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Two Roanoke line mechanics are ready to perform as members of the Kazim Temple Klown Unit. See story on back page.

Savings plan unit values

Date	Value Per Unit	Units Credited Per Dollar
	Fixed Income Fund	
1/31/81	\$1.2907	.7748
2/28/81	1.3001	.7692
3/31/81	1.3106	.7630
4/30/81	1.3208	.7571
5/31/81	1.3317	.7509
	Equity Fund	
1/31/81	\$1.7132	.5837
2/28/81	1.7508	.5712
3/31/81	1.8171	.5503
4/30/81	1.7770	.5627
5/31/81	1.7862	.5598
	AEP Stock Fund	
1/31/81	\$1.0145	.9857
2/28/81	.9748	1.0259
3/31/81	1.0064	.9936
4/30/81	.9912	1.0089
5/31/81	1.0340	.9671

HOW TO READ THE ABOVE CHART: The first column lists the days on which unit values are figured; the second shows the market price or value of each unit on that day; and the third indicates how many units you could have bought for \$1 on that day. For example, if the market value or "value per unit" of the Equity Fund were 50¢ on the valuation date (last day of each month), then "units credited per dollar" would be 2.000. This also holds true for the AEP Stock Fund and the Fixed Income Fund.

The variable interest rate for June on the Fixed Income Fund is 16.08%. All monies placed in this fund after April 1 will now be credited with an interest rate of 16.08%. □

Caudle moves to Amos Plant



Caudle

S. Von Caudle became the second assistant manager of John E. Amos Plant on July 1. He moves to the post from that of assistant manager at the Kanawha River Plant.

The position at Amos is newly created because of the addition of Putnam Coal Terminal, as well as the complexity of operation of the large generating facility.

A mechanical engineering graduate of West Virginia University, he attended the AEP management and advanced management training programs at the University of Michigan Graduate School of Business Administration. He began his utility career in 1954 as a mechanical engineer at Welch and transferred to Kanawha River Plant three months later. He was on military leave from 1954 to 1956. Returning to Kanawha River, he held several positions before transferring to Cabin Creek Plant as assistant manager in 1969. He returned to Kanawha River as assistant manager in 1974.

Caudle is a registered professional engineer in West Virginia. □

IRS agrees with dividend determination

American Electric Power Company has announced that the Internal Revenue Service agreed with its determination that 34.23 percent of its 1979 common stock dividends was not taxable for Federal income tax purposes.

Sixteen months earlier, in January 1980, AEP gave its shareowners a preliminary determination that 34 percent was not taxable. □

APCo gets permit to study hydro at Lynchburg Dam

Appalachian Power Company has been issued a preliminary permit by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) to study the installation of a small hydro-electric generating plant at the old Lynchburg Dam on the James River in Lynchburg, Virginia.

The permit grants the company 24 months within which to study the project's feasibility. Joe C. Plunk, hydro generation manager for Appalachian, said that the studies will determine the engineering requirements and the environmental and economic effects of a power plant at the site.

When Appalachian submitted its application for the permit last December, it stated its belief that a plant at the dam could generate up to 5,000 kilowatts of electricity. Compared to the company's Smith Mountain (Virginia) pumped storage and hydro-electric project, which is capable of generating 605,000 kilowatts of power, the Lynchburg Dam project would be small.

The company's interest in the development of a small hydro project at the dam, which it has owned since 1940, has increased recently because improved equipment, the energy situation and high cost of generating electricity with fossil fuels may now make the project feasible.

The preliminary permit requires that the studies begin within two months and that various local, state and federal agencies be consulted during the study. Should the company decide that installing hydro-electric generation is desirable, it must then apply to FERC for a license to build the project before any construction can be started.

Lynchburg Dam was constructed in the 19th century and provided water for the city's waterworks and water power for mills for many years. The stone masonry dam is about 15 feet high and 890 feet long.

"If the results of the study are positive, Lynchburg Dam will enter a new phase of what has been a long, useful

existence as it becomes a source of clean, renewable energy," Plunk said. □

APCo rate hike suspended

The Virginia State Corporation Commission has suspended until October 13 Appalachian Power Company's proposed \$28.8 million rate increase for all of its retail customers in the state.

In its filing on May 15, Appalachian had requested that the increase become effective June 15. A public hearing on the request is set for September 9 in Richmond. □

APCo asks PSC to air former employee's allegations

Appalachian Power Company last month asked the Public Service Commission of West Virginia for "a thorough airing" of allegations by a former AEP Service Corporation employee, Brent Rosenthal, that AEP had altered its load forecasts to prove the need for future generating capacity. The request was made in connection with hearings now pending before the PSC.

The motion said that both Appalachian and AEP "categorically deny that it was or is corporate policy that Mr. Rosenthal or any other employee be instructed, told or required" to change variables upon which demand and energy forecasts are based "in order to achieve some predetermined forecast result." It further denied specifically that any one in management or a supervisory role had done so.

A party in the hearing, associated with the Coalition of American Electric Consumers, is seeking additional information from Appalachian about load forecasting, based on Rosenthal's affidavit filed with the PSC. In the affidavit Rosenthal contends that, in his less than six months as an analyst in AEP's System Plan-

ning Department in Columbus, he was instructed to change growth-rate figures to obtain higher rates of growth.

In its motion Appalachian asked the PSC to allow the company to take sworn testimony from and to cross-examine Rosenthal and then to present evidence in response to his allegations. □

INPO team finds Cook Plant operated safely

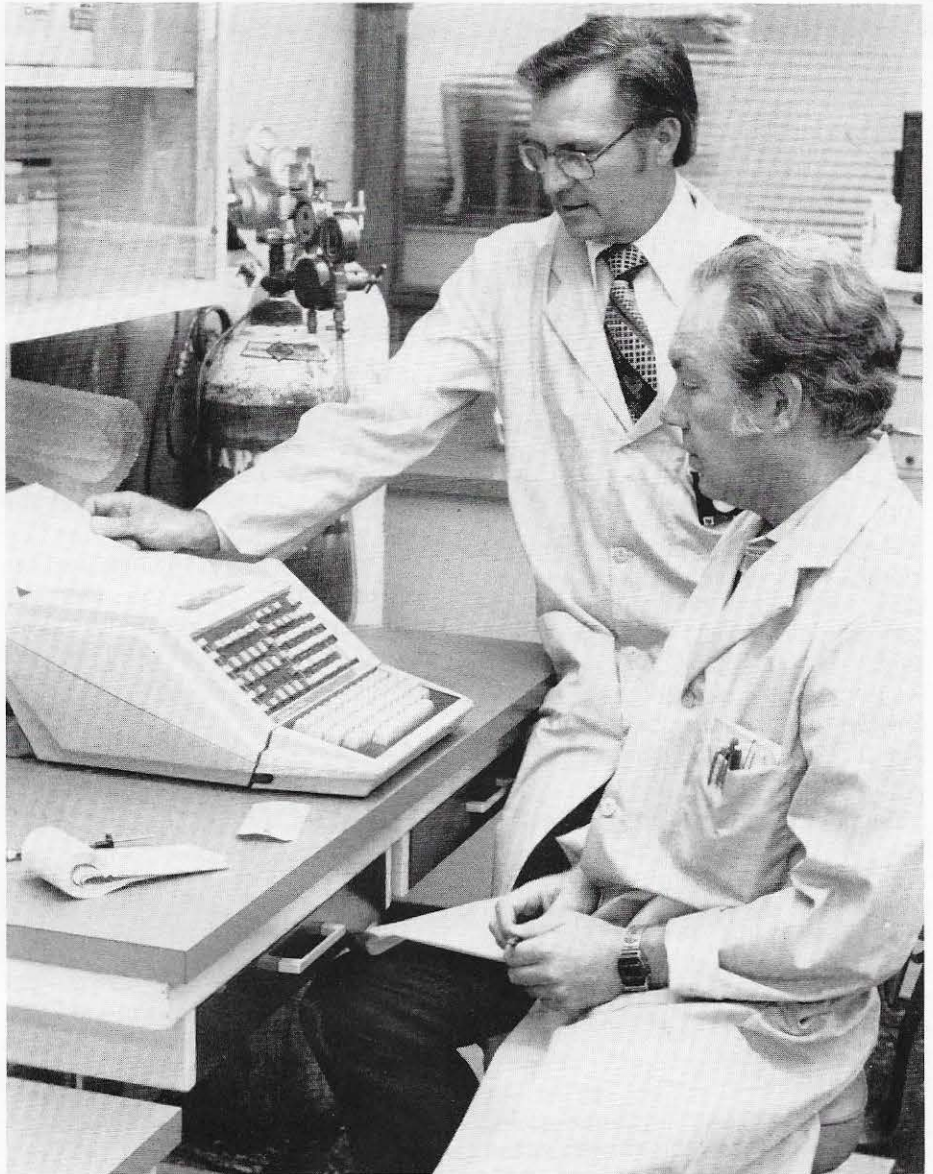
An evaluation of the American Electric Power System's Donald C. Cook Nuclear Plant, completed last month by the Institute of Nuclear Power Operations, showed that it is "being operated safely."

A 12-man INPO evaluation team examined the plant's organization and administration, training, operations, maintenance and on-site technical support. Their evaluation criteria, findings and recommendations were based on "the objective of excellence in performance and not minimum standards."

The team spent two weeks at the Cook Plant, then took six weeks for its evaluation and report. Identified in the report were the plant's "accomplishments and excellent practices" as well as its "opportunities for improvement." INPO President E. P. Wilkinson praised AEP and Indiana & Michigan Electric Company, the plant's owner and operator, for their "excellent cooperation," and the two companies responded by pledging "firm support" to INPO in accepting its specific findings aimed at continuing improvements in plant operations as a result of the study.

AEP Chairman W. S. White, Jr. said, "INPO establishes benchmarks of excellence for nuclear power plant operation, and the 200 criteria against which our plant was evaluated are truly goals which the industry should strive to meet. Effective management controls have been the key to the 'excellent practices' INPO identified, and we already have strengthened these controls in regard to the specific instances cited by the evaluation." □

An ounce of prevention saves \$11 million



Dick Mayes, lab director, and Ray Fisher (seated), engineering technician senior, check the printout of an analysis from the gas chromatograph.

The General Office Oil and Gas Laboratory is a perfect example of an operation that started small and evolved into an indispensable tool in transmission and distribution reliability.

Housed initially in the late 1960s in a 5-by-5-foot room adjacent to the transformer maintenance section of Roanoke Station, the lab now occupies 2,500 square feet of renovated space formerly occupied by GO Hydro in the Sunnyside Building in Roanoke. Also, what started as an operation with one piece of equipment has developed into a well-equipped facility capable of performing a battery of tests. The move to new quarters was completed in January.

While the capability has improved, the lab's mission of "checking the oil," to oversimplify it, has not changed over the years. It remains one of detecting problems in transmission transformers before they develop into costly failures and result in outages. "On the average, we find a problem once a week," said H. R. (Dick) Mayes, laboratory supervisor, who has been with the program since the first day.

The diagnostic process begins with an oil sample being drawn from the transformer. In the lab an instrument called the gas chromatograph is the heart of the process. Under vacuum, the gases are extracted from the oil and are injected into the chromatograph. The chromatograph performs

the sophisticated task of separating and measuring the gases contained in the oil.

"This type of test can be equated to a doctor taking a blood sample from a patient and sending it to the lab for tests," said Ron L. Jamison, GO T&D Station electrical test supervisor. The lab was included in Jamison's electrical test unit in 1978.

Jamison explained how the data from the gas chromatograph is analyzed. "A transformer is made up of copper, steel, paper or cellulose and oil as an insulator and cooling medium. If the transformer is never in service, the oil contains gases such as nitrogen, oxygen and carbon dioxide.

"Among the first things we look at are

the so-called key gases. These gases are indicative of certain occurrences in the transformer. If we see one or two gases we know are keys to a fault, they tell us something.

"For example, if the transformer is heavily loaded, heating the paper could generate carbon monoxide and carbon dioxide. If higher and more serious temperatures are experienced, gases such as ethylene and ethane are generated. The presence of acetylene almost always indicates arcing in the transformer.

"We also look for trends. If we see a trend of increasing gases, then we can see an incipient problem developing," Jamison said.

Another method of detection is the ratio technique. Proportions or rela-

tive quantities of gases are noted. A code system comprised of the various ratios points to a certain type of fault.

Gas chromatography began gaining adherents in the electric utility industry in the mid-1960s. The American Electric Power System's interest in GC stemmed from its research and successful development of 765 kv transmission lines in the 1960s.

"As we were completing the first 765 kv circuit from Baker to Don Marquis substation, I was placed in charge of all large power transformers in GO T&D. That was my responsibility until 1973," Mayes said. At the time of that first 765 kv line, Appalachian received its first gas chromatograph from AEP.

Those were the days of the 5-by-5 room and irregular testing. "Until 1972, it was an after-hours deal and a matter of when I was in town," said Mayes, who spent most of the work week on the road.

"As we gained experience, I even doubted the results sometimes, but things proved out. The instruments are very reliable and unbiased," Mayes said.

"We started picking up instances of problems, and we said, 'This really works.' Management was convinced that it would be a benefit to do this on a regular basis," he said.

"In April 1972 Ray Fisher, engineering technician senior, came over. That was when the decision was made to start testing on a regular basis," Mayes said.

That year also marked the first move. The lab was established in space that was available in the basement of the Roanoke Station control room. At that time the lab had about 550 square feet of floor space.

Still, it was not an ideal setting, according to Mayes. Some materials and test equipment had to be stored in the station's battery room. Also, equipment and instruments that were used frequently had to be stored under tables due to lack of space. Each use required setting up the equipment. On occasion ventilation would become a problem and frequent "airing out" of the lab was required. Nevertheless, with Mayes, Fisher and a part-time employee, the lab performed over 3,000 analyses for Appalachian, Kingsport and Kentucky power companies in that basement.

Over the years the lab also developed the ability to check new transformer oil to see if it meets AEP specifications.

Jamison said that the new facility, plus the addition of two full-time employees, Tom Parr and Priscilla Zeeman, should enable the lab to perform 1,000 tests per year. "Our intent is to get up to full speed on GC. GC is our big area and is the big money saver," he said.

No question about that. When the lab sought approval in June 1980 to move to Sunnyside, it estimated that its testing procedures had saved the company over \$11 million in electrical equipment failures that did not have to be replaced. □



Priscilla Zeeman, engineering technician, runs test on oil to check its flash and fire points.

APCo job suited Willis

"Different jobs suit different people, and the power company suited me better than any other job I ever had," says Ogden Willis. "I started out with United Fuel Gas Company for one year, then worked in a coal mine for one year, duPont at Belle for four years, and Kanawha Manufacturing Company for eight years."

Ogden continues, "I needed a job, and they were looking for an engineer at Kanawha River because it was a brand new plant. It looked like a nice place to work, but I lived just a mile from Cabin Creek so I asked if I could start there. They were just starting to build the first dust collectors at Cabin Creek, so they needed somebody extra for that. George Briers, now Clinch River manager, was the results engineer at Cabin Creek then, and Fred Hornbeck, now heading up the company's operations improvement program, was plant engineer.

"It is strange how much bigger the plants are now than they used to be. One of my souvenirs is the nameplate off the No. 1 generator at Cabin Creek. It was rated about 8 megawatts. Now units 1 and 2 at Amos are 800 megawatts.

Ogden moved to the Amos Plant in 1978 as a performance engineer senior and held that position until his retirement July 1.

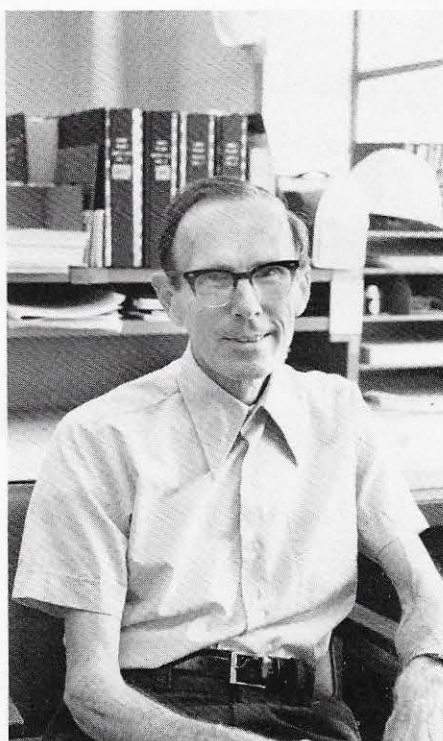
Ogden has also been the operations improvement coordinator at Amos since '78. "With operations improvement ideas and the standard failure classification reports I had to do, I probably met a lot more people here in the plant because I have had to work with them.

