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Amos Unit 3 Undergoes Tests

The largest generating unit ever installed by an investor-owned company — and the American Electric Power System's first with a foreign-made turbine-generator — is undergoing its initial shakedown and testing.

The unit is the 1.3-million-kilowatt No. 3 at the John E. Amos Plant near Charleston, West Virginia, the first in a series of units of this capacity. The only other units of this size in service are operated by the Tennessee Valley Authority.

As July ended, personnel of the AEP Service Corporation and Appalachian Power Company and representatives from various manufacturers were busy around the clock preparing the unit for service.

The main turbine was first rolled with steam at 8:50 p.m. June 29. It was rolled again July 2 and brought to its rated speed. Celebrating Independence Day, the unit produced its first power at 5:50 p.m. On July 12, the unit was loaded to 500,000 kw; on the 17th to 850,000, and on the 19th, its output went to 1,033,000. After that, the unit was shut down for adjustments and scheduled to start up again later in the month.

The 1,033,000 kw produced on July 19 was, of course, the largest single unit output ever recorded on the System. At the same time, it contributed to the largest single plant output (2,573,000 kw) and the largest System output (11,879,000 kw) in AEP history.

Unit 3 is jointly owned by Appalachian and Ohio Power Company.

Ohio Power Sells Bonds, Preferred

Ohio Power Company last month sold \$40 million of 30-year, first-mortgage bonds and 300,000 shares of \$100-par-value preferred stock.

The 8 3/8 percent bonds were sold at a cost to the company of 8.36 percent, the highest cost for such an issue by an AEP System company since Appalachian Power Company sold bonds at a cost of 8.53 percent in October 1970. In comparison, Appalachian had sold \$50 million of 30-year bonds in June at a cost of 8.03 percent.

The winning bid for the preferred carried a dividend rate of 8.48 percent and a cost to the company of 8.45 percent. This is believed to be highest preferred stock cost in AEP System history.

Register Now For Education Awards

Registration for the 1974 American Electric Power System Educational Awards is under way.

Up for grabs this year are 32 awards, each worth \$1,500, to be applied to the freshman year of study in an accredited college. System employees' children who plan to enter college in the fall of 1974 are eligible for the awards.

Those who want to enter the competition must:

1. Pick up an application form from a personnel supervisor;
2. Complete it and return it to the personnel supervisor by September 14.
3. Take the Standard College Entrance Board Scholastic Aptitude Test on November 3. Personnel supervisors have a list of test locations. The cost of the

test will be borne by AEP, and applicants will pay only personal travel expenses.

Testing will be administered by the Education Testing Service, Princeton, New Jersey, and winners will be selected on the basis of test scores and school records. Winners will be announced early in 1974.

The 32 awards are to be distributed in this way: eight each to Appalachian Power Company and Ohio Power Company; six to Indiana & Michigan Electric Company; three to the Service Corporation; two to Kentucky Power Company; one each to Kingsport Power Company, Michigan Power Company, Wheeling Electric Company and the mining companies. In addition, there is one floating award to be granted at the discretion of the judges.

FPC Staff Members Cross-examined On Environmental Impact Statement

Hearings on another phase of Appalachian Power Company's application for a license to construct its proposed Blue Ridge Project were held last month before FPC Administrative Law Judge William Levy. The original application for this project was filed in February 1965.

Seven Federal Power Commission Staff members were cross-examined on the Staff's environmental impact statement by counsel representing Virginia, West Virginia, North Carolina, Grayson County, Ashe and Alleghany counties, and a law student representing the Appalachian Research and Defense Fund from Charleston, West Virginia. A resident of Grayson County and the press secretary of a congressman were also permitted to interrogate the witnesses.

A. Joseph Dowd, vice president and general counsel of AEP Service Corporation, represented Appalachian.

Questioning ranged from the matter of re-allocation of the water storage in the project as proposed by FPC Staff to the effect of drawdowns on fish spawning in the upper reservoir.

At the conclusion of the interrogation, Judge Levy set September 10 as the date for filing of initial briefs on this hearing and October 1 for filing of final briefs.

After these steps are completed, it is expected that Judge Levy will issue another decision which would be subject to briefing by

all interested parties. It will then go to the entire Federal Power Commission for determination on the issuance of a license.

W. Va. Rate Hearings Continued

Further hearings on Appalachian Power Company's request for a rate increase affecting all retail customers were held last month before the West Virginia Public Service Commission.

Five witnesses were cross-examined on testimony previously submitted. Those appearing for the company were W. S. White, senior executive vice president, AEP Service Corporation; G. P. Maloney, vice president—Finance, AEP Service Corporation; H. G. Roseman, financial consultant; J. B. Berg, accounting manager and assistant secretary of Appalachian; and R. H. Hively, director of tariffs, rates and contracts for Appalachian.

The next hearings are scheduled for October 1 and 2. At that time, the Commission Staff and intervenors will present their cases. Among the intervenors are the FMC Corporation, Island Creek Coal, Amherst Fuel, Allied Chemical & Dye, Logan Coal Operators Association and Appalachian Research and Defense Fund, Inc.

Appalachian applied for a rate increase in West Virginia of about 10.4% on February 22, 1971. The increase has been in effect under bond since July 29, 1971.

SEC Denies AEP Acquisition Of Columbus & Southern Ohio

On July 20 — more than five years after the proposal was filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission — American Electric Power Company's proposed acquisition of Columbus and Southern Ohio Electric Company was denied by the SEC's administrative law judge assigned to the matter.

One week later, AEP announced that the company planned to petition the Commission itself for review of the initial decision and of AEP's settlement proposal in the light of the full record, and asked for an extension of the 15-day requirement for such petition.

In a 158-page initial decision, Irving Schiller, the administrative law judge, denied the acquisition on several alleged grounds, principally that its consummation would tend toward a concentration of control of the electric power business in Ohio.

AEP Chairman Donald C. Cook took issue with such a finding, claiming that the corporate affiliation of AEP and C&SO would have the direct opposite effect: i. e. would foster and enhance competition in electric power in that state.

The heart of Cook's statement on the initial decision was this comment: "it is crystal clear that the initial decision fails to contain findings and conclusions, and the reasons or basis for them, as required by law, on all of the material issues of fact, law or discretion presented on the record."

He then added, "An examination of the decision by the administrative law judge shows that it is clearly contrary to the substantial evidence adduced during the past five-and-a-half years. It does not, with respect to many of the

important issues, take into account, nor even mention in some cases, significant evidentiary facts which are well established in the record."

He took particular note of Schiller's assertion that the acquisition would be detrimental to competition, citing three examples to support the opposite effect:

1. He pointed to a settlement offer under which AEP proposes to sell to the Ohio Municipal Electric Association (representing more than 80 municipal electric systems in Ohio which initially had opposed but now support the proposed acquisition) a major power-generating facility. "This transaction will provide these systems with economies of scale in the generation and transmission of power, while avoiding unnecessary and wasteful duplication of smaller, less-efficient facilities, that not only will enable them to continue to exist but actually to compete with all electric systems in Ohio," he stated.

"The initial decision makes no finding whatever with respect to this part of the proposal," he said.

He then added that the decision also failed to take into account the strong assertion by the municipal systems that the two electric utilities which oppose the acquisition (The Cincinnati Gas & Electric and The Dayton Power and Light Companies) were not acting in the interest of preserving competition but rather "are acting from a desire to extend their monopoly control and to continue a situation where they may acquire further municipals in their service area now too weak to defend themselves."

2. Cook compared the settle-

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SCC Finds Need For 765-Kv Line, Withholds Final Approval Of Route

The Virginia State Corporation Commission last month found need for a new 765,000-volt line to serve the Lynchburg-Bedford area but withheld final approval of the line routing.

Appalachian had applied to the Commission last August for a certificate to build the line, and ten days of hearings have been held on its need and its routing. Several intervenors have opposed the line.

Appalachian's original proposal would route the line between Cloverdale substation near Roanoke and a new Ivy Creek substation near Lynchburg. Following an interim order, Appalachian also proposed four alternates for the route, main-

taining, however, that the original route was the best.

In its order last month, the SCC, while approving the concept of a 765,000-volt line, also continued under advisement the original route and two southern alternates (rejecting two northern alternates and an alternate plan for serving the area's electrical needs).

In addition, the Commission ordered Appalachian to study the feasibility of a substation east of Lynchburg, in lieu of Ivy Creek with the line to pass south of the city.

The company is to submit all information by September 29, with a hearing to be held by the SCC on October 9.



The Bluefield Division of Appalachian Power Company was the recipient of an award for outstanding service and dedication to America's veterans in support of the President's "Jobs For Veterans" program. During the 12-month period July 1, 1972, through June 30, 1973, 90 percent of the male employees hired in the Bluefield Division were veterans.

Most were Vietnam veterans. The citation was presented to C. L. Shockey, Bluefield Division personnel supervisor (left), by Mike Woolwine, manager of the Bluefield Employment Security Office. The Bluefield Division has also won the National American Legion Employer's Citation — 1973 in West Virginia.

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ment offer made jointly with the municipal systems to the innovative "Buckeye Project," which was consummated in the late 1960's and is currently being expanded. That transaction, involving Ohio Power Company and Ohio's 28 rural electric cooperatives, not only voluntarily reduced AEP's service area in Ohio but at the same time provided the co-ops there with economies of scale in generation and transmission that, Cook said, "is enabling them today to compete successfully with other electric systems in Ohio."

