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#### The cover

The three children of Dick Northup, environmental affairs director of Appalachian Power, have been swimming competitively for a total of 23 years. Noel, age 9, has won numerous ribbons and medals in 6 years of competition. Zac, age 13, has amassed 75 ribbons and medals in 8 years; and Patrick, age 14, has earned 125 ribbons and medals in 9 years. Dick has been active in swimming administrative programs for 9 years and has been meet director of the Roanoke Valley championship swim meet for the past 4 years.

#### Savings plan unit values

| Date    | Fixed Income Fund |       | Equity Fund |       | AEP Stock Fund |       |
|---------|-------------------|-------|-------------|-------|----------------|-------|
|         | VPU               | UCPD  | VPU         | UCPD  | * VPU          | UCPD  |
| 1/31/83 | \$1.6025          | .6240 | \$2.1896    | .4567 | \$1.5188       | .6584 |
| 2/28/83 | 1.6188            | .6177 | 2.2460      | .4452 | 1.4850         | .6734 |
| 3/31/38 | 1.6368            | .6109 | 2.3268      | .4298 | 1.5065         | .6638 |
| 4/30/83 | 1.6537            | .6047 | 2.5040      | .3994 | 1.6094         | .6213 |
| 5/31/83 | 1.6691            | .5991 | 2.4926      | .4012 | 1.5943         | .6272 |

VPU - value per unit

UCPD — units credited per dollar

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.

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## Chain saw champion

"I probably cut twice as much firewood as the person who heats his house with wood, yet I don't own a wood burner," claims Sherman White. A utility operator A at Mountaineer Plant, he is a regular participant in one of the nation's newest sports — chain saw competition.

"I first got involved in competition about three years ago when the Meigs County, Ohio, Jaycees sponsored one as a moneymaker," Sherman notes. "When I saw the competition, I found it to be interesting. Now the more I participate, the more interested I get. It is a growing sport and is far cheaper than go carts, race cars or the like."

Sherman has won several first, second and third places in competition at county fairs in West Virginia and Ohio. He adds, "Recently I came in third in the Alabama State Forest Festival. There were 20 in competition. The boy who won it was from Minnesota, the second-place winner was from Idaho. Someday I hope to be good enough to participate in the Homelite national championship, but so far I'm just learning.

According to Sherman, there are three events in chain saw competition — speed cutting, precision cutting and disc stack. He participates mostly in the speed cutting event.

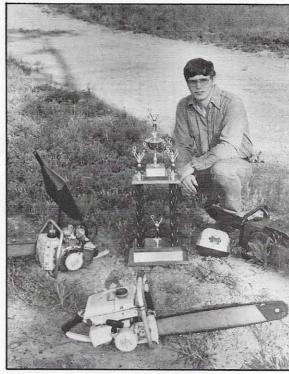
"In speed cutting," Sherman says, "you have to saw down through a log, back up through and down again. In other words, you have to cut the log three times. You have to do that in a specified area and you are timed on how long it takes you to do this.

"In the Alabama competition, I cut 10-inch wood in 4.72 seconds. The winner had 4.3 seconds. There was less than a half second between the first three places. It is not uncommon to be beat out by 2/100 of one second. It really makes you sick. In Alabama, for instance, there was \$250 riding on the line, and my third place just didn't get it. I missed \$100 in Pike County, Ohio, by 16/100 of a second. It was just the luck of the draw, I guess."

Sherman explains there are three classes of competition also — stock, open stock and modified stock. "I have run the stock and open stock classes for the last two years and now am getting into the modified stock. The stock class is for chain saws that you buy off the shelf. In open stock, you can modify the engine anyway you want but it still has to look like a chain saw. It has to have all the covers and guards on it. In the modified stock you can use anything you can carry in and start with a rope.

"What I run in the modified class is a 101 McCulloch go-cart motor with twin carburetors and expansion chain. The intake has been bored and polished, the exhaust part raised up, and the timing adjusted. It will crank out 20 plus horsepower and runs on methane.

"In addition, the classes are divided into different size engines. Around in this area of Ohio we usually run six different size engines in the stock class, two in the open stock, and one in the modified. That gives you nine classes altogether. They start out with 0 to 2 cubic inch and



Sherman White displays some of his 15 chain saws and a trophy he has won.

the top is 6.5 cubic inch and up. They are divided more or less equally between the rest of the classes. The open stock last year was 0 to 5 and 5 and up."

Women are not excluded from this sport, Sherman notes. "There is usually a powderpuff competition at the county fairs. At the Alabama Festival, though, there is not a competition for women."

Sherman adds, "You must be 18 or over to enter, and you have to sign a release so that you can't sue the organization holding the competition if you get hurt. It doesn't sound like it, but the chain saw competition is really safe. The saws are inspected and, if you don't have a clutch guard, for example, you will not be allowed to enter."

Sherman concludes, "I couldn't have done as well in competition as I have without the help of my friends. People at the plant have donated trees for me to cut up just for the practice.

"Cutting with a chain saw is work, but I still enjoy it. I can see what I've done when I get through. For example, the biggest tree I ever cut was four feet across. When I got finished, I had three cords of firewood. I cut that in about three days, and I took that to be pretty much of an accomplishment."



Sherman white, center, competes in a disc cutting event in chain saw competition.

#### APCo requests emergency rate relief in Virginia

Citing its worsening financial condition, Appalachian Power Company last month asked the Virginia State Corporation Commission (SCC) for emergency rate relief totaling \$29.5 million, effective July 1.

At the same time, Appalachian filed a separate petition asking that the SCC reconsider its June 3 order in which it rejected the company's request for interim relief of \$9.9 million.

On May 10, Appalachian filed a request for a permanent rate increase of \$42.2 million and asked that \$9.9 million of that amount be granted as interim relief. The Commission denied the interim relief and scheduled hearings on the overall rate request for October 4. The company's petition for reconsideration includes a request that those hearings start in August, or at the latest, early September.

Company President John W. Vaughan, in testimony filed with the rate request, said that Appalachian faces a "severe financial emergency" which can be dealt with only by quick SCC approval of the emergency rate relief. The \$29.5 million emergency relief represents a portion of the \$42.2 million the company has requested as a permanent increase. If Appalachian's request for emergency rate relief is granted, the \$29.5 million increase would be put into effect under bond and subject to refund pending final Commission approval.

# Kingsport Power gets 1% rate hike

The Tennessee Public Service Commission has granted Kingsport Power Company a rate increase of approximately \$458,000, or 1%, to offset an increase in wholesale power rates charged by Appalachian Power Company

The increase, effective June 1, is subject to approval by the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission of a settlement agreement between Appalachian and Kingsport Power.



Dominion Bankshares President Warner N. Dalhouse (left) shows Appalachian President John W. Vaughan a computer printout of the names of the 10,000 customers enjoying the benefits of the Checkless Payment Plan. The cake in front of the computer terminal between them was baked in celebration of the milestone.

# 10,000 customers use APCo checkless payment plan

An automatic bill payment service introduced by Appalachian Power Company a year ago has been adopted by 10,000 customers.

"Our Checkless Payment Plan is an excellent example of how modern electronics can bring added convenience into our lives and make our day-to-day activities less complicated," notes Appalachian President John W. Vaughan.

Last summer Appalachian became the first utility in its service area to offer a pre-authorized bill payment service to customers through the financial industry's automated clearing house association.

While the service is available to any Appalachian customer whose financial institution belongs to the clearing house association, the utility worked closely with Dominion Bankshares Corporation officials in Roanoke in developing the program.

According to Dominion's president and chief executive officer, Warner N. Dalhouse, "Customer convenience has attracted 10,000 people to Appalachian's Checkless Payment Plan. Dominion

Bankshares Corporation is proud to be involved in implementing such a plan which makes paying an electric bill so easy and worry-free."

Vaughan noted that while the service is relatively new for the payment of utility bills, the system is widely used for other applications, primarily the direct deposit of paychecks by businesses and the U.S. military services. Among the system's largest users is the nation's social security system.

"Customers who have signed up for our new plan no longer have to worry about getting their electric service bills paid on time," Vaughan said. "It's taken care of for them. They do, however, continue to receive an information copy of their electric bill at least 10 days before their account is charged for the amount due."

Vaughan said the participation in the plan has grown steadily since it was introduced, a trend he expects to continue. Applications and additional information are available from any Appalachian office and many financial institutions, he stated. □

### **Employees complete college study**



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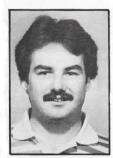
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David Eugene Campbell, clerk, GO General Services, Roanoke, graduated from National Business College with an associate degree in business administration/management.

Sheila Sigmon Campbell, stenographer, GO Public Affairs, Roanoke, graduated with honors from National Business College with an associate degree in business administration/management.

Mike C. Coffey, Roanoke energy services engineer, graduated from Lynchburg College with a masters degree in business administration.

Robert L. Farley, Bluefield engineering technologist, graduated from Bluefield State College with a bachelor of science degree in electrical engineering technology.

William M. Fisher, Bluefield engineering technician, graduated from Bluefield State College with an associate of science degree in electrical engineering technology.

Randy L. Gunno, stores attendant, John Amos Plant, graduated from West Virginia State College with a bachelor of science degree in management.

Carl Handley, maintenance supervisor, John Amos Plant, graduated from West Virginia State College with a regents bachelor of arts degree.



