



A. C. Channaiah's happiness is complete now that his mother (center) and wife (right) have both arrived to live in the United States.

Channaiah Looks Forward To Life In New Country With Wife, Mother

It was a little over two years ago when Arakere Channaiah of India took the first step toward fulfilling his childhood dream of coming to the United States.

He had graduated from the University of Mysore with a degree in electrical engineering and had worked for five years as an engineer at N.G.E.F. Ltd. All he knew of this country was what he had read and what several friends had written him.

Embarking on his journey to a new country and a new way of life was still a sad occasion, for he had to leave behind his wife, his elderly mother and many close friends.

Soon after his arrival in the States, he visited a native friend in Lynchburg and decided to seek employment there. He was hired as an electrical engineer in Appalachian's Lynchburg T&D Department in December of 1969, and fellow employees soon tagged him with the nickname "A. C."

Finally, after many forms and letters to the immigration services, A. C. succeeded in bringing his pretty wife, Jaya, to Lynchburg earlier this year. His happiness was complete when his mother, Amma, recently arrived. In India,

there is a very close tie between mother and son. When the son takes a wife, he brings her home to live with his family. Since A.C. is an only son, the separation between him and his mother was hard to bear.

The Channaiahs still cook and eat Indian food when they can find it, but Jaya likes the new recipes for American food because they are easy to fix. Several days of preparation are required to prepare for a feast of Indian food.

Jaya has learned to appreciate the many modern conveniences with which to do her daily chores. She particularly likes the refrigerator since appliances such as this are scarce in India. She speaks very little English; but, since her arrival, she has learned to drive an automobile and recently obtained her state driver's license. Jaya says she has made the adjustment to weather conditions in Lynchburg with great ease. In southern India the weather is mild year-round.

Mother Amma misses her friends and neighbors in India, but she states through her son, "The friends are being replaced by American television." Although she speaks only a few words of English, she enjoys watching TV programs.

While in India, A. C. traveled by scooter. Now he has also secured his driver's license and purchased an automobile. He says, "Travel here is just like a hobby. You can go so many places and see so many things." Any weekend will find them traveling to some historical point or to some distant city for sight-seeing.

A. C. is well pleased with his job and feels fortunate to work "with such nice people". He has enrolled in a course to work toward a master's degree through Virginia Polytechnic Institute. He looks forward to a good life in the United States and plans to take out citizenship papers.

Would he go back to India? "Only for a visit—but not to stay!"

850 Employees In IBEW Union On Strike Against Appalachian At 4 Plants, 6 Divisions

About one-fourth of Appalachian's employees remained off the job at the time *The Illuminator* went to press following the first general strike in the company's 45-year history on November 13.

The approximately 850 employees who are on strike are members of the International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers. They are located in the Beckley, Charleston, Huntington, Logan, Lynchburg, and Roanoke Divisions and the Cabin Creek, Clinch River, Glen Lyn, and Kanawha River Plants.

None of Appalachian's employees in the Abingdon, Bluefield, Pulaski, and Williamson areas are affected, as are none of the employees at the John E. Amos Plant or employees in the general offices of the company.

The strike came after union leadership rejected the company's "best and final offer" immediately after it was presented on November 8. Three days later, union leaders publicly announced that the company would be struck at midnight on November 13, the date of the expiration of the company-union contract.

Negotiating sessions with the union began on August 6, and the November 8 meeting was the 19th bargaining session. The contract was to have expired on September 30 but was extended to November 13 after Phase I of the wage-price freeze had been initiated.

During the strike, electric service to customers has been maintained by supervisory and other non-union employees. Essential services have been performed with little delay, and some construction projects have been carried forward with the help of contractors' crews.

There have been some incidents on picket lines, including interference with employees trying to get into offices and plants. The company has sought relief from the court in those cases.

Four days after the strike began, W. S. White, executive vice president of Appalachian, appeared before reporters in Roanoke to state the company's position in the strike.

MEETING SET
 Wednesday afternoon, November 24, the IBEW requested that negotiations be reopened. The company agreed to meet with union representatives in Roanoke on December 2.

He said that the company regretted the union leadership had chosen this course of action. He went on: "Throughout negotiations for a new contract . . . the leadership of the union has never really seriously tried to work toward agreements on various points in a new contract."

He said that it was only through the efforts of federal and state negotiators that the company was able to put its final offer on the table, and "it was immediately rejected with no discussion or questions about the contents."

Pointing out that the offer included substantial increases in wages, liberal improvements in fringe benefits, and many changes in working conditions which the union had requested, White said that it was inconceivable that the offer had to be forced on the union leadership for review. "Such response can only lead us to believe that a strike was the objective in the minds of the union leadership from the start of negotiations."

White said that one of the IBEW officials has stated that all of the IBEW unions in the American Electric Power System want to negotiate all of their contracts at the same time in a united effort, despite the fact that each union's contract is with its own operating company. He told newsmen of a notice on a union bulletin board in August in Indiana & Michigan Electric Company that said in part: "Everyone is supposed to wait until the Fort Wayne contract is up before they sign anything on the American Electric Power System." Fort

Wayne's contract expires December 15.

White said that "the union leadership has blatantly disregarded the welfare of its members in failure to negotiate and reach a reasonable settlement."

He concluded his press conference remarks with a pledge to customers that the company fully expects to maintain electric service with as little inconvenience to customers as possible.

AEP To Build Coal Terminal

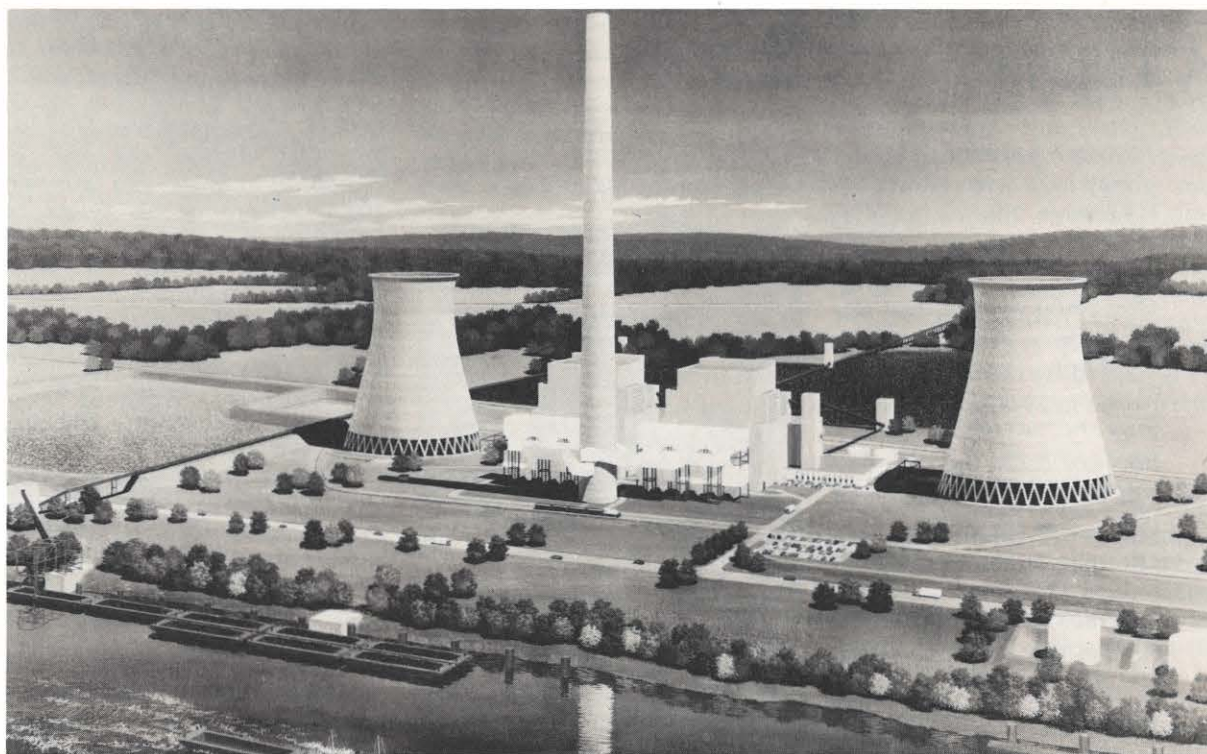
The American Electric Power System last month announced plans for the construction and operation of a major coal-transfer point on the Ohio River near Belpre, Ohio.

Donald C. Cook, chairman and president of American Electric Power, said that work would begin immediately on a floating dock, a coal receiving area, and a conveyor system linking the two. The terminal is scheduled for operation during December. Its cost is estimated at \$800,000.

"This is another step in the System's continuing program to maximize the utilization of our coal resources," Cook said. "It will be a major transfer point for AEP coal to be delivered to AEP plants on the Ohio River and its tributaries, and will add a new and high degree of flexibility in our coal delivery procedures."

Coal will be delivered from the AEP System's Muskingum Mine, 25 miles away, to the new terminal to be loaded on river barges. The Belpre facility, on a 178-acre site fronting 8,400 feet on the river, will initially handle some 40,000 tons of coal monthly, increasing to 100,000 tons by the spring of 1972.

Cook pointed out that the AEP System has 16 large coal-fired generating plants in operation or under construction in the Ohio Valley, including eight on the Ohio River itself.



This is a sketch of Ohio Power's 2.6-million kw General James M. Gavin Plant under construction near Cheshire, Ohio.

500,000 Safe Manhours

Employees in two Appalachian locations have worked 500,000 consecutive manhours without a disabling injury.

The 224 employees in Pulaski Division accumulated their safe manhours between September 10, 1970, and October 25, 1971. Some 146 employees at Glen Lyn Plant achieved their safety milestone between January 21, 1970, and October 9, 1971.



Tribute was paid to J. W. Ellis, Jr., (standing) at the 20th anniversary celebration of Kentucky Power's Quarter Century Club. He founded the club in 1951.

Founder Of Quarter Century Club Honored At Anniversary Celebration

At the 20th anniversary celebration of Kentucky Power's Quarter Century Club, tribute was paid to its founder, J. W. Ellis, Jr. Ellis recently retired after 45 years' service and will reside in Venice, Florida.

