



Barber



Zoellers

Barber Ends 39-Year Career, Zoellers To Head Hazard Division

Arley R. Barber, Hazard division manager, will retire October 1 after 39 years of company service. Succeeding Barber will be C. A. Zoellers, who was Hazard Division managerial assistant.

Barber is a native of Holden, West Virginia, and a graduate of Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University with a BS degree in electrical engineering and a MS degree in power and fuel engineering. He joined Kentucky Power in 1933 as a clerk in the old Hazard Plant and served as plant chemist, results engineer and assistant plant superintendent before becoming plant superintendent in 1943. He became assistant manager of the Hazard Division in 1947 and moved up

to division manager the following year.

Barber attended the AEP System Management Development Course in 1956 at the University of Michigan and the Advanced Management Course in 1968.

For service to the community, Barber was presented the Outstanding Citizen Award by the Hazard Chamber of Commerce in 1956. He also was awarded the Silver Beaver Award for his service to Scouting in 1954. He has served as president of the Hazard Lions Club; Lonesome Pine Council, Boy Scouts; Kentucky River Area Development District; Hazard Chamber of Commerce; Perry County Development Association; Perry County Chapter of the Red Cross; Hazard Golf Club; and the Advisory Board of the Hazard Appalachian Regional Hospital. He is vice chairman of the Kentucky River Health Planning Council, Inc.; a member of the Board of Trustees, Appalachian Regional Hospitals, Inc.; and vice president of the Lonesome Pine Council, Boy Scouts. He has been ruling elder of the Hazard Presbyterian Church for many years. He and Mrs. Barber have two children.

A Hazard native, Zoellers served as an officer in the Army Air Corps during World War II. He was graduated from the University of Kentucky with a BS degree in electrical engineering and joined Kentucky Power as a power sales engineer in Hazard in 1947. He was promoted to Hazard Division commercial manager in 1948 and transferred to Ashland as division commercial manager in 1964. He returned to Hazard in 1967 as division managerial assistant.

Zoellers attended the AEP System Management Development Course at the University of Michigan in 1958, returning in 1969 for the Advanced Management Course.

A licensed professional engineer, he has served on the state board of the Kentucky Society of Professional Engineers. He is a former president and the president-elect of the Kiwanis Club, former president and board member of the Perry County 4-H Council, former president of the Hazard Golf Club, former president of the Perry County Development Association, member of the Chamber of Commerce and board member of the Bowman Memorial United Methodist Church. Mr. and Mrs. Zoellers are the parents of twins.

Appalachian Power Amends Virginia Rate Request

Appalachian Power Company has filed with the State Corporation Commission of Virginia an amended application to increase its electric rates in Virginia by about 13.8%. This would provide the company \$12.6-million in additional annual revenues. The company's original application filed in 1971 sought a 10.4% increase in rates. No action was taken on the original filing after Appalachian in June 1971 requested the Commission to delay hearing its application.

W. S. White, executive vice president of Appalachian, said the requested increase would apply to all of the company's filed tariffs for residential, commercial and industrial service in Virginia. The company has over 284,000 customers in the western part of the state.

"Since the original application was filed 18 months ago, the company's costs have continued to increase steadily and the application has been amended to reflect these costs," White said.

He used these examples to show the effect of the requested increase on residential customers: "If a residential customer's two-month electric service bill is presently \$14.80, it would be \$16.88

under the proposed new rates. If it is \$20.18, it would be \$22.80; if it is \$35.30, it would be \$40.16.

White gave these reasons for seeking the increase. "Our state and local taxes have increased almost 30% since 1965. The cost of manpower has gone up more than 47% during the same period. In order to provide an adequate and reliable supply of electricity to our customers, we have invested over \$630-million in new facilities since 1967."

White added, "Our interest rates on borrowed money have increased from a little over 3% in 1960 to as high as 10.12% in 1970.

"Another factor is the growing cost of environmental protection facilities. At our most recently completed power plant over \$40-million was spent for air pollution abatement equipment and construction has begun on such equipment at our Glen Lyn and Clinch River plants in Virginia which will result in an additional expenditure of \$31-million," White explained.

He said the company is seeking permission to put the new rates into effect on January 1, 1973.

APCo Plans Bond Sale

Appalachian Power Company will sell an estimated \$60-million of first mortgage bonds this Fall, President Donald C. Cook announced last month.

It is anticipated that the sale will take place in late November.

Meanwhile, on August 29, Kentucky Power Company was scheduled to sell \$45-million of first mortgage bonds.

Work Under Way On Foundations For Precipitators

Foundation work for new dust collectors at Appalachian's Clinch River and Glen Lyn Plants has been started. The contract for the work was awarded to Hudson Engineering Company of Houston, Texas.

Total cost of the Clinch River project is \$18-million and the Glen Lyn project \$12-million.

The precipitators, to be in operation by mid-1974, will be capable of removing 99.7% of particles before they can escape from stacks at the coal-burning power plants. At Clinch River, they will replace older and less efficient equipment on all three units. At Glen Lyn, they will replace equipment on Units 5 and 6.

Meanwhile, resident engineers for both construction projects have been named — Glenn Burton at Clinch River and Gillis Beaudoin at Glen Lyn. Both are members of the AEP Construction Department and were at the Donald C. Cook Nuclear Plant of Indiana & Michigan Electric Company.

Koppers Company, Inc., of Baltimore, Maryland, is fabricating the precipitators for Clinch River's three generating units, and American Standard, Inc., of Hunt Valley, Maryland has been awarded the contract for precipitators for Glen Lyn's two active units.



W. W. Munsey (kneeling) practices cardiac massage while B. L. Auton demonstrates mouth-to-mouth resuscitation. In the foreground are J. W. Meadows and J. W. Rorrer.

Bluefield Station Crew Revives Employee With Cardiac Massage

Bernard E. French, Bluefield stationman A, is alive today because of the company-sponsored first aid training.

French was working with his crew at Ury Station July 3 when he accidentally came in contact with an energized switch. He received severe electrical burns and multiple lacerations and broken ribs from falling. When crew members reached French he was without pulse and was not breathing. Four employees, W. W. Munsey, station foreman NE; B. L. Auton, stationman B; J. W. Rorrer, stationman C; and J. W. Meadows, stationman B, helped to give mouth-to-mouth resuscitation and cardiac massage until French responded.

In the Bluefield Division, refresher training in mouth-to-mouth resuscitation and cardiac massage is given at least twice a year during safety meetings.

Auton declared, "If I had not had the actual training, I would not have been able to give it."

Sewell Valley Ceases Operation

The AEP System's smallest operating company, Sewell Valley Utilities, ceased operations September 1. Before being acquired by AEP in August 1969, the company had been operated as a subsidiary of the Meadow River Lumber Company and provided electric service to East Rainelle, West Virginia, and vicinity.

This area will now be operated as a part of the Beckley Division of Appalachian Power. According to W. C. McMahan, Beckley division manager, more than \$250,000 has been spent during the past three years on general upgrading of distribution facilities and substations in and around Rainelle.

Kingsport Usage Second In Nation

Only two electric utilities in the nation recorded an average residential consumption of electricity in excess of 15,000 kilowatt-hours last year.

In the No. 2 spot was the AEP System's Kingsport Power Company. Its average residential customer used 15,540 kwh.

No. 1 was Nevada Power Company, whose average home use was 17,537 kwh.

By contrast, the average residential customer for the entire investor-owned electric utility industry used an estimated 7,004 kwh last year.

Record Load

For the first time in its history, the American Electric Power System has exceeded 1.5-billion kilowatt-hours in its weekly total load.

During the seven-day period ended July 26, the AEP System had a total load of 1,502,256,000 kwh. This is the amount of power required to be made available to meet all customer needs.

The previous record was 1,487,574,000 kwh, established during the period ended January 19 this year.

AEP, Municipals Sign Agreement, Urge Approval Of C&SO Acquisition

BULLETIN

On August 25, American Electric Power Company's proposal to acquire Columbus and Southern Ohio Electric Company was forwarded to the Securities and Exchange Commission by its Division of Corporate Regulation, together with the Division's comments opposing the move.

At least one obstacle to the proposed acquisition of Columbus and Southern Ohio Electric Company by American Electric Power Company was eliminated last month.

AEP and Ohio's over-80 municipal electric systems, which had intervened in the acquisition proceedings before the Securities and Exchange Commission, announced that they had resolved their differences in the matter and that they were jointly urging the SEC to approve the proposal.

Shorten Proceedings

This breakthrough promises to shorten the proceedings—already four-and-a-half years old—by as much as a full year.

Upon receipt of the settlement proposed by AEP and the Ohio municipal electric systems, the SEC's Division of Corporate Regulation notified the two parties that it would forthwith take the matter to the full Commission itself for its decision on all aspects of the case, thus dropping its previous insistence upon a prior opinion by an SEC hearing examiner. In this move, the Division was joined by the Department of Justice. Neither agency, however, had advised AEP of any change in its position opposing the proposed acquisition.

AEP Chairman and President Donald C. Cook, commenting on the move to take the case directly to the Commission, said it was a welcome one and would help hasten the day when the SEC, upon hearing the merits of the proposal, would render a decision. It is anticipated that the SEC would receive the case yet this month, and Cook indicated that he was hopeful of a decision "yet this year."

Agreement Signed

Specifically, AEP and the municipal electric systems signed an agreement on August 8 under which AEP would sell to American Municipal Power-Ohio a large new generating unit in the 600,000 to 1,300,000-kilowatt range—if and when the acquisition of C&SO was consummated. AMP-Ohio is a non-profit corporation founded a year ago to provide low-cost, reliable electric power, through economies of scale, to Ohio's municipal electric systems.

The Ohio municipal electric systems had contended, at prior stages in the proceedings, that the proposed corporate affiliation between AEP and C&SO would put them at a competitive disadvantage unless some arrangement were made to permit them—like AEP and C&SO—to participate in the economic benefits inherent in large-scale power generation. By their action in now supporting the proposed acquisition, the municipal systems have eliminated a major obstacle to it.

Increase Capacity

Of the more-than-80 municipal electric systems in Ohio, only 16 have generating facilities of their own, with a combined capacity of about 770,000 kw. The new unit to be provided under the settlement offer thus might be almost double the municipal systems' total capacity.

Spokesmen for the Ohio Municipal electric systems said, "American Electric Power has offered to build such a facility and sell it to us. We have accepted the offer. We now look forward to reaping the benefits that will surely follow."

Divestment

In addition to its commitment to the municipals, AEP also proposed to divest itself, within five years of the date of its acquisition of C&SO, of power-generating facilities (including the unit to be sold to the municipals) having a combined capacity equal to C&SO's total capacity at the time of such acquisition. This step, Cook said, was designed to remove any objection to so-called "size" that could possibly result from the merger.

Other terms of the agreement with the municipal systems included arrangements under which Ohio Power Company will assist in the transmission of power to the municipals, will furnish backup power to them, will purchase surplus production from their unit, and will assist them in the procurement of fuel supplies for the unit.

Danville Withdraws

At the same time, Appalachian Power Company and the City of Danville moved to settle their differences. Appalachian told the City that it was willing to discuss a third point for the delivery of electric power to Danville, or a suitable alternative, and to explore other areas of mutual interest.

Berkley Adkins, director of the Danville Electric Department, said that under these new circumstances, Danville has decided to withdraw its opposition to the acquisition of Columbus & Southern Ohio Electric Company by AEP.

Moore Transfers To Gavin Plant



Moore

John E. Moore, performance engineer senior at John E. Amos Plant, has been transferred to Ohio Power's General James M. Gavin Plant in the same capacity.

A native of Kentucky, Moore holds a BSME degree from the University of Kentucky and served in the U. S. Army from 1952-54 as a radar operator. He was first employed as a test engineer at Kyger Creek Plant in 1960 and became senior test engineer in 1966. He transferred to Amos Plant in 1970. Moore is married and has two children.

Register Now For Education Awards

Registration for the 1973 American Electric Power System Educational Awards is under way.

This year, 27 awards of \$1,500 each will be granted to children of System employees who plan to enter college in September 1973.

Application forms for the competition are available from all personnel supervisors and must be completed and returned by September 15.

All applicants will be required to take the Standard College Entrance Board Scholastic Aptitude Test. This will be given November 4 in various locations across the System. Personnel supervisors have lists of the test sites nearest each applicant's home. Cost of the test will be borne by the company, and applicants will pay only personal travel expenses.

Winners will be selected on the basis of test scores, high school records, and personal information. Testing will be administered by the Education Testing Service, Princeton, New Jersey. Winners will be announced early in 1973.