With respect to the co-ops, Cook continued, "It appears clear that the initial decision also fails to give any weight to the arguments of the 28 co-ops in Ohio that the corporate affiliation of AEP and C&SO would, in fact, increase competition between the latter company and the co-op systems bordering its service area."

3. Finally, Cook said that electric business competition in Ohio would be enhanced, too, by AEP's commitment — if the acquisition were approved — to divest itself of generating capacity equal to that owned and operated by the Columbus utility. "Here again, no mention was

made by the administrative law judge of an important point," he claimed.

"For all of the reasons outlined, and many more, AEP proposes to petition the Commission promptly for a review of the initial decision . . . and of our settlement proposal in the light of the full record," Cook concluded.

Pointing out that the acquisition was being urged not only by the two utilities, but also by Ohio Governor John Gilligan and the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio, as well as by large numbers of that state's public officials and leading citizens, he said, "We are confident that Commission review will vindicate the positions we have asserted for so long and will culminate in approval of the acquisition.

AEP's application to the SEC, in which it proposed the acquisition of C&SO through an exchange of common stock (1.3 shares of AEP for 1 share of C&SO), was made in February 1968. Through the years, the transcript of the hearings involved to date has totaled over 20,000 pages bound in volumes, supplemented by documentary evidence totaling 56 volumes.

Workable System For SO₂-Removal Not Available, AEP Search Proves

The American Electric Power System's continuing world-wide search for a workable system to remove sulfur oxides from power-plant-stack emissions received a temporary setback last month.

At the July 19 opening of sealed replies to bid invitations sent to 129 prospective suppliers of SO₂-control equipment, only three manufacturers submitted sealed communications. Each of the three informed AEP that its submission was not intended to be in conformity with the bid specifications; however, each offered alternate suggestions for discussion.

The manufacturers are: The Babcock & Wilcox Company and Chemical Construction Corporation (Chemico), both of New York, and Croll-Reynolds Company, Westfield, N. J.

The three replies were the result of invitations sent to manufacturers and research and/or engineering organizations throughout the United States and in four foreign countries: Japan, Germany, Sweden and Canada.

AEP Chairman Donald C. Cook announced that the manufacturers' suggestions would be carefully reviewed by engineers of the Service Corporation, and that results of the study would be disclosed at its conclusion by September 7.

The bid invitations were sent out on May 10, supplemented by advertisements in several national, international and regional news publications. Deadline for the bids, July 9, was later extended to July 19.

Specifically, the invitations called for proposals for the installation of an SO₂-removal system on one or more of the three 225,000-kilowatt generating units at Ohio Power Company's Kammer plant near Moundsville, W. Va. Kammer was selected for the project from among the AEP System's 17 major coal-burning plants because its boilers are not capable of burning local, low-sulfur coal due to its fusion characteristics. Thus, the only alternate to shutting down the plant, if the air-quality standards of the West Virginia Air Pollution Control Commission were to be met, was to import low-sulfur Western coal into that state, a major coal-producing area, with resulting serious consequences for West Virginia's general economy.

Ohio Power had informed the West Virginia APCC in January of its intent to seek such bids for Kammer. At the same time, the APCC was advised that Battelle Memorial Institute of Columbus, an independent scientific organization, had been commissioned by AEP to conduct a comprehensive study of the state-of-the-art of SO₂-removal technology. (Subsequently, on May 24, AEP announced the conclusions

reached by Battelle: that there is no technologically demonstrated SO₂-removal system available today to meet environmental requirements.)

In the bid specifications, Ohio Power had called for specific warranties as to the proposed system's efficiency (its ability to remove stated amounts of SO₂ from stack emissions) and availability (its ability to operate over a stated number of days during each 12-month period).

Cook, before opening the replies, outlined the developments that had led to the decision to take the two simultaneous actions: the commissioning of the Battelle SO₂ study and the seeking of bids for SO₂ control at Kammer.

"By so doing," he said, "we believed, we would not have to rely solely upon our own conclusion that a reliable SO₂-removal technology was not yet available on a commercial basis since we would be able to establish, from independent sources and by objective standards, that we were either right or wrong."

Cook took particular pains to explain the necessity for the warranty provisions in the bidding specifications.

He said, "The AEP System was fully familiar with — and in fact has participated actively in the development of — the technology with respect to generating facilities, boilers, bulk transmission and other facilities. The experience of our engineers over a great number of years with generating units and boilers places them in a position where value judgments can be made with a degree of certainty that designated goals can be achieved. We also know, in the case of turbines, for example, that it is not necessary, under any Federal or state law, that a turbine, when installed, must produce a minimum quantity of kilowatts. In addition, we know that, in the case of turbines, a generating unit which produces less than its design rating, although a disappointment to the customer and undoubtedly to the manufacturer — necessitating, where appropriate, adjustments in the contractual arrangements — nevertheless produces some capacity which can be used.

"The structure of the air-pollution regulations, on the other hand," Cook emphasized, "does not lend itself to partial solutions — equipment designed to limit emissions in flue gases either limits the emissions to the standards specified or it does not. In addition, to the extent that turbines and boilers cannot be operated — although themselves in operating condition — because of outages in related emission-control facilities, the capacity of the generating units is not available, thus compounding the outages which will be

required without regard to emission-control facilities for normal maintenance and forced outages of the generating and boiler facilities themselves. Emission-control facilities can, therefore, when not reliable, require major incremental investments by utilities in generating equipment to provide additional reserve margins, thus resulting in major increases in capital and operating costs at a time when inflationary and other forces are producing the severe energy crisis which the nation is now experiencing."

Thus, with respect to emission-control facilities, Cook concluded, "an available and reliable commercially demonstrated technology really means equipment or devices which presently can be used" that would permit the utility to: (1) meet the applicable air standards, (2) use fuels reasonably available, (3) have the emission-control facilities available for a period at least equal to that of the generating and boiler equipment, and (4) operate such emission-control equipment at "reasonable" cost for operation and maintenance.

Cook also pointed out that precedents existed that covered electrical equipment reliability, either in the form of performance bonds, contractual arrangements for payments to the customer when equipment does not function to specifications mutually agreed upon, or provision for special warranties and special and consequential damages when circumstances required.

He noted that recent developments had tended to confirm AEP's judgment that an available and reliable commercially demonstrated technology for sulfur-oxide removal does not now exist.

He also expressed the belief that "more progress might well have been made (in advancement of the technology) if the Environmental Protection Agency had followed the advice which the Federal Power Commission furnished in September 1971": that EPA postpone its rule making until "it has issued a definitive statement of applicable control technology that can be used by the industry with assurance that the described techniques can in fact result in conformity to the rule-making standards."

Cook then concluded, "It remains to be seen, in connection with the Kammer Plant, whether manufacturers of emission-control equipment have reached a point in the development of the technology where they have evolved control technology which can be used by the electric utility industry with assurance that the described techniques will in fact result in conformity to the standards which are now in effect."

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Perdue Elects Early Retirement



Perdue

George Perdue, junior maintenance man at Cabin Creek Plant, elected early retirement August 1 after 29 years' service.

A native of Winifrede, West Virginia, George was employed in 1944 as a laborer and later worked as a boiler maintenance helper D.

A member of Freewill Baptist Church, he and his wife Millie have four children and ten grandchildren. One son, James Perdue, is a boiler operator D at Cabin Creek.

AEP Elects Hunter, Scherer



Scherer

Hunter

Robert S. Hunter and Harold N. Scherer, Jr. were elected vice presidents and directors of the American Electric Power Service Corporation at its July board meeting.

The membership of the board was increased to 39.

Hunter, now vice president-nuclear engineering, is a 25-year veteran of the Service Corporation; he had been assistant vice president. He started as mechanical engineer in 1953, and became assistant head of the Nuclear Engineering Section in 1968. He was named first head of the Construction Scheduling Division later the same year. In 1970 he returned to the Nuclear Division and was elected assistant vice president.

Scherer, elected vice president-electrical engineering, joined AEP after 12 years with Public Service Electric & Gas Company. In 1965, he was named head of the Plant and Station Section, and in 1968, assistant chief electrical engineer. He was elected assistant vice president in 1970. He holds a degree in electrical engineering from Yale University and an MBA from Rutgers University.

PROMOTIONS & TRANSFERS

Appalachian Power

John E. Amos

Robert W. McMillan, Mechanical Construction Assistant, from Amos to Cardinal Plant.

Bluefield

Charles G. Branscome to Line Foreman NE. **William Thomas Ulch, Jr.**, to Lineman C.

Cabin Creek

Darrell L. Petry to Boiler Operator C. **James F. Carpenter** to Boiler Operator D.

Charleston

David G. Ridgely to Lineman Helper. **Mattie G. Day** to Customer Accounts Representative C. **Doris A. Foster** to Customer Accounts Representative B.

Clinch River

Kerry Steven Fletcher to Helper. **H. Bruce Hall** to Equipment Operator.

General Office

Jonny Worley to Reproducing Machine Operator B. **Susan Fuller** to Flexowriter Operator Clerk. **Denver R. McFann** to Transmission Man A. **Paul W. Strickland** to Station Maintenance Man B. **John H. Dickerson** to Station Maintenance Man A. **DeWynn C. Adams** to Station Maintenance Man A. **Clifton M. Ayers** to T&D Instrument Man. **Woodrow W. Munsey** from Stationman A, Bluefield Division, to Station Maintenance Man A, GO T&D, Station Section. **Gordon R. Parker** to Station Maintenance Man A.