"The nicest job I ever had with the power company was helping with AEP Project PROBE in the summer of 1979. We had 15 students from different colleges to run tests on unit 1. Two professors came and held classes to explain power plant tests to the students. Our engineers got in on the classes, too, so it helped all of us." Ogden himself is a mechanical engineering graduate of the University of Virginia. He is a registered professional engineer and a member of

the W.Va. Society of Professional Engineers.

As to the future, Ogden asked, "What do other people do when they retire? I don't know where to start because it is all new to me. I think I will find a lot of little things to do. But you just can't spend all your time working in the yard, cleaning up the house, painting or watching television. I would like to travel and see parts of the country I haven't had time to see before now, including a trip down the Mississippi River on the Delta Queen steamboat.

"Three of our children are married. Two are here and one is in Norfolk, Va., so we can go to visit her and go to the beach. And one daughter is still at home."



Willis

Home to Ogden is a 110-year-old house in Coalburg built by his great grandfather. "We really don't need a house that big anymore, but for right now we will stay there." Ogden adds that he is a member of the Historical and Preservation Society, which is interested in the restoration of old homes.

"It would also be nice to get into some kind of arts and crafts, perhaps music. Back in 1947 when I got married, I was playing second violin in the Charleston Symphony, but I haven't kept up with it. I belong to the Church

of the Good Shepherd in Charleston and maybe now I will have more time to help out there. And I would like to start going to the American Society of Mechanical Engineers meetings again. I haven't had time to go since I have been working down here at Amos. I would like to go to the meetings to see a few people.

"When you get used to working with 500 people, it will be hard to go home all at once and just have your family. I have a lot of friends here, and I will miss them." □

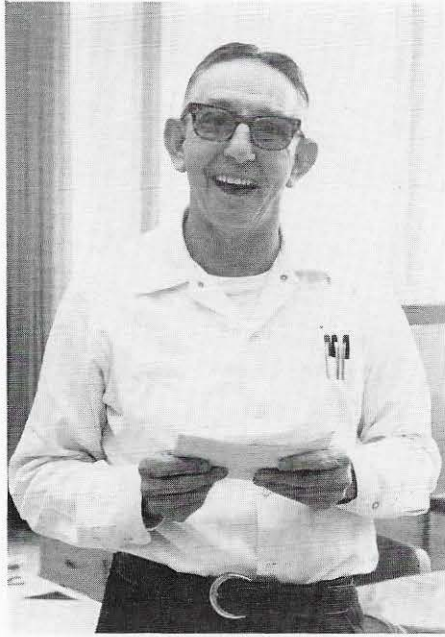
Where does the time go?

"It is hard to realize that I will be 62 this month," says Billy Eugene Blake. "The 35 years I have been here have gone by awfully fast. I just don't know where the time went."

Billy was a collector in Charleston Division's St. Albans office before electing early retirement July 1. He began his career with Appalachian in 1946 as a clerk junior in the Charleston Transportation Department. "I remember when we would clean up the garage for the Red Cross Bloodmobile to come in," Billy recalls. "I also used to haul a lot of fellows back and forth from the airport. The most enjoyable trip I ever had was when I took the wife and children of Mr. Hodges (former vice president and general manager) to Boston to see him while he was in school. In 1963 I transferred to St. Albans as a meter reader and then was made collector in 1976." He adds, "I would just like to thank Jack Walters (who retired last month as customer accounting administrator in GO Accounting, Roanoke) for all of the things he has done for me.

"I have enjoyed working for the company. Everyone I have come in contact with has been very nice, and the people down here at St. Albans are wonderful. They are cooperative and want to help you all they can. As a matter of fact, the boss I have now, Cecil Evans, I would bend over backwards to do anything for him."

Sometimes Billy's customer contacts weren't exactly pleasant. "I have had



Blake

people tell me that if I would come up, they would shoot me," he notes. "So I just backed off and took off. One time I had a fellow threaten to shoot a serviceman and turn the dogs loose on me. Ninety percent of the people are not hard to deal with. It's just the other ten percent who are something else. I have had some people I have disconnected (service) and my heart has ached, but there are a lot of people who can pay but just want something for nothing. Some people living back in these hollows don't get out and just wait to pay until I come by to collect. They always ask if I will be back next month, and I say that I will be if they don't pay their bill. I can pick up a unit and tell you before I look at it who is in it. It is the same people about every month."

All that is behind Billy now. His plans for the future include maintaining his home in St. Albans but possibly going down to stay a month or so with his sister in Sarasota, Florida. "My oldest daughter and two grandsons are in Kentucky, so we also plan on going down there some. My youngest daughter lives at home and works for the Kanawha County Recreation Department."

Billy also plans to devote more time to the Covenant Presbyterian Church, where he is an elder. "I do a lot of ushering and, as building chairman, buy all the material and anything they need," he adds. "I also want to get in more hunting and fishing." □

Amos found power plant work exciting

"I always thought power plant work would be more exciting than anything else," recalls Amos Workman, "so I went to work at Cabin Creek in 1948 after graduating from Indiana Institute of Technology. I was hired when Jack Kepner (who retired April 1) was promoted to System Operations in Roanoke.

"When I started, I assisted with testing and electrical maintenance. When Kanawha River Plant was built, I was sent to New York for about six months to assist in preparation for the installation of the units." Amos moved to Kanawha River in 1952 as maintenance supervisor and held that position until his retirement July 1.

"People worked safely back in the early days, but we weren't quite as safety conscious as we are now. Kanawha River was the first power plant in the AEP System to make a million manhours without a disabling injury, and we did it again May 1. So we made it once without OSHA regulations and once with," Amos notes.

Asked about future plans, Amos replied, "I intend to travel some. New England will be the first place. My children live down south so my wife



Workman

Genevieve and I will go down there to see our grandchildren. I will also work around the house, garden, fish or just do nothing at all. We're going to stay in Charleston for our permanent home, so I'll still come back to the plant and aggravate everybody."

In reflecting on his nearly 33 years' service, Amos says, "The company has been pretty good to me. If I had it to do all over again, I probably would." □

Roush was first Clinch worker

Herbert Freeman Roush, who retired July 1 as Clinch River Plant yard superintendent, was the first employee to be physically located at Clinch during its construction and start-up.

He recalls, "I had to make arrangements to get oil and fuel for the plant. In normal operation, we get all of our coal from Clinchfield Coal Company, so I had to make arrangements with them and talked with the railroad about delivery of the coal. I hired my first employee about a week after I came in May 1957. John Patterson, who was the manager, would come in every weekend during this time."

Freeman began his utility career in 1949 as assistant yardmaster at Sporn Plant. He said, "My dad owned some rental property in Mason, West Virginia, and one of the tenants was Charlie Carroll, shift operating engineer at Sporn. I had been working in construction, and Charlie wanted me to go in operations. But Howard Andrews, plant manager, said he had another job for me. I guess at the time he was looking for somebody with some heavy equipment experience." Freeman remembers that he worked through one flood at Sporn and two at Clinch River. During the last flood, he says, "Part of the railroad track washed out. We just had to put our equipment on the highest ground and leave it and hope the water didn't get it."

Luther Houchins, personnel supervisor, notes that "Over the years, Freeman has been a man who stood for safety and looked after his em-

ployees. He wanted to do it right or not do it at all."

Freeman adds, "I always thought a lot of my crew and tried to take care of their welfare. Some of the original ones I hired are still with me. And I always liked working for the company. It has been good to me."

Until Freeman had a stroke last summer, he and his wife Louise had a lot of plans for retirement. Now, he says, "We will just have to go by what I can do in my condition. We do want to travel some to visit our children (they have 7 children and 15 grandchildren) who are scattered all over. The closest one is in Kingsport, Tennessee. I do my own maintenance on the house, and like to hunt and fish."

He is proud of the fact that while "all the boys in the coal yard go every place to fish, I just stopped alongside the Clinch River and caught the biggest bass that had ever been caught".

Freeman's home has a 12' x 14' fall-out shelter in the basement which can sleep 4 and accommodate 16 people. "It is built so that if the house catches on fire we could go down there and be safe." He and Louise have been talking about selling their home, though, and moving closer to Abingdon, where they attend St. John's Lutheran Church. □

Alabama here I come

"Alabama Here I Come", a song popular some years ago, gives a clue about one of Shalous Eugene Kees' plans following his retirement July 1. "I have been in Alabama", Shag says, "but never in southern Alabama, so my wife and I are going there for a couple of weeks."

Shag, who retired as a maintenance mechanic B at Kanawha River Plant, began his utility career as a laborer at Cabin Creek in 1950. He recalls, "I filed an application with the company and was called to go to the employment office in Charleston for an interview. Two days later I was called to come to work. I guess they put my abilities together and sent me to the power plant."

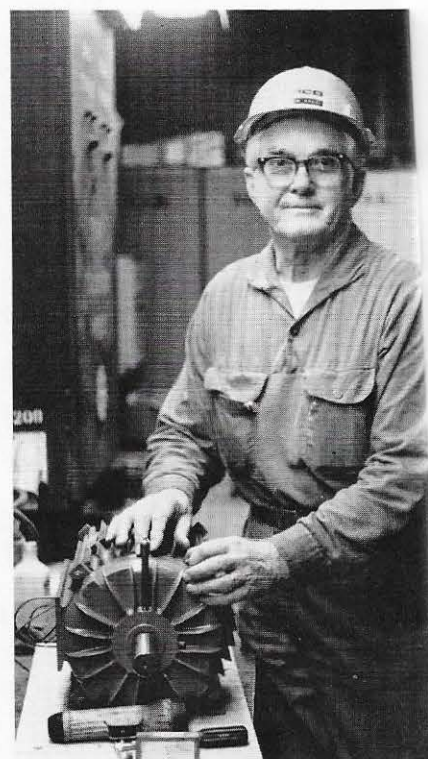
"I started at 93 cents an hour and later got a nickel raise to 98 cents. That was good money then. Now you can't hardly buy a loaf of bread for that. One thing I always looked forward to was my paycheck every other Thursday. I haven't missed one payday while I have been with the company, whether I was sick or able. And I always had the company in my heart and mind when I did my day's work."

Shag adds, "My wife and I have raised and educated three children. Without her I couldn't have done it. Our daughter lives in Huntington, and one son is a biology instructor at East Bank High School. The other son is a deputy sheriff in Kanawha County."

Shag remembers that there were times he stayed at the plant 35 hours at one stretch doing emergency repairs following a breakdown. "That was when we were bringing the units on. Now they are toys, but then they were the largest around."

"There are a lot of things I will miss," Shag says about retiring. "I will miss the people I work with and the routine. This is the beatingest place you ever saw for people to help each other. It is sort of like a family working together. You have to have a lot of good co-workers to have the record our plant has."

Besides going to Alabama, Shag plans "to fish and do some woodwork for the kids. The wife and I taught



Kees

Sunday School at the Charleston General Hospital and Marmet Rehabilitation Center for years, and we plan to take that up again. Sometimes we had as many as 10 people in the class. I also plan to get active pretty soon in the Disabled American War Veterans".

Shag is one of 316 men, out of a crew of 1,196, who survived when their ship, the *USS Indianapolis*, was sunk by Japanese torpedos during the closing days of World War II. A shark attack on the crew is one of the worst in history. Shag recalls he was three decks down when the torpedos hit "at 12 minutes past midnight. We hit the water. Our only concern then was to get away from the ship. In the morning the sharks started to come. As men became unconscious or injured, we had to cut them loose."

Shag had been cut loose and was about 25 to 30 miles from the other men when he has picked up four days later. His weight had dropped from 216 pounds to 159 while he was in the salt water.

"I lost 880 friends and shipmates," Shag says. "It took me two or three years to get over it, but then again it's something you never really get over. The good Lord was with me." □



Roush

Everything's coming up roses for Inis

Inis Bobbitt ended her fourth career — and first with Appalachian — by electing early retirement July 1. She was a secretary-stenographer in Huntington Customer Services, the same department she joined in 1954.

An elementary education graduate of Pikeville Junior College and with three semesters at Eastern State University, Inis first taught school six years. She recalls, "I taught all eight grades in a rural school for two years; then the next two years I taught the fourth through the eighth grades in a two-room school. The last two years I taught in a consolidated school. I taught second grade one of those years and moved up with the students to the third grade the next year.

"At that time teachers' salaries were rather low and, another thing, I felt like the parents began to tell the principal and the teacher what to do, so I felt like a change was in order. My minor in college was business administration, so I got a job in the Meter Section of Kentucky Power's Pikeville District. Even after I had



Bobbitt

been working for Kentucky Power, the superintendent of schools asked me to come back to teach.

"I worked in Pikeville for eight years, then resigned and went in business in a coffee shop with my sister, where I remained for three years. After this venture, I was married to my first husband and came to Huntington, where I did not work for four months. I couldn't convince myself that staying home after all those years of working was the thing to do so in 1954 I started to work for Appalachian in Huntington and have been here since that time."

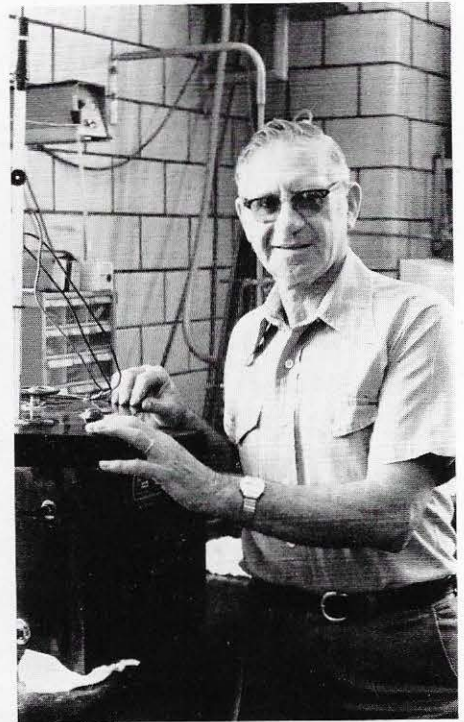
It was while Inis worked in Pikeville that she met the man who was to become her second husband, Corbin Bobbitt. He retired from Kentucky Power about seven years ago. "My first husband died in 1968," Inis says. "Corbin and I had known each other in Pikeville, and a short time before his retirement we got together again. He had never been married, so I always kid him and tell him he waited for me."

In remarking that she enjoyed her work with Appalachian very much, Inis added, "I like the people I work with, so that is the only regret I have about leaving. But I have worked a lot of years and think it is time to stop. We will travel some but have no definite plans except to take everything day by day. One of the things I enjoy doing is growing roses — I have about 35 varieties — and I would like to add to my collection of cut glass." She began her collection several years ago with pieces handed down in her family and now has about 45 pieces. □

Farm life lures Oxley

James Howard Oxley operated a dairy farm in Athens, West Virginia, for three-and-a-half years before he joined Glen Lyn Plant in January 1951. And it is to farming that he will return following his retirement July 1.

Jim says, "I don't know whether I am really going to miss coming to work. Not that I haven't been satisfied here, but I do enjoy farming. I own 54 acres



Oxley

and raise Angus beef cattle and riding horses, and I also have some land leased."

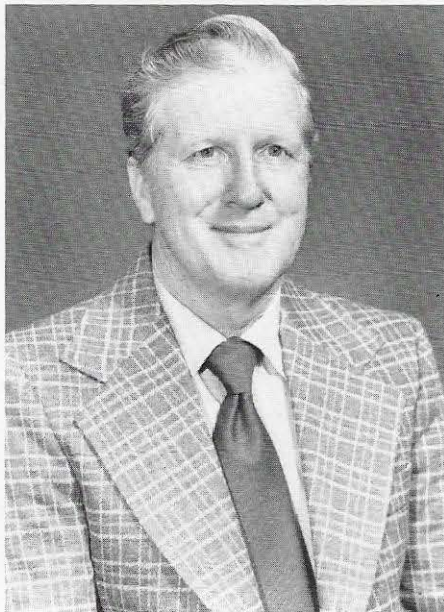
Jim was moved to the plant laboratory as an attendant just two weeks after he was hired, and remained in the lab during his entire 30½ years' service. He was promoted to chemist assistant in 1955 and held that position until retirement.

Jim says that most of his work in the lab had to do with coal analysis. Because of the shift he worked, he was able to enjoy quite a few long weekends. He explains, "For the last 15 years I worked 10 days and had off 4, so I worked every other Sunday. But if a holiday came on Monday, then I would get a 5-day break. I relieved the man who runs the treating plant, and that is his shift."

