant. He was made a material clerk later that year and promoted to head material clerk in 1964. A World War II veteran, he was a former mayor of East Bank, West Virginia.

He is survived by his widow, one son and one daughter.



Farry

First Aid Saves Dog After Shock



Sebert Sisson demonstrates the technique of artificial respiration used to revive his daughters' dog Gin, who received an electric shock.

The two daughters of Sebert Sisson were delighted when "Daddy's" company first aid training saved the life of their pet dog Gin.

Sisson, Hillsville heating and builder sales representative, Pulaski Division, recalls what happened. "I was doing some welding on a metal post in the back yard. The electric welder was connected to the house by a long piece of service drop wire. My face and head were covered with a welding helmet and my vision was limited. Martha Ann, one of my daughters, interrupted, saying something had happened to Gin."

"I ran to the dog, stretched on her back, feet in the air and showing no sign of life. I noticed she had been chewing on the wire and apparently had received an electric shock."

Sisson was certain the dog was dead, but he picked up Gin and began applying pressure to her chest and rib cage. Five minutes or so of this first aid produced no response, but the tears of his two daughters made him continue. About ten minutes later Gin began to show signs of life and was able to stand up within a half hour.

An examination revealed Gin had received a severe electrical shock resulting in burns to the inside of her mouth and the tips of her toenails had been burned off. After two weeks of hand feeding her hamburger and ice cream, Gin is able to romp with the children again.

General Office

Lewis A. Sydnor, Sr., has been named "Omega Man of the Year" by the Omega Psi Phi Fraternity. The award is given not only for service to the fraternity but for active service in civic, community and religious life. He is the husband of Elizabeth H. Sydnor, General Office Personnel, Roanoke.

Margaret Brammer, clerk stenographer in General Office Accounting, Roanoke, has been selected a graduate assistant with the Dale Carnegie course. She completed the course in February and won an award for her talk on "How to Win Friends and Influence People" and a special award for achievement.

E. Keith Chambers was appointed grand marshal of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge, Ancient Free and Accepted Masons of West Virginia. He has also been appointed as representative of the Grand Lodge of Missouri to the Grand Lodge of West Virginia. A communications engineer in the General Office T&D Communications Section, Bluefield, Chambers is a member of Mercer Lodge No. 160, Bluefield, where he served as master in 1965-66; a member of Bluefield Chapter No. 20, Royal Arch Masons, and Bluefield Commandery No. 19, Knights Templar. He was appointed deputy grand lecturer of the Grand Lodge in 1967 and continues to serve in that capacity. He is president of the Bluefield Masonic Trust Association.

O. G. Barbour, Jr., and R. E. Ferrell were members of the Russell County Rescue Squad Unit No. 1 which served as security guards for President Nixon when he visited the Tri-City area recently. Both men are station operators C at the Clinch River Regional Dispatch Office.

New employees in Roanoke are Larry P. Haston, invoice audit clerk; Richard T. Boone, business trainee; and Veronica B. Reed, key punch operator C.

New employees in the General Office T&D Transmission Section are T. L. Sweet, Abingdon; G. L. McCall, Bluefield; and L. E. Strosnider, Kenova.

Roanoke Division

Dana Gail, daughter of J. K. Hutcherson, T&D clerk senior, is a member of the varsity hockey squad at Longwood College.

D. C. Kennedy, division manager, is chairman of the Blue Ridge Council, BSA, committee which selects recipients for Silver Beaver awards.

Stephen Edward Leftwich has been named recipient of the Westmoreland Davis Scholarship and the David Strouse Blount Education Foundation Award at Washington and Lee University. He is the son of R. E. Leftwich, planner senior.

New employees are Lois B. Dunagan, Fieldale cashier, and Beverly D. Mitchell, part-time meter reader.



Stephen Edward

Logan-Williamson

Richard L. Trammell, stationman A, has been elected president of the West Logan PTA.

Keith D. Gregory, tracer, and James E. Asbury, draftsman, are new employees in Logan. Claude D. Hitchcock, lineman helper, is a new employee in Williamson.

Happenings Around The Circuit

Abingdon

Blair, son of Jack B. Frier, has been elected secretary of the Key Club at Abingdon High School. The Key Club is sponsored by the Abingdon Kiwanis Club.

Robert, son of R. A. Sheffey, Jr., has been elected sergeant at arms of the eleventh grade at Abingdon High School.

Beth, daughter of James C. Hughes, has been elected eighth grade SCA representative from Abingdon High School.

Several employees' children were listed on the honor roll at Abingdon High School for the first six weeks. Receiving all A's were Mary Lambert and Jane Craig. Receiving A's and B's were Beth Hughes, Randolph Cole and Stasia Jackson. Teresa Osborne, senior DE student and part-time Commercial employee, was also named to the honor roll.

Mrs. Fred Poe, wife of the retired employee, was elected president of the Greenwood Home Demonstration Club.

Sandy Warden was recently featured as the *Bristol Observer's* "Girl Watchers Pick of the Week". She is the daughter of Mrs. J. R. Warden.

Calvin Jackson, Clintwood area supervisor, has been appointed by the circuit court judge to serve on a committee to redistrict Dickenson County.

Elizabeth, daughter of John Leonard, Marion area serviceman, served as mistress of ceremonies for achievement night at Chilhowie High School. She received four awards in homemaking, lighting and food.

Scott Gregory and Mark Landreth were winners in the local "Punt-Pass-Kick" competition. This event is sponsored each year throughout the nation by the Ford Motor Company. Scott has been a winner for two successive years. He was first place winner in the 8-year-old category in 1969 and this year he placed second in the 9-year-old category. Mark placed third in the 8-year-old group. Scott is the son of Roy Gregory, line inspector, and Mark is the son of Don Landreth, engineer B.

Huntington

A. T. Wilks was re-elected to a three-year term on the board of directors of the American Automobile Association. Wilkes, retired assistant to the division manager, is president of the Huntington Automobile Club.

Anna Laura, daughter of J. A. Kovich, electrical engineer, was elected senator to the student government at Marshall University.

