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Employees of Bluefield Division reached 500,000 manhours without a disabling injury on March 24. Their record began June 8, 1974, and is continuing. Safety Director C. R. Wooten (right foreground) presents a certificate of merit to Bluefield Division Manager Jack Lloyd (left foreground) as staff members and supervisors watch.

## APCo appeals Virginia rate order to state supreme court

Appalachian Power Company on May 29 filed an appeal with the State Supreme Court of Virginia on the rate order issued by the Virginia State Corporation Commission on May 1. In that order the SCC denied 47% of the rate increase the company had requested.

Appalachian had filed for a \$36.2-million increase in its retail rates in Virginia in December 1974. The SCC's decision allowed the company approximately \$19-million.

"When we filed for a rate increase, we made what we believe was a strong case for the entire amount which is the minimum needed to permit the company to properly carry out its public service responsibilities," according to John W. Vaughan, executive vice president of Appalachian.

Vaughan pointed out that the amount granted Appalachian was considerably less than that recommended by any witness in the proceeding.

"The SCC Staff took the position that \$22,859,896 was required by the company in order to achieve what the Staff termed a fair rate of return based upon 1974 results. In addition, the dissenting commissioner believed that an increase of \$25,583,565 was required to maintain the company's financial integrity," Vaughan added.

In its original rate filing the company had asked for a rate of return of 9.65%. The SCC decision provided for a rate of return of 8.4%. Vaughan compared this with two recent bond sales by the company at interest rates of 11% and 11-1/8%. "Obviously the rate of return allowed by the Commission is inadequate in the present inflationary period," he said.

Particulars of Appalachian's appeal will be detailed in a brief to be filed later with the Court.

The \$19-million rate increase granted Appalachian was placed into effect on May 9 and billing under the new rates will continue pending a decision by the court.

## Blue Ridge case dismissed

Judge Eugene Gordon of the U. S. District Court for the Middle District of North Carolina last month dismissed North Carolina's request for a stay of the effective date of Appalachian Power Company's Federal Power Commission license for the company's proposed Blue Ridge Project.

Judge Gordon granted Appalachian Power's motion to dismiss the proceeding on the ground that the Federal Power Act gave the U. S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia exclusive jurisdiction over the matter.

In another development last month, Federal Energy Administrator Frank G. Zarb stated his support for Blue Ridge in a letter to Congressman William C. Wampler and expressed opposition to "any legislative proposals to delay or preclude the project."

Meanwhile, Appalachian Power, the FPC and the states of Virginia and West Virginia have filed reply briefs in the District of Columbia Court supporting the company's proposed two-dam, 1.8-million-kilowatt project on the New River.

They were in response to a recent filing by North Carolina supporting its position that the company's license should be remanded to the FPC for further hearings.

## Stock cost ties record

Ohio Power Company last month sold 400,000 shares of cumulative preferred stock par \$100 at a dividend rate of 14 per cent. This equals the highest dividend rate ever paid by an electric utility, also by Ohio Power in 1974.

Funds from the latest sale will be applied to the retirement of short term debt.

Early in May, Appalachian sold \$50-million of first-mortgage bonds at an 11 per cent dividend rate. Proceeds from the offering were used to refund a 9 per cent series of the company's first-mortgage bonds which matured June 1.

## System load down in 1975

The AEP System's total load during the week ended May 14 was the lowest such figure in almost three years — since early August 1972. (Total load is the amount of electric power required to be available to serve customers during a given period of time.)

In the second week of May, AEP System customers required 1.302-billion kilowatthours, down 8.3 per cent from the comparable week in 1974. For the year to date (i.e. to May 14) the total load was running 3.6 per cent below the prior year's figure.

The week's figure was the lowest since the 1.275-billion kwh recorded in mid-summer of 1972.

## In W. Va.

### APCo requests surcharge on bills for air quality work at Sporn Plant

Appalachian Power Company has proposed a modest special charge on customers' bills to raise the money needed to meet air quality standards in connection with operation of its power generating units at the Philip Sporn Plant at New Haven.

The utility on May 21 filed with the West Virginia Public Service Commission an application for a small, temporary surcharge on electric bills of its retail customers in the state. From such additional revenues Appalachian would set up a special fund earmarked for the installation of highly efficient electrostatic precipitators for the control of fly ash emitted from its two 150,000-kilowatt units at the plant. The project would cost an estimated \$30.5 million and require about four years to complete.

The proposed surcharge is 0.875 mills (i.e. less than one-tenth of a cent) per kilowatthour of electricity used, which, if approved by the PSC, would take effect July 1. (In 1974 the company's average residential customer in West Virginia used 7,799 kwh. The surcharge on this amount of electricity would be \$6.82 — or 57 cents a month.)

Appalachian told the PSC in its application that the surcharge approach was being proposed because of its "current inability to finance this project." Stating that the surcharge revenues would be segregated from its general corporate funds and used exclusively for the Sporn Plant air quality work, the company also proposed that the surcharge be terminated "upon completion of all disbursements required for the project."

In late February Appalachian had advised the West Virginia Air Pollution Control Commission that it was being forced to suspend its previously announced plans to install new pollution control equipment on its units at the Sporn Plant due to severe financial limitations that made it impossible to raise the money necessary for the work. The company has been under an order from the APCC requiring that the Sporn Plant be in compliance with emission limitations by June 30, and it has stated that, barring an alternative acceptable to both the APCC and the U. S. Environmental Protection Agency, such compliance can only be accomplished by shutdown of four of the plant's five generating units by that date.

### Air Pollution Commission grants extensions at Cabin Creek, Sporn

At a public hearing May 22, Appalachian Power Company was granted a six-month extension at Cabin Creek Plant and a five-month extension at Philip Sporn Plant by the West Virginia Air Pollution Control Commission (APCC).

The extension granted at Cabin Creek will permit the burning of coal with an ash content of up to 15 per cent. Prior to an interim extension granted on April 9, the plant was restricted to coal with an ash content of not more than 9 per cent. The plant will continue to operate on a peak load basis and is staffed by two shifts, five days per week. Operation at other times to meet system contingencies is permissible.

Appalachian earlier had announced that the plant would be closed because of the price it must pay for higher-quality coal. The plant is scheduled to close permanently on or before July 1, 1977.

Appalachian also had previously announced it couldn't afford pollution control equipment at the Philip Sporn Plant and would have to close units 1-4 and lay off

200 workers on July 1, the date on which the primary standard on particulate emissions was to have taken effect. The APCC action extended the compliance date to December 1, 1975.

The APCC also agreed to hold in abeyance a threatened suit against Appalachian for alleged delays in installing pollution control equipment at Sporn. A major reason for the delay is to provide time for a financial investigation of Appalachian and Ohio Power by an independent firm to evaluate claims that the companies cannot afford more efficient pollution equipment at Sporn.

Also, the APCC has urged the West Virginia Public Service Commission to act "as expeditiously as possible" on Appalachian's request for a surcharge on customers' electric bills to pay for the cost of installing precipitators at Sporn.

The APCC approved the new compliance schedule for the installation of an electrostatic precipitator on Unit 5 at Sporn, to be in full compliance with Regulation II in September 1977.



Brammell Browning

## Two employees receive degrees

Two employees, who continued their education while holding full-time jobs, have been awarded college degrees. L. E. Brammell, personnel supervisor for Kentucky Power's Ashland Division, received a master's degree in business administration from Morehead State University. C. Paul Browning, meter reader in Appalachian Power's Huntington Division, received a bachelor's degree in business administration from Marshall University.

Brammell, who was employed in 1965, holds a BS degree in industrial management from the University of Kentucky. Browning began his career in 1973 but has been working toward his degree since 1966.

## Ashland's Quarter Century Club reactivated, holds spring meeting

Continuing educational opportunities, cultural events and community service programs was the theme of the speech presented at the spring meeting of the reactivated Quarter Century Club in Ashland by Mrs. Libby Wathall, professor and coordinator of community service at Ashland Community College.

Tom Cogan presided at the dinner. New members initiated into the club were Robert Bibb, John Caines, Virginia Kitchen, Milford Layne, J. W. Scholtens, Walter Venters, Clyde Watkins and Bill Watson. Tribute was paid to the first woman retiree, Helen Eaton, and to the oldest retiree, Henry Lyle.

## Contract awarded for precipitator

Site preparation work has been started for the installation of an electrostatic precipitator on Unit 5 at Philip Sporn Plant at Graham Station, W. Va. Unit 5 is a 450,000 kilowatt generating unit and the largest one at the plant.

The precipitator will be 99.7% efficient in removing particles resulting from the burning of coal before they can escape out the unit stack.

Union Boiler Company of Nitro, W. Va., was awarded the contract for the site preparation work, which is expected to be completed this summer. The precipitator, which will replace a less efficient one to meet West Virginia air quality standards, is scheduled to be completed by September 1977.

Financing of the precipitator on Unit 5 will be done through \$40-million in tax-exempt pollution control revenue bonds to be issued by the Mason County Commission.



Rotenberry

## Rotenberry is R/e & R/w head

Thomas A. Rotenberry has been promoted to superintendent of Appalachian Power Company's General Office Real Estate and Right of Way Department, succeeding W. E. Coleman, who retired June 1.

A native of Broadford, Virginia, Rotenberry is a graduate of National Business College and Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University. He has done graduate work at the University of Virginia Extension, Roanoke. He was employed in 1962 as a business trainee in Roanoke and held the positions of budget and special reports analyst, tax accountant, administrative assistant to the executive vice president and administrative assistant in the Real Estate and Right of Way Department before being promoted to assistant R/e & R/w superintendent in 1972.

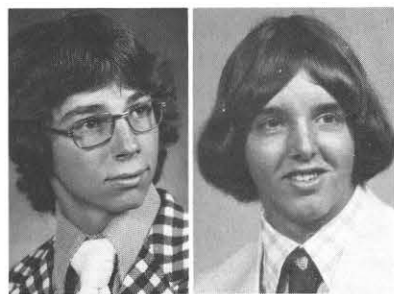
## Employees' sons are salutatorians of high school graduating classes

Sons of two employees were named salutatorians of their high school graduating classes. David Meek, son of Jo Ann Bartram, Big Sandy Plant time clerk, was salutatorian at Louisa High School, Louisa, Kentucky. Richard A. Couch, son of W. R.

Couch, Philip Sporn Plant unit foreman, was salutatorian at Meigs Local High School, Pomeroy, Ohio.

At Louisa, Meek was a member of the Spanish Club, yearbook staff and a delegate to the S. P. O. K. E. Conference in Lexington, Ky. He has been taking courses through the Morehead State University Extension Program and will attend the University of Kentucky this fall.

Couch was president of the National Honor Society at Meigs, an Arion Award winner, attended an Ohio State summer science training program, and will be a delegate to Ohio Boy's State. He has been accepted as a pharmacy student at Ohio State University.



Couch Meek

## Philo Plant ceases operation

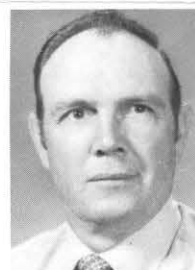
Ohio Power Company's Philo Plant, oldest of its nine electric generating stations, ceased operation on May 31.

Frank N. Bien, executive vice president, said that the action was taken as a necessary economy measure in light of the depth of the present recession and the lessened demand for electric energy from Ohio Power's industrial customers.

Affected by the shutdown are 203 employees, including 45 supervisory personnel, and the plant's 280,000 kilowatts of generating capacity. Bien emphasized that Ohio Power "will do everything we can to place these employees in jobs elsewhere in the company."

He explained that the 50-year-old Philo Plant was only being deactivated, not retired. "We are putting this plant in mothballs so that, if and when it is needed again, it will be readily available," he said. "We intend to keep it in operating condition and maintain it as part of the company's reserve capacity."

## Orr helps stranded motorist



Orr

Johnny Orr, lineman A in the Washington County area of Abingdon Division, stopped to help a stranded motorist recently. The motorist, who turned out to be Mrs. Richard Messenger, wife of the Washington County administrator, was so appreciative that she wrote the following letter to the Abingdon Division manager:

"I would like to compliment you on the high caliber of the men who drive your pickup trucks. Monday, around noon, while I was driving from Lynchburg to Abingdon, my car stalled suddenly on route 605. The first and only person to stop and ask if he might help was a kind and responsible man in an APCo truck. At my request, he reported my plight to the nearest Exxon station."

"Since my car was stranded in the right hand lane of a two-lane state road, I was upset and neglected to ask his name. Please know, however, that I am deeply appreciative of your worker's willingness to take a few minutes to give aid to a stranded motorist. I thank you, as manager, and your unknown worker for enabling me to continue my trip without further incident through the tornado watch area."

## MOVING UP



Blair

Billie J. Blair, former plant clerk senior at Kanawha River Plant has been promoted to office supervisor. She succeeds Elizabeth S. Kees, who resigned. Blair attended Capitol City Commercial College.

Fred K. Long, former safety coordinator in Kentucky Power's General Office Personnel Department, Ashland, has been promoted to assistant personnel and office services supervisor at Big Sandy Plant. He will succeed Carl B. Burner, personnel and office services supervisor, upon his early retirement later this year. Long holds an associate degree in engineering technology from West Virginia Institute of Technology.