Glen Lyn

Daniel Ray Martin to Coal Sampler. **Gerald Lee Lewis** to Utility Coal Handler.

Huntington

D. G. Simms to Meter Serviceman B. **T. J. Gordon** to Lineman A. **E. D. Lambert** to Lineman B. **Barry Long** to Commercial Sales Engineer.

Logan-Williamson

Richard L. Trammell to Meter Serviceman A.

Pulaski

Rollin Wayne Spraker to Meterman A. **Roy Eston Lawrence** to Head T&D Clerk. **Kenith Dawson** to Meter Serviceman B.

Roanoke

Faye N. DeLong to Clerk Typist. **J. L. Kennedy** to Lineman C.

Central Appalachian Coal

Morris Creek

Earl C. Boggess to General Master Mechanic.

Kentucky Power

Ashland

Patricia F. Parker to Contract Clerk. **Karen M. Grosse** to Clerk-Typist. **Kathi Hoptry** to Clerk-Typist.

Southern Appalachian Coal

Marmet

Joseph Edgar Booth to Master Mechanic.

Union Employees Still On Strike

Strikes involving some 2,000 employees continue in Ohio Power Company and Central Operating Company.

Following rejection of the companies' offers, the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service arranged meetings between the two parties last month. The meetings failed to bring a settlement.

At press time, no further meetings had been scheduled.

Alkire Transfers To Gavin Plant



Alkire

Charles Ray Alkire, maintenance foreman at John E. Amos Plant, has been transferred to General James E. Gavin Plant in the same capacity.

A native of Harrisonville, Ohio, Alkire attended the Ohio School of Trades and Nashville Diesel College. He served as an aircraft mechanic and aerial gunner with the U. S. Air Force during World War II. Alkire joined Amos Plant in 1970 as a maintenance man A and was promoted to maintenance foreman earlier this year. He previously had worked for Ohio Valley Electric Corporation.

Alkire is married and has one daughter.

APCo Sells First Mortgage Bonds

Appalachian Power Company has sold \$50-million of 8 1/8 percent first mortgage bonds at a cost to the company of 8.03 percent.

The proceeds will be used to pay unsecured short-term indebtedness and for the company's construction program.

Proposals To Keep Air Clean Under Discussion In Washington

The Environmental Protection Agency has opened discussion on four alternative proposals to keep clean air clean as hearings start this month in Washington. The EPA announced its proposals July 13.

The proposals follow the Supreme Court's affirmation, by a 4-4 vote, of a lower court's ruling that the Clean Air Act of 1970 requires the prevention of "significant deterioration" of air quality, even in areas where the public health and welfare are not endangered.

Policies to prevent deterioration will have "a substantial impact on the nature, extent and location of future industrial, commercial and residential development," said EPA Acting Administrator Robert W. Fri. He said the EPA alternatives were prepared to provide for public debate on this "far-reaching decision."

Fri explained that the decision "could affect the utilization of the nation's mineral resources, the availability of employment and housing in many areas, and the costs of producing and transporting electricity and manufactured goods."

In some areas, one of the suggested alternatives would, Fri said, "prohibit the introduction of even one small power plant, municipal incinerator, large apartment complex or any other medium-scale residential or commercial development."

All four proposals call upon states to conduct "pre-construction reviews" of plans for new fossil-fuel electric plants. The review would insure that new plants use the "best available" control technology to prevent "significant deterioration" of the air. Fri said this would keep air pollution control costs "nationally uniform."

Designed to minimize pollution from new sources, the EPA proposals differ in their approach to preventing "significant deterioration" and to deciding how land will be used.

These are the proposals:

- Limit, nationwide, the maximum permissible increase in ambient air concentrations of sulfur dioxide and particulate in those areas where ambient standards are not now being exceeded. EPA noted that this alternative might tend to push new construction to metropolitan areas, thus concentrating population and pollution in the same places.

- Permit some growth by allowing particulate and sulfur-dioxide emissions to increase by 20 percent. EPA said this plan could halt small business expansion since a few large new facilities could use up the total permitted increase.

- Let the states determine, case-by-case, whether new building would bring "significant

deterioration." While this plan allows for local preferences, EPA said it could result in air quality deterioration right up to the level of the ambient standards.

- Require states to set up a pristine air zone where no large polluter would be allowed and a second zone where minor development could occur under the limits of EPA's first alternative. Ceilings in the second zone would, according to "The Wall Street Journal," "prevent more than a single one-million-kilowatt coal-fired power plant from being built every 50 to 100 miles on level ground."

In announcing the proposals, Fri concluded: "Every American has the right to expect to be able to enjoy, for example, the Grand Canyon in unsullied beauty. But, he also has the right to expect to be able to participate in the economic growth of this country so that he can afford to make a visit to the Grand Canyon . . . In these proposals, we have done our best to set forth mechanisms that preserve both of these rights."

The AEP Legal Department is working with the Environmental Engineering Division to determine what effect the four proposed alternatives would have upon our operations, with a view to either participating in the public hearing or filing written comments.

Subsequently, the Sierra Club criticized EPA's alternatives as "illegal" and "in flagrant violation" of the court order prohibiting "significant deterioration" of air quality. The club denounced EPA's delay in setting final regulations and now seeks a court order to force EPA to issue regulations immediately.

Montague Moves To Roanoke



Montague

J. P. Montague of Bluefield has been promoted to the position of Roanoke Division line supervisor, effective August 1.

A native of Ashland, Kentucky, Montague holds a BSEE degree from the University of Kentucky. He was employed in 1962 as an electrical engineer in the Bluefield Division and became electrical engineer senior in 1970.

A Navy veteran, Montague is married and has three children.

PEOPLE IN THE SPOTLIGHT

ASHLAND

Jetta Wright, wife of Personnel Supervisor R. S. Wright, is the recipient of the Ashland City Council, Beta Sigma Phi Sorority "girl of the year" award.

Rose Marie Skaggs, worthy advisor of the Greenup Assembly No. 28 Order of the Rainbow for Girls, attended the Grand Assembly of Kentucky. The daughter of Pat Skaggs, GO Public Affairs, Rose Marie served as grand page during the convention and was appointed grand representative to Michigan.

Patricia L. Matthews made the dean's list at the College of Saint Teresa with a 4.0 average. The daughter of R. E. Matthews, Kentucky Power commercial manager, she will continue her nursing studies this fall at Saint Mary's Hospital in Rochester, Minn.

BLUEFIELD



Jackson Crowder



Bowen Lineberry

Upon completion of his freshman year at Central Junior High School, **Donald Jackson** received awards in Latin, English, math, science, Bible and social studies. He also received the scholarship award for having the highest average in the class for three years. The son of Kenneth Jackson, customer accounting supervisor, Donnie earned athletic letters in football and track and 14 ribbons in track.

In an awards day ceremony at Princeton Junior High School, **Kelly Crowder** received the DAR award for straight A's in American studies, the scholarship award for being one of the top ten in the ninth grade, and a trophy for second place in Spanish speech competition at the foreign language festival. The daughter of R. E. Crowder, area serviceman, Kelly played the piano for the choir and received an award and third class musicianship certificate.

Deborah Bowen, daughter of Line Foreman R. T. Bowen, was the recipient of three \$100 scholarships upon her graduation from Rocky Gap High School. They were the Rocky Gap PTA scholarship, Layman's Club memorial scholarship and homeroom mothers' scholarship. She was also the recipient of the DAR citizenship award, the speech and drama award, and was named to "Who's Who Among American High School Students" for the second year.

G. T. Lineberry, son of Gene Lineberry, meter serviceman A, had an average of 96.4 to graduate third in his class of 350 at Bluefield High School. He is listed in the Society of Outstanding American High School Students and Who's Who Among Outstanding High School Seniors. He was voted "most dependable" of the senior class and was voted second-miler by the faculty. He also was awarded a Latin medal for having the highest average in Latin over a four-year period and a certificate and medal from the *Charleston Gazette* as "recognition for high school scholastic ability in maintaining an A average through high school." G. T. was a semi-finalist in the National Honor Society scholarship contest. He received the local Elks Foundation scholarship of \$100, which makes him eligible for state-wide scholarship competition. He also received a \$200 scholarship collected as a part of the senior "Work-A-Day" program and a \$300 scholarship to Bluefield College upon recommendation of the faculty members of Bluefield High School.

Mary Helen Cornett, wife of Engineering Supervisor McKinley Cornett, was installed as president of the Bluewell Lions Auxiliary. **Richard Ruff**, power sales engineer senior and past International Lions director, was installing officer.

H. T. Goforth, right of way agent, was elected taitwister of the Cumberland Heights Lions Club.

Tommy Goforth, son of H. T. Goforth, was elected senior deacon of the Bluestone Chapter, Order of DeMolay.

Summer employees include **James W. Cassell**, son of Tazewell Area T&D Clerk J. D. Cassell, tracer; **David L. Chapman**, son of Pineville Line Foreman J. E. Chapman, laborer; **Stephen D. Smith**, son of Princeton Lineman M. H. Smith, clerk trainee; and **Mary Kay Fanning**, daughter of Building Supervisor Buck Fanning, clerk trainee.

