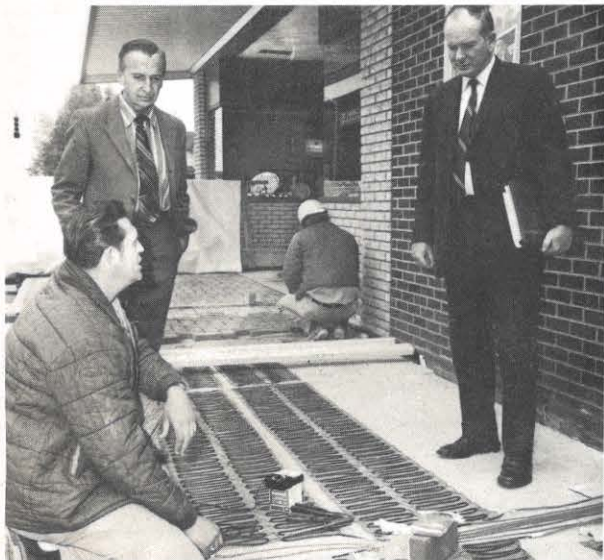


Employees Involved In Abingdon Facelifting Project; Entire Community Will Benefit



In photo at left, Bill Ferguson (right) and John Kahle discuss the installation of snow melting cable in the sidewalk with contractor Fred Johnson. Johnson is the husband of Peggy Johnson, Abingdon Division personnel clerk. At right, two young ladies enjoy the use of the new brick sidewalks.



Appalachian employees have once again proved their concern for the area in which they work and live. The facelifting being done along Main Street in downtown Abingdon is the most recent example.

The idea originated over a year ago at the encouragement of Fillmore McPherson, division manager, and Paul Dunn. Appalachian, banking institutions and the Chamber of Commerce retained the services of Beeson and Beeson, architects, to make an artist's rendering of downtown business buildings as they would look with new store fronts in keeping with the historical aspects of the town.

All owners of business property along Main Street were invited to a dinner for the unveiling and discussion of the project. McPherson outlined the economic growth and potential of the area as the center of commercial activity for Washington County.

As an outgrowth of the meeting, a new professional building was constructed and three

businesses have completely remodeled in conformation to the historical look suggested. Seven businesses are planning major renovations, and two new buildings are planned for the downtown area. Other businesses located outside the main business center have also been encouraged to facelift their buildings.

The state highway department

Porterfield Heads W. Va. Chamber

Porterfield



Miller C. Porterfield, vice president of Appalachian and Charleston Division manager, was elected president of the West Virginia Chamber of Commerce. He rises to the post from that of vice president.

Porterfield will guide a newly unveiled Task Force to "accent the positive" of West Virginia's future image. Members of the new action committee have the responsibility for "attacking apathy and negativism in and about West Virginia".

Porterfield is also a member of the board of directors of the Charleston Area Chamber of Commerce, vice president and director of the West Virginia Research League, member of the advisory board of West Virginia Institute of Technology, member of the board of trustees of Morris Harvey College, the Kanawha Valley United Fund and the Charleston General Hospital.

A native of Maybrook, Virginia, Porterfield graduated from Virginia Polytechnic Institute with a BS degree in industrial engineering. He began his career in 1935 as a rural surveyor in Bluefield. He was named Logan district manager in 1954 and transferred to Roanoke in 1963 as assistant to the executive vice president. He was promoted to his present position in 1969.

had let contracts for Main Street improvements, which included a new surface and new sidewalks. The town agreed to install brick sidewalks at no cost to the local property owners. Due to the efforts of Bill Ferguson, commercial sales representative, and John Kahle, heating sales engineer, 13 businesses have installed snow melting cable in their portion of the sidewalk. Wiring for the street lighting system was put underground. All streetlight standards were resanded by HAPCO, local streetlight standard manufacturer.

To date \$1¼-million has been spent on the over-all project. The entire business community will benefit from this cooperative effort. The citizens have increased pride in their town, property owners have increased property values, business operators have increased profits, and the town will benefit from increased taxes.

Hey Mister...Wanna Trade?

Wheel chair and braces for two good legs? Hardly!

Who would want to trade places with the hundreds of unfortunate children and grownups that are afflicted with mental and physical maladies?

The hard facts of life are that they have nothing to trade that anyone would want. They are in the position only to receive . . . not to give.

Take Julie, for instance, the little girl pictured on the back cover. The child of an unwed mother, she was to be available for adoption upon birth. However, when she was born, her legs were so twisted that doctors said she would never walk. And who would adopt a child with such a terrific handicap?

But people are getting tired of giving, aren't they?

Time was when neighbor could help neighbor directly. But there is no longer much, in the kind of world in which we live, that an individual can do himself to meet the needs of his fellow citizens for social services. Too often an individual would never know that a need existed for service to an unmarried mother, he would not personally provide adoption services for a deserted child. He certainly cannot straighten the crooked spine, heal the cleft palate, nor counsel the family with marital problems.

But United Fund agencies know about these problems. It is their business to know and to help.

A good citizen is a good neighbor, too. His obligations go beyond the payment of taxes and the support of his church. The good citizen will have eyes to see the needs of the troubled, the sick, the hungry, the homeless child, the youngster needing recreational programs and supervised group work. He will also have a heart which responds to what he sees.

The 35-million persons who contributed last year to the United Fund which annually supports the services of some 31,500 local, state and national health, welfare and recreation agencies, are all keepers of their brothers' welfare. Consider the fact that three out of every four families in our service area will benefit directly by United Fund agencies and their services every year, and you will have an adequate reason why people should give.

Yes, it's going to take a lot of giving.

Remember . . . these kids would rather be in a position to GIVE than to GET. Thanks to your support of the United Fund, little Julie has been placed in a foster home where she receives loving care and attention. And, through therapy, special equipment and braces, and all the sheer determination a little girl can muster, she has learned to walk.

Don't want to give?

Hey mister . . . wanna trade?

First Amos Unit Goes Commercial

The American Electric Power System has placed more new generating capacity in commercial operation this year than in any year in its 65-year history.

Newest capacity to go commercial is Appalachian Power Company's 800,000-kilowatt Unit 1 at the John E. Amos Plant near Charleston, W. Va. Its operation raised to 2,125,000 kw the total capacity put on the line in 1971.

In May, Ohio Power Company's Mitchell Plant had been placed in commercial operation at the temporary capacity level of 1,325,000 kw.

Meanwhile, construction is going forward on another 6.9-million kw of new capacity, both conventional and nuclear, throughout the AEP System. This work includes another 800,000-kw unit and a 1.3-million-kw unit at Amos; two 1.1-million-kw units at the Donald C. Cook Nuclear Plant in Michigan; and two 1.3-million-kw units at the General James M. Gavin Plant in Ohio.

AEP, Commonwealth Edison Energize World's First 765 KV Interconnection

The American Electric Power System and Commonwealth Edison Company, of Chicago, have energized the world's first 765,000-volt transmission interconnection—a tie capable of carrying more electric energy than any other inter-company link ever built anywhere.

The 90-mile line, connecting Indiana & Michigan Electric Company's Dumont Substation south of South Bend, Ind., and Edison's Wilton Center Substation near Joliet, Ill., will operate initially under test conditions. It is expected to be placed in commercial operation this fall.

668 Miles Operating

With the new tie, the AEP System is now operating, commercially or under test, 668 miles of 765,000-volt lines, with another 640 miles under construction or authorized.

Donald C. Cook, chairman and president of AEP, and J. Harris Ward, chairman of Commonwealth Edison, in a joint state-

ment issued in connection with the energizing, said, "This new extra-high-voltage interconnection, with its record transmission capacity, will help to insure and enhance the reliability of bulk power supply not only for the two power systems directly involved but for a large area of the entire Midwest."

Increased Reliability

They explained that the new line would materially benefit not only day-to-day power exchanges but also would enable them to expand their ability to support each other should any unexpected emergency power supply situation develop in their areas.

The line will initially operate at one-fourth of its ultimate 4-million-kilowatt carrying capacity, a supply of power that could meet all of the electric energy needs of a city the size of Chicago.

Tripled Capability

For the two utility systems, the new energizing was a repeat of

earlier history. Back in 1958, they had placed in service the world's first 345,000-volt interconnection, at that time the highest-voltage transmission link in the country. The new line has virtually tripled the two companies' capability to interchange power between them.

AEP and Edison now have a combined generating capability in excess of 26-million kw, with another 15-million kw under construction.

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The new interconnection is the sixth section of the 765,000-volt transmission network to be energized.

Still under construction are two sections from the South Bend area to system plants on Ohio River, and to the Donald C. Cook Nuclear Plant on Lake Michigan, and a third linking the Roanoke, Virginia, area with the existing 765,000-volt system in western Virginia.

Retiring Station Maintenance Man Recognized For Two Lifesaving Acts

Calmness in time of emergencies is a trait of Claude E. Bell, station maintenance man A in the General Office T&D Station Section, Bluefield, who retired early October 1.

Claude saved a boy's life in 1936 by rendering artificial respiration. Then there was the time he was working behind a panel board when a fellow employee threw the wrong switch. Claude was burned about the hands and arms, but he managed to get the station back on the line with little assistance from the other man. The other employee was so nervous he couldn't talk, so he held the phone while Claude did the talking.

In 1939 Claude was working with a young engineer at Switchback Substation when he heard the crack of an arch and turned to see the fellow weaving back and forth in hot equipment.



Bell

Claude used a pole to pry the man away from the energy and proceeded to administer resuscitation. He worked with the man for 18 minutes before bringing him back to life. For this outstanding achievement he was awarded a bronze medal and a certificate from the Edison Electric Institute. The citation was awarded for "successful resuscitation of Dennis R. Boone at the Switchback Substation, Switchback, West Virginia, on November 5, 1939, at 10:40 AM." The bronze medal was molded from the first underground bus bar in New York City that was installed in the days of Thomas Alva Edison.

Claude has taught first aid to Boy Scouts for over 15 years and has also taught various company and civic groups.

Claude began his career in 1938 as an electrician's helper in Welch District. He has worked in numerous jobs from timekeeping to line work to station maintenance on both AC and DC. He worked on AEP's last DC station supplying power for mines when it was phased out several years ago. He moved to General Office T&D Station in 1956 and remained there until retirement.

Claude was born in Bramwell, West Virginia, the son of a U. S. Marshal. He has numerous stories to tell of how rugged it was in the early days.

Claude and his wife Clara are leaving this month to spend the winter in Florida. He plans to just "take it easy and fish" in the inland fresh waterways.

R/W Seminar

A seminar for division right of way maintenance employees was conducted recently by H. E. Colwell, General Office T&D right of way maintenance supervisor, and his assistant, C. D. Ross. The seminar brought employees up-to-date on new technology and techniques. Discussions included right of way maintenance and effect on the environment, tree trimming, brush evaluation and record keeping. Tree trimming and tree inhibition were demonstrated by professionals in these areas.

Attending the seminar were G. J. Cook, W. A. Denny, D. G. Drake, K. R. Higginbotham, P. C. Kelley, H. L. Morehead, C. H. Murray, Jr., C. L. Musselman, E. M. O'Neal, S. E. Robie, J. H. Viperman, and E. C. Rankin.

Struck By Falling Pole, D. A. Allison Becomes New Member Of Turtle Club



Denzil Allison reads his Turtle Club certificate, presented by W. B. Belchee, assistant Charleston Division manager (center), and Haskel Jones, St. Albans area supervisor.

Denzil A. Allison, St. Albans truck driver groundman, is the newest member of Charleston Division's Turtle Club.

Denzil says, "I certainly appreciate the award but the most important thing is that I still have my head. If it hadn't been for my hard hat, I could be six feet deep right now."

Denzil's narrow escape came as he was helping unload poles

from a truck to a pole rack. A pole at the top of the load pivoted, letting the pole extend beyond the end of other poles on the load. The 862-pound pole fell ten feet, striking Denzil on his hard hat with enough force to break loose the head band fasteners. He suffered only a strained neck and hip. No actual working time was lost, and he was back on the job the next day.

Safety Manual Revision Planned



Broughton

C. D. Broughton, Kentucky Power safety and employee relations supervisor, has been appointed by the AEP System Personnel Department to coordinate the revision of the AEP Safety Manual.

Broughton is responsible for gathering and coordinating all suggestions for revisions to the Safety Manual and coordinating the Safety Manual with the latest Federal safety laws.

A native of Ashland, Broughton joined Kentucky Power in 1946 as a groundman. He transferred to the Engineering Department that same year and became an engineering aide in 1954. He was promoted to division personnel supervisor in 1963 and to his present post in 1966.