Nathan E. Kirk, former personnel departmental assistant at Big Sandy Plant, has been promoted to personnel assistant in Kentucky Power's General Office Personnel Department, Ashland. He holds a BS degree in business from Pikeville College.

Howard O. Blackshire, Jr., former maintenance man A at John E. Amos Plant, has been promoted to maintenance foreman. He began his career at the plant in 1972.

Bill M. Angelo, former regional dispatcher in General Office Operations, Turner Regional Dispatch Office, has been promoted to assistant regional chief dispatcher at Turner. He succeeds Lenc Bianchinotti, who retired May 1.



Angelo Blackshire



Long Kirk

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# Getting to know John Faust



Faust

"It certainly wasn't the best time to take over the management of a power company. Peak coal prices, the heating season and my promotion all arrived at the same time. I spent most of my time during the first few months answering high bill complaints, speaking to civic groups and preparing for a Public Service Commission hearing.

"But there were many rewarding moments too — such as calls and letters of encouragement from friends of the company who remembered the long years of good service and reasonable rates. And all of our employees pitched in and did a wonderful job handling customer complaints. I think that sometimes we really need a period of adversity to test our courage and prepare us for the challenges we must face in the future." This is how John E. Faust describes his appointment last fall to executive vice president of Kingsport Power Company.

It was no accident that brought Faust into the electric power business. His interest in electricity began as a boy when his

hobby was short-wave radio. "I first built battery-operated sets and stayed up all night many times picking up ham operators from all over the world. I made my spending money by repairing radios and later by wiring houses and repairing small appliances."

When Faust graduated from high school and entered the University of Tennessee, it was natural that he enrolled in electrical engineering. He was a sophomore when the attack on Pearl Harbor brought the United States into World War II. "I had just turned 18 and registered for the draft, so I decided to enlist. The army left me in school for another quarter and then sent me to Fort Belvoir for basic training in the Corps of Engineers. When this was completed, I was selected to go to Catholic University in Washington to continue my engineering education. After a year of accelerated study, I received an engineering certificate and was ready for an assignment. But the invasion of Europe was then being planned and soldiers were needed more than engineers. My entire class was assigned to an infantry division which was em-

barking for the invasion. We landed in France and fought across Europe to the Elbe River near Berlin where the war ended. Of the 40 men in my platoon, only 13 survived."

Faust returned to U. T. after the war to continue the study of electrical engineering and also enrolled in the industrial management curriculum. He graduated in 1948 with a double major and ranked in the top ten per cent of his class. "I was interviewed by many companies, but when Kingsport Power Company offered me a job as a power sales engineer, I knew this was what I wanted to do." He served as senior power sales engineer, executive assistant and assistant vice president before becoming executive vice president on November 1, 1974.

Faust grew up in the small town of Hilton in Scott County, Virginia. It was here that he met Marie Dye when he returned from the army in 1946 and they were married two years later. They have two children, both now attending college. John, Jr., 24, is married and will receive his M.B.A. from the University of Tennessee in August. He has also completed two years of law school and has been teaching economics at U. T. for the past year. Becky, 19, is a junior at Middle Tennessee State University.

Faust hesitates when asked about his hobby. "I guess I would have to say civic work because that's how most of my spare time is spent." The list is impressive. He served eleven years on the Kingsport School Board, the last nine as president. He is past president of the Jaycees, the Boys' Club, the Red Cross and the Tri-Cities Chapter, American Institute of Industrial Engineers. Presently he is a director of the Palmer Memorial Center for Crippled Children, Community Chest, Chamber of Commerce and Rotary Club.

The church is also an important part of the life of Faust and his family. He has held many leadership positions in the First Broad Street United Methodist Church, including two terms as chairman of its official board.

Looking to the future, Faust sees many problems but also many opportunities. "Our industry is facing extremely difficult times over the next few years, due in large measure to a lack of understanding by the public, and even by our own government, of the role electric power must play in maintaining our quality of life and improving our environment. But the AEP System has been built on a solid foundation and we have the resources, both in power supply facilities and in skilled, dedicated personnel, to survive and come back stronger than ever. We should face the future without fear and welcome the opportunity to meet any challenges and prove that we can overcome any difficulties."

## Larry Terry initiates beautification of Virginia 419



Larry Terry plants the first tree in the beautification project on Virginia 419, assisted by Roanoke County Delegate Raymond Robrecht (left) and Mae Johnson, representing the Cave Spring District on the Roanoke County Board of Supervisors.

Virginia 419 in Roanoke County is becoming more beautiful because of the efforts of Larry Terry, 17-year-old son of Helen Terry, PBX operator, General Office General Services, Roanoke.

Terry explains, "I've thought for a long time that some trees and shrubs should be planted along the highway, but it looked as if nobody was going to do it." So he took it upon himself to remedy the situation.

After learning from the State Highway Department that a beautification project would be welcomed, he began soliciting money from merchants along the highway and others with an interest in the project. Finally he had collected \$800, enough to buy about 200 plants, and on May 13 Terry planted the first

tree at Tanglewood Mall.

Highway department workmen planted the rest of them within the next few days. After a story appeared in the Roanoke World News about Terry's efforts, he received numerous calls from individuals offering to donate money and trees.

The Sugar Loaf Garden Club in Roanoke County has agreed to take up the project and promote it in the years ahead.

How did Terry get interested in such a project? There are not many 17-year-olds who will set out to beautify a whole highway alone. "Nobody else was doing it," he said. "I've traveled around and seen what other areas have done along their highways. We should do it, too."



Two freshman engineering students from Southwest Virginia Community College spent a day observing engineers at work in the Clinch River Plant Performance Department recently. Danilo Zevallos and William Cook were participating in the "engineer for a day" program sponsored annually during National Engineers Week by the Virginia Society of Professional Engineers. Zevallos, a native of Peru, is majoring in electrical engineering, and Cook, a Virginia native, is majoring in mining engineering. Performance Engineers Steve Terry and Jevene Bowling and Senior Performance Engineer Jim Cole showed the students how various tests are run at the plant and let them assist in running a routine performance test on plant equipment. From left, Bowling, Cook, Terry and Zevallos.



Marie and John Faust

# PEOPLE IN THE SPOTLIGHT

## ASHLAND



Saltz

**Brian Saltz**, son of Personnel Director J. G. Saltz, was elected second vice president of the Kentucky Young Historians Association and won a \$100 savings bond as first place award in essay. Brian, a junior at Paul G. Blazer High School, captained a team from the school which appeared on WCHS-TV's High School Bowl. He has been selected to attend Boys' State.

**Evelyn Cassidy**, wife of Retiree E. C. Cassidy, was honored at a birthday tea for her 39 years in Girl Scouting.

**Mary Gesling**, wife of Retiree W. D. Gesling, is general chairman of the Children's Activity Program at the Ashland YWCA. **Mimi Shope**, secretarial stenographer in GO Customer Services, was elected recording secretary of the YWCA board of directors.

**Jack Keeton**, classification clerk in General Office Accounting, was elected treasurer of the Ashland Jaycees.

**John R. Matthews**, son of R. E. Matthews, division manager, graduated from Holy Family High School.

**Andre Beach**, son of Mary Jane Beach, junior clerk in General Office, graduated from Greenup County High School.

**Theresa Riley**, daughter of the late Dana Riley, graduated from South Point High School.

**Roger M. Cline**, son of A. D. Cline, General Office customer services manager; **John B. Slone**, son of Wilbur G. Slone, engineer B; and **Rebecca Lynn Bolner**, daughter of Donald G. Bolner, working service foreman, graduated from Paul G. Blazer High School.

**Cathy Jo Barnett**, daughter of Dorothy Tucker, stores accountant in General Office, and **Deborah Mabry**, daughter of Retiree Otto Sanders, graduated from Boyd County High School.

**Kemp Adkins**, son of Lucy Adkins, general accounting clerk in General Office, and **William Timothy Daniels**, son of Clay Daniels, stationman A, graduated from Russell High School.

**Richard Darrell Burnett**, son of Calvin C. Burnett, general serviceman, graduated from East Carter High School.

**Patricia Louise Matthews**, daughter of R. E. Matthews, division manager, received a BS degree in nursing from the College of St. Teresa.

**Kathy Steinmetz** received a degree in elementary education from the University of Kentucky, and **Sharon Stayton** received a degree in special education from UK. They are the children of Waldo S. LaFon, executive vice president.

**John Horton Via**, son of J. H. Via, Jr., accounting manager, received BS degrees in business administration and journalism from Marshall University.

**Mary Ruth Hopson**, daughter of Carl D. Hopson, technician senior, received a BA degree from Eastern Kentucky University.

**Thomas J. Moore**, son of Gene Moore, division superintendent, received a BA degree in journalism from the University of Kentucky.

## ABINGDON

**Jamie Crabtree**, son of T. F. Crabtree, meter serviceman A, graduated from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University with a BS degree in math.

**Gregory Cornett**, son of Lorene Cornett, clerk trainee; **Donna G. Cox**, daughter of H. W. Cox, area T&D clerk; and **George Fields**, son of C. E. Fields, line foreman non-exempt; and **Jane Sowers**, daughter of Ralph Sowers, line foreman non-exempt, graduated from Gate City High School.

**Vanessa Robinson**, daughter of Dean Robinson, line foreman non-exempt, graduated from Marion Senior High School.

**Scotty Self**, son of Arthur Self, meter serviceman C, graduated from Clintwood High School.

**Debbie McClellan**, daughter of G. L. McClellan, area T&D clerk, graduated from Ervinton High School.

Graduating from Abingdon High School are **Jeff Rasnick**, son of John Rasnick, stationman A; **Mike Gregory**, son of Roy Gregory, line foreman non-exempt; **Lynn Snyder**, daughter of Sam Snyder, transmission foreman; **Beth Hughes**, daughter of James

Hughes, administrative assistant; and **John Sheffey**, son of R. A. Sheffey, Jr., engineering supervisor.

**Shirley Landreth**, wife of Don Landreth, engineer B, was elected secretary of the E. B. Stanley Elementary PTA.

**R. R. Gregory**, line foreman non-exempt, was elected second vice president of the Abingdon Elementary PTA.

Employees engaged in Little League baseball include: **Hunter Thayer**, coach of Minute-ette team in the senior little league; **R. L. Trent**, coach of Harwood team; **R. H. Snodgrass, III**, coach of Abingdon Yankees in the midget league; **Don Landreth**, purchasing agent, Abingdon Little League; and **Prince Coleman**, coach of Meadowview Methodist team, Glade Spring League.

**Hugh Ferguson**, **Clyde Landreth**, **Mark Landreth**, **Brian Hicks**, **Buck Cumbow**, **Jimmy Hughes**, **Karen Wynegar** and **Chip Thayer** are participating in the baseball program.

## GLEN LYN



Mann

**S. Sgt. Melvin W. Mann**, son of Retiree Harry M. Mann, was selected outstanding airman of the year for 1974 in the 15th Weather Squadron. The 15th Weather Squadron, located at Scott AFB, has 19 weather detachments across the country from California to New Jersey. Mann has been recommended by the 15th WS commander to 5th Weather Wing as a nominee for the Military Airlift Command outstanding airman of the year award. As supervisor of the weather equipment maintenance section, Mann directs four maintenance technicians and oversees maintenance of highly technical weather equipment such as the storm detection radar, visibility measuring transmissometers, rotating beam ceilometers, etc.

**Terri Lee Albert**, son of Charlotte L. Albert, chemist assistant; and **Michael E. Harris**, son of Everett V. Harris, chief chemist, graduated from Giles High School.

**Barry E. Brown**, son of James E. Brown, instrument maintenance mechanic B; **W. Byron Jessee**, son of Jackie F. Jessee, maintenance man; **Jeffery S. Mullins**, son of Robia Mullins, maintenance mechanic A; **Laura Lee Pruett**, daughter of Myron C. Pruett, utility man A; and **Gary T. Ratliff**, son of Robert B. Ratliff,

assistant plant manager, graduated from Narrows High School.

**Lisa A. Brown**, daughter of Dale E. Brown, instrument maintenance mechanic B; **Gail M. Jackson**, daughter of Harry P. Jackson, Jr., maintenance man; **Steven L. Martin**, son of Lee B. Martin, maintenance helper; **Lucinda J. Spangler**, daughter of Coonie Spangler, personnel supervisor; and **Rebecca J. White**, daughter of James M. White, switchboard operator, graduated from Peterstown High School.

**Donald E. Buckland** graduated from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University with a master's degree in forestry and wildlife. **Gerald W. Buckland** graduated from Ohio State University with a doctor of veterinary medicine degree. They are the sons of Donald A. Buckland, maintenance mechanic A.

**Gerald L. Evans**, son of George L. Evans, performance engineer senior, graduated from Princeton High School.

**Donald K. Hall** and **Ronald K. Hall** graduated from Bluefield State College with degrees in electrical technology. **Teresa A. Hall** graduated from Oakvale High School. They are the children of Dan E. Hall, switchboard operator.

**Douglas G. Mullins**, son of Robia Mullins, maintenance mechanic A, graduated from New River Community College as a machinist technician.