Washington

F. A. "Chip" Harris, communications engineer senior, GO T&D Communications, Roanoke, graduated from Lynchburg College with a master of business administration degree.

Stanley M. Hill, senior computer operations supervisor. GO Accounting, Roanoke, graduated from Virginia Western Community College with an associate degree in business management.

David L. Kendrick, Jr., Beckley marketing and customer services manager, graduated from the West Virginia College of Graduate Studies with a master of business administration degree.

Judith P. Lester, statistical accountant, graduated magna cum laude from Virginia Western Community College with an associate in applied science degree in accounting.

James R. Nisbet, Logan-Williamson marketing and customer services supervisor, graduated from West Virginia Institute of Technology with a regents bachelor of arts degree.

Jim Palmer, Pulaski area service restorer, graduated from New River Community College with an associate in applied science degree in business management (certificate in business and industrial supervision).

Howard M. Poage, Jr., data processing operator B, GO Accounting, Roanoke, graduated from National Business College with an associate in arts degree in business administration, computer science.

Robert L. Robinson, Central Machine Shop winder 2nd class, graduated from West Virginia State College with a bachelor of science degree in business administration.

Clifford L. Washington, Jr., Beckley station mechanic A, graduated from Concord College with a bachelor of science degree in business administration.

## Careers await college graduates

#### Abingdon

David, son of John Blankenship, station mechanic A, graduated from Virginia Commonwealth University with a bachelor of science degree in business administration.



Melanie Sherrod, daughter of Andrew Buchanan, marketing and customer services representative, graduated cum laude from Georgia State University with a bachelor of science degree in physical therapy.

Chris Allen Reedy, son of Lois Campbell, customer accounts representative C, graduated from Brigham Young University with a bachelor of science degree in business management.



Sara Ellen, daughter of William Ferguson, Jr., energy services engineer, graduated from Virginia Polytechnic Institute & State University with a bachelor of arts degree in management. AEP Educational Award winner in 1979.

Jonae Buckley, daughter of O. C. Hawley, building supervisor, and Dorothy Hawley, T&D clerk A, graduated from West Virginia College of Graduate Studies with a masters degree in special education with specialization in learning disabilities.



Mary Oley, daughter of James Hughes, personnel supervisor, graduated magna cum laude from Virginia Commonwealth University Medical College of Virginia with a bachelor of science degree in occupational therapy.

John Randal, son of John Morefield, engineering technologist, graduated from Virginia Highlands Community College with an associate degree in electronics.

Anita Carol, daughter of Garnett Mullins, Clintwood customer accounts representative B, graduated from Hiwassee College with an associate arts degree in business administration.

Karen Nelson, daughter of Garnett Mullins, Clintwood customer accounts representative B, graduated from Radford University with a bachelor of science degree in psychology.

Donna, wife of Robert Triplett, Clintwood line mechanic A, graduated from Clinch Valley College of the University of Virginia with a bachelor of arts degree in elementary education.

#### John Amos

Kimberly, wife of Mark Dunlap, maintenance mechanic C, graduated from Marshall University Community College with an associate in applied science degree.

Darrell, son of Jimmy Ferguson, assistant shift operating engineer, graduated from West Virginia Institute of Technology with a bachelor of science degree in engineering technology. He was treasurer of American Congress on Surveying and Mapping Club.

#### Beckley



Gary Steven, son of Jennings Begley, Oak Hill line crew supervisor exempt, graduated cum laude from West Virginia Institute of Technology with a bachelor of science degree in mining engineering.

Kyle, Jr., son of Kyle Ellison, line and station superintendent, graduated from Auburn University with a master of science degree in electrical engineering. He received a fellowship from Whirlpool Corporation to complete his masters.

Michael, son of Richard Graham, line mechanic A, graduated from West Virginia Institute of Technology with a bachelor of science degree in mining engineering.

Kim Lee, son of R. W. Martin, Oak Hill area supervisor, graduated magna cum laude from Purdue University with a bachelor of science degree in civil engineering.

David, son of Dwight Williams, marketing and customer services representative, graduated from West Virginia College of Graduate Studies with a master of science degree in industrial relations.

#### Bluefield



Iris, wife of David Chumbley, meter supervisor nonexempt, graduated with honors from Bluefield State College with an associate of science degree in nursing.



Timothy, son of Paul Dalton, acting garage supervisor, graduated cum laude from Bluefield State College with a bachelor of science degree in electrical engineering technology. He received a Russell J. Cousins Memorial Scholarship in 1981 and 1982

#### Centralized Plant Maintenance

Gary, Jr., son of Gary Sigman, Sr., maintenance mechanic A, graduated from Glenville State College with a bachelor of arts degree in education.

#### Charleston

Ruth, wife of Art Burdette, engineering supervisor, graduated from West Virginia College of Graduate Studies with a master of arts degree in school psychology.

Linda, wife of William Chester, Jr., line mechanic A, graduated from West Virginia College of Graduate Studies with a masters degree in special eduation (learning disabilities).

Owen, son of Charles Walker, marketing and customer services representative, graduated from West Virginia State College with a bachelor of science degree in parks and recreation. He also holds a bachelor of science degree in park administration from Shephard College.

#### Clinch River



Brenda, wife of Jimmie Musick, maintenance mechanic A, graduated magna cum laude from Clinch Valley College of the University of Virginia with a bachelor of science degree in elementary education. She maintained a 3.8 average and completed a four-year course of study in three years.

#### General Office

Donna Lynn, daughter of Bob Biggs, purchasing supervisor, graduated from James Madison University with a bachelor of science degree in special education (emotionally disturbed).

Floyd, son of Curtis Caldwell, supervising clerk, GO Accounting, Roanoke, graduated from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University with a bachelor of science degree in food science and technology.

Cheryl, daughter of Lewis Chittum, control electrician A, GO T&D Station, Roanoke, graduated from Virginia Commonwealth University with a masters degree in social work.

Stuart LeRoy, son of LeRoy Dalton, hydro operations superintendent, GO Hydro, Roanoke, graduated from Virginia Western Community College with an associate of arts degree in commercial art.

Jenny, wife of Charlie Drastura, III, communications engineer, GOT&D Communications, Huntington, graduated from Marshall University with a master of arts degree.

Melody, daughter of John Horn, general stores supervisor, GO Purchasing, Roanoke, graduated from Virginia Polytechnic Institute & State University with a bachelor of science degree in business administration-finance.



Laura Jean, daughter of Clifford LaGrow, regulatory and statistics supervisor, GO Accounting, Roanoke, graduated magna cum laude from Mary Baldwin College with a bachelor of arts degree in mathematics and education. An AEP Educational Award winner in 1979, she ranked ninth in her college graduating class.

Gabrielle, daughter of John Larew, executive assistant, GO Executive, Roanoke, graduated from Drew University with a bachelor of arts degree.

Samuel, son of Herb Lewis, station operator A, GO Operations, Kingsport, graduated from the University of Tennessee Medical College with a doctor of medicine degree.

Julie, daughter of Morris McCrary, assistant accounting manager, GO Accounting, Roanoke, graduated from Radford University with a bachelor of science degree.

Harold, son of Fred Moore, operations information



supervisor, GO Operations, Roanoke, graduated from Evangel College with a bachelor of business administration-management degree (minor in computer science). He was president of the local chapter of Phi Beta Lamda, national organization for business majors; selected as "Mr. Future Busi-

ness Executive" for the State of Missouri; elected to "Who's Who in American Universities and Colleges", and served as resident assistant.

Michael Dean, son of Dean Price, right of way agent, GO T&D R/e & R/w, Roanoke, graduated from Radford University with a degree in criminal justice (minor in sociology).

Hal Gregory, son of Glenn Reynolds, marketing and customer services director, GO Customer Services, Roanoke, graduated from Virginia Polytechnic Institute & State University with a bachelor of science degree in business administration.

James, son of Jimmy Thomas, Jr., right of way agent, GO T&D R/e & R/w, Roanoke, graduated from the University of Virginia School of Medicine with a Ph.D. in microbiology.

Michael, son of Wayne Webb, meter mechanic A, GO T&D Meter, Roanoke, graduated from Virginia Polytechnic Institute & State University with a bachelor of science degree in business management

Carolyn, wife of Eli Wooten, relay specialist, GO T&D Station, Charleston, graduated with honors from West Virginia State College with an associate in science degree in church music.

Karen, daughter of Norman Young, regional dispatcher, GO Operations, Roanoke, graduated from Radford University with a bachelor of science degree in early childhood/special education.

#### Glen Lyn

Jeffery, son of Francis Epling, stores attendant, senior, graduated from New River Community College with associate degrees in general studies and instrumentation.

Marsha, daughter of Kellis McClaugherty, chief plant dispatcher, graduated from Bluefield State College with an associate of science degree in nursing.

#### Huntington

Glenda, wife of Gib Cook, T&D line superintendent, graduated from Marshall University with an associate in arts degree.

#### Kanawha River

James, II, son of James Bennett, plant manager, graduated from West Virginia Institute of Technology with a bachelor of science degree in electronic engineering technology. He also holds an associate of science degree in electrical engineering technology.

Tracy, daughter of James Bostic, maintenance supervisor, graduated from West Virginia Institute of Technology with an associate of science degree in nursing.

David, son of Robert Hardy, engineering technologist, graduated from the University of Tennessee College of Law with a juris doctorate degree.