The 27 awards are distributed among System companies in this way: seven each to Appalachian Power and Ohio Power; five to Indiana & Michigan; three to the AEP Service Corporation; two to Kentucky Power, and one each to Kingsport Power, Michigan Power and Wheeling Electric.



FIRST OF A KIND—Residential customers in the Lynchburg Division became the first in Appalachian's service area to use an average of 10,000 kilowatt-hours of electricity annually. A plaque commemorating the achievement was presented to James B. White, Lynchburg division manager (right), by W. S. White, Appalachian executive vice president, at the August staff meeting.

Appalachian Seeks SCC Approval Of 765 Kv Roanoke-Lynchburg Line

Appalachian Power Company has filed an application with the Virginia State Corporation Commission for a Certificate of Convenience and Necessity to construct a 765,000-volt transmission line from Roanoke to Lynchburg. The company is also seeking approval from the SCC for its projected route for the line.

The proposed line will begin at the company's Cloverdale Station north of Roanoke and cross parts of Botetourt and Bedford counties to the proposed Ivy Creek Station to be located west of Lynchburg.

The company has spelled out the need for the line, the environmental impact, the alternatives, and showed maps of the selected route in its application.

The company pointed out that the Lynchburg-Bedford area ranks third in Virginia in terms of manufacturing employment. In its filing, the company said that the demands for electric energy in the area have risen from 90,000 kilowatts in 1961 to 227,000 kilowatts in 1972. A conservative estimate indicates that the demand for electric power in this area

will reach 750,000 kilowatts by 1985.

The company is presently serving the Lynchburg-Bedford area with five 138,000-volt circuits but maintains that these will be inadequate to meet the future demands of the area.

The company pointed out that it has made extensive engineering studies and has looked at all the possible alternates for supplying this need. It has concluded that a single 765,000-volt line is the most reliable answer to the long-range energy requirements for this portion of Appalachian's system and that such a line will have the least impact from an environmental and scenic standpoint.

In its filing, the company has adopted a route which resulted from a consultants' report and which modifies an initial route the company had considered. The original route had caused some objections from Bedford County people.

The company understands that there is considerable interest in this line and has asked the SCC to set a public hearing at the earliest possible date.

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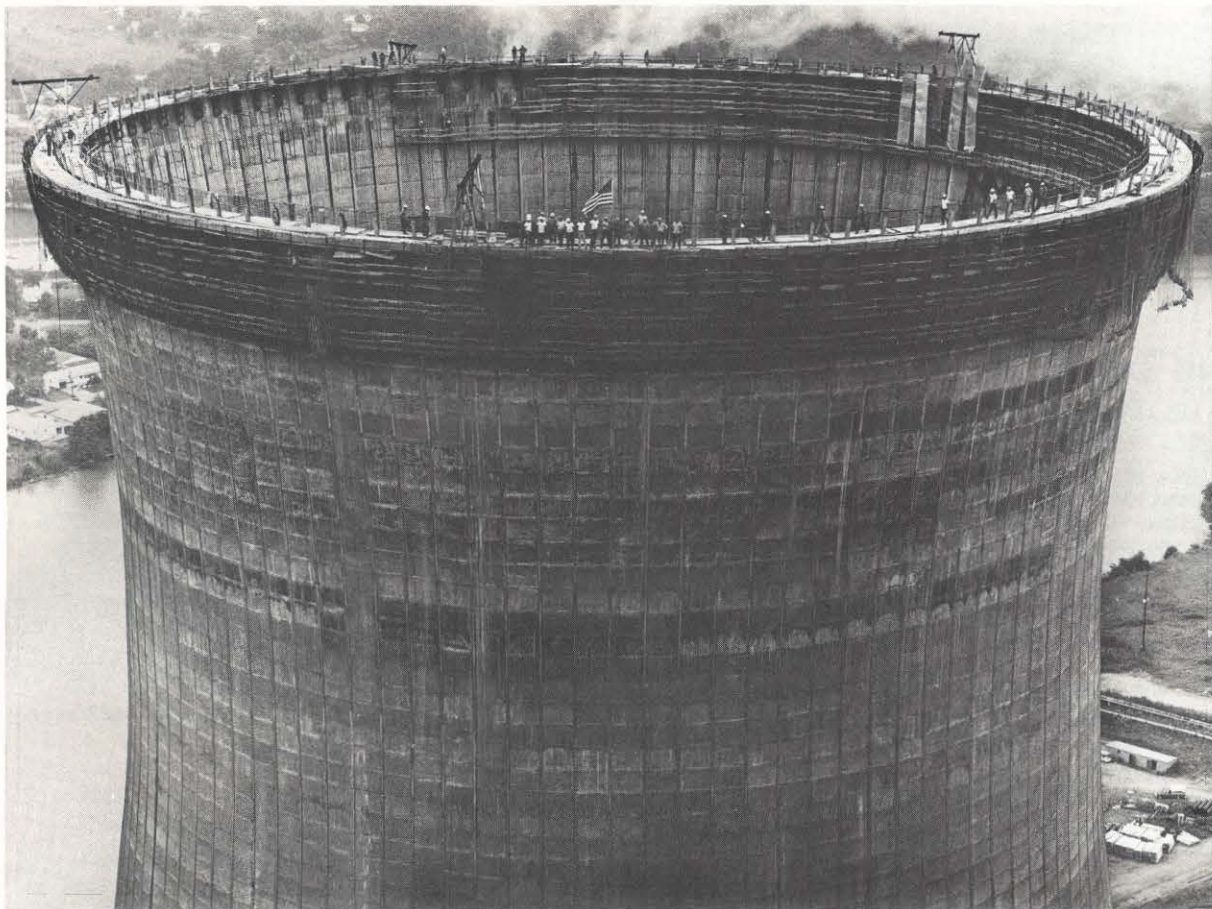
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The Cover

Summer fun is over, and children throughout our service area have returned to school. Jimmy Hughes, a fourth grader at Abingdon Elementary, doesn't seem too happy about the situation. He is the son of James C. Hughes, Abingdon administrative assistant.

It's important that parents and school children alike brush up on good traffic rules and habits. Kids should be reminded to stop on the curb and look both ways and for turning traffic before crossing a street. Motorists should drive with extreme caution near schools and in residential areas where children may be expected.



Amos Unit 3 Cooling Tower Topped

They topped out the world's largest cooling tower late on July 31, and guess where it is?

Right the first time: it belongs to Unit No. 3 of the John E. Amos Plant near Charleston, West Virginia.

It's 500 feet high, and 400 feet in diameter at the base; there are 27,000 cubic yards of concrete and 5,600 tons of reinforcing steel and steel pilings in it; it has a total surface area of 24-million square feet; and it was

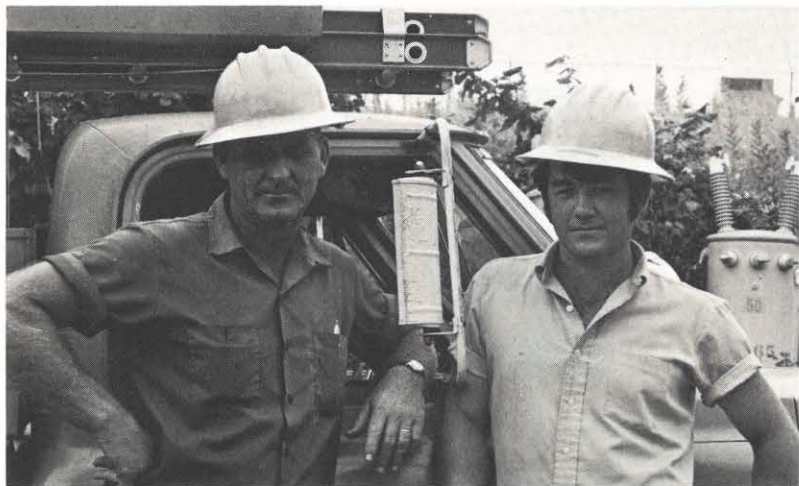
designed and built by Research-Cottrell to cool 600,000 gallons per minute of water.

The 1.3-million-kilowatt Unit 3, owned by Ohio Power Company, will be completed next year. Units 1 and 2, owned by Appalachian Power Company, are already in commercial operation.

The new cooling tower is equal in height but larger in diameter and capacity than the previous record holder at the Trojan Nu-

clear Power Plant in Prescott, Oregon.

The American Electric Power System pioneered the use of cooling towers in the Western Hemisphere, beginning with Kentucky Power Company's Big Sandy Plant a decade ago. It not only has beneficial environmental effects by eliminating thermal discharge into rivers, but also makes possible construction of generating stations on rivers with limited water flow.



The quick thinking of Doug Cooper (left) and Gary Sheppard may have saved the life of an Ararat man recently. Bull Mountain Bugle photo.

Stuart Area Linemen Rescue Man Asleep On Smoldering Couch

Two linemen in the Stuart area of Roanoke Division were in the right place at the right time recently, possibly saving the life of a man.

Doug Cooper and Gary Sheppard were on a trouble call at Ararat around 5:00 PM when they stopped at a house for information. Upon leaving their truck, Cooper smelled smoke and began to investigate. He started toward the house when he observed an elderly man walking behind the house. He called to the man and asked, "What are you burning?"

The man replied, "nothing", but told Cooper to check in the house and see if he had left something on the stove. When Sheppard and Cooper opened the door to the house, they were met by a vile-smelling smoke odor. A man was either asleep or

passed out on the couch, and the foam rubber pillow he was using was smoldering. The employees quickly threw it outside and, after a few minutes, were able to arouse the man and get him outside.

The two men then got water and attempted to extinguish the fire in the couch. Not being satisfied that the fire was completely out, they carried the couch outside. Had they been later, the man could have been asphyxiated or burned to death. The men noted that a 20-inch window fan was blowing directly on the couch which could have caused the smoldering fire to flame up any time.

After removing the pillow, couch and the man, Cooper and Sheppard reported what they found to a neighbor so he could "keep an eye on the situation".

47 Years With Kentucky Power Have Been Memorable Says Scaggs

Ashland Collector Paul A. Scaggs retired September 1 with enough memories to fill a book.

One incident he specifically remembers occurred during World War II. He was reading meters at the time and riding a bicycle for transportation. At 6 p.m. he finished his route and headed in, stopping at a grocery store to find out how much farther he had to pedal his stripped-down bike. The grocer replied, "The shortest way to go is 11 more miles. Paul also remembers being threatened by a doctor who had not paid his bill but did not like the idea of treating his patients in the dark.

Beginning as a clerk in 1925, Paul advanced to meter reader in 1943 and became collector in 1946. Although he was very serious about his work, there were very few days when he could not be heard laughing or joking with fellow employees. He was also a stickler for details and accuracy.

Paul has been called "Scissors" by many co-workers because of his work in cutting off electric service to delinquent customers. He also acquired the nickname of "Precious Pup" from local accounting employees. The reason . . . his laughter resembled that of the cartoon character Precious Pup.

Paul plans to do some maintenance work around his home in Huntington but especially looks forward to devoting more time to his church, Westmoreland Baptist. A member there for 34 years, he has sung in the choir all that time and has served in various capacities, including Sun-



Scaggs

day School director. For the past 10 years, he has been clerk for the greater Huntington Baptist Association and now serves on the West Virginia Convention of the Southern Baptist Executive Board. He and his wife Dora have one son.

Franklin Takes Supervisory Post



Franklin

William R. Franklin has been named communications engineer supervisory in the General Office T&D Communications Section, Bluefield. He moves to the post from that of communications engineer in Roanoke.

A native of Gretna, Virginia, Franklin attended Bridgewater College and Danville Technical Institute. He served four years in the U. S. Navy and joined Appalachian in 1966 as a communications engineer B in Roanoke. He was promoted to communications engineer in 1971. Franklin is married and has two daughters.

Carl Zimmerman Hangs Up Hard Hat, Retires as VP—Construction

For Carl Zimmerman, the last rod has been welded, and the last bolt tightened, and he has hung up his hard hat after one of the American Electric Power System's most varied careers, spanning 36 years.

He retired September 1 as vice president-construction of the Service Corporation. In a period of unparalleled building, he has watched over the expenditure of well over \$2-billion for the new plants and lines needed to provide the System's customers with power.

Actually, construction work was a second career. Between the time he joined AEP in July 1935—fresh out of Purdue with an EE degree—and the time he became vice president-construction 31 years later, he had carved out a notable reputation in electrical engineering. In those years, he served as engineer, section head, head of the Electrical Engineering Division, and finally, chief engineer, and worked in metering distribution, relay and control, station and plant design.