New employees are David M. Perry, Richard B. Bias, stationman helpers; Ronald W. McComas, Michael Lee Runyon, Ira S. McCoy, Thomas E. Dale, lineman helpers; and John W. Speaks, custodian.

Glen Lyn Plant

R. Y. Woodburn, retired office supervisor, was elected president of the Sunday School at the First Presbyterian Church, Bluefield.

Retired employees O. E. Francis, L. C. Drain, C. W. Dobbins and Hale Clemons visited the plant recently.

Amos Plant

A Christmas party for employees in the Construction and Operating Departments will be held at the Daniel Boone Hotel on December 12.

SP5 Ronald A. Safford has been selected as the Fort Lewis soldier of the quarter for the third quarter of 1970. He was selected from more than 20,000 soldiers stationed at Fort Lewis, Washington, by a committee of senior non-commissioned officers. Ronald is the son of William C. Safford, electrical construction assistant.



SP5 Safford

New employees are Ronald F. Stein, results clerk; Emil E. Hoffman, performance technician; Richard G. Kendall, Danny L. Nunley, James E. Hackett, technicians junior; Wilber J. Stewart, coal equipment operator; Earnest R. Taylor, Raymond G. Gill, Darrell L. Johnston, Frank D. Williams and Robert W. McDaniel, maintenance men B.

Other new employees are John T. Reitmire, maintenance man A; Andrew G. Gilmore, maintenance man C; Charles H. Humphrey, control technician; Earnest B. Allen, utility operator B; and Harold Lee Clark, maintenance foreman.

Clinch River Plant

Employees' children are in prominent places of leadership in the Hi-Y organizations of Lebanon High School. Nancy, daughter of Mrs. Tom Peay, is president of the Senior Tri-Hi-Y. Denise, daughter of Carl Smith, is president of the Junior Tri-Hi-Y. Rick, son of Ben L. Thompson, is vice president of the Hi-Y Club.



Encore, Please

Winston Oliver, son of Jimmie Oliver, groundman for the Hazard Division, won first place in the talent contest at Walkertown Elementary School. The crowd applauded so much when he finished singing *Gilligan's Island* that he was called back for an encore.

Bluefield

Fern, daughter of G. T. Lineberry, meter serviceman A, is on the honor roll at Beaver High School. A sophomore, she made A's in all subjects.

Donnie, son of Kenneth Jackson, customer accounting supervisor, made the all A honor roll at Central Junior High School.

Greg, son of McKinley Cornett, engineering supervisor, has been elected vice president of the senior class at Bramwell High School.

Lois Ann, daughter of Steve Dudash, station foreman, was elected secretary of the junior class at Bramwell High School.

Mrs. Ben Bates, wife of the retired meter supervisor, has been elected secretary of the board of governors of the Bluefield Golden Age Club.

A. B. Herald, line foreman (non-exempt) has been elected a deacon of the Princeton Presbyterian Church.

Marsha, daughter of O. K. Mann, Princeton heating and builder sales representative, has been selected as a majorette at Princeton High School.

B. M. Vassar, heating and builder sales engineer, has been elected to the board of deacons of the Tazewell Baptist Church. He has also been appointed to serve on the general advisory committee for the Tazewell County Vocational School. Mrs. Vassar has been elected secretary of the Jeffersonville Woman's Club.

W. H. Vance, lead draftsman, has been selected as a member of the advisory committee of the drafting section of the Mercer County Vocational Technical Center.

Lynchburg

Delores Figg was elected homecoming queen at Hampden-Sydney College. The daughter of Herbert M. Figg, Jr., commercial sales engineer, she represented Chi Phi Fraternity. She is a sophomore at Madison College.



Delores

Kingsport

Emily Simpson Dageforde has been initiated into Angel Flight at Butler University. Angel Flight is a national auxiliary to Arnold Air Society, composed of college women who are dedicated to supporting the Air Force and the AFROTC. She is the daughter of M. C. Simpson, Jr., commercial manager.

Jim, son of Gordon C. Warrick, garage foreman, has been selected as a member of the pit band for the Thespian production of "Carousel" at Dobyns-Bennett High School.

Genevieve Dorton received a certificate of recognition signed by President Nixon in memory of her husband Thomas C. Dorton. Dorton, former line foreman, received a Purple Heart while serving in the European Theater during World War II.

Charleston

Harry Wilton has been awarded a one gallon blood donor certificate from the Kanawha Chapter of the National Red Cross.

Kay Helm appeared in the dancing and singing chorus of the Charleston Light Opera Guild's production of "Show Boat". She is the daughter of Fred Helm, sales manager.

Mrs. Brenda Crane Brooks was named to the dean's list at Alderson-Broadus College. She is the daughter of J. M. Crane, building supervisor.

Ed Sheets, commercial sales representative, was recently appointed to serve as a councilman for the City of Pratt.

Ashland

Pat Cline was a member of the advanced league winning team in the recent YWCA tennis league. She is the wife of Allen D. Cline, sales manager.

Rose Marie Skaggs has been appointed the seventh grade representative to the Catlettsburg High School student council. She is the daughter of Patricia Skaggs, secretarial-stenographer, General Office Public Affairs.

Youth across the country were honored by Optimist International during "Youth Appreciation Week" recently. Among those honored in Ashland was Patricia Matthews, daughter of Robert C. Matthews, commercial manager. She is a member of the Holy Family chapter, National Honor Society; Pep Club; Thespian Troupe; and yearbook staff. Vice President of the senior class, she is active in Senior Girl Scout Troop 523 and treasurer of the Ashland Junior Council for Mental Retardation.

Beckley

Archie Riner, T&D records supervisor, is serving as Raleigh County's American Red Cross first aid chairman and volunteer first aid instructor trainer. He recently taught a training course for First Aid instructors for the Bluefield, Virginia, Rescue Squad.

Kathy Farley has been selected state editor of the *Conservation Newsletter*, a newspaper about conservation clubs and conservation work. The daughter of Hubert Farley, planner senior, she is also student director of the conservation play "Let's Make Up".