Jack Lloyd, division manager, was elected president of the Bluefield Area Development Corporation. **L. W. Bates**, retired division manager, was named associate director for a one-year term.

Steve Hale, GO communications engineer B; **Lewis Mann**, electrical engineer; and **Ken Roberts**, electrical engineer, were recipients of presidential awards of honor from the Greater Bluefield Jaycees. Roberts also received the key award given by the club president.

Mrs. David Chumbley, wife of the meterman B, was elected treasurer of the Preston Street PTA, Bluefield.

Donald H. White, son of H. S. White, line foreman, was commissioned an ensign in the U. S. Navy upon his graduation from the U. S. Naval Academy. He was on the dean's list each semester and received special commendation for leadership. Ensign White was commander of 17 Company, the color company and top-ranking company in the brigade. He led two companies of Midshipmen in the Presidential Inaugural Parade and received a commendation for this. Ensign White is serving as personnel officer for the incoming class at the Academy and in September will be assigned as Gunnery Division officer aboard the newly-commissioned U. S. S. Ainsworth (DE-1090).

Phil H. Fry, retired meter serviceman, was installed as a director of the Princeton Lions Club.

Glen Emory Vance, son of W. H. Vance, lead draftsman, achieved several honors at Bramwell High School. He was inducted into the National Honor Society, participated in the foreign language festival and played on the junior varsity and varsity basketball team. He attended the Rod Thorn Basketball Camp and was runner-up to the free throw champion, losing by one point. He also made the all-star team at the camp.

MARMET

New employees are **Arvie Boyd Garretson** and **Delmer R. Halstead**, section foremen; **Woodroe Clair**, mining engineer; and **William Franklin McBrayer**, rodman.

HUNTINGTON

George E. Hervey, division manager, was elected president of the Central Ohio Valley Industrial Council and a member of the board of directors of Group 2000. Group 2000 was formed earlier this year to broaden industrial and economic growth of the Huntington area.

Ronald G. Hill, general serviceman, and **Don Watts**, lineman A, have been awarded certificates for completing a 20-month course in industrial electricity from the Cabell County Career Training School.

Mike Grose was awarded a blue ribbon for his 4-H project, "Electricity". A member of the West Virginia Hillbilly 4-H Club, Mike is the son of Lyle K. Grose, station foreman, and Peggy Grose, part-time customer accounts representative.

ROANOKE



Davenport

J. R. Davenport, Fieldale area manager, was installed as president of the Martinsville Kiwanis Club.

Mrs. Nathalee Hall, wife of A. L. Hall, customer accounts assistant, was promoted to assistant cashier of the Bank of Virginia—Roanoke Valley.

Retiree **Lem Absher** was elected taitwister of the Mount Pleasant Lions Club.

Betty Speas, daughter of GO Retiree Dick Speas, has returned to the U. S. after being a missionary to Malaysia. She will be a nurse at the University of Virginia, where she recently completed requirements for a BS degree.

Wanda Gay Wright, daughter of Heating and Builder Sales Coordinator J. W. Wright, Jr., was elected to two positions at Greensboro College. She was elected president of the Alpha Kappa Omega Society, a service organization for women, and assistant chief marshal for the class of 1974.

Steve Jamison, personnel assistant senior, was elected administrative assistant in the Roanoke Jaycees.

C. L. Reynolds, sales manager, was elected sustaining membership chairman of the Blue Ridge Section, Illuminating Engineering Society.

Jenifer McBride was one of two music students from Fieldale-Collinsville High School chosen to be a member of the 150-member student band and chorus USA presenting concerts on tour throughout Europe. She is the daughter of Aubrey W. McBride, auto repairman A, Fieldale.

Gary T. Joyce and **Phillip D. Burkholder**, lineman helpers, are new employees.

ABINGDON

Gwendolyn Self, daughter of Arthur Self, was top district award winner for her electric entry in 4-H competition. She advances to competition on the state level.

Lorene Nester, Russell County home sales representative, is president-elect of the Southwest Virginia East Tennessee Home Economics Association.

Hunter Thayer, engineer B, was selected as coach of Abingdon's All-Star Little League baseball team composed of 11- and 12-year-olds. **Chip Thayer** and **Scottie Gregory** are players on

the team. **Mark Landreth** was selected to play on the 10- and 11-year-old All-Star team.

Ama Lawler, wife of David Lawler, was named to the dean's list at Southwest Virginia Community College.

Paul Voros is a new employee in Engineering.

Mrs. Clark Peck, wife of the retired employee, presented a program on decorum at the June meeting of the Abingdon Garden Club. Club members voted to send a copy of this program to the state garden club for use throughout Virginia.

CHARLESTON

Herb Miller, draftsman senior, exhibited his paintings at the annual Cedar Lakes Arts and Crafts Fair. His latest work, a pen and ink crucifix framed with solid blocks of wood in an oval shape, was unveiled at the fair.

Susan Brown, daughter of Power Sales Engineer Fred Brown, was promoted to assistant trust officer at Kanawha Valley Bank.

Donald Griffith, son of Line Supervisor R. R. Griffith, won the Huntington Open Chess championship.

New employees are **Hollis T. Lewis**, custodian, and **Billy J. King**, lineman helper.

LOGAN-WILLIAMSON



Warren

Emma Warren, Williamson PBX operator, was elected state conductress of the West Virginia Association of the International Benevolent and Protective Order of Elks.

Kathy Windle, daughter of Ruth S. Boothe, Williamson customer accounts representative, was selected for membership in the International History Society at Radford College. A rising senior, Kathy made the dean's list for the spring quarter.

Richard Cantees, son of Naomi D. Cantees, Williamson customer accounts representative, made the dean's list at Marshall University.

Susan Boothe, daughter of George T. Boothe, power sales engineer, and Ruth Boothe, Williamson Accounting, was elected a cheerleader for Williamson Junior High School.

Mrs. Eugene King, wife of the Williamson area manager, was elected president of the Wildwood Garden Club of Williamson.

GENERAL OFFICE

Norwood O. Morrison, personnel assistant senior, was promoted to 1st lieutenant in the 2174th U. S. Army Garrison Reserve Unit.

Melissa Paitsel, daughter of Marion Paitsel, right of way agent, was named to the dean's list at Lynchburg College.

Mike Manning, son of Mary Manning, GO Commercial, received a BS degree in math from Randolph-Macon College.

Donald W. Hodock, son of George J. Hodock, transmission man B in GO T&D Transmission Line Section, Bluefield, received a master's degree in psychology from Radford College. He was initiated into Phi Kappa Phi national honorary scholastic fraternity.

Richard V. Perdue, husband of Linda Perdue, GO Payroll Accounting, received a master's degree in guidance and psychology from Radford College.

George S. Arnold, customer accounting clerk, was appointed sergeant at arms of the Roanoke Jaycees.

New employees are **William L. Gibson**, operations engineer; **John W. Perdue**, utility helper; **Joyce H. Lambert**, clerk-typist; **Robert E. Chambers**, transmission man helper; **Robert L. Payne**, custodian; **Nancy G. Parker**, key punch operator C; and **Ricky N. Arrington**, time clerk senior.

Other new employees are **Vernice E. Walker**, clerk trainee; **James E. Sullivan, Jr.**, business trainee; **Lewis Waskey**, communications engineer B; **James E. Elston**, draftsman; **Robert H. Young**, station maintenance man helper; **Wayne O. McClearn**, engineer B; **Edgar D. Woomer, Jr.**, communications engineer; and **Michael D. Spencer** and **Stephen C. Wilhelm**, electrical engineers.

PULASKI

Named to the dean's list at New River Community College were **Mrs. David Crabtree**, wife of the heating and builder sales representative; **Mrs. R. E. Miller**, wife of the line inspector; **Fred W. Myers**, customer accounts representative; and **D. K. Spivey**, planner senior.

Jane E. Morehead, daughter of H. L. Morehead, division right of way maintenance inspector, was awarded a one-year certificate as clerk-typist from New River Community College.

Galen Sharp, son of Marler D. Sharp, customer representative A at Hillsville, was elected president of SCA at Woodlawn Intermediate School.

Robin Marshall, daughter of Barbara Marshall, T&D clerk senior, was selected to appear in the 1972-73 edition of "Who's Who in American High Schools". A rising senior at Pulaski High

School, Robin is a varsity cheerleader and member of the National Honor Society.

Bernard B. Smith, Jr., former turbine and switchboard operator at Radford Steam Plant, is on LTD leave. **S. J. Johnson**, Galax lineman A, is also on LTD leave.

BECKLEY

Eloise Pierce, head T&D clerk, was elected treasurer of the Friendship class of First Christian Church, Beckley.

Shelly Doman, clerk junior, was a counselor for the Raleigh County Older 4-H Camp. Her husband **Dan** taught a class at the camp called "Fun With Gadgets" which involved physics experiments.

June Winner, stenographer, was re-elected to a three-year term as secretary-treasurer of the Ladies' Auxiliary of Appalachian Bible Institute.

GLEN LYN



Witt

Barbara Kay Witt, daughter of James H. Witt, Jr., engineer B, is the recipient of the citizenship award at Peterstown High School. She was voted "most school spirit" by her fellow classmates. A member of Peterstown United Methodist Church, she is a youth delegate representing the Lewisburg Conference to the church conference at Buchanan, W. Va.

KINGSPORT

Dianna K. Kern, Commercial, and **Larry J. Boyer**, Engineering, are new employees.

