



NEW DIVISION HEAD NAMED

J. Robert Davenport, manager of Roanoke Division's Fieldale area, will become manager of the Lynchburg Division on July 1. He succeeds James B. White, whose retirement story appears on page 2 of this issue.

A native of Roanoke, Virginia, Davenport joined Appalachian Power in 1955 as a business administration trainee. In this position he worked for AEP sister companies in Ohio, Indiana, Michigan and New York, returning to Roanoke in 1958 as administrative assistant to the vice president and general manager of Appalachian. He was an area development consultant for the Lynchburg and Roanoke Divisions and administrative assistant to the Roanoke division manager before being promoted to Fieldale area manager in 1969.

Davenport was graduated from Roanoke College with a BA degree in economics and received a master's in business administration from the University of North Carolina. He has attended the AEP Management Training Program at the University of Michigan and the advanced course. He also attended Industrial Development Institutes at the University of Oklahoma.

Davenport is a past president of the Cosmopolitan Club of Roanoke, and Southeastern Community Development Association, the United Fund of Henry County and Martinsville, and the Martinsville Kiwanis Club. He is chairman of the advisory board of the Salvation Army.

CONSTRUCTION STEPPED UP ON NEW HAVEN PLANT

Faced with a severely diminishing reserve generating capacity to meet the power demands of its customers, Appalachian Power Company has stepped up construction of the 1.3-million kilowatt coal-fired generating plant at New Haven, West Virginia. Construction on the plant was begun in early 1974 but, because of financial difficulties, was slowed down later that year.

John W. Vaughan, executive vice president of Appalachian, reported that work on the plant's giant 500-foot-high cooling tower is expected to get under way this month, while the erection of structural steel for the plant is scheduled to begin in September. The Marley Cooling Tower Company, Mission, Kansas, will construct the tower. The steel erection contract has been awarded to Bristol Steel and Iron Works, Inc., of Bristol, Virginia.

Vaughan said Appalachian had no choice but to move ahead with construction of the plant. "We must have this plant in service by late 1980 or early 1981 if we are to meet the needs of our customers."

"Based on the most conservative forecasts of our customers' needs at that time, without this plant in service, Appalachian's reserve generating capacity will be a negative 15% and the American Electric Power System's reserve margin will drop to 11.7%."

"We know there will be an increase in power requirements to serve the continually expanding economy of our service area, including new coal mining facilities planned in southern West Virginia and southwest Virginia. While we recognize that conservation of energy will have an effect, our load forecasts have taken this into consideration, and we have to be prepared to meet the demands of our customers," Vaughan added.

Three other major phases of the construction are now out for bids. These are: the massive electrostatic precipitator installation, scheduled to get under way this fall; the 1,100-foot-high concrete stack, and the boiler erection.

Major equipment for the plant is in on-site storage. This includes the 1.3-million-kw turbine-generator, manufactured by Brown-Boveri of Switzerland; the super-critical-pressure steam generator (boiler), rated at 9,775,000 pounds per hour, furnished by Babcock & Wilcox Company, Barberton, Ohio, and the 99.7% efficient precipitator supplied by Wheelabrator-Frye, Inc., Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

When the New Haven plant was announced in 1974, its estimated cost was \$420 million. The current cost estimate is \$635 million.

It will take about 3½ years to complete the plant. At peak of construction, some 2,700 people are expected to be working at the site. At present, between 500 and 600 people are working on the project.



All employees in Charleston Division, including AEP and General Office, were invited to attend a safety pancake breakfast at either the Charleston, Montgomery or St. Albans office in late May. At that time, employees had worked some 100 days without a disabling injury, and the breakfasts were to make them more aware of working safely. The meal, consisting of pancakes, sausage, juice and coffee, was prepared by division supervisors. This photo shows Division Superintendent G. W. Unangst, left, and Division Manager C. O. Carlini at the grill.



George Hudson, left, and John Henry Crider.

APCO MEN RESCUE FOUR FROM BURNING BOAT

Two elderly couples are alive today, thanks to the rescue efforts of Roanoke Division employees George H. Hudson and John Henry Crider.

The men, both reservoir groundskeepers senior, were doing routine maintenance work on Smith Mountain Lake when they noticed a woman motioning for them to come over to her boat.

When they arrived, they found the four people aboard were stranded because their boat was out of gas. John Henry recalls, "I heard them remark how it was hard to believe a 15-foot boat could burn all the gas they had put in it." The boat had just been purchased a short time before. The APCo men gave them enough gas to get to shore and watched as the boaters, with difficulty, managed to start the engine. "It kept stopping on them," John Henry adds, "and we wondered if there were not more serious problems than being out of gas. They finally got it started and pulled off, and we geared up to head on back in. That's when we heard one of them yell 'the boat's on fire'."

George says they were about 200 yards away when they heard one of the women scream. "By the time we traveled that distance, the flames were swirling and heavy black smoke had engulfed the boat."

Without concern for their own safety, the APCo men pulled alongside the burning boat. "It seems strange now," George says, "but they were so concerned with losing the boat and wanting to put the fire out that they didn't want to leave. I exhausted the spray in our fire extinguisher and it didn't faze the fire. It was necessary to demand they leave their boat for the safety of ours."

"John Henry did manage to pull one lady's purse from the flames," George notes, "but the other lady lost hers." Within seconds of the rescue boat pulling away, the other one exploded into flames. "I recall one of the ladies saying, 'Lord, it's burning up and there's no insurance on it.' She cried as we traveled to land and mentioned they had lost another boat, a pontoon, to fire about a year earlier."

None of the four had life jackets on and their age, coupled with the 1,000-yard distance to shore, would have made it nearly impossible for any of them to have made it to safety. John Henry says, "When these people, shook up as they were, told us how they appreciated everything we did, I knew all the more we'd done the right thing."

George adds, "As John Henry and I talked about the incident later, we realized it scared both of us at the time and we thought about how it could have taken us all down." John Henry sums up the incident by saying, "I believe all of them would have drowned if we hadn't been close by. I'm just glad we were there to help them."

SCC APPROVES APCO INSULATION FINANCING PLAN

The State Corporation Commission of Virginia has approved Appalachian Power Company's insulation financing program.

The program, for which application was made February 28, permits the company to lend residential customers up to \$750 for the purpose of purchasing and installing insulation. The loans are to be repaid within a three-year period or less with an annual percentage rate of 8%. In its order, the SCC provided that the financing plan "should not exceed 1,000 living units without further authorization from the Commission".

Loans will be made available to existing residential customers on a first come-first served basis, but loans will be limited to customer-owned-and-occupied single family houses, duplexes, triplexes or four-family residences.

Appalachian is offering the insulation financing program to aid its customers in conserving energy used for home heating and cooling, regardless of the type of energy used.

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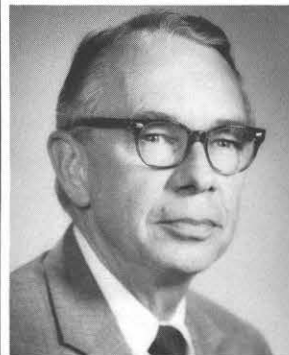
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WHITE ENDS 39-YEAR CAREER



The election of early retirement by Lynchburg Division Manager James B. White brought his 39-year utility career to a close on July 1.

White plans to spend more time on his many and diverse hobbies. "The first couple of months of my retirement I will spend overseeing the building of our new home in the Boonsboro area of Bedford County," reveals White. "My younger son, David, is an architect and designed the house. I am enjoying the challenge of converting his design to reality. My wood-working shop has been idle far too long, and I have several projects started that I never seemed to have quite time enough to finish." "The 13 acres in Bedford County, which I purchased several years ago, give me plenty of room for my attempt at organic gardening. So far this year we have enjoyed asparagus, radishes, spinach and cabbage and are beginning to harvest broccoli and zucchini squash. I have devised an irrigation system, utilizing a spring on the property, and have water available for the vegetables as well as the deer in the area."

White, a registered professional engineer, joined Appalachian in 1938 as a draftsman in Pulaski. After serving in the Air Force during World War II and completion of his engineering degree at Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University, he went to Abingdon Division as an engineer. In 1952 he transferred to Bluefield Division and two years later returned to Abingdon as district commercial manager, later becoming the assistant district manager. He became Fieldale manager in 1963 and Logan-

Williamson division manager in 1969. He has been Lynchburg division manager since January, 1971.

Since moving to Lynchburg, he has continued the rapid pace of community involvement he started in other areas where he worked. Recently White was awarded the F. M. "Dink" Cloyd Memorial Award for outstanding service to the Greater Lynchburg Chamber of Commerce and has been named to the 1977-78 edition of *Marquis Who's Who in Finance and Industry*.

White has served on the board or held various elected positions in the Academy of Music Theatre, Inc.; Blue Ridge Mountains Council, Boy Scouts of America; Central Lynchburg, Inc.; Greater Lynchburg Chamber of Commerce; Greater Lynchburg Housing Corporation; Greater Lynchburg Retail Merchants Association; James River Basin Association; Junior Achievement of Lynchburg, Inc.; Rotary Club of Lynchburg and United Way of Central Virginia. He also serves on the President's Advisory Board of Randolph-Macon Woman's College.

The Whites have two sons: James, a banker in Tulsa, Oklahoma, and David, an architect in Richmond, Virginia, and three grandchildren.

ABINGDON HIT BY STORM

A severe electrical and wind storm of tornado proportions moved through the Abingdon Division on June 6. Small tornadoes were reported in portions of Washington and Smyth counties.

At the peak of the storm, some 24,700 customers were without electrical service. A few isolated customers were not restored until the evening of June 8.

Approximately 280 trees were broken and uprooted on lines and services, 13 poles broken, 155 spans of conductor down, and 12 station breakers locked out. According to employees who have been there since its formation in 1948, this was the most devastating storm ever to hit the division.

VAUGHAN: APCO CANNOT CONTINUE TO PROVIDE SATISFACTORY SERVICE WITHOUT RATE RELIEF

"Appalachian cannot continue to provide satisfactory electric service unless it is granted substantial rate relief." That declaration, contained as part of the opening statement by John W. Vaughan, executive vice president of Appalachian, set the tone for the company's case as hearings on an approximate \$30.4 million rate increase request in Virginia began before the State Corporation Commission June 20.

The company is also asking that \$14 million, granted to Appalachian by the SCC as an interim surcharge effective August 1, 1976, be made permanent.

The hearings lasted throughout the week of June 20, and will resume the week of July 11.

In addition to Vaughan, Appalachian provided 12 other witnesses to support its case for rate relief. They included: Gerald P. Maloney, vice president of Appalachian and senior vice president of the American Electric Power Service Corporation; Gregory S. Vassell, senior vice president-system planning of the Service Corporation; Morris E. McCrary, Jr., assistant accounting manager of Appalachian; Harry D. Post, assistant controller of the Service Corporation; Jack M. Burnett, Appalachian rates and tariff supervisor; Ronald H. Hively, director of tariffs, rates and contracts of Appalachian; Arthur R. Blenk and Joseph R. Crespo, both of Ebasco Services Inc.; Joseph F. Brennan, president of Associated Utility Services Inc.; Dr. Charles F. Phillips, Jr., professor of economics at Washington and Lee University; and John F. Utley of Haskins & Sells.

The SCC staff and the Virginia Attorney General's office, in addition to cross-examining Appalachian witnesses, are also providing their own witnesses. Several intervenors questioned Appalachian witnesses on their pre-filed testimony. Five public witnesses appeared the first day of the hearing to protest the proposed increase.

Early concern in the hearings centered on two major issues: the recent decision in West Virginia where Appalachian was granted less than half of a rate increase request and the effect this will have on the company's operations (including a fear that Virginia rate payers of Appalachian will be subsidizing the entire company operation); and a new concept introduced into the proceedings by Appalachian. The company has asked that Construction Work in Progress on Project 1301 — Virginia's portion of the funds invested in that facility through August 1, 1977 — be included in rate base for rate making purposes. Appalachian is asking that customers begin paying for the facility now, while it is under construction, a departure from the traditional method where such an investment is not added to the rate base until a facility is in service.

Opponents of this concept centered their concern on the effect on present-day rate-payers of paying for a plant which will provide for future users of electricity.

However, Vaughan, and other witnesses of the company, countered both arguments.

Vaughan said that "the increase we seek is required for our needs in Virginia and Virginia only." He also assured the SCC commissioners the company is "vigorously pursuing" all other avenues of rate relief open to the company, reminding them that Appalachian has asked for a rehearing in the West Virginia rate case. He also said that a negotiated agreement for a rate increase with the company's wholesale customers is now before the Federal Power Commission for approval, "an approval we expect shortly." He said the company will also seek rate relief from its other customers, which include governmental facilities and the like.