Rhonda, daughter of Ronald Surbaugh, maintenance supervisor, graduated cum laude from West Virginia Institute of Technology with a bachelor of science degree in business management.

#### Logan-Williamson

Tina, wife of Clifton Nicholson, engineering technician, graduated from Southern West Virginia Community College with associate degrees in general business and executive secretarial science and a certificate in secretarial science.

Jeffrey, son of Floyd Taylor, Jr., division manager, graduated from West Virginia University with a bachelor of science degree in business administration.

**Angel**, daughter of James Walls, station crew supervisor, graduated from Marshall University with a bachelor of arts degree in counseling and rehabilitation.

#### Lynchburg

David, Jr., son of W. David Crews, personnel supervisor, graduated from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University with a bachelor of science degree in biology.

Ellen, daughter of Dennis Tomlin, station crew supervisor, graduated from Central Virginia Community College with an associate in applied science degree.

Robert Carter, son of R. C. Withers, line crew supervisor, graduated from Virginia Wesleyan College with a bachelor of arts degree in history (concentration in business).

#### Mountaineer

Venisa Lynn, wife of Jeff Flesher, maintenance



mechanic B, graduated cum laude from Marshall University with a bachelor of science degree in chemistry. Amember of Gamma Beta Phi Society, she received the outstanding senior chemistry major award for 1983 and a Union Carbide Corporation undergraduate research scholarship.

#### Pulaski

Michele Denise, daughter of Stuart Gibson, Wytheville line mechanic A, graduated from Wytheville

Community College with an associate in science degree.

Mark, son of Andy Graham, marketing and cus-



tomer services manager, graduated cum laude from Lutheran Theological Southern Seminary with a master of divinity degree. An AEP Educational Award winner in 1975, he is also a graduate of the College of William and Mary. He has accepted a call to St. Mark Lutheran Church, Luray, Va.

David, son of David Spivey, engineering technologist, graduated from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University with a bachelor of science degree in mechanical engineering.



Sue, daughter of David Spivey, engineering technologist, graduated magna cum laude from Emory & Henry College with a bachelor of arts degree in political science.

David Daniel, son of Dan Tickle, Hillsville area supervisor, graduated from Virginia Polytechnic Institute & State University with a bachelor of science degree in finance.

Mark Richard, son of Dan Tickle, Hillsville area supervisor, graduated from New River Community College with an associate in applied science degree in instrumentation technology.

#### Roanoke

David, son of Ralph Amos, general line supervisor,



graduated cum laude from Roanoke College with a bachelor of arts degree. He ranked 37th in a class of 285; listed in Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges; named honor student senior scholar in foreign languages — French; and received French government

book prize, awarded annually by the French government to the best and most promising student of French.

Suzanne Horne, daughter of Leonard Jenkins, Fieldale marketing and customer services representative senior, graduated from Virginia Commonwealth University School of Dentistry with a doctor of dental science degree.

Darwin, son of Silas Plybon, Rocky Mount line mechanic A, received a certificate from Electronic Computer Programming Institute.

S. J., son of Silas Plybon, Rocky Mount line mechanic A, graduated from Ferrum College with an associate degree in science.

#### Philip Sporn



Kevin, son of William King, instrument maintenance supervisor, graduated from Ohio University with a bachelor of business administration degree, accounting major. He was a member of Beta Alpha Psi accounting honorary and Delta Sigma Pi, professional business fraternity.



Karen, daughter of Bill Probert, assistant plant manager, graduated from Ohio University with a bachelor of science degree in education, math major. She was elected to Phi Kappa Phi honors society and was in the top 10 percent of her class.

Barbara Jean, wife of Larry Scarberry, utility operator, graduated from Marshall University with a bachelor of science degree in distributive education. □

# Congratulations, high school grads

#### Abingdon

Sabrina Renee, daughter of Lois Campbell, customer accounts representative C, Abingdon High.

Sandra, daughter of Bobby Cornett, line crew supervisor nonexempt, Marion Senior High.

**Glen Thomas**, son of Perry Johnston, right of way agent, Abingdon High.



Dena, daughter of Denver Osborne, T&D clerk A, Marion Senior High. Senior class vice president, cheerleader, Girls' Athletic Association, Interact, Gamma Delta, Tri-Hi-Y, Beta Club, AEP Educational Award winner.



Melissa Ann, daughter of J. Arthur Self, meter service mechanic C, Clintwood High. Honor student (top 10).

Karen Danette, daughter of J. D. Wynegar, station



mechanic A, Patrick Henry High. English award, Literary Club, SCA representative, assistant editor of *Scribe*, VICA, Senior Hi-Y Club, National Honor Society, *Patriot* staff, band, flag corps captain, SCA representative of Literary Club, forensics — poetry workshop and academic letter. Completed

three-year course in cosmetology at W. N. Neff Center.

#### John Amos

Deborah, daughter of Jack Bishop, maintenance mechanic A, St. Albans High.

David, son of C. D. Cash, performance technician supervisor, South Charleston High.

Deborah, daughter of Ernest Chapman, maintenance mechanic A, Hurricane High. National Honor Society, listed in "Who's Who Among American High School Students", recipient of academic scholarship to Marshall University.

Angela, daughter of James Johnson, equipment operator, St. Albans High. B honor roll.

Mark, son of Kenneth Landers, maintenance mechanic A, Poca High.

Carol Lynn, daughter of Glenn Matheny, maintenance mechanic B, South Charleston High. Outstanding vocational student of the year, Kenawha County, 1982-83; third place, medical assisting VICA state skill olympics, 1982-83.

Lesa, daughter of Paul McLane, maintenance mechanic A, Poca High.



Robby, son of Francoise Nienke, utility worker, Nitro High. A honor roll, W. P. Black academic scholarship from Greater Kanawha Valley Foundation.

Robby, son of Robert Lee Peet, Sr., storeroom attendant, Winfield High.

James, son of James Rasnake, plant engineer, Poca High and Putnam County Vocational/Technical Center.

#### Beckley

Lee Robin, daughter of Janet Hood, Rainelle customer accounts representative B, Greenbrier West High. National Honor Society, Library Club president.

David, son of Glenn O'Neal, station crew supervisor exempt, Shady Spring High. National Honor Society, honor graduate.



Genelle Faye, daughter of Jim Smith, Rainelle line mechanic C. Greenbrier West High. National Honor Society, "Who's Who Among American High Schools".



Ceretha, daughter of Joe Charles Thomas, line crew supervisor nonexempt, Woodrow Wilson High. National Honor Society, "Who's Who Among American High Schools".

Stephanie Jo, daughter of Ray Vest, administrative assistant, Shady Spring High.



Latonya Antionette, daughter of Vernard Wooten, stores attendant senior, Woodrow Wilson High. Honor graduate.

#### Central Machine Shop

Lonnie Lee, son of Gene Peyton, winder 1 st class, Milton High.

#### Bluefield

Lorne Blane, son of James Barrett, stores attendant, Bluefield High.



Teresa, daughter of Paul Dalton, acting garage supervisor, Bluefield High. Honor graduate

Debbie, daughter of John Davidson, head T&D clerk, Bluefield High.

Steven Carter, son of Samuel Hylton, Jr., engineer B, Grundy High.



Tammy, daughter of Casey Jones, construction supervisor, Graham High. "Who's Who in American High Schools."



Sarah, daughter of Jack Martin; Pineville area supervisor, Pineville High. Honor graduate, National Honor Society, award for academic achievement, varsity basketball and softball, named to all-county basketball team, set a school record for most steals (48) in one season in softball.

Bill Harrison, son of Billie Wooldridge, customer accounts representative B, Grundy Senior High.



Lisa Carol, daughter of Onsbie Yates, office supervisor, Grundy Senior High. Valedictorian, AEP Educational Award winner.

#### Centralized Plant Maintenance

**Eric**, son of Ray Harrison, maintenance mechanic A, Buffalo High.

William, son of Gary Sigman, Sr., maintenance mechanic A, Poca High.

Wendy, daughter of Jerry Tillis, maintenance mechanic B, Meigs High.



Terry, son of John Van-Meter, maintenance supervisor, Ohio Valley Christian School. Valedictorian, scholastic awards in English, Bible and current events, award for being on A honor roll every six weeks

#### Charleston



Roberta Lynn, daughter of Lewis Burns, line mechanic A, Nitro High. Awarded \$500 scholarshipby Charleston Chapter, Professional Secretaries International

Joyce Ann Summers, daughter of Bonita Harper, meter reader, Herbert Hoover High.

Janice Annette Summers, daughter of Bonita Harper, meter reader, Herbert Hoover High.

Craig, son of Patricia Neil, customer accounts representative C, DuPont High.

Scott, son of Glenn Paul, retired meter sevice mechanic A, Duval High. Honor student of the year at Lincoln County Technical School, a part of the DuVal High program.

Allen, son of Ray Priddy, station mechanic A, St. Albans High. Treasurer, Vocational Club of America.

Stephanie, daughter of Warren Strickland, meter electrician B, St. Albans High. Recipient of Peale Grant for Nursing at Davis & Elkins College.

Keith Tyler, son of Sandy Wright, junior clerk, Charleston High. Tennis award, Lou Romano basketball award, high point scorer in basketball for Kanawha County, four-year basketball scholarship to University of Charleston.