L. E. Miller, Jr., service coordinator, won high series scratch (655) in the Moose Bowling League.

Ricky Anderson, son of C. C. Anderson, Accounting, was elected senior counselor of DeMolay, sponsored by Kingsport Masonic Lodge 688.

JOHN E. AMOS

New employees are **K. A. Neal**, **J. R. Bright** and **D. L. Barnett, Jr.**, utility men; **C. N. Dunkle**, **G. A. Sigman**, **J. S. Hall**, **H. R. Jones, Jr.**, **C. G. Perry**, **M. P. McVey**, **R. W. Doughty** and **H. S. Noffsinger**, maintenance men C; **Diane J. Knell**, clerk-typist; and **J. C. Stone** and **R. D. Hundley**, control technicians junior.

Larry Wayne Butler, stores assistant, is a new Construction Department employee.

LYNCHBURG



White

James B. White, division manager, was elected president of the Greater Lynchburg Chamber of Commerce. He will also serve on the Parking Action Group of Central Lynchburg, Inc.

Mrs. James B. White was elected a board member and corresponding secretary of the Lynchburg Community Concert Association.

Mrs. Geraline Robertson, wife of Stationman W. A. Robertson, was installed as grand chaplain for the State of Virginia at the 38th Grand Guardian Council Session of the Commonwealth of Virginia International Order of Job's Daughters.

CABIN CREEK

Diane Briers, daughter of Plant Manager G. E. Briers, was named to the dean's list for the second semester at West Virginia University.

Gary W. Stanley, **Marvin J. Smith**, **Robert W. Pennington** and **Shelby I. Searls**, utility men B, are new employees.

PIKEVILLE

Pikeville Division was awarded a certificate for meritorious achievement for its contribution in the recent Pike County Spring Clean-up Drive.

Perry Farmer, engineer; **Jason Elswick** and **J. C. Potter, Jr.**, stationmen D; and **Jerry Thomas**, **Nathan Kirk** and **Bobby Slone**, linemen D, are new employees.

NEW HAVEN

Charles D. Wright, section foreman, is a new employee.

Retirees Meet In Roanoke

Some 100 persons attended the meeting of the Roanoke Retired Employees' Association last month in the Appalachian auditorium.

Following the business session, conducted by President Lucy Hill, Claude Hylton, General Office personnel assistant senior, presented a program on the company's medical plan. Using an actual insurance claim, Hylton demonstrated on a blackboard the amount paid by Aetna, Medicare and the retiree.

Linda Cornwell Champion Twirler

Linda Kay Cornwell, daughter of Ashland Lineman Robert J. Cornwell, won the 14-year-old baton twirling division of the Kentucky State Champion contest.

Active in baton twirling for five years, Linda has won more than 90 trophies and medals. She has won first-place trophies in Louisville, Elizabethtown, Lexington and Somerset, Kentucky, as well as throughout the tri-state area.

Linda twirls with the Kentucky Falcons, senior team champions of Kentucky. This month the team will travel to Milwaukee, Wisconsin,

to compete in the grand nationals of baton twirling.

Linda is a majorette at Boyd County High School and will teach this year at the Jeri Layne School of Baton.



Cornwell

Peters Re-elected Brethren Chairman



Peters

Ira B. Peters, Jr., wage and salary assistant in General Office Personnel, Roanoke, was re-elected chairman of the Church of the Brethren General Board during the denomination's annual conference in California.

This is the fourth year Peters has served in this capacity. He is the first layman to head the 25-member body that administers the world-wide program of the denomination.

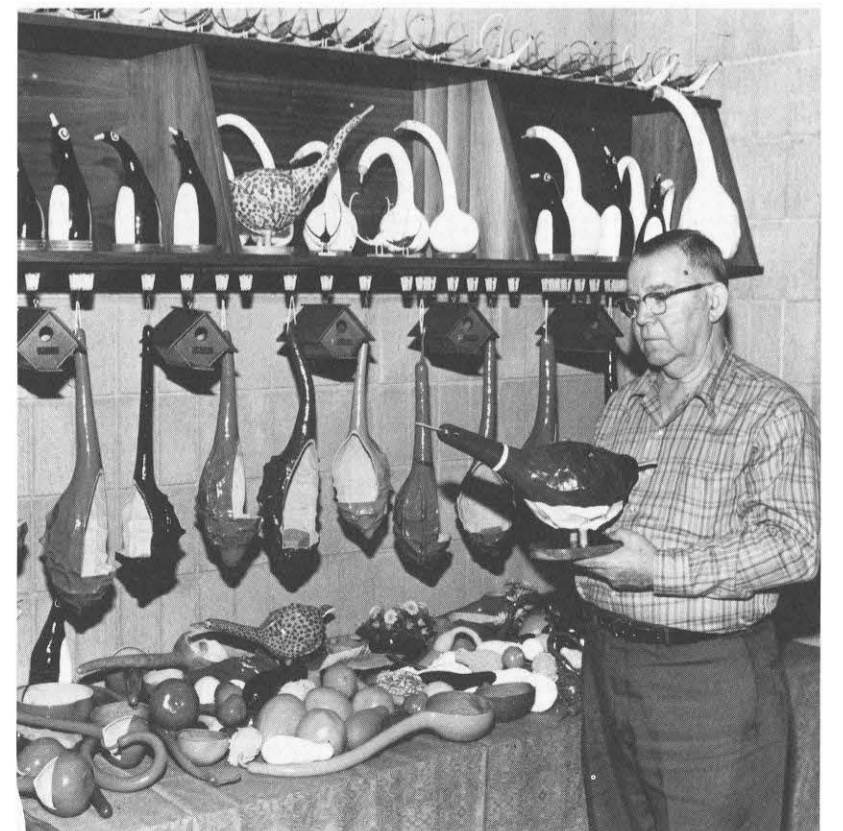
A member of the Williamson Road Church of the Brethren in Roanoke, Peters is a deacon, associate moderator, youth advisor and on the Board of Trustees.

Smith Mt. Lake Ministry Expanded

In 1965, before Smith Mountain Lake was completely filled, a local minister began holding worship services at Pelican Point Campground.

Three years later the Smith Mountain Lake Ministry was formed with seven denominations participating. D. C. Kennedy, Roanoke Division manager, assisted in organizing the group and Prince E. Thornton, Roanoke Division administrative assistant, is presently serving his second term as vice president.

This year the summer services have been expanded to nine lake sites using the services of three fulltime summer ministers.



Huntington retiree **J. K. Jarrell** displayed some of his handcraft at the recent Ceredo-Kenova Arts and Crafts Show. He grows the gourds himself and fashions them into plant-

ers, penguins, swans and birds. He keeps busy filling orders for his handcraft as well as requests for gourd seeds and instructions for duplicating his projects.

Wedding Bells Ring for 13 Couples Around System



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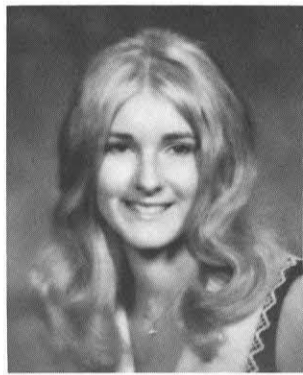
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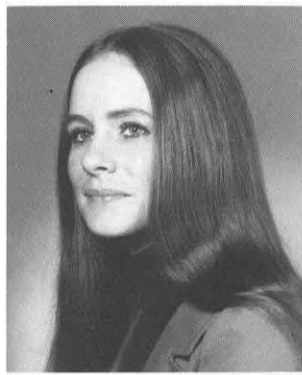
Cartmil



Hodge



Hill



Slack

Thompson-Gesling

Wedding vows were exchanged May 26 in the First Presbyterian Church by Martha Bentley Thompson and William Donald Gesling, Jr. Mrs. Gesling is the daughter of Roger G. Thompson, area development director of Kentucky Power. Mr. Gesling is the son of W. D. Gesling, retired distribution engineer senior, Ashland.

Brewster-Wolford

Kathryn Ann Brewster was married to Robert Powers Wolford June 9 in Graham Christian Church, Bluefield, Virginia. Mr. Wolford is the son of J. R. Wolford, retired transmission general foreman, General Office T&D Transmission Line Section, Bluefield.

Rochester-Jamison

May 25 was the wedding day of Vickie Sue Rochester and Michael J. Jamison. Mr. Jamison is a utility helper, General Office Operating, Roanoke.

Paxton-Abshire

Debra Burd Paxton became the bride of Jesse Donald Abshire, Jr., June 23 in First Presbyterian Church, Roanoke, Virginia. Mrs. Abshire is the daughter of C. R. Paxton, electrical engineer senior, Roanoke.

Frazier-Cartmil

Harriet Frazier and James R. Cartmil were married June 22 in Cross Lanes United Methodist Church, Cross Lanes, West Virginia. Mrs. Cartmil is the daughter of John Frazier, personnel supervisor, Charleston.

Johnston-Reed

The Bozoo Christian Church, Peterstown, West Virginia, was the setting for the June 9th wedding of Nancy Dean Johnston and Michael G. Reed. Mr. Reed is a meter reader, Bluefield.

Covey-Hodge

Judith Garland Covey and Norman Lynn Hodge were married June 30 in Pulaski, Virginia. Mrs. Hodge is the daughter of D. G. Covey, master maintenance man, Claytor Hydro.