During those decades he had a hand in most of the technological developments which have kept AEP in the forefront of the electric utility industry: The first 345-kv system station arrangements; the breaker-and-a-half switching scheme; field testing of 765-kv transmission; barehand maintenance; microwave communication, and digital and analog computer control of system generation loading. He's also a Fellow in IEEE. There is little on

the System that Carl Zimmerman hasn't worked on.

Then, in 1966, moving from chief engineer to vice president-construction, Zimmerman started Phase II. Cardinal Plant, Muskingum River Plant 5, Mitchell Plant, General James M. Gavin Plant, John E. Amos Plant, Donald C. Cook Nuclear Plant, the 765,000-volt network . . . it can be said of Zimmerman, as it was of Christopher Wren, that if you would see his monument, look about you.

Big Sandy Names New Foremen



Elliott



Maynard



Prater

Three men have been promoted to new foreman positions at Big Sandy Plant. Robert G. Elliott has been named maintenance foreman. Succeeding Elliott as yard foreman is Wayne E. Maynard. Ruffus Prater replaces Maynard as utility foreman.

Elliott, a native of Glen Lyn, Virginia, was first employed by Appalachian in 1953 as a laborer at Glen Lyn Plant. He transferred to Kentucky Power's Big Sandy

Plant in 1962 as a coal equipment operator and was promoted to yard foreman in 1966. He is married and has one son.

Maynard joined Big Sandy in 1962 as a yard helper. He was promoted to coal equipment operator in 1966 and utility foreman in 1971. Married, he is the father of two sons.

Prater began his service in 1962 as a coal equipment operator at Big Sandy. He is married.

PEOPLE IN THE SPOTLIGHT

LYNCHBURG



White

David S. White, son of James B. White, division manager, presented a research paper to the World Organization of General Systems and Cybernetics at its annual conference in Oxford, England. White's paper, "Optimizing Hospital Layout Using TOPAZ", describes a computerized approach to hospital design developed by White for his master of architecture thesis at Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University.

Debra Kay Ford, daughter of W. W. Ford, Jr., sales manager, made the dean's list for the spring quarter at Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University. She is a junior, majoring in English.

Donna M. Ashworth, daughter of Jesse L. Ashworth, dealer sales representative, was named to the dean's list at Central Virginia Community College. She will enter Old Dominion College this fall, majoring in physical education.

James B. White, division manager, was appointed chairman of community improvement for the Greater Lynchburg Chamber of Commerce.

Henry T. Woodson, meter serviceman A, was elected Noble Grand of the John W. Ferguson Odd Fellows Lodge No. 135.

Wesley Garner, meter service helper, was named Special Deputy Grand Master of Odd Fellows Zone 3 and District Deputy Grand Patriarch, Grand Outside Sentinel of the Grand Encampment of Virginia.

HAZARD

Donald C. Bush, son of Everett Bush, working line foreman, has been selected to receive military leadership training in the Officers Training Corps, Fort Riley, Kansas.

ABINGDON

Mrs. A. C. Hutton, wife of the retired area serviceman, was elected vice president of the Holston Hills Home Demonstration Club.

Elected officers of the newly formed chapter of Beta Sigma Phi were **Linda Russ**, wife of Thomas Russ, and **Sherie Counts**, wife of Harold Counts. They are historian and recording secretary, respectively.

Sarah Frier, wife of Jack Frier, won a blue ribbon for exhibits and two blue ribbons for horticulture during a recent Meadowbrook Garden Club showing.

Elected officers of the Student Cooperative Association at Abingdon High School were **John Sheffey**, son of R. A. Sheffey, Jr., and **Melanie Buchanan**, daughter

of A. S. Buchanan. They are sergeant at arms and district representative, respectively. Melanie attended the state SCA conference in Vinton, Virginia, and participated in the Bland Memorial music contest sponsored by the Abingdon Lions Club.

John Leonard, Smyth County area serviceman, is on LTD leave.

Fred Fullen is a new employee in Building Service.

CHARLESTON

Miller C. Porterfield, division manager and Appalachian vice president, was appointed chairman of the Visiting Committee for the West Virginia University College of Engineering.

David Roomy and his family have moved to New Buckenham, England, where he has a position with Friends World College. He is the son of Nick Roomy, executive assistant.

Bill Belchee, Jr., son of W. B. Belchee, assistant division manager, has returned from a year's service with the U. S. Air Force in Turkey.

Ben Shew, commercial sales engineer, spent a week at Camp Virgil Tate, where he was in charge of the 4-H's basketball program.

Mattie G. Day, clerk junior, is a new employee.

GENERAL OFFICE

John W. Vaughan, assistant vice president, was elected to the board of directors of The Virginia College Fund.

LOGAN-WILLIAMSON

Mrs. Dallas A. Kinser, wife of the Logan stationman A, attended the 22nd annual Leadership Development Conference at Cedar Lakes. She is director of Region VI of the West Virginia Parent Teachers Association.

Retiree **Caleb White** was installed as sergeant at arms of the Gunther - McNeely - Nowlan Post 19 of the American Legion, Logan.

Serving on committees in the Logan Woman's Club are **Mrs. W. E. Bivens**, wife of the division sales supervisor; **Mrs. Emery Jeffreys, Jr.**, wife of the stationman A; and **Mrs. T. L. Henritze**, **Mrs. W. H. Honaker**, and **Mrs. Spencer D. Brinegar**, wives of retired employees.

HUNTINGTON

Laura Collins, secretarial-stenographer, has been re-elected secretary of the American Legion Auxiliary Unit 16, Huntington, for the 13th consecutive year.

Dave Collins, son of Laura Collins, was named assistant director of information services in charge of publications at Marshall University.

New employees are **James H. Linthicum, Jr.**, and **David E. Stra-**

ley, meterman helpers; **E. L. Hornbuckle**, custodian; and **Jerry Stowers**, electrical engineer.

Retiree **W. R. Witzel** visited the Huntington office recently. He and his wife **Esther** managed the pro shop at Fred Waring's Shawnee Country Club in Pennsylvania this summer, and they were en route to their home in Florida.

BIG SANDY

Mike Walton, junior maintenance man, recently completed a course in leadership training conducted by the National Council, Boy Scouts of America, at Philmont Training Center in Cimarron, New Mexico. He is the Kentucky District leadership training chairman for the Tri-State Area Council, BSA.

David Meek, son of JoAnn Bartram, General Office clerk-typist, was the winner of the 100cc quarter mile competition at the Louisa Hillbilly Cycle Baja. He rode his Honda SL 100 to victory.

ASHLAND



Hall

Kathryn A. Hall has been awarded an undergraduate research scholarship by the Agriculture Honors Committee of Ohio State University. The daughter of O. C. Hall, executive assistant, Kathryn received the scholarship along with seven male students. She plans to enter veterinary school, and her research project involves the effects of protein levels on swine.

In a father-son competition held at Sundowner Golf Course, **Jim** and **Brian Saltz** had the lowest putt total with 62. Jim is Kentucky Power personnel director.

Jetta Wright, wife of R. S. Wright, division personnel supervisor, was appointed chairman of productions of the Ashland Junior Miss Pageant.

Bill Schweitzer, residential sales advisor, was elected secretary of the Northeast Kentucky Rural Community Development Association.

Billy J. Barbour, appliance service foreman, has been ordained a deacon in the Summit Missionary Baptist Church, Ashland.



"I PLAN TO FISH" declared E. S. "Bud" Kees when he retired from Clinch River Plant. This 26-inch long, 8½ pound largemouth bass indicates he apparently knew where to go. Kees now resides in Orlando, Florida.

PIKEVILLE



Childers

Theda B. Childers, cashier-clerk senior at Jenkins, was named a Kentucky Colonel by Governor Wendell Ford. She was awarded this honor for her outstanding friendliness and community service to the Town of Jenkins and surrounding area.

L. M. Newsom, records supervisor, was elected chairman of the advisory board of Southern States Cooperative for Pike County. **Mrs. Newsom** was elected a member of the advisory board.

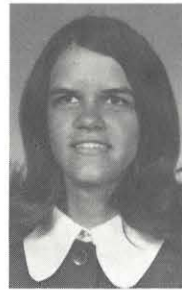
Terry Lynn Hopson, daughter of James Hopson, heating sales specialist, was elected head majorette for Johns Creek High School Band.

KINGSPORT

Andrew R. Hoard, son of W. H. Hoard, custodian, received a master of arts degree in education from Madison College. He is a music teacher at Sandusky Junior High School in Lynchburg, Va.

C. L. Barnes, Appliance Service, was re-elected magistrate for the 5th district of Sullivan County. He is a charter member of the Sullivan County Volunteer Fire Department.

BLUEFIELD



Bowen

Debbie Bowen, daughter of R. T. Bowen, lineman A, was chosen for "Who's Who Among Students In American High Schools." She is a rising senior at Rocky Gap High School.

Jack D. Martin, Pineville general serviceman, was appointed to a four-year term as Wyoming County jury commissioner.

Lucille Cook, Welch customer accounts representative B, was a delegate from Wyoming County to the Republican State Convention.

Ruth Nunnery, wife of Ray Nunnery, meterman A, was installed as vice president of the Bluefield Community Action Organization.

Rebecca Crouch, daughter of Juanita Crouch, personnel clerk senior; **Ann Jackson**, daughter of Kenneth Jackson, customer accounting supervisor; and **Steve Buston**, son of Harry Buston, III, meterman B, attended a one-week journalism institute at West Virginia University. They will serve on the annual staff at Bluefield High School, where they are seniors.

Bill Fisher, tracer, was elected to the board of directors of the Triangle Sportsman's Club.

David L. Kendrick, Jr., Grundy commercial sales engineer, has received a certificate of completion for the electrical engineering power option course given by International Correspondence Schools. He has also been appointed a member of the Buchanan County school trustee electoral board.

Clancy C. Mullins, heating and builder sales representative, was elected president of the Grundy Kiwanis Club.



Kendrick

Mullins

PULASKI

L. L. Bucklen, Wytheville agricultural sales engineer, was appointed chairman of the 1973 membership drive for the Wytheville-Wythe County Chamber of Commerce.

JOHN E. AMOS

Vernon Hunter, electrical construction assistant, recently qualified as a flight engineer in the Air National Guard. A member of the Guard for three years, he previously was a radio operator.

New employees are **Curtis W. Smith**, **Jennings D. Deitz**, **Charles R. Morgan**, **Cecil E. Gibson, Jr.**, **Charles F. Mauzy**, **Donald R. Fields**, and **Jerry L. Tucker**, maintenance men C; **Arthur O. Reedy**, maintenance man B; **Warren R. Ashton** and **Ralph E. Life**, performance engineers; and **Robert L. Peet, Sr.**, material clerk; **Paul Janiszewski**, construction stores assistant; and **Georgia Carol Jenkins**, clerk-typist.

CLINCH RIVER

Joseph B. Smith, guard; **Jevene G. Bowling** and **Roland D. Begor**, performance engineers; and **Terry Powers** and **Sherman L. Nash**, utility men B, are new employees.

KANAWHA RIVER

Bobby E. Rogers and **Beachy Gilbert**, utility men B, are new employees.

ROANOKE

O. B. Gillespie, general serviceman, is on LTD leave.

K. E. French, engineer B, caught two largemouth bass in Smith Mountain Lake recently — one 5 lb. 13 oz. and the other 6 lb. 8 oz. The big one earned him a \$25 prize, which he is using to mount the fish.

Nancy Bradshaw, wife of Aubrey Bradshaw, meter service helper at Fieldale, has been licensed as a master electrician in Virginia.

New employees are **J. Don Hall** and **James E. Luke**, auto repairman helpers; and **Howard R. Manns**, **D. Kurt Sisson** and **Giles S. Fisher, Jr.**, lineman helpers.

In Memoriam



VanMeter

Carrick VanMeter, 73, retired general office assistant in the General Office T&D Station Section, Roanoke, died August 20.

A native of Covington, Kentucky, VanMeter began his career in 1927 as a payroll clerk in Charleston. He transferred to the System Station Department in 1939 while it was located in Charleston and moved to Roanoke with the department in 1949. He retired November 1, 1963.



Klein

Frank Herbert Klein, 82, retired Lynchburg meterman, died August 18 after an extended illness.

A native of Henry County, Ohio, Klein began his career with Appalachian in 1927 as a meter tester. He retired May 31, 1955, after spending his entire service in the Meter Section.

Klein is survived by his widow, two daughters, three sons, ten grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Walter L. Geilker, 75, retired senior mechanical engineer for Philip Sporn Plant's Construction Department, died August 10.