#### Clinch River

Dana Denise, daughter of William Robinson,



maintenance mechanic A, Castlewood High. Valedictorian, senior math award, Society of Distinguished American High School Students, U.S. national award winner in journalism and leadership, yearbook editor, recipient of Charlie Fulks Memorial Award for scholastic and athletic achieve-

ment, lettered in track and basketball.

#### General Office

Tamara Lynn, daughter of Tom Allen, supervisor, load research, GO Rates and Contracts, Roanoke, Lord Botetourt High.



Katrina, daughter of Harold Ball, fuel records accountant, GO Accounting, Roanoke, William Byrd High. Honor graduate, outstanding business student award, scholarship from the Vinton Dogwood Charter Chapter of the American Business Women's Association.

Troy, son of Elizabeth Barksdale, secretary stenographer B, GO T&D Administrative, Roanoke, William Fleming High.

Mary Anne, daughter of Buren Carter, statistical accountant, Roanoke Catholic High.

Lesa Gale, daughter of J. H. Dickerson, control electrician A, GO T&D Station, Roanoke, Franklin County High.

Kim Denise, daughter of Jerry Dodson, drafting supervisor, GO T&D Civil Engineering, Roanoke, Northside High.

Shelda, daughter of Jim Duffield, retired communications engineer, GO T&D Communications, Charleston, Nitro High, Also graduated from Belinda Dale Modeling School and went to New York last month to model for a firm there.

Douglas Allen, son of Douglas Forbes, safety director, GO Personnel, Roanoke, William Byrd High

Timothy, son of Grover Ham, custodian, GO General Services, Roanoke, William Fleming High.

Kimberley Ann, daughter of Kay Higgins, station clerk B, GO T&D Station, Roanoke, Cave Spring High.

Mike, son of G. R. Parker, engineering technician senior, GOT&D Station, Roanoke, Northside High.

**Kenneth,** son of Bob Pinnell, communications supervisor, GOT&D Communications, Charleston, St. Albans High.



Teresa Gay, daughter of Joe Plunk, manager, hydro generation, GO Hydro, Roanoke, William Byrd High. Beta Club, 3.55 out of possible 4.0 grade average.



John David, son of Butch Rhodes, assistant personnel director, GO Personnel, Roanoke, William Fleming High. Honor graduate.

Dennis, son of Jerry Saunders, Sr., statistical accountant, GO Accounting, Roanoke, Patrick Henry High. Lettered in cross-country track and baseball

Crystal, daughter of Carl Shepard, transmission mechanic A, GO T&D Transmission, Bluefield, Tazewell High. Gold Music Award as outstanding choral member of the Green T's, scholarship from the Tazewell Lions Club.

Kenneth Wayne, son of Enola Updike, junior clerk, GO Accounting, Roanoke, William Byrd High.



Susan Adele, daughter of Marcellus Waid, station mechanic B, GO T&D Station, Sporn, Wahama High. Principal's scholarship to Hocking Technical College, Mason Mothers Club scholarship, medal for outstanding senior chorus member, U.S. Achievement Academy award in science.



Sandra, daughter of Phil Weaver, communications supervising engineer, GO T&D Communications, Roanoke, Cave Spring High. Honor graduate.

Joseph Michael, son of Joseph Whitehead, assistant regional chief dispatcher, GO Operations, Roanoke, William Byrd High.

#### Glen Lyn

Anthony Caudill, stepson of Mackie Mullins, auxiliary equipment operator, Narrows High. National Honor Society.

Lois, daughter of Thomas Crewey, operations



superintendent, Narrows High. Co-valedictorian, AEP Educational Award winner, \$1,000 scholarship to apply on freshman year at Radford University; Student Cooperative Association, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Ecology Club, Spanish Club, Latin Club, Keyette Club, Monogram Club,

National Honor Society, program for gifted, talented and creative students, tennis team, physical ed assistant, senior captain of volleyball and basketball teams, National Merit Commended Scholar, listed in "Who's Who Among American High School Students".

Michael, son of Robert Guy, utility worker A, Peterstown High.

Terry, son of Nancy Riddle, maintenance mechanic C, Narrows High.



James, son of J. C. Sutphin, unit supervisor, Oakvale High. Valedictorian, AEP Educational Award winner, Honor Society president, lettered in basketball and baseball, named "Mr. Hustle" basketball 1982, "Who's Who", Society of Distinguished American High School Students.



Barbara Ann, daughter of George Thwaites, assistant shift operating engineer, Narrows High. National Honor Society, Keyette Club, band, track team, Spanish Club, SCA, FCA, Ecology Club, Girls' Monogram Club, Reading Tutor's Club, homecoming queen, cheerleader.

Jason, son of Arnold Turner, maintenance mechanic A, Peterstown High. Won certificates in machinist and drafting contests in Monroe County Vocational School, placed sixth in state competition.

Gregory, son of Lefty Weatherly, maintenance mechanic A, Oakvale High.

Dale, son of Junior Whittaker, unit supervisor, Oakvale High. Senior class president, football and baseball teams.

#### Huntington

Todd White, son of Marjorie Arnold, T&D clerk C, Huntington East High. Baseball team starting shortstop, all-conference first team in the Pioneer Athletic Conference as shortstop and leading hitter at .49, all-conference first team in the Cabell-Wayne Conference as utility infielder.

Glenn Michael Franklin, son of Judy Topping, meter electrician C, Huntington East High and Cabell County Vocational School.



Susan Louise, daughter of Gib Cook, T&D line superintendent, Barboursville High. "Who's Who In Music", U. S. national mathematics award, junior music club award, biology II award, algebra II award, Queen's presidential scholarship, AEP Educational Award.

Jon Bryan, son of Sam Cutler, station mechanic



C, Mid-America Christian School. Co-salutatorian, God and Country award for scholastic excellence from the American Legion. Also attended Cabell-County Vocational Technical School, where he earned a two-year certificate in one year in the field of graphic arts. He was vocational student of the and won first place in

the year for Cabell Vo-Tech and won first place in the state skill olympics.



David Allen, son of Raymond Gill, line construction, and maintenance representative, Barboursville High. Allestate choir, tri-state choir, accounting I award, accounting II award, lettered in baseball, 3.44 grade average.

Monique, daughter of Alzelia Johnson, T&D clerk C, Huntington High.

David William, son of E. D. Lambert, area service restorer, Point Pleasant High. National Honor Society, voted most talented, lettered in basketball and tennis.

**Lynda**, daughter of Q. H. Wickline, marketing and customer services representative, Point Pleasant Senior High.

#### Kanawha River



Angela, daughter of Charles Brown, maintenance mechanic A, Valley High. National Honor Society, placed second in county science fair.



Nora, daughter of Raymond Fletcher, crane operator, East Bank High. Ranked in top ten in senior class, National Honor Society vice president, Student Council, Senior Senate, high school choir accompanist, Diamond Department Store Teen Roard Todd, son of Marvin Pauley, unit supervisor, DuPont High.

Gary, son of Sandra Pritchard, maintenance mechanic C, DuPont High.

#### Kingsport

Ronda Sue, daughter of L. W. Fletcher, engineering technician, Sullivan North High.

Donna Jean, daughter of J. L. Melton, general servicer, Sullivan North High.

Tammy Lynn, daughter of J. L. Melton, general servicer, Sullivan North High.

Lisa Sue McReynolds, daughter of J. R. Long, line mechanic A, Sullivan North High.

Laura Ann, daughter of L. E. Miller, Jr., equipment service representative senior, Dobyns-Bennett High.

James Phillip, son of J. W. Overbey, service crew supervisor, Sullivan North High.

#### Logan-Williamson

Matthew Stephen, son of Charles Addair, custodian, Chapmanville High.



Lori Irene, daughter of the late Ira Conn, former area service restorer, Kermit High. Valedictorian, Society of Distinguished American High School Students, National Beta Club, Student Council vice president, yearbook editor, chorus pianist, all-county pianist.

Randy Lee, son of James Nisbet, marketing and customer services supervisor, Logan Senior High.

#### Lynchburg



Cheryl Jean, daughter of Fred Clarkson, line mechanic A, Nelson County High. Nelson County Times leadership award as outstanding senior, graduated in top 10 percent of class.

William, III, son of Bill Ford, Jr., marketing and customer services manager, E. C. Glass High.

Karen, daughter of Charlene Thompson, T&D clerk A, Brookville High.

#### Mountaineer



Howard, son of Joseph Givens, utility operator A, Point Pleasant High. AEP Educational Award, U. S. Military Academy appointment, National Honor Society treasurer, Student Council representative, varsity basketball, concert and marching bands.

Charles, son of Gene Gray, maintenance mechanic A, Wahama High.

Mary Susan, daughter of Jim Musgrave, personnel



supervisor, Point Pleasant High. "Who's Who in Music", "Who's Who in American High Schools", all-region band, National Honor Society, delegate to Rhododendron Girls' State, John Phillip Sousa music award, AAUW academic award, outstanding accounting award, Bausch and Lomb award.

#### Pulaski

**Kristy Ann Cook**, daughter of Bob Frazier, Pearisburg line crew supervisor nonexempt, Narrows High. Honor student, varsity cheerleader.



John Paul, son of Jean Curtis, Christiansburg customer accounts representative C, Christiansburg High. Twelve-year perfect attendance award.



Jeff, son of Ralph Jones, line crew supervisor nonexempt, Pulaski County High. Senior class president.