New employees are R. E. Trump, Accounting, and Opie J. Viney, Jr., Building Service.

Pulaski

David K. Spivey, planner senior, has been elected to the board of elders of the First Presbyterian Church, Pulaski.

New officers have been elected by four benevolent associations throughout the division. At Christiansburg, J. W. Gettys was elected chairman, Martha K. Horne, secretary, and R. E. Lester, treasurer. C. E. Rosenbaum has been elected chairman at Galax, with H. B. Shepherd as vice-chairman and Brenda B. Aust as secretary-treasurer. Serving at Hillsville are S. L. Sisson, chairman; B. W. Hicks, secretary; and Marler D. Sharp, treasurer. Pearisburg officers are D. C. Cunningham, chairman; Sally L. Hedrick, vice chairman; and Hazel T. Walker, secretary-treasurer.

Pikeville

Joe E. Hubbard, rodman on military leave, visited the office recently before going to Vietnam.

John S. Carrico, rodman, is a new employee.

The Christmas party for employees will be held in the Pikeville auditorium on December 18. The party for employees' children will be held at the main office building on December 19.

Cabin Creek Plant

James F. Carpenter and Robert Canterbury are new employees in the Laborer Department.

Philip Sporn Plant

New employees are John J. Johnston and John P. Raub, utility men B.

11 Couples Married Recently



Frazier-DeLong

Wedding vows were exchanged by Gloria Ann Frazier and Homer David DeLong on October 3 in the Cedar Grove Baptist Church. Mrs. DeLong is the daughter of J. E. Frazier, conveyor operator at Kanawha River Plant.



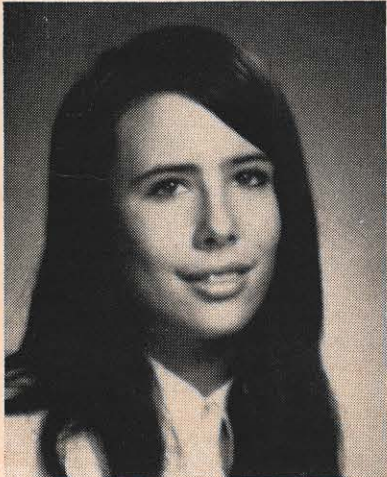
Bank-Bethel

Linda Mae Bank and James A. Bethel were united in marriage at the home of the bride's parents on October 9. Mr. Bethel is a custodian in the GO General Services Department, Roanoke.



Curry-Napier

A double ring ceremony performed August 28 in the Central Baptist Church of Logan united Patsy Diane Curry and William Franklin Napier. Mr. Napier is the son of Alvie Napier, maintenance foreman at John E. Amos Plant.



Shelton-Gusler

Wedding vows were exchanged by Ann Paige Shelton and Bobby Lee Gusler in Eden, North Carolina, on June 25. Mrs. Gusler is the daughter of B. E. Shelton, meter service helper in Fieldale, Roanoke Division.



Scalise-Gay

Madeline Kay Scalise and Raymond Gay were united in marriage on August 22 at Saint Anthony's Shrine, Boomer, West Virginia. Mr. Gay is an engineer B in Logan.



Hyldahl-Drake

Ethel L. Hyldahl and A. Brooks Drake were united in marriage October 10 at the Highlawn United Methodist Church in Huntington. Mrs. Drake is a draftsman in Huntington.



Pierson-Browning

The Bible Center Church of Charleston, West Virginia, was the setting for the October 17th wedding of Joyce Ann Pierson and Larry Paul Browning. Mrs. Browning is a home sales representative in Logan, and Mr. Browning is an electrical engineer in Logan.



Edwards-Wendell

The Story Creek Baptist Church was the setting for the October 24th wedding of Julia Denise Edwards and Roger P. Wendell. Mrs. Wendell is the daughter of Essie I. Edwards, customer representative B in Rocky Mount, Roanoke Division.



Surface-Booth

A double ring ceremony performed November 7 at the home of the groom's parents united Dixie Lee Surface and J. E. Booth. Mr. Booth is a lineman C in the Bluefield Division.



Shelton-Mundy

Karen Lynn Shelton and Lewis L. Mundy, Jr., were married in Eden, North Carolina, on July 21. Mrs. Mundy is the daughter of B. E. Shelton, meter service helper in Fieldale, Roanoke Division.



Ord-Snodgrass

Linda Diane Ord became the bride of William E. Snodgrass on August 22 at the St. Paul Lutheran Church of New Haven. Mr. Snodgrass is an engineer B at Philip Sporn Plant.

Roanoke Division Sponsors Explorer Post To Develop Interest In Engineering

Boy Scout Explorer Post No. 406 was organized in Roanoke during November, under the sponsorship of the Roanoke Division. About 75 boys from area high schools attended the first meeting.

Objectives of the program are two-fold: to provide high school students with an insight into the role of the engineer in an electric utility and to encourage them to become involved in the free enterprise system. Company advisor for the post is Norwood O. Morrison, business trainee in Division Personnel. Assisting will be Richard Winstead, commercial sales representative, and William Valley, electrical engineer.

Field trips are planned to the General Office operations control room, Cloverdale substation and Smith Mountain Dam.



Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Peek pause to reflect on their life together.

Roanoke Retiree, Wife To Observe 64th Wedding Anniversary This Month

Mr. and Mrs. W. S. Peek are looking forward to December 30 when they will observe their 64th wedding anniversary. They say the years together have been wonderful. His way of saying, "Ah, sweetheart, I know you didn't mean it" helped avoid fusses.

A native of Georgia, Peek began his career with the old Roanoke Railway and Electric Company. His first job included installing meters, services, arc lights in business establishments and repairing electric irons. He had progressed to the position of Roanoke Division substation superintendent when he retired February 1, 1950.

Speaking of retirement, Peek said, "The pension and social security have kept us going. We simply couldn't have gotten along without it."