VanOver Takes Supervisory Post



VanOver

Everett E. "Hank" VanOver, Ashland engineering record clerk senior, has been promoted to records supervisor. He succeeds J. W. Ellis, who retired September 1.

A graduate of Leslie County High School, VanOver was employed as a groundman in 1945. That same year he became a storeroom helper and advanced through several positions before being named stores supervisor. He became engineering record clerk senior in 1952.

Mr. and Mrs. VanOver are the parents of one son.

Sell - A - Bration Is Outstanding

A July 4th "Heat Pump Sell-Abration" coordinated by Jerry Jesse, heating and builder sales representative in the Gate City area of Abingdon Division, resulted in one of the most outstanding heat pump sales activities this year.

All building contractors, developers and money lending agencies in Scott County were invited to a dinner meeting, where a local dealer and heat pump manufacturer's representative gave a presentation on advantages of the heat pump. Testimonials were also given by satisfied heat pump customers.

The next morning the big sale

started with displays set up in the dealer's store and a remote radio broadcast from 9 AM to 5 PM. Free cokes and watermelon were served, and a free electronic air filter was given with each heat pump sold.

Results of the sale were outstanding. Sixteen persons asked for estimates on installing heat pumps. Seven sales to new homes and five sales to existing homes were closed during the two-day event.

T. S. Lunsford Writes For "Ideas"



Lunsford

A new method for reporting defective material and equipment was described in the September issue of **AEP Operating Ideas**. Author of the article is T. S. Lunsford, Jr., General Office purchasing supervisor, Roanoke.

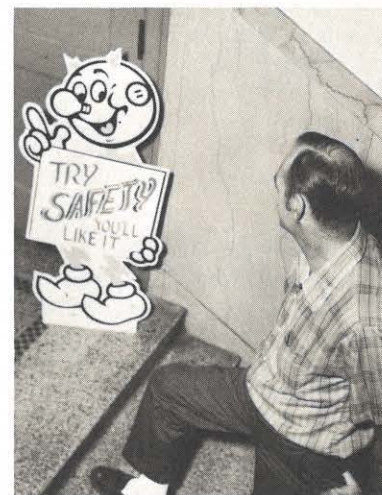
The new procedure, established in Appalachian two years ago, makes it easier to report defective material. The company has benefited by having some material and equipment replaced at no charge that might otherwise have gone unreported. It is planned to extend this procedure into a uniform systemwide approach for reporting defects in all types of materials and equipment.

Kozak Joins AEP In Training Post

Frank Kozak has joined the American Electric Power Service Corporation as training coordinator—coal mines, assigned to the Skills Training Section of the System Personnel Department. He will be responsible for developing and helping to conduct training programs for supervisory and non-supervisory personnel at System mining facilities.

Kozak comes to AEP from the faculty of the West Virginia School of Mines Extension Service, where his responsibilities included training mine foremen for state certification and the training of state and Federal mine inspectors. He holds a mine foreman certificate from the State of West Virginia.

A native West Virginian, Kozak is a graduate of Marshall University and is presently working for an advanced degree. He will be based in Canton.



TOM CRAFT, Charleston Division air conditioning engineer, views a winning slogan in the new safety slogan contest instituted at the Virginia Street Office to develop safety awareness among employees who work indoors. Employees submit a safety slogan monthly for review, and the winning slogan is printed on signs and posted in high traffic areas in the building. The name of the person submitting the slogan is included on the sign. The steering committee for the program includes Metzel Turley, stenographer; Pat Taylor, credit contract supervisor; and Bill Currey, administrative assistant.

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In Memoriam



Armstrong

John James Armstrong, 69, retired system chief operations coordinator in General Office Operating, Roanoke, died August 25.

A native of Blyth, England, Armstrong began his career as a patrolman at Cabin Creek Plant in 1920. He worked at Turner Station from 1926 to 1934 and was station supervisor from 1934 to 1937. Transferred to the General Office Operating Department, he worked at South Point, Ohio, until 1941 when he was promoted to assistant chief system operator at Charleston. He worked in Huntington also and went to Roanoke in 1949 as system operating supervisor. He was named system chief operations coordinator in 1963 and held that post until retirement in 1966.

Armstrong is survived by his widow, two sons and five grandchildren. One son, James, is maintenance foreman at Kanawha River.



Mrs. Burnett

Clara Johnson Burnett, 82, retired Lynchburg meter reading clerk, died September 11.

Mrs. Burnett began her career as a clerk in the Accounting Department and retired January 1, 1954, after 26 years' service.

She is survived by a daughter, a sister, three grandchildren, and five great-grandchildren.



Mollohan

Chantie Lee Mollohan, 69, retired Charleston service foreman, died September 8.

Mollohan began working for Appalachian in 1924 and was electrician helper, district serviceman, local superintendent, area supervisor and service foreman before retiring early in 1965.

He is survived by his widow.



Mrs. Braid

Helen Engstrom Braid, 66, retired Charleston merchandise order and billing clerk, died August 3.

A native of Kane, Pennsylvania, Mrs. Braid was employed as a stenographer in the Commercial Department in 1928. She worked as a stenographer senior, clerk stenographer and junior merchandise order and billing clerk before retiring in 1959 due to disability.

She is survived by her husband, E. H. B. Braid, retired Charleston line supervisor.



Caldwell

Howard F. Caldwell, 68, retired Princeton groundman, Bluefield Division, died September 12.

A native of Lerona, West Virginia, Caldwell joined the company as a laborer in 1935. He worked as a lineman and working foreman before becoming a groundman due to a physical disability in 1961. He retired in 1968.

He is survived by a sister.



Mattox

Mattox Retires From Accounting

Walter Stuart Mattox, property records accounting supervisor in General Office Accounting, Roanoke, retired October 1. His entire 42-year career had been spent in the Electric Plant Section. Starting out as a clerk, he held several positions, including retirement cost clerk and head, Retirement Section, before his latest promotion in 1965.

One of his most vivid recollections is of an event which occurred in 1948. A woman employee became ill at her desk, fainted and fell from her chair before anyone could assist. Stuart picked up the woman and carried her to the lounge, followed by numerous employees. Instead of placing her on the couch, in his excitement, Stuart sat down himself, still holding the woman who was "out cold". "I was hopelessly confused and could not move, so other employees helped me rise and lay the sick woman on the couch," Stuart recalls.

A native of Union Hall, Virginia, Stuart was educated in Roanoke City public schools and furthered his studies through the University of Virginia Extension. He and his wife Ethel have one daughter. They plan to maintain their home in Roanoke as well as live a part of each year in Phoenix, Arizona. In his leisure time, Stuart will pursue his hobbies of golf, bowling, reading and numismatics. He is a member of the Franklin Mint Collectors Society.

AEP Advances R. F. Kroeger

Robert F. Kroeger has been named administrative assistant to the executive vice president—engineering and construction of the AEP Service Corporation. He succeeds Stephen Marmaroff, who is the new head of the Construction Scheduling Division.

Kroeger joined Indiana & Michigan Electric Company in 1960 following his graduation from Purdue University with a degree in electrical engineering. While a student, he had taken part in the summer test program at I&M's Tanners Creek Plant. He transferred to the Service Corporation in Canton as an associate engineer in 1963 and moved to Electrical Engineering in New York in 1965. He became engineer in 1967. Until his present promotion he was working on the electrical engineering phases of the Donald C. Cook Nuclear Plant.

Three Hydro Men Take New Posts



McCraw



Turner



Fisher

Three men have been named to new positions in Appalachian's General Office Hydro Department, effective November 1.

W. T. McCraw will become foreman of Claytor Hydro Plant. Succeeding McCraw as hydro maintenance foreman in the General Office hydro traveling crew will be James R. Turner. Dale S. Fisher, engineer B in General Office Hydro, Roanoke, will succeed Turner as hydro maintenance foreman at Smith Mountain Plant.

McCraw was employed in 1937 on the construction of Claytor Hydro and became maintenance man there after its completion. He was hydro operator at Claytor before being named construction representative at Smith Mountain in 1962. He became hydro plant foreman in 1963 and

was named General Office hydro maintenance foreman in 1966. A native of Pulaski County, McCraw is married and has four married children.

Turner joined Appalachian as system hydro maintenance foreman in 1966. A native of Lowell, North Carolina, he attended Naval Leadership School and Naval Engineering School and was an instructor in training and fire-fighting schools at Little Creek, Virginia. He is married and has a married daughter.

A native of Cortland, New York, Fisher was employed at General Electric Company before joining Appalachian as an engineer in 1969. An ICS industrial electrical engineering graduate, he is married.

Glenna Priddy Enjoys Her Job, Rates Appalachian Power High As Employer

Glenna Priddy, stenographer in Beckley Engineering, is perfectly satisfied with her job and with the company. In talking with the men for whom she works, it's obvious the feeling is mutual.

Steve Carpenter, T&D engineering supervisor, says, "Glenna is an outstanding girl for the type of work we do. We have about 20 men working out of this department, and she takes care of all of them. She is busy from 8 o'clock in the morning to 4:30 in the afternoon. Her typewriter goes all day long. She answers all the phones, takes care of customer complaints and keeps track of all our jobs. She moved into this job faster than any girl I have ever seen. Really, she is a jack of all trades."

Glenna began working for Appalachian in February 1970 after two years with a local bank. Before that, she worked at a hospital after graduating from Beckley College. She was encouraged to apply for the job by Doris

Hairston, clerk-stenographer, who had worked with her on another job. Then they both talked Margaret Hunt, now clerk junior, into coming to work for Appalachian.

Says Glenna, "I used to move around a lot, but this is definitely my last job. I couldn't give it up. It is just too nice working here. In a year and a half with Appalachian, I have advanced more than in any of my other jobs. And I'm given raises according to my work ability. Where I worked before, raises were given only when they felt like it." Glenna was promoted from a clerk typist to clerk stenographer in June of this year.

A part of Glenna's job includes talking with customers who want to know when their electric service will be connected. Every once in a while she talks with one who is particularly irate. "The customers like to argue sometimes when they don't get their service as soon as they would like. They blame me as if they think I can really do something about it. One of the biggest problems we have concerns mobile homes. A customer will buy a mobile home one morning and have it delivered to their lot that afternoon. They expect the electricity to be turned on right away. They just don't seem to realize that sometimes there is more involved, such as extending the line or setting new poles."

Glenna and her husband have been married for two years and moved in a new home about a year ago. A great deal of their leisure time is spent fixing up the house and yard. Their home is not total electric, but they do have an electric kitchen. "All the men in the office talked to my husband, but he just wouldn't hear of electric heat. He thought it would be too expensive. Maybe I can convince him by the time we build another one."



Glenna Priddy carries on a phone conversation with a customer, one of many during a day's work as stenographer in Beckley Engineering.



Hesson

O. A. Hesson, maintenance supervisor at Cabin Creek Plant, was the author of an article in the September issue of **AEP Operating Ideas**.

Hesson designed a device which, when added to onboard bearing of pulverizer classifier ribbons, permits adjustment of axial movement during operation. Prior to adding the device, the classifier on a Hardinge-type mill could disengage and require an outage for repairs. Now this type of forced outage is readily avoided, and any repairs needed are scheduled when convenient. The device has been in service at Cabin Creek Plant for one year and has been installed on one of the D4B pulverizers.

PEOPLE IN THE SPOTLIGHT

BLUEFIELD

Lina Light, retired private secretary, has been re-elected secretary of the Mercer County Cancer Society.

Ruth Nunnery, wife of O. R. Nunnery, meterman A, has been elected to the board of the United Christian Student Movement of Bluefield.

Penny Gail Welch, daughter of Clyde Welch, Jr., head T&D clerk, has been selected as head majorette for Fairview Junior High School in Bluefield. A ninth grader, Penny Gail played in the band one year and was a majorette last year.

David Francisco, engineer B, has returned from six months' military leave with the U. S. Army National Guard at Fort Dix, New Jersey.

Deborah E. Ratliff, Grundy clerk trainee, is a new employee.

Three employees were members of the Brushfork Methodist Church softball team which emerged as church league champs for 1971. They are **P. T. Spangler**, engineer B, center fielder; **Steve Boothe**, engineer B, catcher; and **John Davidson, Jr.**, T&D clerk senior, right fielder.

Jack Lloyd, division manager, is a member of the Bluefield Area Development Board and a director of the Bluefield Chamber of Commerce.

CLINCH RIVER



Ricky

Ricky Thompson received a \$250 scholarship from the National Holiday Rambler Traveler Trailer Club of America for his essay on camping experiences. The son of Ben L. Thompson, shift operating engineer, Ricky is a graduate of Lebanon High School and attends Clinch Valley College.