As to the future, Jim plans to say pretty close to home. "We will visit our daughter in Baltimore, but our three sons and grandchildren are close by so I doubt if we will do much traveling. I really don't care much about traveling anyway."

When asked whether he would be spending some time with his grandchildren, Jim replied with a smile, "Yes, they live right on the corner of my farm. In fact, they stay at our house more than they do their own." □

Call if you need anything



Ord

Four days after retiring from Philip Sporn Plant, John Edwin Ord was relaxing around his house in Letart, W.Va., passing the time as his strawberries and cattle fattened up in the June sun.

John took early retirement on June 1 after almost 28 years of service in a variety of maintenance positions. He moved up to auxiliary supervisor in October 1972 and held that position until retirement. Sporn is not out of mind, however. "I only live a mile and a half from the plant," John said. "I told them to give me a call if they needed anything."

When John left an auto dealership in the spring of 1952 to work at Sporn as a laborer, the first four units — each 150,000 kilowatts — were in operation. At that time Sporn Plant was the largest in the country and was an engineering marvel, embodying a number of new technologies. Of course, in John's line of work, he recalls that the tools improved immensely over the years. All in all, he said, "It was a nice job."

But, now, he can concentrate on his land. "I've got 238 acres total in hay and pasture and 14 head of Angus cattle. My boy, who lives nearby, has 20 acres. Here at the house, I've got a big garden with strawberries, and

I've got roses and marigolds. I also keep busy helping my neighbors out," he said. □

Red trades hills for beach

Down in Ormond Beach, Florida, there is a touch of West Virginia. It is personified in Bernard Mullens. Most people know him as "Red."

Red and his wife Penny moved last month to this "family-oriented" beach town, just north of the more famous resort, Daytona Beach.

Red officially took early retirement as regional dispatcher in Huntington on July 1 after 35 years with the company. But he took a month of vacation prior to the retirement date.

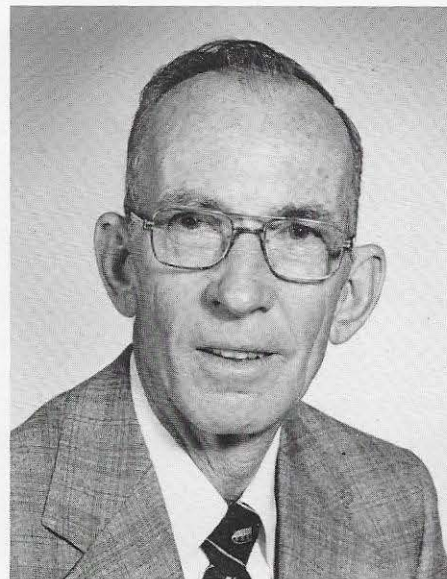
The plan to retire to Florida had been in the works for some time. "We had been coming to Florida for 20 years on vacation, staying in motels. And we said, 'This is nice, but wouldn't it be better if we had our things here?' So, we made up our minds to do it about five or six years ago.

"Last October we picked out a lot here. We bought the house with the furniture and everything. It's a half block from the ocean and a half block from the Halifax River. We're on the peninsula.

"The good part is that we are only 28 miles from Palatka, which has the best bass fishing in these parts. The good thing about being retired is that you can wait on the fish to bite," he said.

Red has had a boat, which he made into a nice bass boat, and an outboard motor for some time. "The fellows at work gave me a trolling motor as a retirement gift. We plan to get a lot of use out of it. My wife's more of a fisherman than I am," he said.

Red's start at Appalachian was in May 1946 as a groundman around Bluefield. He was born and raised in Princeton. "My daddy was a carpenter, and I worked with him. After the war we built a couple of houses. But my brother was a meter tester in Bluefield. He was after me to put in my application with Appalachian. I did, and the next day I was hired.



Mullens

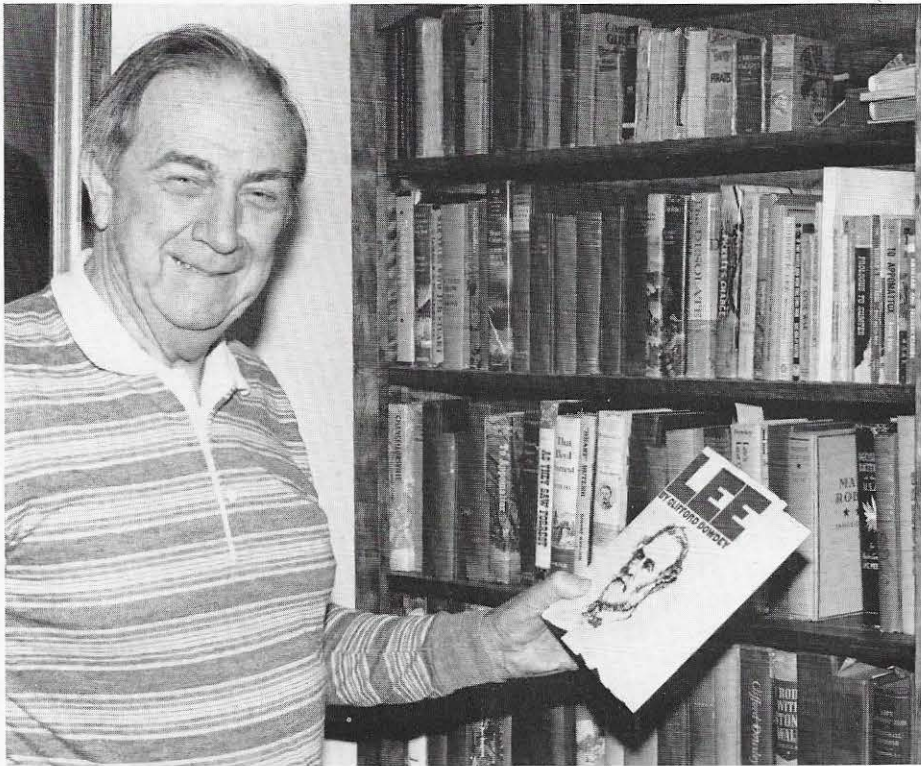
"I chose to work with Appalachian due to the fact that they did not have a history of layoffs during the Depression. It has been a good company, and the people I have worked with are the best. I will always miss them," he said.

Like many other employees, Red moved several times during his career. "I started out doing storeroom work, then line inspection. I worked at the storeroom in Mullens and was there for four years. Then I transferred to Switchback, then to Glasgow, and then to Huntington. We were there 14 years, and it is one of the best places we've ever lived. I still have two houses there. We built both of them. Plus, our daughter and two grandchildren live in Huntington," he said.

Retiree directory offered

A directory listing the names and addresses of Appalachian Power Company's retired employees is being printed. If you would like a copy of the directory, notify Betty Lou Carter, editor of publications, Appalachian Power Company, P. O. Box 2021, Roanoke, Virginia 24022.

The South could have won the war



"The War Between the States is the most talked about, read about war we have ever fought," claims L. C. Angle, Abingdon power engineer. "Interest in the war between the states is getting bigger and bigger. More than 500,000 books have been written about it and yet the full story has never been told."

Although L. C. doesn't have anywhere near 500,000, his collection of books about the Civil War is growing. One entire wall in a spare bedroom of his home is lined with books he has collected over the years.

"I started collecting these books when I was at VPI between '36 and '40," L. C. recalls. "Every time I go into a large town that has a second-hand bookstore, I try to pick up some more. However, bookstores realize the value of these books now, so you don't get too many good buys any more."

One book on which he did get a good buy is, 'The Memoirs of Gen. Turner Ashby and His Compeers'. "Ashby commanded the cavalry in the Valley of Virginia during the early days of the war," L. C. notes. "The book sold for \$3 and it is probably worth between \$200 and \$300 now. You would have to find somebody crazy like me, though," L. C. laughs.

"Another rare book I have is the 'Life and Campaigns of Stonewall Jackson' by E. L. Dabney, D.D. Dabney was a Presbyterian minister who served as chief of staff to Stonewall. 'Stonewall Jackson' by Col. G. F. R. Henderson is also a very valuable book. Henderson was chief of staff of the British Army when he wrote this.

"My youngest son, David, is very interested in these books, and when I am through with them, David will inherit them," says L. C.

"My great grandfather on my mother's side, Robert Miles, was a captain in the Confederate Army. I think this is how I became interested in the War. He used to visit us for a week or ten days at a time and put me on his knee and tell me all about the Yankees. I will never forget him telling me about the time he captured five Yankee cavalry men with their horses. He took them back to his Confederate camp and his captain was so pleased that he gave my great grandfather one of the horses. A horse back then was pretty much a symbol of wealth and worth more than a Yankee prisoner.

"My great grandfather was wounded three times, once at Gettysburg, again at Antietam and later in a

cavalry engagement. The last years of the war he served as a courier to General Robert E. Lee.

"Incidentally, my great grandfather was a strong Republican until he met Franklin Roosevelt at the 75th anniversary of the Battle of Antietam and again at the anniversary of the Battle of Gettysburg. He became a very strong Democrat because of President Roosevelt's personality. When the Veterans Administration Hospital at Roanoke was dedicated, he rode in the car with Roosevelt in the parade. I marched in the same parade as a VPI cadet. Grandfather died while I was overseas in World War II and was buried on his 104th birthday.

"When I was growing up, my father owned a store in Floyd County, Virginia. All the country stores back in those days had a pot-bellied stove, and people would gather around and tell stories. At that time there were many Confederate veterans living. We didn't have a telephone and one day my mother sent me down to the store to tell my daddy to come home to dinner. A Mr. Hall came in, and these old boys dropped their heads and quit talking. I asked my daddy why this happened and he said that Mr. Hall fought for the North and these people would still not have anything to do with him."

L. C. is well known throughout southwest Virginia for his wealth of knowledge about the Big War. He has given many talks before the United Daughters of the Confederacy, church and civic groups and school students. "For about 10 to 12 years I gave talks to all of the students at Abingdon High School when they were getting ready to study the War Between the States to try to make it more interesting to them. I would tell them things that were not in their textbooks. I hope to do more of this when I retire in about three years."

What are some of the things L. C. talks about which are not in the textbooks? "Well, I have two articles I have written. I hope to refine them and have them published in the *Civil War Times*. One of the articles is about the religious life of Stonewall Jackson. Most everybody knows about his fighting abilities — he is probably one of the greatest generals

the South ever produced — but very few people know how he felt about religion. For instance, in all his victories on the battlefield, he gave all of the credit to God. He started out as an Episcopalian but found this not to his liking. He read the short catechism of the Presbyterian Church, given to him by D. H. Hill, who later became a very famous general and Jackson's brother-in-law. He liked what he read and became a very strong Presbyterian as a result of this.

"My other paper is called 'Rustling Yankee Beefsteaks'. This happened while the Confederates were under siege at Petersburg. Gen. Wade Hampton sent a cavalry detachment out and captured 2,486 head of beef and brought them back inside Confederate lines. It was said that the Southerners ate well and the Yankees starved for a few days. This was in the latter part of 1864.

"I am going to Gettysburg and Antietam this fall for a three-day meeting. There will be people from all over the United States attending the conference on these two particular battles. Experts come in — usually superintendents of the national military parks, who have made a thorough study — and they give us the complete history as we walk over the battlefield.

"The Battle of Gettysburg is a good example. On the second day of fighting, Culp's Hill was taken by the Confederates but later that day they were driven off. Culp's Hill had a commanding elevation and could control the entire front. General Richard Ewell, who took over Jackson's corps when he was killed, commanded the corps that captured Culp's Hill. It is said by historians today that if Jackson had been alive, he would have held the hill and it would have resulted in a Confederate victory. The only thing I can say about the war is that I am continually amazed that the war lasted four years instead of ending in six months. The South had very little manufacturing capability and the North had money, men and industry. But so happened the South was blessed with great generals and they were defending their homes, you might say. It was only twice the Confederates ventured into the North — at Antietam and at Gettysburg. That is probably why the North fought so well in those battles. They were defending their home territory." □

One of first heat pumps on APCo System replaced



The first load of the outdoor coils is being hoisted from the roof of the headquarters building by a 100-foot crane.

When the General Office headquarters building in Roanoke was completed in 1949, it featured one of the first commercial installations of the heat pump in the Appalachian System. The last of the outdoor coils on this heat pump were recently replaced by evaporative condensers.

L. R. "Buck" Buchanan, building supervisor, reports that the 9,827 pounds of copper coils were sold as scrap for \$5,500.

An addition to the headquarters building was completed in the 1960s. Now, a 165-ton capacity screw type compressor is the lead machine for cooling the entire office. As the cooling load increases, two 40-ton Trane chillers and two 85-ton Acme chillers are brought in. During the winter, heating is basically provided by people and lighting. A 200 kw electric boiler is used as a backup system in extremely cold weather.

Safety is team effort at Sporn

Attitude. That's the key to the all-time AEP System safety record held by the employees at the Philip Sporn Plant, according to Manager Eugene H. Gloss. Another major element is involvement — by all of the plant's workers and management.

Excellent record

Located on the Ohio River in New Haven, West Virginia, the Sporn Plant has a history of maintaining excellent safety records. It was recognized numerous times in the past by its operator, Appalachian Power Company. The plant surpassed the one-million-hour mark one other time since Gloss became manager in 1970 and one time prior to 1970 when he was assistant manager. Between 1950, when the plant began operation, and 1957, the one-million-hour milestone was also attained once.

Despite the recognition received by the plant for its safety accomplishments, both management and employees felt a better job could be done in making working conditions safer.

On March 30 the 370 employees at AEP's Philip Sporn Plant, jointly owned by Appalachian Power and Ohio Power, set an all-time System safety record by logging 2,317,750 work-hours without a disabling injury. The record began on February 23, 1978 and as of this writing continues (over 2,442,800 work-hours as of May 31).

The System's previous record was held by the now-retired Cabin Creek Plant which set its mark over a period of nine-and-one-half years (October 3, 1961 to March 5, 1971). This story explores the successful safety program which has been developed by Sporn Plant over the past few years.

The turning point came three years ago when Gloss saw many safety violations during his daily tours of the plant. His next course of action led to a chain of events that brought every-

one together, working as a team in an effort to promote safety on the job.

"I got our photographer and the two of us walked every inch of this plant and took a slide of every potentially dangerous or unsafe condition," Gloss said. "When we were finished, we had shot four rolls of film."

Since many of the violations captured with the camera that day involved maintenance activities, Gloss called a meeting of all the maintenance supervisors and reviewed the slides with them.

"I told them I wanted everything cleaned up in one week," Gloss recalled. "It was a tough thing to do, but the reaction was positive."

Many maintenance supervisors went to Gloss later and told him they didn't like receiving his directive, but it worked and they were pleased with the results.

Program snowballs

At that point, the employees' new and intensive safety "attitude" seemed to snowball. The same slides were used again — this time in an orientation program for employees being trained for other jobs within the plant. Not only were the employees instructed on what was expected of them in workmanship but in how to do the new job safely.

By now, the plant was establishing safety standards which were to be followed by all employees. "If anyone doesn't follow the plant's safety standards, he or she is first warned by the supervisor," said Gloss. "A second violation brings disciplinary action by means of a letter being placed in the employee's file relating the incident."

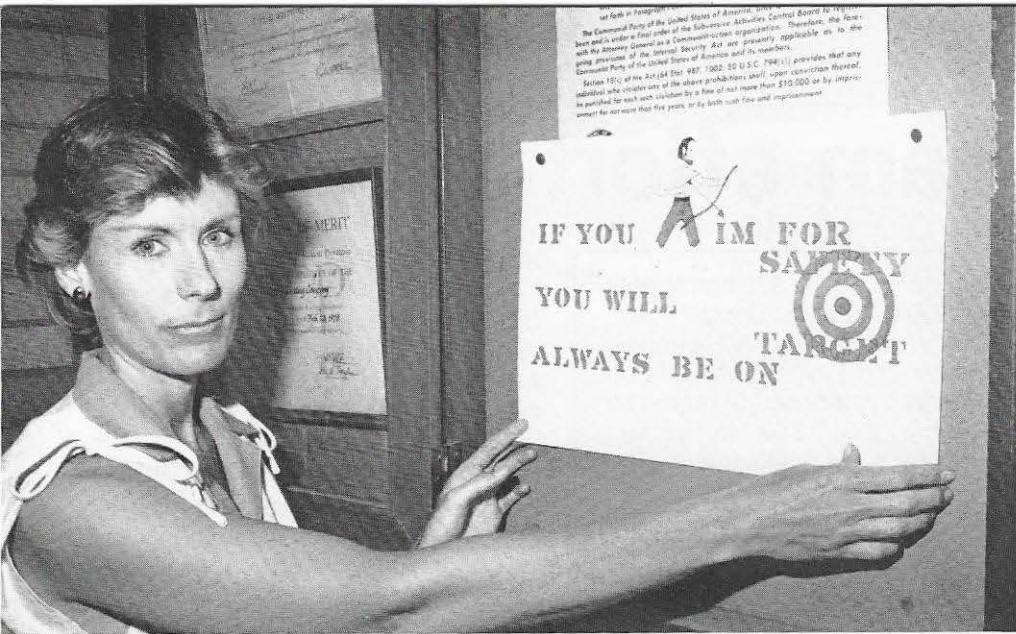
The System requires an investigation whenever a lost-time accident occurs. At Sporn Plant, this requirement is taken a step further — all "near-miss" incidents are also examined by plant officials.