He did all the home maintenance,

including painting and repairing the roof, until a severe illness last spring. Now he goes shopping weekly. She does all the housework, including washing, ironing and cooking. An invalid son and one grandson make their home with the Peeks. They also have another son, a daughter, eight grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

Both have been active in church work. He served on the Board of Stewards at Greene Memorial United Methodist Church for more than 15 years. She was secretary of her Sunday School class for ten terms as well as being circle leader and in charge of the cradle roll at First Baptist. Now they both are members of Greene Memorial. Each morning and evening she reads aloud a chapter from the Bible for their enjoyment.



New Arrivals



Abingdon Division

MR. AND MRS. J. G. CUMBOW, a daughter, Penny Renee, October 12. Cumbow is a lineman C.

Beckley Division

MR. AND MRS. T. E. PUFFENBARGER, a son, Thomas E., II, November 7. Puffenbarger is a lineman C.

Bluefield Division

MR. AND MRS. J. P. MONTAGUE, a son, Ashley Harlow, November 3. Montague is an electrical engineer senior.

MR. AND MRS. PAUL D. HILL, a son, Jeremy Joel, October 5. Hill is a lineman C in Pineville.

MR. AND MRS. JOHN W. MEADOWS, a daughter, Dawn Michele, October 22. Meadows is a stationman C.

Charleston Division

MR. AND MRS. JIM PRINGLE, a daughter, Tora Beth, November 11. Mrs. Pringle is a cashier in St. Albans.

MR. AND MRS. DALE B. THAYER, a daughter, October 30. Thayer is a lineman helper.

MR. AND MRS. CHARLES E. BIAS, a daughter, October 9. Bias is a lineman helper.

MR. AND MRS. DENNIS SELBE, a daughter, October 13. Selbe is a lineman A.

General Office

MR. AND MRS. D. E. MEADOWS, a son, Jeffrey Dale, October 28. Meadows is a station operator C at Turner Regional Dispatch Office.

MR. AND MRS. LEWIS TURNER, a daughter, Lenett Anesia, October 9. Turner is a custodian in Roanoke.

MR. AND MRS. B. K. DANIEL, a son, Todd Kenneth, October 23. Daniel is employed in the Electric Plant and Stores Accounting Division, General Office Accounting, Roanoke.

MR. AND MRS. DOYLE V. HAMILTON, a son, Lloyd Scott, October 12. Hamilton is employed in the General Office T&D Transmission Section, Roanoke.

Hazard Division

MR. AND MRS. CARL COUCH, a daughter, Yvonne Denise, October 22. Couch is an appliance serviceman B.

Huntington Division

MR. AND MRS. DARRELL O. MEADOWS, a son, Darrell Mathew, November 13. Meadows is a lineman A.

Logan-Williamson Division

MR. AND MRS. MICHAEL NAPIER, a son, Michael James, October 27. Mrs.

Napier is a clerk-stenographer.

MR. AND MRS. GENE P. STEPP, a son, Allan Carver, September 24. Stepp is a heating/builder sales representative, Williamson.

Pulaski Division

MR. AND MRS. JAMES B. GREGORY, a son, Todd Douglas, November 2. Gregory is a lineman in Christiansburg.

MR. AND MRS. ANDREW S. JACKSON, a daughter, Tammy Denise, November 6. Jackson is a meter reader in Hillsville.

Roanoke Division

MR. AND MRS. D. W. PATRICK, a son, Keith Edward, October 27. Patrick is a stationman helper A.

MR. AND MRS. WILLIAM H. KAHLE, a son, Andrew Alan, November 3. Kahle is area serviceman in Danville.

They're Engaged

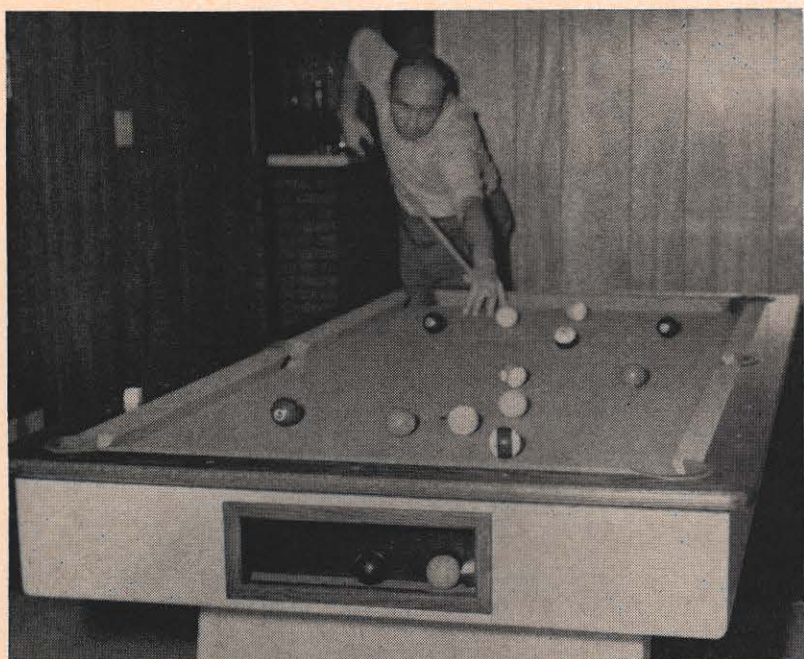
TERESA D. BRANTLEY to Danny S. Thomas. Miss Brantley is a stenographer in the General Office Accounting Department, and Mr. Thomas is employed in the General Office General Services Department, Roanoke.

LINDA GILLESPIE to B. L. Ballard, Jr. Mr. Ballard is a station operator B at the Clinch River Regional Dispatch Office.

Heating Customer Can't Part With Recipe, Calls Sales Rep Long Distance

Last year the Pulaski Personnel office received numerous requests for the vanilla wafer cake recipe that appeared in one of the Appalachian bill inserts.

This year J. B. Brillheart, Jr., heating and builder sales representative, received a long distance call about electric heat. It seems the party calling couldn't part with the vanilla wafer cake recipe on the back of the request for information form.