Deborah Lynn, daughter of Gene Musser, Hillsville line crew supervisor nonexempt, Carroll County High. Salutatorian, English key award, Wytheville Community College recognition in English, student service award, most valuable tennis player.



Sharon, daughter of Arlin Parsons, Wytheville area service restorer, George Wythe High. Varsity letter in volley-ball, track and basket-ball; volleyball and track teams captain; National Honor Society secretary; Felton Pendleton scholarship; Future Business Leaders of America secretary; first place in L. Marguerite Crumley

Scholarship at Radford regional meeting; Girls Athletic Association secretary; Mu Alpha Theta treasurer; senior class vice president; homecoming queen candidate; "Who's Who Among American High School Students".

Mark Wayne, son of Nelson Quesenberry, line construction and maintenance representative, Pulaski County High.



Donald Louis Sessomms, son of Robert Sawyers, Wytheville T&D clerk A, George Wythe High. Coach's award in football.

Karen Susan, daughter of Dan Tickle, Hillsville area supervisor, Carroll County High.

#### Roanoke



John David, son of Jack Baldwin, Jr., customer accounts assistant, Patrick Henry High. Honor graduate, chosen for participation in Center for Instructionally Talented Youth (CITY School). He also performed 125 hours internship in computer science at Colonial American National Bank as part of CITY School.

John, Jr., son of John H. Crider, Sr., reservoir groundskeeper, Gretna Senior High.

Tracy Michelle, daughter of Cecil Hill, engineering technician senior, William Byrd High.

William Fred, son of Ivy Layman, customer servicer, Franklin County High.

Kimberly Ann, daughter of Dennis Patrick, station crew supervisor nonexempt, Northside High.

Dawn Leigh, daughter of Gerry Pearman, meter electrician C, William Byrd High.

William Alan, son of William Prillaman, Fieldale meter electrician B, Bassett High.

Michael Dale, son of Bob Ragland, drafter A, Northside High.

Tammy Leigh, daughter of Glenna Ratcliffe, junior clerk, William Byrd High.

#### Philip Sporn

Eliazabeth, stepdaughter of J. A. Gloeckner, personnel clerk A, Meigs High.

John, son of Gene Gloss, plant manager, Gallia Academy.

Lisa, daughter of Jack Pickens, assistant shift



engineer, Wahama High.
AEP Educational Award,
National Honor Society
vice president, Student
Council president, marching and concert band
president, Photography
Club secretary-treasurer, Keywannettes,
Drama Club, FBLA, valedictorian, 3.956 grade
average, Holzer Science
Award for top science

student, Daughters of the American Revolution good citizenship award, national merit award winner in math and science, "Who's Who Among High School Students", American Society of Distinguished High School Students.

Tammy Lynn, daughter of R. W. Warden, maintenance mechanic C, Point Pleasant High.

Lisa, daughter of V. M. Weaver, chemist assistant, Wahama High.  $\ \square$ 

#### Sutphin named AEP Educational Award winner



James Sutphin has been named an AEP Educational Award winner for 1983.

James Sutphin, a June graduate of Oakvale High School, Oakvale, West Virginia, has been named a winner in the 1983 AEP Educational Awards competition.

Sutphin's award was made possible by the withdrawal of Howard Givens, a previously announced winner, who has accepted an appointment to the U.S. Military Academy.

The son of J. C. Sutphin, Glen Lyn Plant unit supervisor, James was valedictorian of his graduation class at Oakvale High. He was also president of the Honor Society; named to "Who's Who," Society of Distinguished American High School Students; and was a member of the Literary Magazine and newspaper staffs and quiz team. He lettered in basketball and baseball and was named "Mr. Hustle" basketball 1982.

James will major in pre-medicine at Concord College, then attend West Virginia University to obtain his M.D. and specialize. □

# The Michigan Power Story

Michigan Power Company has been a part of the American Electric Power System since 1967. It is unique among the System's eight operating companies, for it is the only one that provides both electric and gas service. It is unique, too, in that it serves customers on three of the five Great Lakes.

It was in August 1967 that American Electric Power Company acquired the majority of the common stock of the Michigan Gas and Electric Company, as the result of a tender offer to the latter's shareowners. In 1969 MG&E's name was changed to its present Michigan Power.

The origins of the company go back to 1904, when the Portage Lake Gas and Coke Company was organized to produce and distribute illuminating gas in the Houghton-Hancock area of Michigan's Upper Peninsula. Two years later the company's name was changed to the Houghton County Gas and Coke Company. By 1912, the company — like many other utilities across the country during that period — was aggressively engaged in a series of acquisitions of small gas and electric companies, leading to incorporation of Michigan Gas and Electric in 1917.

That same year, the company, then headquartered in Ashland, Wisconsin, acquired the Marquette County Gas and Electric Company and expanded operations to Michigan's Lower Peninsula with the purchase of the Cassopolis Milling and Power Company, the Constantine Hydraulic Company, the Three Rivers



Michigan Power Company General Offices in Three Rivers. The company also maintains gas offices in Three Rivers, Niles, Holland and Marquette.

Light and Power Company and the Three Rivers Gas Company.

Throughout the 1920s and early 1930s, Michigan Gas and Electric continued to acquire gas and electric distribution companies in both the Upper and Lower Peninsulas. Among the principal acquisitions were the Marquette Gas Company,

Niles Gas Light Company, Holland Gas Company and Dowagiac Light and Power Company. In 1950, the general office was moved from Wisconsin to Three Rivers, where it has remained to this day. But, while the service territory has remained much the same since the early 1950s, company operations have changed considerably.

With the new availability and introduction of natural gas in more and more communities, liquid petroleum air gas and coal gas manufacturing, once an important part of company operations, gradually was phased out. Natural gas was piped into Holland, Niles, Buchanan and Dowagiac, and, by 1957, all communities in the company's Southern Division were being served with natural gas. Natural gas was introduced in the Upper Peninsula in 1966.

Meanwhile, other major changes were taking place. Electric properties in the Northern Division were sold; the cities of Dowagiac and Paw Paw, in the Southern Division, became wholesale electric customers, and Michigan Gas and Electric began retiring its old power plants and purchasing electricity from the AEP

#### **Statistics**

| Customers:                        |         |
|-----------------------------------|---------|
| Gas71,                            | 000     |
| Electric                          |         |
| Sales (1982):                     |         |
| Gas (cu. ft.)                     | llion   |
| Electric (kwh)                    |         |
| Revenues (1982):                  |         |
| Gas\$98,545,                      | 000     |
| Electric                          |         |
| Electric generating capacity (kw) |         |
| Gas mains (miles)                 |         |
| Electric lines (miles):           |         |
| Transmission                      | 202     |
| Distribution                      |         |
| Employees:                        | 200.000 |
| Gas                               | 145     |
| Electric                          |         |
| Dual function                     |         |
| Annual payroll                    |         |
| State, local taxes (1982)         |         |



Three Rivers Gas Company employees are piping up Three Rivers for manufactured gas in 1907. The gas company was acquired by Michigan Gas and Electric Company in 1917, and the general office was moved from Ashland, Wisconsin, to Three Rivers in 1950.

System's Indiana & Michigan Electric Company.

Today, only the Constantine and Mottville hydro plants, both on the St. Joseph River, remain in service, providing approximately 2 percent of the energy needs of the company's 29,000 electric customers in a four-county service area in southwestern Michigan.

The gas service territory, however, is much more extensive. It includes 18,000 customers in the Northern Division and 53,000 customers in the Southern Division.

Running almost the entire length of the Upper Peninsula, the Northern Division extends some 250 miles from White Pine Copper Mine at the western end of Lake Superior, through the Houghton-Hancock area of the Keweenaw Peninsula, and includes the entire Marquette area before dropping south to Manistique on the northern shore of Lake Michigan and continuing on to St. Ignace and Evergreen Shores on Lake Huron. Gas is supplied in the northern area by Northen Natural Gas Company and Great Lakes Gas Transmission Company. The division office is in Marguette. 540 miles north of Three Rivers.

The Southern Division provides service in southwestern Michigan. This area extends from Three Rivers west along the Indiana border to New Buffalo, then north along Lake Michigan to the Holland-Zeeland area. Michigan Wisconsin Pipe Line Company supplies gas in the Southern Division. Michigan Power has district offices in Niles and Holland,

in addition to its general office in Three Rivers.

The company has 286 employees: 145 in the gas division and 89 in the electric division, with 52 assigned to dual responsibilities in both gas and electric operations.

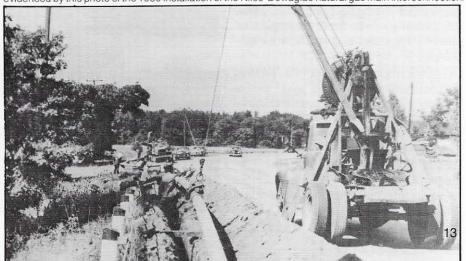
Michigan Power serves a broad base of industries, including automotive and heavy equipment, paper manufacturing, mining and ore processing, foundries, food processing, forest products, pharmaceuticals, agriculture and related enterprises, as well as companies engaged in the manufacturing of a wide variety of products for industry, farm and home.

Unfortunately, the national economic decline has had a heavy impact on Michigan with its automotive-related industries and iron processing. State unemployment, well above the national average, now exceeds 30 percent in

some of the Northern Division iron and copper mining communities, and many of the company's largest industrial customers are operating on greatly reduced production schedules.