"We don't investigate just because someone got hurt, but because someone could have been hurt," said Gloss. "This action alone has sold our safety program to our employees, because they know that management cares about their well-being and takes safety on the job seriously."

The plant also has a policy requiring the supervisor of the injured em-



Manager Gene Gloss explains the plant's safety program.



Judy Liberatore hangs her latest safety poster on one of the plant's bulletin boards.

ployee personally to bring all accidents, no matter how small, to the attention of the assistant plant manager. This meeting is an intense question-and-answer session. After a supervisor has gone through a few of these face-to-face meetings, he is more inclined to see that his department works with safety in mind, Gloss said.

Alternative duty program

Sporn Plant has also established an alternative duty program which helps keep an employee on the job after a minor injury. With approval of the employee's physician, the employee may return to work and be assigned to another less strenuous job until he is able to return to his normal position. "Some people may say this is cheating to keep the record going," said Gloss. "But we consult very closely with the doctor of the injured employee. Not long ago, one of our employees sprained his neck on the job and had to wear a padded collar. After talking to the doctor, we found that the employee could work in the supply room where the job of lifting and placing lightweight objects on shelves above his head would be rehabilitative."

The alternative duty program also plays a role for employees injured away from the job. One employee, who received a leg injury when he fell from his motorcycle, was placed in a temporary work assignment for several weeks with approval of his doctor.

"We are thankful for our good working relationship with the medical pro-

fession in this area, and I know they appreciate our concern for the people's welfare. Our objective is to keep our employees on the job," said Gloss.

Safety steering committee

Gloss believes the most important part of the plant's overall safety program is the safety steering committee. Made up of employees and management personnel from throughout the plant, the group

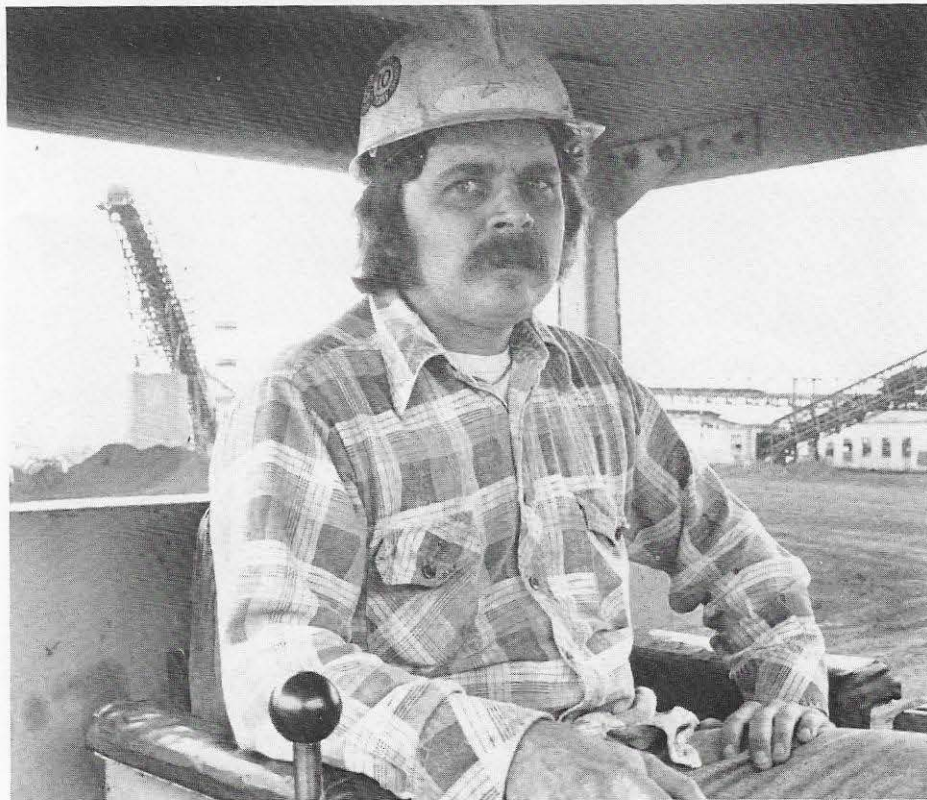
observes all work areas and departments and makes recommendations for safety improvements.

Ray Sisk, a tractor operator in the coal yard and a committee member, said the group was responsible for a color feeder indicator lighting system recently being installed in the coal yard as a safety feature for the dozer operators. "The lighting system tells the operators which belt lines are moving and taking the coal into the plant," said the 11-year veteran. "When the coal is damp, it is difficult to see which belt is moving, and there is the chance of an accident if an operator were to run over a moving belt. As a member of the committee, I can say it has been a good group. I know that the installation of this lighting system has also been a morale booster for the guys in the coal yard."

The plant has also established an in-plant safety audit program. Audits are conducted periodically by three-man teams, made up of workers and management, who walk through the plant looking for situations that can be upgraded for safety.

Employee involvement

Sporn Plant, of course, also has the conventional safety programs which are carried out in all plants on the System. First aid drills are conducted



Ray Sisk is a tractor operator in the coal yard and a member of the safety steering committee.

periodically by all four shifts, and a safety meeting is held monthly for plant employees and quarterly for office employees. Also, a new safety-indoctrination program for new employees has been well received.

The plant displays posters on the bulletin boards, but they're not the ones seen throughout the System. All of Sporn's posters are the handiwork of Judy Liberatoro, a secretary in the Personnel Department. "Judy is very talented," said Gloss. "Her posters mean a lot more to our people, since they were done with their safety in mind."

What do the safety and all these programs mean to the employees?

Judi Hunter, stores attendant: "Safety means everything — whether you're going home in one piece or not. I like all of our safety programs. They are important to me."

"Safety is teamwork," said Charlie Hunter, maintenance mechanic B. "It's looking out for the other fellow. The main thing is keeping everyone alive. Plus it means a lot to my family — they like to see me come home in the evenings."



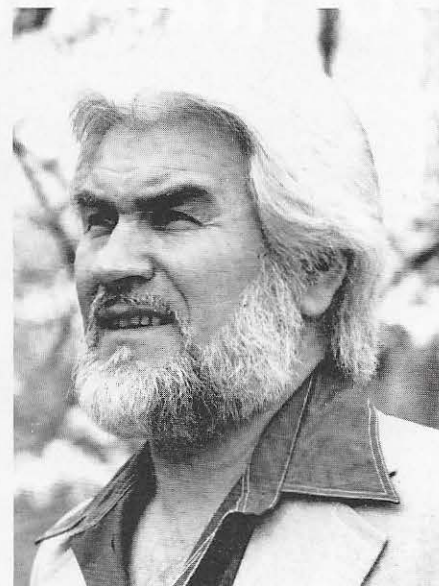
Judi Hunter — "Safety means everything."

Carrot and the stick

"We are proud of our safety record," Gloss said in conclusion. "But more important, we're proud of our safety programs. In establishing them, we've used the carrot and the stick. If the employees are working in a safe manner, they are rewarded with the carrot. When we reached the one-million-hour mark, we had a roast beef dinner with all the trimmings for the employees. As we've hit different plateaus, we've awarded baseball caps with the company logo. Jackets were purchased when we reached the two-million-hour mark. When the employee acts in an unsafe manner, he is given the stick — in the form of a disciplinary letter. It all goes back to attitude and involvement."

Oh, the sweet taste of the carrot. □

Will the real Kenny Rogers stand up?



Hodges

Before country and western singer and song writer Kenny Rogers appeared before a packed house at the Huntington Civic Center this spring, Lee Hodges appeared at the new Huntington Mall.

Lee, Huntington line crew supervisor NE, didn't exactly draw a standing-room-only crowd at the O.K. Corral, a clothing store specializing in men's western wear. But Lee's appearance did earn him \$100, for simply looking himself. Of course, the fact that he bears a striking resemblance to KR, as his fans call him, was the crucial factor.

As part of the promotion for Rogers's appearance, the O.K. Corral sponsored a Look Alike contest. Out of 23 entrants from the Tri State area, Lee walked off with the first prize money. And he did it naturally. All of the other contestants used makeup or special costumes to enhance their looks. Not Lee.

About the whole thing, Lee says, "Sometimes it pays to look like somebody else. About 10 people asked me for autographs, so I guess I really do look something like Kenny Rogers. Or, rather, he looks like me." Looks are where the resemblance stops, however. Lee Hodges isn't a singer. □



Charlie Hunter — "Safety is teamwork."

Power plant of the future



Larry O'Connell stands over a model of the proposed PFBC unit at Tidd Plant.

Imagine this as the power plant of the future.

It would be smaller and less expensive to build and operate. It would have higher thermal efficiency and would meet environmental standards without the use of scrubbers.

Is it too good to be true?

AEP research engineers think not. Since 1976 they have been developing a process that promises all of the above. Known as pressurized fluidized bed combustion (PFBC), it is a means of cleaning sulfur from coal during combustion.

Given AEP's often stated commitment to coal as its primary fuel for the present and the near future, it is not surprising that coal research is an important part of its research and development (R&D) effort.

To date, the data on PFBC are very encouraging, noted Andrew L. Jacob, assistant manager — Analytical and R&D Section, of the Mechanical Engineering Division in New York.

The AEP research project actually is part of a multinational effort. AEP is cooperating with Deutsche Babcock Anlagen AG of West Germany and STAL-LAVAL

Turbin AB of Sweden, a subsidiary of ASEA, to design a PFBC electric generating plant.

The process theory of PFBC is well proven. Smaller test and pilot plants exist in the United States and elsewhere. The challenge for AEP and its research partners is to produce a large-scale PFBC facility that can stand up under the rigorous demands of continuous electrical power generation.

Most of the early laboratory PFBC research was performed by the British National Coal Board (NCB). Thus, it was the natural place for AEP to do its combustion test work. The first combustion tests were conducted at NCB's Leatherhead, England, facility in 1977. It appears the research project will soon come to this country. Currently on the drawing boards are plans to convert Ohio Power's deactivated Tidd Plant, at Brilliant, Ohio, into a 170,000 kw PFBC demonstration unit.

Just how does this promising process work? Simplicity in process and equipment design is one of the keys, according to an AEP report on PFBC prepared last year.

Crushed coal and dolomite (dolomite is a combination of limestone and magnesium carbonate) are injected into a combustor under high pressure. As the coal burns,

forced air is injected from the bottom and gives the coal and limestone particles a turbulent, fluid-like motion.

The sulfur dioxide released during the burning combines with the dolomite and eventually forms calcium sulfate, Jacob said. More than 90 percent of the coal's sulfur is trapped in this manner. With this process, scrubbers are unnecessary and the resulting byproduct, calcium sulfate, is easier to remove and dispose of than the sludge that comes from scrubbers.

Because of turbine requirements, combustion takes place at about 1,560 degrees F., which is roughly half the temperature in today's conventional units. The lower combustion temperature reduces emissions of nitrogen oxide and other corrosive compounds.

The low combustion temperature solves another problem, an EPRI (Electric Power Research Institute) Journal article noted recently. Ash-forming minerals in coal melt to form a molten slag in today's conventional coal-fired boilers. The slag jams up, corrodes, and reduces heat transfer to boiler surfaces and is a major cause of unit problems. With PFBC, the temperature never gets high enough to melt the minerals.

PFBC features a combined cycle operation, utilizing gas and steam turbines. Combustion gases from the fluidized bed are used to drive a gas turbine. Steam generated in tubes that are submerged in the bed drives the other turbine. This improves thermal efficiency of power plants from the 36 percent found in conventional plants with scrubbers today to about 39.5 percent efficiency for a future PFBC plant.

This increased thermal efficiency results in an 8 percent savings in fuel costs.

The cost of building a PFBC power plant would be appreciably less than for today's conventional unit, Jacob said. This is due largely to the elimination of scrubbers and the fact that the combustor is considerably smaller than the boiler it replaces. AEP engineers estimated the cost savings, in 1980 dollars, at \$100 per kw of generating capacity. Thus, a relatively small 500-mw unit would cost \$50 million less to build.

There are still problems to be solved with PFBC, but Jacob indicated they are not insurmountable.

The key challenge was to design a turbine blade that could withstand the corrosive and erosive effects of fluidized bed gases. In a test at Leatherhead, several potential turbine materials were exposed to these gases for a 1,000-hour test period.

"The results were extremely good," commented Larry O'Connell, technical leader for the project engineering in the Mechanical Division. "Over 90 percent of the sulfur in the coal was captured during combustion and there was no evidence of erosion on any materials and only minor corrosion of one material was noted."

Jacob noted that while several organizations are involved in PFBC research, AEP, Deutsche Babcock and STAL-LAVAL appear to have the edge in producing a successful PFBC system design.

The cost of the PFBC research project is high, about \$250 million, of which \$44 million is the estimated value of existing facilities at Tidd Plant. The biggest portion of the price tag involves setting up Tidd Plant as a demonstration unit. STAL-LAVAL and Deutsche Babcock have

shared in financing some of the developmental costs.

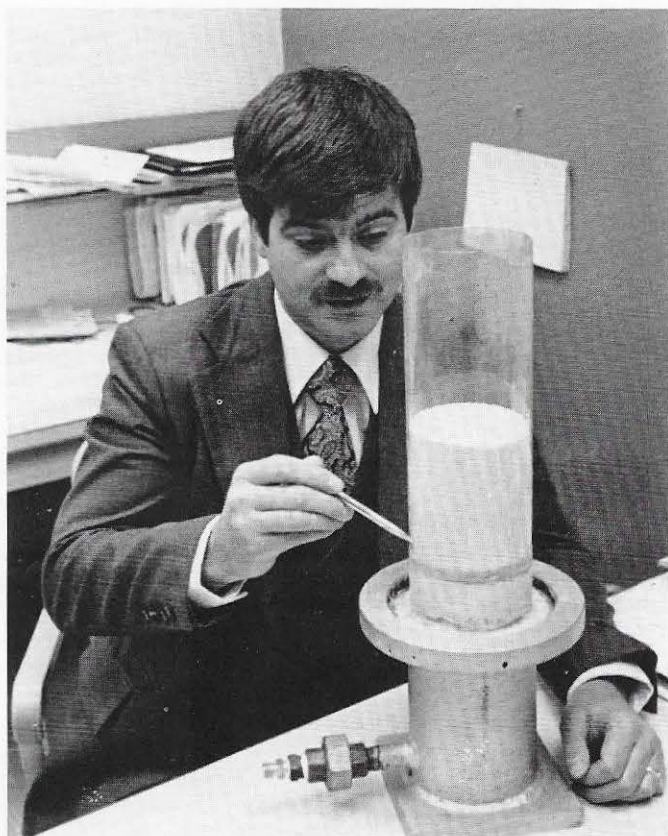
To help pare the cost, AEP is seeking federal funds to help finance the research. It was announced earlier this year that AEP has filed for a \$3.4 million federal grant to help finance the engineering and design of the demonstration plant. However, in order for the time-table for constructing the demonstration plant to proceed on schedule, allowing operation of the PFBC unit by 1986, more funds will be necessary.

As was noted earlier, AEP is not alone in its interest in PFBC. O'Connell suggested that AEP, however, may be partially responsible for creating the interest other businesses have shown.

"AEP is highly visible in the electric utility industry," O'Connell said. "When AEP pursues development of a technology, others become interested because of our solid reputation of being successful innovators in the utility industry."

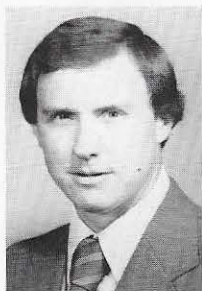
Another promising aspect of PFBC is that appreciable cost savings can be attained and environmental standards met with existing technology. "At Tidd Plant, our purpose is to demonstrate the use of commercial equipment — not to push the state of the art in gas turbine or boiler hardware design," O'Connell said.