Geilker joined the Indiana & Michigan Electric Company's Twin Branch Plant in 1936 as a draftsman. Fourteen years later he went with the AEP System Construction Department and worked on power plants for Appalachian, Kentucky, Ohio and I&M. He retired March 1, 1962.

Survivors include his widow and one daughter.

Campbell Supervisors Thankful For Dams

Appalachian Power Company has received the official thanks of the Board of Supervisors of Virginia's Campbell County "for the construction of Smith Mountain Dam and Leesville Dam which have saved Campbell County from disaster in the past and can be expected to do so in the future."

The resolution was unanimously passed and forwarded to James White, Appalachian's Lynchburg division manager last month. The resolution referred to the fact that the company's pumped storage and hydro project on the Roanoke River has twice — in Hurricanes Camille and Agnes — held back vast quantities of water which would have otherwise caused extensive flooding.

PROMOTIONS & TRANSFERS

Appalachian Power Company

Abingdon Division

D. K. BROWN to Lineman B. G. R. STOOTTS to Customer Accounts Representative C.

John E. Amos Plant

F. T. GRINSTEAD, Concrete Assistant, from Amos to Gavin Plant. C. E. GRAY, Electrical Construction Assistant, from Amos to Clinch River Plant. R. E. CLARK to Utility Operator B. D. D. HARRISON to Utility Operator B. EDWARD HELM to Utility Operator B. T. L. WEST to Utility Operator B. D. R. EDWARDS to Utility Operator B. W. H. GRIFFITH to Utility Operator B. L. H. LUSHER to Utility Operator B. M. D. DILLON to Utility Operator B. D. S. BARNETT to Utility Operator B. T. B. HILL to Utility Operator B. A. M. UTTERBACK to Barge Handler. LESTER STEWARD to Barge Handler. T. D. BARNETT to Coal Equipment Operator. G. R. GARRETSON to Coal Equipment Operator. J. C. BISHOP to Maintenance Man A. C. F. HANDLEY to Maintenance Man A. C. D. VANNATTER to Maintenance Man A. J. A. TAYLOR to Maintenance Man B. G. W. PATTERSON to Maintenance Man B. C. R. HARPER to Maintenance Man B. D. R. STRICKLIN to Maintenance Man B. T. E. TOLIVER to Maintenance Man B. W. R. FRAZIER to Maintenance Man B. R. E. THOMAS to Maintenance Man B. P. D. COLEMAN to Maintenance Man B. P. R. WHITT to Maintenance Man B.

Bluefield Division

PAULINE VINCIGUERRA to Customer Accounts Representative A. R. M. COOPER to Head Material Clerk, Transmission. T. W. CAHILL to Assistant Planner. J. D. HONAKER to Stationman A. L. W. SIGMON to Stationman A. R. E. PARNELL to General Serviceman.

Charleston Division

D. P. JONES to Auto Repairman B. J. V. WOODSON to Clerk Trainee. B. H. SELBE to Meter Serviceman C. B. G. SHEW, II, to Commercial Sales Engineer.

Clinch River Plant

E. L. ROUSH to Utility Man A.

General Office

SHELIA HARTMAN to Stenographer. FAYE AMOS to Wage, Salary & Benefit Clerk. PATSY McINTYRE to Stenographer. MARY LOU GRAYBILL, Secretarial-Stenographer, from Accounting to Hydro. MARTHA MAYS, Clerk

Kentucky Power Company

Ashland Division

KAY PORTER to General Accounting Clerk Junior, GO Accounting.

Stenographer, from T & D Station to T & D Communications. G. E. WEBB to Transmission Man B. R. L. ROBINSON from Custodian, Huntington, to Transmission Man Helper, T&D Transmission. J. T. CHARLTON from Clerk Trainee, Charleston, to Station Maintenance Man Helper, T&D Station. R. K. SIZEMORE to Electrical Engineer. JANICE WILBUR to Clerk-Stenographer. R. W. HARTLESS to Data Processing Operator A. D. L. WILLIAMS to Data Processing Operator A.

Glen Lyn Plant

N. S. HILL to Maintenance Man.

Huntington Division

M. M. TERRY, JR., to Lineman A. L. K. GROSE to Station Foreman NE.

Logan-Williamson Division

R. W. WELLS to Lineman B. SAM WHITT, JR., to Lineman B. JAMES PRESTON, JR., to Credit Representative Senior. C. J. MAYNARD to Customer Accounts Representative A. H. A. DOLIN to Meterman A. J. M. PERRY to Lineman B. CLARENCE EVANS to Lineman A. R. D. FERRELL to Area T&D Clerk.

Lynchburg Division

LINDA MEDLEY to Customer Accounts Representative C. R. M. ELLIOTT to Meterman B. B. L. JEFFERSON, JR., to Lineman B. C. W. HOLLOWAY to Lineman B. D. J. SCOTT to Lineman B. D. N. TOMLIN to Stationman Helper A.

Pulaski Division

R. S. JONES to Line Foreman NE. R. T. WINGATE to Lineman B. M. D. COX to Lineman B. T. E. BOBBITT to Lineman B. E. A. BISHOP, JR., to Lineman Helper. J. E. RICE to Lineman B. J. W. MOORE to Lineman Helper.

Roanoke Division

R. L. SWITZER to Meter Serviceman C. FRANCES HARVILLE to Clerk Stenographer. E. M. PAYNE to Head Material Clerk, Station.

Philip Sporn Plant

J. F. HILL to Equipment Operator. R. M. BROWNLEE to Auxiliary Equipment Operator. J. P. RAUB to Utility Operator. J. L. ENDICOTT to Barge Attendant.



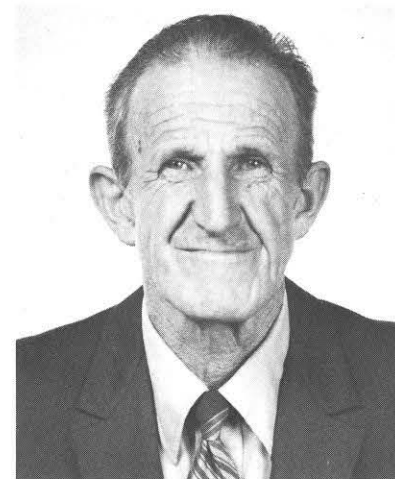
EAGLE HONORS—It was a proud moment for Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Bradshaw recently when their two sons, John (left) and Charles, became Eagle Scouts during a court of honor at the Horsepasture Community Clubhouse. The boys are members of Troop 80 sponsored by the Ruritan Club and plan to continue Scouting through an Explorer post. Bradshaw is a meter service helper B at Fieldale in the Roanoke Division.

Things Won't Be The Same At Kingsport Power Without Nutter

Loomis Nutter was a company man — completely dedicated to his job as line supervisor for Kingsport Power Company. So much so that for years he didn't even take a vacation. Whenever lines were down or the power off, Nutter was always on the scene. He says proudly, "I was on call 24 hours a day. Whenever trouble occurred at night, I called the men out myself."

Nutter retired September 1 after 39 years of service. He joined what was then Kingsport Utilities as a lineman in 1933, only eight years after it was formed. Previously he worked with Baltimore Gas & Electric Company, building lines from Baltimore to Washington, and with contractor crews building high lines around Charleston, Danville and Bluefield.

One of the most colorful characters ever to work for the company, Nutter is known by virtually everyone in Kingsport. He and his wife live on a 40-acre farm on the Johnson City Highway and lease a 100-acre farm in Greene County which boasts 50 cows and 15 or 20 small calves. At one time they operated a restaurant which



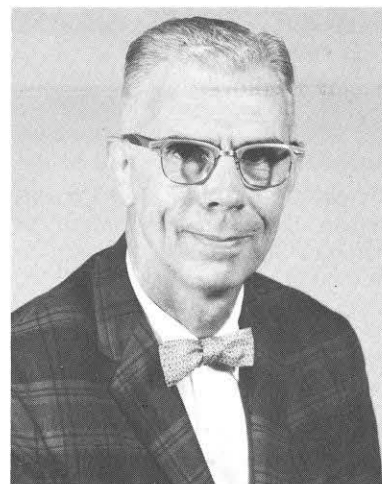
Nutter

Nutter recalls had "a marble counter soda fountain". He says it's possible his wife will want to open it up again some day.

Nutter is proud of the fact he worked 39 years without an accident. In fact, he only missed 25 days due to illness during his entire career.

If he had it all to do over, would he work for the power company? "Oh, yes. They treat you right. I hate to leave all these boys."

Steenbergen Takes Early Retirement, Plans To Make Genealogical Study



Steenbergen

Relax, get organized and maybe travel sums up Pete Steenbergen's plans for the future. He retired early August 1 as an electrical engineer senior in Charleston.

Pete says, "I've looked forward to working ever since I can remember, and now I'm looking forward to relaxing. I've had the opportunity to explore much of Appalachian's southern West Virginia service area doing rural and right of way work for the company, and every bit of it has been satisfying as well as interesting."

A native of Point Pleasant, Pete began his career in 1945 as a rural representative. He advanced through the ranks as an engineer B and district engineer before moving to Charleston in 1963 as a senior line engineer. He attended West Virginia University and received a degree in electrical engineering from the University of Colorado. He was a 1st lieutenant in the Signal Corps from 1942-45.

Pete points out he has been impressed by the manner in which jobs are undertaken in the company. "As a beginning engineer, I used to disagree on occasion as to the way a particular job was being handled. I would make suggestions and wait

to see what, if any, action was taken. At first I would really be discouraged if my idea was turned down. As time went on, I began to notice some suggestions were being put to use but only after the total effect of the suggestion had been considered. It wasn't long before I realized that there were many talented people involved in the decision-making processes of the company and when a course of action was decided upon, they were usually right."

"The supervisors I've worked with have been reasonable and fair. All in all, I'm very happy about my past career," he says, "but now I'm thinking about the future."

A genealogist by inheritance, Pete notes that "during the last few years, I've gathered up many of my family's old records, notes and ledgers and would like to develop a fair genealogical study of my family. One of our ancestors ran an inn in the area of Romney, W. Va., as far back as 1776, and I recently came across some account books of that tavern. Eventually I hope to get these records organized and filed."

Pete's wife Mabel is a home economics teacher in the Kanawha Valley on a substitute basis. She will continue teaching on a limited scale for a while. Then the Steenbergens plan to travel to the west and northwestern parts of the country.

Safe Workers

The 115 employees of Kingsport Power Company reached 530,000 consecutive manhours without a disabling injury on July 6. The safe manhour record began April 16, 1970, and is continuing.

Summer Months Prove Popular For Wedding Ceremonies



Mrs. Finney



Mr. and Mrs. Webb



Mrs. Yeager



Mrs. Jacovitch



Mrs. Manson



Mrs. McMillan



Mrs. Turner



Mrs. Bryant



Mr. and Mrs. Smith



Mrs. Gibson



Mrs. Rhett



Mrs. Sidden

Bowers-Finney

Wedding vows were exchanged July 29 by Pamela Reid Bowers and Jesse L. Finney at the home of the bride's mother in Roanoke, Virginia. Mrs. Finney is a former clerk-stenographer in General Office Commercial, Roanoke.

Roop-Sharp

The marriage of Jacqueline Roop and Robert Clyde Sharp was solemnized July 14 at the United Methodist Church, Sparta, North Carolina. Mr. Sharp is a meter serviceman A at Galax, Pulaski Division.

Stephens-Smith

July 1 was the wedding day of Deborah Stephens and William T. Smith, III. Mr. Smith is the son of Guialene Smith, home sales representative senior, Pikeville.



Spears-Webb

Rita Ann Spears became the bride of David Michael Webb June 24 in Oakland Avenue Baptist Church, Catlettsburg, Kentucky. Mrs. Webb is the daughter of William S. Spears, maintenance foreman, Big Sandy.

Gott-Sidden

Vicki Sharon Gott and Charles Nelson Sidden were united in marriage July 8 at Glen Alpine Methodist Church, Kingsport, Tennessee. Mrs. Sidden is the daughter of G. W. Gott, meterman A, Kingsport.

Gentry-Yeager

Phyllis Gentry was married to Robert Edward Yeager August 12 in Beverly Hills Methodist Church, Huntington, West Virginia. Mr. Yeager is the son of C. E. Yeager, electrical engineer, Huntington.

Abingdon Division

MR. AND MRS. T. M. CARTER, a son, Thomas McKenley, Jr., August 11. Carter is a planner.

MR. AND MRS. E. D. LEE, a daughter, Melissa Jo, June 29. Lee is a lineman B, Marion.

Glen Lyn Plant

MR. AND MRS. J. M. RUBLE, a daughter, Elizabeth Ann, July 2. Ruble is a performance engineer.