William Angelo shoots pool on the table he made from plans in *Popular Science* magazine.

Homemade Pool Table And Sauna Are Conversation Pieces In Angelo Home

The William M. Angelo home in Charleston is equipped with two conversation pieces—a homemade pool table and a Sauna bath. Angelo, regional dispatcher at Turner Substation, built the table from plans obtained from *Popular Science* magazine. He says, "My wife Barbara was very helpful and

excited until I informed her I planned to put the table in the center of the main recreation room. The idea didn't go over very well as it would have cut out a lot of space used for other activities. So I've been overruled and moved the table to a smaller room off the main rec room."

Construction of the table, reduced to a 3' x 7' size, took about 90 hours. It has 25 separate leveling points for the bed, automatic ball returns and plastic pocket liners. Angelo thought the hardest part of the project was the installation of the felt on the playing surface. "I had Fred Pioch, electrical engineer, help on this part and the results were excellent." He estimates about \$90 was spent on the entire project, including balls and cue sticks.

The Angelo home has a Sauna bath because he had a franchise to sell them for a while. He found that, at \$895 each, plus installation, few people were interested. "Our family enjoys the Sauna though, and it is a conversation piece."

Groseclose Named Kiwanian Of Year



Groseclose admires the plaque presented to him after being selected Kiwanian of the Year.

W. C. Groseclose, Bluefield administrative assistant B, says, "I find that by working and taking an active part in the Kiwanis Club projects I can do much more than I could ever do on an individual basis."

This attitude and the interest he has in civic and club activities have contributed to his selection as Kiwanian of the Year by his fellow members in the Bluefield, West Virginia, Kiwanis Club.

Club responsibilities include serving as a member of the Mercer County Kiwanis Club's council and helping plan a two-day festival held at Glenwood Park on Labor Day weekend. He was president of the Welch Kiwanis Club in 1962, Lt. Governor of the 8th Division in 1964, and chairman of the inter-club committee during the past year.

Jolly Watt Club Installs Officers



Officers of the Jolly Watt Club were installed at a recent social. Seated is president Rudy Wooten. Standing (l. to r.) are Linda Arnold, treasurer; Charlotta Stevens, secretary; and Ed Bradley, vice president. The Jolly Watt Club is made up of several General Office departments in Roanoke.

Flowers Elects Early Retirement

Arthur C. Flowers, senior auditor for the AEP Service Corporation, estimated it would take less than two weeks to get his own "books" in order following his December 1 early retirement. Then it will be off to Florida for Flowers, where he will spend the winter in St. Petersburg with his son, Richard.

An AEP auditor for the past 18 years, he believes he has pored over the customer accounting records in every city and hamlet in the seven-state system during his career. This summer he was the first auditor to get assignments to Houghton and Marquette in Michigan's upper peninsula.

A native of Portsmouth, Ohio, Flowers went to work for Ohio Power in that city as an \$80-a-month meter reader in 1927. He later was assigned to the Accounting Department and in 1939 went to Ohio Power's accounting headquarters in Newark. He went on the Service Corporation payroll in 1952, moved to Huntington, West Virginia, as a senior auditor in Appalachian's service area in 1953, and was assigned to I&M at Fort Wayne in 1955.

Two Promoted To Line Foremen



Riddle Daugherty

Kingsport Power Company has announced the promotions of Carl J. Riddle and Clayton W. Daugherty to line foremen.

Riddle was employed as a groundman in June 1951 and progressed through lineman C, B and A until his promotion to the new position. He served as a radar operator in the Air Corps prior to beginning his work for the company.

Daugherty was employed as a groundman in August 1962 and progressed through the various grades of linemen until his promotion to line foreman. He is married and the father of a daughter.

PTA President For Fifth Time



Don Martin pins the Life Scout award on his mother. She has the distinction of serving as PTA president for five consecutive terms.

It may be a record. Mrs. Jack D. Martin, wife of the Bluefield Division meter serviceman, is serving her fifth consecutive term as president of the Pineville, West Virginia, Parent-Teachers Association.

She says, "This job gives me a better insight into the problems schools face and also an opportunity to hear the parents' side of issues. Also, the fact that I have six children makes me more concerned, perhaps, than others."

Mrs. Martin is also active in civic affairs and in youth activities. Two of her sons are Scouts, and one was recently presented his Life Scout award and pin.



Lovis and Jimmy Countiss have time to relax now that their do-it-yourself recreation room has been completed.

Do-It-Yourself Recreation Room Was 12-Month Project For Couple

Using talents they didn't know they had, Lovis and Jimmy Countiss transformed the basement of their home into a beautiful recreation room. Lovis is home sales representative in Abingdon.

As soon as they purchased their new home over a year ago, plans began to develop for that empty basement. Jimmy, a ham radio operator, needed a place for his equipment. As he says, "A good place for a dog house and just the place to put." Lovis needed a place to can food and a laundry area.

For the past 12 months, in the

evenings, on holidays and weekends, they have donned work clothes, crossed their fingers and gone to work. New ideas occurred during the months of construction. What started out as a radio room developed into a recreation room with a fireplace, bar and love seat. Jim's hobby was incorporated in one corner of the room. Furniture was reupholstered by Lovis and red carpeting installed.

Now that the room is finished, Lovis and Jimmy can look back on the project with a sense of accomplishment at designing and building it together.

Familiar Faces In New Places

Appalachian Power Company

Abingdon Division

HUNTER H. THAYER to Engineer B. C. E. WATSON to Lineman B. P. A. COLEMAN to Station Man C. R. O. MCGLOCKLIN, JR. to Lineman C. E. D. LEE to Lineman C. M. M. HUGHES to Lineman C. K. W. JOHNSON to Lineman C. J. E. KELLEY to Lineman C. D. K. BROWN to Lineman C. P. W. BAKER to Lineman C. E. C. FUNK, JR. to Lineman C. EDWARD WYATT to Lineman C.