In the case of CWIP, he said that the request for a change in traditional ratemaking relates to the company's over-all financial condition. He said this modification is needed to assure "our ability to carry out Project 1301," on which two new phases of work have recently been announced.

Pointing to the company's reserve margin of generation this past winter compared to customer demands, Vaughan said the situation will worsen until the plant can be brought into operation in the winter of 1980-81.

Vaughan also said that while charging customers for this construction work while it is in progress means higher rates initially, it will benefit the customer in the long run. By paying for the plant while it is being built, customers will have a smaller increase in rates when the plant is placed in service than if the full effect of the plant was placed on consumers when it went into service. He also said that by allowing CWIP to be placed in the base for establishing rates, the company will have the opportunity to increase its earnings and improve its credit rating, therefore paying less for borrowed money.

Appalachian is seeking a 9.75% rate of return from its Virginia customers on the investment it has made to serve them. Based on an adjusted 1976 test year, the company earned a rate of return of 7.4%, it was pointed out.

In the complex rate proceedings, Maloney echoed Vaughan when he testified that Appalachian "needs substantial rate relief to insure its financial integrity, maintain its credit and enable the attraction of capital at reasonable costs."

Pointing to Appalachian's need to invest about \$1 billion in new facilities over the next three years, Maloney said that the projection is that only 25% of this will come from within the company, "resulting in external cash financing of at least \$770 million." He said that the company's ability to issue long-term debt securities is limited by an interest coverage test (basically the ratio of operating income before income taxes to interest charges on new long-term debt securities). This ratio must be at least 2.0, and although the company's coverage is slightly above that, it is eroding, and if the West Virginia decision is upheld, the company's coverage will drop below the 2.0 ratio.

He also reminded the SCC that the company's first mortgage bonds carry one of the lowest ratings of any major electric utility in the country, "severely limiting the company's financial alternatives in difficult capital markets."

He said the company must improve this rating if it is to meet the substantial financial demands it will face in the immediate future.

During early cross-examination, the assistant attorney general said Appalachian should study ways of reducing use of electricity, such as peak load pricing (where higher rates are charged for electricity during peak periods of demand, thereby theoretically reducing demand) rather than ask for money to build additional facilities.

In reply, Vaughan said, "It is foolish to hang our hats on something that's totally unproven." He said that although the company is studying methods of managing its load and demand, the company desperately needs more generating capacity now.

He added that "we are going to make sure the economy of southwest Virginia doesn't come to a grinding halt. We are going to make sure that the factories don't stop and homes don't get cold."

Appalachian submitted to the SCC, at the request of the Attorney General, studies of eight measures of operating efficiency of the company, as compared with four other electric utilities operating in the region, for the five-year period from 1971 through 1976.

Appalachian ranked first in four categories last year, second in three other categories, and third in the eighth. Over the five-year period, the company rated consistently high in comparison with other utilities. Also submitted was a study which shows that in addition to its efficiency of operation, Appalachian's rates in Virginia, even with the proposed increase, would remain among the lowest compared with the other companies.

Halfway through the first week of the hearing, a portion of a day was set aside for consideration of a proposed new fuel adjustment clause submitted by Appalachian. The new clause was submitted in response to an order issued earlier this year by the SCC, following hearings last fall. In its presentation, Appalachian's witness, R. H. Hively, said the company believed the clause being proposed not only meets all of the Commission's requirements, but in some cases goes beyond what was asked. The SCC will rule on the new clause at a later date.

Hively made a second appearance on the witness stand to present Appalachian's proposed rate design. He pointed out that the \$30.4 million increase would result in an over-all average increase of rates of about 14%. But he also said that residential rates had been designed so that there would be a lower percentage increase for those residential customers with a lower usage than the class as a whole.

Two industrial customers appeared at the hearing to protest the changes in the commercial-industrial power schedules.

Also during the first week, the company's two "cost of capital" experts — Brennan and Phillips — agreed that the company needed sufficient rate relief so that it could provide an opportunity return on investment of 14.5% to purchasers of the company's bonds. This return is needed, they agreed, in today's market, where the "risk" factor of utility bonds, once relatively low, has risen.

Both were challenged during the hearings on their methodology of determining what the proper return on equity should be, as well as the amount.

APCO RATES FAVORABLY IN EFFICIENCY STUDIES

Appalachian rates vary favorably in eight measurements of efficiency over the past six years as compared with four neighboring, nonassociated large electric utilities.

In a study requested by the State Corporation Commission staff for use in hearings on Appalachian's request for a rate increase in Virginia, comparisons were made between Appalachian and Carolina Power & Light, Duke Power, Monongahela Power and Virginia Electric & Power.

In addition, a comparison of rates among the utilities was also submitted. In the latter study, Appalachian's rates in Virginia, even with the rate increase requested, would be lower than all other utilities except Holston Electric Co-op, which is supplied by TVA, and Appalachian's rates in West Virginia. For purposes of the rate comparison, Delmarva Power in Maryland, Baltimore Gas & Electric, Potomac Electric Power in Maryland, and Holston were added to the other utilities in the study.

A residential customer of Appalachian in Virginia, with the rate increase in effect, would be paying \$35.70 for 1,000 kilowatt-hours. Monthly bills for other utilities for 1,000 kwh are: Carolina Power & Light — \$39.72; Duke Power — \$41.15; Monongahela in West Virginia — \$36.65; VEPCo — \$45.45; Delmarva — \$48.16; Baltimore Gas & Electric — \$36.19; PEPCo — \$48.06; Appalachian in West Virginia — \$31.00; and Holston — \$27.82.

In the efficiency studies, Appalachian ranked first in four categories, second in three and third in one in 1976. In fact, the company dropped below third only once in the six years among the eight categories, ranking fourth in production expense as compared to kilowatt-hours generated in 1974.

The eight efficiency categories were: capacity utilization; heat rate; production expense/kwh generated; net utility plant investment/kwh sold; total operating expenses/kwh sold; total operating expenses less taxes, fuel, purchased power/kwh sold; total operating expenses less taxes/kwh sold; and productivity of labor, annual kwh sales/employee.

Of 48 opportunities to rank first in the eight categories during the six years, Appalachian achieved that status 24 times. It finished second 16 times, third seven times, and fourth once.

Of the eight categories, Appalachian was first or second most consistently in heat rate, net utility plant investment/kwh sold; total operating expenses, kwh sold; and total operating expense less taxes, fuel, purchased power/kwh sold.

Sources for the study were J. Edward Smith, Jr. Study for the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners and the Federal Power Commission Annual Report.

Commenting on the rate comparison in his opening statement in the rate hearings, John W. Vaughan, executive vice president of Appalachian, said: "In the long run, as long as we are able to provide satisfactory service to our customers, I believe the ultimate test of our efficiency is the rates we charge our customers. The rate comparisons . . . confirm that even if our entire Virginia rate increase is granted, Appalachian's customers will generally be paying less than customers of the utilities shown in this comparison and substantially less than most other electric service customers in this state."

APCO MUST RELY ON OTHER AEP COMPANIES TO SUPPLY CUSTOMERS' ELECTRIC NEEDS

Throughout the first week of the hearings on Appalachian's request for a rate increase in Virginia, company witnesses emphasized again and again the need for immediate rate relief so the company can meet present and predicted customer demands for electricity.

Such words as "urgency" and "desperate need" were not uncommon in testimony and answers to questions asked on cross-examination.

The testimony by Gregory S. Vassell, senior vice president-system planning and director of the AEP Service Corporation, painted a vivid picture of this need.

While pointing out that his testimony was predicated on forecast of power and energy requirements of Appalachian's customers, Vassell told the State Corporation Commission that "Project 1301 is desperately needed, quite apart even from the question of future load forecasts, because Appalachian generating resources are already insufficient to meet the requirements of its own customers.

"The only basis on which Appalachian is able to supply the needs of its customers today is by relying on support from other operating companies of the AEP System, because some of these companies have reserves that are more than adequate to meet their own needs.

"As the power requirements in those other areas increase, and we know they will, the over-all reserves of the AEP System will decrease to a point where that support will just not be available.

"As a matter of fact, without Project 1301 in service before the end of 1980, the AEP System as a whole will be badly deficient of capacity, and it would create a very, very serious problem for Appalachian and for customers in other parts of the AEP System."



The 104 employees of Central Machine Shop completed 500,000 consecutive man-hours without a disabling injury on April 25. The record began when the shop officially went into operation on March 4, 1974. Admiring the shop's certificate of merit are, l. to r., Jack W. Kepner, executive assistant; Harold Rulen, Central Machine Shop manager, and J. A. Moore, John E. Amos plant manager.



Beckley Division Manager James E. Jones, left, and Appalachian Vice President E. L. Munday, Jr., are all smiles over the certificate of excellence presented Beckley Division by Employers Insurance of Wausau. The first requirement for safety certification is that an over-all rating average of 3.5 for several categories must be established. The division received an average grade of 3.895 during a recent inspection. The second requirement is that the division's disabling injury index rate (frequency rate x severity rate divided by 1,000) for a designated period prior to the inspection be lower than the AEP rate for the same period. Beckley's rate for the period January 1, 1976, through December 31, 1976, is .0912 versus the AEP rate of .9292.

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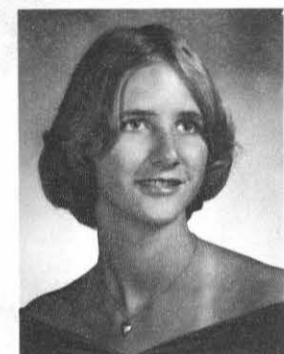
Abingdon



Mary Ruth (J. C. Hughes), Abingdon High. Top ten in class, DAR Good Citizenship Award, most courteous, sweetheart queen, Miss Abingdon High — 1977, received \$100 National Honor Society scholarship.

Vickie Marie (V. T. Carr) and **Jeffrey Eugene** (O. C. and Dorothy Hawley), both of Abingdon High. **Lori Hope** (W. C. Lindamood), Gate City High. **Melissa** (W. B. McGlothlin, Jr.), Marion Senior High.

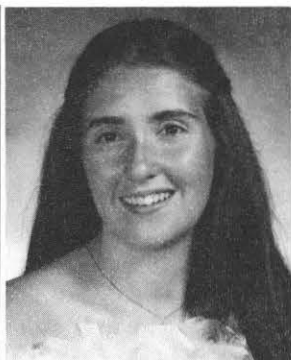
John E. Amos



Rebecca (Irene Goff), Hurricane High. Top ten in class, will attend Marshall University School of Nursing on Pritchard scholarship.

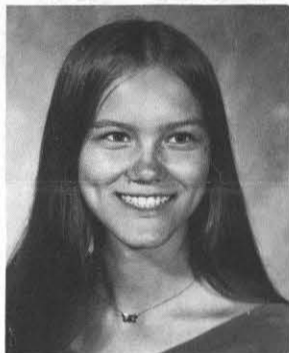


LuAnn (L. W. Gibson), Hurricane High. Miss Hurricane, Honor English, typing award, Who's Who Among American High School Students, Who's Who in Hurricane High.



Yvonne Dianne (B. W. Hedrick), Winfield High. I Dare You Award, Who's Who Among American High School Students, honor roll, annual editor, head of flag corps. **Robert Michael, Jr.** (R. M. Walker) and **Paula Jayne** (R. S. Dickens, Sr.), both of Winfield High. **Robert Eugene** (G. A. Matheny), Herbert Hoover High. **Deborah** (J. E. Kaneday), South Charleston High. **Sandra** (daughter-in-law of W. L. Grubb) and **Frances** (R. E. Clark), both of Hurricane High.

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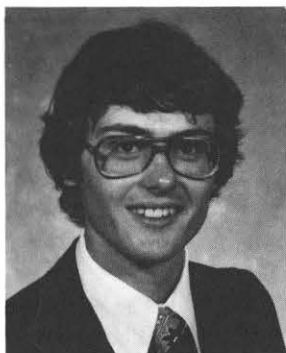
Kathryn (J. A. Kirby), Woodrow Wilson High. Westmoreland Coal Company scholastic scholarship.



Mark (J. R. McGinnis), Woodrow Wilson High. Co-valedictorian, AEP Educational Award winner, National Merit Scholarship finalist, Bausch & Lomb medal, citations for maintaining 4.0 average and for making best of his opportunities.

Richard Douglas (Paul Hancock), **James Wesley** (P. T. Hatcher, Jr.) and **Kyle, Jr.** (Kyle Ellison), all of Woodrow Wilson High. **Billy Jo Aliff** (stepson of T. L. Humphries) and **Christy Lynn** (R. W. Martin), both of Oak Hill High.