Hazard Division

MR. AND MRS. E. S. SLONE, a daughter, Jeanne Elizabeth, July 14. Slone is sales manager.

MR. AND MRS. T. D. ASHER, a daughter, Tedra Leigh, June 19. Asher is a lineman C.

Doss-Jones

A double ring ceremony performed August 12 in Virginia Heights Baptist Church, Roanoke, Virginia, united Theresa Lenae Doss and Donald S. Jones. Mr. Jones is a performance engineer at John E. Amos Plant.

Hawkins-Gibson

Louise Elaine Hawkins became the bride of Jerry Michael Gibson June 17 at the First Baptist Church, Sparta, North Carolina. Mrs. Gibson is the daughter of the late Roy R. Hawkins, General Office communications supervisor, Bluefield.

Sigmon-Brugh

Sheila Sigmon was married to Joseph Harlowe Brugh, Jr., July 20 in the Vinton Baptist Church parsonage. Mrs. Brugh is a clerk junior in General Office Accounting, Roanoke.

John E. Amos Plant

MR. AND MRS. D. S. BARNETT, a son, Sherman Heath, July 21. Barnett is a utility operator B.

MR. AND MRS. N. L. SOWARDS, a daughter, Teresa Faye, July 28. Sowards is a coal equipment operator.

Kanawha River Plant

MR. AND MRS. GEORGE WILLIAMSON, III, a son, Aaron Scott, July 24. Williamson is a coal handler.

Ashland Division

MR. AND MRS. R. D. BLAIR, a daughter, Rhonda Kay, July 13. Blair is an appliance serviceman B.

Kingsport

MR. AND MRS. J. L. HAGOOD, a son, Steven Ray, July 8. Hagood is a street light attendant.

MR. AND MRS. A. D. FORD, a son, Michael Dale, July 18. Ford is a lineman B.

Hoffman-Rhett

Kathryn Bost Hoffman and Harry Burks Rhett were married July 15 at the Lutheran Church, Martinsville, Virginia. Mr. Rhett is the son of Charles H. Rhett, engineer B, Pulaski.

Hill-Manson

The main chapel of Andrews Air Force Base in Maryland was the setting for the June 24th wedding of Kathleen E. Hill and Staff Sergeant James Baker Manson. Mrs. Manson is the daughter of Dunbar Hill, stationman helper, Roanoke.

Nelson-Jacovitch

Janet Sue Nelson became the bride of Stephen Jacovitch June 24 at Hopkin's Fork Baptist Church. Mr. Jacovitch is an engineer B in the General Office T&D Station Section, Charleston.

Bluefield Division

MR. AND MRS. G. E. HEARTWELL, a son, Robert Edward, July 19. Heartwell is a lineman B, Princeton.

MR. AND MRS. W. T. ULCH, JR., a son, William Andrew, July 23. Ulch is a lineman helper.

Lynchburg Division

MR. AND MRS. H. M. CRANK, a daughter, Ellen Louise, July 9. Crank is an area serviceman, Lovingson.

Rhett-McMillan

A double ring ceremony July 22 at Christ Episcopal Church, Pulaski, Virginia, united Margaret Laney Rhett and Richard Clifton McMillan. Mrs. McMillan is the daughter of Charles H. Rhett, engineer B, Pulaski.



PEGGY JO FRILEY to Charles Dyer. Miss Friley is a junior clerk in General Office Accounting, Ashland.

SHERRY LYNN HARVEY to Wallace E. Cornett, Jr. Mr. Cornett is the son of Wallace E. Cornett, records supervisor, Hazard.

PHYLLIS McLAUGHLIN BLOUNT to Robert Lewis Thomas. Mr. Thomas is the son of Lewis C. Thomas, service coordinator, Lynchburg.

Sink-Bryant

Wedding vows were exchanged by Dinah Marie Sink and Richard Lee Bryant June 17 in Garden City Brethren Church, Roanoke, Virginia. Mr. Bryant is the son of James R. Bryant, service representative, Roanoke.

Clinch River Plant

MR. AND MRS. D. K. SCALES, a daughter, Angela Violet, July 5. Scales is a utility man A.

MR. AND MRS. E. G. HUFFMAN, a daughter, Kimberly Ann, April 24. Huffman is a maintenance man.

MR. AND MRS. C. C. RASNAKE, a son, Kendal Carson, July 11. Rasnake is a results clerk.

General Office

MR. AND MRS. B. W. JORDAN, a daughter, Melody Ann, July 14. Mrs. Jordan is a former clerk-stenographer in the GO Executive Department, Personnel Section, Roanoke.

MR. AND MRS. K. M. SELLS, a son, Carson Dale, July 25. Sells is a surveyor at the Blue Ridge Development Construction Office.

Slone-Bartley

Florene Slone and Michael Bartley were married on July 8. Mr. Bartley is the son of Jerry Bartley, appliance service foreman, Pikeville.

Martin-Turner

The marriage of Brenda Lee Martin and Roland Neil Turner was solemnized August 5 at Sunset Hills Baptist Church, Richmond, Virginia. Mr. Turner is the son of Ralph D. Turner, senior foreman, Roanoke.

**Dried Flower Pictures Ideal Gifts,
Roanoke Co-Workers Find**



Busy making dried flower pictures are (l. to r.) Wanda Norcross, Sue Vaughn and Bea Eakin.

Three co-workers in the Roanoke headquarters building share in a common hobby of making dried flower pictures. They are Sue Vaughn, clerk-stenographer in General Office T&D Station, and Wanda Norcross and Bea Eakin, stenographers in Division Commercial.

About a year ago, Sue's aunt taught her how to make the flower pictures and since then she has made about 20. She gave two to Wanda and Bea, and they asked to learn how to make them. The three girls now meet at Wanda's home to share ideas for making the arrangements.

Dried flower pictures sell commercially anywhere from \$8.50 to \$25.00, but these girls find they can make them for less than \$5.00. Materials needed are picture frames with raised glass, an assortment of dried flowers, plants and velvet, Elmer's glue plus plenty of patience. Plastic birds, frogs or bugs add realism to the pictures. The materials can be purchased at most craft shops although some people dry their own flowers in Silico-Gel.

The girls agree that the hobby is a lot of fun and they enjoy giving them as gifts. "They are always a little extra because you give a little of yourself."

**Former Beauty Queen Enjoys
Challenge Of Working With Youth**



Before becoming Mrs. J. W. Reid, Mary Ellen held several beauty queen titles.

Mary Ellen Reid, wife of John William Reid, unit foreman at Big Sandy Plant, finds little time to get bored while her husband works shift work. In addition to caring for their seven-month-old son, Mrs. Reid works in various capacities with Kentucky state beauty pageants.

She is presently working with the Little Miss Kentucky Pageant and the Miss Kentucky Posture and Physical Fitness Pageant. This summer she was hostess for the Governor's reception, state hostess at the Miss Kentucky Pageant, judge for the Miss Kentucky Teenager Pageant and Chairman of the Miss Sesquicentennial Beauty Pageant in Lawrence County, Kentucky. Next month she will be working with the Kentucky State Apple Festival Pageant and next year with the Miss Tri-State (Ohio, W. Va., Ky.) Burley Tobacco Pageant.

Mrs. Reid is well qualified for pageant work, having a number of beauty titles to her credit. Starting out in 1964 as high school homecoming queen, she was named sweetheart queen, Miss Wayne County, West Virginia Fair Queen and Miss Wayne County Burley Tobacco Queen. She was also a candidate for the Miss Wayne County Preliminary to the Miss USA Pageant that year. In 1965 she was Miss Wayne County Sheriff during National Police and Armed Forces Week, Miss West Virginia Burley Tobacco Queen, the first runner-up in the Miss Queen of Tobaccoland National Pageant in Virginia, where she received the talent award for twirling. She also was a guest performer at the Milton, West Virginia, Harvest Molasses Festival.

Some of her other early activities included two years as a model for the Autumn Fantasies Style Show and guest of honor at West Virginia's largest Christmas parade as Outstanding Young Woman. She was nominated for feature twirler at West Virginia University and was second runner-up in the Miss Huntington, W. Va., Pageant in 1967. She was a Marshall University swim suit model and was selected as state candidate for the West Virginia Strawberry Festival by the W. Va. House of Delegates.

Mrs. Reid, who has been active in community and state work for the past nine years, says she enjoys the challenge of working with young people in today's society.

**Camille Keller
Is Salutatorian**



Keller

Camille Keller was named salutatorian of the senior class at Dupont High School, Dupont, West Virginia. She is the daughter of W. H. Keller, mine foreman over Coalburg No. 1 and Winifrede No. 4 Mines of Central Appalachian Coal Company.

Camille's activities at Dupont include membership in the National Honor Society, Conservation Club, Future Teachers of America, and French Club, which she served as vice president and president. She received an award as the most outstanding French student. She was Dupont's Betty Crocker Homemaker of Tomorrow and received honorable mention in the West Virginia contest. She was a delegate to the Model United Nations Meeting and chosen "Most Likely To Succeed" by the senior class.

This fall she will attend Morris Harvey College, majoring in either French or political science.



Hudson

**Heart Volunteer
Awarded Plaque**

"It gives me a great deal of satisfaction to volunteer my services for such a worthwhile cause," says Kay Hudson about her work with the Piedmont Heart Association. The Lynchburg T&D clerk senior was recently awarded a plaque for her 20 years of service with the organization.

A charter member of the Piedmont Association, Miss Hudson was one of the organizers of Heart Sunday in Lynchburg and has been chairman of the drive since 1958. Heart Sunday is a city-wide, door-to-door solicitation for contributions to the Heart Fund. The Association also places containers in business establishments for receipt of contributions.

Miss Hudson has served in many capacities and worked on many projects, but she says her greatest satisfaction is gained through her efforts on behalf of the fund-raising campaign. Kay Hudson has been a strong pillar to the Piedmont Association. Through her untiring service, many people have benefited.

**Daughter Of Kentucky Employee
Crowned Ashland Area Junior Miss**

Lisa Anne Charles, daughter of H. F. Charles, purchasing and stores director for Kentucky Power, was crowned Ashland Area Junior Miss in the fourth annual scholarship pageant. Lisa says, "Being in the pageant was one of the most rewarding experiences in my life, and I am looking forward to the many activities I will be involved in during the year."

Half of the judging is done prior to the pageant, that of scholastic achievement and the judges' conference. During the contest the participants were judged on poise and appearance, youth fitness, and creative and performing arts. Lisa was the recipient of the scholastic achievement and poise and appearance awards. For her talent, she offered a humorous monologue entitled, "Little Ride Hooding Red".

A rising senior at Paul G. Blazer High School, Lisa is a high honor student and member of the Sigmata, Latin and Pep Clubs and the annual staff. She was a delegate to Girls' State, where she was elected city commissioner.

As Ashland Area's Junior Miss, Lisa will participate in the Kentucky Junior Miss Pageant in January 1973, prior to America's Junior Miss Pageant in May at Mobile, Alabama.



Lisa Anne Charles, seated, is crowned the 1973 Ashland Area Junior Miss by her predecessor, Martha Kay Crawford.

**Husband, Wife Learn To Make
Bricks While Redecorating Kitchen**

When Mary Ann Wade decided to redecorate her kitchen with an imitation brick wall, little did she realize that she and her husband Bill would end up making the bricks themselves.

Mary Ann, who is known for creativity in her job as home sales representative in Charleston, does not feel it is unusual to be in the "brick business". She says, "We started out originally to purchase the mass-produced decorator bricks, but the price per square foot came to over \$1.00, plus the glue, and we had a large wall to cover. So we did the only thing we could—made our own. "We had several dismal failures," she relates. "They would either break when taken out of the mold, or else the plaster used as a primary ingredient would rub off at a touch." Bill kept experimenting and came up with a combination that produced a hard brick which could be painted.

Once the initial problems were

overcome, the Wades developed many unusual colors and methods to add texture and age to the finished product. Each brick must be individually cast in a special mold, then colored and finally shellaced to produce a durable brick.

The brick-making hobby has mushroomed from its humble beginning into what is now a mass-production process. The kitchen in the Wade home, which is finally decorated, has become a conversation piece as well as an inspiration to their friends and neighbors. As experts in the field, Mary Ann and Bill have helped over 20 of their friends install "Wade-produced" bricks of all colors in a variety of locations.

"We plan to start on our basement next," says Mary Ann. "Now that we've helped most of our friends redecorate their homes, it's time our own gets some attention."



With the last brick in place on their kitchen wall, Bill and Mary Ann Wade's next decorating project will be their basement.