ROANOKE

Warren H. Grasty, electrical engineer, has returned to work after a three months' military leave. He was stationed at Ft. Benning, Georgia. Grasty graduated from Virginia Military Institute in 1970 and was commissioned a second lieutenant.

Dan E. Stotler, engineer B, has been given an educational leave of absence.

J. R. Davenport, Fieldale area manager, was elected vice president of the Martinsville Kiwanis Club. He is chairman of the industrial division of the Martinsville-Henry County United Fund drive.

Michael Parker, 12-year-old son of G. L. Parker, sales supervisor, was one of 14 boys achiev-

ing all-star status at the John Wooten basketball camp. Some 150 boys attended the camp at Lynchburg, directed by Wooten, head coach at UCLA.

Charles L. Hunt, lineman helper, is a new employee.

PULASKI



Mrs. Crabtree

Evelyn Crabtree, wife of David H. Crabtree, agricultural sales engineer, is the new president of the Pulaski Jaycettes.

Alice Payne, daughter of P. C. Payne, transportation supervisor, has been chosen head majorette at Pulaski High School.

Toni Lynn Bopp and **Kathy Ellen Jarrels** are new employees in Pulaski Accounting.

Walter H. Ruben, T&D Line employee at Christiansburg, has returned to work after four years' military leave of absence.

New officers of the Pulaski Employees' Flower Fund are **D. L. Adams**, T&D Engineering, general chairman; **Barbara B. Marshall**, T&D Records, secretary-treasurer; and **W. T. Collins, Jr.**, Accounting; **G. Duane Hix**, Stores; and **E. A. Alley**, T&D Station, directors.

ABINGDON

Lorene Nester, home sales representative, has been named to the evaluation committee for Russell County Governor's Conference on Family Food Dollar.

Valentine Carr, Records, has been appointed to the finance committee of Abingdon High School PTA.

Carolyn Brown, wife of Douglas Brown, Lebanon lineman, has been named director of the Russell County Head Start Program.

Vickie Fletcher, daughter of Pat Fletcher, Abingdon Accounting, has been elected majorette for Holston High School.

Hunter Thayer is in charge of this year's parade for the Washington County Burley Tobacco Festival.

John Goodwin, husband of Nancy Goodwin; **A. S. Buchanan** and **Thomas Russ** participated in the recent Beaver Run 100-mile Enduro hosted by the Damascus Motorcycle Club.

Clifford Hawley has been named citizenship chairman for the Abingdon Elementary PTA. **Shirley Landreth** is magazine chairman.

Jerry Jessee has been elected associate Sunday School director

for the Weber City Baptist Church.

Ruth Carr, wife of Valentine Carr, has been elected secretary-treasurer of the Latture young adult class of the Abingdon United Methodist Church.

Fillmore McPherson, Jr., division manager, has been elected president of the board of trustees of Johnston Memorial Hospital.

Children of Clifford Hawley have been elected to offices at their schools. **Jonae** is SCA representative from the 10th grade at Abingdon High School. **Wayne** is president of the Abingdon High School marching band, and **Jeff** is president of the seventh grade at Abingdon Elementary.

Eleanor Honaker, Engineering, has been re-elected secretary of the St. John Lutheran Church and also elected secretary of the board of deacons.

Perry Johnston, right of way agent, has been elected Sunday School superintendent of St. Thomas Episcopal Church, Abingdon.

Paula Dunn, daughter of Paul Dunn, and **Sharon Honaker** are majorettes in the Abingdon High School marching band. Sharon is also SCA representative from the 11th grade of Abingdon High School.

LYNCHBURG

Susan Leigh Witt, daughter of R. O. Witt, line inspector, is a member of the Brookville Teen Board for Miller & Rhoads department store. Her duties include store modeling, fashion shows and taping commercials for local radio stations. She is also a member of the Brookville High School's majorette corps which recently served as official host for the National Majorette Clinic at Lynchburg College. Over 100 girls from high schools throughout the state attended the clinic.

Carolyn M. Hawkins, customer accounts representative C, is on maternity leave of absence.

KANAWHA RIVER

Leroy D. Diggs, performance engineer, is a new employee.

KINGSPORT

Bill Kesterson, son of J. L. Kesterson, residential heating salesman, was technical director for the Kingsport Theatre Guild's production of "The Bells Are Ringing". A junior at Dobyns-Bennett High School, Bill is a member of "Sing Out Kingsport" and has participated in programs locally as well as in Gatlinburg and Memphis.

Jeff Simpson, junior at Dobyns-Bennett High School, visited eight European countries as a member of a student tour group, "Educational Participation in International Culture". The group is sponsored by Loras College in Iowa and Loyola University in Rome. Students will receive high school credit for their participation. Jeff, son of M. C. Simpson, commercial manager, earned money for his trip from his egg and newspaper routes.

GENERAL OFFICE

D. D. Taylor, customer accounting supervisor in GO Accounting, Roanoke, received a diploma in business administration from International Correspondence Schools.

Ira B. Peters, GO Personnel, has been elected to the board of directors of the Family Service-Travelers Aid of Roanoke Valley.

HAZARD



Barnett

H. C. Barnett, engineering record clerk, and **Jack Caudill**, heating sales representative, attended the Kentucky and Tennessee Kiwanis Convention held recently in Lexington, Kentucky. Barnett, president-elect of the Hazard Club, was a delegate to the convention and Caudill attended as a lieutenant governor. They accepted the following awards for the Hazard Club: first prize in the 1970-71 Harper Gatton inter-club relations contest, first award for 1969-70 club achievement, and an award for 100% club administrative excellence for 1970-71.

CHARLESTON

New employees are **Jerry L. Lively**, car washer; **Annetta A. Brown**, clerk junior; **Cynthia L. Witt**, clerk trainee; **Gregory J. Pauley**, tracer; and **Carolyn S. Pryce**, stenographer.

ASHLAND

Edward L. Kemper, lineman B, received a gold pin from the Boyd County Chapter of the American Red Cross on becoming a one gallon blood donor.

Bo Humphrey won the ladies handicap match play tournament at Ponderosa Golf Course by beating her opponent 3-up. She is the wife of Edward J. Humphrey, distribution engineer.

Named to the dean's list at the University of Kentucky for the spring semester were **Janice Allen Nash**, daughter of Richard T. Nash, commercial and power sales representative, and **Rose Ann Salisbury**, sister of Frank E. Salisbury, Commercial department assistant.

Alex Kirk, appliance serviceman B, landed a 16 lb., 29 in. long catfish during a recent fishing trip to Grayson Reservoir. Alex used a 6 lb. test line to reel in the fish after a 30-minute struggle.

HUNTINGTON

Michael A. Fotos, III, 15-year-old son of M. A. Fotos, Jr., line supervisor, was named outstanding senior patrol leader for Star Scout Troop 21, Beverly Hills Presbyterian Church. He was re-

sponsible for the activities of the 35 boys in his troop. Mike is a member of the varsity football team at East Huntington High.

L. J. Hedrick, Point Pleasant area superintendent, was elected to the board of deacons of the Point Pleasant Presbyterian Church. **Q. H. Wickline**, dealer sales representative, was elected elder.

Margo Jane Fotos, daughter of M. A. Fotos, Jr., has been elected president of the Youth Fellowship of the Huntington Fifth Avenue Baptist Church. A junior at East Huntington High School, Margo attained the highest scholastic average for the sophomore class last semester.

PIKEVILLE

Children of Jerry Bartley, appliance service foreman, were selected "Outstanding Students of America" because of their participation in school activities and outstanding grades. **James Thomas**, an athlete, was elected Mister Senior. **Teresa Lou** was a member of the band, Beta Club, FHA, annual staff and secretary of the junior homeroom.

Bill Barnett, son of Bill E. Barnett, personnel supervisor, was elected president of the second year medical class at the University of Kentucky School of Medicine. Bill also was president of his first year class.

Shirley Ratliff, retired groundman, and his wife observed their 50th wedding anniversary with an open house at their home.

CABIN CREEK

Joe Carr and **Todd L. Ward**, laborers, are new employees.

BECKLEY

Jerry L. Vest, meter reader, has returned to work after completing two years of military service.

JOHN E. AMOS

New employees are **Carl F. Handley** and **Arthur R. Estes**, maintenance men B; **Noah Bailey**, maintenance man A; **Emmett D. McGehee** and **David L. Boling**, utility operators B; **Terry L. Foreman**, co-op student; **Charles D. Cash**, performance technician; and **G. W. Patterson**, maintenance man C.

Other new employees are **Patricia B. Holmes**, results clerk; **Roger E. Grubb** and **Charles T. Curtis**, control technicians; **Phillip L. Chatting**, technician junior; **James W. Turley** and **Herbert P. Jordan**, coal equipment operators; and **Basil F. Meadows** and **David A. Courtney**, coal handlers.

New employees in Amos Construction are **William R. Capehart** and **David M. Allport**, construction accountants, and **Russell W. Gilbert**, construction stores assistant.

LOGAN-WILLIAMSON

Paul Jeffrey, Logan dealer sales representative, has been named to the board of directors of the Community Health Foundation of Man, West Virginia, Inc.



Abele

Seashore Lures Kanawa Retiree

Nine years ago Bill and Charlotte Abele started building a cottage on the beach at Fenwick Island, Delaware. Each summer they did more work on it, and now they will spend their retirement summers there. Bill, chief chemist at Kanawha River Plant, elected early retirement October 1.

Bill says, "There was just not enough time after work to do other things. The alarm clock will be the only thing that is retired. There's no spare time in this vacation land." Among his interests are building, furniture refinishing, piano tuning, painting houses and also water colors, swimming, clamming, fishing, playing cards, singing, gardening and girl watching at the beach.

Bill is a chemical engineering graduate of Ohio State University and received a master of science degree there in 1932. He began his career in 1935 as an assistant chemist for Ohio Power. He had advanced to assistant chief chemist before transferring to Appalachian's Kanawha River Plant in 1952 as chief chemist. He remembers that in the early days "there was no sick pay, no retirement, little vacation and little insurance".

The Abeles will be missed at social functions of Kanawha's Appakan Club. They took dancing lessons and were always the first and many times the last couple on the floor at Appakan dances. The Abeles have been married for 36 years and have four children.

Clinch River Promotes Carr



Carr

Edward C. Carr, master maintenance man at Clinch River Plant, has been promoted to maintenance foreman.

Carr served with the U. S. Marine Corps in World War II and the Korean Conflict and was discharged from the Corps in 1951 as a platoon sergeant. He was employed as a laborer at Cabin Creek Plant in 1952 and was promoted to boiler maintenance helper in 1953. He was transferred to Clinch River Plant as a maintenance man in 1958 and advanced to master maintenance man in 1968.

Carr is married and the father of two daughters and a son.

Trip To Tazewell For Illuminator Story Is Eventful For W. C. Groseclose

The *Illuminator* was established in October 1949 with three objectives. These were then and are today:

To let employees know about activities of other employees and their families and to recognize accomplishments of all employees in company and community activities;

To keep employees informed about the company's business, its activities and its policies; and

To keep employees informed about the electric utility industry and provide interesting facts about the area in which the companies operate.

Each division and plant appointed an associate editor, whose responsibility is to submit news from his location to *The Illuminator* staff in Roanoke. Reporters in each location furnish leads on possible stories to their associate editor, and sometimes stories are obtained from local newspapers. In both the case of *The Illuminator* associate editors and reporters, this assignment is in addition to their regular work load.

The *Illuminator* associate editors and reporters are sometimes faced with a number of obstacles in submitting stories. The first one is getting employees to furnish news about themselves. Then there is the problem of arranging for a time and place to take pictures and getting all parties together.

Sometimes, however, an asso-

ciate editor gets a lucky break in his reporting. Such was the case recently of W. C. Groseclose, Bluefield administrative assistant and *Illuminator* associate editor.

"I was going to take pictures of Allen Rhudy's 4-H activities, and lucked up on two more stories. I stopped at Pisgah and happened to get a picture of diggers uncovering an Indian skeleton. On the same trip, eight prisoners had escaped from Tazewell jail, and I took pictures of the search activity, much of which took place right in front of our Tazewell office.

"When I came across the excavation of the Indian burial ground at Pisgah, I learned from history books that there were no Indian settlements in Tazewell County. The discovery of this village will cause the history books to be rewritten. So far 21 skeletons have been uncovered along with other articles, such as beads made of shells which came from as far away as Myrtle Beach, South Carolina.

"The tribe that settled here is believed to have come from Ohio. Studies by archaeologists indicate the settlement to be about 500 years old, and the village contained about 400 inhabitants. They have also established the fact that when these Indians died in the wintertime they were buried in a sitting position (with knees under the chin) under places where they had camp fires." (In the accompanying pic-

ture, the Indian was buried lying down, which would indicate he died in the summertime.)