On February 8, 1951, Ellis celebrated his 25th service anniversary with a small dinner party, inviting as guests other veteran employees with 25 or more years of service. This group of 17 employees organized the Quarter Century Club with membership automatic upon an employee's 25th service anniversary. There are now 89 members, active and retired.

Hosting this year's anniversary celebration were Helen Eaton and Felicia Billips. Paul Lombard, president, presided over the dinner, with 56 members and guests in attendance. Welcomed into the club as new members were Walter Lemaster, Luther Thompson, J. R. Paul, Russell Scaggs, Liew Osborne, John Caines, Herman Taylor, T. J. Cogan, Herb Charles, Otto Russell, Dave Broughton and Jay Runyon. Entertainment for the evening was provided by Herbert and Florence Kincaid, Pikeville, who showed slides of their recent tour of Spain.

Jim Ebeling Retires After 36 Years' Work With Hydro And Steam Plants

James A. Ebeling, supervising engineer in the General Office Operating Department, Roanoke, retired December 1 after 36 years' service.

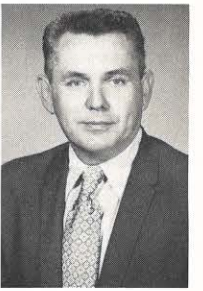
A mechanical engineering graduate of the University of Pennsylvania, Ebeling has attended an AEP Management Training Program at the University of Michigan. He was employed in 1935 in AEP's Incremental Study Department to follow the economic loading of steam power plants. He was assigned to study various equipment at Windsor, Philo, Kenova, Glen Lyn and Cabin Creek Plants. In 1945 he transferred to Appalachian's System Operating Department to help develop the incremental loading of its hydro and steam plants. This work continued until 1948 when the AEP coordinating office was established in Columbus, Ohio. He transferred to Roanoke with the System Operating Department in 1949.

Ebeling continued to work in the development of the operation and loading of Appalachian's hydroelectric plants. He was involved in the initial planning of the Smith Mountain Pumped Storage and Hydroelectric Project and in the development of the weekly cycle operation of the plant. He worked closely with the U. S. Corps of Engineers in developing a flood manual for the Roanoke River. He also participated in the early planning of the proposed Blue Ridge Project.



Ebeling

According to his supervisor, Ebeling's graphs, charts and numerous write-ups in hydro manuals will be used for many years in the future by operating personnel in Appalachian's hydro plants. Ebeling and his wife Frances have been married for 30 years. They hope to visit either Europe or Mexico for an extended trip next year. Ebeling plans to stay busy during retirement. He is an active member of a new church recently organized in the Roanoke Valley. He enjoys reading and plans to do further study in comparative religion. He also hopes to find time to take some courses at area colleges.



Youell

Youell Promoted To Foreman Post

George Youell, Jr., instrument maintenance man A, has been promoted to instrument maintenance foreman at Kanawha River Plant.

Youell was employed as an instrument maintenance man C at the plant in March 1953 and became instrument maintenance man B in October of that year. He advanced to instrument maintenance man A in 1968.

He is married and has four children.

Smith, Pippin Take New Jobs



Smith

Pippin

Two promotions in the Kingsport Accounting Department have been announced. Woodrow Q. Smith has been named accounting supervisor to succeed James T. Duncan, who retired November 1. Succeeding Smith as customer accounting supervisor is Jack Pippin.

A 25-year veteran in the Accounting Department, Smith was first employed as a clerk. He was promoted to utility clerk in 1953 and became customer accounting supervisor in 1965. A graduate of Chillicothe Business College, Smith served in the Armed Forces during World War II. He is married and has a son.

Pippin started to work in 1954 as a meter reader and became a utility clerk in 1965. He was promoted to customer accounts representative A in 1968. A Kingsport native, he served in the Air Force for three years. Pippin is enrolled in night classes at East Tennessee State University, where he is a junior, majoring in accounting. He is married and has a son and daughter.

Logan Golfers Hold Tournament

Twenty-one employees participated in the Logan-Williamson Division employees' golf tournament at Logan Country Club. All expenses were borne by those participating.

E. E. King, Williamson area manager, won low gross honors with an 82. Division superintendent J. L. Richmond finished second low gross with an 84. Low net honors went to power sales engineer C. R. Wilson and sales manager J. A. Dunham, each carding a 72.

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The Cover

Elizabeth Mullins looks at a creche as she listens once again to the story of the birth of Jesus. Beth is the 10-year-old daughter of Joe L. Mullins, Huntington customer accounts supervisor.

United Fund Drive Successful

Several employees were instrumental in helping the United Fund of Roanoke Valley exceed its campaign goal of \$1,318,000.

J. Emmett Blackwell, GO training supervisor, was chairman of the Public Service Division, which met its quota of \$191,200. W. D. Ditman, GO administrative assistant, was section chairman in charge of utilities and attained 102.8 percent of his quota of \$117,000. C. R. Wooten, GO training coordinator, received a special recognition award for his leadership. Other workers in the Public Service Division were C. K. Price, GO station clerk senior, and Richard S. Winstead, Roanoke Division commercial sales representative.

Bruce Beam, company attorney, was section chairman in the Commercial B category and was successful in raising \$65,670.

Roanoke Division and Roanoke General Office employees pledged \$22,004 to the United Fund for an average of \$29.11 per employee. R. W. Staton, right of way agent B, is president of the Roanoke Employees Benevolent Association.

Fleming Ends 26-Year Career



Fleming

Russell D. Fleming, Ashland Division head custodian, retired December 1 after more than 26 years' service.

A native of Willard, Kentucky, Fleming attended schools in Carter County and joined Kentucky Power in 1945.

Fleming enjoys carpentry work so much that he completely built his own home. Much of his time is spent doing things for his children and grandchildren and, according to fellow workers, for everyone else. One employee commented that Fleming has a deep concern for others and is never too busy for anyone.

When asked what was the first thing he planned to do after retiring, Fleming replied, "Nothing". His plans are still indefinite, but he and his wife will travel out West "strictly at our own pace, no hurry, just slow and easy".

A Legend

There's a beautiful legend that's never been told,
It may have been known to the Wise Men of old.
How three little children came early at dawn,
With hearts that were sad to where Jesus was born.

One could not see, one was too lame to play;
While the other, a mute, not a word could he say.
Yet, led by His star, they came there to peep
At the little Lord Jesus with eyes closed in sleep.

But how could the Christ Child, so lovely and fair,
Not awaken and smile when He heard their glad prayer
Of hope at His coming, of faith in His birth,
Of praise at His bringing God's peace to the earth?

And then, as the light softly came through the door,
The lad that was lame stood upright once more.
The boy that was mute started sweetly to sing,
While the child that was blind looked with joy on the King!

—Author Unknown

Four Huntington Division Employees Retire In December After 170 Years, 6 Months Of Accident-Free Service



Thacker

"I've worn a hard hat longer than any man who ever worked in this division," claims **Vernon Thacker**, cigar-smoking foreman of the Huntington Station Section. He will retire December 31 after 47 years and 10 months of service.

Vernon was one of the first employees to be issued a hard hat by the company, and few people have ever seen him without one. He puts it on when he reports for work and takes it off when he quits.

Temporary Job

Vernon started out as a "temporary" laborer with Consolidated Light and Power Company, a predecessor of Appalachian. The company had some residential and commercial customers and a few streetlights but its first responsibility was operation of the streetcar line. Vernon recalls that when an outage occurred, service was restored to the streetcar system even before it was to homes.

Vernon says one of the highlights of his career was the day the Station Section got its first truck. Up until that time the crews carried their tools and materials with them on streetcars.

Vernon's career included work as a maintenance man and electrician before being promoted to station foreman in 1953. He recalls working long hours through such trying times as floods, fires and other disasters. He is proud of the sticker on his hard hat which shows he has worked 47 years without a disabling injury.

Cash Payoff

Vernon speaks highly of the company, saying that in almost

half a century of service he only missed one pay check. The company paid off in cash one week during the depression when President Roosevelt closed all the banks. If he had it all to do over, he says he would further his education. He had to quit school after the eighth grade to go to work. Today he counsels the young men under his supervision to attend night school, take correspondence courses and apply themselves to their jobs so that they can advance.

An outdoorsman, Vernon enjoys hunting and fishing. "Now," he says, "thanks to our company retirement plan, my wife and I can live and enjoy retirement very comfortably."

The retirement of stationman **Jennings B. Jarrell** December 1 marked the end of an era in the Huntington Division. He is the last of five Jarrell men to work for Appalachian. His father James died in 1924 while employed at Kenova Plant. His brother Kermit retired in 1964 with partial disability; brother Mack worked for the company on several occasions; and his deceased brother Lee left the company prior to retirement.

Drove Mule

Jennings' service record dates back 47 years, but he actually worked for the company two years before that. He hired on as a laborer at Kenova Plant, hauling crossties for the streetcar line with a mule and wagon. Back then laborers were hired on a day-to-day basis and paid in cash at the end of the day. He signed on the company payroll in 1924 and started receiving his wages by check. He remembers well many paydays when he was given his check on Fridays and cautioned not to cash it until Monday. The Saturday business receipts had to be deposited before the check was covered.

Known to his co-workers as "Fats", Jennings acquired the nickname in 1924 when he weighed only 150 pounds. Today he tips the scales at 220 pounds and when he laughs, he laughs "all over".

Nearly all his career was spent in the Station Section. He was an electrician and maintenance man before being promoted to stationman in 1953. If he had his life to live over, he says he would

The three surviving members of the Jarrell family visited the old Kenova Plant site to talk over old times. Jennings (center) retired December 1 and Kermit (left) retired in 1964. Mack (right) left the company several years ago to enter private business.

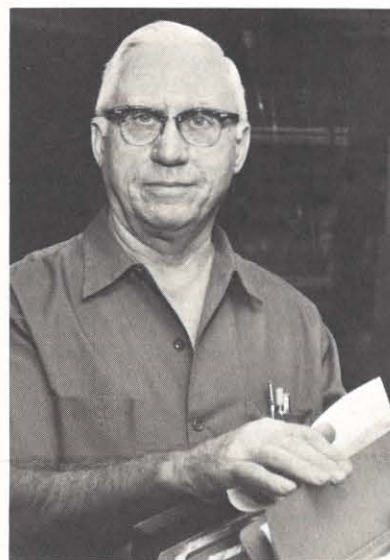


further his education but still work for the power company.