AEP's researchers are not the only engineers encouraged by the developments in PFBC. Commented Shelton Ehrlich, manager of EPRI's fluidized combustion research, "I think there is no other way we can achieve all the advantages that fluidized bed combustion offers — reduced capital costs, fuel flexibility, self contained emissions control and a boiler design independent of coal ash properties." □



Andy Jacob points to a model that demonstrates the fluidized bed principle.

Employees earn college degrees



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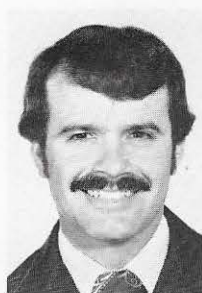
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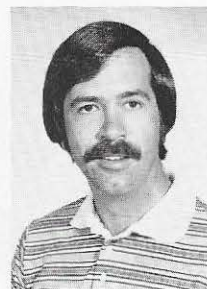
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Timothy Banta, civil engineer-hydro, GO Hydro, Roanoke, graduated from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University with a master of engineering degree in civil engineering.

Wayne Carter, Kanawha River Plant personnel supervisor, graduated from Marshall University with a bachelor of business administration degree.

Sherman Diehl, Beckley meter reader, graduated from Beckley College with an associate degree in business administration.

Glenn Douglas, Mountaineer Plant shift operating engineer, graduated from Glenville State College with a regents bachelor of arts degree.

Susan Fuller, payroll clerk C, GO Accounting, Roanoke, graduated with highest honors from National Business College with an associate in arts degree in business administration-accounting.

Karin Gastineau, classification and accounts payable clerk C, GO Accounting, Roanoke, graduated from Virginia Western Community College with an associate in applied science degree in data processing technology.

Robert Heil, safety coordinator, GO Personnel, Roanoke, graduated from Lynchburg College with a master of administration degree in personnel management.

William Hosaflook, Mountaineer Plant training coordinator, graduated from Marshall University with a master of administration degree.

Charlotte Lavinder, staff researcher, GO Public Affairs, Roanoke, graduated from Radford University with a bachelor of arts degree in English.

David Lawless, Bluefield stores attendant, graduated from Bluefield State College with an associate in science degree in business marketing.

Mike Poore, Pulaski T&D clerk B, graduated from New River Community College with an associate in applied science degree in business management.

William Romeo, Charleston meter superintendent, graduated from the West Virginia College of Graduate Studies with a masters degree in business administration.

Tom Schmaltz, environmental engineer, GO Environmental Affairs, Roanoke, graduated from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University with a Ph.D. in botany.

Nancy Seay, classification and accounts payable clerk C, GO Accounting, Roanoke, graduated with highest honors from National

Business College with an associate in arts degree in business administration-accounting. She was on the national dean's list all quarters; named to Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges; had a 3.96 grade average; was vice president of Administrative Management Society.

Roger Sizemore, Huntington meter electrician B, graduated from Marshall Community College with an associate degree in industrial supervision and management. □

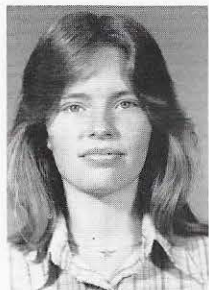
Zwart gains PE status

Jerrold Zwart, operations engineer in General Office Operations, Roanoke, has been certified as a registered professional engineer in the Commonwealth of Virginia.



Zwart joined Appalachian in January 1976 as a civil engineer in General Office Hydro following graduation from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University with a bachelor of science degree in civil engineering. □

Careers await college graduates



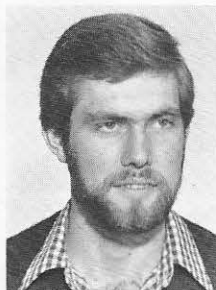
Dana Baldwin



Theresa Beasley



Elizabeth Bias



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Connie Epling



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Abingdon

Lawrence, son of Helen Findley, junior clerk, graduated from Virginia Highlands Community College with an associate degree in general studies and business administration.

Sandra, daughter of John Morefield, engineering technologist, graduated cum laude from East Tennessee State University with a bachelor of science degree. Miss East Tennessee State University — 1980, member of Alpha Psi Omega honorary dramatic fraternity.

John Amos

Stephen, son of Jack Bailey, maintenance mechanic A, graduated from West Virginia State College with a bachelor of science degree in education.

Kermit, Jr., son of Kermit McDaniel, plant safety coordinator, graduated from West Virginia Institute of Technology with a bachelor of arts degree in electronic technology.

Joyce, wife of Jerry Midkiff, maintenance mechanic C, graduated from West Virginia State College with a bachelor of science degree in education.

Beckley

Rebecca, daughter of Larry Brown, engineering technician, graduated from Concord College with a bachelor of science degree in physical education.

Mark, son of Bob McGinnis, division superintendent, graduated magna cum laude from West Virginia University with a bachelor of arts degree in biology. Phi Kappa Phi biology honorary fraternity, completed first year of medical school during undergraduate work.

Bluefield

Denise, daughter of A. E. Anderson, line crew supervisor NE, graduated from James Madison University with a bachelor of science degree in special education.

Lisa, daughter of E. B. Gregory, Tazewell line mechanic B, graduated from Radford University with a bachelor of arts degree in political science.

William Brian, son of J. J. Harmon, Jr., engineering supervisor, graduated with honors from California State University with a bachelor of science degree in electrical engineering. Phi Kappa Phi.

David, son of Jack Hawks, Tazewell line crew supervisor NE, received a certificate of com-

pletion in automotive and diesel technology from Nashville Auto Diesel College.

Michael Sims, son of Jacqueline Houston, Princeton customer accounts representative A, graduated from West Virginia University with a bachelor of science degree in animal and veterinarian science.

Charleston

Jody, son of Lindy Jividen, customer services representative, graduated from Marshall University with a bachelor of arts degree in journalism. Editor of Parthenon 1 year, managing editor 1 year, honors upper division book award during annual honors convocation for his story on the "holocaust".

Michael, son of Haskel Jones, line superintendent, graduated from Alderson Broaddus College with a bachelor of arts degree in speech communication.

Michael, son of Walt Minsker, energy services technologist, graduated from West Virginia University College of Law with a doctor of jurisprudence degree.

Chris, son of Bill Strickland, meter electrician B, received a certificate in drafting from Ben Franklin Technical and Career School. Second highest in class.

Clinch River

Henry Lee, son of Buell Cook, unit supervisor, graduated from Southwest Virginia Community College with an associate degree in engineering technology, major in drafting and design.

General Office

Sandra, daughter of Robert Bacchus, relay specialist, GO T&D Station, Huntington, graduated from Marshall University with a bachelor of science degree in recreation.

Randy Lee, son of Gerald Barbour, regional chief dispatcher, GO Operations, graduated from the Medical College of Virginia/Virginia Commonwealth University with a bachelor of science degree in pharmacy. Rho Chi pharmacy honor society, Sigma Zeta honorary science society, Laurels honor society, Frank P. Pitts award in chemistry.

Elizabeth Sue, daughter of Lucian Bias, operations coordinator (LTD), GO Operations, graduated from Elon College with a bachelor of science degree in physical education. All-conference volleyball team 1979, most valuable player for Elon College 1979 and 1980, dean's list last quarter.

Susan Elaine, daughter of Bob Biggs, general stores supervisor, GO Purchasing and Stores, Roanoke, graduated with distinction from the University of Virginia with a bachelor's degree in nursing.

Bettina, daughter of Bill Bishop, Jr., transmission general supervisor, GO T&D Transmission, graduated from Morehead University with a masters degree in elementary education.

Robin Lee, daughter of Bill Bishop, Jr., transmission general supervisor, graduated from Ashland Community College with an associate in applied science degree in secretarial administration.

Scott, son of Emmett Blackwell, employee relations supervisor, GO Personnel, Roanoke, graduated from the University of Virginia with a bachelor of arts degree in history.

Curtis Jr., son of Curtis Caldwell, stores accounting supervising clerk, GO Accounting, Roanoke, graduated from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University with a bachelor of science degree in finance.

Charles, son of David Crickenberger, meter engineer senior, GO T&D Meter, Roanoke, graduated from Radford University with a bachelor of science degree in business management.

Debra Lynn, daughter of Jim Dunham, energy services manager, GO Customer Services, Roanoke, graduated magna cum laude from James Madison University with a bachelor of science degree in data processing.

Barbara Gail, daughter of Jack Hagerman, transmission supervising engineer, GO T&D Transmission, Roanoke, graduated summa cum laude from Radford University with a bachelor of science degree in chemistry. James Lewis Howe award for outstanding chemistry student.

David, son of Ronald Hively, director of tariffs, rates and contracts, GO Rates & Contracts, Roanoke, graduated from Virginia Western Community College with an associate in applied science degree.

Robert, son of Ronald Hively, director of tariffs, rates and contracts, GO Rates & Contracts, Roanoke, graduated from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University with a bachelor of science degree in accounting.

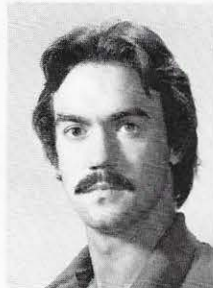
Pamela, daughter of Winston Martin, station construction representative senior, GO T&D Station, Roanoke, graduated from Radford University with a bachelor of science degree in business. Voted outstanding senior, listed in national register of outstanding college graduates.



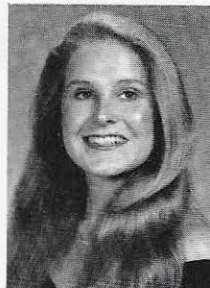
Barbara Hagerman



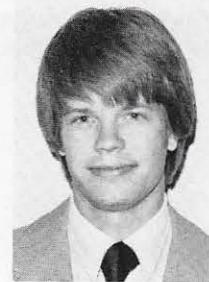
Owen Jarrett



Steve Kilgore



Sandra Morefield



Michael Parker



Linda Poore

Penny, daughter of Derwood Merriman, regional chief operator, GO Operations, graduated from James Madison University with a bachelor of science degree in communications and public relations.

Larry Gray, son of Marvis Overstreet, programmer, GO Accounting, Roanoke, graduated from Old Dominion University with a bachelor of science degree in industrial arts (with certificate to teach).

Kelly Annette, daughter of Peggy Rogers, junior clerk, GO Accounting, Roanoke, graduated from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University with a bachelor of science degree in electrical engineering.

Twila Lynn, daughter of Jerry Saunders, statistical accountant, GO Accounting, Roanoke, graduated from National Business College with an associate in arts degree in business administration — fashion merchandising.

Judy, daughter of Charles Simmons, vice president — construction and maintenance, graduated from Virginia Western Community College with an associate degree in secretarial science.

Lee Ann, daughter of Charles Simmons, vice president — construction and maintenance, graduated from the College of William and Mary with a bachelor's degree in business administration — accounting.

Linda Suzanne, daughter of Wayne Webb, meter mechanic A, GO T&D Meter, Roanoke, graduated from Radford University with a bachelor of science degree in early childhood education.

Glen Lyn

Theresa, daughter of Kenneth Beasley, yard superintendent, graduated cum laude from Concord College with a bachelor of science degree in education.

Connie, daughter of Francis Epling, stores attendant senior, graduated from Radford University with a bachelor of science degree in nursing. Selected by nursing faculty to receive nursing excellence award (highest award given to graduating senior student nurse), lifetime member of Alpha Lambda Delta academic honorary fraternity, Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges, Radford University nursing honor society, International Youth in Achievement.

Mary, daughter of Everett Harris, chief chemist, graduated with distinction from the University of Virginia with a bachelor of science degree in nursing.

Donna Tucker, daughter of Jackie Jessee, maintenance mechanic B, graduated from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State Uni-

versity with a master of science degree in music education. Phi Beta Kappa.

Huntington

Gregory Bowles, son of Joycelyn George, customer representative A, graduated from Marshall University with a bachelor of science degree.

Jane, wife of Mike Fofos, graduated from the University of Cincinnati with a master of science degree in nursing. Sigma Theta Tau national honorary for nurses. Specialized in mental health nursing with focus on problems of elderly. Study funded through School of Medicine.

Cathy, wife of Larry Jackson, electrical engineer, graduated cum laude from Marshall University with a bachelor of business administration degree in finance and business law.

Kanawha River

Eric, son of Nolan Perry, unit supervisor, graduated summa cum laude from David Lipscomb College with a bachelor of science degree in biology. Will attend University of Georgia veterinary school.

Owen Jarrett, son of James Warden, maintenance supervisor, graduated cum laude from West Virginia Institute of Technology with a bachelor of science degree in industrial relations and labor studies. Certificate of merit, outstanding achievement for undergraduate.

Kingsport

Carl Steven, son of Carl Kilgore, engineering technician, graduated cum laude from King College with a bachelor of science degree in business management.

Lynchburg

Lisa Ewers, daughter of Marjorie Holley, customer representative B, graduated from Lynchburg College with a bachelor of arts degree.

Vicky Arrington, daughter of Nowlin Maddox, line mechanic A, graduated from Virginia Baptist Hospital School of Nursing as a registered nurse.

Michael, son of Grady Parker, line and station supervisor, graduated cum laude from James Madison University with a bachelor of science degree.

Mountaineer

Brenda Jean, daughter of Gene Gray, maintenance mechanic A, graduated from Glensville State College with an associate of arts degree in secretarial science.

Pulaski

Jane Bell, daughter of the late Henry Morehead, graduated from Radford University with a bachelor of science degree in home economics. Alpha Chi Chapter of Omicron Nu national honor society.

Emily, wife of John Collins, T&D clerk A, graduated from Twin County Hospital School of Practical Nursing as licensed practical nurse.

Ricky, son of Ralph Dalton, Galax line crew supervisor NE, graduated magna cum laude from Wytheville Community College with an associate in applied science degree in civil engineering technology. Who's Who in American Colleges, Brunswick academic scholarship.

Linda, wife of Mike Poore, T&D clerk B, graduated from Radford University with a master of arts degree in music. Awarded \$250, named outstanding graduate student.

Roanoke

Dana, daughter of Jack Baldwin, customer accounts assistant, graduated magna cum laude from Virginia Western Community College with an associate in applied science degree in mental health technology. Phi Theta Kappa national honor fraternity.

Bill, son of John Faucette, electrical engineer senior, graduated from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University with a bachelor of science degree in computer science.

Leah Marie, daughter of Dillard Gravely, Fieldale engineering technologist, graduated from Danville Community College with an associate in applied science degree in computer science.

Jeff, son of Earl Joyce, Fieldale collector, graduated from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University with a bachelor of science degree in animal science.

Penelope Louise, daughter of Pete Nease, engineering supervisor, graduated from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University with a bachelor of science degree in business administration.

Jim, son of Glenn Reynolds, assistant division manager, graduated cum laude from the University of Richmond with a bachelor of science degree in biology. Historian for Beta Beta Beta national biology honor society, Gamma Sigma Epsilon national chemistry honor society.

Bari Lynn, daughter of Robert Webster, division manager, graduated from East Carolina University with a bachelor of arts degree in music.

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Congratulations, high school graduates

Abingdon

Joy, daughter of H. W. Cox, T&D clerk A, Gate City High.

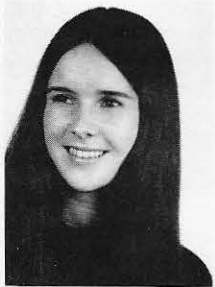
Tainia Sue Duff, daughter of H. D. Plummer, line mechanic A, Abingdon High.

Aleshia Ann, daughter of Jim Farmer, area supervisor, Lebanon High. Lettered in track, sports editor of *The Pathfinder*, mascot for Pioneer basketball team.

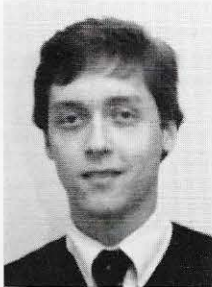
Gary David, son of Martha Farmer, junior clerk, Marion High.

William III, son of William Ferguson, Jr., energy services engineer, Abingdon High. National Honor Society.

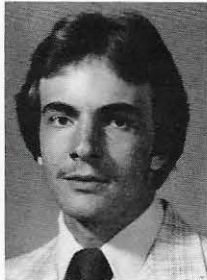
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Mary Rankin



Jim Reynolds



Daniel Stodola

Philip Sporn

Marilyn, daughter of Donald Goodnite, maintenance mechanic A NE, graduated from Boston University School for the Arts with a masters degree in music education.