**Harry F. Pruett**, son of Myron C. Pruett, utility man A, is a drafting graduate of New River Community College.

**Steven W. Wade**, son of Walter S. Wade, maintenance man, graduated from Oakvale High School.

**David M. White**, son of James M. White, switchboard operator, received a BS degree in education from Concord College.

## JOHN E. AMOS



Bayes

**Richard Allen Bayes**, a senior at Stonewall Jackson High School, placed first in the sheet metal area of vocational categories in competition sponsored by Vocational and Industrial Clubs of America at Ben Franklin Technical Center. In state competition held at James Rumsey Technical Center in Martinsburg, he was graded on a written test and complex project. Supplying his own tools and materials, Richard came out with a second place title and silver medal. He is the son of Richard G. Bayes, utility foreman.

**Thomas Lee Slack**, son of Bob by J. Slack, assistant shift operating engineer; **Kathy Jo Brewer**, daughter of Lon Robert Brewer Jr., unit foreman; and **Andrea Lynn Sovine**, daughter of James I. Sovine, maintenance man B graduated from Hurricane High School.

**Michael Andrew Trawick**, son of Andrew J. Trawick, operations supervisor, graduated from Nitro High School.

**Gregory A. Griffith**, son of William H. Griffith, utility operator A, graduated from Winfield High School.

## CENTRAL MACHINE



Reedy

**Cindy Reedy**, daughter of A. O. Reedy, motor shop foreman, was elected West Virginia state president of the Future Homemakers of America. A junior at Point Pleasant High School and a student at Mason County Vocational Center, she represents the FHA on the Junior Fair Board. Cindy will attend the FHA Leadership Camp this month and in July will represent West Virginia at the national FHA convention in Washington, D. C.

**Cynthia Witt** was appointed to the National Honor Society at Sissonville High School. **Beverly Witt** was appointed to the National Junior Honor Society at Woodrow Wilson Junior High School. Both participated in a 20-mile walk-a-thon last month to raise money for a new church. They are the daughters of Motor Winder C. H. Witt.

## CABIN CREEK

**David Ray Hudnall**, son of Paul F. Hudnall, maintenance man, graduated magna cum laude from West Virginia Institute of Technology with a BS degree in electrical engineering. An AEP Educational Award winner in 1971, he will be employed as an associate engineer with Lockheed Missiles and Space Company, Inc., Cape Canaveral, Florida.

**Diane Briers**, daughter of George E. Briers, plant manager, graduated from West Virginia University with a BS degree in psychology.

**Mary Margaret McDaniel**, daughter of W. R. McDaniel, office and stores supervisor, graduated magna cum laude from Marshall University with a bachelor's degree in business administration. She was an AEP Educational Award winner in 1971.

## LOGAN-WILLIAMSON

**Cindy Foglesong**, daughter of Howard L. Foglesong, records supervisor; **David Lee Warren**, son of Wayne E. Warren, stores/garage supervisor; **Sandra L. Hill**, daughter of William M. Hill, service foreman; and **Susan D. Samson**, daughter of Elba Samson, meter reader, graduated from Logan High School.

**John M. Bias**, son of Emmet K. Bias, customer representative A, and **Terri Lynn Atkins**, daughter of Richard C. Atkins, meter serviceman A, graduated from Scott High School.

**John L. Preston**, son of James Preston, meter reader; **Darlene Thaxton**, daughter of William J. Thaxton, stationman helper A; and **James G. Staten**, son of Roland Staten, stores attendant, graduated from Williamson High School.

**Debra L. Robinson**, daughter of James Robinson, collector, graduated from Belfry High School.

**Linda L. Burke**, customer accounts representative B, and **Keith D. Gregory**, lineman C, received associate of arts degrees from Southern West Virginia Community College.

**Richard W. Chambers**, son of Willard W. Chambers, meter serviceman A, received an associate of arts degree from Southern West Virginia Community College.

**Diane L. Hanley**, daughter of Thomas J. Hanley, residential representative, received a BA degree in home economics from Marshall University.

**Bruce Richmond**, son of James L. Richmond, division superintendent, received a BS degree in business management from Marshall University.

**John R. Collins**, son of Howard L. Collins, personnel supervisor, received a BS degree from the University of Kentucky.

## PHILIP SPORN



Ohlinger

**Kim Ohlinger**, daughter of W. A. Ohlinger, master maintenance man, was named an alternate to Girl's State. She was also inducted into the National Honor Society at Meigs High School, Pomeroy, Ohio.

**Carl Wiles**, personnel manager, was appointed a trustee of the Bend Area Rotary Club, New Haven, W. Va.

**Joy C. White**, daughter of G. C.

White, unit foreman, graduated from Meigs High School and will attend Ohio University.

**Linda Gloss**, daughter of E. H. Gloss, plant manager, received a BS degree in nursing from Ohio State University. She also has a BA degree in psychology from Miami University, Oxford, Ohio.

**Jack Kaylor**, son of E. E. Kaylor, maintenance foreman, received AB and BA degrees in art from Marshall University.

**John R. Bumgarner**, son of L. C. Bumgarner, maintenance foreman; **Lisa Gail Scott**, daughter of J. C. Scott, master maintenance man; **Pam Gilland Huffman**, daughter of R. M. Gilland, maintenance man; **Tammy Lynn Hart**, daughter of A. H. Hart, filter plant operator and sampler; **Debra Marie Hoffman**, daughter of B. G. Hoffman, crane operator; and **Martha Jean Clark**, daughter of C. T. Clark, crane operator, graduated from Wahama High School.

**Rayanna Sue Cole**, daughter of R. L. Cole, unit foreman; **Deborah K. Taylor**, daughter of P. E. Taylor, conveyor operator; and **Richard A. Couch**, son of W. R. Couch, unit foreman, graduated from Meigs Local High School.

**Sara Beth Lutton**, daughter of R. S. Lutton, master maintenance man; **Charmaine K. Sauer**, daughter of J. P. Sauer, tractor operator; and **Robin Lynn Henry**, daughter of E. E. Henry, maintenance foreman, graduated from Point Pleasant High School.

**Donald Clayton Shaffer**, son of F. E. Smith, filter plant operator and sampler, and **Karen Sue Rhodes**, daughter of R. G. Rhodes, master maintenance man, graduated from Southern Local High School.

**Susan K. Gloss**, daughter of E. H. Gloss, plant manager, graduated from Gallia Academy High School.

**Timothy Michael McDaniel**, son of E. McDaniel, maintenance man, graduated from Kyger Creek High School.

**Deborah Lynn Boatright**, daughter of R. H. Boatright, maintenance man, graduated from Eastern High School.

## PIKEVILLE

**Chester Smith**, administrative assistant, was appointed to the advisory board of Prestonsburg Community College.

**Lisa Mae Prater**, daughter of Bruce Prater, head T&D clerk, graduated from Elkhorn City High School.

**Robin Jan Helvey**, daughter of Auburn Helvey, line foreman, graduated from Johns Creek High School.

**Tammi Susan Justice**, daughter of Everett Justice, working line foreman, graduated from Mullins High School.

**Belinda Tibbs**, daughter of Billy E. Tibbs, working line foreman, graduated from Millard High School.

**William David Zoellers**, son of W. W. Zoellers, customer services manager, graduated from Prestonsburg Community College and will attend the University of Kentucky this fall.

**Bill E. Barnett**, son of Bill Barnett, personnel supervisor, graduated as a doctor of medicine from the University of Kentucky Medical School and will do his residency in Florida.

**James T. Bartley** graduated from Pikeville College with a BS degree in accounting. **Teresa L. Bartley** graduated from Pikeville College with a BS degree in science. They are the children of Jerry Bartley, appliance service foreman.

## SOUTHERN APPALACHIAN



Clark

**Shirley Clark**, daughter of Grace Clark, senior clerk and stenographer, Julian Office, won a first place trophy in dramatics at Rio Grande Community College, Ohio. She also won a third place trophy in drama at St. Peter's College, where students from 11 eastern states competed. A senior at Duval High School, Shirley is secretary of the National Honor Society, student council president, class vice president, and varsity cheerleader captain.

## CLINCH RIVER

**Buell Cook, Jr.**, son of Buell Cook, unit foreman, graduated from Clinch Valley College of the University of Virginia with a BA degree in history.

**Patrick L. Thompson**, son of Ben L. Thompson, shift operating engineer, graduated from Clinch Valley College of the University of Virginia with a BA degree in social services.

**Earl Douglas Jones, Jr.**, son of Ruth J. Noe, plant clerk senior, graduated from Southwest Virginia Community College with an AA degree in biology.

**Garry E. Campbell**, son of D. Earl Campbell, unit foreman, graduated from Southwest Virginia Community College with an AA degree in pre-engineering.

Employees' children graduating from Lebanon High School are **Gary L. Jonas**, son of Don Jonas, chemist; **Sheila R. Sutherland**, daughter of Parkis N. Sutherland, master maintenance man; **Brenda J. Lowe**,

daughter of Charles L. Lowe, instrument maintenance man A; **Celeste Abolin**, daughter of T. W. Abolin, plant manager; **Donna Trail**, daughter of James R. Trail, maintenance foreman; and **Beverly D. Puckett**, daughter of Guy E. Puckett, unit foreman.

Also, **Teresa J. Vance**, daughter of Landon E. Vance, maintenance man; **Paul L. Campbell**, son of D. Earl Campbell, unit foreman; **Curtis F. Richards**, son of Carl E. Richards, shift operating engineer; and **Nancy C. Parks** and **Robert Parks, Jr.**, children of Robert L. Parks, master maintenance man graduated from Lebanon.

## HAZARD

**Marshall Craft**, daughter of Rex B. Craft, meter reader, graduated from Whitesburg High School.

**Sharon Kay Smith**, daughter of Earl L. Smith, truck driver-groundman, graduated from Dilce Combs High School. She is the recipient of the commercial award.

**Denise Walters**, daughter of Byron D. Walters, stores attendant, and **Charles Glenn Yonts**, son of Wesley Yonts, lineman A, graduated from Hazard High School.

**Jerry Wes Yonts**, son of Wesley Yonts, received a BS degree in social studies from Morehead State University.

**Elizabeth P. Johnson**, daughter of Clara B. Peters, secretarial-stenographer, received an associate degree in applied science from Hazard Community College. She graduated with highest honor.

**Wallace E. Cornett, Jr.**, son of Wallace E. Cornett, records supervisor, received a degree in business administration from Eastern Kentucky University.

**William Scott Hays**, son of Nolan A. Hays, technician senior, received a master's degree in English from Eastern Kentucky University and was honored by Phi Kappa Phi for having attained an overall grade of 3.75.

**Joan Byrd**, daughter of Carlen E. Byrd, stationman A, graduated from the University of Kentucky Pharmacy School, where she received the outstanding senior woman award.

## KANAWHA RIVER

**John F. Allen**, son of Elsie I. Allen, clerk-stenographer, and **Timothy N. Perry**, son of C. N. Perry, unit foreman, graduated from Dupont High School.

**Keith A. Briggs**, son of B. B. Briggs, instrument maintenance man C; **Gail L. Creasey**, daughter of J. I. Creasey, instrument maintenance man B; **John A. Rucker, II**, son of J. A.

Rucker, barge attendant; and **Joy L. Hartman**, daughter of G. R. Hartman, unit foreman, graduated from East Bank High School.

**Frances G. Gilliland**, daughter of F. L. Gilliland, maintenance man, graduated from Montgomery High School.

**Deborah Hall**, daughter of D. L. Hall, maintenance man, was selected for membership in the National Honor Society at Cedar Grove Junior High School. She was chosen to attend the Kanawha County Sheriff's Youth Camp at Virgil Tate.

## LYNCHBURG



Austin

**Loretta Austin**, daughter of Joseph M. Austin, custodian, was elected maid of honor for the Bedford County Bicentennial Program to be held July 4, 1975. A rising senior at Jefferson Forest High School, she has been awarded a scholarship to Hollins College.

**Stephen L. Jamison**, administrative assistant, was elected vice president of the Lynchburg Area Public Relations Association. He is on the campaign committee for the Junior Achievement local fund drive.

Paprika's Gala Brand, eight-month-old black Doberman Pinscher owned and showed by **Mrs. W. T. Martin, II**, won first place in "puppy bitches" in the James River Kennel Club's B-OB match and second place in that category in the Danville Kennel Club show. Mrs. Martin is the wife of W. T. Martin, II, lineman A.

**Lee Holley**, daughter of Marjorie Holley, customer accounts representative C, graduated from Longwood College with a BS degree in accounting and economics.

**Marsha St. John Clements**, daughter of Charlotte B. St. John, stenographer, graduated from Sweet Briar College with a BA degree in economics.

**Daniel E. Harker**, son of Jack D. Harker, electrical engineer, graduated from Brookville High School and will attend Central Virginia Community College.

**A. Ronald Hodges**, son of Ashby R. Hodges, Jr., planner senior, graduated from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University with a BS degree in mechanical engineering.

**Bruce Pearson**, son of Betty J. Pearson, residential advisor, graduated from E. C. Glass High School and will attend Virginia Military Institute.

# Wedding bells ring for 11 couples



Thompson



Salisbury



Smith



Sheaff



Arrington

## WEDDINGS

**Martha W. Buford**, transmission clerk, General Office T&D Transmission, Bluefield, to **John W. Thompson, III**, March 22.