Employees Awarded For Long Service With AEP System



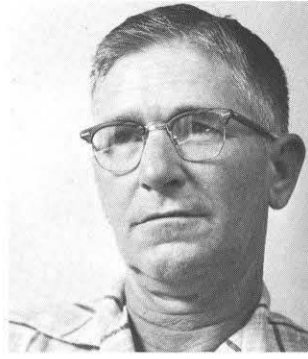
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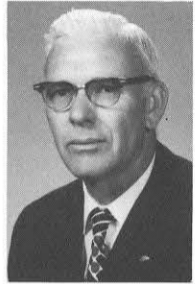
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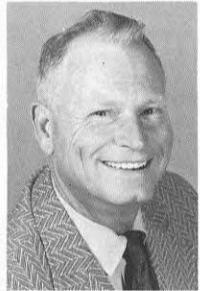
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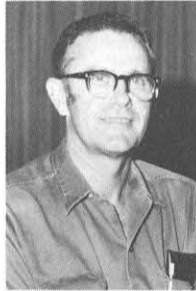
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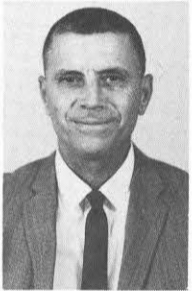
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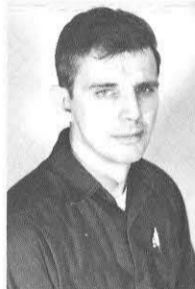
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Roanoke
- 2 **J. C. Hare**
Inst. Main. Mech. A
Glen Lyn
- 3 **M. A. Langford**
Line Foreman NE
Lynchburg
- 4 **Russell Muncy**
Distribution Engineer
Hazard
- 5 **H. T. Woodson**
Meter Serviceman
Lynchburg
- 6 **O. G. Doran, Jr.**
General Records Clerk
Ashland
- 7 **C. B. Patteson**
Asst. Shift Op. Engr.
Glen Lyn
- 8 **G. R. Jackson**
Switchboard Operator
Glen Lyn

30 YEARS

- 9 **W. P. Vickers, Jr.**
Regional Dispatcher
GO—Charleston
- 10 **C. E. Thompson**
Stationman Helper
Huntington
- 11 **D. D. Campbell**
Asst. Shift Op. Engr.
Clinch River
- 12 **J. G. Willhide**
Operations Engineer Sr.
GO—Roanoke
- 13 **W. L. Myers**
Meter Reader
Bluefield
- 14 **R. H. Caldwell**
Regional Dispatcher
GO—Roanoke
- 15 **E. B. Johnson, Jr.**
Operations Coordinator
GO—Roanoke
- 16 **G. C. Williams**
Mechanical Const. Asst.
John E. Amos

25 YEARS

- 17 **Betty L. Roach**
T&D Clerk
Logan-Williamson
- 18 **K. R. Higginbotham**
Line Inspector
Lynchburg
- 19 **J. F. Bauknecht**
Civil Construction Asst.
John E. Amos
- 20 **A. H. Lilly**
Area Serviceman
Beckley
- 21 **L. M. Tyo**
Mech. Construction Asst.
John E. Amos
- 22 **W. E. Ferrell**
Regional Chief Dispatcher
GO—Charleston
- 23 **Kenna Judy, Jr.**
Engineer B
Charleston
- 24 **W. C. West**
Meterman A
Charleston
- 25 **Don Bevins**
Serviceman
Pikeville

20 YEARS

- 26 **H. K. Evans**
Head T&D Clerk
Beckley
- 27 **M. G. Phillips**
Stationman B
Logan-Williamson
- 28 **D. E. Hall**
Equipment Operator
Glen Lyn
- 29 **G. L. Wright**
Maintenance Foreman
John E. Amos
- 30 **D. G. Harman**
Transmission Man A
GO—Bluefield
- 31 **J. D. Martin**
General Serviceman
Bluefield
- 32 **W. A. Ohlinger**
Master Maintenance Man
Philip Sporn
- 33 **C. H. Shumate**
Coal Equipment Operator
Glen Lyn
- 34 **P. E. Taylor**
Conveyor Operator
Philip Sporn

Hart Named Staff Engineer



Hart

Winfred H. Hart, Jr., has been named staff engineer in Appalachian's General Office T&D Distribution Section, Roanoke. A native of Nace, Virginia, Hart served in the Air Force during World War II and is an electrical engineering graduate of Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University. He joined the company in 1950 as an engineer trainee in Roanoke and was a junior electrical engineer, electrical engineer and senior station engineer before being promoted to distribution engineer senior in 1969. Hart's wife Lois is General Office Real Estate and Right of Way Department office supervisor, Roanoke.



Harmon



Purdy



Plunk



Fechter

State Certifies

Four Engineers

Four Appalachian employees have become certified professional engineers in the State of Virginia. They are James J. Harmon, Jr., A. B. Purdy, George L. Fechter, and Joe Plunk.

An electrical engineering graduate of Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, Harmon joined the company at Welch in 1953. He is now an electrical staff engineer in Bluefield.

Purdy graduated from Texas A&M with a bachelor of science degree in electrical engineering and came to work in the Roanoke General Office in 1950. He is a station staff engineer.

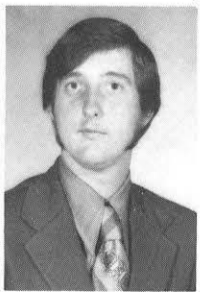
An electrical engineer, Fechter holds a BSEE degree from Newark College of Engineering and was employed in 1969 in the Roanoke General Office.

Plunk, hydro supervising engineer, received a civil engineering degree from the University of Tennessee. He started with the company in 1963.

In order to become certified, these engineers had a minimum of four years' experience after obtaining their degrees, as well as passing an engineering-in-training exam and a professional engineering exam.

Weddington Takes

Engineering Post



Weddington

Michael M. Weddington has been promoted to electrical engineer senior at Williamson in the Logan-Williamson Division.

Weddington holds a BS degree in electrical engineering from West Virginia Institute of Technology and joined Appalachian in 1967 as an electrical engineer at Logan. He previously had been employed by the company during the summers from 1964-67. In 1970 he moved to Williamson as service foreman.

Weddington is married and has one daughter.

Hocker's Formula For Staying Young: Eat Less, Sleep Less And Keep Busy

"I just got promoted and demoted faster than anyone that ever worked for the company," declared William D. Hocker as he wound up a 33-year career as custodian in Huntington. On his last day, Bill said he always wondered what it would be like to sit in the division manager's chair. Division Manager George E. Hervey gave him the chance to find out. During the "five-minute promotion", the phone didn't ring and no problems came up. Bill summed it up by saying, "If it's this simple, I've been a division manager for years and didn't know it."

Bill looks and feels 15 years younger than he really is. He says, "The formula is very simple. Just sleep less, eat less and keep busy." Bill practices what he preaches. He sleeps 5 to 6 hours and eats light meals with very little meat and practically no bread. He is only 15 pounds heavier than when he started work. Although he worked on the evening shift, he kept busy during the day with church work, community projects and dabbling in door-to-door selling.

A native of Buckingham County, West Virginia, both of his parents died when he was small and he was raised by his grandparents. Because of this situation, he left school after the eighth grade to go to work. He continued taking correspondence courses until he had the equivalent of a high school education.

Bill is happy about the changes coming about in society which enable a black man to raise his standard of living. However, he

has no complaints about his own personal situation. He joined Appalachian during the depression when everyone was having a rough time making ends meet. He never missed a pay check and during the years has paid for his home, furnished it with all the modern electrical conveniences, purchased and worn out several automobiles and provided a college education for his daughter. He also lives with the satisfaction that his family is protected with company insurance and hospitalization.

As for the future, Bill and his wife Louella plan to do a little fishing and traveling. One thing for sure, "I'm not going to sit down and start rocking just because I retired. I like to keep busy."



George Hervey lights a cigar for Bill Hocker, who found out what it was like to sit in the division manager's chair.



Mr. and Mrs. T. K. Rhodes relax beside their Winnebago motor home.

Retirees Enjoying The Good Life,

Travel From Alaska To Puerto Rico

T. K. Rhodes and his wife retired two years ago and they've literally been on the go ever since. Ted was a line inspector in Charleston Division and his wife was principal of Alban Elementary School.

In preparation for their travels, the Rhodes purchased a Winnebago 18½-foot motor home which Ted altered to meet their personal needs. He comments, "It's really a nice, reliable vehicle but several things didn't quite suit me. I added a left-hand gas feed in order to rest my right foot on long trips, built a movable lavatory cover so it could also serve as a dressing table, rebraced several points on the body, and added a gravel shield. All of these additions have proved worthwhile."

During the past two years the Rhodes have visited Puerto Rico, southern California, Alaska and spent two full winters roving Florida. Their most adventurous trip and one of their first after retirement took them across the

Alaskan Highway to a point just south of the Arctic Circle.

Ted reports, "The highway is nearly 1700 miles long and almost entirely gravel based. One thing that's interesting is the fact you could never be more than 50 miles from a gas station. When you're traveling in an area as sparsely populated as Alaska, a service station can really look good. Although gas was plentiful, it often cost as much as 72¢ per gallon." They also panned for gold at Fairbanks, in an area set aside especially for tourists, and took a side trip via boat to visit a glacier.

A trip to the New England states is scheduled soon, and they are talking about buying a larger motor home. Reflecting upon their two busy years, Ted says, "With God's help and a lot of energy, retirement can be great. We still haven't been to Mexico or as far into Canada as we would like, so maybe next year we will be in those parts of the country."

Appalachian, Kentucky Veterans

Awarded For 35 Years Of Service

Ten veteran employees of Appalachian and Kentucky Power Companies were honored for 35 years' service during August. They are O. G. Doran, Jr., Ashland; Margaret V. Winn, General Office, Roanoke; G. R. Jackson, J. C. Hare and C. B. Patteson, Glen Lyn Plant; Russell Muncy, Hazard; H. T. Woodson and M. A. Langford, Lynchburg; and Wilbur Guthrie and L. R. Thomas, Roanoke.

Oran "Pete" Doran, Jr., Ashland general records clerk senior, began work with Kentucky Power in the T&D Department. He served in the Seabees from 1943-46 and transferred to the Commercial Department in 1949. After several advancements he was promoted to his present position in 1968.

Margaret Virginia Winn, property records clerk senior in General Office Accounting, Roanoke, joined Appalachian as a clerk. She held the positions of junior and senior work order accounting clerk and work order accounting clerk before being named to her present job in 1970.

G. R. Jackson, switchboard operator at Glen Lyn, hired on as a laborer. He worked as a boiler room man, auxiliary equipment operator, boiler operator B and equipment operator before moving to his present job in 1966.

James C. Hare, instrument maintenance mechanic A at Glen Lyn, began his service as a laborer. He progressed through the ranks as electrical maintenance

man, electrical maintenance mechanic B and instrument maintenance mechanic B before taking his present job.

Carl B. Patteson, assistant shift operating engineer at Glen Lyn, began his career as a clerk. He worked as an auxiliary equipment operator, turbine operator, switchboard operator and unit foreman before being promoted to his present position in 1968.

Russell Muncy, Hazard distribution engineer senior, was hired as an engineer and assumed his present position in 1950.

Henry Thomas Woodson, Lynchburg meter serviceman, joined Appalachian as a groundman. He was an electrician's helper before assuming his present position in 1953.

Morris Alton Langford, Lynchburg line foreman non exempt, began work as a groundman. He was promoted to lineman the following year and to his present classification in 1962.

Wilbur Guthrie, Roanoke station foreman non exempt, was employed as a maintenance man. He advanced through the ranks as production maintenance man A, stationman B and A before his latest promotion in 1971.

L. R. Thomas, Roanoke meterman C, began his career as a groundman. He worked as a lineman, lineman 2nd class and 1st class, lineman A, and meter service helper before assuming his present job in 1955. He has been on LTD leave since June 1970.

SERVICE ANNIVERSARIES

Appalachian Power Company

JOHN E. AMOS PLANT—15 YEARS: F. T. GRINSTEAD, Concrete Construction Assistant. 10 YEARS: W. B. COLDIRON, Plant Performance Supervisor. 5 YEARS: H. D. ANDERSON, Equipment Operator. C. H. DOUTHIT, Mechanical Construction Assistant.

CHARLESTON DIVISION—15 YEARS: E. J. SHAVER, JR., Accounting Supervisor. WINIFRED CREWEY, Customer Accounts Representative.