Mary Ann, wife of Vinton Rankin, chemist, graduated summa cum laude from Rio Grande College with a bachelor of science degree in biological sciences, minor in chemistry. Vice president and secretary-treasurer of Chi Beta Phi honorary science fraternity, 3.79 grade average.

Daniel, son of Marilyn Stodola, plant clerk C, and Paul Stodola, manager of AEP Civil Engineering Lab, graduated magna cum laude from West Virginia Institute of Technology with a bachelor of science degree in civil engineering. Secretary of Tau Beta Pi engineering honor society, president of Alpha Chi honor society, Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges, 3.718 grade average, golf, softball and volleyball teams. □

Jimmy, son of Jim Hughes, personnel supervisor, Abingdon High.

Anita Carol, daughter of Garnett Mullins, customer accounts representative B, Clintwood High. Who's Who in American High School Students, Who's Who in Music; all regional chorus, majorette, marching band, Key Club.

John Amos

Kevin, son of Wanna Barrett, plant clerk B, Hurricane High.

Marion Belcher, daughter of Nancy Hudson, plant clerk B, Hurricane High.

Kevin, son of Arnold Beller, maintenance mechanic B, Poca High. National Honor Society.

Jerry, son of Tommie Bell, maintenance supervisor, Nitro High.

Dannie, Jr., son of Dannie Carte, production superintendent-yard, Buffalo High. Fourth in graduating class, Putnam County Chamber of Commerce technical and industrial student of the year award, student of the year and student of the month in May at Putnam Vocational School. Vocational Industrial Clubs of America winner of state competition in graphic arts.

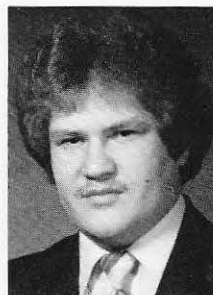
Mike, son of Gary Chancey, maintenance mechanic C, Hurricane High. Valedictorian, honorarium scholarship to West Virginia Institute of Technology.

Robert, son of Ernest Chapman, maintenance mechanic A, Hurricane High. Academic scholarship to Marshall University.

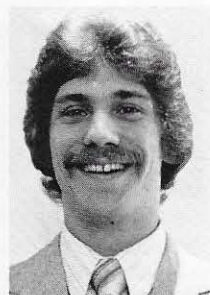
Lisa, daughter of Lloyd Gibson, maintenance mechanic A, Hurricane High. National Honor Society, graduating with clerical and accounting majors, head of majorette and rifle corps.

James, son of Irene Goff, plant clerk-accounting, Hurricane High. National Honor Society, homeroom president, student council, lettered in baseball, track and basketball.

Monica, daughter of Tom Hill, equipment operator, East Bank High. Varsity cheerleader captain, Senior Senate, National Honor Society, volleyball team, secretary of U.N. Organization, attended 1981 Model United Nations meeting at W.Va. Tech, Who's Who Among American High School Students, NAACP certificate of highest distinction for academic standing, received scholarship for having a 3.6 and better grade average at the fourth annual Debutante Cotillion, member of the Debutantes sponsored by the Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Beta Beta Omega Chapter of West Virginia



Henry Arnold



Bruce Bacon

State, track team, 4x100 meter and 4x100 meter relay teams, 800 meter medley team.

Patrick Wayne, son of Bob Hughes, coal equipment operator, Hurricane High. B honor roll, band, stage band, track and cross-country teams.

Sandra Jeffers, daughter of Joella Knopp, junior clerk, Buffalo High.

Cynthia Jo, daughter of Herbert Jordan, coal equipment operator, Winfield High. B honor roll, winner of forensic tournament in poetry and speaking, runner-up for Putnam County queen.

Anna, daughter of Narry Kidd, Jr., assistant yard superintendent, Buffalo High. National Honor Society, varsity cheerleader.

Kenneth Scott, son of Kenneth Landers, maintenance mechanic A, Poca High. National Honor Society.

Cindy, daughter of Kermit McDaniel, plant safety coordinator, Hurricane High. National Honor Society, most improved athletic award, best all around in senior class, Miss Hurricane, cheerleader, member of girls' track team, where she holds the school's record in low hurdles, member of three relay teams which hold the school record.

Arnie, son of Gary Painter, maintenance supervisor, Poca High. National Honor Society.

Teresa, daughter of Dana Thompson, maintenance supervisor, St. Albans High.

Beckley

Jeffery Neal, son of Pete Graham, line mechanic A, Woodrow Wilson High.

Mark Bryan, son of Jack Groseclose, line crew supervisor NE, Woodrow Wilson High.

Robert Forrest, son of Frank Mullins, Rupert line crew supervisor NE, Greenbrier West High.

Lisa Ann, daughter of Bill Wiseman, engineering technician senior, Woodrow Wilson High.

Keith, son of Vern Wooten, stores attendant senior, Woodrow Wilson High.

Bluefield

Donna, daughter of M. E. Anderson, station crew supervisor, Graham High.

Teresa, daughter of R. F. Cline, Grundy stores attendant, laeger High.

Evelyn, daughter of R. A. Daniels, Grundy area service restorer, Grundy High. John Phillip Sousa Award for excellence in band.



Wallace Briggs



Anna Boush



Julie Clark



Edward Dorman



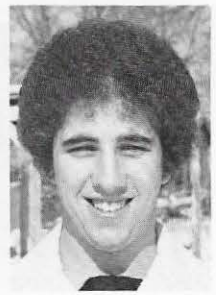
Stephen Grose



Melissa Jennings



Cynthia Jordan



David Kern

William, son of W. C. Dickason, meter reader, Bluefield High.

Mary Ruth, daughter of J. J. Harmon, Jr., engineering supervisor, Graham High. Who's Who in American High Schools, Society of Distinguished American High School Students.

Jacqueline, daughter of Preston Horton, engineering technician, Bluefield High.

John, son of Preston Horton, engineering technician, Bluefield High. Certificate of achievement from State of West Virginia as outstanding student in vocational education in auto mechanics.

Deanna, daughter of D. M. McClanahan, station mechanic A, Graham High.

Leisha, daughter of Mary Lou Rice, customer accounts representative B, Princeton High.

Pamela, daughter of L. W. Robinette, power engineer senior, Melbourne, Fla., High.

Jeffrey, son of Sharon Shrewsbury, customer accounts representative B, Princeton High.

Gary, son of Dean Stover, Grundy line inspector, Mt. View High. AEP Educational Award winner, National Honor Society, lettered in football and baseball, finished in top six in McDowell County Math Field Day competition.

Central Machine Shop

Henry Gene, son of Henry Arnold, production supervisor, Point Pleasant High. B honor roll, president of Mason County Vocational School's Vocational Industrial Clubs of America club business procedure team which won the state contest and competed on the national level last month.

Roger Lee, son of Nick Nickell, production supervisor, Cross Lanes Christian High. B honor roll, outstanding senior Bible award, partial scholarship to Bob Jones University.

Terry Lynn, daughter of Don Parsons, production supervisor, Sissonville High. A honor roll, honor award for academics, Pep Club, representative Sissonville High for art scholarship, secretary of DECA, candidate for Miss Indian.

Centralized Plant Maintenance

Diana, daughter of Kenneth Dillon, maintenance mechanic A, Wahama High.

Charleston

Richard, son of Haskel Jones, line superintendent, Dunbar High.

Stephen, son of Charlie Moore, engineering technician senior, Ripley High. National Honor Society, student council, Varsity Club, 3-year letterman in football.

Dwayne, son of Felix Porter, line crew supervisor, Nitro High. Valedictorian, Honor Society, AEP Educational Award winner.

Ron, son of Roberta Russell, junior clerk, Herbert Hoover High. Honor student, meritorious award for scholastic achievements.

Everett, son of Everett Sparr, meter service mechanic A, Herbert Hoover High.

Chris, son of Bill Strickland, meter electrician B, St. Albans High.

Clinch River

Jeff, son of Jackie Fields, instrument mechanic B, Lebanon High. Chosen Mr. Future Business Leader of America of the Clinch Valley District, Society of Distinguished American High School Students.

General Office

Thomas, Jr., son of Thomas Allen, supervisor-load research, GO Rates and Contracts, Roanoke, Lord Botetourt High.

Christi Ann, daughter of Bill Bacchus, regional chief dispatcher, GO Operations, Abingdon, Abingdon High.

Anthony, son of Elizabeth Barksdale, secretary-stenographer, GO T&D, Roanoke, William Fleming.

John Philip, son of J. B. Berg, accounting manager, GO Accounting, Roanoke, Cave Spring High.

Austin Tyrone, son of James Board, head custodian, GO General Services, Roanoke, William Byrd High.

Anna Maria, daughter of Ed Boush, stores accounting supervisor, GO Accounting, Roanoke, William Byrd High. Art Honor Society, scholastic honors, varsity cheerleaders captain, Beta Club, SCA, FCA, Art Club, Pep Club, U.S. cheerleader achievement award.

Bill, son of Bill Ferguson, station mechanic A, GO T&D Station, Dunbar High. National Honor Society.

Sandra, daughter of W. R. Franklin, communications supervisor, GO Communications, Bluefield, Bluefield High.

Glen Alan, son of J. P. Hardwick, assistant regional chief dispatcher, GO Operations, Abingdon, Abingdon High.

Gordon, son of Otho Middlekauff, transmission station supervisor NE, GO T&D Station, Roanoke, William Fleming High.

Jennifer Lynn, daughter of Martin Ratcliff, customer services associate, GO Customer Services, Roanoke, Staunton River High.

Tracy, daughter of James Reynolds, Jr., relay

specialist senior, GO T&D Station, Roanoke, Salem High. Top 15% of class, 3.4 grade average, National Honor Society, Latin Club publicity chairman, independent Latin (5th year) including all previous years with an A average (receiving summa cum laude), Keyettes, American Field Service, senior class homecoming chairman, senior talent show director.

Jack Jr., son of Jack Richmond, general bookkeeper, GO Accounting, Roanoke, Northside High. Football captain, elected to first team Timesland and All District, honorable mention in Metro and All State, holds four state teenage power lifting records.

Lori Ann, daughter of Evelyn Scott, personnel clerk C, GO Personnel, Roanoke, William Byrd High. Honor graduate, Beta Club.

Clark, son of Calvin Sisson, operations analyst, GO Operations, Roanoke, Northside High. Received 1981 Hall of Fame scholarship to Roanoke College from Roanoke Valley Golf Hall of Fame.

Lynn, daughter of Frank Webb, control electrician A, GO T&D Station, Roanoke, Cave Spring High. National Honor Society, Quill and Scroll International Journalism Honor Society, ranked 13th in class of 468, AEP Educational Award winner, Roanoke College grant.

Kim Annette, daughter of Kathy Weddle, payroll clerk A, GO Accounting, Roanoke, Lord Botetourt High.

Alan Wade, son of Richard Whitlow, transmission station supervisor, GO T&D Station, Huntington, Milton High. Co-honorary, Mountaineer Boys' State, honorary page for W.Va. House of Delegates, Who's Who in American High School Students, attended "Know Your County Government Day", Mu Alpha Theta, Spanish Club, student council cabinet, captain boys' golf team, captain High-Q team, captain math field day team, most outstanding math student award; scholarship to Marshall University.

Kevin, son of Gene Whitmore, electric plant clerk A, GO Accounting, Roanoke, Patrick Henry High.

Mark, son of Charles Wright, drafter A, GO T&D Station Design, Roanoke, Liberty High. Beta Club, Spanish Honor Society, Mu Alpha Theta, honorable mention in earth and space science category in Bedford County and Central Virginia Regional Science Fairs, U.S. Air Force award in earth and space science, American Meteorological Society, lettered in cross-country track and outdoor track.

Glen Lyn

Warren, son of Harvey Gillespie, Jr., plant performance superintendent, Giles High. Who's Who Among American High School Students, International Youth in Achievement.

Marsha, daughter of Kellis McLaugherty, chief plant dispatcher, Peterstown High. Ranked 6th in graduating class with 3.8 grade average, French Club treasurer, lettered in basketball and softball.

Huntington

Stephanie Gail, daughter of C. E. Fowler, Jr., r/w maintenance inspector, Point Pleasant High.

Kelli Dawn, daughter of B. B. Harbour, coatings specialist, AEP Lab, Barboursville High.

Stephen Michael, son of Lyle Grose, station crew supervisor, Milton High. Co-salutatorian, AEP Educational Award winner, senior ensemble, all state chorus, Sons of the American Revolution award, John J. Cox memorial award, Rotary Club student of the month for April, math — trigonometry, calculus, chemistry II, physics-math field day team winner for county.

John Paul, son of David Machir, line crew supervisor, Point Pleasant High. John Philip Sousa award for outstanding bandsman, religious award for person most qualified in that field, Elsie Kay literary award, most talented young man in senior class.

Patrick David, son of Shirley Price, junior clerk, Huntington East High.

Bryan Edward, son of Raymond Ridgeway, meter reader, Huntington High. Top 10% of class, National Honor Society, awarded \$100 academic scholarship by Huntington Black Professional and Business Women's Association, awarded Federal Junior Fellowship by U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Key Club, Ski Club, executive officer of Rugby Club.

Evelyn, daughter of Donald Simms, meter service mechanic A, Huntington High. National Honor Society, majorette, concert band, Latin Club, Mu Alpha Theta, Glee Club, Latin Club.

John Thomas, son of Q. H. Wickline, customer service representative, Point Pleasant High.

Kanawha River

Wallace, son of Boyd Briggs, instrument mechanic B, East Bank High. Graduated 4th in class of 250 with 3.9 grade average, National Honor Society, senior class vice president, recipient of president and Tech honorarium award at West Virginia Institute of Technology for scholastic achievement.

Krista, son of Robert Cruickshank, plant performance superintendent, South Charleston High.

Jeffrey, son of J. A. Hall, unit supervisor, East Bank High.

Bonita, daughter of G. R. Hartman, shift operating engineer, East Bank High.

Vaughn, son of A. W. Searls, maintenance mechanic B, East Bank High.

Jeffrey, son of C. E. Slack, unit supervisor, East Bank High.

Thomas, son of George Youell, instrument maintenance supervisor, DuPont High.

Kingsport

Bruce, son of Carl Bacon, customer services director, Sullivan North High. Beta Club, National Honor Society, best basketball defensive player for 80-81, senior class favorite, Mr. Raider — best all-around senior boy, honorable mention all-conference basketball 80-81.

Lori LeAnne, daughter of Roy Ferrell, Jr., records supervisor, Dobyms-Bennett High.

Gina Lynn, daughter of Carl Kilgore, engineering technician, Gate City High.

Matthew Todd, son of Coy Klepper, meter clerk A, Dobyms-Bennett High.

James Timothy, son of James Lee, line mechanic A, Sullivan North High.

David Thomas, son of Roy Kern, line mechanic A, Sullivan North High. Honor student, special honor for math and science, National Honor Society.

Logan-Williamson

Frank, son of Harry Ruloff, division superintendent, Logan High.

Lynchburg

Edward, son of James Dorman, engineering technologist, Brookville High. Honor roll, merit award 4 years band, merit award 3 years jazz ensemble, merit award 3 years section leader marching band, Varsity Club, lettered in indoor and outdoor track, Who's Who in Music.

Sheila Salmons, daughter of Nowlin Maddox, line mechanic A, Brookville High. National Honor Society.

Melvin III, son of Melvin Wilson, Jr., administrative assistant, Cave Spring High. Graduated in top 10% of class.

Mountaineer Construction

Linda, daughter of Roger Kovalchik, chief civil

construction, Meigs High. National Honor Society, A student.

Mountaineer

Lisa, daughter of Glenn Douglas, shift operating engineer, Ravenswood High.

Troy, son of Willard Huffman, maintenance mechanic A, Nitro High and Ben Franklin Trade School.

Brett, son of Ralph Matthews, yard superintendent, Eastern High.

Eddie, son of Ed Roush, maintenance mechanic A, Wahama High.

Pulaski

Scott, son of Larry Bucklen, customer services representative, George Wythe High.

Richard Cook, son of Bob Frazier, line crew supervisor NE, Narrows High.

Michele, daughter of Mickey Gibson, line mechanic A, George Wythe High.

Melissa, daughter of Harry Jennings, records supervisor, Pulaski County High. Who's Who Among American High School Students.

Amelia, daughter of John Nowlin, line mechanic A, Christiansburg High.

Tammy, daughter of Arlie Parsons, line mechanic A, George Wythe High. Dr. C. B. Hughes sportsmanship award.

Brenda, daughter of Benny White, customer accounting supervisor NE, Galax High.

Allen, son of Larry Willard, line mechanic C, Floyd County High.