**Marcia Ann Humphrey** to **Frank Eugene Salisbury**, Ashland engineer B, April 26.

**Lisa Jo Turley**, daughter of Charleston Stenographer Metzel M. Turley, to **John E. Smith**, May 24.

**Pennee Ann Hrenak** to **Robert W. Sheaff, Jr.**, son of R. W. Sheaff, meterman A, General Office T&D Meter, Roanoke, April 5.

**Vicky Lynne Maddox**, daughter of Nowlin O. Maddox, Lynchburg meter serviceman B, to **Gary Wayne Arrington**, May 2.

**Virginia R. Foster** to **David H. Tingley**, Cabin Creek Plant chemist assistant, May 10.

**Jane Marsh Stephenson** to **John Sutherland Carrico**, son of Everette Carrico, Logan-Williamson general foreman, March 22.

**Carolyn Gunter** to **Kelvin Bradshaw**, meter reader at Fieldale, Roanoke Division, April 9.

**Frances Darlene Howell** to **J. A. Gilmore**, Philip Sporn Plant maintenance man, March 8.

**Vera Josephine Wilson** to **James W. Johnson**, Kingsport T&D clerk senior, March 30.

**Linda Conner Bunn**, junior bookkeeper, General Office Accounting, Roanoke, to **Michael J. Kolnok, Jr.**, April 19.

## BABY PARADE

### Abingdon

Leslie Kaye, daughter of **Jerry S. McMurray**, Clintwood lineman B, April 26.

### John E. Amos

Charles Edgar, son of **Henry D. Osborne**, maintenance man C, May 11.

Melvin E., III, son of **Melvin E. Miller, Jr.**, coal equipment operator, May 1.

### Beckley

Matthew A., son of **Garrett W. O'Dell**, Rainelle lineman C, May 10.

April Leah, daughter of **Leland W. Price, Jr.**, customer accounts representative B, April 14.

Tamika Danielle, daughter of **Tyrone D. Amar**, meter serviceman C, April 15.

Lashawn Reginald, son of **Reginald A. Smith**, stationman helper, April 30.

### Bluefield

Michael Lee, son of **Clifford L. Sledd**, Welch line foreman non-exempt, April 16.

Susan Elaine, daughter of **John D. Honaker**, stationman A, April 18.

### Charleston

Ronald Adrian, son of **Harry Ronald Wilson**, meter reader, May 7.

Kelly Jo, daughter of **Jackie L. Dodd**, meter reader, April 15.

Jeremy Charles, son of **Charles K. Ross**, planner, April 21.

Chad Patrick, son of **O. P. Taylor**, credit and contract supervisor, May 12.

### Clinch River

Benjamin Scott, son of **Scott E. Campbell, Jr.**, yard helper, May 2.

Joanne Laverne, daughter of **S. M. Terry**, performance engineer, March 14.

### General Office

Christa Joy, daughter of **E. D. Woome, Jr.**, communications engineer, GO T&D Communications, Roanoke, April 17.

Philip Ricks, son of **Sharon C.**

**Higgins**, stenographer, GO Personnel, Roanoke, April 14.

John William, son of **William R. Houchins**, meterman A, GO T&D Meter, Roanoke, April 11.

Jason Shawn, son of **G. L. McCall**, T&D clerk senior, GO T&D Transmission, Bluefield, April 13.

### Kanawha River

Tysha Renee, daughter of **Roger L. Wilkinson**, work order clerk, May 7.

### Logan-Williamson

Karla Daneene, daughter of **Keith D. Gregory**, lineman C, May 8.

### Roanoke

Annette Mae, daughter of **Robert Wayne English**, lineman A, April 1.

Christina Lynn, daughter of the late **J. C. Walrond**, lineman C, April 14.

### Philip Sporn

Susan Yvonne, daughter of **J. R. Johnson**, coal handler, April 27.

## Edna Phillips' daily diaries record Pulaski County history



Nearly all important events which have occurred in Pulaski County during the past 35 years are recorded in the daily diaries kept by Mrs. Edna Phillips.

If you want to know anything about Pulaski County history, just ask Edna Phillips, wife of Claytor Retiree Kenneth C. Phillips. She can take you back through several decades just by consulting the daily diaries she has kept since 1939.

In addition, Mrs. Phillips has seven large photograph albums that date back to 1928, two scrapbooks with newspaper

pictures of Pulaski County men who served their country during World War II, as well as a complete list of Pulaski County men who served during World War I and II. She also has seven other scrapbooks which contain clippings about weddings, deaths, births, anniversaries and other important events during the past 35 years. Including her daily diaries, she has 38 volumes.

On one occasion her diaries helped a neighbor win a court case. When this neighbor was building a house, he hired a contractor to do the framing and roofing and asked Mrs. Phillips to keep an eye on things. She agreed and made several trips to the construction site but never found anyone working. When the neighbor finally hired a second contractor to do the work, the original contractor sued for the entire amount of the contract. The contractor claimed he could not do the work due to weather conditions and other reasons. Mrs. Phillips was summoned as a witness in the case, and through testimony taken from entries in her diary, the judge dismissed the case.

Mrs. Phillips says, "I constantly get inquiries from my neighbors and friends about dates of births, deaths, weddings and other events. Sometimes it takes me all day to find what I'm looking for, but I always find it."

Mr. Phillips adds, "Now you see why I can't ever win a family argument. She has everything down in black and white".

## Spangler awarded music scholarship



Spangler

Lucinda Jean "Cindy" Spangler has been awarded a four-year Benedum music scholarship for her performance in piano by Concord College. She is the daughter of C. L. Spangler, Glen Lyn Plant personnel supervisor.

Cindy was the 1974 state winner of piano competition sponsored by the West Virginia Music Educator's Association. For the past two years she has won the zone level of competition in the Bland Memorial Scholarship Program sponsored by the Lions Clubs of Virginia. Cindy has been accompanist for the Peterstown High School choir for five years and accompanied the Giles High Symphonic Chorale at their 1974 Christmas concert. She has been organist and pianist for choirs at Peterstown Baptist Church and is now organist at the First Baptist Church in Rich Creek.



A safety program entitled "What's My Accident?", directed by Lucious Oliver, clerk junior, was presented to Bluefield office and service building employees recently. Participating in the cast were: (front row, l. to r.) Theodore Stevens, draftsman; Martha Thompson, GO transmission clerk; Bob Edwards, meter reader; Steve Boothe, meter reader; and John Davidson, T&D clerk senior, all accident victims. Second row, l. to r. Joe Stinson, commercial representative, moderator; Mary Kirby, residential representative, accident victim; Patricia Hanley, office messenger; Dick Bowman, administrative assistant; Bob Farley, engineer B; and Jim Harmon, electrical staff engineer, all panelists. Back row, l. to r., Linda Wiley, stenographer, "Miss Safety"; Lucious Oliver; Bud Perdue, customer service representative, commercial announcer; Diana Bishop, T&D clerk, announcer; and Heber Stafford, records supervisor, timekeeper.

# Seven Appalachian Power employees retire to the good life

## COLEMAN



"Appalachian Power Company came into existence in March 1926, and I came to work on June 1 of that year. You might say I grew up with the company," reflects **William E. Coleman**, who retired June 1 as superintendent of the General Office Real Estate and Right of Way Department, Roanoke.

He continues, "My mechanical drawing teacher at Jefferson High School told me that Paul Smith, chief draftsman at Appalachian, was looking for some tracers. I went for an interview on my 16th birthday. This is the only job I've ever had. I've worked in the same department and the same location."

When Bill came to work, his office was called the Engineering and Construction Department. "We worked with a little bit of everything in the engineering and construction field," he recalls. "We handled route layouts, surveying, design, transmission line construction, buying land and rights of way as well as substation construction. We built transmission lines over parts of Virginia, West Virginia, eastern Tennessee and eastern Kentucky, doing work for our affiliates. In those days, we got paychecks from different companies at different times."

After two years with Appalachian, Bill left to complete his education and returned in 1929 to the same department. For the next two years, he worked with R. B. Sinclair, now retired, drawing all of the topographic maps for the Claytor Hydro Project. They also prepared land maps in connection with condemnation of land for the project.

In the early 1930's when construction work was curtailed, the Engineering and Construction Department became the Real Estate and Right of Way Department. Bill adds, "We still continued transmission line surveying and mapping until after World War II when the Civil Engineering Department was set up."

In 1948 Bill became R/e and R/w superintendent and since then "our two major projects have been Smith Mountain and Blue Ridge. Really, the most challenging and exciting part of my career has been working with the Smith Mountain Project. We thought that was a very suc-

cessful operation. My major regret is that we were unable to complete the Blue Ridge Project as scheduled."

He continues, "I am happy that I was fortunate enough to come to work for Appalachian, especially since I have been privileged to work with such a fine group of people."

Bill and his wife Rachel have no definite plans for retirement. He says, "I'm going to do a lot of fishing at Smith Mountain Lake, Claytor Lake and the Outer Banks of North Carolina. I've been trying to learn how to play golf for 40 years, and I haven't mastered it yet. I don't suppose I ever will, but I enjoy it. Mainly, I'm going to try to take it easy, but I'm not going to sit down and take it easy. I'm going to stay as active as I can."

## VANCE



**Linzie Vance**, Cabin Creek Plant custodian, retired on permanent and total disability March 1.

A native of Breeden, West Virginia, Linzie began his career in 1948 as a laborer. His retirement plans include some travel with his wife Marie and "just relaxing and enjoying life". He likes to tinker with cars and work in his yard and with flowers.

## DOUGLAS



"I've never worked any place else," said **Helen Douglas**, payroll clerk A in General Office Accounting, Roanoke, when she elected early retirement June 1. "I feel that this is the best company to work for; and, when you've got the best, why go

looking for something else?"

Helen joined Appalachian Power in her hometown of Pocahontas, Virginia, shortly after graduating from West Virginia Business College in 1936. As the only girl there, she performed cashier duties, handled contracts and kept records for the line crews. Helen says, "I think it's an advantage to start out in a small place like that. It gives you a broad knowledge of the company."

After five years, she moved to the Payroll Department in the Welch District Office. She transferred with the department when it moved to Bluefield in 1953 and to Roanoke in 1960.

Helen has no definite plans for retirement except "stay home, be a housewife and enjoy myself". She attends Raleigh Court Presbyterian Church in Roanoke. She and her husband Jack have two children.

## BOOTH



"The system has come a long way during my 36 years with the company," reflected **David E. Booth**, Lynchburg stationman A, upon his retirement June 1. He added, "When I first went to Reusens Hydro in 1939, that plant could carry the entire Lynchburg load — and had to quite often. Every thunderstorm seemed to cut us loose from the system. It isn't that way now, with loops and double circuits everywhere."

"I will never forget the flood in 1969 when the water was about 18 inches deep in the 34.5 kv yard at Reusens, and we had to put sandbags around the doors at the power house," he said.

"Since my wife died two years ago, most of my spare time has been spent cleaning house and working in the garden. I've found out that keeping house is a seven-day-a-week, 365-day-a-year job when you have to do it by yourself. Now that I am retiring, I can go back to spending more time hunting and fishing and brushing up on my recipes."

Dave plans to continue living in the house he built himself in 1958. He has one daughter and three grandchildren.

## CARTER



**R. L. Carter**, Gate City area serviceman in Abingdon Division, elected early retirement June 1 after 28 years' service.

The Carter name is a familiar one throughout Appalachian. Ralph's late brother, Price Carter, was system transmission line superintendent, General Office T&D Transmission Section, Bluefield. Another brother, Jack Carter, also deceased, was administrative assistant at Clinch River Plant. The combined service of the three brothers totals 112 years.

Ralph was employed by the R. H. Bouligny contractors in Wytheville, Virginia, before joining the company in 1946 as a groundman in the old Bluefield/Clinch Valley District.

Ralph says, "I've worked for a good company and the retirement benefits are better than I thought, so that's why I decided to retire now." His wife Lois bought him a fishing rod and reel 15 years ago, and he wants to "try the rod for the first time, travel and maybe do some part-time work at my leisure". Active in the First Baptist of Gate City, Ralph plans more service in the church.

## PRATHER



"I've enjoyed my 29 years with Appalachian. I think it is a great company, one of the best you could work for," said **Cyrus Everette Prather**, who was Roanoke Division stationman A before electing early retirement June 1.

Ed served in the Army Air Force during World War II and flew 26 missions as a gunner in a

B-24 bomber. He was decorated on several occasions, winning the Presidential Citation Award, four air medals and five battle stars.

Ed recalls, "Following my discharge from service, my older brother John (now retired) was employed at the Niagara Hydro Plant and told me they were a man short in the Operations Department. I talked with Carl Smith, then hydro foreman; and, after Smith interviewed me, he arranged for me to see Bill Booker, then district manager, who hired me on at Niagara." When the plant closed down in 1954 for remodeling, Ed transferred to the T&D Department as a meter service helper and later worked as a groundman. In 1963 he became a stationman helper and was promoted to stationman C in 1965, stationman B in 1970 and stationman A in 1972.

Ed enjoys telling about a prank some of his co-workers played on him several years ago. "I had parked my car near the transformer platform adjacent to the company fence at the old Walnut Avenue Office. That evening one of the men I worked with chained my car to the fence and left just enough slack in the chain for me to pull out. Before I could stop, I took half the fence down. As you might imagine, that went over real big with the fellows."