Bluefield



Terry Alan (R. A. Runion), Herndon High. Top ten in class.

Denise Diane (A. E. Anderson), **Deborah Lynn** (M. E. Anderson) and **John A., Jr.** (J. A. Danley), all of Graham High. **Albert B., Jr.** (A. B. Cornwell), **Lisa Diana** (E. B. Gregory) and **Keith** (Garland Morrison), all of Tazewell High. **Jeanne Sue** (W. P. Horton) and **Michael D. Simms** (Jacqueline Houston), both of Bluefield High. **Alisa** (B. S. Hylton) and **Constance Louise** (Mary Lou Rice), both of Princeton High. **Anthony Wayne** (W. R. McKinney), Mullens High.

Cabin Creek

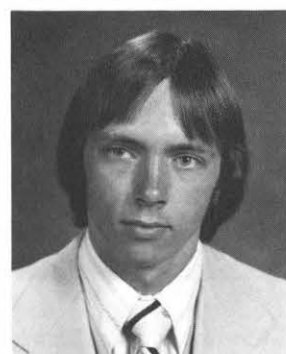


Charmaine Rae (J. E. Pyles), East Bank High. 3.8 average. **Robert** (J. W. Martin), East Bank High.

Centralized Plant Maintenance

Michael (J. C. Escue), Winfield High.

Charleston



W. H., II (W. H. Bostic), Sissonville High. National Honor Society, Boys' State, appointed to United States Air Force Academy.

Owen (C. I. Walker), South Charleston High. **Treasa Fields** (stepdaughter of J. E. Moss), Sissonville High. **Brian David** (E. L. Spender), **Harry and Lora** (Frances White), all of Dupont High. **Zibe** (C. L. Wilkinson) and **Sandra Jean** (D. E. Cavender), both of East Bank High. **Mark** (C. R. Francisco), Dunbar High. **Kimberly Jo** (Ruth Ann McQuain), Herbert Hoover High. **Becky** (Jack Smithers), Stonewall Jackson High.

Clinch River

Lora (E. C. Carr), Lebanon High.

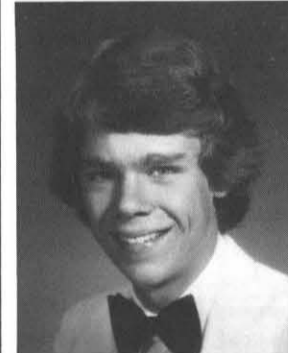
General Office



Sally (R. A. Waid), Lord Botetourt High. National Honor Society, Who's Who In American High School Students and Distinguished American High School Students.



Penny (D. G. Merri-man), Fieldale-Collinsville High. Honor graduate, Girls' State, Who's Who In American High School Students, DAR citizenship award, principal's award, Fieldcrest Foundation scholarship.



Emmett Scott (J. E. Blackwell), Patrick Henry High. \$100 scholarship as winner of Edward Boley Outstanding Senior Boy Award. Received Washington and Lee University grant.



Linda (W. E. Webb), Cave Spring High. 3.5 average.



Susan Elaine (E. R. Biggs), Cave Spring High. 3.6 average.



Debbie (J. A. Dunham), Cave Spring High. Top ten in class.

James (J. R. Loving), Cave Spring High. Annual Staff Award. **Kimberly Kay** (Tom Allen), Lord Botetourt High. Who's Who Among American High School Students. Co-captain of cheerleaders.

Cynthia (C. L. Smith), Lebanon High. **Robert Paul** (C. M. LaGrow), Cave Spring High. **Tammy Zane** (Mina Thompson), Andrew Lewis High. **John Timothy** and **Victor Eugene** (Jonas E. Cook), Fairland High. **Cathy Lee** (H. F. Sayre), Milton High. **Jeffrey Scott** (N. R. Young), Northside. **Elizabeth Sue** (L. T. Bias), William Fleming High. **Roger Dale** (G. W. Cook) and **Mark Lane** (L. H. Betterton, Jr.), both Franklin County High. **Robin Lea** (Billie Bishop, Jr.), Paul Blazer High.

Glen Lyn

Theresa (K. E. Beasley) and **Carolyn** (J. C. Drain), both of Petersburg High. **Connie** (W. F. Epling), **David** (M. C. Pruett) and **Gary** (C. D. Thompson), all of Narrows High. **Harvey G., III** (H. G. Gillespie, Jr.) and **Mary** (E. V. Harris), both of Giles High.



Lisa (J. A. Johnston), Giles High. Named duPont regional scholar at University of Virginia.

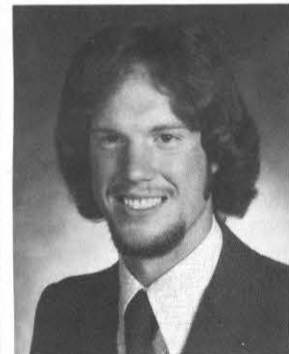
Huntington

Lisa Jean (C. H. Murray), **Barbara Riffle** (S. E. Saunders) and **Mark Lee** (W. C. McMahan), all of Point Pleasant High. **Cynthia Annette** (W. L. Johnson), Huntington High.

Kanawha River



Lu Ann (Woodrow McClung), Dupont High. National Honor Society.



Eric Dewayne (C. N. Perry), Dupont High. National Honor Society.

Mary Katherine (M. G. Maggio), **Margaret Ellen** (B. B. Briggs), **James** (A. F. Hanning), and **Janice** (G. R. Hartman), all of East Bank High.

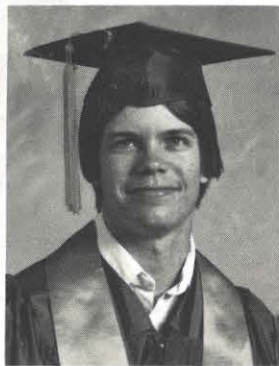
Kingsport

Steve (Carl Kilgore), Gate City High. **Robert** (Lawrence Miller) and **Richard** (Keene White), both of Dobyns-Bennett High.

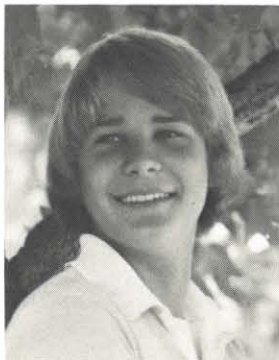
Logan-Williamson

Jan Darith (Elba Samson) and **Tamra Lynne** (C. E. Frye), both of Logan High. **Karen Lea** (Jimmie Butcher), Man High.

Lynchburg



Michael Grady (G. L. Parker), Brookville High. Honor graduate.



Jeffrey Hunter (R. O. Cash), Amherst County High. Honor graduate, Madison Heights Women's Club Scholarship.

Thomas Owen (R. O. Witt), Brookville High. **Gordon** (Imojean Harris), Rustburg High.



Lisa (Marjorie Holley), Amherst County High. Honor graduate.



Robbie Lynn (F. D. Giles, Jr.), E. C. Glass High. Honor graduate.

Pulaski



Angela Reeves, Hillsville junior clerk, Carroll County High. Senior class president, outstanding senior female athlete.

Randall (W. M. Gardner) and **Galen Lamar** (M. D. Sharp), both of Carroll County High. **Terry** (R. S. Jones), **A. W.** (A. L. McClaugherty) and **Mark** (M. L. Saunders, Jr.), all of Pulaski County High. **Donna Marie** and **Tracey Sue** (D. R. Woolwine), both of Christiansburg High. **Linda Anne** (F. H. Anderson) and **Mary Jo** (J. F. Burnett), both of Galax High.

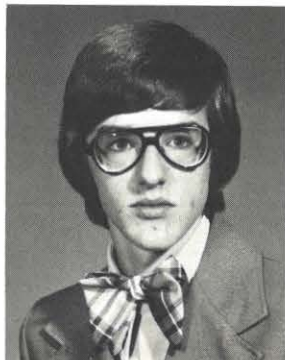
Roanoke



Penny (G. S. Nease, Jr.), Patrick Henry High. Honor graduate.



Robert Alan (R. G. Amos), William Fleming High. Salutatorian, AEP Educational Award winner, I Dare You Award from American Youth Foundation, outstanding student in English and social studies, named most likely to succeed, American Newspaper Publishers Association Most Valuable Staffer Award, editor-in-chief of school paper, chosen youth of the year by both the Roanoke Exchange Club and Virginia District Exchange Club.



Gregg (G. O. Givens, III), Northside High. AEP Educational Award winner, National Honor Society, Roanoke College summer scholarship, Who's Who of American High School Students and salutatorian.



Bill (John W. Faucette), Patrick Henry High. Honor graduate, award for outstanding achievement in Russian study.



Janet Karen (Dorothy Via), George Washington Carver High. National Honor Society.

Samuel David and **Susan Dawn** (William S. Williams, Jr.) Northside High. **Teresa Lynn** (Faye DeLong), William Byrd High. **James Thomas** (Frank Harris) and **Earl Keith** (H. E. Bullard), both of Fieldale-Collinsville High. **James Robert, Jr.** (J. R. Davenport), Martinsville High. **John Aldon** (A. L. Bradshaw), George Washington Carver High. **Bari** (R. D. Webster) and **James** (G. H. Reynolds), both of Cave Spring High. **Ralph** (stepson of Betty Clements), Christiansburg High.

Philip Sporn

Roger (G. E. Michael) and **Thelma Darlene** (C. R. Duncan), both of Southern Local. **Tim** (L. O. Smith), Wahama High.

CAREERS AWAIT COLLEGE GRADS

Abingdon

Sharon Kay (T. J. Overbay), nursing degree from Wytheville Community College. **Jackie Sue Maddox** (J. L. Osborne), Master of Arts degree in counseling and guidance from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University. **Carol** (W. A.

Anderson), Bachelor of Arts degree in psychology (cum laude) from King College. **Jane** (J. G. Craig), Master's degree in psychology from Wake Forest University. **Sandy** (J. O. Rasnick), Bachelor of Science degree in behavioral science from Bluefield College.

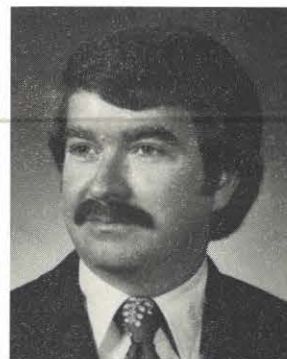
John E. Amos

David (W. L. Grubb) Associate in Specialized Technology degree in electronic technology from United Electronics Institute. Top student in class.

Donna Jean Grubb Cox (W. L. Grubb), Associate of Applied Science in mechanical drafting from Virginia Highlands Community College. Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges, 4.0 average.

Kenneth (A. R. Smith), degree in business administration from Glenville State.

Beckley



David (D. H. Williams), Bachelor of Science degree in business administration (cum laude) from West Virginia University.



Anna Leigh (J. E. Jones), Bachelor of Science degree in education, Spanish major (cum laude) from Emory and Henry College.

Sandra (M. C. Dworkin), Associate Degree in nursing from West Virginia Institute of Technology.

Bluefield



Elizabeth Patricia (C. R. T. Ryan, Jr.), Bachelor of Science degree in elementary education (cum laude) from Bluefield State College.



Ann (K. A. Jackson), Bachelor of Science degree in elementary education (magna cum laude) from Bluefield State College. Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities, senior class queen, Alpha Chi National Honor Society.

Rebecca Meadows (Juanita Crouch), Bachelor of Science and Master of Arts degree in English from Bluefield State College. **Deborah Burge** (R. T. Bowen, Jr.), Associate in Science degree in nursing from Wytheville Community College.

Ruth (wife of O. R. Nunnery), Master of Divinity degree from Union Theological Seminary. **Ricky Lane** (Wilbur Sluss), Bachelor of Science degree in architecture from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University. **Penny** (Clyde Welch, Jr.), Associate in Science degree in nursing from Bluefield State College. **Gene T., II** (G. T. Lineberry), Bachelor of Science degree in mining engineering from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University. **Steven Paul** (Paul Dalton), Associate in Science degree in mining engineering technology from Bluefield State College.

Betty Clark (W. B. Belchee), Master of Science degree in social services from West Virginia University. **Virginia Rowlett** (B. E. Bates), Master of Music degree from the University of Tennessee.

Central Machine Shop

Christine (wife of E. D. Martin), master's degree in counseling from Marshall University.

Charleston



Donald (Robert R. Griffith), Bachelor of Arts degree in mathematics and Bachelor of Science degree (magna cum laude) in statistics from West Virginia University. Phi Beta Kappa, Phi Kappa Phi and Pi Mu Epsilon.