Roanoke

Gregory, son of Clay Altice, line mechanic A, Franklin County High.

Benita, daughter of Rufus Anthony, customer servicer, Staunton River High.

Edward, son of George Bronson, engineering technologist supervisor, Lord Botetourt High.

Cheryl Kay, daughter of Earl Bullard, engineering technician senior, Fieldale-Collinsville High.

Rodney, son of Freddie Dearing, garage supervisor NE, William Byrd High.

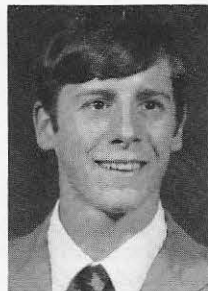
Daniel Park, son of Pete Nease, engineering supervisor, Patrick Henry High.

Jozan, daughter of Alma Obenchain, customer services representative, Staunton River High.

Silas, son of S. F. Plybon, line mechanic A, Franklin County High.



Cynthia McDaniel



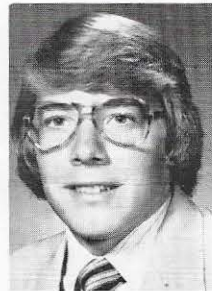
Roger Nickell



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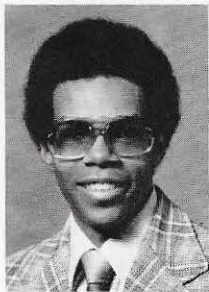


Dwayne Porter



Jack Richmond

NEWCOMERS



Bryan Ridgeway



Sheila Salmons



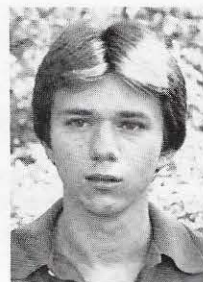
Gary Stover



Lynn Webb



Teresa West



Melvin Wilson

David, son of Bob Ragland, drafter A, Northside High.

Tawanna, daughter of Sybil Taylor, customer services representative, William Fleming High.

Robin Elaine, daughter of Dan Vaught, energy services supervisor, Fieldale-Collinsville High.

Teresa Kay, daughter of Helen West, personnel assistant senior, William Byrd High. Honor graduate, ranked 9th in class of 283, William Byrd choral award, FTA award, outstanding female student for achievement in the choir department, certificate of merit for outstanding achievement in scholarship from Roanoke County School Board.

Philip Sporn

Steven, son of Bill Ohlinger, maintenance mechanic A, Meigs High. National Honor Society, most outstanding male senior, Buckeye Boys' State, leading scorer basketball team, second leading scorer in school's history, leading rebounder in school's history.

Julie, daughter of Dorwin Clark, unit supervisor, Wahama High. AEP Educational Award winner, National Honor Society, marching and concert bands. □

Beckley

Jim Duguid and Dave Shrader, line mechanics D. Mark Ashley, engineering technician. Scottie Sanders, customer services advisor.

Central Machine Shop

Gary Grigsby, welder 2nd class. Cheryl Harris, junior clerk.

General Office

Russell Bays, right-of-way agent, GO T&D R/e & R/w, Charleston. Arthur Spangler, station mechanic D, GO T&D Station, Roanoke. Judy Graybill, junior clerk, GO T&D Meter, Roanoke. Linda Smithers, junior clerk, GO Rates & Contracts, Roanoke. Gregory Campbell, accounting staff assistant, GO Accounting, Roanoke.

Richard Haley, Jr., office messenger, GO General Services, Roanoke.

Huntington

Donna Smith, customer services advisor, Point Pleasant.

Kingsport

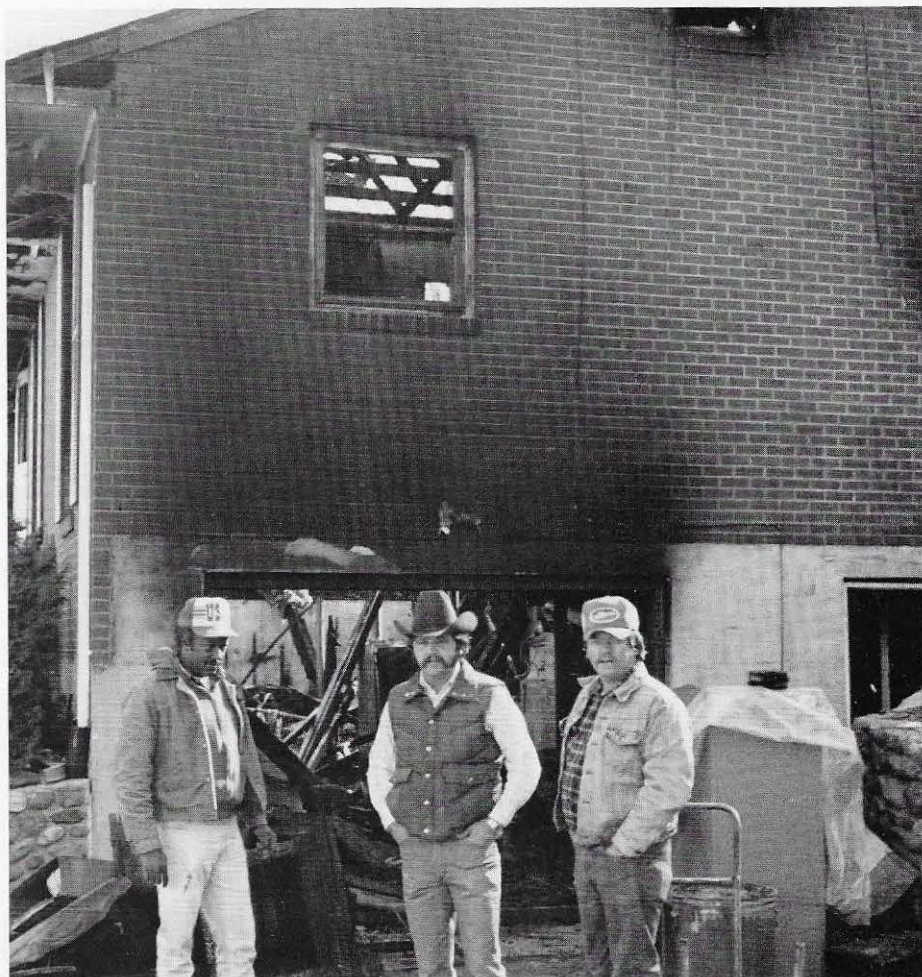
Michael Webb, meter reader.

Pulaski

Mark McGlothlin, tracer.

Roanoke

Gail Cassady, junior clerk, Stuart. Deborah Stone, junior clerk, Fieldale.



It was a case of being in the right place at the right time for three Roanoke employees, who assisted the Botetourt County Volunteer Fire Department in putting out a house fire recently. Eddie Glover, engineering technician; Ronnie Horne, surveyor; and Bill Morris, surveyor assistant-rod, were enroute to a job in Botetourt County when a fire truck passed them. A short distance down the road they saw a house on fire and stopped to offer assistance. The trio helped man hoses and located additional water from nearby ponds. Ronnie also carried one of the firemen, who had been overcome by smoke, away from the house where first aid could be administered. Later, the captain of the fire department called each of them to thank them for their help. Pictured at the scene of the fire are, l. to r., Morris, Glover and Horne.

PROMOTIONS

John W. Faucette, Jr., engineering technologist supervisor, was promoted to electrical engineer senior in Roanoke Division on June 1.

Helen Young, engineering technologist, was promoted to engineering technologist supervisor in Roanoke Division on June 1. She holds a bachelor of science degree in animal husbandry from Penn State University.

Bill Rose, engineering technologist supervisor, was promoted to electrical engineer senior in Roanoke Division on June 1. He holds a bachelor of science degree in electrical engineering from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University.

Larry Dickerman, electrical engineer, was promoted to electrical engineer senior in Roanoke Division on June 1. He holds a bachelor of science degree in electrical engineering from North Carolina State University.

Raymond Lyons, Pulaski office supervisor, was promoted to Christiansburg office supervisor on June 1. He succeeds Fred Myers, who was promoted to Pulaski customer accounts supervisor.

Jon Painter, auditor III for American Electric Power in Canton, was promoted to Pulaski office supervisor on June 1, succeeding Raymond Lyons. Painter holds a bachelor of science degree in business from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University.

George Bronson, engineering technologist, was promoted to engineering technologist supervisor in Roanoke Division on June 1. He holds an associate in applied science degree in electrical engineering technology from Virginia Western Community College.

Jerry Jamison, relay engineer senior, was promoted to relay staff engineer in GO T&D Station, Roanoke, on June 1. He holds a bachelor of science degree in electrical engineering from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University. □



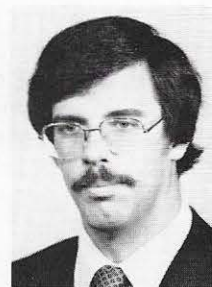
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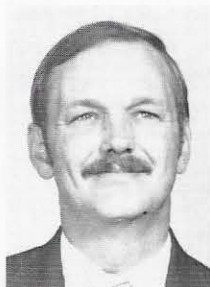
Young



Rose



Dickerman



Lyons



Painter



Bronson



Jamison

BIRTHS

Abingdon

Kevin Anthony, son of Warren Lindsey, line mechanic B, June 13.

John Amos

Christina, daughter of David Haynes, maintenance mechanic C, April 19.

Bluefield

William Kellis, II, son of William Noble, meter electrician C, June 4.

Jonathan Meyers, son of Karl Nation, electrical engineer, May 20.

General Office

Stephanie Leigh, daughter of Robert Allen, operations engineer, GO Operations, Roanoke, May 24.

Melissa Anne, daughter of Michael Neal, electrical engineer-hydro, GO Hydro, Roanoke, June 8.

Shannan Rebekah, daughter of Charlie Hubble, engineering technician, GO Communications, Abingdon, March 23. □

Logan-Williamson

Jennifer Margaret, daughter of Greg Clark, Madison area supervisor, May 7.

Lynchburg

Nicole Marie, daughter of Charlie Holloway, line mechanic A, May 30.

Jessica Marie, daughter of Randy Golladay, line mechanic A, June 11.

Mountaineer

Jonathon Lee, son of Carl Scaggs, assistant yard superintendent, May 12.

Roanoke

Matthew Lane, son of Robert Turner, Fieldale meter reader, May 26.

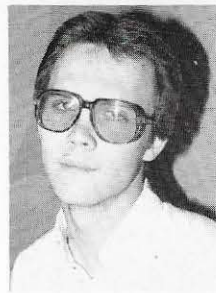
Philip Sporn

Stephanie Jane, daughter of George Reed, equipment operator, May 14.

Melissa Dawn, daughter of Paul Darnell, Jr., auxiliary equipment operator, May 21. □

John Amos

Dannie, son of Dannie E. Carte, Sr., production superintendent — yard, has been named student of the year at Putnam County Vocational Center.



Dannie, a printing student, won first place in the State Skill Olympics of the Vocational Industrial Clubs of America for two years and won the Putnam County Chamber of Commerce award in vocational education this year. He is employed at Three Printers in Charleston while attending Buffalo High School and the printing co-op programs at the Putnam County Vocational Center. □

Beckley

Janey Lee, daughter of Loretta Pryor, customer services representative C, has been chosen to be a majorette for the Woodrow Wilson High marching band.

Mike, son of Bob Dyke, Oak Hill line mechanic A, has been chosen for induction into the National Honor Society. □

Bluefield

Kathy, daughter of Buck Branscome, Princeton line crew supervisor NE, was initiated into the National Honor Society at Glenwood Junior High. She was voted "most liked" by the eighth grade class.

Jessie Ruble, line mechanic B, won second place in his age group in the six-mile run of the Bluefield Community Hospital Annual Marathon on May 30.

Jeff, son of Herman St. Clair, Jr., Bluefield station superintendent, was inducted into the National Honor Society at Bluefield High School, where he is a junior.

Donna, daughter of Lvonne Ferguson, Welch customer accounts representative B, has been inducted into the Gamma Beta Phi scholastic honor society at Marshall University.

Donna, a senior, was also inducted into the Phi Chapter of Kappa Delta Pi educational honor society. □

Mountaineer

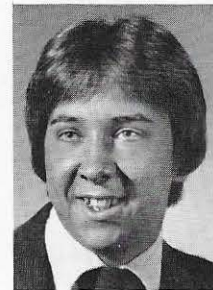
Gerry, son of Jim Straight, maintenance mechanic C, was named to the All Tournament team in the Keith Simmons Memorial Basketball Tournament. A junior, Gerry averaged 14.7 points and 9.9 rebounds per game during the Ripley High regular season. He was named athlete of the month in January and student of the month in February. □

Charleston

Tonya and Shawna, daughters of Ray Sayre, meter electrician A, have won awards in the Nazarene Church talent competition. At the local level, Tonya, 9, won first place in piano and crafts, and Shawna, 7, won first place in art. In zone competition, both girls won first-place blue ribbons. In the West Virginia district competition, Tonya was awarded a first place trophy in talent. □

Clinch River

Jeff, son of Jackie E. Fields, instrument maintenance mechanic B (LTD), was chosen Mr. Future Business Leader of America of the Clinch Valley region. Jeff was also recently elected to the Society of Distinguished American High School



Students.

Betty Snead, secretary, has won an award in the Sherwood Anderson Short Story Contest for Southwest Virginia. Her entry, titled "Waiting on the Chicken Truck," won second place in Category III for college students. Betty attends night classes at Southwest Virginia Community College. □



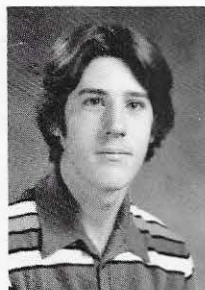
Thomas Kincaid, Jr. (right), Huntington station crew supervisor, was housing chairman for the Mid-Atlantic Joint Gala Day Convention of Shriners and Daughters of Isis in Huntington May 21-23. Abdul Temple #133 was host for 2,000 delegates from North Carolina, Virginia, Maryland, the District of Columbia and West Virginia. William B. Jackson (left), former custodian, serves as local chairman; Catherine Hayes (center), mail clerk, is chairman of devotional services; and, Donald Simms (not pictured), meter servicer A, is bowling chairman.

General Office

Blake, son of J. Emmet Blackwell, employee relations supervisor, GO Personnel, Roanoke, received six awards during the Awards Assembly at Woodrow Wilson Junior High. Among the awards won by Blake, a ninth grader, were the principal's award, the Latin award and sportsmanship award for athletics, outstanding scholarship award, and school pin given to only eight ninth graders for overall performance.

Elizabeth Barksdale, secretary-stenographer, GO T&D Administrative, Roanoke, was elected secretary of the District PTA for Roanoke, Roanoke County, Salem and surrounding areas. She also walked 15 miles in the March of Dimes "Walk America".

Clark, son of Calvin Sisson, operations analyst A, GO Operations, was awarded a \$300 scholarship by the Roanoke Valley Golf Hall of Fame



at the Metro awards banquet. Clark, a two-year golf letterman at Northside High, plans to attend Roanoke College and major in business. His career plans are to become a club and

teaching golf pro. He was selected by Oakland Baptist Church to serve as youth pastor during youth week. Clark also was named to the Society of Distinguished American High School Students.

Melanie, daughter of Betty Lou Carter, editor of publications, GO Public Affairs, Roanoke, has been selected to participate in the Roanoke County public schools gifted student program. □

Glen Lyn

Tammy, daughter of Paul Neely, shift operating engineer, was presented the most talented Greek award for 1981 at Concord College. She was also awarded one of three scholarships to Concord students from the Ella Lively Holroyd Music Fund. At Concord, Tammy is the recipient of

an undergraduate talent scholarship and nominated to the national dean's list. She is pianist for the Chamber Singers, Collegiate Singers, and the ConChords Stage Choir. □

Pulaski

Vicki, daughter of Roy Lawson, retired customer accounting supervisor, recently won the Woman of the Year Award sponsored by *The*



Southwest Times of Pulaski. Vicki teaches distributive education and fashion merchandising at Pulaski County High School, and has coordinated and taught a fashion merchandising

course at New River Community College. She has done some modeling and will be featured on the cover and an inside story in *Redbook* magazine in the fall.



Posey Payne, Jr., meter electrician A, and Scoutmaster of Troop 345, has been given the Boy Scouts Award of Merit in recognition of his service to the youth of the community. He was recommended for the award by the Moneton District of the Blue Ridge Mountains Council. Posey is a brotherhood member of the Order of the Arrow, a member of the district training team, has served as unit

commissioner, and holds the Wood Badge and Scouter's Award. He was also an Eagle Scout.