He and his wife Dorothy have no definite plans for retirement, but may visit relatives in Florida. He wants to do some hunting and fishing, but mostly work around the house and garden. They are members of the Peters Creek Church of the Brethren in Roanoke.

## BURGESS



"The company has always been good to me, and I've enjoyed working," said **Woodrow Johnson Burgess**, who retired June 1 as a stationman A in Charleston.

A native of Kanawha County, West Virginia, Woody began his career in 1943 as a laborer and has also worked as a rigger, maintenance man B and substationman B.

Woody plans to move to either Florida or Arizona for health reasons. He and his wife Marie also want to do some traveling. They have two children, one of whom lives in Texas.

## Veteran employees receive service pins



Peters



Hull



Huffman



Wilcox



Capasso



Purdy



Yeager



Spraker



Brown



Riddle



DeHart



Smythers



Slack



Perdue



Mann



McThenia



Brumfield

Years	Classification	Location
35 Years		
Peters, I. B.	Wage & Sal. Asst. Sr.	GO-Roanoke
30 Years		
Hull, John, Jr.	Line Foreman NE	Charleston
Huffman, R. L.	Right of Way Agent	Pikeville
Wilcox, Mary	Cust. Accts. Rep. A.	Huntington
Capasso, M. G.	Work Order Acctg. Supv.	GO-Roanoke
Kitchen, Virginia	Stenographer	Ashland
25 Years		
Purdy, A. B.	Station Staff Engr.	GO-Roanoke
Yeager, C. D.	Maintenance Foreman	Philip Sporn
Spraker, M. K.	Line Foreman NE	Bluefield
Brown, J. E.	Inst. Maint. Mech. B.	Glen Lyn
Riddle, Jack	Engineer B.	Beckley
DeHart, E. W.	Maint. Mechanic A.	Glen Lyn
20 Years		
Smythers, H. M.	Sr. Engr. Technologist	Roanoke
Slack, P. D.	Area T&D Clerk	Charleston
Perdue, W. A.	Customer Serv. Rep.	Bluefield
Mann, D. R.	Area Serviceman	Bluefield
McThenia, Nancy	Cashier Senior	Abingdon
Brumfield, B. J.	Line Foreman NE	Logan-Williams
15 Years		
Belcher, Virginia	Customer Rep. B.	Bluefield
10 Years		
Harrison, R. D.	Cust. Accts. Rep. A.	Abingdon
Caldwell, J. L.	Lineman A.	Charleston
Burns, L. G.	Lineman A.	Charleston
Payne, L. J.	Residential Advisor	Charleston
Harrison, J. E.	Plant Engineer	Clinch River
Jamison, J. E.	Relay Engineer Sr.	GO-Roanoke
Johnson, L. A.	Engineer B.	Kanawha River
5 Years		
Snodgrass, I. P.	Meter Reader	Beckley
Sanney, R. N.	Electrical Engineer	Charleston
Wexler, T. O.	Data Proc. Op. A.	GO-Roanoke
Martin, R. D.	Engineer B.	Glen Lyn
Sowards, Vickie	Cust. Accts. Rep. C.	Huntington
Larch, S. R.	Maintenance Engineer	Philip Sporn
Love, D. J.	Chemist	Philip Sporn
Korn, G. J., Jr.	Maintenance Man	Philip Sporn
Feistritz, Philip	Area Supervisor	Pikeville
Hendricks, W. C., Jr.	Draftsman	Kingsport

## Will you know what to do if a person chokes on food?

Most of the 3,900 deaths which occur in this country each year by choking on food could be prevented if someone present at the time knew the Heimlich Maneuver, a simple technique developed by Henry J. Heimlich, MD, director of surgery at Jewish Hospital in Cincinnati, Ohio.

quickly unless aided. Mouth-to-mouth resuscitation **should not** be attempted since it could cause the food to become lodged more firmly.

The maneuver itself is almost as simple as a "bear hug". Here's how it works.

It is important to recognize the symptoms of someone choking on food. First, though the victim is conscious, he cannot speak. He turns pale, then blue or black, shows distress and will collapse

The rescuer stands behind the victim, holding him with both arms around the waist, at or just above the belt line. The rescuer grasps one of his own wrists firmly, then squeezes hard while allowing the

victim to slump forward, head and arms dangling. This pressure below the diaphragm compresses the residual air trapped in the lungs causing the obstruction to pop out.

If the victim has collapsed, don't try to pick him up. If he is face down, the rescuer can straddle the buttocks; if face up, straddle the thighs. In either case, the rescuer places both hands, one on top of the other, just below the diaphragm and pushes sharply toward the victim's head. Repeat the procedure if necessary. If possible, a bystander should be ready to scoop up the ejected food so it isn't inhaled again.

To use the technique on infants, less pressure is required to dislodge the food. The handiest position might be to place the child across the knees so the leg presses the abdomen below the diaphragm as pressure is applied upwards along the lower part of the child's back.

If you are the victim and are alone, try anything that applies sharp force just below the diaphragm — falling into the edge of a table or sink or whatever might compress the abdomen enough to pop the obstruction loose.

If you are the victim and are with someone, put your open hand to your throat to indicate that food is lodged there. This will keep the rescuer from giving you mouth-to-mouth resuscitation or keep him from thinking you had heart trouble.



J. W. Wright, Roanoke residential services coordinator and company first aid instructor, demonstrates the Heimlich Maneuver on Cecil Hill, area T&D clerk.



W. David Crews, Jr., son of the Lynchburg Division personnel supervisor, displayed his school project on strip mining in the Main Street office building downtown Lynchburg. The project, consisting of a relief model and a written presentation, was judged outstanding in high school competition. Research material for the project was obtained from Appalachian Power, American Electric Power and the American Coal Institute.



# Kingsport, Appalachian employees retire

## DEAKINS



"I have enjoyed working for such a good company as Kingsport Power, but I'm looking forward to being able to do those things that I have wanted to do and haven't had the time," said **Maye B. Deakins**, merchandise order and billing clerk senior, upon her retirement June 1.

A native of Knoxville, Maye attended East Tennessee State University and holds a BS degree in education from the University of Tennessee. She taught school for nine years in the Knox County and Kingsport City school systems before joining Kingsport Power as a billing clerk in 1943. Her entire career was spent in the Commercial and Customer Services Department.

Maye is a member of the First Broad Street United Methodist Church, Women's Republican Club and the Garden Club of Preston Forest. She and her husband Thomas both enjoy gardening and bridge as hobbies.

## BUSKIRK



"I was born and raised in Logan, practically right at the door of Logan Plant. I saw the plant come and I saw it go. When I was a kid, there wasn't much power around Logan, but I remember them using oxen and mules to build the lines over the mountains around here. Only recently I watched the building of lines by helicopter," said **John Barton Buskirk**, who retired June 1 as a truck driver-groundman in Logan-Williamson Division. He adds, "Before coming to work for Appalachian, I worked for Hoosier Engineering Company and helped build the

Logan/Sprigg 138 kv line. At the time, it was only the second line out of Logan."

Bart began his career in 1935 as a laborer at Logan Plant and worked there as a coal handler, turbine room man and turbine operator A. When the plant closed in 1961, he transferred to the-then Logan District as a groundman.

If health permits, he plans a trip to Florida this summer. In his spare time he enjoys hunting, gardening and landscaping. A deacon in the First Baptist Church of Logan, Bart and his wife Catherine have one child and one grandchild.

## FARLEY

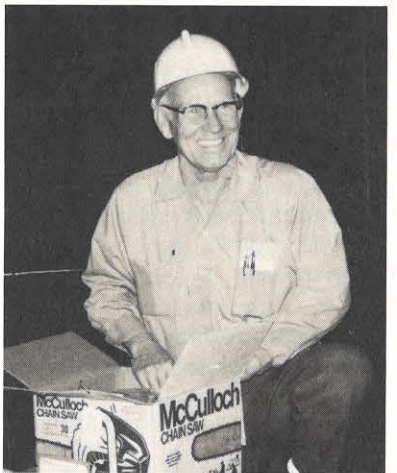


**Kenneth Earl Farley**, master maintenance man at Cabin Creek Plant, retired April 1 on permanent and total disability.

A native of Black Betsy, West Virginia, Ken had broken service before rejoining the company in 1936 as a laborer at Beckley. He was a field clerk before transferring to Charleston in March 1942 as a groundman. Two months later he moved to Cabin Creek as a laborer and has worked there as a maintenance man, mechanical maintenance helper A, mechanical maintenance man, and mechanical maintenance mechanic A.

In his spare time, Ken enjoys collecting and refinishing antiques. He and his wife Arabella have two children.

## DINGESS



"We want to stay on our farm most of the time and maybe later travel down south or out west,"

said **Norwood Dingess**, utility foreman at Clinch River Plant, who retired June 1.

A native of Henlawson, West Virginia, Norwood joined Appalachian in 1941 as a coal handler at Logan Plant. He worked there as a turbine auxiliary equipment operator, turbine operator B and auxiliary equipment operator before transferring to Clinch River in 1958 as labor-janitor foreman.

During his career, Norwood worked for 12 different plant managers. The first hydrogen-cooled unit in the world, the famed Unit A, was installed at Logan Plant while he worked there.

Active in the Church of God, he has served as Sunday School superintendent, clerk, and adult teacher. He also enjoys gardening, hunting, and knife collecting. Norwood and his wife Ottie Marie have three children and nine grandchildren.

## LEWIS



**Martin Luther "Bob" Lewis**, who retired May 1 as tractor operator at Cabin Creek Plant, claims to have been born on the job. His father once owned the property on which Cabin Creek is built.

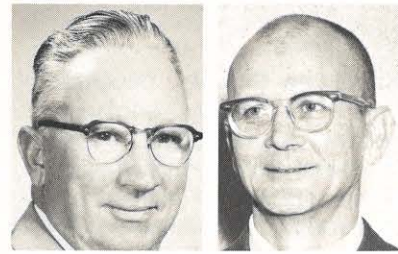
Bob had broken service with the company before being rehired in 1943 as a storeroom attendant. During his career, he also worked as a laborer, utility man, utility operator, tripper operator and coal conveyor operator.

Health will prevent Bob from doing strenuous work or extensive traveling during retirement, but he is active in politics and wants to spend more time serving the Chelyan Nazarene Church, where he is a member. He also hopes to get in some fishing.

He was sergeant of arms of the American Legion for 12 years and was commander in 1973 and 1974.

Bob and his wife Frances Virginia will celebrate their 27th wedding anniversary in July.

## WE REMEMBER



Albertson Ratliff

**Guy Albertson**, 79, retired meter serviceman A in the Welch area of Bluefield Division, died May 2. A native of Hall County, Georgia, he was employed in 1935 as a groundman and retired May 1, 1960. Albertson is survived by his widow Carrie, one daughter, three sisters, three brothers, one grandson and one great-grandson.

**David Ratliff**, 55, Pikeville head material clerk, died May 10. A native of Pike County, Kentucky, he began his career in 1946 as a groundman and took LTD leave in March 1974. Ratliff is survived by his widow Lucille and a son.

**Joseph S. Guinn**, 85, retired Charleston Division groundman, died May 8. A native of Ramsey, West Virginia, he was employed in 1934 as a groundman at Montgomery and took disability retirement in July 1947. Guinn is survived by one sister.

**Paul Brammer Stump**, 58, retired Roanoke truck driver-groundman, died May 19. A native of Floyd County, Virginia, he was employed in 1945 as a groundman and took disability retirement in 1972. He is survived by two sisters and two brothers.

**Jerry Carson Walrond**, 22, Roanoke lineman C, died May 16 of an apparent stroke. A native of Bristol, Virginia, he was employed in 1973 as a lineman helper. Walrond is survived by his widow Rebecca, daughter and mother.



Walrond Stump



Mr. and Mrs. George Ellis of Chelyan, West Virginia, celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary February 14. He retired from Cabin Creek Plant in 1954 as a boiler operator A. Their son, O. G. Ellis, is a control operator at Cabin Creek.

## Six submit operating ideas

The May/June issue of **AE Operating Ideas** contain several articles written by employees of Appalachian Power and Kentucky Power.

B. D. Williams, maintenance foreman at Big Sandy Plant and J. W. Pullen, production manager at Central Machine Shop, collaborated on "Extend Wear Life of Pulverizer Parts" R. W. Adkins, performance engineer senior at John E Amos Plant, wrote "Annunciator Alarms for Multiple Conditions" "Improves 1300-mw Turbine Speed Governor" was written by R. F. Shoemaker, plant performance supervisor, R. W. Adkins and C. A. Powell, performance engineers senior, all of Amos Plant. J. Tobie Eator transmission engineer senior in the General Office T&D Transmission Section, Bluefield, was the author of "Tripod Trans Elevator".

## Lynchburg man prevents accident



Winebarger

Quick thinking on the part of Curtis Winebarger, Lynchburg meter serviceman C, prevented what could have been a costly accident recently.

According to Winebarger, "We had just pulled into a customer's parking lot when I stepped out of the truck and noticed a large delivery van moving backwards with no one in it. I yelled to Richard (Richard O. Cash, meter serviceman A), 'look at that truck', and he responded, 'well, catch it if you can'. I took off after the truck which, by this time, was really building up speed."