Leslie Vivian Thaxton (Metzel Turley), Bachelor of Arts degree in home economics education (magna cum laude) from Marshall University. Board of Regents scholarship for two years.

Terri Lynn (Ralph Holmes), Bachelor of Science degree in early childhood education from Marshall University. **Thomas** (Norvil Baker), Bachelor of Arts degree in education from Bob Jones University.

Clinch River

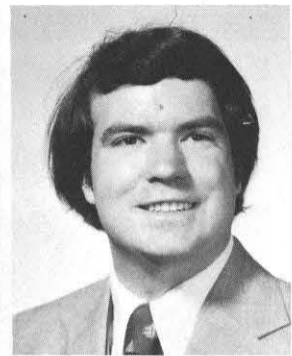


Dottie (wife of J. A. Massie), Bachelor of Arts degree in social work (summa cum laude) from Virginia Intermont College. **Ronnie** (C. B. Parrott), Bachelor of Arts degree in history from Virginia Military Institute and a commission as a second lieutenant in the U. S. Air Force Reserve.

Cabin Creek

Diane (G. E. Briers), master's degree in social work from the University of Georgia.

General Office



James (M. J. Hartley), Doctor of Laws degree from Washington and Lee University School of Law. Passed Virginia bar exam.

Derwood (Edith Rusher), Bachelor of Science degree in business management from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University. Graduated second in business management major. Dean's list every quarter. Beta Gamma Sigma and Phi Kappa Phi Honoraries.

Elisa Kay (Billie Bishop, Jr.), Bachelor of Science degree in physical therapy from Health and Science School of the University of Chicago. **Denise Lynn** (C. L. Smith), Bachelor of Science degree in business management from Clinch Valley College. **Barry** (W. M. Haulsee), Bachelor of Fine Arts degree in theater from Virginia Commonwealth University. **Morris E., III** (M. E. McCrary), Bachelor of Science degree in biology from University of Virginia. Pre-med honors student. **Daniel** (T. P. Barnett), Bachelor of Science degree in pharmacy from University of Georgia. **Bettina** (Billie Bishop, Jr.), Bachelor of Arts degree in education from University of Kentucky. **Dan Fletcher** (J. W. Kepner), Master of Arts degree in English from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University. **John** (Mary Manning), Bachelor of Science degree in forestry from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University. **Steven** (A. Q. Croy), Bachelor of Science degree in wildlife biology from University of Montana. **Ray Clifton, Jr.** (Margie Bell), Bachelor of Arts degree in speech from Carson-Newman College. **Richard** (C. R. Lovegrove), Bachelor of Arts degrees in journalism and history from Washington and Lee

University. **Kenneth Bruce** (K. S. Lazenby), Doctor of Laws degree from West Virginia University Law School. **Anna Berry** (Anna Robinson), Master of Education degree in reading from Bowie State College.

Glen Lyn

Michael (C. L. Spangler), Master of Science degree in mathematics from West Virginia University Graduate School.

Huntington



Monica Jo (C. H. Ferguson), Associate in Science degree in nursing from Marshall University. Top five in class.

Jane (M. A. Fotos), Bachelor of Science in nursing and Masters in counseling from Marshall University. **Margo** (M. A. Fotos), Bachelor of Science in zoology from Marshall University. **Barbara McGinnis** (B. C. Hoover), Bachelor of Science degree in lab technology from Marshall University. **Jane Plow** (B. C. Hoover), PhD degree in nutrition from University of California.

Kanawha River



Nancy (J. A. Bennett), Bachelor of Science degree in pharmacy (magna cum laude) from West Virginia University School of Pharmacy. President, Rho Chi Pharmacy Honor Society, Ethel J. Heath scholarship key, Phi Lambda Epsilon Chemistry Honor Society.

Elizabeth Lynn (C. N. Perry), Bachelor of Science degree in education from David Lipscomb College.

Kingsport

Jeffery (M. C. Simpson), Bachelor of Science degree in accounting from the University of Tennessee. **Scot** (M. D. Williams), degree in music from Manhattan School of Music.

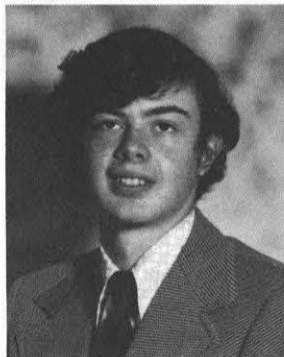
Logan-Williamson

Mary Alice (C. H. Ward), Associate in Applied Science degree in dietetic technology from Southern West Virginia Community College. **Thomas Lee** (Paul Jeffrey), Associate in Science degree in business accounting from Southern West Virginia Community College.

Lynchburg

Ray Lee (R. E. Thomas), Bachelor of Science degree in electrical engineering from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University.

Pulaski



David (N. M. Quesenberry), Associate in Applied Science degree in electronics (magna cum laude) from New River Community College.



Mary Jo (S. L. Sisson), Bachelor of Science degree in business administration (cum laude) from Wake Forest University.

David Allen (D. K. Spivey), Associate in Applied Science degree in electrical engineering technology from New River Community College.

Deborah Linda (B. B. McCall), Bachelor of Science degree in biology from Radford College.

Roanoke



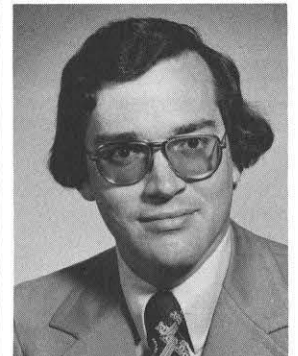
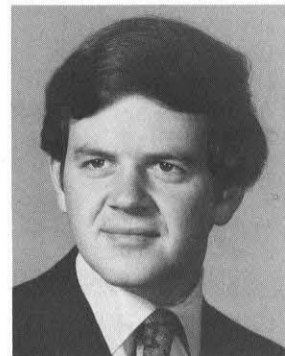
Lynn (R. W. Reese), Bachelor of Science degree in psychology (summa cum laude) from Madison College. In top 50 of class of 1,400.

Andrew J., Jr. (A. J. Good), Doctor of Ministry degree from Lancaster Theological Seminary of the United Church of Christ. **Sherry** (J. B. Bell), Bachelor of Science degree in home economics from Berea College. **Heidi** (D. F. Gravelly), Associate in Applied Science degree in biology from Patrick Henry Community College. **Maureen** (D. F. Gravelly), Associate in Applied Science degree in English from Patrick Henry Community College. **Edwin S., III** (Betty Clements), Bachelor of Science degree in computer science from the University of Georgia. **Helen** (H. M. Smythers), Bachelor of Arts degree in psychology from William and Mary.

Philip Sporn

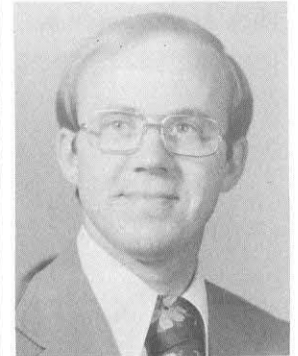
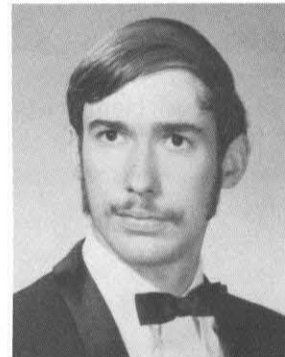
John David (E. J. Morgan, Jr.) Bachelor of Science degree in pharmacy from West Virginia University School of Pharmacy. **Marilyn** (D. G. Goodnite), Bachelor of Music degree in music education from the University of Kentucky. Thomas Baird music scholarship, alumni scholarship, U. K. honor bandsman award, Pi Lambda Kappa national music honorary society.

POWER PEOPLE EARN DEGREES



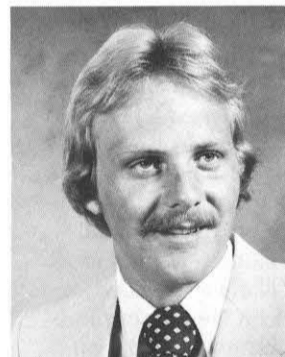
Barry L. Long, Huntington power engineer, Master of Business Administration degree from Marshall University.

Robert D. Carson, Jr., civil engineer senior in General Office T&D Civil Engineering, Roanoke, Master of Business Administration degree from Lynchburg College.



George R. Lowe, classification and accounts payable control clerk in General Office Accounting, Roanoke, Associate in Applied Science degree, accounting major (magna cum laude) from Virginia Western Community College.

Kevin T. O'Connor, Huntington electrical engineer, Master of Business Administration degree from Marshall University.



Cynthia R. McCrickard, secretary-stenographer in General Office Accounting, Roanoke, Associate in Applied Science degree in secretarial science (cum laude) from Virginia Western Community College.

Jake E. Divers, III, junior clerk in General Office Accounting, Roanoke, junior accounting diploma from National Business College.



Rudy Trigg, Sr., Charleston engineering technologist supervisor, Master of Science and Engineering degree, electrical engineering major, business management minor, from West Virginia College of Graduate Studies.

Larry Houston, engineering technologist in General Office T&D Communications, Bluefield, Bachelor of Science degree in electrical engineering technology from Bluefield State College.



Ted L. White, Bluefield electrical engineer, Master of Business Administration degree from West Virginia College of Graduate Studies.



Kelvin Bradshaw, meter reader at Fieldale in the Roanoke Division, Associate of Arts degree in business management from Patrick Henry Community College.



Gary Clifford Hall, lineman helper in Logan-Williamson Division, Associate of Arts degree from Southern West Virginia Community College.



William Gary Doss, meter reader in Logan-Williamson Division, Associate of Arts degree from Southern West Virginia Community College.

NEW FACES AROUND THE SYSTEM

Beckley

Barbara T. Claytor, **Bernard E. Lough**, **Carolyn S. Griffith** and **William E. Bowles**, junior clerks. **Sharon L. Keadle**, meter reader. **James L. Brown**, engineering technician.

Bluefield

Beverly Smith, part-time custodian, Tazewell. **Edna N. Bone**, junior clerk. **Frank S. Malasky**, lineman helper, Welch. **Joan B. Leftwich**, junior stenographer. **Patricia L. Owensby**, office messenger.

Central Machine

Dennis R. Ireland, NDE inspector, 1st class.

Centralized Plant Maintenance

Lloyd J. Bailey, **Sterling T. Boggess**, **Roger T. Clark**, **Donald W. Dye**, **James C. Escue**, **David L. Greenhill**, **John M. Miller**, **Michael G. Roush**, **Robert C. Roush**, **Vernon J. Samms, Jr.**, **William A. Smith**, **James R. Stiles**, **Robert C. Wilkinson** and **Benny R. Wolfe**, maintenance men B.

Charleston

Richard L. Garretson, auto repairman helper. **Jimmy W. Pritt**, meter reader. **Joey E. Hamon**, tracer.

General Office

Darrell M. Beck, operations engineer, GO Operations, Roanoke. **Patsy H. Eddy**, junior clerk, GO Accounting, Roanoke. **Gary A. Hedrick**, electrical engineer, GO T&D Station, Charleston. **Robert J. Kushmeider**, communications engineer, GO T&D Communications, Charleston. **Shirley D. Saunders**, junior clerk, GO T&D Transmission, Bluefield.

Huntington

Wayne Douglas Walters, lineman helper, Ripley. **Roger D. Allen**, custodian, Point Pleasant. **Shirley Pedley**, junior clerk, Point Pleasant. **Nina Nowlin**, stenographer. **Gary Falls** and **Judy Topping**, lineman helpers.

Kanawha River
Allen C. Tinnel, performance engineer.

Lynchburg

Charles R. Foster, meter reader.

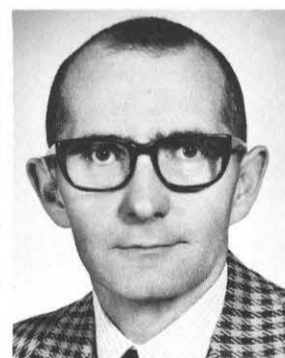
Project 1301

David M. Atkinson, Jr., **Michael R. Dawson** and **John T. Mitchell**, receiving/shipping inspectors II. **Larry G. Parsons**, receiving/shipping inspector II, Sporn FAP. **Kathy S. Hood**, junior clerk. **Dennis C. Thevenin** and **Tommy D. Abbott**, construction timekeepers II, Amos FAP. **Pamela J. See**, stenographer. **Robert L. Ayers**, electrical construction assistant I. **William S. Boston**, construction timekeeper II, Sporn FAP. **Timothy J. Werner**, civil construction assistant II. **Charles M. Johnson**, civil construction assistant I. **Harry E. Stone, Jr.**, mechanical construction assistant I, Amos FAP. **Lawrence W. King**, mechanical construction assistant I. **John D. Carter**, assistant chief civil construction. **Rhea M. Allison**, construction accountant B, Amos FAP. **Randall H. Hevener**, civil construction assistant II, Amos FAP. **K. Martin Holbrook**, construction trainee, Sporn FAP.