The village was uncovered when excavation for the new

highway was started by the State Road Commission. The Historical Society of Virginia is responsible for the digging and preservation of their findings.



D. C. Wright (center) looks at an Indian skeleton being unearthed at Pisgah.

PROMOTIONS & TRANSFERS

Appalachian Power Company

John E. Amos Plant

E. F. HUDSON to Assistant Yard Supervisor. C. F. HANDLEY to Maintenance Man C. A. L. MARTIN to Maintenance Man C. W. C. SAFFORD from Construction Electrical Assistant, Amos, to Assistant Chief, Electrical Section, Gavin. C. M. JOHNSON, Concrete Construction Assistant, from Amos to Gavin. C. A. DAVIDSON from Civil Construction Assistant, Amos, to Resident Engineer, Muncie Service Center.

Beckley Division

W. M. LEACH to Lineman C. D. E. BAIR to Lineman C.

Bluefield Division

H. R. SWEENEY to Lineman B. F. W. BOURNE to Lineman C. C. E. LARK to Lineman C. J. H. ROBINETTE, JR., to Lineman A.

Cabin Creek Plant

E. F. KIRK to Boiler Operator D. J. W. MARTIN to Utility Foreman.

Charleston Division

L. R. BIRD to Planner Senior. R. W. MADDOX to Meter Service Helper A. J. B. SHOWALTER, JR., to Assistant Stores Supervisor. CECELIA JACKSON to Customer Accounts Representative C. D. K. BROWN to Area Serviceman. D. J. WYMER to Clerk Junior. D. R. SNUFFER to Customer Accounts Representative A. H. C. WOODSON, JR., to T&D Clerk. D. L. CANTLEY to Clerk Junior. SAMMIE ROBINSON, JR., to Meter Service Helper A. D. B. THOMPSON to Assistant Planner. W. E. BOZARTH to Clerk Junior.

General Office

JO ANN SPENCER to Clerk Junior. W. A. JACOBS to Property Records Accountant Senior. HELEN OVERSTREET to Work Order Accounting Clerk Senior. R. L. GOWL to Work Order Accountant Senior. B. E. CHAPMAN to Work Order Accounting Clerk Senior. J. D. HARRIS to Work Order Accounting Clerk. R. H. HOGAN to Work Order Cost Clerk. HAZEL CAMDEN, Stenographer, from GO Real Estate & Right Of Way to GO

Land Management. G. H. POINDEXTER, Property Maintenance Man Helper, from GO Real Estate & Right Of Way, to GO Land Management. G. H. HUDSON, Property Maintenance Man Helper, from GO Real Estate & Right Of Way to GO Land Management. R. P. HENDRIX, Property Maintenance Man Helper, from GO Real Estate & Right Of Way, to GO Land Management. JUDITH KENNEDY to Clerk Stenographer. T. E. BARTLETT, Right Of Way Agent B, from GO Real Estate & Right Of Way to GO Land Management. H. W. TAYLOR, Right Of Way Agent, from GO Real Estate & Right Of Way to GO Land Management. M. E. MAXEY, Properties Representative B, from GO Real Estate & Right Of Way to GO Land Management. R. G. HARPER, Right Of Way Agent B, from GO Real Estate & Right Of Way to GO Land Management. D. L. DRAPER to Engineer B. C. D. LEGG to Station Maintenance Man C.

Lynchburg Division

LINDA SCOTT to Customer Accounts Representative C.

Pulaski Division

DAVID IRVIN to Meter Reader. C. M. GOAD to Lineman B. R. P. McDANIEL to Junior Maintenance Man. C. L. SMITH to Lineman C. J. S. ATWELL to Lineman A. J. H. PALMER to Lineman B.

Roanoke Division

K. P. WRIGHT to Rodman. A. R. VAUGHT to Line Foreman (NE). BETTY BAKER, Secretarial Stenographer, from Commercial to Managerial. JACKIE SCRUGGS from Stenographer, Division Managerial, to Secretarial Stenographer, GO Executive.

Philip Sporn Plant

R. G. HART to Conveyor Operator. H. R. RUSSELL to Crane Operator. GLENN HUFFMAN to Harbor Boat Operator. G. W. ARNOLD to Tractor Operator. HELEN HANDLEY to Plant Clerk. R. L. BRAGG to Barge Attendant. G. L. WESTMORELAND to Coal Handler. W. R. HARRIS to Plant Clerk Senior. VIRGINIA HOYT to Plant Clerk. C. F. McDANIEL to Instrument Helper.

Kingsport Power Company

J. W. JOHNSON to T&D Clerk Senior to Collector. J. E. HUNT to Lineman C. A. R. TIPTON

Allen Rhudy, Tazewell 4-H All Star, Raises Champion Calves And Lambs



Bill Groseclose, Bluefield Division administrative assistant, takes a photograph of Cecil Rhudy and his son, Allen, with some of the boy's cattle.

"Ever since I can remember, I have wanted to be a member of 4-H", says Allen Rhudy, son of Cecil Rhudy, Tazewell area serviceman in the Bluefield Division. Allen was recently tapped for the All Star Award, the State of Virginia's highest honor for 4-H'ers.

Allen lives on a farm in Thompson Valley of Tazewell County and was introduced to stock and farm life by his father and grandfather. In 1966 his brother Jim and Mike Harris, son of Tazewell line foreman (NE) J. H. Harris, showed cattle and sheep at stock shows in the county and the southwestern area of Virginia.

The following year Allen started showing calves himself and followed with lambs in 1968. Since that time he has had six champions, five reserve champions, 15 first place entries, ten second place entries and eight third place entries in addition to winning 13 ribbons, two plaques and one trophy. Allen's start in lamb showing began when he

bought five ewes in a 4-H project and showed some of the lambs from the ewes the next year.

A few years ago Allen entered a pig chain. He received a sow and was obligated to give back the best pig from the sow's litter to keep the chain going. He has raised some fine pigs but never entered them in a show.

Allen is presently a member of the Tazewell County 4-H livestock team and in this capacity has helped do some judging of livestock in the county. When he graduates from Tazewell High School, where he is a senior, he hopes to study agriculture in college. Some of his extracurricular activities include secretary of FFA, member of Junior Honor Society, Keep Virginia Green Society and the Volunteer Firefighters Association. He is a past president of the United Methodist Youth Group and is now president of the Sub District Youth Group.

Wedding Bells Ring For 17 Couples Across System



Mrs. Franzke

Mrs. Roatenberry

Mrs. Wood

Mrs. Johnson

Mrs. Candler

Mrs. Prater

Mrs. Mills



Mrs. Reese

Mrs. Brown

Mrs. Ashley

Mrs. Lawson

Mrs. Richards

Mrs. Miller

Mrs. Joyce

Bishop-Reese

Janet Ruth Bishop and Marvin Kent Reese exchanged wedding vows September 4 in the Christiansburg Presbyterian Church. Mrs. Reese is the daughter of Clyde E. Bishop, Jr., shift operating engineer at Radford Steam Plant.

Johnson-Candler

Ellen Elizabeth Johnson and Peter Ransom Candler were united in marriage August 21 at St. John's Episcopal Church, Roanoke. Mr. Candler is the son of Harry L. Candler, Roanoke agricultural sales engineer.

Javins-Arnold

Delma Sue Javins was married to Gerald W. Arnold August 14 in the Bachtel United Methodist Church, New Haven. Mr. Arnold is a tractor operator at Philip Sporn Plant.

Smith-Miller

The Wesley Memorial United Methodist Church of Pulaski was the setting for the August 21 wedding of Beatrice Diane Smith and Eric Winston Miller. Mr. Miller is the son of Winston E. Miller, Pulaski line inspector.

Creedle-Brown

Nuptial vows were exchanged by Debra Kay Creedle and David Clark Brown in a double ring ceremony September 11 in the First United Methodist Church, Salem. Mrs. Brown is the daughter of Melfred R. Creedle, GO communications engineer, Roanoke.

Ferguson-Franzke

Wedding vows were exchanged by Nola Ferguson and Gary W. Franzke July 31 in the Wayne Baptist Church. Mrs. Franzke is the daughter of Charles H. Ferguson, Huntington right of way agent.

Casey-Prater

The marriage of Deborah Elizabeth Casey and James Leon Prater was solemnized in the First Baptist Church, Kinston, North Carolina, August 6. Mr. Prater is the son of James E. Prater, Abingdon heating and builder sales representative.

Payne-Richards

The home of the bride was the setting for the August 19 wedding of Cynthia Lynn Payne and Eddie Richards. Mr. Richards is an engineer B in Charleston.

Wood-Wood

Kathy A. Wood became the bride of Larry D. Wood September 11 in the Lynn Haven Baptist Church, Vinton. Mrs. Wood is a clerk stenographer in General Office Commercial, Roanoke.

Perry-Vallance

August 21 was the wedding day of Ruth Perry and Walter Vallance. Mrs. Vallance is a clerk stenographer in General Office Payroll, Ashland.

Lawson-Johnson

Lynn Lawson and Tom H. Johnson were united in marriage September 4 in the First Baptist Church, Galax. Mrs. Johnson is the daughter of Andy J. Lawson, Galax area T&D clerk, Pulaski Division.

Clark-Ashley

A double ring ceremony performed September 10 at the First United Methodist Church of South Shore, Kentucky, united Billie Jo Clark and Gearold E. Ashley. Mrs. Ashley is the daughter of Lee Clark, Amos Plant maintenance foreman.

Thompson-Mills

Emily Lou Thompson became the bride of Richard Lewis Mills August 28 in Cave Spring United Methodist Church, Roanoke. Mr. Mills is a son of R. L. Mills, Roanoke power sales engineer.

BABY PARADE

Pitt-Joyce

The marriage of Charlotte Ann Pitt and Leonard Earl Joyce, Jr., was solemnized August 21 in the First Baptist Church of Collinsville. Mr. Joyce is the son of Leonard Earl Joyce, Sr., Fieldale collector, Roanoke Division.

Wooldridge-Glass

The marriage of Judy Kay Wooldridge and Wayne Lee Glass was solemnized June 19 in the Marsh Memorial United Methodist Church, Lynchburg. Mr. Glass is the son of S. M. Glass, Lynchburg surveyor.



GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY — Mr. and Mrs. Ralph A. Johnson celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with a surprise party and cookout given by members of the Howell Branch Baptist Church. Johnson, former system substation man C in General Office T&D Station Section, Charleston, retired early in 1951 due to ill health. Mr. and Mrs. Johnson reside in Winter Park, Florida, and have three daughters, six grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren.

Dunford-Roatenberry

The Narrows Pentecostal Holiness Church was the setting for the August 14 wedding of Dreama Kay Dunford and Charles Allan Roatenberry. Mrs. Roatenberry is the daughter of Arthur W. Dunford, Glen Lyn Plant custodian.

Glovier-Lawson

Catherine Annette Glovier and Lee Allen Lawson were united in marriage September 3 in the Pleasant View Baptist Church, Glade Spring, Virginia. Mr. Lawson is an Abingdon lineman.

Abingdon Division

MR. AND MRS. LARRY J. HICKS, JR., a daughter, Stacy Deana, August 2. Hicks is a Gate City lineman.

MR. AND MRS. WILLIAM D. GIBSON, a son, Rodney Thomas, August 9. Mrs. Gibson was Gate City home sales representative.

John E. Amos Plant

MR. AND MRS. DANNIE E. CARTE, a daughter, Deborah Sue, August 7. Carte is a coal equipment operator.

Ashland Division

MR. AND MRS. RICHARD E. KOUNS, a daughter, Melissa Ann, August 19. Kouns is a material clerk.

Charleston Division

MR. AND MRS. P. W. COCHRAN, JR., a daughter, Carla Evette. Cochran is a meterman helper.

MR. AND MRS. RAY E. SAYRE, a daughter, Tonya Raynette, August 30. Sayre is a meterman C.

Clinch River Plant

MR. AND MRS. BILLY W. CORNETT, a daughter, Lavendar Cristine, August 5. Cornett is a laborer.

General Office

MR. AND MRS. WAYNE M. SHAFER, an adopted son, Jason William, August 15. Shafer is employed in the Classifi-

cation and Accounts Payable Section, GO Accounting, Roanoke.

MR. AND MRS. JAMES W. SMITH, a son, James Wallace, Jr., August 21. Smith is a T&D clerk in the GO Meter Section.

MR. AND MRS. J. B. SPURLOCK, a daughter, Nancy Deborah Gail, August 10. Spurlock is General Office Personnel employee relations assistant, Roanoke.