He continues, "Just at the bottom of the hill was a new car dealer with a whole lot of new Lincolns parked right in the path of the speeding truck. As I caught the truck, I jumped on the running board and was able to depress the brake with my hand until it came to a stop. The driver of the van as well as the car dealer were most appreciative. I'm glad it worked out so well this time but I wonder if I would react the same if I were in that situation again."

# More about our people

## BIG SANDY

**William G. George**, son of Shift Operating Engineer Bobbie J. George, graduated magna cum laude from Morehead State University with a BA degree.

**Suzanne Ferguson**, daughter of Harold Ferguson, performance technician senior; **Danita Ann VanSickle**, daughter of L. Dan VanSickle, senior control technician; and **Paul Clayton Jobe**, brother of Billie J. Jobe, control technician, graduated from Louisa High School.

**Susan Deanna Jessee**, daughter of Art Jessee, performance supervisor, graduated from Vinson High School.

**Keith Friley**, brother of Charles Dyer, utility man B, was co-valedictorian of Boyd County High School and was the recipient of the annual \$5000 scholarship award from Armco. He is enrolled in the University of Kentucky Pharmaceutical School.

## ROANOKE



Anderson

**Judy Anderson**, wife of W. T. Anderson, auto repairman A, was chosen "girl of the year" by the Beta Sigma Phi Sorority.

**John W. Faucette**, electrical engineer, was elected president of the Roanoke Heights Club.

**Betty Baker**, Managerial, was re-appointed to a one-year term on the international educational and program committee of The National Secretaries Association (International). She represents the Southeast District in the Association.

**Martin L. Ratcliff**, administrative assistant, was appointed a member of the Criminal Justice Advisory Council of the Fifth Planning District Commission.

**John Candler**, son of Retiree Harry L. Candler, was appointed director of employee and community relations for Olin Corporation, Pisgah Forest, Connecticut.

**Julia Via**, daughter of Darothy Via, customer accounts representative A, was first runner-up in the annual Miss G. W. Carver High School beauty pageant.

**Bennett Shuff**, credit representative, was re-elected secretary of the Woolwine Volunteer Fire Department.

Graduating from Fieldale's G. W. Carver High School are **Julia Via**, daughter of Darothy B. Via,

customer accounts representative A, and **Mike Kahle**, son of W. H. Kahle, station foreman non-exempt.

**Heidi Lee Gravely**, daughter of Dillard F. Gravely, engineer B, and **Meryl Ann Bullard**, daughter of H. Earl Bullard, planner senior, graduated from Fieldale-Collinsville High School. Meryl was awarded a Romar scholarship by Hollins College for the academic year 1975-76.

**Melda J. Musselman**, daughter of C. L. Musselman, right of way maintenance inspector, will graduate from William Fleming High School, Roanoke.

**Mitzie Naff**, daughter of Ralph Naff, T&D right of way agent, will graduate from William Byrd High School. She is a 1975 AEP Educational Award winner.

**Dana Hutcherson**, daughter of J. K. Hutcherson, T&D clerk senior, and **Diana Lea Via**, daughter of Darothy B. Via, customer accounts representative A, received BS degrees from Longwood College.

**Kemp Hutcherson**, son of J. K. Hutcherson, T&D clerk senior, received a BS degree in psychology from Emory and Henry College.

**Pamela C. Mitchou**, daughter of R. F. Cooke, accounting supervisor, graduated from Radford College with a BA degree in English.

**Shirley G. Craft**, daughter of P. K. Craft, meter clerk, received a BS degree in pre-med from Brigham Young University.

**Johnny S. Moore**, son of C. E. Moore, commercial engineer, received a BA degree in history from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University.

**Timothy K. Bell**, son of J. B. Bell, meter reader; **Michael B. Cooper**, son of D. W. Cooper, lineman A; and **Gary R. Martin**, son of R. M. Martin, meter serviceman A, graduated from Patrick County High School.

**Dreama P. Dudley**, daughter of Silas F. Plybon, meter serviceman A, was awarded a gold goblet for maintaining a perfect academic record at Ferrum College and the Algernon-Sydney Sullivan award in recognition of "spiritual qualities practically applied to daily living". She was selected as Ferrum's outstanding secretarial science graduate for 1975.



Faucette



Bullard

## KINGSPORT

**Kaye Miller**, daughter of L. E. Miller, Jr., service coordinator; **Linda Randall**, daughter of J. A. Randall, Jr., residential representative; and **Julie Simpson**, daughter of M. C. Simpson, customer services manager, graduated from Dobyns-Bennett High School.

**Ricky Anderson**, son of C. C. Anderson, credit representative senior, and **Larry Russell**, son of S. E. Russell, general serviceman, graduated from Ketron High School.

**Jim Warrick**, son of Gordon Warrick, garage foreman, received a bachelor of music degree from Ohio University. He was selected by the faculty for membership in the 1974-75 "Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities".

**Jesse H. Carter**, stores supervisor, was elected president of the Rock Springs Community Club.

**Charles E. Holyoke**, superintendent, was elected to the board of directors of the Optimist Club of Downtown Kingsport.

## PULASKI

**Rodney Gene Dunn**, son of Pearisburg Area T&D Clerk J. Larry Dunn, was inducted into the National Honor Society at Peters-town High School.

**Miller Bennington**, son of Galax Residential Representative F. M. Bennington, was selected as head football coach at Franklin County High School. Miller has been assistant principal of the school for two years and back-field coach since 1970.

**D. B. "Dusty" Smith**, surveyor, was honored at a retirement party by the Dublin Volunteer Fire Department for his 40 years' service.

**C. A. Schmidt**, Christiansburg customer accounting supervisor, was elected president of the Main Street Baptist Church men's group. He has been appointed to teach orientation classes for new members. He is also vice chairman of the board of deacons and chairman of mission studies.

**Mrs. J. L. Marshall**, wife of the residential representative senior, had her recipe for "piquant round steak" published in the May issue of *Southern Living*. This is the second time one of her recipes has appeared in the magazine.

**Harry B. Rhett**, son of Retiree C. H. Rhett, was promoted to secretary of Graves Supply Company, Inc., of Martinsville, Va.

**Glenda Wohlford**, secretarial-stenographer, was chairperson of Secretaries Week for the New River Valley Chapter, The National Secretaries Association. She is a charter member of the

group, which was organized last year.

**Mrs. Robert Semones**, wife of the senior engineering technologist, and daughter **Stacy** made a television commercial for Stuckey's which will be shown on the Johnny Carson Show. Mrs. Semones and Stacy are the daughter and granddaughter, respectively, of P. L. Sowers, line supervisor.

Employees' children graduating from Pulaski County High School are **David Spivey**, son of D. K. Spivey, engineer B; **Dean Pratt**, son of D. S. Pratt, meter reader; **David Quesenberry**, son of N. M. Quesenberry, right of way maintenance inspector; and **Mark Graham**, son of A. L. Graham, Jr., power engineer.

Also, **Jay Brillheart**, son of J. B. Brillheart, administrative assistant; **Karen Boulton**, daughter of J. R. Boulton, stationman B; **Debbie Crawford**, daughter of Everette Crawford, general foreman; **Johnny Buckner**, son of J. C. Buckner, collector; and **Tommy Kegley**, son of the late J. T. Kegley, graduated from Pulaski.

**Michael Boyd**, son of H. B. Boyd, Pearisburg lineman A, received an associate degree in machine technology from New River Community College.

**J. A. Lane, Jr.**, Wytheville customer representative B, and **F. W. Myers**, Pulaski customer accounts representative A, received associate degrees in accounting from New River Community College.

**Patricia Lawson**, daughter of R. P. Lawson, customer accounting supervisor, received a BS degree in human nutrition and foods from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University.

**Carolyn Via**, wife of C. D. Via, Christiansburg customer representative A, received a master's degree in elementary education from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University.

**Karen L. Kidd**, daughter of J. R. Kidd, Galax area supervisor, received a BS degree in biology from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University.

**B. B. McCall, Jr.**, son of B. B. McCall, customer services manager, received a degree in pharmacy from the University of Kentucky.

**Jack Blevins**, son of R. D. Blevins, electrical engineer, received a master's degree in landscape architecture from the University of Virginia. He was an AEP Educational Award winner.

**Karen Gress**, daughter of P. T. Gress, commercial representative, received an associate degree in sociology and mental health from Virginia Western Community College.

**Robert Mabe**, son of Galax Meter Reader L. R. Mabe, graduated from Carroll County High School.

**J. C. Buckner, Jr.**, son of J. C. Buckner, collector, received master's degree in sociology from Madison College.

## BECKLEY



Dyke

**Ronnie Dyke**, son of Bob Dyke Oak Hill lineman B, is the 1975 winner of the Grade School Student of the Year Award given annually by the Beckley-Raleigh County YMCA. Ronnie, a fifth grader at Lincoln Elementary School, is active in "Y" programs. He served as scorebook and clock foreman in the Youth Basketball League and plays basketball on one of the Buddy League teams. He has also participated in the "Y" swimming program.

**Linda Lively**, daughter of W. H. Lively, T&D Engineering, attended the annual senior conference of the Black Diamond Girl Scout Council at Camp Virgil Tate as one of the six representatives from Beckley Division.

**Karen Keatley**, Miss West Virginia Teen-Ager for 1974 and the daughter of Area Serviceman K. K. Keatley, helped host the North Carolina National Teen Ager Pageant and went to Corning, New York, as visiting out-of-state royalty at the Miss National Teen-Ager New York state finals. Karen presented the Citizenship Trophy to the winner of the New York pageant and received a key to the city from the Mayor of Corning.

**Julie Palen**, seven-year-old daughter of Residential Advisor Sandra Palen, was first-place winner in the Woodcliff Garden Club annual flower show. Her arrangement of "20 froggies" took the blue ribbon in the six-to-eight-year-old division.

Employees' children graduating from Woodrow Wilson High School are **James Kimberly Jones**, son of James E. Jones division manager; **Charles Wesley Richmond**, son of Joann Richmond, clerk junior; **Roberta Lynn Smith**, daughter of Leva E. Smith, customer accounts representative B; **Sandra Lynn Dwor-nick**, daughter of Maxie C. Dwor-nick, planner senior; **Kevin Ward Greene**, son of Homer W. Greene, customer accounts representative B; and **James Thomas Lowery**, son of James R. Lowery, lineman A.

**Robert Lester Begley**, son of Jennings W. Begley, line foreman non-exempt, graduated from Collins High School, Oak Hill.

**Cynthia Jo Sanford**, daughter of D. R. Sanford, Rupert line foreman non-exempt, graduated

from Greenbrier West High School, Charmco.

**Regina Kay Dwornick**, daughter of Maxie C. Dwornick, planner senior, received a BS degree in education from Concord College.

**Pamela Smith Bengier**, daughter of Richard R. Smith, engineer B, received a BS degree in education from West Virginia University.

**Theresa Jane Kirby**, daughter of James A. Kirby, area T&D clerk, received BS degrees in math and English from West Virginia University.

**Dorothy Ann Barker**, daughter of J. C. Barker, personnel supervisor, received an associate degree in radiologic technology from Morris Harvey College.

**Samuel Henry Williams, III**, son of S. H. Williams, Jr., Rupert area serviceman, received a BA degree in business administration from West Virginia Institute of Technology.

**Fredrick Lee Bonham**, son of Fredrick J. Bonham, area serviceman, received a degree in mining engineering from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University.

**CHARLESTON**



Coleman

**John Coleman**, St. Albans planner senior, was elected chairman of the Dunbar Community Council and to the board of directors of the Dunbar Democrats Club.

**Ed Sheets**, coal inspector in the AEP Fuel Supply Department, bagged an 18-pound turkey during the spring season.

**Larry Jennings**, son of Lawrence Jennings, lineman A, was inducted into the National Junior Honor Society at Sissonville Junior High School.

**Stacey Gilmore**, daughter of Yvonne Gilmore, personnel clerk senior, was elected best girl band member in the 120-member DuPont Junior High School Band. She won a letter for majorette and one for band.

**Laura Lea Morrison**, daughter of Ronald Morrison, ash research, development and sales representative, won three third place awards in the state twirling championship contest at Shepherd College. She competed in the 7- and 8-year-old category.

**H. H. Hutcheson**, customer services supervisor, was elected to the board of directors of the West Virginia Farm and Home

Electrification Council and was made chairman of the housing and mobile home committee. He also serves on the organization's energy management committee.

**Karen and David Gandee**, daughter and son-in-law of O. W. Kallmerten, line foreman, graduated magna cum laude from West Virginia University with 4.0 averages. Karen holds a BS degree in family resources and David holds a BS degree in civil engineering. He will be employed with Chicago Bridge and Iron Company, Greenville, Pennsylvania.

**Kelly Harmon**, son of Bill Harmon, stationman A, participated in the spring concert of the All-DuPont Area Elementary Band. He is a fifth grader at Rand Elementary School.

**Regina Gullian**, daughter of Eldivia Gullian, T&D clerk senior, was inducted into the National Honor Society at DuPont High School.

**Steve Webb**, son of James E. Webb, meter reader, was inducted into the National Honor Society at Sissonville High School.

**Nancy L. Frazier**, daughter of John C. Frazier, personnel manager, graduated from West Virginia University.

**Clifford W. Caldwell**, son of Norman Caldwell, assistant hydro utility operator, and **Joel A. Weaver**, son of Jack B. Weaver, engineer B, graduated from Charleston High School.