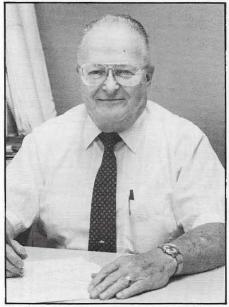
But, despite the accompanying loss of revenues and the less-than-promising outlook for Michigan's economy in the immediate future, the company is continuing its efforts to stimulate load growth. attract new industries to the area and insure that existing industries find the business climate as accommodating as possible. And, when the economy does at last make its expected upturn, Michigan Power will be well prepared to provide the necessary gas and electric energy to fuel the economic recovery that will return Michigan to its rightful place as a giant among the nation's industrial states.

By 1950, natural gas was fast replacing manufactured gas in the Michigan Gas and Electric Company service territory. The state of the art in gas main construction has improved somewhat from 1907 as evidenced by this photo of the 1950 installation of the Niles-Dowagiac natural gas main interconnection.



## RETIREMENT

#### Laybon Booth



"I have worked under seven managers in my 42 years in Lynchburg," says Laybon Booth, who retired July 1 as an electrical engineer senior. "One of those managers is now chairman of the board of AEP and one is president of Appalachian."

He continues, "One of my first jobs was walking every street in the city and inventorying the lines so we could get our maps updated. That was quite an experience.

"I recall, too, that the worst time we had in the division was restoring service after Hurricanes Hazel and Camille."

Laybon, who prepared budgets and blanket requisitions for the T&D department for some 30 years, says he has seen a tremendous growth in all fields.

"I have certainly enjoyed my years with Appalachian," he adds, "and the company has been mighty good to my family. My oldest son was the first recipient of the AEP educational award from Lynchburg.

"I have a whole lot of work to do around the house after I'm retired, and I will be visiting my sons in Tennessee and Maryland. Both have a list of things a mile long for me to do."

A 33rd degree Mason, Laybon is active in the Masonic Order and American Legion Post 16, Lynchburg. He is also an elder and trustee of the Quaker Memorial Presbyterian Church.

#### Neva Thorn

"From the time I was little I set it as my goal to work for the power company," says Neva Thorn. She was a cashier in Bluefield Division's Princeton office before electing early retirement July 1.

Neva adds, "I did the same thing in the same office for 32 years, but to me it was a thrilling job and I never wanted to do anything else."

She continues, "I have lost my husband, parents and sister-in-law in the past seven years, and my buddies at work have helped me through their illnesses. When you are well you appreciate friendship, but when you have had a heartache for so long you appreciate it even more.

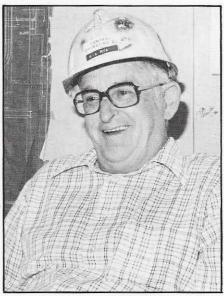
"I'll miss my customers as much as the employees. Several of them stopped by the house to see me after they learned I was gone. They brought me everything from greens to fried apple pies."

Neva plans a two-week trip to Myrtle Beach, then a month's visit with her minister brother in Ohio. "In the fall I'm going to Disney World, and I might spend the winter in Florida, too.

"The only thing I have committed myself to is signing up as a volunteer at the Princeton Hospital one day a week. I'm going to make the most of each day and enjoy it that way."



#### Ed Ryan



"Retirement is something everybody looks forward to; but, when the time comes, you have second thoughts," declares Ed Ryan. A maintenance supervisor at Philip Sporn Plant, Ed elected early retirement July 1 for health reasons.

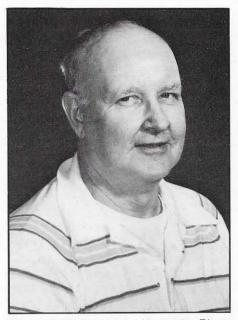
"I've enjoyed my 32 plus years here. All in all it's been a very pleasant experience for me. I have had a lot of fun and have a lot of things to remember." One thing that particularly stands out in his mind is working 54 consecutive midnights on unit 2.

Ed continues, "My wife has never been west of the Mississippi, and we would like to travel out there later on this year or maybe next summer." There'll be more travel to visit his three sons. A daughter lives nearby in Pomeroy, Ohio.

"I'm real pleased with my children," he adds. "I have a beautician, a coal miner, a trucker and an electronics specialist.

"I enjoy hunting, fishing and leatherwork. I make miners' belts, pouches and all kinds of things just as a hobby. I started out by making my son Michael, who works for Southern Ohio Coal, a belt. When he showed it off, the other miners wanted me to make things for them. It gives me something to do, though, and I enjoy it."

#### Ray Lively



"I have lived across the Kanawha River from Cabin Creek Plant all my life," says Ray Lively, "and my boyhood dream was to go to work for APCo at the plant when I became old enough.

"As a young boy, while working the corn fields and doing my farm chores, I would often wonder what took place inside of the plant. It was interesting to watch the paddle wheel towboat 'Ben Hur' and later the 'Major' move those little wooden barges of coal to the plant to be unloaded. I enjoyed watching the skip hoist unloading the coal and carrying the coal to the top of the plant. It seemed never to stop moving. I would wonder what caused the sound to change from almost a silence to a loud whining noise in the plant. The loud whistle in the morning, at noon and at quitting time could be heard for miles around, and it was the clock for the surrounding communities."

Ray continues, "When I went to high school, I passed the front side of the plant twice daily during school days. I would see the steam shovel dipping cinders and the coal being moved from an elevator to small buckets on cables. These were all great wonders for a boy. "In June 1942 it was the greatest thrill of my early life when I became an em-

"My dad told me to give the company an honest day's work, never lay off or be

the answers to some of my questions.

ployee at Cabin Creek. I was soon to find

late for work, never complain, never become a drag on the company, work safely and, above all, be loyal and enthusiastic. I shook his hand and told him I would try.

"I remember one breezy November morning in 1942 I went out to get my rowboat to go to work and it was gone. I didn't want to be late for work so I jumped into the swift, muddy, chilly water and swam across the river. My boss, Jim Hodge, was there to shake my hand.

"Charlie Kendall, my first shift operating engineer, was a great person. The first time I worked as a turbine operator, Charlie came around and told me to bring on the five turbines a half hour apart. He then walked away. I was scared, but when he came back I had the turbines on. Unknown to me, he had been watching me from above. It was music to my ears to hear those machines come to speed."

Ray adds, "It was a heartbreak when I left Cabin Creek Plant due to its closure, but I met some very fine people at Kanawha River Plant and enjoyed working with them all.

"I am extremely happy to have worked for the company for 41 years without a disabling injury. And I am proud that I was never late for work in those 41 years.

"I wanted to work until I was 70; but, due to failing health, I must say so long. (I made a promise in '42 that I would never be a drag on the company)."

Ray retired July 1 as operations superintendent at Kanawha River. He concludes, "After 41 years it was impossible to say goodbye. Therefore, I wanted to work my last day just like my first day. Thanks a million to those who made the last start-up on my last day almost perfect.

"I have a 10' x 10' patio in my back yard, and I used broken pieces of marble from the Cabin Creek Plant to top it off. Overhead I have a wind chime which I made from brass also found at Cabin Creek. I plan to put a sheet of marble on top of my picnic table, then cut out photos of each safety poster and each Montgomery Herald article and place on top of the marble and coat with clear plastic. This way I will always be among each employee at the plant. Most of us never get our photos or names in marble until we die."

#### Louise Brandabur



"It was just happenstance that I came to work for Appalachian," recalls Louise Brandabur, who retired July 1 after 33 years' service.

She continues, "We had just moved to Huntington; and since my husband was out of town a lot, I decided one day to fill in time by delivering checks instead of mailing them. The girls behind the counter at the power company looked like they were having a good time, so on the spur of the moment I talked to the personnel director about a job. In a few days I was called to come to work.

"Within a couple of weeks, the division manager's secretary left and I moved to the managerial department. I have worked for six division managers and in every case I have felt dedicated to them and to what they were trying to accomplish.

"I have enjoyed my work, but events of the past couple of years have very much changed my personal life, and now it is time that I take command and redirect my goals, time and energy. I'll miss the people, particularly the ones in the immediate office, because we are like a little family."

Louise adds, "There are a lot of things I hope to do — possibly start a business of my own and go back to school and finish my degree just to prove I can. My sister and I will travel some, and I want to become more active in the organizations to which I belong."

# MHO? NEWS

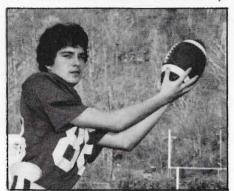
#### Beckley

Scott, son of Dave Kendrick, Jr., mar-



keting and customer services manager, was selected to attend West Virginia Boys' State last month. A rising senior at Woodrow Wilson High School, he was recently in-

ducted into the National Honor Society.



Brian, son of Don Tyler, Whitesville area service restorer, was a delegate to Mountaineer Boys' State. A rising senior at Clear Fork High School, he is a member of the National Honor Society and president of the Student Council. He was also selected to attend "Know Your State Government Day". At his school's annual awards day program, Brian received English, world culture, scholarship and special algebra awards. He also received athletic letters in football, basketball and baseball.

#### Bluefield



Jack Martin, Pineville area supervisor, was elected president of the Pineville Lions Club. He was also named Sunday School superintendent of the First United Methodist Church in Pineville.