Office T&D Distribution. ROBERT L. SADDLER, JR. to Transmission Man C. JIMMY R. ROSS to Transmission Man C. GLENN L. ADAMS to T&D Instrumentman. ROBERT A. ASHLEY from Amos Plant Construction to Station Maintenance Man Helper, Charleston.

John E. Amos Plant

PHILIP G. MILSTEAD from Technician Junior, Cardinal Plant, to Performance Technician, Amos. DAVID W. BROOKS from Laborer, Cabin Creek Plant, to Coal Equipment Operator, Amos. H. R. MILLER, Performance Engineer Senior, from Amos Construction to Amos Operations. PAMELA D. SNODGRASS from Clerk Stenographer, Charleston, to Work Order Clerk, Amos.

Glen Lyn Plant

CHARLES H. SHUMATE to Coal Equipment Operator. KENNETH D. COOPER to Utility Man. EDWARD J. CANDLER to Equipment Operator. DAVID G. WHISMAN to Auxiliary Equipment Operator. DAN E. HALL to Boiler Operator A. CHARLES D. THOMPSON to Turbine Operator. FLOYD L. FERGUSON to Auxiliary Equipment Operator (Upper Pump). GEORGE H. HIGGINBOTHAM to Utility Operator.

Kanawha River Plant

ELIZABETH S. KEES to Clerk Stenographer. REBECCA A. LINVILLE to Clerk Typist. ROGER A. HALL to Utility Operator.

Logan-Williamson Division

MASON GRIMMETT, JR., to Lineman C. MARION DAVIS, JR., to Lineman A. GERALDINE B. LAYNE to Customer Accounts Representative C. WINNIE E. WARREN to Clerk Trainee. FREDERICK R. WAGNER to Planner. RONNIE D. FERRELL to T&D Clerk.

Lynchburg Division

CHARLIE WILLIAM HOLLOWAY to Lineman C.

Roanoke Division

G. A. SHEPPARD to Lineman C. F. B. GROGAN to Lineman A. T. R. KENNEDY to Lineman A. H. W. CHILDRESS to Lineman A. L. A. WOODWARD to Lineman C. R. B. HORNE to Surveyor. H. P. LAUGHON to Dealer Sales Coordinator. R. S. WINSTEAD to Commercial Sales Representative. B. E. SHELTON to Meter Service Helper B.

Beckley Division

ROBERT D. DUREN to Head Custodian.

Bluefield Division

EDDIE DARELL SHORT to Lineman C. MARY WILLIAMS MASH to Office Messenger. CHARLES ELLIOTT BLANKENSHIP to Area Serviceman. DOUGLAS McARTHUR McCLANAHAN to Station Man C. LOUIS GEORGE DeFELICE to Auto Repairman A. GEORGE ELIGA HEARTWELL to Lineman C. ROBERT MASON SHRADER to Lineman C. JOHN WADE HURT to Lineman C. WILLIAM CLARENCE COX to Surveyor.

Cabin Creek Plant

ROY ALLEN SIDERS to Junior Maintenance Man B. JOSEPH F. PATCHELL to Junior Maintenance Man B. RONALD E. SURBAUGH to Master Maintenance Man.

Charleston Division

THEOPHILUS WORKMAN, JR., to Auto Repairman B.

General Office

DEAN H. G. WOLFE to Draftsman. HELEN A. HONAKER to Stenographer. JANET C. PIERCE, Key Punch Operator B, from General Office Accounting to General

Philip Sporn Plant

JOHNNY L. ENDICOTT to Utility Man A. JAMES C. PAULEY, JR., to Master Maintenance Man. ROBERT E. BOWEN to Utility Operator.

Kentucky Power Company

Ashland Division

LARRY D. BROWN to Engineering Record Clerk. CARMIN B. SHANNON to Cash Book and Statistics Clerk.

Pikeville Division

RONALD DEAN WHITT to Lineman A.

Kingsport Power Company

FAIN W. LEAMON from Engineer B to Civil Engineer.



Ed Sheets (left) and Jerry Carroll compare souvenirs from their turkey hunting expeditions. In the right photo, F. R. Frango, Jr., (left) and F. R. Frango, Sr., display the turkeys they killed.



Willie Clay, Modern Day Frontiersman, Makes Guns

W. L. (Willie) Clay, planner, Charleston Division, was a typical modern day hunter until a neighbor, who also hunted, talked Willie into going to a shooting match where "real" guns were used. The so-called "real" guns were muzzle loading, cap and ball rifles. Caught up in the enthusiasm of the small group for the use of this type gun, Willie said, "The first shooting match I went to convinced me that the Flintlock or muzzle loading gun was really different. I wanted one of the guns and wanted to see if I could learn to shoot it. The problem was that there are very few workable, original Flintlock guns around, and the cost of those that are available is prohibitive. So, I just got some plans and built my own gun."



Willie Clay holds a rifle in one hand as he looks for game.

Since that early introduction to what Willie describes as "real guns," he has not only become an active member and now president of the Mountaineer Flintlock Rifle Club of West Virginia, but he has built five of these guns. "The club has grown and now boasts over 40 members, representing all walks of life," Willie says, "and we're all different except we share the enthusiasm and respect for the muzzle loading guns."

Willie has gone on to become a true expert in the building of Flintlock rifles, as well as an outstanding marksman. His display of prize ribbons, trophies and citations vouch for his shooting abilities.

When asked about the particular characteristics of the muzzle loading rifle when compared to modern day weapons, Willie notes, "Like any rifle, the accuracy is only as good as the person firing, but once the basic skills are developed, the person will appreciate more fully

the courage and bravery of a frontiersman like Daniel Boone. A good example is the slow igniting rate of the Flintlock as compared with the instant ignition of a modern cartridge rifle. Can you imagine facing a big grizzly bear, raising the rifle, pulling the trigger and then waiting two or even three seconds for the gun to fire!"

Luck And Skill Spell Success For Hunters



Sowers



Sheppard

greater stamina as a turkey hunter. He spent ten years hunting without hearing a gobble. This year he shot his first turkey near Watoga State Forest. When Ed's wife heard the news, she said, "You mean he actually got one?"