**Gregory L. Pomykata**, son of Lloyd F. Pomykata, customer services manager; **Steven R. Scholl**, son of Frank Scholl, meter serviceman A; and **Terry L. Buck**, son of Carl Buck, area serviceman, graduated from St. Albans High School.

**Michael L. Minsker**, son of Walter H. Minsker, customer services representative, received a master's degree from Morris Harvey College.

**Jack M. Sampson**, son of Hazel Sampson, secretarial stenographer, graduated from West Virginia Institute of Technology.

**Diana L. Fisher**, daughter of Kermit W. Fisher, electrical staff engineer, and **Pamela S. Shabdue**, daughter of Hubert Shabdue, area development consultant, graduated from South Charleston High School.

**Barbara A. Baker**, daughter of Norvil A. Baker, electrical engineer, graduated from Nitro High School.

**Deborah A. Smolder**, daughter of J. P. Smolder, engineer B, graduated from Charleston Catholic High School.

**Kimberly A. Boggess**, daughter of Carol Boggess, secretarial-stenographer, graduated from Sissonville High School.

**Linda S. Holmes**, daughter of

Ralph Holmes, lineman A, received a master's degree from Marshall University.

**Teresa L. Gillespie**, daughter of R. W. Gillespie, area serviceman, graduated from Poca High School.

**Mary Jo Hudson**, daughter of Lyle Hudson, meterman B, graduated from George Washington High School.

**Loretta Durrett**, wife of W. T. Durrett, lineman A, graduated from West Virginia State College.

**Barbara Jean Thaxton**, daughter of Basil Thaxton, general serviceman, received a master's degree from West Virginia University.

**Theao Marie Kirby**, daughter of W. G. Kirby, area T&D clerk, and **Pamela Reveal**, stepdaughter of John Moss, line foreman, graduated from Stonewall High School.

**HUNTINGTON**

**Teresa Harris**, daughter of Line Foreman Walter Harris, and **Danny King**, son of Personnel Supervisor R. A. King, were members of the Barboursville High School band which participated in the 54th annual Festival of States in St. Petersburg, Florida. **R. A. King** was a chaperone for the band.

Several employees and their wives participated in the Huntington Arts and Crafts Fair. **Howard Jackson**, truck driver-groundman, and his wife **Judy** exhibited his woodcraft. **Byron Hunt**, customer accounts assistant, and his wife **Idona** displayed assorted handicraft. **Terry Massie**, meter reader, and his wife **Mary** showed her paintings and sketches.

**Justin Gibson**, son of Stores Attendant Richard Gibson and a sophomore at Huntington High School, won first place in speech competition at Marshall University. He also took second place in "after dinner speaking" at the annual West Virginia State Speech Association Tournament.

**Jenni Jo Kovich**, daughter of Joe Kovich, electrical engineer senior, entered her show horse "Sir Brandy" in the Twelve Pole Saddle Club Horse Show and won two third place ribbons in the hunter jump and pleasure classes. She also entered the Toothman Stable Show and won one second place, two third place and one fourth place ribbons in the hunter jump and pleasure classes. Jenni Jo recently graduated from Marshall University with a degree in psychology.

The Atomix team, composed of **Bruce Hagley**, stores attendant; **Kathy Yoest**, residential advisor; **Lyle Yoest**, Kathy's husband; **Bill Chapman**, customer accounts assistant; **Larry King** and **C. F. Bunting**, both of General Office Operations, won the APCo Kilowatt Bowling League for the 1974-75 season.

**Jeff Miller**, son of R. D. Miller, Point Pleasant lineman A, graduated magna cum laude from West Virginia University with a BA degree in English language and literature. He will teach at Southern Illinois University while working on his master's degree.

**Beverly Altizer Gaul**, daughter of V. D. Altizer, stores attendant senior, received her master's degree in vocational technical education from Marshall University and is teaching at Meigs High School, Pomeroy, Ohio.

**Lillian Russell**, wife of John Russell, Accounting, participated in May commencement exercises at Marshall University. She earned her BA degree in August 1974.

**Diane Gibson**, daughter of Richard Gibson, stores attendant, graduated from Huntington East High School.

**Kay Helm**, daughter of F. O. Helm, division manager, graduated from Huntington High School.

**Danny King**, son of R. A. King, personnel supervisor, graduated from Barboursville High School.

**Janet Smith** received an AB degree from West Virginia Wesleyan College, where she majored in biology and education. **Jeffrey Smith** received an AB degree from Marshall University, where he majored in language arts. Their father is Richard Smith, Huntington building supervisor.

**Tony Dale Sayre**, son of Paul Sayre, Point Pleasant area stores attendant senior, and **William Tillis**, son of R. D. Tillis, Point Pleasant credit representative senior, graduated from Point Pleasant High School.

**BLUEFIELD**



Pauley



Bowen

**Irene Pauley**, wife of Paul E. Pauley, customer services supervisor, was re-elected president of the Mercer County Teacher-Educators.

**Artie Bowen**, son of R. T. Bowen, Jr., line foreman non-exempt, graduated from Rocky Gap High School. He won a one week trip to Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University to attend the Virginia FFA convention later this month, where he will be presented the State Farmer Award. This is the third agriculture award Artie has won during high school.

**Paul Sutphin**, son of Jim Sutphin, General Office stationman A, won the best lifter award in

weightlifting competition at Johnson City, Tenn. Paul, a member of the Charleston Barbell Club, has a total 1,240 with a squat lift of 505 pounds, bench press of 285 and a dead lift of 450.

**Carol Shockey**, personnel supervisor, was appointed to three-year term on the Mercer County Health Council.

**Richard Bowman**, administrative assistant, will be publicity director for the Greater Bluefield United Way 1975-76 campaign.

**Ruth Nunnery**, wife of Rex Nunnery, meterman A, will be the summer pastor at Princeton Presbyterian Church. She has completed one year toward doctor of ministry degree at Union Theological Seminary.

**Tom Henly**, civil engineer, was elected second vice president of the Bluefield Lions Club. His wife **Jane Henly** was elected first vice president of the Bluefield Lions Auxiliary.

**Randy Turpin**, son of Jim Turpin, equipment service representative, was inducted into the National Honor Society at Princeton High School.

**Dottie Lawless**, secretarial stenographer, was installed as first vice president of the Key Stone-Northfork Woman's Club for 1975-76.

**Lia Pais**, residential advisor, was a judge for the Third Annual McDowell County Home Economic and Arts & Crafts Fair.

**Bertha Hall**, retired utility clerk senior and a member of the Princeton Woman's Club, received a Bicentennial Bell award at the West Virginia Federation of Women's Club convention. A Belle award is given to club members who bring in five new members.

**Jack Lloyd**, division manager was re-elected president of the Bluefield Area Development Corporation and elected to a three year term as director of the Bluefield Chamber of Commerce.

**Randy Robinette** was elected president of the sophomore class at Shorter College, Rome, Ga. **Elaine Robinette** was inducted into the Junior National Honor Society at Fairview High School. They are the children of L. V. Robinette, power engineer senior.

**Steven Dalton**, son of T. F. Dalton, garage foreman, won sixth place in the art exhibit sponsored by the Bluefield Art Club. He graduated from Bluefield High School.

**Mary Devor**, wife of Ron Devor, Welch customer accounting supervisor, was selected a "pledge of the year" by the Gamma Psi Chapter, Sigma Phi Sorority. **Ron Devor** was elected secretary of the Welch Jaycees.

**Rebecca Crouch**, daughter of Juanita Crouch, personnel clerk

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Tommy Anderson's chopper was judged best in all four categories in the recent Custom Car and Cycle Show sponsored by the Vinton Jaycees at the Roanoke Civic

Center. Anderson, Roanoke auto repairman A, won a small trophy for first place, large trophy for peoples' choice, and two plaques for best cycle and best paint.

## It's spring cleaning time for "Bluebird King" Garrison

If there are more bluebirds in Lynchburg now than there used to be, it may be partly due to the efforts of Hugh M. T. Garrison, stationman B on LTD leave, who has built and installed over 150 bluebird houses in the area.

He says, "The bluebird house in my yard was the first I built, over 15 years ago. I go to construction sites and ask for scraps of lumber. Each house turns out different, but as long as you have four walls, a roof and a floor, the birds are not particular. I put holes in the sides for air and in the bottom for drainage. Most important is a one-and-a-half inch hole for the birds to come and go. As long as the size of the hole is right, you will never get any starlings."

Hugh adds, "After I have built 20-25 houses, I load them in the car trunk and start on the 'bluebird trail'. I drive through the country and every time I see a bluebird, I stop and nail a house to a post or tree or whatever is available. I made one 'bluebird trail' that is at least 80 miles long and extends past Buena Vista."

Hugh and his wife Florence are among 150 members of the Lynchburg Bird Club. His interest in bluebirds has spread to the club, and last year they named him "bluebird king" and presented him with a citation. The Lynchburg and Roanoke Bird Clubs recently completed a joint project of placing bluebird houses the distance between Lynchburg and Roanoke.

Hugh says, "I have been giving

away bluebird houses for ten years. But recently the Lynchburg Bird Club started selling the houses for a money-making project and now I give them all away."

He adds, "When I had my heart attack, a lady at Galts Mills asked if she could have the 30-30 houses I had on hand and use them to start her own bluebird trail on her farm."



Elaine Braxton, Charleston recreation representative, scored well in the Women's International Bowling Conference Tournament in Indianapolis recently. She rolled a 529 in the singles event and 517 in the doubles, including 200 games in both. She had 1,472 total pins, placing her in the money for the all events category. A consistent bowler, Elaine bowls in three local leagues and has averages of 171 and 169.



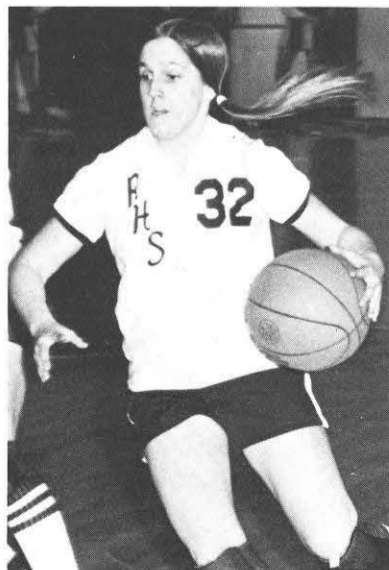
Flight winners in the Roanoke Employees' annual golf tournament are (from left) Lewis Mills, Winston Carter, Wendell Reed and Johnny Wright.

## Kidd voted most athletic

Lisa Kidd, sister of Ashland Custodian Danny Kidd and a guard on Russell High School's girls' basketball team, received several honors recently. She was named to the 63rd district all tournament team, 16th region all tournament team, state honorable mention, and the *Ashland Daily Independent* all area team (chosen by area coaches).

Lisa has participated in basketball for two years. During the regular season, she hit 31 per cent of her field goals, 50 per cent of her free throws and averaged four rebounds per game. She is also the team's playmaker.

She has been a member of the track team for five years and plays outfield on the newly organized softball team at Russell. Recently Lisa was selected the most athletic female in her senior class. She plans to further her education and athletic career at the University of Kentucky.



Kidd. Photo courtesy *Ashland Daily Independent*.

## Ed Kress makes clean sweep in Kentucky Power bowling tourney



Winners in the Kentucky Power employees' bowling tournament were (l. to r.) Wayne Parker, Linda Eldridge, Clarice Wallace and Ed Kress.

Ed Kress made a clean sweep of the annual Kentucky Power employees' bowling tournament by winning the singles, 610; all events, 1203; and teaming with Clarice Wallace to win the doubles event, 1126.

Linda Eldridge placed second in the single event with 591, which was high total for the female bowlers. Wayne Parker was third with 590; followed by Alan Sten-

nett and Sonny Runyon with 551

A close doubles event saw the first three teams separated by only four pins. Kress and Wallace nosed out Randy King and Lind Stinnett, 1125; Bronson Callihan and Pat Skaggs, 1122; and Dal Hughes and Harvey Ratliff, 1085

In the all events category, Parker was second with 1165, followed by Eldridge, 1124; and Callihan 1118.

## Roanoke Employees' golf tourney held at Ole Monterey Golf Club

The Roanoke Employees' annual golf tournament was held May 3 at the Ole Monterey Golf Club with 57 participants. Aubrey Powell, General Office T&D Station, was chairman of the event, assisted by co-chairman W. C. Reed, General Office Accounting; R. D. Carson, Jr.; T. D. Carroll; L. M. Thomas and R. E. Bower.

Trophies were awarded the winner and first and second runners-up in each flight. The winners were:

Championship — Winston Carter, Ray Mullen and Jessie Chitwood.

First — Lewis Mills, Bob Bower and Dick Stinnett.

Second — Wendell Reed, Ronnie Kidd and Gene Hylton.

Third — Johnny Wright, E. W. Woody and Al Stebar.

Wally Jamison received a fire extinguisher for having the tee shot closest to the hole on no. 4. Ray Mullen received a tailgate mates kit for being closest to the hole on no. 8. Winston Carter was awarded a clock radio for being closest to the hole on no. 14, and Wendell Reed won a hot lather shaver for being closest to the hole on no. 18.