Pulaski

J. R. Fleeman, custodian, Pearisburg. **D. A. Phillips**, meter reader, Galax. **Philip Sporn**
R. A. Gilmore, utility man B.

MOVING UP



Robert M. Oakley, former Huntington customer services clerk A, was promoted to auditor II, AEP Service Corporation Fuel and Special Audits Department, Canton, effective July 1. He will continue to maintain his base of operations in Huntington. Oakley holds a BS degree in business administration from Marshall University.



Thomas D. Metcalf, former receiving/shipping inspector, was promoted to construction stores assistant at Project 1301, effective May 1.



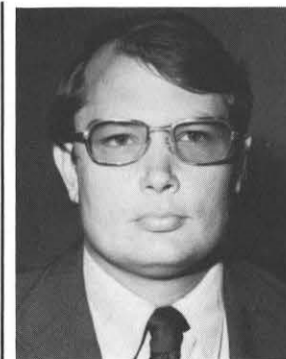
Herbert C. Breeding, former electrical engineer senior in Abingdon, was promoted to distribution engineer senior in General Office T&D Distribution, Roanoke, effective June 1. He holds a BS degree in electrical engineering from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University.



C. A. Burdette, Jr., former area supervisor A in the Marion area of Abingdon Division, was promoted to Huntington line supervisor, effective July 1. He holds a BS degree in electrical engineering from West Virginia University.



George E. Elder, former Lynchburg station foreman, was promoted to regional chief operator, General Office Operations, Lynchburg, effective June 1.



D. L. Adams, former electrical engineer, was promoted to electrical engineer senior in Pulaski, effective June 1. He succeeds L. G. Cook, who earlier was promoted to Gate City area supervisor in the Abingdon Division. Adams holds a BS degree in electrical engineering from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University.

AEP SYSTEM BRIEFS

Hunter, Jurgensen Promoted

Robert S. Hunter last month was elected to the new position of senior vice president — construction of the American Electric Power Service Corporation. He had been vice president — nuclear engineering. **Hunter** will be responsible for all construction work on the AEP System, reporting to **John Tillinghast**, vice chairman — engineering and construction.

Appointed to succeed **Hunter** as head of the Service Corporation's Nuclear Engineering Division was **Robert W. Jurgensen**, manager of the Donald C. Cook Nuclear Plant of Indiana & Michigan Electric Company.

Both moves were effective July 1.

Archer Joins AEP

Clarence E. Archer on July 1 joined the staff of the AEP Service Corporation's vice president-operations, **David H. Williams**, in Canton. He will assist in developing plans and budgets for the AEP System's power plants.

Archer, former manager of Clinch River Plant, had been manager of the Cardinal Plant at Brilliant, Ohio, since 1965. **R. H. "Buddy" Walton, Jr.**, associate manager at Cardinal, was appointed to succeed **Archer** as plant manager.

FRIENDS WE'LL MISS

Roy Cabble Littreal, 82, retired Byllesby Hydro plant foreman in the Pulaski Division, died June 11. A native of Wythe County, Virginia, he began his career in 1920 as a floorman at Byllesby and retired March 1, 1960. **Littreal** is survived by his widow **Gertrude Mae**, 501 Victor Avenue, NE, Roanoke, Virginia; one son, one daughter, three grandchildren, two great-grandchildren, one sister, one half brother and three half sisters.



Clark W. Alley, 64, retired Pulaski area serviceman, died June 19. A native of Carroll County, Virginia, he began his career in 1945 as a groundman and elected early disability retirement August 1, 1974. **Alley** is survived by his widow **Golda**, P. O. Box 185, Ivanhoe, Virginia.

Lois Lloyd Sheppard, 73, retired Roanoke cashier clerk senior, died June 19. A native of Guilford County, North Carolina, she began her utility career in 1931 with Virginia East Coast Utility and was employed by Appalachian Power in 1939. **Sheppard** is survived by one daughter, one brother, one sister and two grandchildren.

VETS GIVEN SERVICE AWARDS



K. D. Moore
Res. Serv. Coord. (LTD)
Huntington
40 Years



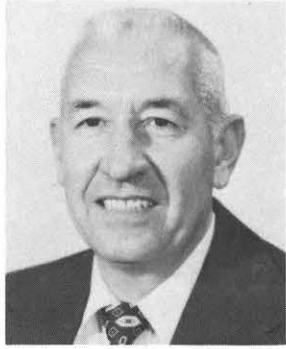
G. W. Unangst
Division Superintendent
Charleston
40 Years



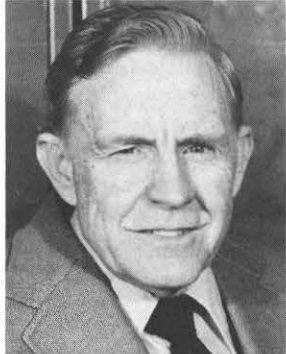
B. B. Corker
Eng. Supv. Engineer
GO-Roanoke
40 Years



H. W. Owen
Transmission Inspec.
GO-Bluefield
40 Years



C. L. Spangler
Personnel Supervisor
Glen Lyn
35 Years



Earl Adkins
Maintenance Supv.
Kanawha River
35 Years



Ray Lively
Operations Supv.
Kanawha River
35 Years



P. S. Rose
Turbine Operator A
Cabin Creek
35 Years



Dana Brown
Coal Conveyor Op.
Cabin Creek
35 Years



J. W. Vaughan
Exec. Vice President
GO-Roanoke
30 Years



R. E. Crowder
Area Serviceman
Bluefield
30 Years



F. T. Combs
Transmission Man A
GO-Bluefield
30 Years



C. E. Elkins
Equip. Serv. Advisor
Logan-Williamson
30 Years



J. R. Lowery
Lineman A
Beckley
30 Years



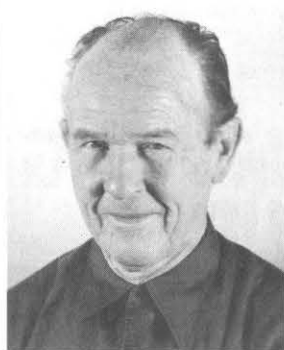
R. H. Smith
Building Supervisor
Huntington
30 Years



J. A. Barker
Stationman A
Beckley
30 Years



D. D. Taylor
Customer Services Mgr.
Abingdon
30 Years



C. Whittington
Meter Service Hlpr. B
Charleston
30 Years



B. A. Cruise
Line Foreman NE
Roanoke
30 Years



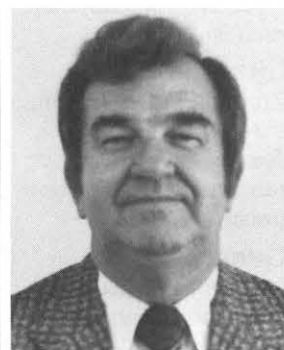
Jane Roberts
Fleet Off. Supv.
GO-Roanoke
30 Years



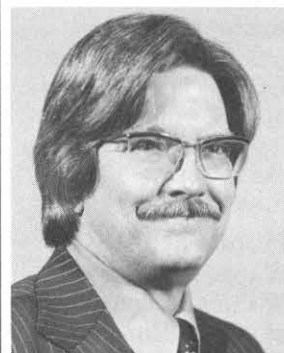
J. F. Bauknecht
Civil Const. Asst. II
Project 1301
30 Years



V. J. Miller
Head Custodian
Charleston
30 Years



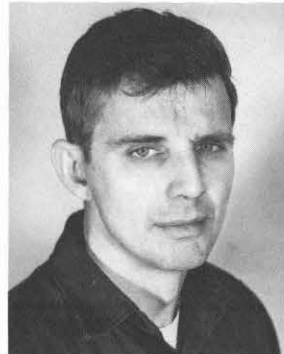
J. G. Rayfield
Records Supervisor
Kingsport
30 Years



C. C. Beard
Dist. Supv. Eng.
GO-Roanoke
30 Years



O. L. Wright
Utility Foreman
Philip Sporn
25 Years



G. L. Wright
Maintenance Foreman
John E. Amos
25 Years



W. P. Horton
Eng. Technician
Bluefield
25 Years



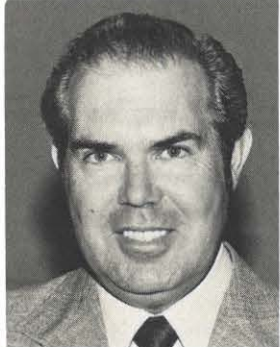
G. G. Wilhelm
Sta. Design Supv.
GO-Roanoke
25 Years



E. T. Hendrickson
Const. Stores Supv.
Project 1301
25 Years



Nolan Perry
Unit Foreman
Kanawha River
20 Years



W. R. Parcell
Stationman A
Roanoke
20 Years



W. A. Jacobs
Prop. Rec. Acctg. Supv.
GO-Roanoke
20 Years



Gordon Woody
Master Maint. Man
Cabin Creek
20 Years



C. E. Giles
Sta. Maint. Foreman
GO-Roanoke
20 Years



Lorraine Bratton
Head T&D Clerk
Roanoke
20 Years



Ann Huffman
Head Mail Section
GO-Roanoke
20 Years

Abingdon

10 Years: **B. R. Cornett**, lineman A. **C. L. Watson**, lineman A. 5 Years: **J. L. Gibbs**, lineman B.

John E. Amos
5 Years: **R. E. Life**, performance engineer. **C. E. Gibson**, maintenance man A. **C. F. Mauzy**, maintenance man A. **J. L. Tucker**, maintenance man A.

Beckley

10 Years: **B. W. Bolen**, lineman A. 5 Years: **C. F. Palmer**, stationman B.

Cabin Creek
10 Years: **R. W. Willis**, tractor operator.

Central Machine
5 Years: **Stephen L. McNeely**, winder 1st class. **Henry G. Arnold**, production foreman.

Charleston

5 Years: **W. C. Morrison**, lineman C.

General Office
30 Years: **W. A. Henley**, chief operations draftsman, Roanoke. 20 Years: **J. L. Bebbler**, transmission man A, Abingdon. **L. J. Barrett**, transmission inspector, GO-Charleston. 15 Years: **Sandra Bower**, key entry supervisor, Roanoke. **Pat Berry**, secretary, Roanoke. **T. A. Rotenberry**, R/e & R/w superintendent. 10 Years: **D. L. Reid**, engineering technologist, Roanoke. **Gloria Peters**, classification accounts payable clerk A, Roanoke. **L. H. Moran**, engineering technologist, Roanoke. **R. W. Gentry**, draftsman senior, Roa-

noke. **Barbara Frantz**, payroll clerk A, Roanoke. **J. T. Eaton**, transmission engineer senior, Bluefield. 5 Years: **Marie Gill**, stenographer, Roanoke. **Debbie Duncan**, stenographer, Roanoke. **J. E. Altice**, station maintenance man B, Roanoke.

Huntington

10 Years: **M. A. Lynch**, engineering technologist supervisor.

Logan-Williamson
10 Years: **G. G. Watson**, electrical engineer.

Pulaski
10 Years: **P. P. Askew**, hydro plant foreman, Claytor. **R. E. Semones**, engineering technologist. **R. W. Spraker**, meterman A. **R. V. Dalton**, customer accounting supervisor. **NE. W. H. Ruben**, lineman B.

Roanoke
5 Years: **J. C. Corbett**, T&D clerk B. **N. J. Hughes**, customer accounts representative C. **Philip Sporn**
5 Years: **C. J. Howard**, coal handler.

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CLYDE GREEN RETIRES



Clyde E. Green, Kingsport engineering supervisor, retired July 1 after nearly 39 years of service. He had been on LTD leave since October, 1971.

Clyde began his career in 1938 as a clerk in the Engineering Department and advanced through the positions of transitman, civil engineer and electrical engineer senior. During his early years with the company, he was involved with the rural extension of lines in Kingsport Power's service area and in Scott County, Virginia. Clyde was known for his sincere devotion to duty.

Clyde and his wife Thelma have one daughter and one granddaughter. He is a member of Moose and a past treasurer of the Eagles Club.



FORE ENDS 37-YEAR CAREER

"There has not been a day I haven't enjoyed since I came to work for the company," says John W. Fore, who retired July 1 as purchasing and stores assistant in General Office Purchasing, Roanoke.