Four Roanoke employees were lucky in their hunting this year. C. E. Robinson, lineman C; F. R. Frango, Sr., breaker crew foreman, and his son F. R. Frango, Jr., material clerk, bagged turkeys while hunting in the same party. Later in the same week R. S. Hannah, material clerk, got a 12-pound turkey.

Paul L. Sowers, Pulaski line supervisor, got his first turkey recently after hunting for three years in Highland County. His two-man party killed three turkeys during the week.

G. A. Sheppard, lineman C at Stuart, Roanoke Division, killed his first deer in the Bursted Rock section of Patrick County. The eight-point buck was felled by the first arrow.

Two Bluefield employees were also successful hunters. C. M. Fletcher, line supervisor, and A. H. White, photographer and reproduction man, bagged their turkeys in Bath County.

Hunters in various locations throughout Appalachian proved once again there really are wild turkey and deer in the forest.

Jerry Carroll, General Office Station employee in Charleston, recalls his first turkey hunt years ago. "I shot a turkey the first time I ever went hunting. I'd been told by older hunters that the wild turkey was hard to find and harder to shoot. After my beginner's luck that first year, I felt these old hunters had been putting me on. Now I know what they meant." Jerry bagged a 12-pound turkey recently, the first one in 12 years. When he took the turkey home for his wife to see, all she said was "You shot it, you clean it."

Ed Sheets, Charleston Commercial Department, showed even



Robinson

Cooper's Arrows Can Penetrate A Deer At A Distance Of 80 Yards



Here Cooper aims bow and arrow. Behind him is a walnut cabinet he made which holds his guns and bow equipment.

Doug Cooper, lineman A in the Roanoke Division T&D Department working at Stuart, became interested in making and hunting with bows and arrows several years ago. Since then he has made many bows and arrows, most of which he has given to friends. He has killed four deer with the bow and arrow.

The arrows he makes for hunting

game are tipped with razor sharp steel blades arranged in a cross and fastened in an aluminum shaft. At the other end, three feathers are embedded in a slightly spiral pattern which causes the arrow to rotate slowly in flight and keeps it on true course. Doug says his shots can penetrate a deer at a distance of 80 yards.

Recently he entered the Virginia Bow-Hunters Association State Archery Contest at their annual meeting in Roanoke. Three hundred Nimrods participated. He placed seventh in the statewide competition.

He has taught several friends the art of bow shooting, including his son and a fellow lineman, Gary Sheppard, who also got his first deer this year with a bow and arrow.

"Please drive carefully. It's not only cars that can be recalled by their maker."

Appa-Mo Officers



Newly-elected officers of the Appa-Mo Club are (l. to r.) Linda Adair, treasurer; David Baumgardner, president; and Teresa Brantley, secretary. The Appa-Mo Club is composed of General Office Accounting employees in Roanoke.

Buckingham Makes First Hole-In-One

"I knew I would do it sometime" exclaimed D. L. Buckingham, transmission station foreman in the General Office T&D Station Section, Roanoke, when he realized he had made his first hole-in-one. He was using a No. 4 wood on a par 2, 167 yard drive at Ole Monterey Golf Course. Completing the foursome were Jack Cooper, Roanoke Division right-of-way agent, MacHenry Stiff and Clyde Edwards.

7 Players On Pioneer Football Team Are Sons Of Clinch River Employees



The Pioneer football team at Lebanon Junior High School had a good record this year. The season started with a close loss, then a tie and finished with six consecutive victories. Sons of seven Clinch River Plant employees are regular members of the team. They are: (top row, l. to r.) Greg, son of Ben Thompson; Gary, son of Don Jonas. (Middle row, l. to r.) Robert, son of Paul Kiser; Curtis, son of Carl Richards; Steve, son of Ronald Osborne. (Bottom row, l. to r.) Keith, son of Fred Herbert and Jerry, son of Lloyd McFarland.

Lynchburg Employees Hold Fall Golf Tournament At Colonial Hills Club



Nineteen employees participated in the Lynchburg Division fall golf tournament at Colonial Hills Golf Club. Each player paid his own greens fees, and meals and trophies were financed through the Employees Golf Association. D. J. "Pete" Thompson, Jr., won a trophy for low gross of 85. George C. Golladay, Jr., was also a trophy winner with a low net of 73.

Barnes Recalls Contacting Customer Before Breakfast For Right Of Way

John F. Barnes, Jr., has been securing and supervising the acquisition of rights of way for electric power lines for over 40 years. He retired December 1 as assistant superintendent, General Office Real Estate and Right Of Way Department, Roanoke.

"Johnny" notes that when negotiating for rights of way the land owner must be seen at his convenience. "One party we tried to contact for several weeks and never could catch up with him. His wife told us he went to work between 6 and 7 AM, depending on the time he got home the night before. Finally we decided if we were going to make contact, it would have to be early. One morning we arrived at his home at 5:45 AM. After waiting a half hour, lights came on and shortly thereafter we were talking to him. Perhaps it was because he was ready for breakfast and wanted to get rid of us, but it didn't take long to complete the transaction."

He worked for Appalachian during summers while attending college. He recalls that in 1926 the hot line crew to which he was assigned worked 21 straight days on checking and inspection of the 138 kv Switchback-Logan transmission line. The crew then returned to headquarters in Bluefield to take time off for the three Sundays worked before being given another assignment.

After graduating from the University of Georgia in 1930 with an LLB degree, he was employed as a clerk in the Bluefield District. He worked as assistant right of way agent, chief right of way agent and department supervisor A before



Barnes

being named Bluefield Division right of way agent in 1948. He was promoted to assistant superintendent, real estate and right of way, and transferred to Roanoke in 1949.

Johnny is a member of the administrative board of the Raleigh Court United Methodist Church and has been chairman of the real estate section of the Southeastern Electric Exchange.

He and his wife have visited Europe twice as well as many parts of the United States. They plan to do a lot of traveling during retirement and are looking forward to spending winters in a warmer climate.

Mr. and Mrs. Barnes have been married 37 years and have 3 children and 6 grandchildren.