Glen Lyn Plant

MR. AND MRS. HERMAN W. DENT, a son, Daniel Wayne, July 22. Dent is a maintenance helper.

MR. AND MRS. DANNY L. MEADOWS, twin sons, Jason Earl and Jared Earl, August 14. Meadows is a utility man.

Huntington Division

MR. AND MRS. M. M. TERRY, JR., a son, Michael McCallister, August 26. Terry is a lineman.

MR. AND MRS. TERRY FULLER, a daughter, Jenifer Lynn, September 2. Fuller is a meterman helper.

Pulaski Division

MR. AND MRS. RALPH W. DALTON, a son, James Robert, August 19. Dalton is a Galax lineman A.

Philip Sporn Plant

MR. AND MRS. C. E. CARSON, a son, Charles Eugene, Jr., August 29. Carson is a utility operator.

ENGAGEMENTS

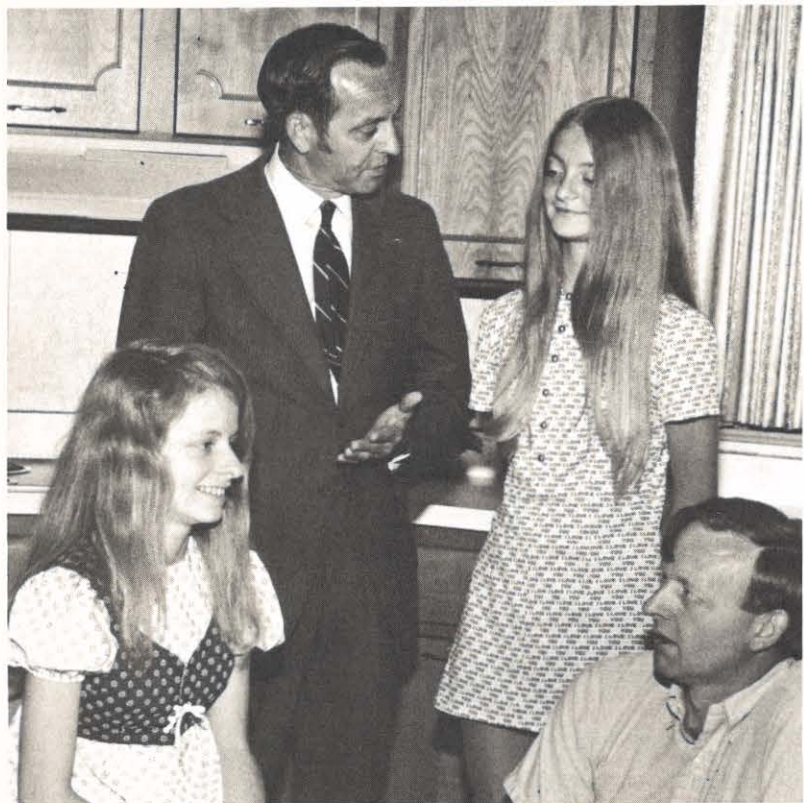
BELINDA DAWN MUNCY to Joseph Lee Mantle. Miss Muncy is the daughter of Robert E. Muncy, Ashland lineman A.

JANE ELIZABETH ROUSH to William Edward Bird. Bird is a utility man A at Philip Sporn Plant.

BRENDA KOHARI to Warren G. Hensley. Miss Kohari is the daughter of Michael Kohari, Williamson service representative, Logan-Williamson Division.

KATHY ELAINE FARLEY to Larry Leon Caudill. Miss Farley is the daughter of Hubert H. Farley, Beckley planner senior.

FREDA L. PLYBON to Wayne Edward Penrod. Miss Plybon is the daughter of Silas F. Plybon, Rocky Mount meter serviceman, Roanoke Division.



Daughters who sew their own clothes are a big help to fathers when it comes time to balance the family budget. Proud of their daughters' accomplishments are (right front) Bill Rowley with daughter Beth and R. M. Hogsett with daughter Susan. Both girls made the dresses they are wearing.

Susan Hogsett, Beth Rowley Winners In Huntington Singer Sewing Contest

Daughters of two employees were first place winners in a Huntington sewing contest sponsored by the Singer Company. Winning the Sub-Deb Division (ages 13-15) was Susan Hogsett, daughter of R. M. Hogsett, Huntington heating and builder sales representative. Beth Rowley, daughter of William Rowley, chemist at the AEP Laboratory in Huntington, won the Deb Division (ages 16-18).

Susan's winning outfit was a three-piece ensemble, including a dress, vest and bell-bottom pants. The dress was made of red polyester, with long sleeves and rounded neckline. The lined vest and pants were of navy blue double knit. Susan has been sewing for four years and makes most of her own clothes as well as some for her mother and

three sisters. A sophomore at Huntington East High School, her current project is making new school clothes for this semester and a sport coat for her brother-in-law.

A light blue velveteen dress and royal blue wool coat trimmed with light blue velveteen lapels and collar was Beth's winning entry. She also makes her own clothes and sews for her mother, grandmother and younger sister. She entered Marshall University this fall after graduation from Ceredo-Kenova High School.

Their winning outfits will be taken to Cincinnati, Ohio, for judging in the regional contest. Regional winners will be sent to New York for further judging, with the winners there modeling their fashions in San Francisco.

Job Security Was Important Factor To Retiring Charleston Head Cashier

Money holds a special significance for Bess Westerfield, who retired October 1 as Charleston head cashier. Handling money has been her primary occupation for 34 years, and she has probably handled more of Appalachian's actual cash income than any other person in the Charleston Division.

Bess says, "I started working with cash on July 4, 1937. In that

job I posted the cash as it came in. Through the years the accounting systems used have completely changed the duties of a cashier. We get many more checks now and more customers pay their bills by mail, but a cashier still remains busy and still meets a lot of different and interesting people.

"One thing I am happy about is that I've never had a person try to hold me up. Very few have ever tried to cheat me. Most customers I have dealt with through the years have been very honest.

"The job security I've had with the company has meant more to me than any other single factor. My husband died when our daughter was only seven months old, and I was left as the sole supporter. I really needed the job, and this security factor has helped me to sleep comfortably."

A native of St. Albans, Bess attended the Charleston School of Commerce. She plans to move to Marion, Ohio, eventually in order to spend more time with her daughter and seven grandchildren.



Mrs. Westerfield

Fashion Fair Attracts Crowd

Over 1,050 people were attracted to a "Fashion Care Fair" held in the Richlands National Guard Armory. Customers were told about new fabrics and fibers, how to care for clothing with new small electric appliances, and how to care for their fashions through the use of modern laundry equipment.

The program was sponsored by Abingdon Division home sales representatives, home economists of the Virginia Cooperative Extension Service and electric appliance dealers serving the counties of Russell, Dickenson, Tazewell and Buchanan. Two national home economists from major appliance manufacturers assisted in the presentation.

Twenty-one appliance dealers in Russell and Dickenson counties and eight dealers in Tazewell County provided attractive laundry displays on the floor of the armory, displays in their stores and provided door prizes for the show.



Mrs. Charles Ferguson makes finishing touches on the bridal gown for her daughter, Nola. The only place in the house that was high enough to hang the dress while she worked on it was the highest point in Nola's canopy bed.

Mother Designs, Sews Bridal Gown, Attendants' Dresses For Daughters

When Nola Ferguson became the bride of Gary Franzke on July 31, she was attired in an original wedding gown of silk organza trimmed with chantilly lace and seed pearls. The gown and veil were created by her mother, Mrs. Charles Ferguson, wife of the Huntington Division right of way agent.

Plans for the wedding began last Christmas when Nola came home from Iowa State University. When they couldn't find a pattern for a gown to match the one they had in mind, they decided to make their own. Mrs. Ferguson made a sleeveless shell of unbleached muslin to fit Nola perfectly. The shell had to be used as a pattern because Nola returned to school and would not be available for fittings.

The gown was made of 43 yards of fabric in three layers of

bias pella, taffeta and pure silk organza. Bishop sleeves were fashioned of two layers of silk organza, and the standup collar and cuffs were covered with four rows of pre-gathered Viennese lace, giving a frosted effect. Mrs. Ferguson made double edge lace for trim and worked 150 buttonholes by hand to pull white satin ribbon through. The trim was applied around the high waistline, down the center front of the dress and outlining the bodice yoke. She cut flowers from the chantilly lace and appliqued them on the yoke along with clusters of seed pearls. A fan-shaped panel of chantilly lace was set in the chapel length train. Fifty buttons were painted white, covered with a layer each of taffeta and silk and sewed to the back of the dress.

A mantilla veil was made from pure silk illusion and edged with chantilly lace. Mrs. Ferguson covered a pillbox headpiece with taffeta and silk and trimmed it with flowers from the chantilly lace and seed pearls, then attached the veil.

Mrs. Ferguson has a full-time job in the Town of Wayne, and the gown was made in her spare time, taking four months to complete.

Two other Ferguson daughters, Melanie Kay and Monica Jo, were attendants in the wedding, and Mrs. Ferguson made their gowns of multi-color nylon organza. She also made her own knee length dress of pink polyester.

Then Mrs. Ferguson made a blue garter for Nola, with tiny appliques of flowers and rows of seed pearls. Nola liked it so much she didn't want to throw it to her bridesmaids, so Mrs. Ferguson made two.

In addition to the gowns, Mrs. Ferguson made tablecloths for the reception tables. They were fashioned of permopress dacron and nylon net.

The father of the bride was able to smile through all the hurry and scurry of wedding preparations. However, when Mrs. Ferguson asked him if he thought a cake for 200 would be sufficient, he replied, "Just have it made for 199. I don't think I'll be able to eat that day."



Wise

Sam Wise Ends 40-Year Career

Samuel Hanford Wise recalls that the hardest job he ever had in his 40-year utility career was repossessing appliances. Sam retired early September 1 as senior staff engineer in the General Office T&D Department, Roanoke.

Following graduation in 1931 from the University of Kentucky with a degree in mechanical engineering, Sam was employed in Charleston to do Doble testing in substations. He then went into appliance delivery and service in the Charleston area. He remembers in the early days the workdays were long and he was away from home weeks at a time. There were few roads and some of those were up creek beds, which made traveling a long and difficult task. He became a substation man in 1933 and was relay tester, assistant relay engineer, engineer senior and system foreman before moving to Roanoke in 1949. He was promoted to supervising breaker engineer in 1950 and became assistant system station superintendent in 1958. He advanced to station superintendent in 1961 and to senior staff engineer in 1968.

Traveling and pursuing his many hobbies will keep Sam busy during retirement. In recent years he hasn't had time to get in much hunting and fishing but plans to catch up now. Other interests are making his own guns, photography and woodworking. He and his wife have a son, a daughter and two grandsons.

Anne Browning Awarded Degree



Mrs. Browning

Anne Browning, Roanoke Division home sales representative senior, was awarded a master of education degree from the University of Virginia in August.

Mrs. Browning has been working toward this degree since January 1968 under Appalachian's educational assistance program. She took 12 hours extension work in Roanoke and 18 hours at Charlottesville, Virginia. Driving once a week to Charlottesville for the last two years, she logged over 17,000 miles. In addition, she also attended two three-week summer sessions.

Mrs. Browning began her career with Appalachian in 1967 following graduation from Marshall University.

Fifty-one Employees Receive Service Awards



R. M. Thomas—45 Years
R/e & R/w Office Supv.
GO—Roanoke



L. E. Jones—40 Years
General Serviceman
Charleston



S. H. Wise—40 Years
Senior Staff Engineer
GO—Roanoke

SERVICE ANNIVERSARIES

Appalachian Power Company

ABINGDON DIVISION—15 YEARS: A. S. BUCHANAN, Customer Service Representative. 5 YEARS: L. A. BROWN, Surveyor.

JOHN E. AMOS PLANT—5 YEARS: ALEXANDER GILLIES, Maintenance Man B. G. L. BURKHART, Barge Handler. N. W. KIDD, Coal Equipment Operator.

BLUEFIELD DIVISION—5 YEARS: J. M. GRAHAM, Lineman B. C. E. LONG, Lineman A. LEONDIEN PAYNE, Meter Reader.

CHARLESTON DIVISION—15 YEARS: HAZEL SAMPSON, Secretarial Stenographer. 5 YEARS: C. C. MOORE, Planner.

CLINCH RIVER PLANT—20 YEARS: N. E. MINNICK, Unit Foreman. 15 YEARS: P. G. CAMPBELL, Plant Guard. DONALD LASLEY, Maintenance Man. R. L. PARKS, Maintenance Man. G. E. PUCKETT, Unit Foreman. A. G. White, Equipment Operator.