Linda, wife of Dan Adams, Wytheville area supervisor, was elected to Phi Kappa Phi honorary society at Radford University. Dan's son, **Chris**, was a starting guard for the tournament champion Tigers in the 6th and 7th grade level of the Fort Chiswell Elementary School Basketball League.

Mike, son of Gene Musser, Hillsville area service restorer, was selected as one of Carroll County High's delegates to Boy's State.

Tracy, daughter of John Collins, Hillsville T&D clerk A, was awarded a ribbon in the children's division for outstanding achievement for her oil painting in the Arts and Crafts Festival at Wytheville Community College.

Katherine, wife of Hinkie Dewey, retired commercial engineer, was elected president of the Madeline Harman Woman's Club. □

Logan-Williamson



David Stillwell, energy services engineer, was elected president of the Logan Jaycees.

Paul Owens, Williamson area superintendent, was awarded a plaque in recognition of his efforts as last year's campaign chairman of the Tug Valley United Foundation.

Eugene King, retired Williamson area manager, was elected to the finance committee of the Tug Valley United Foundation.

Harry Ruloff, Jr., division superintendent, was elected to the board of directors of the Logan Kiwanis Club.

Sheila, wife of Roy Mills, area service restorer, was chosen parent of the year by the East Chapmanville Grade School PTA.

Jeff, son of Floyd Taylor, division manager, shot his first hole-in-one on May 15 at the 130 yard, par 3 second hole at Logan Country Club. □

Central Machine Shop

DeAnna, daughter of Frank Williams, production supervisor, was chosen Miss Congeniality at the Belle Town Fair. □

Roanoke

Joe Higgins, Fieldale area manager, was elected president of the Martinsville-Henry County Chamber of Commerce board of directors.

Richard Downey, engineering technician, was chosen as a delegate for Bedford County to the Republican State Convention.

Kathy, daughter of Don Hale, engineering technician senior, has been awarded a certificate of commendation for outstanding achievement in the health care field. Kathy is a second-year student majoring in radiologic technology at Virginia Western Community College. She also received a scholarship from Best Products.



Bryan, son of Mike Pitches, Fieldale line inspector, was the first student in his first grade class to receive a trophy for reading 50 selected books. Bryan also met the scholastic requirement to attend the Summer Honors Program for the Henry County school system.

Johnny, son of Clarence E. Moore, energy services engineer, has been awarded a Certificate of Teaching Excellence for 1981 from VPI&SU.

Johnny, an AEP Education Award winner in 1971, is a VPI graduate, receiving his BA in history in 1975 and his MA in 1979.

William, son of Ivy Layman, Jr., customer servicer, was named to the

Roanoke Valley All District Team. **William**, a sophomore at Franklin County High who plays third base, also received trophies as the most improved player and for winning the batting title with a .438 average. □

FRIENDS WE'LL MISS



Braid



Palmer



Phelps



Lawrence

Edward H. Braid, 78, retired Charleston line supervisor, died June 2. A native of Baltimore, Maryland, he began his career in 1927 as an inspector and retired February 1, 1968.

Robert W. Palmer, 55, chief, electrical construction in the Racine Hydro Construction Department, died May 6. He began his career in 1950 as a maintenance man at Charleston and worked for Amos Plant Construction, Cardinal Unit #3 Construction and Smith Mountain Unit #3 Construction. Palmer is survived by his widow Rita, 2201 Zable Drive, Charleston, W.Va.; two daughters; one son and four grandchildren.

Ryland Thornton Phelps, 93, retired Bluefield division engineering supervisor, died May 29. A native of Greensville County, Virginia, he was employed in 1911 as a civil engineer and retired April 1, 1953. Phelps is survived by his widow Carolyn, 3420 S.W. 26th Place, Ocala, Florida; three sons; one daughter, seven grandchildren and eight great grandchildren.

Joseph D. Lawrence, 80, retired administrative assistant to the vice president and general manager of Ap-



French

palachian, died June 9. A native of Merchantville, New Jersey, he was employed in 1923 as a meterman for Kentucky Power Company in Sprigg, West Virginia. Lawrence took early retirement on December 1, 1962. He is survived by his widow Lucille, 3303 Farmington Drive, Roanoke, Virginia.

James Edgar French, 79, retired system electrical engineer, GO T&D, Roanoke, died May 22. A native of Bailey, Virginia, he was employed in 1922 as a rodman and retired June 1, 1965. French is survived by his widow Letha, 1009 Wilson Avenue, Pulaski, Va.; and two sons.

Alvin W. Holley, 50, Amos Plant head custodian, died May 28 in a traffic accident while enroute to work. A native of Bownemont, West Virginia, he was employed in 1971 as a utility man. B. Holley is survived by three sons and one daughter. □

SERVICE ANNIVERSARIES



Clarence Drain
shift operating eng.
Glen Lyn
45 years



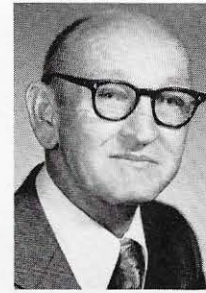
Charles Whately, Jr.
trans. station supv.
GO-Roanoke
40 years



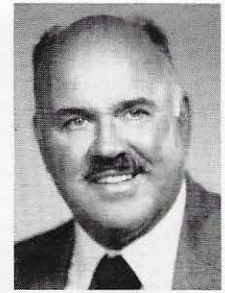
Carl Murray
div. r/w maint. insp.
Point Pleasant
40 years



Bob Main, Jr.
station designer
GO-Roanoke
40 years



Boyd Richmond
sta. crew supv.
Beckley
35 years



Warren Boblett
meter serv. mechanic
Lynchburg
35 years



Hurd Mason
stores & gar. supv. B
Roanoke
35 years



George Linger, Jr.
maintenance mech. C
Kanawha River
30 years



Billy Smith
regional dispatcher
GO-Roanoke
30 years



Ken Estep
line crew supv.
Charleston
30 years



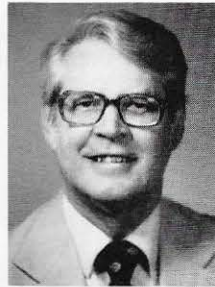
Mabel Fulp
elec. plant clerk A
GO-Roanoke
30 years



William Gibbs
inst. maint. supv.
Philip Sporn
30 years



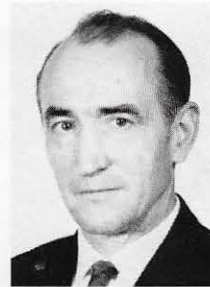
Carl Riddle
line crew supervisor
Kingsport
30 years



Bill Ford
cust. services mgr.
Lynchburg
30 years



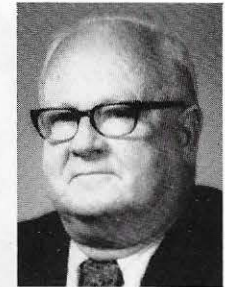
Kenneth Rollins
yard superintendent
Philip Sporn
30 years



Clarence Bradford
unit supervisor
Philip Sporn
30 years



Gail Buck
maint. mech. B
Philip Sporn
30 years



Tom Pillow
power engineer
Lynchburg
30 years



George Wolf
shift op. engineer
Philip Sporn
30 years



Lefty Weatherly
maintenance mech. A
Glen Lyn
30 years



Emory Fugate
T&D manager
Kingsport
25 years



Pat Stowers
gen. records supv.
GO-Roanoke
25 years



Hazel Camden
secretary-steno.
GO-Roanoke
25 years



Lyle Grose
station crew supv.
Huntington
25 years



Doris Young
statistical analyst
GO-Roanoke
25 years



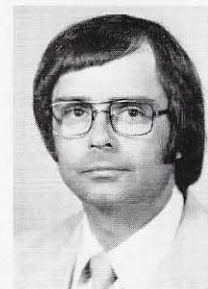
Jimmy Munsey
reg. chief dispatcher
GO-Huntington
25 years



Norma Lou Davis
cust. acctg. clerk A
GO-Roanoke
25 years



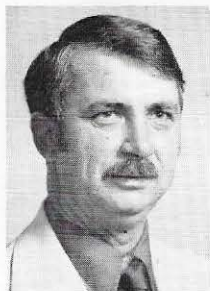
Herbert Lewis
station operator A
GO-Kingsport
25 years



Clarence Haas
staff asst.-eng.
GO-Roanoke
25 years



J. B. Rice
eng. building supv.
Lynchburg
25 years



Charles Bacchus
reg. chief dispatcher
GO-Abingdon
25 years



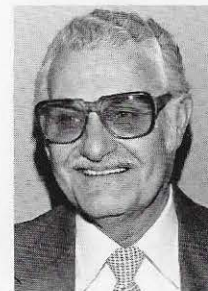
Darrel Sanford
line crew supv.
Rupert
25 years



Jimmy Hardwick
asst. reg. chief disp.
GO-Abingdon
25 years



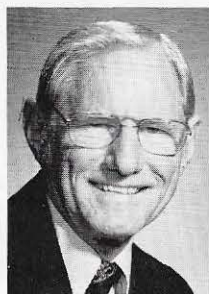
William Haddad
regional dispatcher
GO-Roanoke
25 years



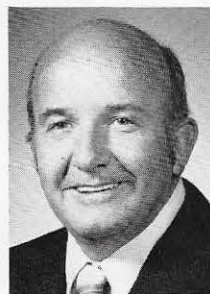
Samuel Brown
tractor operator
Kanawha River
25 years



Jack Pickens
unit supervisor
Philip Sporn
25 years



Lawrence Miller, Jr.
service coordinator
Kingsport
20 years



Howard Hudson
eng. technologist sr.
Kingsport
20 years



Larry Bausell
shift op. eng.
Mountaineer
20 years

Clinch River

15 years: **Ronald Osborne**, plant performance engineer. 10 years: **Samuel Amos**, unit supervisor. **Billy Cornett**, maintenance mechanic B. 5 years: **Randall Garner**, performance engineer.

General Office

30 years: **Helen Thompson**, stores accounting clerk A, GO-Roanoke. 15 years: **Clifton Ayers**, survey party chief, GO-Roanoke. **Gail Durham**, secretary, GO-Roanoke. **Brenda Brown**, purchasing clerk A, GO-Roanoke. **Daniel Bird**, control technician A, GO-Roanoke. **Robert Bacchus**, relay specialist, GO-Huntington. 10 years: **Archie Sparks**, communications engineer, GO-Roanoke. **Joyce Curd**, senior key entry operator, GO-Roanoke. **Jim Fralin, Jr.**, electric plant clerk B, GO-Roanoke. **Charles Rowe**, electrical engineer, GO-Roanoke. **Mark Vinson**, electrical engineer, GO-Roanoke. **Larry Myrick**, transmission engineer, GO-Bluefield. **Larry Dudley**, transmission mechanic C, GO-Bluefield.

Glen Lyn

5 years: **Lynn Morgan**, instrument mechanic D.

Huntington

15 years: **Mack Terry**, general servicer. 10 years: **Mike Barbour**, drafter B. **Randy Hensley**, station mechanic A. **Jim Johnson**, station mechanic A.

Kanawha River

10 years: **Eugene Webb, II**, maintenance mechanic A. **Garry Smith**, equipment operator.

Abingdon

5 years: **Charles Boggs**, meter reader.

John Amos

10 years: **Robert Ringel**, stores attendant. **David Abbott**, maintenance mechanic A. **Harold Saunders**, maintenance supervisor. **Norman Sowards**, car dumper. **Melvin Miller, Jr.**, assistant yard superintendent. 5 years: **Charles Tomlin**, plant engineer. **Larry Cutlip**, coal equipment operator.

Beckley

5 years: **Tom Massey**, T&D clerk C. **Jim Dunsford**, stores attendant. **Dave Reeves**, meter reader, Oak Hill.

Bluefield

10 years: **Dianna Bishop**, customer accounts representative B. **Harold Thomas**, custodian. **Buck Cornwell**, line mechanic A. **Weldon Holliday**, line mechanic A. **Virgil Lucado**, line mechanic B. 5 years: **Stuart Thomason**, T&D clerk B. **Shirley Honaker**, custodian.

Central Machine Shop

5 years: **Zeg Minner**, stores attendant. **Carol Kosa**, machinist 3rd class.

Charleston

15 years: **Bo Waldon**, line mechanic A. **Eddie Stone**, customer accounts representative A. **Ron White**, head T&D clerk. 5 years: **Norman Brogan**, line mechanic C.

Kingsport

10 years: Roger Hubbard, servicer. Harold Gillenwater, station mechanic A. 5 years: J. T. Brunner, Jr., line mechanic C.

Mountaineer

15 years: Pete Anderson, utility supervisor. Dave Synowiec, operations superintendent. 10 years: Allen Downie, ash supervisor. Buddy Blank, plant engineer.

Pulaski

15 years: Glenda Wohlford, secretary.

Roanoke

15 years: Maynard Handy, engineering technician senior. Robert Bower, station crew supervisor exempt. 5 years: Thomas Walker, Jr., electrical engineer. Michael Dudding, line mechanic C.

Philip Sporn

15 years: Arthur Casey, maintenance supervisor. 5 years: Connie Staats, maintenance mechanic C. Donna Scaggs, maintenance mechanic C. Erma JoAnn Goulart, janitor. Charles Hunter, maintenance mechanic B. Patricia Laudermitl, maintenance mechanic B. Carolyn June Maxey, maintenance mechanic C. Randy Stanton, equipment operator. Victor Counts, maintenance mechanic B. David Sayre, maintenance mechanic B. □

WEDDINGS



Raitt

Rhonda Denise Thompson to Anthony W. Amos, Roanoke meter reader, May 16.

Lisa Black to Sam Craddock, Jr., May 1. Sam is the son of Sam Craddock, production superintendent-welding, Central Machine Shop.

Barbara Shaw to Patrick Farry, utility worker, John Amos Plant, April 25.

Brenda Jean Gray to Jeffrey Furr, May 30. Brenda is the daughter of Gene Gray, maintenance mechanic A, Mountaineer Plant.

Kimberly Ellen Noffsinger to Mark Allen Gillespie, June 6. Kimberly is the daughter of Howard Noffsinger, maintenance mechanic A, John Amos Plant.

Faye Delong, Roanoke customer representative B, to John B. Thacker, June 20.

Helen Dianne Dale, Mountaineer utility worker, to David L. Sprouse, May 9.



Peterson

Judy Lynn Simmons to Robert Bentley Gore and Lee Ann Simmons to Jack Scott Hodge in a double wedding ceremony, June 20. Judy and Lee Ann are the daughters of Charles A. Simmons, vice president of Appalachian Power.

Diana Marshall, Abingdon meter reader, to Jesse L. Ireson, May 23.



Ireson

Mitzie Kay Naff to William D. Peterson, Jr., May 2. Mitzie is the daughter of Ralph Naff, right-of-way agent, Roanoke.

Catherine Edwards Willis to Jeb Bond Raitt, May 9. Catherine is the daughter of Ogden Willis, retired performance engineer senior, John Amos Plant. □



Gore

Hodge

Just clowning around

When Larry Redden and Ronnie Switzer clown around, they do it in grand style.

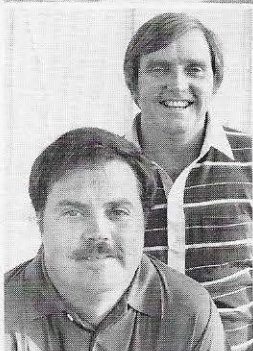
The two Roanoke line mechanics A are members of the Kazim Shrine Temple in Roanoke and are deeply involved in the Temple's efforts to raise money for Shrine Crippled Children's Hospitals and Burn Units.

Larry is director of the Temple's "Klown Unit," and Ronnie is its secretary.

"Our purpose is to entertain children while we're raising money for the hospitals," Larry says. We gain publicity for the hospitals and donations by appearing in parades, at the Shrine Circus and other public and private activities."

He reports that the unit's 37 clowns design and create their own individual faces and costumes as well as provide their own equipment, such as two 1942 Harley-Davidson motorcycles, a 1932 Ford model A, and a dozen other colorful items.

As Ronnie puts it, "We get a lot of satisfaction from helping children receive needed medical attention, and we're able to have a lot of fun doing it by clowning around and making kids laugh."



Many hours are spent each year by Larry Redden (on the right in both photos) and Ronnie Switzer putting on their clown faces and costumes. The two are shown at left as they appear to their fellow employees while on the job. Considerable thought and attention to detail goes into the design of a clown's face and the finished product is so unique it can often be copyrighted.



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