GENERAL OFFICE—30 YEARS: MARGARET G. OXLEY, Invoice Audit Clerk. 15 YEARS: JANICE PAGANS, Property Records Clerk. G. M. GILLOCK, Operations Engineer Supervisor. CLARA ARMSTRONG, Payroll Accounting Assistant. 5 YEARS: R. L. TUCKER, Station Maintenance Man B. T. W. THROCKMORTON, Reproducing Machine Operator A. C. A. PRESLEY, II, Engineer B. THEDA GRAHAM, Invoice Audit Clerk.

GLEN LYN PLANT—15 YEARS: H. G. GILLESPIE, JR., Plant Engineer.

KANAWHA RIVER PLANT—5 YEARS: B. C. NICHOLSON, Junior Maintenance Man.

LOGAN-WILLIAMSON DIVISION—15 YEARS: W. M. HATTON, Collector.

LYNCHBURG DIVISION—5 YEARS: D. C. WINEBARGER, JR., Meter Serviceman C.

PULASKI DIVISION—15 YEARS: J. F. BURNETT, Lineman B.

ROANOKE DIVISION—5 YEARS: J. H. CRIDER, Caretaker Helper.

PHILIP SPORN PLANT—20 YEARS: E. P. DUFFY, Maintenance Man. 5 YEARS: C. R. DUNCAN, Maintenance Man. D. G. GOODNITE, Maintenance Man. R. C. ROUSH, Maintenance Man. T. R. BELCHER, Maintenance Man.

Kentucky Power Company

ASHLAND DIVISION—10 YEARS: J. A. ROSS, Lineman A.

BIG SANDY PLANT—10 YEARS: BILLY CASSELL, Unit Foreman. W. E. MAYNARD, Yard Foreman. J. E. PERSINGER, Maintenance Foreman. P. E. SNYDER, Maintenance Foreman. 5 YEARS: T. J. BRADLEY, Unit Operator.

HAZARD DIVISION—5 YEARS: LAURA C. EARLS, Contract Clerk.

PIKEVILLE DIVISION—25 YEARS: G. D. ISON, Engineering Aide. 15 YEARS: W. F. TACKETT, Meter Reader. 5 YEARS: NANCY WILLIAMSON, General Record Clerk-Commercial.

Kingsport Power Company

15 YEARS: B. J. STEWART, Meterman B. 10 YEARS: C. W. DAUGHERTY, Line Foreman.

Guy Simmons Retires To His Farm After 37-Year Appalachian Career

There's been some good times and rough times in the 37-year career of M. G. Simmons, who recalls "I've enjoyed my work with the company all those years." Guy, truck driver-groundman in the Ripley area of Huntington Division, elected early retirement September 1.

A native of Kenna, West Virginia, Guy was first employed as a laborer in the Charleston Division. He worked as a lineman until receiving a leg injury which prevented him from climbing, then became a field clerk, and

transferred to Point Pleasant as a truck driver-groundman in 1953.

He recalls, "In the early days we would camp out on the job sites, and one time I worked 17 weeks without a day off. We cut our own poles and used a team of horses to pull the poles to the place they would be set. At that time we were working on the high lines and stringing our own lines."

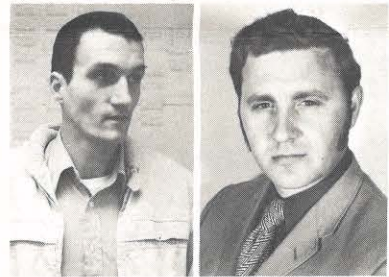
Guy is looking forward to working on his 210-acre farm during retirement. He owns 74 head of cattle and some horses and raises his own vegetables. An outdoorsman, he plans to spend more time hunting and fishing. He is a member of the Nemesis Temple in Charleston and Lodge 82 of the Independent Order of Odd Fellows at Montgomery.

For the past 15 years, Guy has hitched a team of horses to his surrey and rode in the Fourth of July Parade in Ripley. He hopes to ride in many more.



Guy Simmons will be spending a lot more time on his tractor now that he has retired to farm living.

Amos Supervisors Take New Jobs



Shoemaker

Coldiron

W. Bruce Coldiron, plant performance supervisor at John E. Amos Plant, has been named section head in the AEP Service Corporation's Performance, Instrumentation and Control Section in Canton. Succeeding Coldiron at Amos is Rexford F. Shoemaker, who rises from the position of performance supervising engineer.

A native West Virginian, Coldiron holds a bachelor of science degree in mechanical engineering from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University. He worked at Glen Lyn Plant as a co-op student in 1957 and became permanently employed as a test engineer there in 1963. He was promoted to performance engineer in 1966 and transferred to Mitchell Plant two years later, where he advanced to performance supervising engineer. He went to Amos in 1970 as plant performance supervisor. Coldiron is married and has three sons.

Shoemaker received a bachelor of science degree in mechanical engineering from West Virginia Institute of Technology and joined Kanawha River Plant in 1968 as a performance engineer. He later transferred to the Amos Plant Construction Department payroll and worked at the AEP Service Corporation in New York in 1969. He went to Amos as performance supervising engineer in 1970.



Gillespie

Gillespie Moves To Glen Lyn

Harvey G. Gillespie, Jr., plant engineer at Radford Army Ammunition Steam Plant, has been transferred to Glen Lyn Plant in the same capacity.

A mechanical engineering graduate of Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, Gillespie joined Appalachian in 1957 as a test engineer at Kanawha River Plant. He transferred to Clinch River Plant in 1958, where he had assignments in the Results and Maintenance Departments. In 1968 he was promoted to plant engineer at the Radford Plant, operated by Appalachian.

Gillespie is married and has three children.

Harry Davis Entitled To Relax After 38 Years Of AEP Service

Harry A. Davis had traveling and relaxation in mind when he elected early retirement August 1 after 38 years' service. He was a shift operating engineer at Philip Sporn Plant.

A native of Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, Harry served in the U. S. Navy for four years. He hired on as a laborer at Ohio Power's Windsor Plant in 1934 and worked there as a boiler operator and operator class 1A before moving to Sporn in 1949 as a control operator. He served in various capacities in the Operations Department before being named shift operating engineer in 1966.

Harry recalls that during the 1936-37 flood at Windsor, "We were one of the few power plants that stayed in service. We sand-bagged to keep out the water and worked for 32 hours straight to protect our operation."

Harry and his wife Veda have a son and a daughter and five

grandchildren. He enjoys attending ball games and watching them on television as well as woodworking, golf and bowling. He is a member of Post 1212, Veterans of Foreign Wars, Parkersburg, W. Va.; American Legion Post 39, Pomeroy, Ohio; Order of the Eagles, Pomeroy; and St. Paul Lutheran Church, Pomeroy.



Davis

Four Sons Of Clinch River Employees Named To Little League All Stars

Four sons of Clinch River employees were named to the Lebanon Little League All Stars for the 1972 season.

Gary Puckett, hard throwing righthander, had a perfect 7-0 season, during which he struck out 84 batters in 42 innings and gave up only 28 hits. The son of Harold Puckett, equipment operator, Gary also helped his team along with a .480 batting average.

Timmy Hardwick, son of Dispatcher Jim Hardwick, proved himself a topnotch catcher to take the All Star receiver spot.

Johnny Jessee and Dennis Vance showed their versatility as fleet fielders with batting power to capture All Star berths. They are the sons of Harold Jessee, unit foreman, and Landon Vance, maintenance man.

Lloyd McFarland, master maintenance man, was selected to manage the All Star group. Other Clinchers who played a big part in making the season successful

were assistant managers Jim Britt and John Barrett. Other employees' sons who participated were Tom-Tom Watson, Eddie Carr, Mike Pruitt, Paul Kiser, Kevin Barrett, Randy Garrett, Bob McComas, Jerry Jonas and Matthew Campbell.



Named to the Lebanon Little League All Stars were (l. to r.) Timmy Hardwick, Gary Puckett, Johnny Jessee and Dennis Vance.

Roanokers Win Honors In District Class A Fast Pitch Softball League



Berry



Ragland

Two members of the Roanoke Recyclers softball team won honors in the Western District Class A fast pitch softball league. R. O. Ragland, Roanoke lead draftsman, was named most valuable fielder. Garland Berry, husband of Pat Berry, GO Purchasing, was selected as outstanding manager.

This has been a good season for the Recyclers, who won first place in the regular Roanoke City A League competition and first

place in the Roanoke City-County A tournament. They also placed third in the Star City tournament and third in the Lynchburg Invitational Tournament, competing against 23 other teams in each. During a double elimination tournament in July, the Recyclers emerged Western District champions for the second year in a row.

The Recyclers, along with three other Roanoke teams, participated in the state tournament at Lynchburg during August.



Hoffman

Ward

Two Promoted At Sporn Plant

Two men have been promoted to new positions at Philip Sporn Plant. F. M. Ward was named shift operating engineer and C. T. Hoffman, assistant shift operating engineer.

A native of Hazard, Kentucky, Ward attended Hazard Baptist Institute and joined Kentucky Power in 1939 as a maintenance man at Hazard Plant. He was a boiler room man and boiler operator there before transferring to Sporn Plant in 1949 as an auxiliary equipment operator. He was a unit control operator, control operator and 2nd assistant shift operating engineer before being named assistant shift operating engineer in 1960. Ward is married.

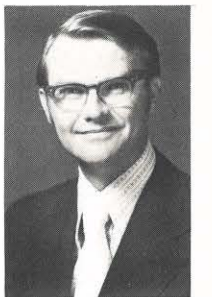
A native of Mason, West Virginia, Hoffman served in the U. S. Air Force from 1942 to 1946. He was employed at Sporn Plant as a laborer in 1950 and worked as a coal handler, auxiliary equipment operator, assistant unit operator and control operator before being named unit foreman in 1957. Hoffman is married and has one son.

Lovegroves Place In State Tourney

Two Roanoke teenagers rolled a 1302 handicap set to win third-place plaques in the doubles division of the Virginia State Junior Bowling Tournament this summer.

Ricky and David Lovegrove rolled a 1116 scratch for their six games, an average of 186 per game. The tournament was held in Roanoke. They are the sons of C. Richard Lovegrove, public information supervisor in General Office Public Affairs.

Woodyard Takes New AEP Post



Woodyard

W. R. Woodyard has been named national accounts supervisor in the Commercial Department of the American Electric Power Service Corporation, effective September 15. He has been commercial sales engineer in Appalachian's General Office Commercial Department, Roanoke.

This is a new position created to direct the System's activities with the growing number of customers, including residential and commercial developers, whose interests are regional or national in scope. Woodyard will coordinate these activities with national account representatives located in operating companies.

A native of Beckley, West Virginia, Woodyard joined Appalachian in 1957 as a commercial sales representative in Charleston and was later promoted to power sales engineer. He went to Roanoke in 1970 as commercial sales engineer. Woodyard attended Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, is married and has three children.



Fred LaRue examines one of the fruit trees in his back yard.

LaRue Retires After 36 Years

During his 36-year career with Kingsport Power Company, Fred S. LaRue became personally acquainted with many area residents. He recalls that while riding with friends one Sunday afternoon in Hawkins and Sullivan County, they were amazed that Fred could call the name of each homeowner and farm as they drove by. He had dealt with many of them as a rural representative or while securing rights of way. When Fred retired September 1, he was a heating and builder sales representative.

A native of Cocke County, Tennessee, Fred studied electrical engineering at the University of Tennessee. He was first employed as a transitman in 1936 and was working as a rural solicitor when he left in 1943 on military leave. He returned to work in 1945 as a rural representative and later advanced to right of way agent and area sales representative before being named heating and builder sales representative in 1963. He was placed on LTD leave in 1969.

The LaRues have no definite plans as yet for retirement. Fred says, "Since my heart attack in 1969, I have been unable to do very much physical work. I enjoy my garden and yard work in addition to a number of fruit trees in my back yard. Virginia, my wife, has a brother in Hawaii. We have visited him twice in the last several years but do not have any present plans for another trip." During the winter he likes to watch all sports events on television. Fred is a member of the American Legion and Eagles.

425 Instructed In First Aid

More than 425 employees in our three companies have received first aid training under the new Multi Media method since the beginning of this year.

The new method of training has been well received in all locations. According to company safety directors, one of the advantages of the program is that it can be conducted within one day or in two-hour or four-hour segments. Films and actual practice sessions provide interest, and the rate of retention by employees is above average.

Kentucky Power has ten trained instructors; Kingsport Power, one; and Appalachian, 12. Plans call for increasing the number of Appalachian instructors qualified in the Multi Media method to 30.

The training is mandatory for all field crews and those in related work. However, the course may be taken by any employee when offered.