GENERAL OFFICE—20 YEARS: J. A. DUFFIELD, JR., Commercial Engineer. 15 YEARS: G. J. HODOCK, Transmission Man B. M. L. CROFT, Customer Accounting Analyst. 10 YEARS: R. A. WHITLOW, Transmission Station Foreman. 5 YEARS: E. D. SAYERS, JR., Transmission Clerk Senior. J. R. POFF, JR., Planner. D. W. POWERS, Rodman.

HUNTINGTON DIVISION—15 YEARS: DOROTHY SMITH, Customer Accounts Representative B. J. L. MULLINS, Customer Accounts Supervisor. 10 YEARS: FRANCES JORDAN, Stenographer. 5 YEARS: ELAINE POLK, Personnel Clerk.

LOGAN-WILLIAMSON DIVISION—15 YEARS: COONIE HAGER, Line Foreman (NE). 5 YEARS: EUGENE HATFIELD, Lineman A. J. R. McCOWN, Service Representative. JOHNNY VARNEY, Meter Serviceman A. J. L. PRIDEMORE, Auto Repairman A. GROVER WOOTEN, JR., Stationman B.

LYNCHBURG DIVISION—15 YEARS: O. D. HAWKINS, Auto Repairman A. 5 YEARS: N. R. FOWLER, Planner Senior.

PULASKI DIVISION—25 YEARS: LORENE H. PATTON, Customer Accounts Representative B. 15 YEARS: H. S. COMPTON, Planner Senior. 5 YEARS: W. P. UMBERGER, Lineman A.

ROANOKE DIVISION—15 YEARS: K. E. FRENCH, Engineer B.

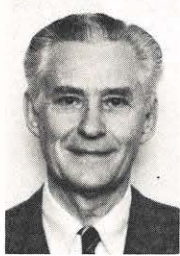
PHILIP SPORN PLANT—5 YEARS: R. G. MARTIN, Maintenance Man.

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ASHLAND DIVISION—5 YEARS: CAROLYN MILLER, Stenographer. R. A. BLAIR, General Serviceman. D. W. WILLIAMS, Lineman B.

PIKEVILLE DIVISION—5 YEARS: L. W. KINNEY, Lineman. B. JOHNNIE STANLEY, Lineman B.

THIRTY-FIVE YEARS' SERVICE



K. B. Shelton
Trans. Engr.
GO—Bluefield



C. O. Patterson
Boiler Operator A
Cabin Creek



R. W. Swain
Station Foreman
Roanoke



D. R. Hunt
Line Foreman
Roanoke



S. F. Bowling, Jr.
Meter Foreman
Abingdon



Guineline Mitchell
Cust. Accts. Rep. B
Bluefield



W. L. Halstead
Meterman
Huntington



M. W. Brown
Cust. Acctg. Supv.
Roanoke



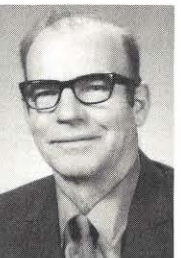
E. L. Munday
Commercial Mgr.
GO—Roanoke



C. V. Smith
Stores Accountant
GO—Roanoke



R. F. Jones
Groundman
Charleston



C. M. Jackson
Area Supv. A
Abingdon

THIRTY YEARS' SERVICE



M. D. Prowse
Senior Foreman
Charleston



J. P. Rose
R/w Agent
Bluefield



W. E. Warren
Stores & Garage Supv.
Logan-Wmsn.



W. M. Gordon
General Serviceman
Bluefield



Lat Bevins
Lineman A
Logan-Wmsn.



P. R. Baker
Power Sales Engr.
Huntington



R. W. Schweitzer
Res. Sales Adv.
Ashland

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.

TWENTY-FIVE YEARS' SERVICE



W. M. Haulsee
Reg. Chief Op.
GO—Danville



Thurman Ball
Fleet Maint. Foreman
Go—Roanoke



J. E. Hatfield
Line Foreman (NE)
Logan-Wmsn.



J. G. Leonard
Area Serviceman
Abingdon



J. L. Ward
Station Operator A
GO—Kingsport



A. H. White
Photo & Repro. Man
Bluefield



J. L. Ashworth
Dlr. Sales Rep.
Lynchburg



C. E. Buck
Area Serviceman
Charleston



B. C. Harlowe
Line Foreman
Roanoke



A. R. Brashear
Serviceman
Hazard



H. F. Charles
Pur. & Stores Dir.
GO—Ashland



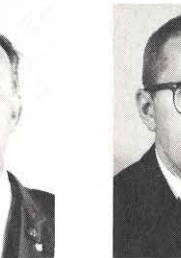
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Transmission Man A
GO—Bluefield



Frank Harkins
Collector
Charleston



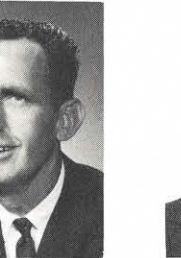
M. D. Sharp
Cust. Accts. Rep. A
Pulaski



E. R. Hoffman
Lead Draftsman
Charleston



R. H. Bragg
Area Serviceman
Logan-Wmsn.



F. D. Giles, Jr.
Cust. Accts. Supv.
Lynchburg



T. A. MacLeod
Stationman A
Pulaski

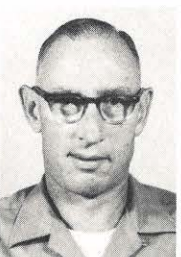


M. C. Short
Planner Sr.
Roanoke

TWENTY YEARS' SERVICE



D. F. Woolcock
Chief Chemist
Philip Sporn



R. J. Fairfield
Elec. Engr. Sr.
Charleston



J. G. Facemire
Civil Const. Asst.
GO—Blue Ridge



Roland Staton
Material Clerk
Logan-Wmsn.



M. R. Creedle
Comm. Engr.
GO—Roanoke



I. C. McCormick
Trans. Man A
GO—Bluefield



A. J. Keatley
Boiler Op. B
Radford



Elizabeth Sydnor
GO Personnel Clerk
GO—Roanoke



H. D. Kimbleton
Boiler Op. C
Radford



J. E. Cain
Turb. & Swtchbd. Op.
Radford

Veterans Honored For Lengthy Service

Fifteen Appalachian employees have been recognized for a total of 545 years' service to the company. Receiving a 45-year pin was Robert M. Thomas, General Office, Roanoke. Pins for 40 years' service were awarded to L. E. Jones, Charleston, and S. H. Wise, General Office, Roanoke. Honored for 35 years' service were Guinele Mitchell, Bluefield; W. L. Halstead, Huntington; Curtis O. Patterson, Cabin Creek Plant; E. L. Munday, General Office, Roanoke; Calvin M. Jackson and Samuel F. Bowling, Jr., Abingdon; M. W. Brown, D. R. Hunt and R. W. Swain, Roanoke; Kyle B. Shelton, General Office, Bluefield; R. F. Jones, Charleston; and Carl V. Smith, General Office, Roanoke.

45 Years

Robert M. Thomas, General Office real estate and right of way office supervisor, Roanoke, was employed as a tracer. He became draftsman in 1928, draftsman supervisor in 1942, draftsman senior in 1944 and advanced to department supervisor in 1945. He was named system right of way records supervisor in 1950 and was promoted to his present position in 1969.

40 Years

L. E. Jones, Charleston Division general serviceman, joined the company as a laborer. He was promoted to lineman in 1936 and to troubleman in 1946. He became general serviceman in 1969.

Samuel H. Wise, senior staff engineer in General Office T&D, Roanoke, began his career as a helper in Charleston. He became substation man in 1933 and worked as a relay tester, assistant relay engineer, engineer senior and system foreman before moving to Roanoke in 1949. He was promoted to supervising breaker engineer in 1950 and advanced to assistant system station superintendent in 1958. He became station superintendent in 1961 and senior staff engineer in 1968. He holds a mechanical engineering degree from the University of Kentucky.

35 Years

Marguerite Guinele Mitchell, Bluefield customer accounts representative B, was employed as a cashier in Grundy. She was transferred to Welch as a clerk in 1940 and worked as clerk intermediate, clerk senior, utility clerk, senior petty cash clerk and senior general clerk before returning to Grundy in 1953. She was promoted to utility clerk in 1958 and transferred to Bluefield in 1964 as petty cash clerk senior. She became customer accounts representative B in 1968. She received an associate degree in business from West Virginia Business College.

W. L. Halstead, Huntington meterman, was hired as a welder at Logan Plant. He had advanced to maintenance man before the plant closed in 1961, when he was transferred to Huntington as a meterman helper. He was promoted to his present post in 1965.

Curtis O. Patterson, Cabin Creek Plant boiler operator A,

began his career as a laborer. He held the positions of turbine auxiliary equipment operator A and B before being promoted to boiler operator A in 1953.

E. L. Munday, General Office commercial manager, Roanoke, joined Appalachian as a clerk in Roanoke. He was junior power engineer before going on military leave in 1941. He was made power engineer senior B in 1945 and worked as power sales engineer B and A, district rural and residential sales supervisor, district commercial manager and assistant to the district manager before being named district manager of Fieldale in 1960. He was promoted to assistant district manager at Charleston in 1963 and became assistant division manager at Huntington in 1966. He was named division manager in 1967 and moved to Roanoke as General Office commercial manager in 1968.

Calvin M. Jackson, Abingdon Division area supervisor A, was employed as a truck driver in the Clinch Valley District. He worked as lineman, inspector, working foreman and line foreman before being promoted to Clintwood area supervisor A in 1953. He was transferred to Lebanon in the same position in September of this year.

Martin Named Utility Foreman



Martin

James W. "Billy Jim" Martin has been promoted to utility foreman at Cabin Creek Plant.

Martin was employed as a laborer at Kanawha River Plant in 1956 and advanced to junior maintenance man before resigning in 1960 to work as a traffic officer in Beaumont, Texas. He later returned to West Virginia and worked for F.M.C. Ordnance until the plant closed in 1969. After serving as a patrolman with the City of Charleston, he became a laborer at Cabin Creek Plant in 1970.

Mr. and Mrs. Martin are the parents of three sons.



ANNUAL RETIREE OUTING—The Roanoke Chapter of the Appalachian Retired Employees Association held their annual outing last month at Smith Mountain Lake. Over 100 members and guests were in attendance. Going through the buffet line are (from left) J. G. Brittain, Mrs. Brittain, W. M. Johnson, G. L. Furr, Sr., Mrs. Furr, S. R. Pritchard and Mrs. Pritchard.

Samuel F. Bowling, Jr., Abingdon meter foreman (NE), was hired as a meter helper in Bluefield. Following military leave from 1943 to 1946, he transferred to Pulaski as meterman B and moved to the Abingdon District in 1948. He was promoted to meterman A in 1951 and to his present position in 1970.

M. W. Brown, customer accounting supervisor at Fieldale, Roanoke Division, was employed as an office boy in Roanoke. He worked as a telephone operator and clerk before serving in the Navy from 1943 to 1946. He was promoted to Fieldale local office supervisor in 1949 and became local office manager in 1950. He was named customer accounting supervisor in 1964.

D. R. Hunt, Roanoke Division line foreman, was hired as a groundman. He was promoted to lineman in 1937 and made line foreman in 1955.

R. W. Swain, Roanoke Division station foreman, joined Appalachian as a groundman. He worked as a lineman before serving in the Army from 1943 to 1945. He became maintenance man C in 1945, substation man A in 1953 and station foreman in 1963.

Kyle B. Shelton, transmission engineer in the General Office T&D Transmission Section, Bluefield, began his career as a clerk. He worked as draftsman, draftsman senior, engineering aide and engineer B before being promoted to transmission engineer in 1967. He is a graduate of Bluefield Junior College and attended the University of Tennessee.

R. F. Jones, Charleston groundman, was employed as a laborer. He was promoted to maintenance man helper B in 1944, maintenance man helper A in 1945, and became groundman in 1947.

Carl V. Smith, stores accountant in General Office Accounting, Roanoke, began his career as a clerk. After three years in the Army, he returned to work as a clerk senior in 1946. He became head materials accounting clerk—Control Section in 1949 and was named head, Material Accounting Section in 1943. He advanced to head, Stores Accounting Receiving Audit Section in 1961 and was named stores accountant in 1968.



Observing J. K. Reid, electrical engineer, as he demonstrates the operation of the new CSP transformer are T. W. Oliver, engineer B, (left) and A. C. Channaiah, electrical engineer.

Lynchburg Division Employees Briefed On Operation Of CSP Transformers

When Lynchburg Division employees see a red light burning on a distribution transformer along the roadside, they'll know what it means.

Appalachian Power and other AEP System operating companies have begun using Completely Self Protected (CSP) transformers in 10-50 kva sizes. Contracts with manufacturers call for more than 50 per cent of purchases to be CSP units.