Band Booster

Jennings has been an active member of the Ceredo-Kenova Band Boosters since 1946 when his son played in the band. Even though his son is now grown and has two children, Jennings continues to work with the Boosters. He attends church, plays golf, supports all the local sports events, and spends the remainder of his time tending the yard and flowers for his wife Ada Bell.

His plans for the future? "Simple", replies Jennings. "I plan to keep busy. I don't have anything definite in mind other than I don't plan to sit down and do nothing. We are going to travel, fish and enjoy retirement. Thanks to the retirement plan, all of this will now be possible."



Browning

Carlos Browning, material clerk in the Huntington Stores Department, will close the files on his nearly 41 years' service with Appalachian when he retires December 31.

Carlos joined the company as a construction worker on the old Kenova Plant and later went to work inside the plant. He was a clerk, timekeeper, cashier in the collection office, results analyst and, when necessary, substituted as a truck driver, lab technician, river pump operator and switchboard operator. When the Kenova Plant was retired from service, Carlos was transferred to the Huntington Stores Department.

Difficult Adjustment

Carlos says, "I will always be grateful to Appalachian for the position taken when the plant closed. Many companies simply let employees go when their jobs were eliminated, but this wasn't the case in my situation." He recalls that the change-over in jobs was a difficult adjustment for him.

Carlos speaks highly of the company's safety program and is proud of the fact he hasn't had a lost time accident. He believes in the company's philosophy that "accidents don't just happen, they are caused".

Church Work

His plans for the future include more church work. He is an elder in the Ceredo Church of Christ and has taught a high school age Sunday School class for over 20 years. "Thank goodness, I can

stop living by the clock. Now I will have time to visit a few places my wife and I have been talking about. I can play more golf, tend to my yard, visit the sick and live like I don't have a care in the world. Thanks to our retirement plan, all of this will be possible."

Stonewall Fannin, Huntington truck driver-groundman, parked his truck and hung up his hard hat December 1 after nearly 35 years' driving for Appalachian without a disabling injury.

A Kentucky native, Stonewall started with the company in 1937 and helped clean up and rebuild the damaged distribution system after the biggest Ohio River flood ever to hit the Huntington Valley. His entire career was spent in the Line Department and, in his own words, he has seen his work grow from a dirty, hard and dangerous job into one that is easier, cleaner and safer.

Improved Equipment

Stonewall refers to the modernization of the company's line trucks. "Back in the old days all poles had to be set by hand and there were no hydraulic assists with the burden of the lifting. Every pole had to be climbed because the bucket truck hadn't been invented. In case of trouble, communication between the dispatcher and line crews was an almost impossible task." He even appreciates the fact that line crews can now ride to and from a job inside the truck. When he started, the driver and foreman rode in the cab, and the line crew kept warm as best they could while riding in the open truck bed. He is especially happy about the company's safety program of making a concentrated effort to stop accidents altogether.

Good Company

When asked what he would do if he could relive the past, Stonewall replied, "I wouldn't hesitate a minute to spend another career with Appalachian Power. The company has been good to me and, thanks to the retirement plan, my senior years will be spent comfortably."

Stonewall plans to "stop living by the clock. I can sleep as long as I wish and go where I please. With good health, my wife Hazel and I can spend more time visiting with friends and family." The Fannins have two sons, Jackie, who is married and a student at Marshall University, and James, who is employed in Charleston.



Fannin



A POLE TOP RESCUE training course was held recently for all linemen, stationmen and meter employees in Lynchburg, with S. L. Drumheller, line foreman, as instructor. In this photo, B. R. Lemar (left) and Nowlin Maddox (right) administer rescue breathing and prepare to lower victim Harry Hughes to the ground.

Kentucky Moves Wright, Berginnis



Wright

Berginnis

Two men have received new appointments in a reorganization of Kentucky Power Company activities.

Ronald S. Wright was named the company's wage and salary supervisor in the General Office Personnel Department. He had recently succeeded the late Charles Stayton as Ashland Division administrative supervisor.

At the same time, Edward L. Berginnis, area office accounting coordinator in General Office Accounting, was named Ashland Division accounting supervisor.

An Air Force veteran, Wright holds a BS degree in industrial administration from the University of Kentucky. Before graduation he worked during the summers in the Ashland Commercial and Accounting Departments. He was employed as departmental assistant in the General Office Personnel Department in 1967 and was promoted to personnel assistant in charge of wages and benefits in 1969. He is married and has one son.

A native of Beckley, West Virginia, Berginnis graduated from Concord College with a BS degree in business administration. He joined the company in 1965 as departmental assistant in General Office Accounting and was named administrative assistant to the accounting manager in 1967. He became area office accounting coordinator in 1969. Married, he is the son of E. A. Berginnis, Beckley Division line foreman.

PEOPLE IN THE SPOTLIGHT

PIKEVILLE

Tara Ann Lee won first place in the Mullins High School fashion show for fourth to sixth grade students and received a trophy from the Band Boosters who sponsored the event. She is the daughter of Bonnie J. Lee, credit and collection clerk.

Stafford Damron, meter reader, has received an honorable discharge from the U. S. Army. He was in the local reserve unit after serving on active duty.

Curtis McClung, retired Ashland employee, visited in the Pikeville Division recently. Curtis worked for a number of years in Pikeville before transferring to Ashland.

The Annual Christmas dinner for employees will be held on December 17. The following afternoon there will be a visit from Santa along with cartoons and goodies for employees' children.

ROANOKE



Mrs. Hiner

Brown

Pauline Hiner, retired merchandise order and billing clerk senior, attended the Virginia state convention of American War Mothers as the new president of the Roanoke Chapter.

Melvin W. Brown, Fieldale customer accounting supervisor, was elected to the Henry County board of supervisors for a four-year term. He is serving as vice chairman of "Christmas Cheer", a volunteer organization which helps needy families in the Martinsville-Collinsville-Fieldale area.

Melissa Paitsel received a national commendation of honor for scoring in the top two percent among the 35,000 students taking the 1971 National Merit Scholarship qualifying test. She is the daughter of Marion Paitsel, heating and builder sales representative.

CHARLESTON

H. K. Shabdue, area development consultant, was elected secretary of the West Virginia Industrial Development Association.

Herb Miller, draftsman, is assisting with the development of the Mountain State Holiday Arts and Crafts Fair in St. Albans. Some of his work will be featured along with that of the West Virginia Arts and Craftsman's Guild.

W. R. Currey, administrative assistant, has been named to the board of directors of the newly formed Kanawha Valley Junior Achievement program.

W. B. Belchee, assistant division manager, was named to the board of directors of the Buckskin Council, Boy Scouts of America. He also served as a divi-

sional chairman in the Charleston United Fund Drive.

Kim Boggess was elected by the student body of Sissonville Junior High School as the eighth grade attendant to the homecoming queen. Kim is the daughter of Carol Boggess, secretarial stenographer.

Milton W. Scott, service representative, has been named chairman of the board of the Kanawha Valley Communications Club.

Rev. Charles W. Schnell, Clendenin meter reader, is serving as lighting and sound technician for the Extra-Ordinary Chorale, a 40-member youth choral group from the Emmanuel Baptist Church of Charleston.

HUNTINGTON

Mitchell Julien, son of Marshall Julien, personnel supervisor, placed second in the ten-year-old category in the Huntington area punt, pass and kick contest.

Q. H. Wickline, Point Pleasant dealer sales representative, has been elected Sunday School superintendent at the Presbyterian Church in Point Pleasant.

Anna Laura Kovich, daughter of J. A. Kovich, senior electrical engineer, was elected a senator to Marshall University's student government. A junior, she received the highest number of votes cast.

Marshall Julien, personnel supervisor, represented Bowling Green State University at the inauguration ceremonies of Dr. John Barker at Marshall University.

Margo Fotos, daughter of M. A. Fotos, line supervisor, was one of 59 "straight A" students in Cabell County to receive a ticket to all of Marshall University's home football games. The recognition was made by the First Huntington National Bank.

BLUEFIELD

Cindy Mash, daughter of Mary Lou Mash, customer accounts representative C, is publicity chairman of the Junior Deb Club at Bluefield High School. She is the only eighth grader to hold office.

Nora Wright, a sophomore at Bluefield College, is reporter for the Gamma Phi Chapter, PTK. The daughter of D. C. Wright, administrative assistant, Nora has been named to the dean's list.

Karen McCall, daughter of Arminta McCall, clerk typist, has been elected co-secretary of the Home Economics Club at Bluefield High School.

Marilyn Barr, clerk trainee, has been appointed reporter for the "Trinity Topics", a monthly paper sponsored by the Young Adults Sunday School class of Trinity Methodist Church in Bluefield.

Anne Jackson, daughter of Kenneth Jackson, customer accounting supervisor, was elected Y-Teen president of her class. Anne is a junior at Bluefield High School and an honor student.

Lois Ann Dudash, daughter of Steve Dudash, station supervisor, is co-editor of "The Pinnacle" yearbook at Bramwell High School. She was selected as a

member of the chorus for an invitational music festival for band and chorus members of various schools held at Concord College.

Betty Nash, daughter of W. L. Nash, meterman B, and **Mary Kay Fanning**, daughter of E. E. Fanning, building supervisor, were named to the honor roll at Graham High School.

Also named to honor rolls at their respective schools were **Randy Turpin**, son of J. R. Turpin, air conditioning engineer, Glenwood School; **G. T. Lineberry**, son of G. T. Lineberry, meter serviceman A, Bluefield High School; and **Donald Jackson**, son of Kenneth A. Jackson, customer accounting supervisor, eighth grade at Central Junior High.

BECKLEY

Robert L. Allen presented a one-man senior art show at Concord College. Included in his exhibit were drawings, watercolor paintings, sculptures and three-dimensional designs. He is the husband of Barbara Allen, stenographer.

KINGSPORT

Ever popular sale items at the Women's Symphony Committee's annual Peddler's Fair are Raggedy Ann's, Raggedy Andy's and other stuffed toys made by **Mrs. John Faust**, wife of the executive assistant. Profits from this fund-raising effort benefit the orchestra through scholarships, guest artists and special musical events.