A native of Reedy, West Virginia, John began his career in 1941 as a laborer at Windsor Plant. He transferred to Kanawha River as construction stores supervisor and later was promoted to operations stores supervisor there. He moved to Roanoke in 1951.

"I plan to do some traveling and play some golf," John says. "I don't have any plans for big trips this year, but we are planning to travel through Texas and the western states next year." The Fores are looking forward to enjoying their two grandchildren during retirement.

A Navy veteran, John attends the Windsor Hills Methodist Church and is a member of the Masonic Lodge Scottish Rite, Shriners and the Elks.

HYDRO MEN WRITE ARTICLE

The March 15th issue of **Electrical World** contained an article written by Jimmie L. Fariss, engineering technologist supervisor, and E. LeRoy Dalton, hydro operations supervisor, both of General Office Hydro, Roanoke.

Entitled "Transistorized Circuits Monitor Volts, Amps", the article describes how the monitoring of voltage and current has been improved at Appalachian hydro plants with the use of inexpensive transistorized devices and a small power supply to actuate an alarm.

Cost savings are considerable compared either to the unreliable conventional relay, which costs about fifty dollars, or to commercially available components, which usually run several hundred dollars.

TEAFORD MAKES TRAVEL PLANS



Harold A. Teaford, unit foreman at Philip Sporn Plant, elected early retirement July 1. The Meigs County, Ohio, native began his career in 1950 as a laborer.

"I bought a new car and will use it quite a bit," reveals Harold. "We will be traveling all over the country, visiting relatives and friends. I want to see my friends from the Army while I can." Some of the places they plan to visit are Michigan, Massachusetts, Oregon, Arizona and Texas. "My wife enjoys camping, and we will be doing a lot of that," he adds. They have a 21-foot trailer. Harold also plans to take a more active part in the Masonic Lodge at Middleport, Ohio.

A member of Heath United Methodist Church in Middleport, Harold has two children and two grandchildren. The Teafords will continue to make their home at 123 Fairlane Drive, Middleport.

HARRY DODSON RETIRES



Harry Bryson Dodson, maintenance man at Kanawha River Plant, retired July 1. He began his career in 1953 and has been on LTD leave since September, 1969.

Harry's hobby, which he will continue in retirement, is showing religious films to churches in a five-state area. He is a member of the Penman Church at Beaver, West Virginia.

Harry and his wife Esther have one child, four grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

KILGORE WRITES WINNING ESSAY



Scott Kilgore's essay entitled "My Generation's Part in our Nation's Future" won first place in contests sponsored by the Pulaski County Civitan Club and Civitan's Appalachian District. The son of Bob Kilgore, Pulaski division superintendent, Scott was awarded a \$100 savings bond by the Pulaski Club.

Upon winning the district competition, Scott was invited to read his essay at the district meeting in Kingsport, Tennessee, where he was awarded a \$300 scholarship to be used at the college of his choice. The scholarship was presented by C. M. Wagner, Jr., General Office customer services coordinator, who is Appalachian District essay chairman.

POWER PEOPLE MAKING NEWS

Abingdon

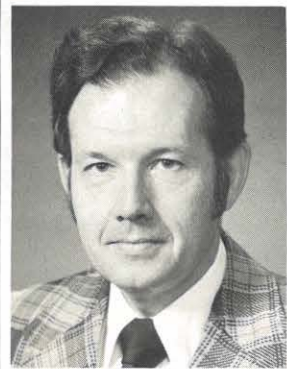
James Gibbs, Clintwood lineman B, was named to a second term on the executive board for the Cumberland Plateau Planning District Commission.

Jimmie Hughes, son of Administrative Assistant J. C. Hughes, was second place high school and third place county winner in a cultural arts contest sponsored by the Washington County, Virginia, Congress of Parents and Teachers.

Sandra Morefield, daughter of John Morefield, engineer B, portrayed Mary Magdalene in Virginia Highlands Community College's production of Jesus Christ Superstar.

Melanie Buchanan, daughter of Residential Advisor A. S. Buchanan, represented the junior class as an attendant on the Dogwood Festival Court at King College.

D. K. Brown, Lebanon lineman A, was elected vice president of the Lebanon Jaycees.



Administrative Assistant **J. C. Hughes** was elected president of the Abingdon Rotary Club. Others holding offices include **L. C. Peck**, retired records supervisor, assistant secretary; **D. D. Taylor**, customer services manager, attendance committee chairman; **G. G. Wood**, retired accounting supervisor, classifications committee chairman; and **P. V. Kelsey**, retired customer services manager, special projects and program committee member.

Beth Hagy, daughter of Meter Reader J. F. Hagy, and **Jill Croft**, daughter of Division Office Supervisor M. L. Croft, appeared in the "Spring Serenade" at E. B. Stanley Elementary School. The performance is the highlight of a non-credit continuing education program, "Ballet for Children" sponsored by the Virginia Highlands Community College.

Jody Cussins, son of Clintwood Area Supervisor R. P. Cussins, and **Karen Mullins**, daughter of Garnet Mullins, customer accounts representative C, were inducted into the National Honor Society at Clintwood High School.

Residential Advisor **A. S. Buchanan** was elected to the board of directors of the Abingdon Lions Club.

David Angle, son of Power Engineer L. C. Angle, was promoted to superintendent of Pilgrim Mine in Wise County, Va. He was hired in Clinchfield Coal Company's management training program after graduation from the University of South Carolina.

David Blankenship, son of John Blankenship, stationman A, and **Sandra Johnson**, daughter of Peggy Johnson, personnel clerk A, received letters in the senior band at the third annual Falcon Band banquet. Sandra was also elected "A" band secretary/treasurer for the next school year.

Eva Leonard, daughter of Line Inspector Jack Leonard, was elected vice president of the Abingdon High School Student Council Association.

During the 1977 awards program at Abingdon High School, **Sandra Johnson**, **Jimmy Hughes**, **Eva Leonard** and **Mary Hughes** received certificates for participation in the annual science fair.

Power engineer **John Kahle**, Commercial Representative **W. H. Ferguson**, Building Supervisor **O. C. Hawley**, Meter Reader **J. F. Hagy** and Residential Representative **A. C. Hutton, Jr.**, helped rewire and insulate a home recently purchased for Highlands, Inc. This organization provides temporary care and shelter for children in emergency situations.

John E. Amos

Sandra Gail Ferguson, a ninth grader at Winfield High School, was inducted into the Adulescential Chapter of the National Junior Honor Society. **Darrell Lee Ferguson**, a junior at Winfield High, was selected to represent the school in the Society of Distinguished High School Students, the nation's leading high school honorary. They are the children of Jimmy L. Ferguson, unit foreman.

Beckley



Altizer



Sanford

Cullen Altizer, Rupert engineering technician, and **Darrell Sanford**, Rupert line foreman, were elected to two-year terms on the Rainelle Town Council.

Bluefield



Vicki Bowman, daughter of Administrative Assistant Dick Bowman, was elected president of the Health Careers Club and inducted into the National Honor Society at Graham High School. She attended the West Virginia District Junior Civitan convention and was elected to the state office of chaplain.

Ben Donevant, Welch customer accounting supervisor, was elected vice president of the Welch Kiwanis Club.

Bruce Houston, husband of Jackie Houston, Princeton customer accounts representative B, was installed as secretary of the Greater Bluefield Jaycees. He attended the West Virginia Jaycees convention at Pipestem State Park.

Lisa Gregory, daughter of E. B. Gregory, truck driver-groundman, received an excellent rating for her poetry which was included in Tazewell High School's creative writing booklet. The booklet was awarded first place honors in the Class AA competition of the Virginia High School League.

Connie Rice, daughter of Mary Lou Rice, customer accounts representative C, was treasurer of her senior class at Princeton High School.

Jeffrey Shrewsbury, son of Sherri Shrewsbury, customer accounts representative C, was inducted into the National Honor Society at Princeton High School.

Billy Banks, Jr., son of Patricia Banks, customer accounts representative C, won second place in a baby contest sponsored by the Friendly Neighborhood Senior Citizens of Bluefield.

Centralized Plant Maintenance

The team of Bragg and Pridmore captured the 1st annual Peoples Bank Handicap Golf Tournament at Hidden Valley Country Club, Point Pleasant, shooting a 12 under par for a 60 on the course. **K. L. Bragg** is a maintenance foreman.

Karen Hutton, secretary-stenographer, attended the annual Senior Awards Program at Nitro High School to present a \$500 scholarship, sponsored by the Charleston Chapter of the National Secretaries Association International, to Leslie Ann Auer. Karen, chairman of the scholarship committee for 1976-77, was reappointed for 1977-78.

Charleston

J. P. Fulkner, administrative assistant, was elected to a three-year term on the board of directors of the Charleston Advertising Club.

Sue Pryce, personnel clerk A, was elected corresponding secretary for the women's committee of the Charleston Symphony Orchestra.

Clinch River



Rick Thompson, son of Ben L. Thompson, shift operating engineer, was selected for inclusion in the 1977 edition of Outstanding Young Men of America. Criteria for selection includes voluntary service to community, professional leadership, academic achievement, business advancement, cultural accomplishments and civic and political participation. Rick is an Upward Bound Counselor at Clinch Valley College.

General Office



Debbie Smith, daughter of Frances Smith, GO Accounting, Roanoke, received the outstanding accounting student award at William Byrd High School, where she just completed her junior year. She also won first place in the accounting I test at the regional Future Business Leaders of America meeting and competed at the state conference. A member of the Beta Club, Debbie will be vice president of her school's FBLA chapter next year.

C. R. Tennant, assistant chief operator at Sporn, won the Huntington Division spring golf tournament held at Riverside Golf Course, Mason, W. Va.

C. C. Beard, Jr., distribution supervising engineer, GO T&D Distribution, Roanoke, was elected chairman of the Power Engineering Society Chapter of the Virginia Mountain Section of IEEE for 1977-78.

Russell Stiff, GO T&D Civil Engineering, and **Joe Hawkins**, GO T&D Communications, were elected president-elect and first vice president, respectively, of the Roanoke Chapter, Virginia Society of Professional Engineers.

R. W. Staton, right of way agent, GO R/e & R/w, Roanoke, was awarded a life membership in the United States Jaycees by the Salem Jaycees. A member of the Salem Chapter since 1961, Bob has served as treasurer, external and internal vice president and president. He was chairman of the Fourth of July festival for three years and last year was co-chairman of the Roanoke Valley Bicentennial Fourth of July festival.

S. E. Robie, right of way maintenance coordinator, Charleston, was appointed a member of the West Virginia Pesticide Advisory Board for two years.

Four children of GO employees participated in the Roanoke Metro Soccer Program. **Butch Beam**, son of Attorney Bruce Beam, played forward on the Raleigh Court Rockets junior team. **Tony McDonald**, goalie and fullback, and **Blake Blackwell**, goalie and forward, played for the Raleigh Court Rockets intermediate team, which won the city championship. Tony is the son of Scott McDonald, hydro maintenance supervisor, and Blake is the son of J. E. Blackwell, employee relations supervisor. **Andy McDonald**, son of Scott McDonald, was selected the outstanding offensive player of the Raleigh Court Rockets senior team.

Glen Lyn

Retiree **Orice E. Francis** was re-elected to a four-year term on the Mercer County Anglers Club board of directors.

Huntington

P. R. Baker, customer services supervisor, was the senior low gross winner in the ninth annual Memorial Day golf tournament at Hidden Valley Country Club in Point Pleasant.

Golden Ferguson, husband of Custodian Ruth Ferguson, was elected to a two-year term on the Town Council of Wayne, W. Va.

F. O. Helm, division manager, was elected to the Tri-State Area Council, Boy Scouts of America, executive board.

Clyde R. Johnson, supervisor, Huntington AEP Lab, was elected chairman of the finance committee of Huntington American Legion Post 16.

W. F. Giles, retired commercial sales engineer, is instructor for a 12-week course at Cabell County Center for Vocational, Technical and Adult Education to train persons seeking amateur radio licenses.

Jean Harbour, Point Pleasant customer accounting supervisor, was elected chapter editor of the Lambda Chi Omega Sorority. **Bessie Wilson**, Point Pleasant secretary-stenographer, was elected associate organizer of the organization.

Clayton Dunlap, retired division meter supervisor, was elected treasurer of the Huntington Kiwanis Club.

Floyd E. Harlow, Jr., son of System Auditor F. E. Harlow, has become a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants.

E. R. Epting, electrical engineer, was elected secretary of the Huntington Jaycees.



Fred Nibert, Point Pleasant engineering technologist senior, was elected commander of the American Legion Post 23.