Leigh Ann, daughter of Jack Martin, was chosen head varsity cheerleader at Pineville High School, where she is a rising senior. She has been a cheer-

leader each year since the fifth grade and was head varsity cheerleader last year.

Chad Darren, son of Butch Cahill,



surveyor, was a member of the Knob-Silver Springs Chiefs soccerteam which finished its second undefeated season and won its second under-10-years-of-age county championship.

**Dixon Jones**, engineering technician senior, was installed as commander of Riley-Vest Post No. 9, American Legion, Bluefield, W. Va., for a one-year term.

#### Logan-Williamson

Cynthia, daughter of Wayne Warren, Logan stores and garage supervisor, was elected to a three-year term on the board of directors of the Marshall University Alumni Association. She received her bachelor's and master's degrees from Marshall and is currently director of admissions of the Marshall University School of Medicine.

Crystal, daughter of Charles Burchett, line crew supervisor, was a guest speaker for the Youth Witness For Christ program at the East Williamson Baptist Church. The annual event is sponsored by the Williamson High School Hi-Y Coed.

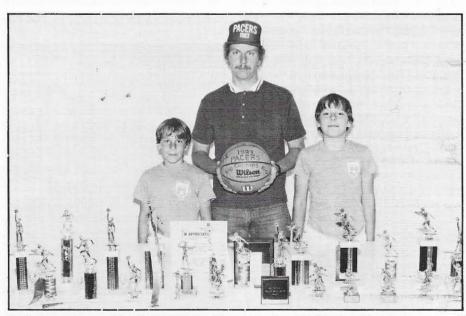
#### Kanawha River



Tracy, daughter of the late Terry Wolfe, won first place in solo competition in the primary age division of the West Virginia State Nazarene Singing Competition.

Gloria Saunders, plant clerk B, was inducted into the Alpha Kappa Delta Honorary at West Virginia State College.

Mary Lee Ashworth, daughter of Retiree Arvle Frye, graduated from the U.S. Army Academy of Health Sciences x-ray specialist course at Fort Sam Houston, Texas, and is taking a sixweek course at Walter Reed Hospital in Washington, D.C. Mary Lee is in the Army Reserves.



Jim Surface, relay specialist, GOT&D Station, Bluefield, and his sons, Chad and Brent, have won over 30 trophies and ribbons in baseball, football, basketball, soccer and running events since 1979. Chad, right, was the starting point guard for the Bluefield, Va., Midget League basketball team, "The Bullets", which won second place in their division. Jim was head coach of the Bluefield, Va., Pee Wee basketball champs, "The Pacers," which had a season record of 10-0. Brent, left, was a starting guard and the second highest scorer on his team. Chad and Brent tied for first place in the Clinch Valley one-mile race with a 5.12 minute time.

#### Central Machine Shop

Jeff, son of John Beane, production supervisor, was inducted into the National Junior Honor Society at South Charleston Junior High, where he is a seventh grader. □

#### Charleston

Jennifer, daughter of Pattie Chapman, St. Albans customer accounts representative C, was named a cheerleader for McKinley Junior High School. □

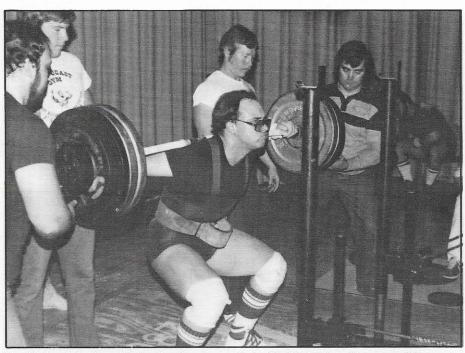
#### Huntington



Joe R. Haynes, administrative assistant, was awarded a Jaycee International Senatorship, Jaycees' highest honor, at the annual awards banquet of the Huntington Jaycees. As a Senator, he is entitled to life membership in Jaycees International.

Robert, II, son of Sharon Burton, meter electrician C, won third place in the 100-yard dash competition of the Russell School System. A wooden car carved by Robert and Sharon won second place in design in the Cub Scout Pinewood Derby.

Fred Helm, division manager, and Jane, wife of Mike Fotos, T&D superintendent, sang with the Fifth Avenue Baptist Church



Dan Bloxton, Philip Sporn Plant janitor, placed second in the 1983 Parkersburg Open powerlifting meet on May 28. Approximately 80 lifters from four surrounding states competed. Lifting in the 242-pound weight class, Bloxton attained a master lifting classification by totaling 1,763 pounds. His lifts included a 678-pound squat, a 380-pound bench press, and a 705-pound dead lift. The 705-pound dead lift was a new West Virginia state record in the 242-pound class. Dan also placed second in the West Virginia State powerlifting meet held earlier this year.

Choir which was invited to perform for the 8,000 attendees at the American Baptist National Convention in Cleveland, Ohio. Jane also gave the invocation at the convention.

#### Pulaski

Shelley, daughter of Frank Young, head T&D clerk, was selected to represent her church and state in The Society of Distinguished American High School Students for 1983. She is a junior at Pulaski County High.

Chester Robinson, Galax meter reader, won first place in a golf tournament at Beaver Creek Country Club, Dobson, North Carolina, with rounds of 81 and 78.

Mel, wife of Horace Honeycutt, Claytor Hydro retiree, was appointed state corresponding secretary at the state convention of Business and Professional Women's Clubs.

Freddie, son of Fred Fowler, right of way agent, was the recipient of the Bill Rhudy Memorial Award as most valuable football player for the eighth grade at Ft. Chiswell High School. □

#### Glen Lyn

Jack, son of Fairley Long, instrument



maintenance supervisor, was elected president of the West Virginia Youth Conservation Program for 1983-84. The program has 80,000 members in more than 1,100 clubs. A mem-

ber of The New Pioneers 4-H Club in Peterstown, Jack has held several offices and has completed 18 4-H projects. He has been selected to serve as a junior leader for this year's W. Va. Junior Conservation Camp and has also been selected to receive the Wesley C. Frame, Jr., Memorial Scholarship to attend Senior Conservation Camp. Jack was a state winner in the junior division last year for his visual presentation on model rocketry.

Vincent Scott, Jr., senior chemist, was elected president of the Pearisburg Jaycees for 1983-84. □

#### Roanoke



Amy (right), daughter of K. L. Ashworth, Fieldale line mechanic A, was appointed by Lt. Gov. Jimmy Green (left) to serve as a page in the North Carolina Senate during the week of May 9-13.

Miriam Martindale, marketing and customer services representative, was awarded a certificate of honorary chapter membership by the Cave Spring High Future Homemakers of America for her contributions to the home economics education program and the Future Homemakers of America in Virginia.



Alice Johnson, retired cashier, scored a hole-in-one with a four iron on the 135-yard 15th hole at Bryce Resort, Basye, Va.

Helen Young, engineering technologist supervisor, and Janet Wynot, drafter B, competed in the 25-mile, five-hour Graves Mountain Trail Ride at Syria, Va. Janet's horse, a 10-year-old blue roan named Honey, won a first-place ribbon for condition in the breed class and a second-place ribbon for competition in the heavyweight class. Helen's horse, an eight-year-old bay quarter horse named Cricket, won a third-place ribbon for ride in the heavyweight class.



Win II, son of Winston Carter, drafter A, GO T&D, Roanoke, and Joyce Carter, customer accounts representative B, was awarded a trophy for placing third in the Pizza Hut frisbee contest during the City of Roanoke's Festival on the River. Approximately 65 contestants participated in the 12-and-under bracket.

Stephen, son of Sam Robinson, Rocky



Mount line mechanic A, was one of 38 seventhgrade students at Franklin County Middle School chosen to participate in the Johns Hopkins University talent survey for

gifted and talented students. The students took the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) designed for high school juniors and seniors.

Lynn Short, Fieldale electrical engineer senior, was appointed by the Henry

County board of supervisors as one of four members from the county to the board of directors of the newly formed Martinsville-Henry County Economic Development Corporation.

#### General Office

Lloyd, III, son of Patsy McIntyre, stenog-



rapher, GO T&D R/e&R/w,Charleston, was presented the "outstanding student" award given each year by Tyler Elementary School to a sixth grade student. He also won a blue

ribbon for his model plane exhibit at the 4-H Fair and a scholarship to summer camp.

Judy Johnson, stenographer, GOT&D Transmission, Bluefield, participated in a 10-mile walk-a-thon for the Mercer County Cancer Society.

George Lowe, accounts payable supervisor, GO Accounting, Roanoke, and his wife Carolyn were honored with lifetime memberships in the Burlington Elementary PTA in appreciation of their active participation in the organization.

Jennifer, daughter of Judy Caldwell, R/e & R/w special clerk, GO T&D R/e & R/w, Roanoke, received an academic letter for maintaining an "A" average in seventh grade at Northside Junior High.

William Hypes, son of Linda Oliver,



classification and accounts payable clerk C, GO Accounting, Roanoke, won the Andrew Lewis Junior High School drama award for 1983. He played a starring role in this year's school play.

Raymond Totten, tax accounting supervisor, was elected first vice president of the Roanoke Chapter of the Administrative Management Society.