CABIN CREEK

George W. Hudnall, son of retiree John S. Hudnall, was selected for membership in Tau Beta Pi, national engineering honorary group, at West Virginia Institute of Technology.

JOHN E. AMOS



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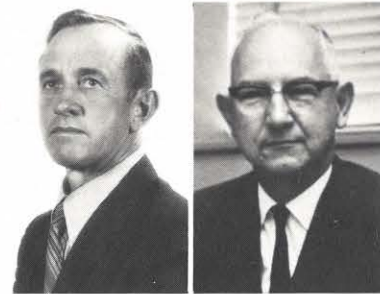
Bill Baronick, chief timekeeper in the Construction Department, has been elected mayor of the Village of Pomeroy, Ohio. He has served four years as a councilman and is president of the Board of Public Affairs. He is also active in the Pomeroy Fire Department.

GENERAL OFFICE

E. Keith Chambers, communications engineer in the GO T&D Communications Section, Bluefield, was appointed Senior Grand Deacon of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons of the State of West Virginia. Chambers, a past master of Mercer Lodge No. 160, Bluefield, had just completed the year as Grand Marshal.

New employees in Roanoke are **Cecil W. Martin**, station maintenance man A; **Charles L. Shrader**, right of way agent; **Betty H. Pugh**, clerk trainee; **Rhonda Y. Tyree**, clerk typist; and **Frank C. Campbell**, mail clerk. **Wayne T. Sink** is a new electrical engineer in Huntington.

ABINGDON



Grizzel

McPherson

Worrell H. Grizzel, line foreman (NE) in Gate City, has been elected to the Scott County board of supervisors. This was his first attempt in seeking an elective office, and the decision to run came only after extreme pressure from voters in his district.

Fillmore McPherson, Jr., division manager, was elected president of The Barter Foundation, Inc., succeeding the late Robert H. Porterfield. The foundation is a non-profit organization responsible for funding and operation of Barter Theater, recognized as the "State Theater of Virginia". Barter was founded by Porterfield during the depression when actors bartered their theatrical talents for food and farm produce.

Ray Eskew, station foreman, has been re-elected chairman of the council of deacons, Abingdon Baptist Church. **James Hughes** was elected secretary of the council.

A. C. Steffey, area serviceman, is a coach in Clintwood's midwest league football program.

Allison Steffey, son of A. C. Steffey, and **Chip Thayer**, son of Hunter Thayer, participated in the regional punt-kick-pass competition held in Bristol. Both were previous winners in the 9-year-old category in their respective locations.

David Brooks, son of James H. Brooks, Marion lineman A, has been named manager of the Smyth County Public Service Authority. David, a VPI graduate, worked for Appalachian as a summer employee in 1968-69.

Employees' children on the Abingdon High School honor roll for the first six weeks were: All A's, **Randy Cole** and **Mary Lambert**. All A's and B's, **Beth Hughes**, **Melanie Buchanan**, **Leah Fleenor** and **Stasia Jackson**.

Fred Poe, retired Marion dealer sales representative, visited the Abingdon Office recently.

Serving as coaches and assistants in the Abingdon youth basketball program are **Hunter Thayer**, **Roy Gregory**, **Buddy Snodgrass**, **Bill Ferguson**, **Al Scott**, **Jim Hughes**, **Don Landreth**, **Jim Cook** and **Bob Trent**.

ASHLAND

Charolett Schweitzer is serving a two-year term as a director of the newly organized Ashland Pilot Club. She is the wife of Bill Schweitzer, residential sales advisor.

Boy Scout Troop 162, with **Edward Kemper** as Scoutmaster, placed second in the annual fall camporee held in Grayson. Kemper is a lineman B.

J. A. Palmer, public affairs director, was installed as second vice president of the Ashland Kiwanis Club.

Sixth graders at Condit School took Halloween decorations and books they had prepared to children patients at King's Daughters' Hospital. Their teacher, **Cedar Miller**, is the wife of W. R. Miller, engineering superintendent in General Office T&D.

Mrs. Otto Russell instructed members of the Old Orchard Homemaker's Club in creative gift wrapping. She also presented ideas on how to personalize decorations for home decor. She is the wife of O. H. Russell, general records, tax and statistical supervisor in General Office Accounting.

PULASKI

Kathy Ellen Jarrells, part-time employee, has been elected president of the Future Business Leaders of America at Pulaski High School.

Officers of the Wytheville Office Benevolent Association are **J. C. Hash**, lineman C, president; **C. S. Suthers**, meter reader, vice president; and **Nelson M. Quesenberry**, heating and builder sales representative, secretary-treasurer.

Benevolent Association officers in the Christiansburg Office are **Richard D. Byrd**, meter reader, president; **Deborah J. Goodson**, clerk-trainee, vice president; and **Wayne Ruble**, planner senior, secretary-treasurer.

GLEN LYN

George A. Thwaites, auxiliary equipment operator, played to the hilt his role of a dreamy Irishman in the Giles Little Theatre production of "Finian's Rainbow".

Elected cheerleaders at Petersburg High School were **Barbara** and **Patti Witt**, daughters of J. H. Witt, Jr., engineer B, and **Connie Fleshman**, daughter of W. R. Fleshman, head material clerk.

Retirees **Ruth Butcher**, **J. C. Keatley**, **R. Y. Woodburn** and **C. S. Davis** visited the plant recently.

CLINCH RIVER

Ernest R. Justice, **Michael D. Killion** and **Kenneth B. Bolling** are new laborers at the plant.

Ruth Noe, senior plant clerk, has been installed as the Southwest District President of 4-H Club Leaders. She moved up to this post after serving as leader of the Lebanon 4-H senior group. She has also been a leader and supporter of Scout Troop 239 and its affiliated Cub Scout program.

The Lebanon Pioneers' eighth grade team posted an 8-0 record with four sons of Clinch River employees as players. **Gary Caldwell** was cited for both offensive and defensive ability, and **Gary Jonas** received recognition for his offensive efforts. Other players were **Mike Jonas** and **Curtis Richards**.

LYNCHBURG

J. T. Davis, Jr., son of Joseph T. Davis, retired streetlight attendant, served as program chairman for the annual Pancake Jamboree sponsored by the Lynchburg Exchange Club.

Buddy Driskill, son of E. R. Driskill, heating and builder sales representative, is a member of the state Catholic soccer championship team.

Mrs. Alma McCarthy was honored with a reception at Linkhorne Elementary School as one of 17 Lynchburg teachers retiring with a total of 459 years of teaching experience. She is the wife of Joseph W. McCarthy, retired customer accounts supervisor.

In Memoriam



Elswick

William T. Elswick, 81, retired Bluefield station operator B, died October 15 after a long illness.

A native of Belspring, Virginia, Elswick joined Appalachian in 1925 as a helper in the Substation Department. He served as an electrician's helper, chief operator, substation operator A, maintenance man B and was a station operator B at the time of his retirement October 1, 1955.



Hill

Garlin E. Hill, Sr., 70, retired Bluefield Division auto repairman A, was killed in an automobile accident October 19 while returning from a visit with his son in Columbus, Ohio.

A native of Dickenson County, Virginia, Hill was employed in 1936 as a mechanic. He worked as a foreman, auto mechanic A and was an auto repairman A when he retired in 1966.

Another son, Garlin E. Hill, Jr., is a maintenance man A in Bluefield.

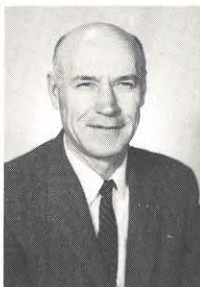


Dent

Mike Dent, 75, retired auxiliary equipment operator at Glen Lyn Plant, died October 17.

A native of Giles County, Virginia, Dent began his career at the plant in 1925. Before he retired in 1959 he had worked as a laborer, coal handler, boiler operator, turbine operator and auxiliary equipment operator.

Dent is survived by his widow, five daughters and one son.



Ray

Raymond Ray, 58, utility foreman at Kanawha River Plant, died unexpectedly October 21.

A native of West Hamlin, West Virginia, Ray began his career as a laborer at Logan Plant in 1934. He advanced through several positions before becoming boiler operator A in 1944 and remained in that job until the Logan Plant was shut down. He transferred to Kanawha in 1961 as a laborer and was promoted to utility foreman in 1967.

Ray is survived by his widow, two sons, one daughter and five grandchildren. One son, Bernard, is a boiler operator C at Cabin Creek Plant.



Grimes

John Henry Grimes, 69, retired Philip Sporn Plant shift operating engineer, died October 17.

A native of Woodlawn, Virginia, Grimes began his career in 1922 as an operator at Logan Plant. He advanced to shift superintendent in 1946 and transferred to Sporn in 1949 as a shift operating engineer. He remained in that position until retirement in 1961.

Grimes is survived by his widow.



Ingles

James Harvey Ingles, 55, retired Ashland groundman, died unexpectedly November 16.

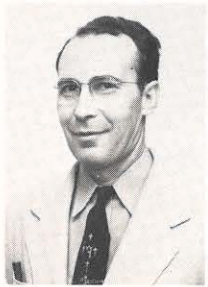
A native of Carter County, Kentucky, Ingles joined the company in 1948 as a laborer and advanced to groundman in 1964. He retired in 1967 due to a disability. He served in the U. S. Army during World War II.

Ingles is survived by his widow, one son, three daughters, five brothers and three sisters.

William Chaffin, 82, retired stationman helper in Ashland, died November 12.

A native of Lawrence County, Kentucky, Chaffin joined Kentucky Power in 1943. He retired in 1954.

Chaffin is survived by two sons, three daughters, 14 grandchildren, 30 great-grandchildren, and one brother.



Mullins

Fred J. Mullins, 60, retired Bluefield meterman B, died October 20 after a long illness.

A native of Princeton, West Virginia, Mullins began his career with Appalachian in 1945. He took early retirement due to ill health on December 31, 1959.



Howard Price (right) talks with Ray Lester, heating and builder sales representative.

Total Electric Installation Preserves Authenticity Of Historical Black Home

High on the cliff which forms a horseshoe bend around the Radford Army Amunition Plant stands the recently restored home of John Black, for whom the town of Blacksburg is named.