Specifications and technical information was supplied all divisions by the General Office. In order to familiarize employees with the features and operation of CSP transformers, Lynchburg Division set up training sessions. Some 100 division personnel have completed the training session and demonstrations on CSP transformers.

The Electrical Division of H. K. Porter Company in Lynchburg, manufacturers of both conventional and CSP transformers, assisted in the demonstration. The company was loaned a variable resistor and dry type 480 volt transformer, and J. B. Rice, line supervisor, and James K. Reid, electrical engineer, set up a complete set of conditions similar to those encountered in the field for a CSP transformer at present, Porter supplies conventional but not CSP transformers to the company.

Many hours were spent on circuit diagrams and procedure for the demonstration, and engineering personnel obtained valuable information on the loading and characteristics of CSP transformer.

The actual demonstrations and training sessions were conducted by Rice and Reid in the transformer maintenance shop at the Service Center. Groups of 12 to 15 employees attended a total of 10 sessions, with each session oriented to that particular group. Line crew personnel were given a chance to operate the CSP transformer and Engineering and Operating personnel concentrated more on the theory of the transformer. A special handout on the major features of a CSP transformer, including technical and operating instructions, was given to each person attending.

Now when Lynchburg Division employees see a red light burning on a distribution transformer, they know it means the transformer is overloaded and the situation should be corrected.

Ideas and points of interest that were brought out in the training session will be passed on to all other divisions.

Brown Elects Early Retirement



Brown

Cecil W. "Elder" Brown, Roanoke Division stationman A, elected early retirement October 1 so that he can "work more for the Lord".

Cecil has been full-time pastor of the Truevine Church of Christ in Roanoke for several years, serving without pay. His total pastoral experience covers 11 years. Under Cecil's leadership, the Truevine Church offers four religious services weekly, two preaching services on Sunday, and one each on Wednesday and Friday. The members address their pastor as "Elder". Prior to joining this denomination, Cecil was a Baptist Sunday School superintendent and deacon.

Cecil was employed by Appalachian in 1936 as a boiler room man at the old Walnut Avenue Steam Plant in Roanoke, advancing to boiler operator A. When the steam plant was closed in 1953, Cecil was transferred to Roanoke Division as a stationman helper. He was promoted to stationman C in 1963, stationman B in 1966, and stationman A in January of this year.

Cecil and his wife have 12 children and 15 grandchildren. His hobbies include fishing and hunting rabbits and squirrels. "Now," he says, "I may get to enjoy them a little more."



Performing in The Barnstormers are (front row, l. to r.) Richard Kemp, Bill Bilbro and Judy Johnson. Back row (l. to r.) are Adrian Willis, General Office draftsman, and Glen Leffue.

GO Draftsman Forms Country Music Band, Performs On Grand Ole Opry

A group known as The Barnstormers is making a name for itself around the country music circuit, with Adrian Willis, draftsman in General Office Real Estate and Right of Way, Roanoke, as front man.

Adrian was playing with some rock groups for fun when he got the idea that it would be fun and profitable if the big rock sound could be given to country music. He asked some musicians he knew if they would like to form a band, and The Barnstormers were organized in 1968. Three of the original group are still performing.

The Barnstormers play for clubs, private parties and business promotions such as grand openings. They were contacted

by two sponsors to do a radio show and later came guest appearances on television.

They recently began playing on Grand Ole Opry shows backing up the star, Bobby Lewis. These shows have taken them to Tennessee, Maryland and several other spots around the country.

Adrian studied music for nine years, including one year at Bridgewater College. He plays steel guitar, guitar, bass and trombone.

Future plans for The Barnstormers include a recording session in the fall.

Fieldale Stationman Helps Out Others As Rescue Worker, Fireman, Scouter

A cry for help in the Fieldale area of Roanoke Division will more than likely bring James W. Nester, stationman helper. Jimmy is a member of Fieldale's Rescue Squad and Volunteer Fire Department.

Jimmy became involved in rescue work unexpectedly. One evening about two years ago he was passing the rescue squad building as calls were coming in for aid from Hurricane Camille. One of the squad members asked him to help them out. He did; and, when the night's work was over, he filled out an application form for membership.

"This service is something that is badly needed," Jimmy says. "It required a lot of study and training, but it's worth it." Supported by the United Fund and individual contributions, the squad renders aid to any person needing help free of charge. Their routine emergency calls include heart attacks, strokes, wrecks, fights with injuries, childbirth and drownings. Jimmy has his own

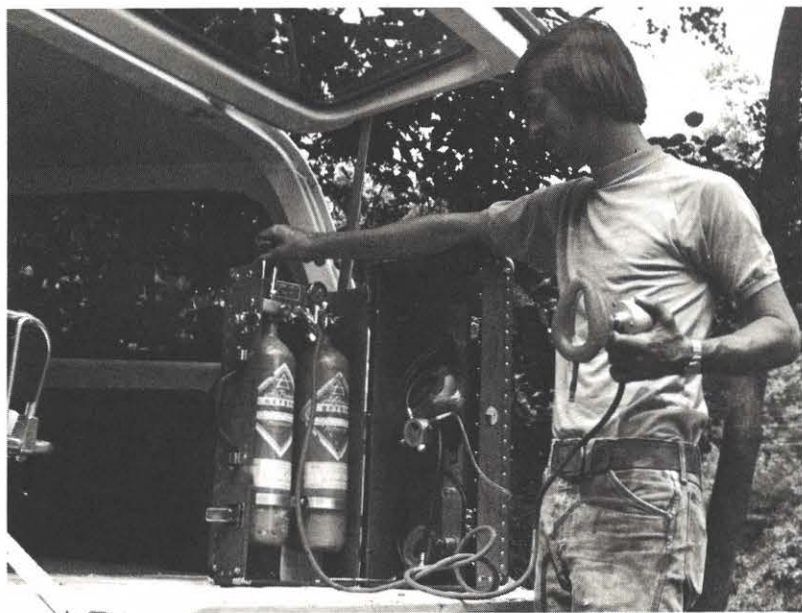
diving equipment and hopes the squad can buy diving outfits for other members. They do have a boat. The rescue squad also loans wheel chairs and crutches and furnishes ambulance service to welfare clients.

Jimmy says his most depressing experiences come when the squad answers a call to a wreck and the victim turns out to be a personal friend or former schoolmate of his.

Jimmy also answers calls as a member of the Volunteer Fire Department. This service operates from the same building as the rescue squad, but the two are separate organizations.

In addition to both these activities, Jimmy is scoutmaster of Boy Scout Troop #73. He is assisted in this work by Ray Parcell, stationman B at Fieldale.

Why does a young man spend so many hours assisting others without pay? For Jimmy the answer is simple. "All this work takes time, but it's got to be done. I'm glad I can help."



Jimmy Nester checks out the breathing equipment in the Fieldale Rescue Squad ambulance.

AEP Trains Mine Foremen

The American Electric Power System has begun a mine foreman training school at its Morris Creek Mine, Montgomery, West Virginia.

At present, 14 miners are participating in the six-week training school. To qualify, each man must have at least five years' underground experience. Upon completing the program and obtaining state certification as mine foremen, the 14 men will help supervise operations at the Morris Creek Mine.

Their training covers various aspects of mine construction and operation with emphasis on federal and state safety requirements. The course is divided between theory and practical application, and at least six hours of underground training per week are required.

Frank Kozak, training coordinator—coal mines, is responsible for developing and conducting the program. He is being assisted by representatives from the U. S. Bureau of Mines and the West Virginia University School of Mines.

The school will be a continuing program geared to meet the system's need for certified mine foremen. A second training group is scheduled to begin this fall.



J. R. McGinnis holds the portrait of his children's great-grandmother, painted from a photograph. On the wall at left is an oil of Kanawha River Plant.

J. R. McGinnis Paints To Release Tension After A Long, Hectic Day

J. Robert McGinnis, Beckley division superintendent, finds that painting and sketching give him a lot of satisfaction and releases tension after a long, hectic day. He says it's the type of hobby you can get completely wrapped up in and you don't want to stop until you have the finished product.

Bob has been painting and sketching all his life but became serious enough about it 15 years ago to start framing and saving his drawings, which now number about 25. He has had no formal training. He enjoys every min-

ute he can devote to this hobby; and, according to Bob, it doesn't have to be any particular time of the year. He does have more time to paint during the long winter months.

The family is very proud of a portrait of the children's great-grandmother which he painted from a photograph. This was Bob's first attempt at a portrait and, according to him, a most rewarding experience. Another of his prized possessions is an oil of Kanawha River Plant which hangs in his office.



R. T. "Pete" Norcross is wearing an outfit his wife Wanda made in about eight hours. On the table beside him are a shirt and ties she also made. Pete is surrounded by handmade ties worn by other General Office men.

General Office Men Keep In Style Economically With Handmade Clothes

Quite a few men in the General Office, Roanoke, have joined the swelling ranks of those who wear handmade clothing. Now that changing styles have invaded the men's fashion world, the women have put their skills to use in search of more economical ways to clothe their men.

R. T. "Pete" Norcross, GO Accounting, is the benefactor of such needle work. His wife Wanda, Roanoke Division stenographer, made a pants and vest outfit for him and is now making an identical one for herself. Wanda figures she has saved about two-thirds of the cost on both outfits. A good tie costs from \$6 to \$12, and Wanda can make one for under \$5 in about two hours.

Frankie Fowler and Bonnie Ferrell, stenographers in the GO T&D Meter Section, Roanoke, made 15 ties as Christmas gifts for the men in their section. The rapidly-growing list of handmade tie wearers in General Office includes Ed Cooper, Larry Hubbard, Charlie Wright, Richard Rader and Larry Stevens, T&D Station; Guy Pendleton, Bill Sheaff, Wayne Webb, Jim Loving, John Bostian, and James Smith, T&D Meter; Roy Mullen, Richard Hartless, David McCallum, Ed Boush, Owen Hawkins, Donnie Robbins, Gene Whitmore, Allen Thomas, Pete Norcross, Wayne Shafer, and George Lowe, Accounting; Tom Puckett and Harry Chambers, Purchasing; and Bob Webster and Randy Woodyard, Commercial.



Figg

National Guard Promotes Figg

Herbert M. Figg, Jr., Lynchburg heating sales engineer, has received two promotions in the Virginia National Guard. He was named Battalion Commander of the 2nd Battalion, 116th Infantry National Guard Unit headquartered in Lynchburg and promoted to the rank of lieutenant colonel.

Figg is the first Lynchburg man to head the local guard unit since 1951. Other units under the Lynchburg Command are Farmville, Charlottesville, Harrisonburg, Altavista and Rocky Mount.

Figg joined the Virginia National Guard in 1939 after graduation from high school and the unit was called into active duty in 1941. He was discharged from active duty in 1945 as a staff sergeant and joined Appalachian that same year. He re-enlisted in the Guard as a staff sergeant in 1947. After attending night school and taking military correspondence courses, he was commissioned second lieutenant in 1949. He has attended military school for commissioned officers in Oklahoma.

A member of American Legion Post 16, he is past Department Vice Commander and received the "Mr. Legionnaire" award in 1966. He is also a member of the Virginia National Guard Association and the 246th Coast Artillery Association.



Donald Lawhorn makes a last minute inspection of his plane before taking off.

Roanoke Lineman Realizes Ambition Of Earning Private Pilot's License

Donald W. Lawhorn believes if you want something badly enough, anything is possible. The Roanoke Division lineman C realized an ambition of several years when he qualified for a private pilot's license on August 7. He hopes to earn his commercial license by Christmas.

Donnie served in the Air Force from 1962 to 1966 but always on the ground. He could not qualify for pilot training without a college degree. In 1964 he passed a test to become a loadmaster at the base in Topeka, Kansas.

Still desiring to get into the air, Donnie joined a skydiving club and made 11 jumps. He even worked off base to earn money for civilian flying lessons.

Donnie was discharged in 1966 and just recently resumed flying

lessons with the encouragement of his wife Patricia and three-year-old daughter Heather. He is enrolled under the GI Bill for lessons to earn a commercial license and then an instrument rating. He also plans to attend a crop dusting school.

Returning from a recent trip to Danville, Virginia, Donnie found the visibility zero upon approaching Roanoke. In contact with the ground control and the air tower, he brought his plane in perfectly on radar.