Hammar-Slack

May 19th was the wedding day of Lyda E. Hammar and W. Rex Slack, who were married in Good Shepherd Episcopal Church, Hansford, West Virginia. Mrs. Slack is the daughter of J. W. Hammar, master maintenance man, Kanawha River Plant.

Stayton-LaFon

A double ring ceremony performed July 6 in Ashland, Kentucky, united Elizabeth A. Stayton and Waldo S. LaFon. Mr. LaFon is executive vice president of Kentucky Power Company.

Abingdon

MR. AND MRS. JIMMIE LEE COOK, a son, James Lee, July 9. Cook is a meter reader.

John E. Amos

MR. AND MRS. CURTIS WAYNE SMITH, a son, Dwayne Anthony, May 31. Smith is a maintenance man B.

Bluefield

MR. AND MRS. JAMES W. RORRER, a son, Thomas Aaron, June 15. Rorrer is a stationman C.

MR. AND MRS. JOHN WALKER, JR., a daughter, Lisa Paulea, April 27. Walker is a meter reader.

MR. AND MRS. JAMES W. ENGLAND, a son, James Bryan, June 25. England is a lineman A, Welch.

General Office

MR. AND MRS. J. F. MITCHELL, a daughter, Iris Anne, June 5. Mitchell is a transmission man A, GO T&D Transmission Line Section, Bluefield.

Huntington

MR. AND MRS. DAVE STRALEY, a son, John David, July 7. Straley is a meterman helper.

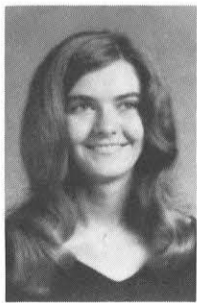
New Haven

MR. AND MRS. KIRBY A. SMITH, JR., a son, Brian Kirby, May 22. Smith is a master mechanic.

Pulaski

MR. AND MRS. HENRY M. JENNINGS, a son, Kirk Alan, June 27. Mrs. Jennings is a stenographer.

Cynthia McMillion Is Valedictorian



McMillion

Cynthia Gail McMillion, daughter of Walter S. Wade, maintenance man at Glen Lyn Plant, was valedictorian of the 1973 graduating class at Oakvale High School.

Cynthia was a member of Future Homemakers of America; president, National Honor Society; captain, varsity cheerleaders; and advertising manager, annual staff. She is listed in Who's Who Among American High Schools, Who's Who Among High School Students and Outstanding Teenagers of America.



Sevys Find Riding Velocipedes Good Exercise As Well As Fun



Georgie and Clarence Sevy created quite a stir in their neighborhood

when they purchased their velocipedes.

"I never believed I'd ride a bicycle, but look at me now," says Charleston Private Secretary Georgie Sevy as she pedals her velocipede down the street. "My husband just enjoyed watching me ride at first, but he soon found himself alone more than he liked, so we bought a second 'trike'. Now we ride together as often as possible."

many new avenues of enjoyment for them. It provides an excellent form of exercise and a cheap way of commuting to local stores. The large basket on the rear of the trikes can accommodate a grocery bag, family pet or even a child.

"Our trikes caused quite a stir in our predominantly over-40 neighborhood." The Sevys' trikes have had a definite effect on their neighbors because some evenings they have seen several more of the three-wheelers going by.

Georgie adds, "Our bikes are equipped with gears which helps considerably in negotiating small grades. Several of our friends have just purchased a kit and had it added to their regular bikes, thus converting the two-wheel to a three-wheel trike. We don't plan to travel very far on our trikes, nothing like commuting to work. Our friends like to kid us about just enjoying the summer evenings, pedaling the cholesterol away."

The bicycle adventure, as it is called by the Sevys, has opened

Two Named Section Heads

Two new sections, both called Power Plant Projects, were created in the Service Corporation Projects Division following the transfer to the Division of the Gavin Project Staff recently.

Bruce H. Bennett was promoted to head one of the sections and John R. Barton was named to head the other. Bennett's section will be concerned with fuel supply and the Clinch River and Glen Lyn Plants precipitator work. Barton's section will work the Gavin and subsequent 1,300,000-kw unit installations.

Bennett, a graduate of Duke University, joined the Service Corporation in 1963 as a civil engineer. In January 1971 he moved to Construction Scheduling, and in July of the same year became project control engineer on the Gavin Project Staff. Last September he was promoted to manager of cost control and reporting.

Barton started out in July 1967 in mechanical engineering, and moved to Construction Scheduling in 1970. Last November he was promoted to head of the Power Plant Scheduling Section. He holds a degree in physics from City University of New York.

Huffman Scores Hole-In-One

Evermonte Huffman, Huntington dealer sales representative, recently scored his second hole-in-one on the number six hole at Riviera Country Club. He was using a six iron on the 145-yard hole.

Twice before he has come close to making a hole-in-one on number six, coming to within two and three inches. Huffman was playing with other Appalachian Power employees, dealers and distributors in the Appliance Golf League.



Stodola

Stodola Heads New Haven Lab



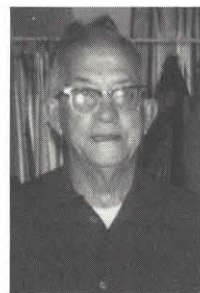
Paul R. Stodola has been appointed head of the Civil Engineering Laboratory in New Haven, West Virginia. He joins the AEP Service Corporation from Kaiser Industries, where he had been manager of the Concrete Laboratory.

A civil engineering graduate of Marquette University, Stodola is a registered professional engineer in California and a member of the American Society of Civil Engineers and of the American Concrete Institute.

He and his wife have seven children.



Hazel Criswell, who retired recently as librarian at East Carter High School, received a plaque of appreciation for her 41 years as a teacher. The plaque was presented by Principal Harlan Fleming on behalf of the school faculty. Mrs. Criswell's husband, David, is a retired Ashland heating sales representative.



Jarrett

Basil Jarrett, 71, retired mechanical maintenance mechanic A at Cabin Creek Plant, died July 9.

A native of Big Chimney, West Virginia, Jarrett worked intermittently for the company before being employed in 1939 as a laborer and coal handler. He worked as a mechanical maintenance man and mechanical maintenance mechanic B and A before taking early retirement due to disability in 1962.

Jarrett is survived by his widow and two daughters.



Kelley

Charles J. Kelley, 67, retired Charleston Division stationman B, died June 26.

A native of Deerfield Valley, Virginia, Kelley was employed in 1936 as a laborer. He worked as a tree trimmer, groundman, rigger, maintenance man B and maintenance man helper before being promoted to stationman B in 1953. He retired early due to disability in 1964.

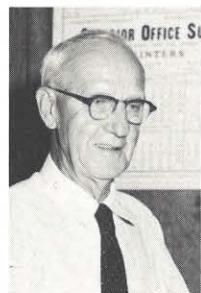
Kelley is survived by his widow.

Employees' Ideas Are Published

One Kentucky Power and five Appalachian Power employees had their operation improvement suggestions published in the July/August issue of *AEP Operating Ideas*.

Raymond R. Stein, master maintenance man at Big Sandy Plant, wrote "Another Use For Wear Metal". John H. Ritchie, maintenance man at Smith Mountain Dam, was the author of "Cantilever Platform Aids Work Under Bridge". R. T. Burgess, air conditioning engineer, and J. L. Dorsey, building supervisor, both of Huntington, collaborated on "Solves Old Heating System Problem". A. B. Purdy, station staff engineer in General Office T&D Station, Roanoke, penned "Tips On Care Of Portable Test Instruments". Jack Lloyd, Bluefield Division manager, shared "More Ways to Build Better Morale".

We Remember



Southern

Charles T. Southern, 82, retired dealer sales representative at Welch, Bluefield Division, died July 9 in Pompano Beach, Florida.

A native of Radford, Virginia, Southern began his career in 1928 as a clerk and collector in Welch. He later worked as chief clerk, new business solicitor, supervisor in accounting offices, credit manager, department supervisor B, district residential sales supervisor and residential sales representative senior. He retired February 1, 1956.

Southern is survived by his widow and one son.



McCoy

Keith Parks McCoy, 65, retired Charleston Division area serviceman, died July 6.

A native of Charleston, West Virginia, McCoy was employed in 1945 as a lineman A and became area serviceman in 1957. A World War II veteran, he had just retired on June 30.

McCoy is survived by his widow, a son and a daughter.



Dove

Russell R. Dove, 53, Roanoke Division general clerk-commercial, died June 30.

A native of Blacksburg, Virginia, Dove was employed in 1942 as a clerk. He was a clerk junior and clerk intermediate before becoming a junior auditor for American Gas & Electric Company in 1947. He transferred to Roanoke Division Accounting in 1948 as a clerk senior and later worked as a contract entry and final billing clerk, junior and senior power billing clerk and division power analyst. He was placed on LTD in 1970.

Dove is survived by his widow, two sons and one daughter.

Dewey Warren Barnette, 48, retired lineman A at Princeton, Bluefield Division, was killed in a boating accident July 16 on Smith Mountain Lake.

A native of Belfast Mills, Virginia, Barnette was employed as a groundman in 1947 and rose through the ranks as a lineman C and B and line inspector. He was a lineman A when he took early retirement in 1964 due to disability.

Barnette is survived by his widow, two sons and two daughters.



Salisbury

William K. Salisbury, 52, retired Kentucky Power meter reader, died June 26 after an extended illness.