The home was originally a two-story, four-room log house constructed in 1787 near what is now the site of the War Memorial Gym on the campus of Virginia Polytechnic Institute and University. At that time the area was known as Draper's Meadow. As time passed, the town grew and the college was formed. The Black home was moved several times during construction of various campus buildings and finally officials decided something had to be done with the house.

At that time, Howard Price, a 1930 graduate of VPI and now serving as director of buildings, grounds and services at the college, saw the opportunity to realize a dream he and his wife Virginia had had for many years. They had always wanted to build an authentic 18th century home and the logs in the Black house would answer this dream. He purchased the house and in 1963 dismantled the 176-year-old logs, numbering them so they could be put back together without cutting or alteration.

Price and his wife, who works at the college library, selected a site on their farm at Prices' Fork, his ancestral home. The timbers were moved and stored close to the site until 1965, awaiting the relocation of a road. When construction finally started, the original doors, windows, baseboards and casings were used. The ceiling beams are original as is most of the 1 1/8" thick flooring.

The Prices had collected many antiques to furnish their home in keeping with its heritage, and they decided that one of the best ways to protect the house and furnishings would be a total electric installation. The inside walls were furred out, insulated, and paneled. Electric baseboard heating units were installed along with a total electric kitchen. Fireplaces were eliminated. Working with the Prices was Ray E. Lester, heating and builder sales representative in Christiansburg, Pulaski Division.

The Prices are well pleased with their installation, saying "It

has proved to be both clean and economical and has not detracted from the house or furnishings".

Air Force Cites Wayne Edwards



Capt. Edwards

Captain Wayne B. Edwards was one of nine liaison officers in West Virginia and eastern Kentucky who received the Air Force Outstanding Unit Award for "outstanding performance of duty, dedication and loyalty while assigned to the 9767th Air Reserve Squadron" from the period January 1, 1968, through December 31, 1969. Edwards is personnel assistant in the Ashland Division.

Some 1200 liaison officers in 50 states aid prospective high school students who desire to attend the United States Air Force Academy. It is estimated that the Air Force would require an office staff of 125 people, at an annual cost of \$2.3-million to taxpayers, to equal the performance of the liaison officer program.

PROMOTIONS & TRANSFERS

Appalachian Power Company

Abingdon Division

J. D. MOORE to Meterman B. R. D. POE to Meterman B.

John E. Amos Plant

F. E. HOYT from Maintenance Foreman, Operations, to Mechanical Construction Assistant, Construction. HOMER GORDON, Maintenance Foreman, from Construction to Operations.

Bluefield Division

J. K. SIGMON to Lineman B. J. G. WILLIAMS to Lineman A. R. L. HESS to Planner. D. H. HUDSON, JR., to Stationman C.

Clinch River Plant

D. K. SCALES to Utility Man. G. W. HACKNEY to Coal Equipment Operator. T. D. TAYLOR to Utility Coal Handler. L. W. SUMMERS, JR., to Utility Man.

General Office

C. R. LESTER to Transmission Man C. J. L. SPARKS, JR., to Transmission Man C. R. G. LINVILLE to Transmission Man C. R. L. THOMPSON to Transmission Man C. D. V. HAMILTON to Transmission Man B. G. A. McCLUNG to Transmission Man C. J. A. JOYCE, JR., to Transmission Man C. R. L. CLINEVELL to Transmission Man A. D. W. CARTER to Transmission Man B. R. O. REPASS to Transmission Man A. R. S. WALLS to Transmission Man B. L. W. STEVENS to Draftsman. R. D.

GARDNER to Transmission Man C. C. H. JONES to Transmission Man A. R. C. SULT from mine purchasing agent, Central Appalachian Coal, to purchasing assistant, GO Purchasing. MARSENA HARTLESS to General Accounting Clerk Senior. SHARON MULLINEAUX to Payroll Clerk B.

Glen Lyn Plant

ANTHONY R. NOBLE to Utility Man.

Huntington Division

R. D. BIAS to Stationman C. D. M. PERRY to Stationman C. T. E. WELLS to Stationman B.

Kanawha River Plant

T. L. WOLFE to Auxiliary Equipment Operator. J. E. PAIGE to Utility Operator. C. L. Knight to Instrument Maintenance Man B. J. I. CREASEY to Instrument Maintenance Man B.

Radford Plant

J. A. LANE, JR., to Auxiliary Equipment Operator. J. D. JACKSON to Auxiliary Equipment Operator.

Roanoke Division

S. E. MARTIN to Lineman C. P. M. KINNEY to Meterman C.

Philip Sporn Plant

CAMILLE Y. DOSS to Plant Stores Record Clerk.

Kentucky Power Company

Ashland Division

AMOS BARTLEY, JR., to Lineman C. D. E. SALYERS to Lineman C.

Big Sandy Plant

W. F. DOTSON to Junior Maintenance Man. B. R. WILLIAMS to Yard Helper. JAMES RIFE to Junior Maintenance Man. RONALD CORDLE to Junior Maintenance Man.

Kingsport Power Company

CHARLIE C. ANDERSON to Credit Representative Senior. WAYNE MATTHEWS to Customer Accounts Representative A. L. A. PHILLIPS to Meterman C. DENVER G. HEAD to Lineman D.

Christmas Is A Time...



...of giving

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...of making goodies

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...of wrapping gifts

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...of children waiting

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1. (L. to R.) Tawanna and Cecil Taylor, children of Sybil Taylor, Roanoke credit representative. 2. (L. to R.) David Burnside, Melissa Taylor and Christy Burnside. Melissa is the daughter of O. P. Taylor, Charleston credit contract supervisor. David and Christy are the children of John Burnside, Charleston T&D clerk senior. 3. Sherry Lynn Bailey, daughter of Brenda Bailey, Hazard clerk typist. 4. (L. to R.) John Eric and Ashley Harlow Montague, sons of J. P. Montague, Bluefield electrical engineer senior. 5. (L. to R.) Suzanne, Lea, Lori and Kimberly Ferrell, daughters of Roy L. Ferrell, Jr., Kinsport head T&D clerk. 6. (Front row, L. to R.) Charles Sheffey, son of R. A. Sheffey, engineering super-

*...of peace
on earth*



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*...of lights and tinsel
and pine boughs*



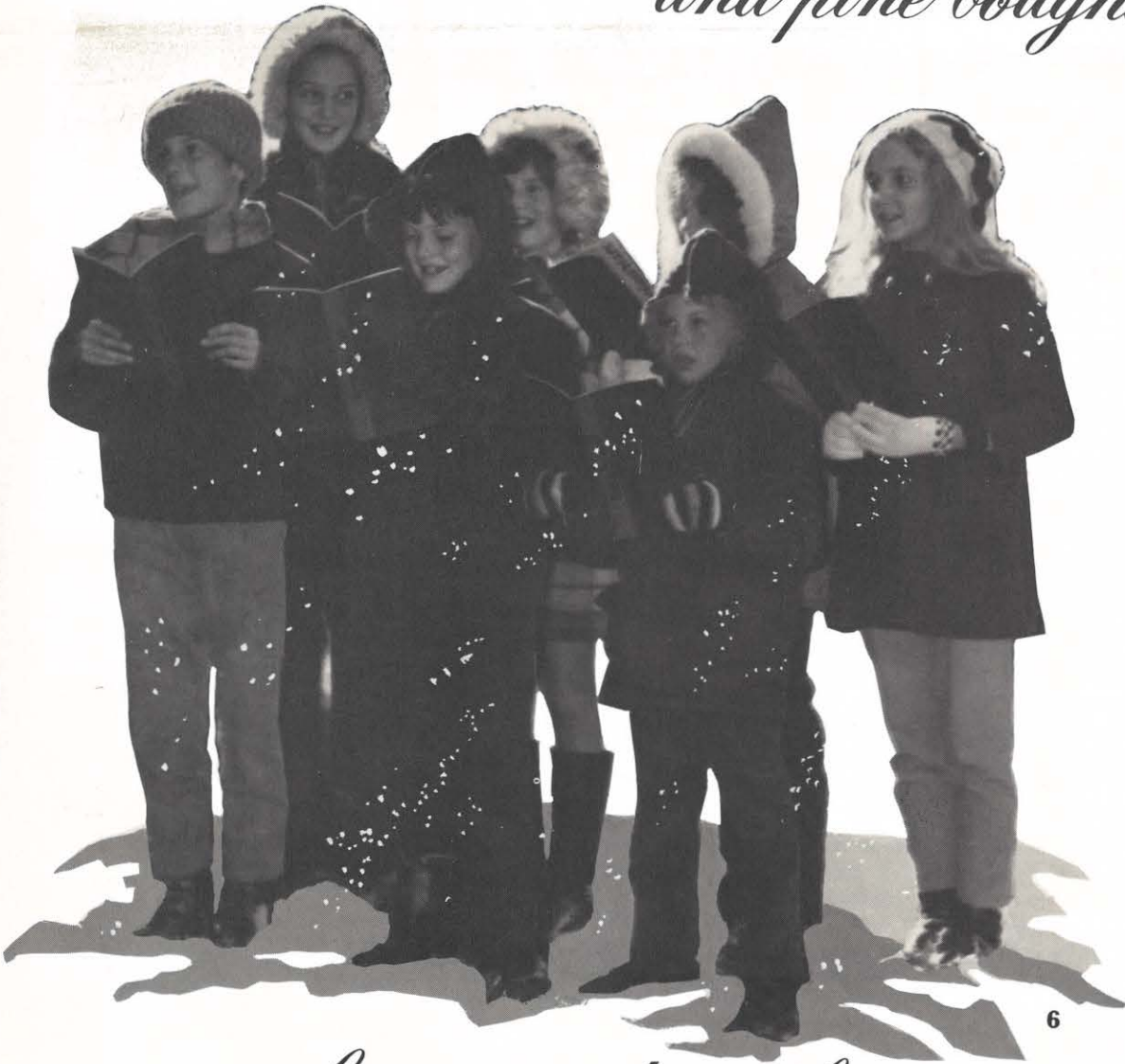
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*...Christmas is a
blessed time of love*

...of song and caroling



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visor; Hugh Ferguson, son of W. H. Ferguson, Jr., commercial sales representative; Rusty Johnson, son of Peggy Johnson, personnel clerk. (Back row, L. to R.) Sandra Johnson, daughter of Peggy Johnson; Ellen Ferguson, daughter of W. H. Ferguson; Vicky Carr, daughter of V. T. Carr, records supervisor; and Mary Ruth Hughes, daughter of J. C. Hughes, administrative assistant, Abingdon. 7. Rhonda Polk, stepdaughter of Elaine Polk, Huntington personnel clerk. 8. Jayne Ann and Frank Matthew Grover, children of Frank E. Grover, Jr., utility operator B at John E. Amos Plant.