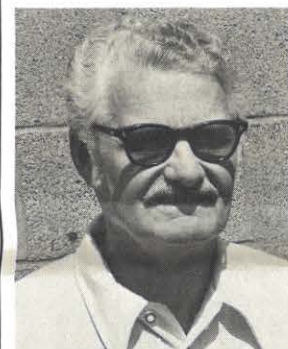
Q. H. Wickline, Point Pleasant T&D clerk A, was installed as chaplain of American Legion Post 23.

B. L. Long, power engineer, received the "key man" award for 1976-77 from the Huntington Jaycees. **Wayne Pugh**, administrative assistant, received the "Jaycee of the year" award for 1976-77.

Kanawha River

Inez Maggio, wife of M. G. Maggio, stores attendant senior, was installed as president of the Carolinas-Virginias Assembly of Nurse Anesthetists in May. She also attended a meeting of the National Assembly of Nurse Anesthetists in Chicago.

Woody Segraves, maintenance man, completed an industrial maintenance course at Carver Career and Technical Center.



Sam A. Brown, conveyor operator, was elected a council member for the Town of Glasgow.



Raymond C. Fletcher, conveyor operator, was elected recorder for the Town of East Bank.

Shirley J. Peal, daughter of Unit Foreman Leon F. Peal, won a trophy for having the highest grade average for three years at Marmet Junior High. She also lettered in volleyball and football.

Kingsport

David Fugate, son of Superintendent Emory Fugate, won the vice president of sales award at the annual Junior Achievement banquet. Meter Reader **Freddie Huff** attended the International Convention of Gospel Assemblies in Des Moines, Iowa, and played the baritone horn in the convention orchestra.

John Faust, executive vice president, was re-elected secretary of the Kingsport Community Chest.

Residential Representative **James L. Kesterson** was elected to a three-year term on the Netherland Inn Association's board of directors.

Brent Bacon, son of Customer Services Manager Carl Bacon, was selected as a delegate to the annual American Legion Boys State, to be held at Tennessee Technological University.



David T. Kern, an eighth grader at Orebank Elementary, was accorded several honors at the school's annual awards banquet. He received the scholastic achievement award for maintaining a 98.5 grade average during the seventh and eighth grades and was voted "most likely to succeed" and "most outstanding student" in his class. The son of Roy T. Kern, lineman A, David played trumpet in the school band for four years and was treasurer and recorder of the Orebank 4-H Club.

Logan-Williamson

Sandra Newsome, Logan meter reader, was elected junior regent in Logan Chapter No. 454, Women of the Moose.

Mark Douglas Kessinger, son of Residential Advisor Mary L. Kessinger, was inducted into the National Honor Society at Williamson High School.

Lynchburg

Leonard A. Thomas, son of Lead Draftsman Raymond E. Thomas, was inducted into the National Honor Society at Heritage High School. He was a representative to the 1977 Boys State at Lynchburg College.

Retirees **Elmer T. Johnson** and **Robert L. Hatch** were cited for one year's perfect attendance by the Lynchburg Lions Club.

JA Advisors **H. M. Figg, Jr.**, **J. B. Rice** and **William C. Farmer** attended the ninth annual Future Unlimited banquet for the Lynchburg Junior Achievement companies. **Joan Gibson** of APCo's Burlapco company, was first runner-up for vice president-personnel of the year. **Karen F. Seiferth**, Burlapco treasurer, was selected to attend a national Junior Achievers conference at Indiana University. Earlier, **Duane E. Hughes**, Burlapco top salesman, was selected to attend the regional Junior Achievement conference in Pennsylvania.

Pulaski

Martha Ann Sisson, daughter of S. L. Sisson, Pulaski T&D, was a delegate at the American Legion Department of Virginia's Girls State held at Longwood College.



G. W. Johnson, Christiansburg junior clerk, was installed as president of the Christiansburg Jaycees and also received a Jaycee Spark Plug award.

Mrs. A. L. Graham, Jr., wife of the customer services supervisor, is sponsor of the Pulaski County High School Science Club, which was recognized as the most outstanding science club in Virginia for the second consecutive year by the Virginia Junior Academy of Science. Mrs. Graham is a member of the VJAS committee and chairperson of the Earth Science Divi-

sion. At the VJAS meeting in Petersburg, Va., **Scott Kilgore**, son of Division Superintendent R. B. Kilgore, assisted in a lecture and slide presentation on the Pulaski County High School project, which was the development of an outdoor classroom area at the school.

Roanoke

Mitzie K. Naff, daughter of Ralph Naff, right of way agent, was chosen as a member of the 40-voice Westminster Choir of Westminster Choir College. She also participated as a member of the chorus-in-residence in the Spoleto-USA Festival in Charleston, South Carolina, and is currently on tour in Spoleto, Italy, as part of the festival there. She was chosen by audition from among the 450 students at Westminster.

Ella Edwards, customer accounts representative C, was a volunteer for the 1977 Virginia State Special Olympics at Virginia Military Institute, Lexington, Va. Some 1800 mentally retarded children and adults competed in the events.

Bennett Shuff, customer accounts representative B, was re-elected secretary of the Woolwine Volunteer Fire Department.

Robert D. Webster, division manager, was elected to a one-year term on the Virginia State Chamber of Commerce board of directors.



Claude L. Reynolds, customer services manager and a colonel in the U. S. Marine Reserves, was presented a meritorious service medal and citation by the Selective Service System in recognition of exceptional meritorious service while assigned as a reserve officer with the Selective Service System and particularly as commanding officer of Detachment 1-11, Roanoke, Va., from October, 1976 until April, 1977.



James E. Martin, husband of Abbie Martin, cashier B, was elected president of the Fieldale Lions Club. He attended the state Lions convention in Hampton, Va.



Bari Webster, daughter of Division Manager Robert Webster, was named "outstanding bandsman of the year" and also the "outstanding female musician" in the Cave Spring High School Band. Bari, who plays the clarinet, has participated in the all-county band for five years, the all-regional band for four years, and the all-state band for three years, at one time holding second chair in that group. She was a band sergeant in her junior year and band captain this past school year. She has participated in the Roanoke Youth Symphony and held first chair in the Cave Spring Symphonic Band for three years. Bari plans to major in music at East Carolina University.

BLOOD DONOR HONOR ROLL

Roanoke
Sandra McClelland, T&D clerk, six gallons.

SYSTEM COUPLES MARRY



Diana Lynn Lucas, John E. Amos performance technician junior, to **Robert H. Smith**, John E. Amos maintenance man C, May 31.



Pamela Jo Saunders to **Paul Steven Hudnall**, son of Paul F. Hudnall, Cabin Creek master maintenance man, May 14.



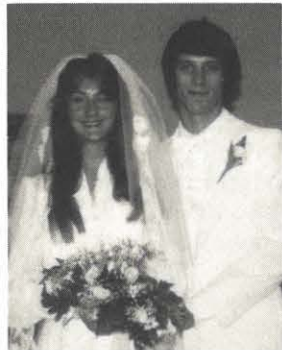
Gail Lynn Creasey, daughter of J. I. Creasey, instrument maintenance man A at Kanawha River Plant, to **George Wayne Hudnall**, former performance engineer at John E. Amos Plant, May 14.



Robin Anne Booze to **Glen Alan Simmons**, son of Charles A. Simmons, executive assistant to the executive vice president of Appalachian Power, Roanoke, April 23.



Cynthia G. Witt, daughter of Clifford H. Witt, winder 1st class at Central Machine Shop, to **Anthony K. Means**, April 22.



Sheila Rae Young to **Perry Edwin McKinney**, son of Wilbur R. McKinney, Bluefield meter reader, May 29.



Sherry Lynn Cox to **C. A. Terry, Jr.**, Pulaski auto repairman A, June 3.



Mary Elizabeth Linger, daughter of George T. Linger, Cabin Creek Plant maintenance man, to **William Dana Young, Jr.**, April 9.



Mary Revelle Persinger, stepdaughter of William C. Ham, Beckley auto repairman A, to **Ronald D. Hylton**, May 26.



Cheryl Harbour to **Gregory Bowles**, son of Joyce George, Huntington customer accounts representative B, May 27.

Linda Martin, daughter of Rose Martin, Huntington customer accounts supervisor, to **Donald M. Stockwell**, May 19.

Shelia Gail Sargent to **Robert A. Carmichael**, Central Machine Shop tool crib attendant, June 4.

Delores E. Vandergrift to **Norman L. Gue**, welder 1st class, Central Machine Shop, June 4.

Susan Denise Doak, daughter of George W. Doak, unit foreman at John E. Amos Plant, to **Kent Smith**, May 13.

Julie Marie Bowling to **Charles Paul Tomlin**, performance engineer at John E. Amos Plant, May 15.

Joyce Parsons, Kingsport private secretary, to **Joel Potter**, April 30.

Nikki Jill Stotts to **Ronald Keith Hull**, welder 2nd class, Central Machine Shop, May 20.

BABY PARADE

John E. Amos **Shawna Lynn**, daughter of **Jeffrey L. Tyo**, utility man, June 9.

Jeffrey Paul, son of **Richard L. Bocock**, office supervisor, June 12.

Bluefield **Carla Renee**, daughter of **Johnny P. Ratliff**, Grundy lineman A, June 10.

General Office **Barre Meredith**, daughter of **Marsena Hartless**, general bookkeeper, GO Accounting, Roanoke, June 7.

Paige Elaine, daughter of **Harry K. Wood**, engineering technologist, GO Hydro, Roanoke, May 24.

Kanawha River **David Eric**, son of **David W. Wills**, utility man A, May 21.

Logan-Williamson **Angela Susanne**, daughter of **Mason Grimmer, Jr.**, meter serviceman A, May 29.

Philip Sporn **Jeremy Lee** and **Jennifer Lynn**, twins of **R. L. Stanton**, auxiliary equipment operator, May 20.

Amy Renee, daughter of **R. R. Ross**, master maintenance man, May 15.

Phillip Andrew, son of **W. E. Plantz**, auxiliary equipment operator, May 2.

Linn Keith, son of **J. R. Darst**, utility man B, April 20.

Roanoke **Timothy Randall**, son of **J. L. Mills**, meter reader, March 20.

Brian Adam, son of **Jerry Joyce**, Fieldale meter reader, May 21.

Brent Gregory, son of **Ronnie B. Horne**, surveyor, June 1.

TWIRLER WINS STATE TITLE



Laura Lea Morrison won the title of **Miss Majorette of West Virginia, Juvenile Division**, in the state pageant at Martinsburg.

The daughter of **R. E. Morrison**, AEP ash research sales and developing engineer, Charleston, **Laura Lea** also captured the title of **Miss Mountain State, Juvenile Division**, during the two-day event. She won the twirling solo championship and ten first-place trophies.

Laura Lea will be West Virginia's official representative at the **Miss Majorette of America Pageant**, to be held this month at Notre Dame University.

BUCK EBERSBACH PLANS TO TRAVEL



(Editor's note: **The Illuminator** received misinformation on **H. A. Ebersbach**, which was published in the June issue. We apologize for the error and are running his story again with the correct facts.)

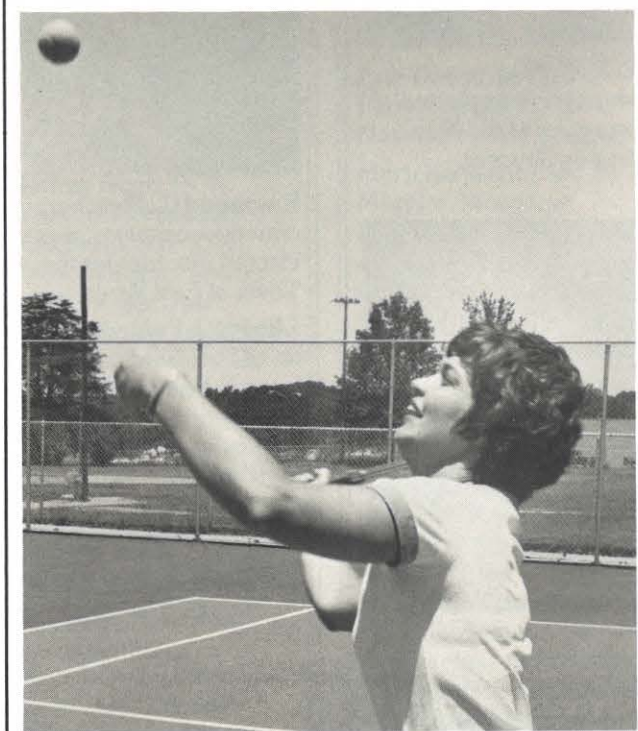
Harold A. "Buck" Ebersbach, coal sampler at Philip Sporn Plant, retired June 1 after 17 years' service.