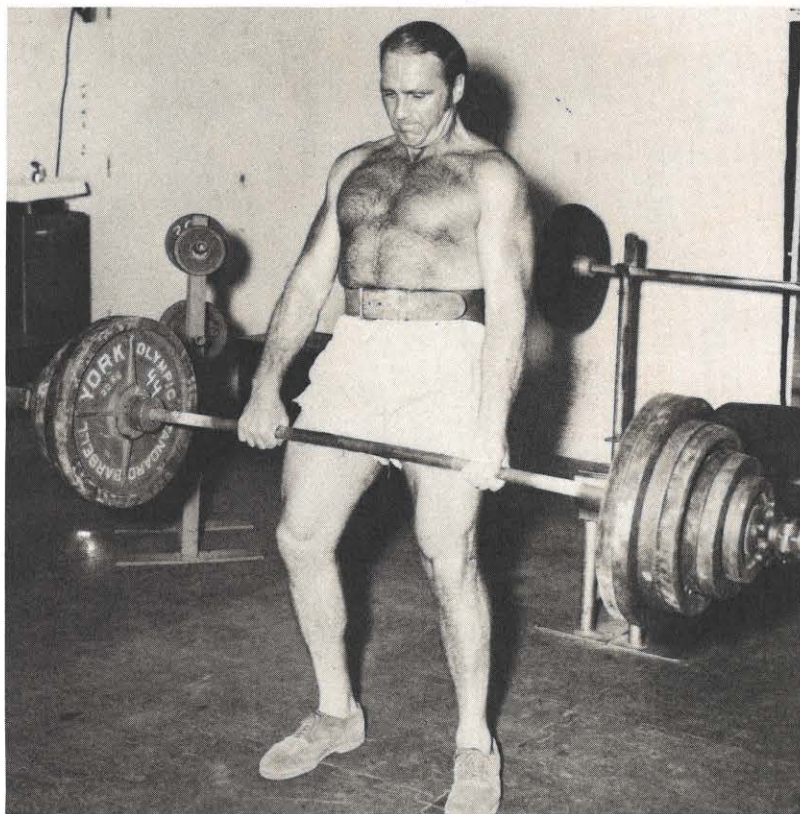
Donnie was employed by Appalachian as a lineman helper in 1969 and was promoted to his present position in 1970. He enjoys working for the company and would like to see Appalachian buy a plane.

Kittens Anyone?

Have you ever tried to give away 157 kittens? According to R. T. Cornett, Hazard accounting supervisor, "It ain't easy!"

Cornett got Puss Irvin for his daughter Ilene some 12½ years ago, unaware of what was to come. Puss Irvin has given birth to 157 kittens in 35 litters, and her kittens are scattered all over Perry County and into Knott County, Kentucky.

It would be hard to say who set the record—Puss Irvin having 157 kittens or Cornett giving them away.



Lineman Don Hundley works out at the YMCA in preparation for a meet.

Lineman Don Hundley Captures Top Awards In Weightlifting Competition

A Charleston Division lineman is developing into one of the area's more formidable competitive weightlifters. Don Hundley, along with five other local weightlifters, is part of the Charleston YMCA's newly formed weightlifting team.

The team specializes in the power life area of weightlifting, concentrating on heavier poundages in three categories—the squat, the bench press and the dead lift. "The three different exercises all involve using the stronger muscles of the body such as the back, thighs and, of course, the biceps," says Don.

The local team has to do a lot of traveling in order to find competition. "West Virginia has very few serious weightlifting teams, so we must go to Ohio and

Pennsylvania for most of our meets."

Don began his weightlifting hobby only a year and a half ago, but so far he has won first, third, fourth and fifth place awards in his weight category. "I'm in the light-heavyweight category, which puts me into competition with a great number of more experienced lifters. I have been encouraged with my recent lifts in competition and my standings." Weighing only 175 pounds himself, Don has unofficially bench-pressed 300 pounds, squat-lifted 460 pounds, and dead-lifted 481 pounds.

Don's favorite hobby had been fast pitch softball. "I used to be on a local team; but, with working out and preparing for meets, I just don't have time for softball anymore."



EVERMONTE HUFFMAN, Huntington dealer sales representative, admires the cup on which his name will be engraved as winner of the Eddie Long Cancer Memorial Golf Tournament at Guyan Country Club. Winning with a score of 69, he captured second place on three previous occasions. Presenting the award is Mrs. Berridge Long Copen, daughter of the late Eddie Long, for whom the tournament is named. Huffman was also winner of the first flight in the Riviera Country Club Championship Tournament with a 148, one stroke behind the championship winner.

Duckwyler Named To National Team



Miss Duckwyler

Beverly Duckwyler has been named to the All-American Girls Softball second team. She is the daughter of Elaine Braxton, Charleston Division cashier.

An all-around athlete, Beverly is a senior at Marshall University. During her collegiate years, she has become a nationally recognized track star and recently has become known for her ability on the softball field.

During the past summer, Beverly was star first baseman on the Charleston Pepsi-Cola sponsored softball team, which racked up a record of 55 wins, 5 losses. Last month the team captured a fourth place finish in the A. S. A. National Women's Slow Pitch Tournament at Satellite Beach, Florida.

Besides winning a sportsmanship award, the team had two players selected as among the best in the 58-team field. Beverly was named first baseman on the second team after batting 480 during the tourney.



THE FATHER-SON TEAM of Earl and Danny Sayers won the third annual member-guest golf tournament at Richwood Country Club with a net score of 57. Danny (left), transmission clerk senior in the GO T&D Transmission Section, Bluefield, won the fourth flight in the annual Princeton Elks Country Club championship by winning four consecutive matches at scores of 3-2.



NEWLY-ELECTED OFFICERS of the Lynchburg Division Employee Golf Association are (from left) Paul R. Keys, planner senior, secretary; J. K. Reid, electrical engineer, treasurer; Wesley Garner, meter service helper, president; and R. O. "Tom" Witt, line inspector, vice president. Minimum monthly dues are paid by each member, and employees pay their own green fees when a tournament is held.



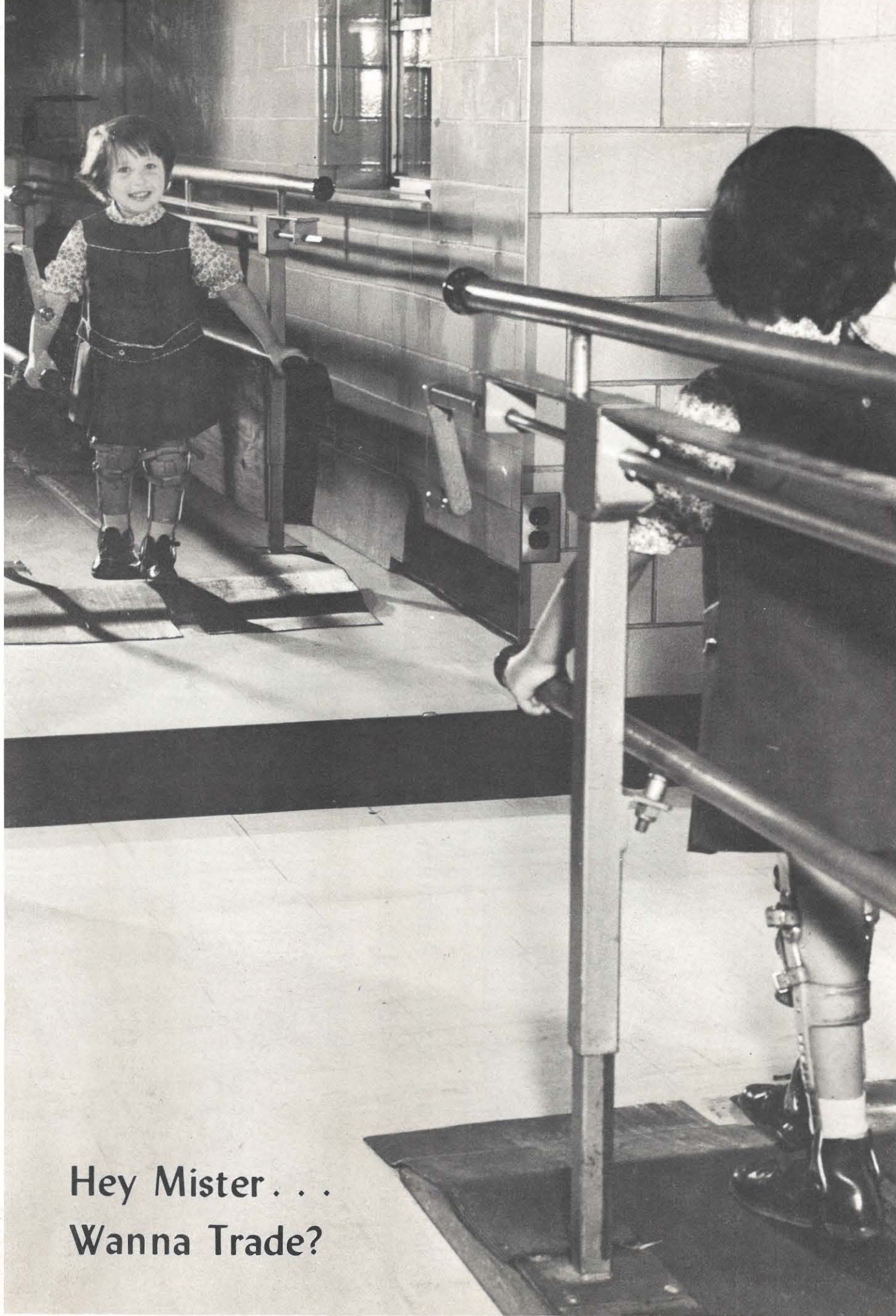
Members of the Appalachian team which won the Industrial Golf League play-off at Richwood Golf Club are (from left) J. J. Harmon, Jr.; D. C. Wright; Herman St. Clair; and Ron Devor. Not pictured is O. L. Robinson.

Bluefield Team Wins Industrial League Play-off At The Richwood Golf Club

A golf team made up of Bluefield Division employees won the play-off in the Industrial League at Richwood Golf Club last month. Members of the winning team were J. J. Harmon, Jr., staff engineer; D. C. Wright, administrative assistant; Herman St. Clair, electrical engineer; Ron Devor, business trainee, and O. L. Robinson, accounting supervisor. Robinson did not participate in the play-off because he had entered another tournament at the time.

This is the first year for the Industrial League. Eight teams played in the Monday League and eight in the Thursday League. The Appalachian team, winner in the Monday League, was pitted against Evans Chevrolet, Thursday League winner, in the play-off. Ron Devor had low score of 71.

The Appalachian team will receive a trophy. If the team wins three years in a row, the trophy will become a permanent possession.



Hey Mister . . .
Wanna Trade?

Neely Custom Designs, Builds Birdhouses

Charles "Doc" Neely, retired Charleston Division troubleman, is earning the reputation of building birdhouses that surpass any sold commercially in the area.

Doc's birdhouses are all individually designed and constructed. Many are built according to the wishes of special customers.



All the birdhouses and feeders made by Doc Neely are individually designed.

"A Japanese pagoda seems like an unlikely subject for a birdhouse," says Doc, "but one of my friends wanted a birdhouse built on that order so I made it for him." Several of the feeders are equipped with a device invented by Doc, which allows the top of the feeder to swivel

around and provides easy access to food storage when the supply is replenished. Another unusual design features a feeder mounted on a special ballbearing device and equipped with a wind catching wing. The feeder automatically swings with the wind and provides a constantly shifting shelter to ward off cold winter winds while birds are feeding.

Doc has several large bird feeding stations in his backyard which provide year-round stopping points for many varieties of birds. According to Doc, "Last winter I used over 175 pounds of bird feed in one feeder."

Doc's home, located at Big Chimney, West Virginia, sets along a gently sloping curve on Route 4 about six miles from Charleston. His handcrafted birdhouses and feeders are displayed in a homemade case near the highway, and a very small, neatly lettered sign reads "birdhouses and feeders for sale". Obviously, there is no attempt at commercialism. Doc says, "I just don't want my hobby to get to the point where it turns into work. Many of my friends have asked why I haven't displayed my work at the arts and crafts fairs throughout the state. I tell them that if I do that, people are liable to start buying and then I'd have to start working again. I'm retired, and I want to stay that way."

Doc developed his love for birds through the strong influence of his father, who for years was one of the few practicing veterinarians in the area. As you might expect, the unincorporated town of Big Chimney is an officially designated bird sanctuary.



FLOWER GARDEN—"I always did like to plant flowers. I guess it's the country in me," says John S. DeBusk, Northfork area serviceman. Whatever the reason, the appearance of the Northfork Station was enhanced this summer by the flower garden John planted in front. The garden included burning bushes, dahlias, gladiolas, geraniums, roses, several varieties of small flowers, and even tomato plants. Mrs. DeBusk canned some of the tomatoes and John gave some to fellow employees. John furnished all the bulbs and tended the bed on his own time.

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