14 Couples Exchange Wedding Vows In Recent Ceremonies



Minnix-Sink

Linda L. Minnix became the bride of Gary S. Sink on November 6 at the Hollins Road Baptist Church, Roanoke. Mr. Sink is a Roanoke Division meter reader.



Hairston-Persinger

Doris Maria Hairston and Allen L. Persinger, Jr., were married October 23 in the Ebenezer Baptist Church, Beckley. Mrs. Persinger is a Beckley cashier.



Budding-Gibson

Jo Ann Budding and John B. Gibson were united in marriage October 14 at the Marshall University Campus Christian Center. Mr. Gibson is an electrical engineer in Huntington.



Wilcox-McKinney

A double ring ceremony performed October 21 in the Heights United Brethren Church in Point Pleasant united Winona Lynn Wilcox and Roger R. McKinney. Mr. McKinney is a maintenance man C at John E. Amos Plant.



Jones-Mowry

Carol Ann Jones was married to Karl N. Mowry, Jr., November 20 in the Grace Methodist Church, Roanoke. Mrs. Mowry is a former key punch operator in General Office Accounting, Roanoke.

Jones-Banks

The marriage of Lois Bernadette Jones and Kenneth Lewis Banks was solemnized October 30 in Our Savior Lutheran Church, Buffalo, New York. Mr. Banks is a Lynchburg lineman helper.

Ferrell-Fry

Asbury United Methodist Church in Syracuse, Ohio, was the setting for the September 25 wedding of Mary Carol Ferrell and Melvin Ray Fry. Mr. Fry is a maintenance helper at Philip Sporn Plant.

Davis-Richardson

Nuptial vows were exchanged by Sylvia Ann Davis and Jackie Ray Richardson October 9 at the bride's home in Galax. Mrs. Richardson is a clerk trainee in Galax Accounting, Pulaski Division.

Wheeler-Westmoreland

October 12 was the wedding day of Valerie Jean Wheeler and Ernest Lee Westmoreland, who were married in Vinton, Virginia. Mr. Westmoreland is a station operator in the Roanoke Dispatch Office.



MR. AND MRS. EDDIE M. ALMOND were honored by their six children on their 50th wedding anniversary recently. They were married October 15, 1921, in Pamplin. Almond is a retired Lynchburg Division hydro operator.

Holiday Gift And Decoration Workshop At Marion Attracts HD Club Members



Home sales representative Anna Crabtree (second from left) assists in judging holiday foods at a recent workshop.

A holiday gift and decoration workshop held in the Marion Office, Abingdon Division, during October met with enthusiastic response by the 75 ladies in attendance. The workshop was conducted by Anna Crabtree, home sales representative, and the VPI Cooperative Extension Service for home demonstration club members in Smyth County.

The morning session included demonstrations on preparing holiday foods that are suitable for gifts, wall and door decorations, decoupage' plaques, macrame'

belts, candles and candlestick holders. During the afternoon the women divided into groups to make articles in which they were interested.

The workshop attendees planned a holiday fair to be held November 12 in the Marion Office. Some 870 registered guests showed up for this affair to view displays of handmade holiday gifts and decorations. Many items were sold, and each person was given a cookbook featuring over 200 of the HD members' favorite recipes.

BABY PARADE

Abingdon Division

MR. AND MRS. L. R. MOORE, a daughter, Susan Carolyn, September 9. Moore is a Gate City lineman B.

MR. AND MRS. J. L. PRICE, a daughter, Kimberly Susan, October 27. Price is a Lebanon lineman B.

MR. AND MRS. J. E. KELLEY, a daughter, Tracie Dianne, October 11. Kelley is a Clintwood lineman C.

John E. Amos Plant

MR. AND MRS. GEORGE RICHARDSON, a daughter, Jennifer Lee, September 24. Richardson is a construction timekeeper.

MR. AND MRS. GARY LEE HESS, a son, Shane Alan, November 2. Hess is a utility operator A.

MR. AND MRS. ROBERT B. GILBERT, a son, Marc Alan, October 12. Gilbert is a personnel assistant.

MR. AND MRS. KENNETH G. WINTER, a son, Joseph Floyd, October 13. Winter is a unit foreman.

Ashland Division

MR. AND MRS. AMOS BARTLEY, JR., a daughter, Angela Dawn, October 2. Bartley is a lineman C.

Bluefield Division

MR. AND MRS. TERRY DALE SIMPSON, a son, Terry Dale, II, October 23. Simpson is a Welch area T&D clerk.

MR. AND MRS. DAVID M. CHUMBLEY, a son, Kelly Dwayne, October 26. Chumbley is a meterman B.

MR. AND MRS. SPENCER L. OXFORD, a daughter, Paula Jean, November 3. Oxford is a Welch auto repairman B.

General Office

MR. AND MRS. BOB CHAPMAN, a daughter, Kelly Lynn, October 19. Chapman is property records clerk senior in GO Accounting, Roanoke.

MR. AND MRS. J. R. HELMS, JR., a daughter, Ruth Ann, September 24. Mrs.

Helms is a former employee in GO Payroll, Roanoke.

MR. AND MRS. HERBERT H. LEWIS, a son, Thomas Lee, October 3. Lewis is a station operator in Kingsport.

MR. AND MRS. R. L. CLINEVELL, a daughter, Dana Marie, October 4. Clinevell is a GO T&D Transmission Section employee, Roanoke.

MR. AND MRS. J. C. KIRBY, a daughter, Lori Jean, October 24. Kirby is a GO T&D Transmission Section employee, Bluefield.

MR. AND MRS. JOHN SABO, JR., a daughter, Cassandra Jane, October 26. Mrs. Sabo is a GO T&D Transmission Section employee, Bluefield.

Kanawha River Plant

MR. AND MRS. CHARLES R. BROWN, a daughter, Andrea Dawn, October 16. Brown is a junior maintenance man.

Lynchburg Division

MR. AND MRS. R. E. NEWMAN, JR., a son, Allen Gregory, October 29. Newman is a draftsman.

MR. AND MRS. MELVIN L. HAWKINS, a daughter, Rosalynn Elizabeth, November 2. Mrs. Hawkins was a customer accounts representative.

Pikeville Division

MR. AND MRS. DENTON BILITER, a daughter, Sabrina Jane, November 2. Mrs. Biliter is a stenographer.

MR. AND MRS. LARRY KINNEY, a daughter, Shaun Raquel, November 7. Kinney is a lineman B.

Pulaski Division

MR. AND MRS. GEORGE E. PENN, a son, Jonathan Alexander, October 21. Penn is a stores clerk.

Philip Sporn Plant

MR. AND MRS. GEORGE S. REED, a daughter, Stacey Ann, October 16. Reed is an auxiliary equipment operator.

ENGAGEMENTS

BARBARA GORDON to David Black. Miss Gordon is a home sales representative in Huntington, and Mr. Black is the son of Virginia Black, Huntington residential and rural sales development representative.

ANDREA DOROTHY BURGE to 2nd Lt. Randall Charles Smith. Lt. Smith is the son of H. C. Smith, Huntington meter serviceman.

FAYE POFF to Bill Rutledge. Mr. Rutledge is a station operator in the Roanoke Dispatch Office.

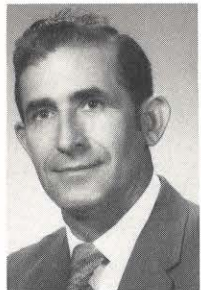
BARBARA JACKIE HAYES to Ira Elwood Frantz. Miss Hayes is a key punch operator in General Office Accounting, Roanoke.

MARCIA JAN HAGER to James Steven Quesenberry. Miss Hager is the daughter of W. C. Hager, Christiansburg area supervisor, Pulaski Division.

MARY MARGARET DRISKILL to Earl Hubbard Franklin. Miss Driskill is the daughter of E. R. Driskill, Lynchburg heating and builder sales representative.

CYNTHIA ANN OGDEN to Granville Wayne Patterson. Mr. Patterson is the son of G. N. "Pat" Patterson, Lynchburg garage foreman.

Lasley Named Utility Foreman



Lasley

Howard Lasley, coal equipment operator at Clinch River Plant, has been promoted to utility foreman.

Lasley served in the U. S. Navy from 1944 to 1946 and worked for the Virginia State Highway Department before joining Appalachian in 1957 as a coal equipment operator.

Lasley is married and the father of a son and a daughter.

Beulah Johnson Retires Early



Mrs. Johnson

Fishing with her husband is going to be one of Beulah Johnson's first priorities from now on. Beulah retired early November 1 as stenographer in the Charleston Meter Department. She says, "Mack and I really haven't had the time to participate in our favorite hobby until now, but with my retirement we'll be able to visit all the nearby fishing ponds."

A native New Yorker, Beulah came to West Virginia in 1926 to visit relatives and liked the area so much she decided to stay. She was employed as a stenographer at Cabin Creek Plant in 1942 and later moved to the System Meter Department in Charleston. After it was transferred to Roanoke, Beulah began working in the Charleston Meter Department, where she has been located since 1955.

Leaving the company was not easy for Beulah. She refers to the men in the Meter Department as her "boys" and they reciprocate by calling her "Mom". I'll really miss these people and all the people in the company. When you spend every working day around such a high calibre of individuals, you can't help but develop lasting friendships."

Beulah also plans to spend much of her time doing church work. "One of the things I've always wanted to do is help my church in its visitation and home missionary work. I've always helped in as many ways as possible, but now with my extra free time I'll really be able to do those things I love to do."



Judith Kay Lilly and her mother, Mrs. Macil Mann, display their handicrafts.

Mother, Daughter Team Up To Show Needlework At Beckley Craft Shows

"Just give her a needle, thread and cloth and she can make anything," says Harlan Mann, Beckley lead draftsman, of his wife Macil.