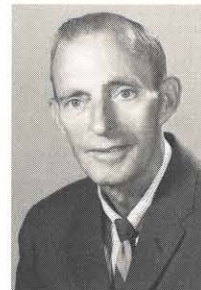
A native of McDowell, Kentucky, Salisbury was employed in 1945. His entire service had been in the Meter Department when he retired early due to disability in 1953. He was a Marine veteran of World War II.

Salisbury is survived by his mother; his widow; a son, Frank E. Salisbury, Ashland heating sales representative; a daughter; four brothers and three sisters.

Oscar W. Dabney, 80, retired Charleston Division right of way agent, died June 18.

A native of Staunton, Virginia, Dabney worked intermittently for the company before being employed in 1936 as a meter man. He worked as a service inspector, dispatcher, and department supervisor B before becoming right of way agent in 1946. He retired in 1958.

Dabney is survived by his widow, a son and a daughter.



Bevins

Lat T. Bevins, 60, retired lineman A in the Logan-Williamson Division, died July 18.

A native of Meta, Kentucky, Bevins was employed in 1950 as a troubleman A and later worked as general serviceman. He was a lineman A when he elected early retirement for health reasons in 1972.

Bevins is survived by his widow and five sons.

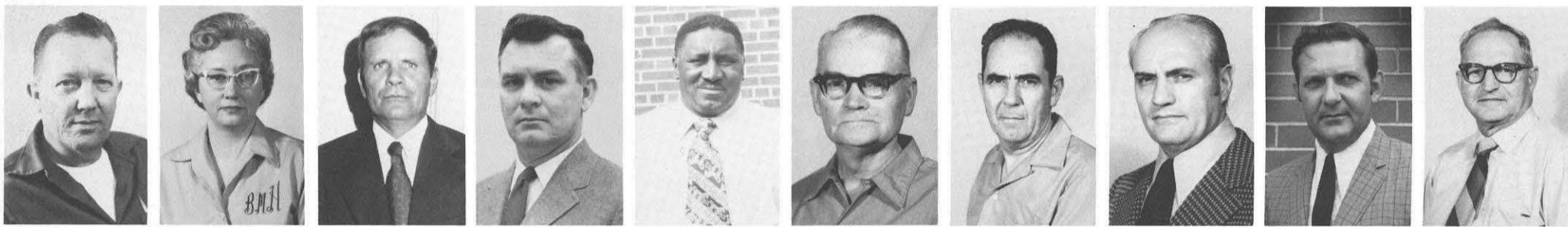
Veteran Employees Receive Service Pin Awards



Buskirk Martin Allinder Brown Jacobs Bondurant Webb Hunt Burgess Gish



Faust Herald Pendleton Swann Barbour Graham Hammer Paitsel Shope Waggoner



Akers Holdren Robertson Bias Allison Johnson Loudermilk Petry Morris Dodson



Newman Grady Ostrom Christenson Meadows Evans Hudnall Surbaugh Smolder

Collier Takes New Position



Collier

Jesse R. Collier has been named to the newly created position of transmission foreman in Kentucky Power's General Office Transmission and Distribution Department. He rises to the post from that of working line foreman in Pikeville Division.

A native of Letcher County, Kentucky, Collier attended Pikeville Junior College and served as a sergeant in the Marine Corps. He was employed as a groundman in 1945 and, after several promotions, became working line foreman in 1965.

Collier is married and has three sons.

Years	Occupation	Location
40 Years		
Buskirk, E. D.	Shift Operating Engineer	Clinch River
35 Years		
Martin, B. C.	Right Of Way Agent	Charleston
Allinder, C. E.	Office & Stores Supv.	Kanawha River
Brown, F. Q.	Power Sales Eng. Sr.	Charleston
Jacobs, Mary	Personnel Assistant	GO-Roanoke
Bondurant, R. M.	Division Superintendent	Abingdon
Weddle, Robert	Senior Dist. Engineer	Pikeville
30 Years		
Webb, Albert	Truck Driver-Groundman	Pikeville
Burgess, W. J.	Stationman A	Charleston
Hunt, B. W.	Customer Accounts Asst.	Huntington
Gish, Vonice	Secretarial-Stenographer	GO-Roanoke
Deakins, Mae	Mdse. Order & Bill. Clk.	Kingsport
25 Years		
Faust, J. E.	Executive Assistant	Kingsport
Herald, E. E.	Transmission Clerk Sr.	GO-Bluefield
Pendleton, R. E.	Unit Foreman	Glen Lyn
Swann, J. W.	Area Serviceman	Huntington
Barbour, G. R.	Regional Chief Dispatcher	GO-Roanoke
Graham, A. L., Jr.	Power Sales Engineer	Pulaski
Hammer, J. E.	Wage & Salary Supervisor	GO-Roanoke
Paitsel, M. P.	Right Of Way Agent B.	GO-Roanoke
Shope, Miriam	Secretarial-Stenographer	GO-Ashland
Waggoner, M. L.	Collector	Roanoke
Akers, A. G.	Stationman A	Charleston
Holdren, Betsy	Secretarial-Stenographer	Glen Lyn
Robertson, E. C.	Area Serviceman	Beckley
Bias, L. T.	Operations Coordinator	GO-Roanoke
Cardinal, Dorothy	Petty Cash Clerk Senior	Pikeville
Harmon, Clyde	PBX Operator Senior	Pikeville

Years	Occupation	Location
20 Years		
Allison, Marshall	Material Clerk	Bluefield
Johnson, W. H.	Junior Maintenance Man	Kanawha River
Loudermilk, J. E.	Custodian	Kanawha River
Petry, C. H.	Maintenance Man	Kanawha River
Morris, K. C.	Planner Senior	Huntington
Dodson, H. B.	Maintenance Man	Kanawha River
Newman, J. R.	Lineman A	Roanoke
Grady, T. P.	Utility Foreman	Kanawha River
Ostrom, William	Maintenance Man	Kanawha River
Christenson, R. E.	Engineer B	Charleston
Meadows, B. P.	Auxiliary Equipment Op.	Kanawha River
Evans, P. E.	Equipment Operator	Kanawha River
Hudnall, C. R.	Unit Foreman	Kanawha River
Surbaugh, F. H.	Master Maintenance Man	Kanawha River
Smolder, J. P.	Engineer B	Charleston
15 Years		
McCall, Arminta	Clerk-Typist	Bluefield
Hackney, G. W.	Coal Equipment Operator	Clinch River
Stevenson, M. H.	Performance Engineer	Clinch River
Blackwell, J. E.	Employee Relations Supv.	GO-Roanoke
Cruickshank, R. J.	Plant Performance Engr.	Kanawha River
Parker, G. L.	Sales Supervisor	Roanoke
10 Years		
Thompson, Carol	Stenographer	Glen Lyn
Stowers, M. G., Jr.	Lineman A	Pulaski
Howard, Lida	Cashier-Clerk Senior	Pikeville
Phillips, L. A.	Meterman C	Kingsport
5 Years		
Carter, T. M.	Planner	Abingdon

Neil Stultz Posts 80 To Win Charleston Division Golf Tournament

The 44 entries in the Charleston Division golf tournament represented a variety of talent, including first-time duffers with handicaps in the high 40's to once-a-day players who consistently score in the 70's.

Neil Stultz, R/w Department, won the tournament with low gross of 80. A newcomer to the tourney, Stultz showed fine form against such obstacles as muddy fairways, wet greens and seasoned players. Several oldtimers noted that Stultz's red plaid pants, red shirt, white shoes and white head band helped him considerably.

One oldtimer who didn't have to offer any excuses was Retired

Line Supervisor Ed Braid. Braid finished in the second place spot by posting an 82.

Other winners in the tournament included: Bill Ferguson, most pars front nine; G. V. Loveday, low putts front nine; Rodger Woodrum, nearest flag #3 hole; and Gene Caldwell, nearest flag #13 hole.

Under the dubious achievement awards category came: Cam Coffman, highest strokes on one hole; Gene Clendenin, most 7's; Robert Sanney, most strokes on #12 hole; H. R. Wilson, high putts front nine; and Ralph Allen, high putts back nine.



Herman St. Clair, Bluefield Division electrical engineer, scored a hole-in-one on the No. 2 hole at Richwood Golf Course recently.

Currey Receives NAB Award

William R. Currey, Charleston Division administrative assistant, is the recipient of a plaque in recognition of his work as youth director of the Charleston office, National Alliance of Businessmen.

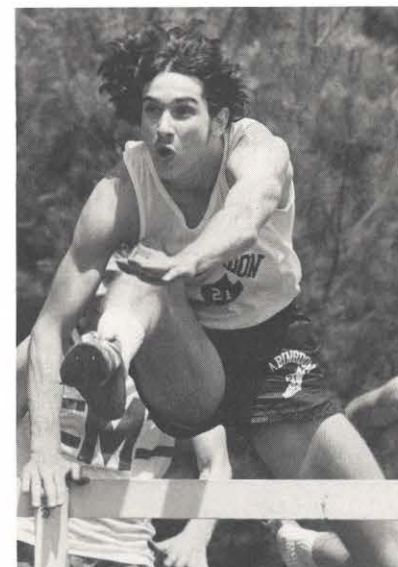
Under Currey's direction, 354 youths found summer jobs during early April. Community agencies combined their time and talents to contact prospective employers. High school students in the Charleston Junior Achievement Program were organized into work groups. Meeting during the Easter school break in unused offices of the Kanawha County Board of Education, they worked six to seven hours a day, calling area employers and soliciting job pledges. Once the pledges were obtained, they were turned over to a special city representative who placed the available students in the appropriate jobs.