Roanoke Mothers Make Christmas Balls As Gifts For Their Children



Mrs. W. A. McClung (left) and Mrs. D. C. Kennedy make a final inspection of finished Christmas balls.

"Giving something of yourself at Christmas" has become a tradition in the D. C. Kennedy and W. A. McClung households. As a result,

Decoration Idea Comes From Box



Par Glover, personnel clerk, Beckley, decided to use her ingenuity in making office decorations inexpensively this year. Here she holds what was a piece of Styrofoam used in packing that has become an attractive decoration.

the children have handmade mementoes to keep and cherish throughout the years. Kennedy is Roanoke division manager, and McClung is public affairs director for Appalachian.

Mrs. Kennedy began making Christmas balls about seven years ago. Those she admired in department stores were too expensive so she decided to make some to give to her children. On her first try she made two balls for each child. Since then she has made about 350 or 400.

Mrs. McClung watched as Mrs. Kennedy began making the beautiful balls and about four years ago decided to make some for her children and friends. Now the two friends get together to discuss ideas, techniques and even swap supplies. They both agree it is time consuming as well as fun.

The usual practice is to make four or five balls simultaneously in four or five hours. They begin getting material ready in February so as to have the finished ornaments by Christmas. It takes styrofoam balls (either bare or satin covered), patches of velvet, satin or fine cloth, scraps of lace, braid, ribbon, jewelry, beads, pins and glue. Put these all together with a great deal of creativity and each ball turns out to be an "original".

Frequently they are asked to sell the ornaments but always refuse. The balls are made strictly as gifts for family and friends. Other items handmade for Christmas gifts are ceramics, candles and wall panel calendars.

Barnes Named First President Of Power Engineering Society

Howard C. Barnes, assistant vice president-engineering of the Service Corporation, has been unanimously elected the first president of the new Power Engineering Society. He has been a member of IEEE for 23 years. He states, "We are still members of IEEE. There is no splitting away from the organization. The change is their way of giving recognition to groups of proven outstanding viability."

The international organization of 160,000 members is broken down by disciplines into 31 groups. The Power Group, with 13,000 members, has successfully petitioned the board of directors for a change in status, and, effective at the February meeting, will be called the Power Engineering Society.

Retired Employee Still Gives Advice



Retired Dewey E. Parks shows employee Tommy Alderman how to splice an eye in the end of a rope.

All professions have experts; many have consulting engineers. And it is a well-known fact that Dewey Parks, retired lineman of the Hillsville crew, was an expert in performing his duties before retirement. Perhaps it can now be safely said that since retirement he has become a "consulting engineer."

You can't do much to change a person's habits and interests, so Dewey always stops when he spies the Hillsville crew at work in the area, and he is inevitably asked by one or more of the young linemen to give them advice on how to do a job more efficiently. Taking great pride in passing on knowledge he gained through many years of service for the company, he says, "I never present a bill for my services as consultant."

Employee's Wife Receives Honor



Mrs. Bill H. Gillespie has been chosen as one of the Outstanding Young Women of America of 1970. The wife of B. H. Gillespie, transmission Man A in the General Office T&D Transmission Section, Bluefield, she is a member of the Park View Heights Home Demonstration Club and the Bluefield Art Club. Nancy was chosen for her exceptional dedication, service and leadership in community activities. She does volunteer work for the American Cancer Society, Graham Elementary School for Exceptional Children and the Virginia Avenue Methodist Church where she is a member.

Stanley Smith Plans Development Of Chinchilla Ranch In Retirement



Stanley Smith checks one of the adult chinchillas to see that it is making healthy growth.

"It was history that caused me to become involved in raising chinchillas," states Stanley C. Smith. He read that when the Conquistadors conquered the Inca empire, chinchilla fur accompanied the hoard of gold and silver carried back to Spain. It is told that a chinchilla robe sent to Queen Isabella set court fashions of the period.

In 1967 he began his chinchilla ranch with a breed stock of seven females and one male. He added two pairs of breed stock "to improve quality of fur". His herd has increased to 154 animals. A chinchilla has as many as three litters per year and averages two kits per litter.

Smith has built all but three of the 104 cages used to house his chinchillas. They are constructed of galvanized wire and metal so that they may be steamed and sterilized. For best fur growth the atmosphere must be kept below 70 degrees humidity, well-ventilated

and cool in summer. They keep their bodies clean and fur in prime condition with regular dust baths. In addition to Timothy hay which Smith raises, they are fed special pellets of high protein food fortified with minerals and vitamins.

Smith has not sold any pelts. Since his retirement as Pulaski Division line supervisor in September, he has more time to establish his herd. Later the project could become a source of extra income.

Ruff Receives Top Lions Award



Ruff is holding the award he received for outstanding service in Lions International.

R. H. Ruff, power sales engineer in Welch, Bluefield Division, was one of 50 Lions members presented awards for outstanding service to Lions International at their convention in Atlantic City. Selection, made from 950,000 members located in 142 countries or geographic regions, was based on club participation and involvement in community and civic affairs.

Ruff has been a member of the Welch Lions Club for the past 20 years. He was president 1953-54, governor 1956-57 and international director 1965-68. He is presently a trustee of Lions International. When commenting on these activities, he said, "Working in the Lions Club, my church and my community has been a real pleasure and has made life worthwhile. I have also met some of the finest people in the world while attending district and international conventions."

Donating Blood Is Helping Others

Chloe Darrah knows the true meaning of helping others, not only from personal experience but also through her profession. At the age of five, she had surgery for the removal of cataracts from both eyes. Now she works as a trained medical secretary.



Miss Darrah

Miss Darrah recently received a gold pin from the Boyd County Chapter of the American Red Cross for reaching the three-gallon donor mark. She first donated blood in 1962 because she "wanted to help others".

She has traveled extensively through the western United States and Europe. Her hobby of photography has made it possible to share her travels with family and friends. She is the daughter of C. C. Darrah, executive assistant on the staff of the executive vice president of Kentucky Power, Ashland.

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