## Annual report wins top award

The 1974 annual report of American Electric Power Company has won the top award in this year's nationwide annual report competition sponsored by Reddy Kilowatt, Inc.

# More about our people

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senior, graduated from Bluefield College with an AS degree in applied science.

**Randall D. Mustard**, son of J. H. Harris, line foreman non-exempt; **Katherine Morrison**, daughter of Garland Morrison, head custodian; and **Violet M. Cornwell**, daughter of A. B. Cornwell, lineman A, graduated from Tazewell High School. Violet was inducted into the National Honor Society.

**Benjamin S. Hylton**, son of B. S. Hylton, line foreman non-exempt, graduated from Bluefield State College with an AS degree in applied science.

**G. T. Lineberry, II**, son of G. T. Lineberry, general serviceman, graduated from Bluefield College with an AS degree in industrial engineering.

**Gary McKinney**, son of W. R. McKinney, meter reader, graduated from Mullens High School.

**Gale Nash Gray**, daughter of W. L. Nash, meterman B, graduated second in her class from Bluefield State College with a BS degree in English.

**Michael D. Robinette**, son of L. W. Robinette, power engineer senior, graduated from Melbourne High School, Melbourne, Fla.

**Gregory Cornett**, son of McKinley Cornett, Jr., engineering supervisor, graduated from Bluefield State College with a BS degree in management and an AS degree in computer programming.

**Timothy H. Wallace**, son of L. H. Wallace, area serviceman, graduated from Richlands High School. He holds track records in high hurdles, high jump and intermediate hurdles.

**Robert D. Simmons, Jr.**, son of R. D. Simmons, stores supervisor; **Penny G. Welch**, daughter of C. O. Welch, Jr., head T&D clerk; and **Dawn Sheree Crotty**, daughter of W. A. Crotty, graduated from Bluefield High School. Sheree was voted most talented by the student body.

**Glenn Emory Vance**, son of W. H. Vance, lead draftsman, graduated from Bramwell High School.

**Glenda Callie Stevens**, daughter of T. M. Stevens, draftsman, graduated from Bluefield State College with a BS degree in social studies.

**Sharon G. Barnette**, daughter of the late Dewey W. Barnette, lineman A, graduated from Berea College with a BS degree in nursing.

**Garland Morrison**, son of Garland S. Morrison, head custodian, was selected for the 1975 edition of "Who's Who Among

Students in American Junior Colleges" from Ferrum College.

## GENERAL OFFICE



Thomas

**Dorothy C. Thomas**, wife of L. M. Thomas, relay staff engineer, GO T&D Station, Roanoke, was selected as an "outstanding elementary teacher of America" for 1975. She is a teacher at Roanoke's Round Hill Elementary School.

**Technical Sergeant Robert G. Howery**, son of R. L. Howery, transmission man A, GO T&D Transmission, Bluefield, received special recognition at Seymour Johnson AFB, N. C. He was named Strategic Air Command maintenance man of the month in his unit for exemplary conduct, duty performance and leadership. He is a bomb-navigation systems technician with the 68th Bomb Wing.

**Patricia Hagerman**, daughter of Jack W. Hagerman, transmission supervising engineer, GO T&D Transmission Line, Bluefield, was inducted into the National Honor Society at Graham High School.

**Debbie Dunham**, daughter of J. A. Dunham, commercial and industrial services director, GO Customer Services, Roanoke, was inducted into the National Honor Society at Cave Spring High School. She is also a member of the drill team and concert band.

The 1965 customized Corvette showed by **Al and Bonita Woods** won first place in the semi-full custom class in both the Commonwealth Corvette Club's 5th annual Corvette show and in the Vinton Dogwood Festival. Al did his own painting on the Corvette, which is daytona yellow with lime-gold candy flames on the front. He also did some body work, changed the engine to a 1970 LTI 350-375 hp, and added a console with a tape player. Bonita is a clerk-stenographer, GO Personnel, Roanoke.

**Cathy Sult**, daughter of Ellis F. Sult, transmission inspector, GO T&D Transmission Line, Bluefield, was selected a junior varsity cheerleader at Fairview Junior High School.

**Richard L. Roush**, public affairs coordinator, was elected vice president of the Bend Area Rotary Club, New Haven, W. Va.

**Andy Thornton** received a BA degree in business accounting from Virginia Polytechnic Institute

and State University. Joe Thornton graduated from Patrick Henry High School and will attend Hampden-Sydney College. Both are sons of A. G. Thornton, Jr., communications staff engineer, GO T&D Communications, Roanoke.

**Gloria J. French**, wife of T. A. French, Jr., communications engineer B, GO T&D Communications, Bluefield, graduated from Bluefield State College with a BS degree in elementary education.

**Christopher L. Fowler**, son of Frankie Fowler, T&D clerk senior, GO T&D Meter, Roanoke, graduated from Roanoke College with a BS degree in biology. He was an AEP Educational Award winner in 1971.

**Cheryl Ann Goodall**, daughter of G. T. Goodall, transmission foreman, GO T&D Transmission, Charleston, graduated from Nitro High School.

**Robert E. DeHart II** received an MS degree in safety engineering from Texas A&M. **David DeHart** received a BS degree in social work from West Virginia State College. Both are sons of R. E. DeHart, transmission man A, GO T&D Transmission, Charleston.

**Steven Lynn Payne**, son of E. M. Payne, GO stores supervisor, GO T&D Stores, Roanoke, graduated from Northside High School and will attend Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University.

**Danny T. Combs**, son of F. T. Combs, transmission man A, GO T&D Transmission, Bluefield, graduated from Graham High School.

**Kenneth Wayne Hylton, Jr.**, son of K. W. Hylton, transmission inspector, GO T&D Transmission, Bluefield, graduated from Princeton High School.

**Jane Elizabeth Sult**, daughter of E. F. Sult, transmission inspector, GO T&D Transmission, Bluefield, graduated from Bluefield High School.

**Nancy Fisher McCrary**, daughter of M. E. McCrary, assistant accounting manager, GO Accounting, Roanoke, graduated with honors from Cave Spring High School and will attend Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University.

**James L. Mann**, son of Harry L. Mann, data processing operator A, GO Accounting, Roanoke, graduated from East Tennessee State University with a BS degree in environmental health. He will attend Tulane University for an advanced course in hospital administration.

**Ricky Whitenack**, son of Jack Whitenack, systems and procedures analyst, GO Accounting, Roanoke, received an associate degree in education from Virginia Western Community College. He will attend Radford College, majoring in education.

**Gerald W. McDearmon**, son of R. H. McDearmon, appraisal engineer, GO Accounting, Roanoke, graduated from Roanoke College with a BA degree in urban studies.

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**Toni Isner**, daughter of R. L. Isner, cost clerk, and **Mike Armstrong**, son of Clara Armstrong, payroll insurance and pension assistant, both of GO Accounting, Roanoke, graduated from Cave Spring High School.

**Amanda G. Turner**, daughter of N. C. Turner, tax accountant, GO Accounting, Roanoke, graduated from the Medical College of Virginia School of Pharmacy.

**Dallas Hawkins**, son of O. A. Hawkins, general records, tax, and statistical supervisor, graduated from the Mayo Clinic in the field of anesthesiology.

**Anthony Bailey**, son of E. L. Bailey, GO customer services manager, Roanoke, graduated from the University of Richmond with a BS degree in biology. He has been accepted by the Medical College of Virginia, School of Dentistry.

**Donald Manning**, son of Mary Manning, GO Customer Services, Roanoke, graduated from Virginia Western Community College with an associate in applied science degree in civil engineering.

**Lawrence E. Terry, Jr.**, son of Helen K. Terry, PBX operator, GO General Services, Roanoke, graduated from Cave Spring High School and will attend the University of Richmond.

**Danny M. Mullins**, son of M. M. Mullins, chief of civil construction, GO Hydro, Blue Ridge, graduated from Winfield High School.

**John Shannon Wilson**, son of J. F. Wilson, GO land management supervisor, Roanoke, graduated from Cave Spring High School and will attend Elon College.

**Michael Hendrix**, son of R. P. Hendrix, area maintenance man, GO Land Management, Blue Ridge, graduated from Independence High School and will attend Wytheville Community College.

**Melanie Munsey**, daughter of J. W. Munsey, regional chief dispatcher, Tri-State Dispatch Office, Huntington, graduated from Huntington East High School.

**David Daniels**, son of J. K. Daniels, regional dispatcher, Turner Dispatch Office, Charleston, graduated from Nitro High School and will attend West Virginia State College.

**Wanda Lambert**, daughter of D. H. Lambert, regional dispatcher, Tri-State Dispatch Office, Huntington, graduated from South Point, Ohio, High School.

**Donna Barbour**, daughter of G. R. Barbour, regional chief dispatcher, GO Operating, Roanoke, graduated from William Byrd High School and will attend Virginia Western Community College.

**Glen Lewis and Samuel Lewis**, sons of H. H. Lewis, station operator, GO Operations, Kings-

port, graduated from Dobyns Bennett High School. Glen will attend Kingsport University Center and Samuel will attend East Tennessee State.

**Cathy Wallace**, daughter of B. C. Wallace, regional chief operator, GO Operations, Kingsport, graduated from Central High School and will attend Kingsport University Center.

**Mark Swiney**, son of J. W. Swiney, draftsman, GO Operations, Roanoke, graduated from Cave Spring High School.

**Dawn Elizabeth Peters**, daughter of I. B. Peters, wage and salary assistant senior, GO Personnel, Roanoke, graduated from William Fleming High School.

**James Clinton Wellman**, son of the late J. F. Wellman, advertising supervisor, GO Public Affairs, Roanoke, graduated from Cave Spring High School and also received a certificate from Roanoke County Vocational School.

**J. Kenton Clouser**, son of E. J. Clouser, purchasing and store director, GO Purchasing, Roanoke, graduated from Cave Spring High School and will attend the University of Virginia.

**Robert A. Hively**, son of R. H. Hively, director of tariffs, rates and contracts, GO Rates and Contracts, Roanoke, graduated from William Fleming High School and will attend Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University.

**Bobbie Lou Waid**, daughter of R. A. Waid, right of way agent GO R/e & R/w, Roanoke, graduated from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University with a BA degree in elementary education.

**Jeffrey Hunter Thomas**, son of J. W. Thomas, Jr., right of way agent, GO R/e & R/w, Roanoke, graduated from Northside High School.

**Laura Spring Larew**, daughter of J. R. Larew, executive assistant graduated from Cave Spring High School and will attend Randolph Macon.

**Tony McDonald**, son of Scot McDonald, civil engineer — hydro, and **Blake Blackwell**, son of Emmett Blackwell, employee relations supervisor, played junior soccer (ages 8 and 9) for the Raleigh Court Rockets in the new Roanoke Municipal Soccer League. Tony played the positions of wing and guard, and Blake the positions of wing and goalie in leading their team to the first city championship.



Blackwell

McDonald



It's a sure sign of spring when Hugh Garrison starts nailing up more bluebird houses. See story on page 12.

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## Three certified as Emergency Medical Technicians

Cabin Creek employees will be well cared for if they become sick or injured at work. The plant now has three certified Emergency Medical Technicians (EMT's). Bill Shawver, plant performance engineer; Frank Kirk, control operator; and Roy Spencer, personnel supervisor, received their certifications as EMT's after extensive classroom studies and emergency room training at Montgomery General Hospital. Certification was given through the Emergency Health Services of the West Virginia State Department of Health.

The three enrolled for the EMT program almost out of necessity. All are members of the East Bank Volunteer Fire Department. After local funeral homes stopped

rendering ambulance service in the fall of 1974, the Fire Department decided to provide this service to the people of East Bank and Cabin Creek.

The Pryor Funeral Home in East Bank donated three well-used ambulances, but a state law which went into effect January 1, 1975, required that persons assigned to emergency vehicles transporting patients to a medical facility possess EMT certificates. After some coaxing, the hospital staff agreed to conduct the EMT program.

Classroom studies covered a broad spectrum of medical subjects including a complete anatomy of the human body, emergency medical techniques,

commonly encountered diseases and transportation of the sick and injured to a medical facility. In the emergency room training, the students checked patients for diagnostic signs and assisted in the treatment of patients as directed by the staff physicians and nurses.

After completion of the classroom work, the students were required to pass a written and practical examination. Spencer received a score of 94.5 per cent on the examination, the highest in the class of 30. A minimum score of 80 per cent is required for certification.

These employees continually put their training to good use as members of the East Bank Volunteer Fire Department Rescue Squad. Kirk boasts of having assisted in nine emergency child deliveries. He has had several years' experience as an emergency vehicle driver and is also fire chief.

The Fire Department now has a new, fully equipped emergency vehicle thanks to the handiwork of Shawver. Lacking the financial means to purchase a new vehicle outright, the department bought a Dodge Maxivan and converted the vehicle to an emergency transportation unit. Shawver has received numerous compliments for his excellent work in converting the vehicle.



Thirty seven members of the Charleston Retired Employees Association and their spouses attended a luncheon at the home of Anne Surber, retired Charleston transportation clerk. Mrs. Surber's feast included ham, chicken casserole, green beans, potato salad, sweet potatoes, homemade bread cake, coffee and tea.



These three Cabin Creek employees have been certified as Emergency Medical Technicians. From left, G. W. Shawver, Frank Kirk and Roy Spencer.

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