The **Pomeroy, Ohio**, native began his career in 1960 as a guard and was a janitor before moving in 1968 to the position he held at retirement.

"We will probably take quite a few trips," **Buck** says. He has a rose and vegetable garden to occupy his time and there's work to be done on property he owns near his home in Pomeroy. **Buck** is a member of **Trinity Presbyterian Church**. He and his wife **Ruth** have two children and three grandchildren.



Eloise Pierce, retired **Beckley T&D clerk senior**, received \$1,100 as a jackpot winner at the **Carolina Supermarket** in Beckley.



Jo Ann Rakes, T&D clerk C, was the women's winner of the **Appalachian Power Company Mixed Doubles Round Robin Tennis Tournament** for employees and their families in Fieldale on May 12. Each of the 20 participants played 32 games. **Jo Ann** won 23 games and **Donna Bennett**, telephone operator, was runner-up with 20 games.

GUYS AND DOLLS ARE KILOWATT LEAGUE CHAMPS



Individual trophy winners in the Kilowatt Bowling League are (kneeling, l. to r.) Jack Jarrett, Roger Smith and Jerry Allen. Standing, Mary Wilton, Donna Young, Bill Bostic, Teddy Mayfield, Elaine Braxton, Bonnie Jarrett and Jessie Smith. Not pictured are Bud Pettry and Jim Harris.

The Kilowatt Bowling League concluded the season with a picnic at Coonskin Park in Charleston.

The Guys and Dolls team from John E. Amos Plant was the league champion. Team members are Bud Blackshire, Roger Smith, Delores Mikeal, Larry Goff, Jessie Smith, Jim Mikeal, Patty Goff, Bob Morgan, Charlie Harrison, Dave Cash, Ron Wentz and Ron Brewer.

The Brewmasters team, also from Amos Plant, was runner-up. It was composed of Alva Kuhl, Narry Kidd, Mike Sigmon, Matt Dillon, Dick Thewes, Willis Dudding, Michael Toler, Doug Webster and Jerry Kennedy.

Individual trophy winners for the men included: Bud Pettry, high average, 182; Jack Jarrett, high game, 267; Jerry Allen, high game with handicap, 296; Bill Bostic, high series, 627; Roger Smith, high series with handicap, 741; and Jim Harris, most improved bowler, 15 pins.

Winners for the women were: Elaine Braxton, high average, 168; Teddy Mayfield, high game, 186; Donna Young, high game with handicap, 258; Bonnie Jarrett, high series, 483; Mary Wilton, high series with handicap, 656; and Jessie Smith, most improved bowler, 3 pins.

MURRILL IS GOSPEL SINGER

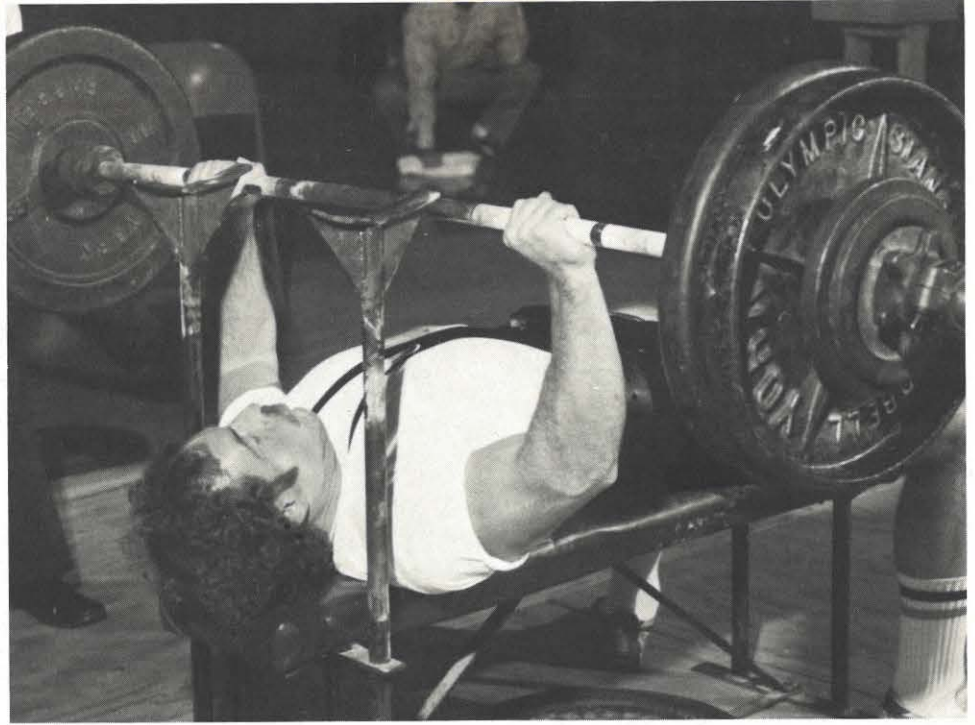


Members of the Harvesters Gospel Singers are, l. to r., Mitchell Mundy, Kathy Young, Mary Bove, Curt Murrill, Joe Mundy and Roger Comer.

Hundreds of West Virginians have enjoyed the music of Curt Murrill for a number of years.

Curt, a maintenance man at Kanawha River Plant, has been playing music since the age of 15 and has been the song leader at the Nazarene Church in Chelyan for 25 years. He currently plays lead guitar and sings baritone as a member of the Harvesters Gospel Singers.

The group is composed of Mary Bove, lead singer and manager; Kathy Young, alto; Joe Mundy, bass; Mitchell Mundy, bass guitar, and Roger Comer, pianist. They perform at churches, schools and auditoriums throughout West Virginia. The Harvesters have made several tapes and appear annually at Mt. Nebo, where the Mountain State Gospel Singing Convention is held.



COOPER SETS STATE BENCH PRESS RECORD

Jack D. Cooper, Jr., has broken the Virginia state bench press record by extending the old mark of 385 pounds to 400 pounds. The son of Jack D. Cooper, Sr., retired Roanoke right-of-way agent, he holds the state record in the 181-pound weight class.

Jack says, "My main goal is to make the nationals, hopefully to become national power lifting champion. I'm 70 pounds away, but it can be broken at any time."

He has lifted weights about 11 years but has been participating in competition matches for only a year and a half. He was encouraged to get into weight lifting as a body builder by his dad, who lifted weights a number of years himself.

"I'm just 5'8" tall, but once I went from 135 pounds body weight to 290 pounds, I got to be a real slob. So weight lifting is a good way for me to get in shape and help keep my body weight down, too," he adds. "When I gained so much, I was doing a lot of eating. Dad threatened to place a lock on the kitchen door because he couldn't afford me."

Power lifting consists of three distinct lifts: the deep knee lift, the bench press and the dead lift. Jack's best combined lift total for the three is 1,410 pounds, a mark he hopes to increase to about 1,500 pounds when the state's power lifting contest is held in Roanoke next month.

"It takes about ten weeks to get in shape for a meet, with four-hour workouts each day, six days a week, doing the three main lifts and you throw a lot of auxiliary exercises in with it," Jack notes. "You're worn out by the time a meet is over."

In addition to the hard work, proper diet and rest, approximately \$30 worth of vitamins are needed each month to supplement Jack's body-building program. Jack says, "A lot of lifters go at it the wrong way — not eating and resting properly. My diet includes about 40 vitamins a day. It's essential if you take weight lifting seriously to have a sound program going for you. I've seen men in their 20's and 30's develop severe arthritis and rheumatism just because they tried to build up too fast and had poor diet and rest."

Jack says that while he does it mostly to stay in shape, it's almost a must to keep weight lifting the rest of his life because all the muscles built up will turn to flab. "Besides," he adds, "after so many years, I'm sort of hooked on it."

Jack has numerous trophies and ribbons to show for his efforts, including several for first and second place in state lifting contests. He is a member of the Roanoke Power Lifting Club.



Gordon Middlekauff displays the prize-winning Sea 6 Model World War II fighters and dive bombers he and his father, O. V. Middlekauff, assistant station maintenance foreman, GO T&D Station, Roanoke, built. The planes won two first-place, one second-place and two third-place ribbons at a model plane show at Roanoke's Woodrum Field.

FIELDALE COUPLES ACTIVE IN OPERATION OF SPCA



From left, Jo Handy, Maynard Handy, Mike Pitches and Alvina Pitches.

Three years ago, a small group of Martinsville and Henry County citizens met to organize a local Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (SPCA). Among those attending were Mike Pitches, Fieldale engineering technician senior, and his wife Alvina and Maynard Handy, Fieldale engineering technician, and his wife Jo. Mike and Maynard were elected treasurer and vice president, respectively, and have been leading guidance ever since.

"An animal shelter was certainly needed here," emphasizes Mike. "There wasn't even anyone to investigate cruelty complaints. A large number of stray cats and dogs were running loose, and families wanting a pet had no place to go. I must admit I wasn't too interested in getting involved at first. Alvina was excited about it all, and her enthusiasm and hard work were the inspiration I needed."

During the past three years, the new SPCA has been successful in raising more than \$15,000 and has hired a full-time humane officer who investigates cruelty complaints, among other duties. With more than 500 members and good support from the community, plans are under way to build a shelter in the near future.

An average of 100 calls a week comes into the Pitches' residence. Many pertain to animal cruelty; some callers are looking for pets to adopt, and others have pups and kittens to place. "The calls are almost endless," says Alvina. "It gets rather hectic at times. What bothers me more than anything else are the many calls to place these animals, and there's just not enough foster homes for them."

Jo, publicity chairman for the organization, noted, "If we're not successful in finding a foster home for a cat or dog, we have no choice but to turn them over to the pound for disposal, and it breaks your heart. Between us and the Pitches, we've kept 50 to 60 animals at one time or another until a family could be found to adopt them."

To fill requests for adopting and placing animals, a file is kept on all calls. It's a matter of matching a particular pet with the family's requirement. "So far, we've managed to place 583 dogs, 275 cats, 1 hamster, 3 guinea pigs, 6 gerbils and 1 pony," revealed Maynard.

Complaints of animal cruelty prompt a large number of the calls. Alvina said, "Many people simply don't know how to treat animals. When the calls are investigated, it's not unusual to find a dog or cat without shelter and improperly fed. There are those that are literally starved to death."

Other difficult calls received by the SPCA involve animals found abandoned in mail boxes and health problems, such as the 32 cats in the home of one local resident.

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From left, Fred Bostic, Darrell Sanford and Wayne Dugan, one of the motorcross trophy winners.

SANFORD HEADS MOTORCROSS

D. R. Sanford, line foreman at Rainelle in Beckley Division, was chairman of the Lee Hillman Enduro Motorcross held recently in the Rupert area of Greenbrier County, West Virginia.

Sponsored by the Rainelle Rotary Club, of which Darrell is a member, the motorcross came into existence in 1976 when the club was looking for ways to raise money to support community projects. Named in honor of Club President Lee Hillman, the initial race attracted 64 motorcyclists and raised \$300. This year's race attracted 123 riders from four states and raised more than \$800.

The motorcross consists of 88 grueling miles of mountainous trails, water crossings, mine roads and old railroad grades. The allotted time for each contestant to complete the race is 3 hours and 40 minutes. Only 44 of the 123 riders were able to finish in that time.

According to Darrell, "Motorcross racing is a real exciting sport, but it is only for the most experienced rider who really knows how to handle a motorcycle".



Olla J. Arbogast, utility man B at Philip Sporn Plant, placed second in the State Championship Turkey Calling Contest at the Webster County Wood-chopping Forest Festival at Webster Springs, West Virginia. He was the 1976 state champion and placed second in 1975. Olla is teaching his famous turkey calls to his son David.

ROBINS, SINK WIN TOURNEY

Donnie Robins, GO Accounting, and Wayne Sink, GO T&D Station, took top honors in the second annual Doubles Tennis Tournament for General Office and Roanoke Division employees.

Winston D. Martin, GO T&D Station, and Cecil L. Hill, Roanoke T&D Engineering, were first runners-up. Second runners-up were Gene Hylton, GO Accounting, and Dave Baumgardner, GO Stores Accounting.

The tourney was held at the Virginia Western Community College tennis courts, Roanoke.

POWER KEGLERS HAVE ROLL-OFF

The Chugalugs team had 2,846 pins to win the championship roll-off of the Power Keglers Bowling League. Team members are Pete Nease, Charles Burch, Ron Hogan, Bill Henley, Lonnie Moran and Bill Sheaff.

The League, composed of teams from General Office and Roanoke Division, is operated on thirds. The winners of each third had a roll-off to determine the champion and runners-up.

The Chugalugs won the first third, and a GO Accounting team won the other two thirds.