Mrs. Mann has been sewing practically all her life but became really interested in creating gift items about ten years ago. Most of her ideas come from books and magazines and some have been received from friends. She was encouraged by her mother

during her early years. Harlan is glad she was because "it has been a most rewarding and profitable hobby."

Some of Mrs. Mann's creative ability has rubbed off on their daughter, Judith Kay Lilly. She and Mrs. Mann work closely together throughout the year and have started exhibiting their wares at local craft shows. Both agree it is a lot of fun, but "finding time is the only problem" says Mrs. Mann.

Christmas Decorations And Holiday Foods Show Popular In Roanoke Area



Miriam Martindale, home sales representative, points to one of the Christmas decorations during a program before a home demonstration club.

A popular program in the Roanoke area is the demonstration of Christmas decorations and holiday foods put on each year by Roanoke home sales representatives Miriam Martindale, Margie Lee and Anne Browning.

In years past the demonstrations were taken around in the area to different club meetings as requested. This year the display is set up in the Roanoke Office auditorium, and more than 30 groups are scheduled to view the Christmas demonstration.

Each individual item on display was created by the sales reps, and the girls take turns in presenting the evening programs to different groups.

Ideas for holiday entertaining are presented along with a subtle suggestion of the convenience of electric appliances such as a dishwasher during the busy holiday season. Refreshments made by the girls are served to club members at the end of each program.

Encouraged By Wife, Fred Schwartz Builds His Own Grandfather Clock

George "Fred" Schwartz, Huntington T&D superintendent, is an electrical engineer by profession. He had no experience as a clockmaker and claims to be unskilled in woodworking. Nevertheless, the focal point of his living room is an 86-inch high, 125-pound solid American walnut grandfather clock which he built from scratch.

It all started when his wife Sue found an ad in a magazine offering for one dollar a set of plans for constructing a grandfather clock. The set of plans offered in the ad turned out to be a catalog featuring many different sets of plans, lists of material available and clock works to fit any plan selected.

Armed with her catalog, Sue convinced Fred there wasn't any reason why he couldn't order a kit and build a grandfather clock despite his claim to be anything but a skilled craftsman. Only when the material arrived did Fred find out it wasn't a kit that merely required putting together. He had to saw boards, glue them together, install the clock mechanism and apply the finish.

Fred spent over 100 hours of painstaking work on the clock, assisted at times by Fred Bruce, Huntington station supervisor, who is a craftsman in woodworking. Long hours of hand sanding, staining, applying lacquer, filler and rubbing oil resulted in a finish with the lustre of natural beauty. The face of high polished brass comes from Germany. The chimes, which sound every 15 minutes, play the same notes as those in Westminster Abbey.

In addition to indicating the time, the clock has a lunar dial which indicates in what position the moon is in relation to the earth. Fred had to consult an almanac in order to set the clock the first time.

Through all the hours of snorting and grumbling about not being a clockmaker in the first place, Sue kept encouraging Fred to continue the project. Now that the clock is completed, Fred named it "Big George" after himself and is justly proud to show it off.

The one dollar set of plans ended up costing Fred about



Fred Schwartz admires "Big George", which he constructed in about 100 hours.

\$400, and the result was a clock which would sell for about \$1500. When asked what he would take for it, Fred grinned and said, "It's not for sale".

Ganoë Chooses Early Retirement



Ganoë

"Fishing, hunting and a little farming" will occupy the time of Elbert Wesley Ganoë from now on. He retired early December 1 as unit foreman at Glen Lyn Plant.

A native of Summers County, West Virginia, Ganoë was employed in 1941 as a laborer. He worked as a skilled laborer, auxiliary equipment operator, equipment operator and switchboard operator before being promoted to unit foreman in 1968. He is described by fellow employees as likeable, dependable and considerate of others.

Ganoë is a member of the Bozoo, West Virginia, Christian Church, the Mercer Anglers Club and a charter member of the Bozoo Ruritan Club. He and his wife Frankie, who will celebrate their 38th wedding anniversary this month, have two children and four grandchildren.

Pendleton Named Unit Foreman



Pendleton

Roy E. Pendleton, equipment operator, has been promoted to unit foreman at Glen Lyn Plant.

Pendleton began his career with Appalachian in 1948 as a laborer. He worked as a utility man, utility operator, auxiliary equipment operator, boiler operator B and equipment operator before being named to his new position.

A native of Oakvale, West Virginia, Pendleton is married and has one son.

33 Employees Receive Awards For Lengthy Service With Appalachian



Appalachian Veterans Recognized For Long Service With Company

Seven Appalachian employees were recognized during November for lengthy service with the company. J. M. Scites and L. E. Jefferson, both of General Office, received 45-year pins. Thirty-five year pins were awarded to Helen B. Douglas and C. G. Price, Jr., General Office; C. R. Paxton and R. J. Siner, Roanoke; and W. W. Champe, Charleston.

transferred to General Office Accounting in Roanoke as a payroll clerk senior and became payroll clerk A in 1964.

Charles G. Price, Jr., property records accounting supervisor in General Office Accounting, joined the company as a clerk in the Main Accounting Office in Roanoke. He was clerk senior and clerk special before being named head, Cost Accounting Section, in 1949. He became special accountant in 1965 and the following year was made a staff assistant in the Electric Plant Section. He was promoted to his present post in 1970.

C. R. Paxton, electrical engineer senior, was hired as a groundman in Roanoke. He worked as a lineman from 1937 to 1942, when he entered the Seabees. He returned to work in 1945 as a lineman A and became an engineer junior A the following year. He advanced through the posts of engineer senior B, junior electrical engineer, electrical engineer and senior station engineer before becoming electrical engineer senior in 1966.

R. J. Siner, Roanoke line inspector, began his career as a groundman. He was promoted to lineman in 1937 and became serviceman in 1944. He held the posts of serviceman B and A, meter serviceman A, junior and senior meter clerk, T&D clerk senior and engineering aide before advancing to line inspector in August of this year.

Woodrow W. Champe, Charleston general serviceman, began his career as a laborer. He was promoted to truck driver in 1937 and advanced to lineman in 1942. He became general serviceman in 1956.

45 Years

J. Max Scites, right of way supervisor in General Office Real Estate and Right Of Way, began his career as a plant engineer for the old Hamlin Water Light & Fuel Company in Hamlin, West Virginia. When the company was acquired by Appalachian in 1939, Scites became a right of way agent in Huntington. He became senior right of way agent in 1945 and was promoted to administrative assistant in 1953. He moved to Roanoke as system right of way agent in 1959 and was named to his present position in 1963.

L. E. Jefferson, General Office accounting staff assistant, was first employed as a clerk in the Main Accounting Office in Roanoke. He was named assistant classification supervisor in 1936 and promoted to assistant department supervisor in 1945. He became invoice and accounts payable supervisor in 1950 and supervisor of classification and accounts payable in 1963. He was promoted to his present position in 1968.

35 Years

Helen B. Douglas, payroll clerk A in General Office Accounting, started to work as a cashier in Welch. She became senior payroll clerk in 1949 and moved to Bluefield in 1953. In 1960 she

45 YEARS

1. **L. E. Jefferson**
Accounting Staff Assistant
GO—Roanoke
2. **J. M. Scites**
Right Of Way Supervisor
GO—Blue Ridge

35 YEARS

3. **R. J. Siner**
Line Inspector
Roanoke
4. **C. G. Price, Jr.**
Prop. Records Acctg. Supv.
GO—Roanoke
5. **W. W. Champe**
General Serviceman
Charleston
6. **Helen B. Douglas**
Payroll Clerk A
GO—Roanoke
7. **C. R. Paxton**
Electrical Engineer Senior
Roanoke

30 YEARS

8. **S. E. Murray**
Meterman B
Roanoke
9. **E. E. Mossman**
Asst. Shift Op. Engineer
Philip Sporn
10. **L. R. Buchanan**
Building Supervisor
GO—Roanoke

25 YEARS

11. **A. W. Haley**
Meterman A
Lynchburg
12. **J. L. Combs**
Transmission Man B
GO—Bluefield
13. **Leonard Justice**
Meterman A
Logan-Williamson
14. **L. G. DeFelice**
Auto Repairman A
Bluefield
15. **R. C. Simmons**
Groundman
Roanoke
16. **Burnice Sowell**
Auto Repairman B
Logan-Williamson
17. **H. S. Kiser**
T&D Clerk Senior
Logan-Williamson
18. **L. R. Spangler**
Chief PBX Operator
GO—Roanoke
19. **H. D. Smith**
Meter Reader
Bluefield
20. **W. L. Smythers**
Line Supervisor
Abingdon
21. **R. R. Jones**
Construction Foreman
Bluefield
22. **R. L. Carter**
Area Serviceman
Abingdon

23. **O. W. Adams**
Sales Manager
Bluefield
24. **H. H. Farley**
Planner Senior
Beckley

20 YEARS

25. **W. R. Doolittle**
Unit Foreman
Philip Sporn
26. **W. H. Jones**
Instrument Maint. Man A
Philip Sporn
27. **E. A. Arnott**
Maintenance Man
Philip Sporn
28. **K. G. Roush**
Lineman
Huntington
29. **A. V. Pack**
Meter Serviceman
Huntington
30. **J. E. Moore**
Station Maintenance Man A
GO—Sporn
31. **E. L. Damewood**
Master Maintenance Man
Philip Sporn
32. **P. E. Stewart**
Maintenance Man
Philip Sporn
33. **C. I. Walker, Jr.**
Dealer Sales Representative
Charleston



Susie and Bob Pope hold the first place trophy won at a Winston-Salem, North Carolina, custom car show.

Participation In Competitive Sports Fills Bob Pope Home With Trophies

A mutual interest in competitive sports has filled the home of Susie and Bob Pope with all kinds of trophies. Bob is an engineer B in the General Office T&D Station Section, Relay Group, in Roanoke.

They have been competing for trophies since 1959, and their awards include 80 first place trophies for drag racing along with others for show automobiles, archery and coin collecting.

Bob's 1937 Ford with a Corvette engine brought him to the winner's circle, and Susie also drove in several races. The trophy

he values most is for his show car, a 1960 El Camino. It took him about two years to prepare the car for showing. He is now working on a 1948 Angela panel truck for an auto show.