The summer job program received tremendous support from area news media. Seventeen Junior Achievers, including many of the top salesmen from various JA companies, participated in a job telethon.

The Charleston NAB program will be operated by the FMC Corporation next year.

High Flying Randy Cole Sets Southwest Conference Record

Randy Cole, son of Clinch River Plant Senior Performance Engineer James M. Cole, set a record in the 440 high hurdle finals during a track meet of the Southwest Conference. This qualified Randy for the finals at Virginia Polytechnic Institute & State University in June, where he was eliminated by a Virginia state high school record setter in the 440 state finals.



Cole

Randy's coach at Abingdon High School indicates that this stellar athlete, who has one more year there, should go on to bigger and better things in track. Randy is also a member of the varsity basketball team. (Photo courtesy Bristol Herald-Courier.)

Employees' Team Finishes Third In Roanoke County Church League



An opposing runner is thrown out at first on this play, but Our Lady of Nazareth lost the semi-final game. In

the outfield can be seen Barry Snodgrass and Jim Spurlock, and covering first is Dick Lovegrove.

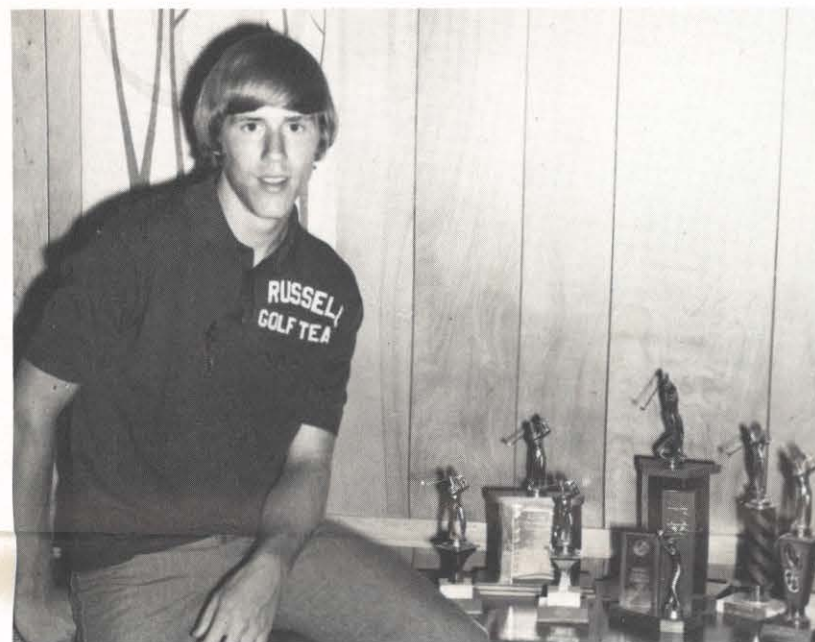
The clock struck midnight for Cinderella. It struck during the semi-finals of a tournament game for a Roanoke County slow-pitch softball team, a team with some Cinderella aspects of its own.

The team, made up of Roanoke Division and General Office em-

ployees, some of them returning to the softball wars after several years of inactivity, was in its first year of slow-pitch play. Sponsored by Our Lady of Nazareth Church, the team started the season with one bat, three used balls and no catcher's mask. It finished third with a 9-5 record in the regular season of a county church league.

In its first tournament game (featuring the top four teams from two leagues), OLON knocked off the second-place team from the other league. But then its own midnight came in the semi-finals against the first-place team in its own league.

Player-manager of the team was Norwood Morrison, GO Personnel. Other team members included Bruce Beam and Bill Ditman, GO Executive; Dick Lovegrove, GO Public Affairs; Barry Snodgrass and Charlie Saul, GO Commercial; Jerry Saunders, Roger Law and Gus Croft, GO Accounting; Charlie Price, GO Station; Jim White, GO Purchasing; John Hammer, Charlie Simmons, Jim Spurlock, Rudy Wooten and Emmett Blackwell, GO Personnel; Danny Carson, GO Civil Engineering; and Bob Kilgore and Richard Winstead, Roanoke Division.



Muncy

Muncy Leads Russell Golf Team To NEKC Tournament Championship

Russell Golf Team captured its third straight Northeastern Kentucky Conference golf championship behind a sterling two-under-par 68 by Brad Muncy, Russell High School senior.

The son of Ashland Working Line Foreman Robert E. Muncy, Brad took medalist honors over the Ponderosa Golf Club layout.

Russell, down by ten shots after the front nine, rallied to finish with a total of 311 strokes. Brad opened his round with two straight bogeys but soon went to one-under with a birdie on three, a par on four, and an eagle on the par-four fifth hole. He finished the

front three-under with birdies on seven and eight.

"Brad had a real fine round," said Russell Coach Marvin Meredith. "The course was real wet and it played pretty hard."

Brad remained at three-under through the 16th hole but bogied the par-four 17th.

Brad has a commendable record in golf during his high school career. In addition to being the winner of the NEKC Tournament, he was also winner of the PGA Junior Tournament and runner-up medalist in the Regional Tournament.

5 Years	Occupation	Location
England, J. W.	Lineman A	Bluefield
Yost, R. W., II	Draftsman Senior	Bluefield
Conner, Dona	Cust. Accts. Rep. B	Bluefield
Foster, Doris	Cust. Accts. Rep. B	Charleston
Poe, J. H.	Draftsman	Charleston
Brown, W. E.	Transmission Man B	GO-Bluefield
Jamison, W. D.	Operations Engineer	GO-Roanoke
McFann, D. R.	Transmission Man A	GO-Huntington
Tyree, T. E.	Transmission Man B	GO-Roanoke
Wood, H. K.	Engineer B	GO-Roanoke
Pauley, M. R.	Auxiliary Equipment Operator	Kanawha River
Horne, Ronald	T&D Clerk	Logan
Austin, J. M.	Custodian	Lynchburg
Anderson, W. T.	Auto Repairman A	Roanoke
Hale, D. W.	Lineman B	Roanoke
Harville, Frances	Cust. Accts. Rep. C	Roanoke



Sports are a way of life for Bobby Ragland and his sons David and Dale, as evidenced by this picture of the boys' room. Bobby (left), Roanoke Division lead draftsman, coached his Senators baseball team to the Rookie League championship

this season. Dale (right), who played third base for the Senators, had a .625 batting average, fourth highest on the team. David (absent when picture was taken) gained some valuable experience as a pitcher with a Minor League team.



Around The World In Nine Years

(See back cover)

Chaffin And Ann Duncan: Around The World In Nine Years

Chaffin and Ann Duncan don't claim to have found Utopia. But if happiness is a measure of retirement as it should be, then theirs comes close to perfection.

Chaffin retired in 1964 as Appalachian Power's safety director. Since that time they have lived in Venice, Florida, during the winters and returned to his homeplace in Pulaski, Virginia, about mid-April each year. Recently they sold their house and moved into a duplex in Roanoke.

Both wanted to get the most out of retirement "doing things like traveling". Ann says, "We've always spent our money running around, and I don't know of a better way to spend it. You can't take it with you so we might as well enjoy it."

During the past nine years, the Duncans have toured the six continents of the world and sailed the seven seas. They have used every mode of transportation — ship, plane, bus and rail, but both prefer going by ship, which often means a freighter. One freighter trip, which they took to Africa, lasted three months. Chaffin recalls, "There were 12 passengers aboard and our accommodations were luxurious. We ate with the officers, and the food was par excellent. Wherever the freighter docked, we would get off and tour inland."

In 1971 they took a freighter trip to Saigon, Vietnam, where both had nephews serving as officers in the armed forces. Chaffin said, "The freighter was carrying war materials, and we had to sign a release that the shipping company wasn't responsible for our safety in the event the freighter was blown up."

The Duncans, like typical tourists, have box after box of color slides to document their trips. Recount-

ing their travels for *The Illuminator*, Ann said that "it brings back many things and many places we haven't thought of in quite some time".

Chaffin added, "Now we would like to take a trip around the world again on a ship. We've actually been around the world, but we've taken it by stages." When asked their favorite place, both quickly responded, "New Zealand". Chaffin laughingly recalled the time they were riding a train in

New Zealand and the engineer stopped the train for his afternoon cup of tea.

Chaffin went on, "We're not interested in extolling the travel exploits of the Duncans. What I am concerned with is the fact that I am retired from a company with fringe benefits which make these things possible for us. First, the pension plan makes it possible to have money. Another thing is the stock purchase plan in which employees can enroll. Our medical plan is such that if you are in the hospital you will have enough to meet your obligations."

"I shall always be grateful for my

service with Appalachian Power. We have got a real company, and I am afraid it is not appreciated as it ought to be."

Chaffin pointed out the necessity of making a long range plan for retirement, which would include "making investments to give you a supplemental income. Because if you don't, all you have when you retire is a pension plan and social security."

"I would recommend that everybody make plans for their retirement — just don't sit down and rock and die. Do something — have an activity. That is the secret of a happy retirement."



Chaffin and Ann Duncan with their nephew, General Walter Woolwine, during their trip to Saigon, Vietnam two years ago.

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