Leo Thomas, Tennis Champ Versatile

Leo Thomas, 12-year-old son of R. E. Thomas, Lynchburg lead draftsman, is the winner of Lynchburg's 12 and Under tennis title. Leo enjoys tennis both as a competitive sport and as an active pastime, but he admits that tennis is not the extent of his athletic skills. He is also fond of baseball and football.

Although Leo has played tennis for only three years, he has learned through various tournaments the value of planning a game attack. For example, if an opponent has a poor backhand,

then he would use his strongest defense, the forehand. In addition, the new champ has a deadly "spin serve" which travels straight at a very high rate of speed and then breaks off.

Since Leo is making a name for himself in tennis, it would seem natural that tennis is his favorite sport. However, his likes and dislikes don't fall into such smooth patterns. He says baseball is his favorite of the three sports.

He has been playing baseball for five years and during this past season his team, Limitorque, became divisional Little League winners with a 15-2 record. Leo, who pitches and plays shortstop, ended the season with a 8-1 mound record. Since his father is coach-manager of Limitorque, Leo notes his father is more interested in his baseball career than his tennis career.



Thomas

The Sandusky Junior High seventh-grader has a four-year association with football. For two fall seasons he has been a part of the Sheffield team and played quarterback and halfback.

When asked about his other interests, Leo mentioned golf. But this is still sports. To which he replied, "I know—sports is my other interest."

Employees' Sons Play On Ball Team Which Won Roanoke Championship



The Heights coach gives last minute instructions to his team as three Appalachian dads listen: C. G. Price, Jr., left; P. F. Roush, center; and John Faucette, right.

Four Roanoke dads have a lot to brag about these days. Their sons were members of the Heights Little League baseball team which won the Roanoke City championship.

Playing for the Heights team were Zack Price, pitcher, son of C. G. Price, Jr., GO Property records accounting supervisor; Greg Roush, shortstop, son of P. F. Roush, assistant regional dispatcher; Todd Blackwell, third base, son of J. E. Blackwell, GO employee relations supervisor; and Bill Faucette, left field, son of John W. Faucette, electrical engineer.

The Heights team, with a 10-2 record, won the American division of the Roanoke City Recreation Department sandlot baseball program. The Heights defeated Wilamont, winner of the National division, by a score of 8-6 for the championship.

John Faucette, who was assistant Heights coach last year, served this season as scorekeeper.

During a city-wide invitational Little League tournament in July, the Heights team put the frosting on the cake. They played and won three games, scoring a total of 33 runs against only four from

the other teams.

Six of the Heights players were selected to the "All Star" team. Greg Roush was named All Star shortstop and Zack Price was honored as most valuable player of the tournament.

Tourney Played At Big Bend

The Big Bend Golf Course in St. Albans, West Virginia, played host to Charleston Division's annual golf tournament again this year.

Finishing up with low gross for the tournament was Bill Ferguson, General Office Operations, with a 77. The surprise of the tournament was Ed Braid, who closed with a 79 without handicap. Brooks Miller won honors for the lowest number of total putts; Fred Helm and C. A. Perkins, low putts on front 9 and back 9, respectively; and N. A. Stultz and Don Newman, most pars.

J. P. Fulknier, organizer of the event, reports, "All of the participants played good golf and are looking forward to a rematch next year."



David Puckett examines one of the rocks in his collection.

Mr. Gotrocks May Not Be Rich But He Has Plenty Of Stones

"Mr. Gotrocks" would seem an apt description of David Puckett, PBX operator at Fieldale in the Roanoke Division.

His hobby of rock collecting has taken him into 15 states in search of unusual stones and he now has over 500 specimens. He began his collection in 1945 when, like many other Americans after World War II, he became interested in uranium prospecting.

Puckett has quite a variety of rocks, including some that read hot on his Geiger counter. He also has some imbedded with tiny jewels such as garnet, ruby, emerald, amethyst, sapphire, aquamarine and others.

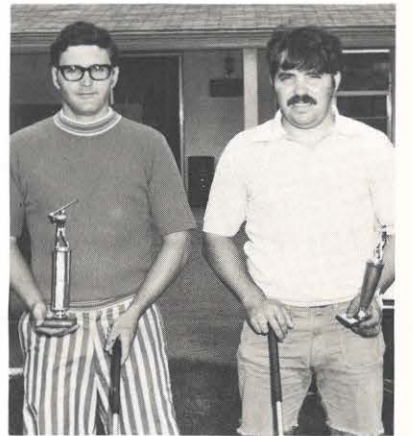
He has swapped stones with other collectors. Sometimes mines will sell the result of their diggings to rock collectors at a reasonable cost. These are purchased by the bag or box in hopes there might be a jewel of value left in the diggings.

While digging in a pit in Nebraska owned by the University of Nebraska, Puckett found a fossilized mastodon tooth which was turned over to the school. Incidental to his rock hunting, he has discovered deposits of minerals such as phosphate, feldspar and kalonite. He recalls once refusing to buy a piece of land for \$1,200 which had a deposit of minerals he could work. Today the land is valued at \$30,000. Another time he discovered an extensive deposit of gold ore. The problem was that the cost of mining and refining it exceeded the value of the gold recovered.

He stops long enough in his digging to gather ginseng root which sells for about \$40 per pound. This helps finance his hobby.

In the future Puckett plans to get into the polishing field. Many of his stones would make beautiful jewelry and the semi-precious gems would climb in value immediately when polished.

Bluefield Men Win Tournament



Ron Devor (left) and Harold Cutlip display the trophies they won in the Dogwood Tournament at Richwood Golf Club.

Three Bluefield Division employees were winners in the annual Dogwood Tournament held at Richwood Golf Club.

Ron Devor, business trainee, won the championship flight; Harold Cutlip, draftsman, first flight; and J. J. Harmon, Jr., electrical engineer, was runner-up in the fourth flight.

In the playoff games, Devor beat his opponent 6-5 and shot a 68 in the playoff. Cutlip beat his opponent on the 21st hole in sudden death. Each winner and runner-up received a trophy.

The Richwood Golf Club was built by the late M. E. Rich, Bluefield records supervisor.



OUTSTANDING PLAYERS—Named to the Lebanon Senior League All-Stars were these children of Clinch River Plant employees. L. to r. are Allen Carter, outfielder, son of Giles Carter, maintenance man; Gary Jonas, catcher, and Mike Jonas, pitcher, sons of Don Jonas, chemist.

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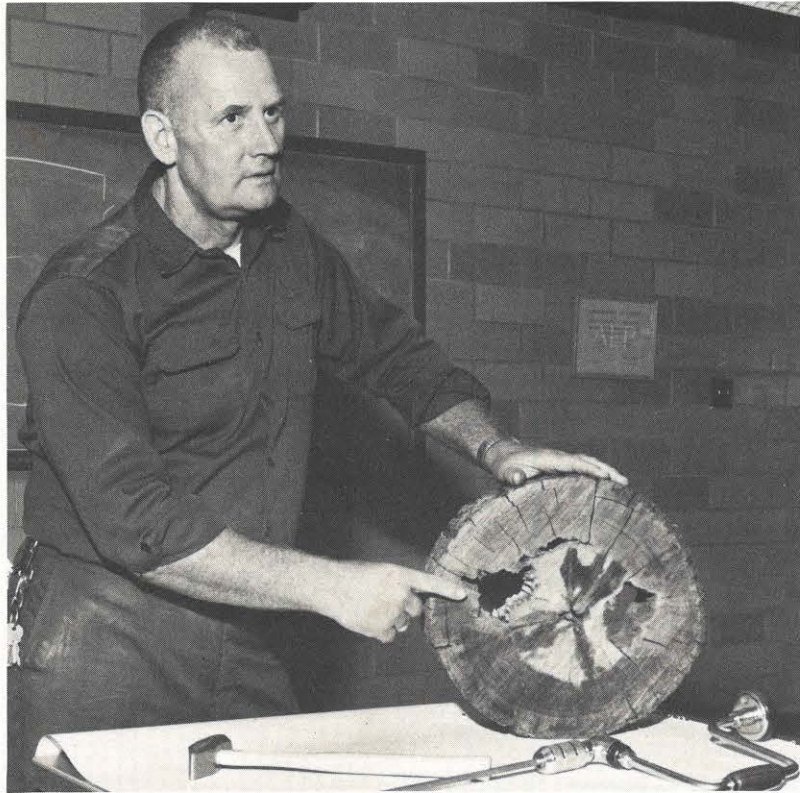
School's Open—Drive Carefully

Berry Crusades For Pole Testing

You can't judge a book by its cover—or a pole, either, claims Edward C. Berry, Huntington line foreman. He learned the hard way that even though a pole may appear sturdy on the outside, it may be rotted inside or infested with termites below ground level.

Fifteen years ago Berry, who was an area serviceman then, climbed a 35-foot pole to within 10 feet of the top, drilled a hole, installed a secondary clevis and changed the transformer taps from two to three-wire hook-up.

He then changed positions on the pole to resag the present two-wire service in preparation for adding the third wire. While attempting to resag the neutral service wire, Berry heard the pole crack, looked down and saw that the pole was leaning at about a 20-degree angle. He immediately stepped around to the high side of the pole, setting his hooks in hard, and braced his hands against the pole. The pole had broken at ground level and fell with Berry strapped to it.

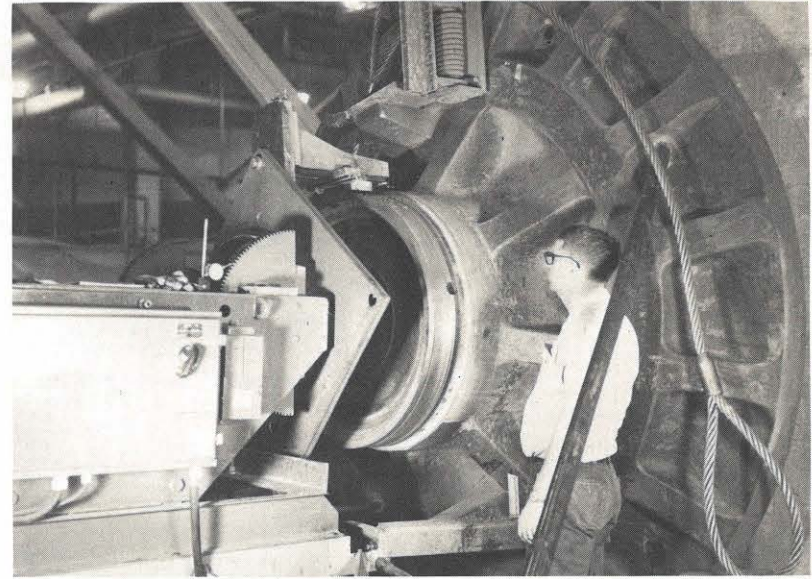


Edward C. Berry is a crusader for the importance of pole testing. This section of pole demonstrates that a pole which looks solid on the outside can be hollow.

He sustained two broken arms, a broken left leg, seven broken ribs, broken nose, lacerations, punctures and bruises to the rest of his body as well as losing 17 teeth. It was over a year before he was able to return to work.

Over six feet tall and weighing 240 lbs., Berry today has no visible signs of his injuries. He speaks softly, yet with authority, and never lets his crew members take short cuts when it comes to safety. He has become a crusader for safety, speaking on the importance of pole testing at line-man training schools and supervisors' meetings. He backs up his talk with slides of the pole involved in his accident along with pictures of poles that have been replaced before an accident occurred. He also includes a shot of himself lying in the hospital after his fall. It brings quiet response from the audience and complete respect for the speaker.

Just for the record, Berry did test the pole which broke with him by kicking it with his climbers. Today a pole is tested by rapping it with a hammer to determine whether it is hollow inside. Sometimes a hole is drilled in it at an angle from the ground line to below the surface to see if it shows any signs of rotting. The hole is later plugged. If any evidence of an unsafe pole is discovered, it is retired from service and replaced. The company today has rigid standards for all poles purchased and the methods for storing and treating them have been upgraded. In addition, all new poles are tested before being used.



GIANT SIZE JOB—They said it couldn't be done—except at the Brooklyn Ship Yard—but that didn't stop maintenance men at the John E. Amos Plant recently. This 40,000 pound, 9 ft. 6 in. diameter grinding table for a MB 23 coal pulverizer at Big Sandy Plant was machined at the Amos Central Shop after no shop in the Kanawha and Ohio Valleys could be found to handle the job. The affected area was machined by setting the table vertically and using a welding positioner to travel the cutting tool. A new labyrinth seal was also fabricated and machined to fit. Charles D. Vannatter, Amos maintenance man A, takes a look at the job.

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