Both Susie and Bob are certified by the National Field Archery Association as instructors. Susie is particularly competitive in this sport.

Their current project is coin collecting. They became interested in this about four years ago after talking with another employee. Bob recently won first prize in the Eighth Annual Roanoke Valley Coin Show, the largest ever held in southwest Virginia.

Bob traded some small coin collections he had put together to obtain coins for his prize-winning collection. He says buying, selling and trading are the ways he obtains coins he wants. The entire series of early 1800-1850 pennies was the most difficult for Bob to find. Because these pennies are very large and thin, they wore badly and were hard to find in usable collector's condition. His favorite coin is a seated liberty dime. Because of its value, the coin collection is kept in a bank safety deposit box.

Bob also has collections of commemorative stamps, bottles and Indian relics.



THIS GIANT, 64-POUND SQUASH was grown by James D. Spivey, Kingsport stationman B located in Gate City, Virginia. The squash measured 4 feet 9 inches in circumference and 4 feet 4 inches across.



TROPHY WINNERS in the Ashland Division Employees Golf League for 1971 are (back row, l. to r.) Don Gesling, B flight champion; Don Thornsbury, E flight champion; Harold McKenzie, A flight champion; Jack Keeton, C flight champion; Dewey Sizemore, C flight runner-up; and Bob Matthews, E flight runner-up. Second row (l. to r.) are John Sammons, B flight runner-up; Jeff Maddy, D flight runner-up; Jim Saltz, low gross average; and Paul Price, A flight runner-up and low net average. Kneeling in front is Herb Charles, D flight champion.

Bow Hunter

It takes a pretty good hunter to bring down a 90-pound doe with a shotgun, but it's even more of an accomplishment when you make the kill with a bow and arrow.

This is what Therman Carter did recently on a hunting trip to Elk County, Pennsylvania. Therman is the husband of Janie Carter, stenographer in General Office Accounting, Ashland.



USING A #4 IRON, Eugene O'Neal, Beckley Division right of way maintenance inspector (left), made a hole-in-one on the 179 yard, par 3, #6 hole at Lake View Golf Course. Paris Hatcher, garage foreman, admired the trophy presented to Gene and commented that "he was able to accomplish this feat standing on the wrong side of the ball". Gene is left-handed.

Prater Becomes Voice Of Falcons



Prater

James E. Prater, Abingdon heating and builder sales representative, has become the official announcer for all Abingdon high school sports events heard over WBBI, a local radio station.

Known to fans as "the Voice of the Falcons", Prater had been announcing basketball, football and baseball events over the school's public address system for 14 years.

When Prater attended high school, there was not enough interest in sports to field a team. However, when his son, Leon, started playing ball, Prater began to get involved. He participated as a manager in Little League, Babe Ruth and Connie Mac Leagues. When Leon entered high school, Prater was there as an announcer.

Leon went on to distinguish himself in high school sports and later was a standout player for Carson-Newman College. Meanwhile, Prater continues to distinguish himself as the "Voice of the Falcons."



THE NINE HOLE GOLF COURSE at Willow Wood Country Club in Hinton was the site of the Beckley Division annual employees' fall golf tournament. Winners included (back row, l. to r.) Jack Howard, Leland Price, Bob Dyke, Glen O'Neal and Paul Hancock. Front row (l. to r.) Jennings Begley, Paris Hatcher, Gene O'Neal, Frank Richmond and Danny Murray. Jack Howard had low gross score of 81 followed by Danny Murray's 85. Sonny Underwood and Leland Price tied for low net with 66's. Other prizes awarded were to Glen O'Neal for the longest drive on #1 hole; Eugene O'Neal, ball closest to the pin on #4 hole; Paul Hancock, most birdies; Jennings Begley, most pars; and Paris Hatcher, least number of strokes on the four combined par 3 holes.

Divisions Offer Lighting School

A school on commercial and industrial lighting for commercial and industrial customers, architects and consulting engineers, electricians and electrical suppliers is being conducted in most divisions throughout Appalachian.

The schools are being taught by commercial department sales personnel who received their instruction in a recent four-day, 18-hour course led by W. R. Woodyard, General Office commercial sales engineer.

The course in Charleston has been completed and one in Pulaski began the last of November. Enrollment has averaged 25-30 persons in each area, and approximately 200 persons will have completed the course by early spring.

"The course is being offered in an attempt to provide our customers and allies a better understanding of the fundamentals and application of good lighting. Lighting is a good revenue producing load; and, by teaching the importance of good lighting, we can expect this load to increase," says Woodyard.

Cochran Advances To Foreman Post



Cochran

Walter F. Cochran, transmission man A in the General Office T&D Transmission Section, Bluefield, has been promoted to transmission foreman.

A native of Tazewell, Virginia, Cochran served in the U. S. Navy from 1942 to 1945. He began his career with Appalachian in 1954 as a transmission man helper. He became transmission man C in 1957, transmission man B in 1958 and transmission man A in 1961.

Cochran is married and the father of three children.

Huffman Wins Golf Tourney

Leon Huffman, Pikeville right of way agent, walked away with all the top honors at the Kentucky Power Company golf tourney in September.

Huffman won the Divot Flight in the match play competition and then received the championship trophy for having the low gross score for the two days of play in the tourney. Huffman is not new in the winner's circle, having won the tourney several times before.

SERVICE ANNIVERSARIES

Appalachian Power Company

ABINGDON DIVISION—5 YEARS: W. M. CLAPP, Meter Reader.

JOHN E. AMOS PLANT—5 YEARS: D. E. CARTE, Coal Equipment Operator. LARRY MATTHEWS, Mechanical Construction Assistant.

CABIN CREEK PLANT—5 YEARS: J. W. MARTIN, Utility Foreman. Z. F. SELF, Junior Maintenance Man B. J. A. WARDEN, Master Maintenance Man.

CHARLESTON DIVISION—15 YEARS: SUE SHULTZ, Stenographer.

CLINCH RIVER PLANT—15 YEARS: G. B. CARTER, Maintenance Man.

GENERAL OFFICE—10 YEARS: W. F. MOORE, Operations Information Supervisor. 5 YEARS: B. R. BALL, Communications Engineer B. HELEN TERRY, PBX Operator.

GLEN LYN PLANT—5 YEARS: R. L. GRAY, Utility Operator.

HUNTINGTON DIVISION—15 YEARS: G. C. HICKS, Area Serviceman. T. J. MCOMAS, T&D Clerk.

ROANOKE DIVISION—5 YEARS: L. M. CONNER, Lineman A. A. A. JACOBS, Meter Serviceman C. R. G. TURMAN, Lineman A. T. R. KENNEDY, Lineman A.



Blessed Is He Who Sees Christmas Through The Eyes Of A Child

Girls' Service Club Lives Up To Motto Of Loyalty And Service

"Loyalty and Service to our Company, to our Club, and to Each Other" was the motto adopted back in 1928 when the Appalachian Power Company Girls' Service Club in Bluefield was formed, and it still reflects the purpose of the organization.

The Club was formed at the request of Herbert Markel, then local manager. Mrs. Helen Sue Spangler Tyree, now retired, proposed the motto. Membership in the Club is automatic upon employment at the Bluefield Office. Nominal dues of 35 cents a month are used for gifts to honor brides, retiring members and gifts to program guests

at the annual Christmas luncheon. When the Club was first organized, the Pollyanna secret pal idea was used. Now names are drawn secretly in November, and each member receives a gift at the Christmas luncheon.

Throughout the years members have taken pride in contributing to worthwhile community projects. At first, funds were raised through various projects to help the needy. After management approval of using profits from the vending machines for this purpose, the Club was able to expand its charitable work. For the past two years they contributed \$200 to the Bluefield

United Fund as well as the "Bible in the Schools" fund; Salvation Army Camp Joy for Children; Cancer Fund drives in both Bluefield, Virginia, and Bluefield, West Virginia; the Heart Fund; and, most recently, the Mercer County Opportunity Work Shop.

The Club-sponsored Bingo parties, potluck suppers, square dances and Halloween masquerade parties have helped promote good employee relations. In addition, the Utility Committee remembers employees with appropriate cards or gifts at times of illness and the loss of family members. During the war years, special projects of "round robin" letters to company servicemen and the mailing of cookies and gifts were part of the Club's goodwill work.

Monthly programs are mainly educational, in keeping with the original intent of the organization. Through the years representatives of management have been invited to bring programs dealing with the specific function of a manager or department. Two safety programs are scheduled each year, and a picnic is usually held during the summer months.

Special events observed by the Club have included anniversary programs on the 25th and 40th years and the Centennial Celebration of West Virginia on June 24, 1963, when each member came to work in a centennial dress.

Several weekend trips have been taken by members to Byllesby, Claytor Dam, Glen Lyn Plant, and Smith Mountain Dam. Several years ago a workshop for members was held at Pennhall.

In October, the 43rd anni-

versary of the Club was celebrated with the unveiling of a Presidents' Pictorial by Jack Lloyd, division manager. He dedicated the plaque to the posterity of the Club and designated that it be hung, for a permanent record, in the Bluefield conference room.

The Pictorial, memorializing those members who have served as president of the Club, presently depicts the 43-year period from 1928 through 1971. Eventually the plaque will contain a 50-year record. Lois K. Rounion, secretarial stenographer and a member since 1948, put together the Pictorial after searching through Club records and much correspondence with resigned and retired past presidents.

Eleven presidents of the Club were in attendance for the anniversary celebration. Mrs. Helen Sue Spangler Tyree was also recognized as having served as the first secretary-treasurer. Linda Ballard, stenographer, is the current Club president.

Amos



Amos Promoted In Roanoke

R. G. Amos, Jr., has been promoted to station foreman in the Roanoke Division, effective December 1.

A native of Roanoke, Amos graduated from William Fleming High School and served two years in the U. S. Navy.

Amos joined the company in January 1948 as a laborer and later that year became maintenance helper B. He worked as maintenance man C, substation man C, meter service helper, stationman B and A before becoming station foreman (NE) in 1970.



Jack Lloyd, Bluefield division manager, unveils the Presidents' Pictorial of the Girls' Service Club in Bluefield. Looking on are the Club's current president, Linda Ballard (left), and Lois K. Rounion, a past president.

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