## PROMOTIONS



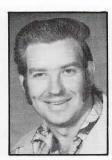




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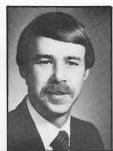
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Ashton

Charles D. Yeager, maintenance supervisor, was promoted to production superintendent-maintenance at Philip Sporn Plant on May 1. He succeeds the late Ralph Rottgen.

Gerald Eugene Clark, maintenance mechanic A, was promoted to maintenance supervisor at Philip Sporn Plant on May 1, succeeding C. D. Yeager.

- J. R. "Dick" Barnette, assistant shift operating engineer, was promoted to shift operating engineer at Clinch River Plant on February 1, succeeding Dorus Campbell, who elected early retirement.
- H. Bruce Hall, unit supervisor, was promoted to assistant shift operating engineer at Clinch River Plant on February 1, succeeding Dick Barnette.
- G. R. "Speed" Young, service supervisor, was promoted to Charleston general line supervisor on May 1, succeeding Clifford Picklesimer, who elected early retirement.

Robert N. Sanney, St. Albans area superintendent, was promoted to Charleston station superintendent on June 1, succeeding Paul Curry, who elected early retirement. Sanney holds a bachelor of science degree in electrical engineering from the West Virginia Institute of Technology.



Neil



Dillard

Harold C. Wiseman, Charleston power engineer, was promoted to St. Albans area superintendent on June 1, succeeding Robert Sanney. Wiseman holds a bachelor of science degree in electrical engineering from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University.

Theodore B. Payne, station crew supervisor nonexempt, was promoted to station crew supervisor exempt in Charleston on June 1. He succeeds C. H. Wall, who elected early retirement.

O. J. Weldon, electrical engineer senior, was promoted to engineering supervisor in Beckley on June 1, succeeding Stevenson Carpenter. Weldon holds a bachelor of science degree in electrical engineering from West Virginia University.

David H. Altizer, relay engineer senior, GO T&D Station, Bluefield, was promoted to electrical test supervisor, GO T&D Station, Roanoke, on May 1. He holds a bachelor of science degree in electrical engineering from Virginia Military Institute.

Leon Poskas, station engineer senior, GO T&D Station, Bluefield, was promoted to station construction supervisor, 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.

Warren Ashton, production superintendent-operations, was promoted to plant performance superintendent at Mountaineer Plant on April 1, succeeding Ralph Life. He holds a bachelor of science degree in electrical engineering from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University.

Dayton A. Neil, performance supervising engineer, was promoted to operations superintendent at Kanawha River Plant on June 1, succeeding Ray Lively, who elected early retirement. Neil holds a bachelor of science degree in mechanical engineering from West Virginia Institute of Technology.

Marvin Dillard, general servicer, was promoted to Charleston service supervisor on May 1, succeeding G. R. Young.

# SERVICE AUDIVERSARIES



Raymond Compton, Jr. maint. supv. (LTD) Glen Lyn 35 years



O. P. Cornelison personnel dir. GO-Roanoke 35 years



George Gott meter supv. Kingsport 35 years



Jim Hughes relay eng. sr. GO-Huntington 35 years



Roy Howard supv.comp.graph.tech. GO-Roanoke 35 years



Russell Senter asst. plt. mgr. Clinch River 35 years



Junior Pfost fleet maint. supv. GO-Charleston 35 years



Bunk Keatley area serv, restorer Beckley 35 years



Freda Edwards personnel asst. Huntington 35 years



Earl Jackson, Jr. cust. accts. supv. Huntington 35 years



Bill Wiseman eng. technician sr. Beckley 35 years



Earl Bullard eng. technician sr. Roanoke 35 years



Hobart White general line supv. Bluefield 35 years



Jack Baldwin, Jr. cust. accts. asst. Roanoke 35 years



Harry Price trans. mech. A GO-Abingdon 30 years



Paul Lloyd hydro utility op. Kanawha Valley Pwr. 30 years



Dave Kendrick, Jr. mktg. & cust. ser. mgr. Beckley 30 years



Valentine Carr records supervisor Abingdon 30 years



Willard Chambers met. serv. mech. A Logan-Williamson 30 years



Wilbur Sluss area supv. A Bluefield 30 years



Leonard Joyce collector Roanoke 30 years



Robert Cruickshank plt. perf. supt. Kanawha River 25 years



Buck Buchanan area serv. restorer Pulaski 25 years



Thomas Watson plt. perf. supt. Clinch River 25 years



Joe Plunk hydro gen. mgr. GO-Roanoke 20 years



Barbara Bass office supv. Lynchburg 20 years



Larry Dickerson drafter A Huntington 20 years



Frances Hampton T&D clerk A Roanoke 20 years



Thomas Whittington stores attendant Charleston 20 years



Jim Reynolds, Jr. relay specialist sr. GO-Roanoke 20 years

#### Abingdon

15 years: Prince Coleman, station crew supervisor NE. James Cumbow, line construction and maintenance representative. 5 years: Robert Kelley, engineering technician. Martha Farmer, customer accounts representative C. Victoria Crenshaw, drafter C. Gaynell Ray, meter reader.

#### John Amos

10 years: John Hall, maintenance mechanic A. Johnny Bright, stores attendant. Herman Jones, Jr., maintenance mechanic A. Charles Perry, maintenance mechanic B. Jerry Stone, control technician senior. Richard Hundley, control technician .senior. Raymond Doughty, maintenance mechanic A. Howard Noffsinger, maintenance mechanic A. 5 years: Mark Duncan, performance engineer senior. George Bradford, Jr., engineer B. Stephen Edds, maintenance mechanic B. Lyle Ray, coal equipment operator. Jack Shirkey, coal equipment operator.

#### Beckley

10 years: Reggie Smith, line mechanic A, Oak Hill. 5 years: Steve White, electrical engineer. Don Smith, meter reader, Rainelle. Sherman Diehl, meter reader.

#### Bluefield

15 years: P. T. Spangler, energy services technologist. Nick Comerosa, engineering technologist. Paul Baker, station mechanic A.

#### Centralized Plant Maintenance

10 years: G. M. Raines, maintenance mechanic A. 5 years: D. R. Gritt, maintenance mechanic A.

#### Charleston

10 years: Charles Bibbee, line mechanic B. 5 years: Larry Harper, stores attendant senior.

#### Clinch River

5 years: Marcus Pruitt, equipment operator. Robert Mullins, Jr., performance engineer.

#### General Office

15 years: Wanda Rucker, customer accounting clerk A, GO Accounting, Roanoke. Margaret Brammer, secretary-stenographer B, GO Rates & Contracts, Roanoke. Kenneth Roberts, regional dispatcher, GO Operations, Roanoke. Dave Crab-



John Horn gen. stores supv. GO-Roanoke 20 years



Lee Vaught meter supv. eng.-lab GO-Roanoke 20 years

tree, marketing & customer services manager, GO Marketing & Customer Services, Roanoke. Ronald Chambers, engineering technologist, GO T&D Transmission, Bluefield. 10 years: Robert Young, control electrician A, GO T&D Station, Huntington. Vernice Brown, classification and accounts payable clerk C, GO Accounting, Roanoke. Steve Wilhelm, station engineer senior, GO T&D Station, Huntington. 5 years: Walter Smith, electrical engineer-hydro, GO Hydro, Roanoke. Doug Forbes, safety director, GO Personnel, Roanoke. Dale Vaughan, electrical engineer, GO T&D Station, Roanoke. Joe Ryder, Jr., transmission engineer, GO T&D Transmission, Bluefield. Kathy Legans, stenographer, GO Accounting, Roanoke. Charles Edwards, III, maintenance mechanic C, GO Hydro, Roanoke. Kevin Skaggs, engineering technician senior, GO T&D Station, Charleston. Anita Prusak, data entry operator, GO Accounting, Roanoke. Becky Markham, data entry operator, GO Accounting Roanoke. William Jones, engineering technician, GO T&D Communications, Charleston. Lila Munsey, civil engineer-hydro, GO Hydro, Roanoke.

#### Glen Lyn

15 years: Roger Dale Bradley, performance engineer. 5 years: Karen Fowler, maintenance mechanic C.

#### Huntington

5 years: Ronald Harrison, line mechanic C, Point Pleasant James Irons, meter electrician C. James Frye, station mechanic C. Mark Westfall, line mechanic B, Point Pleasant. Ronald Roush, line mechanic B, Point Pleasant.

#### Kanawha River

15 years: Marvin Pauley, unit supervisor. 5 years: Lorraine Marks, maintenance mechanic C.

#### Kingsport

10 years: Dianna Hurd, marketing and customer services clerk A.

#### Logan-Williamson

15 years: Andrew Abshire, line crew supervisor NE. Lawrence Bird, meter electrician B. 10 years: Barbara Aliff, office supervisor. Paul Owens, area superintendent. William Doss, meter reader. William Moseley, electrical engineer senior. 5 years: Michael Adams, line mechanic B. Randy Roberts, line mechanic A. Randy Thompson, station mechanic C. Robert Bowe, meter reader. James Hannah, station mechanic B. Clifton Nicholson, engineering technician.

#### Lynchburg

15 years: Dick Shepard, customer accounts supervisor.

#### Mountaineer

5 years: Kevin Dennis, plant chemist. Brenda Blackston, plant clerk C. Larry Parsons, maintenance mechanic A.

#### Pulaski

15 years: David Shrewsbury, engineering technologist. Keith Fleming, line mechanic A. 5 years: Donna Smelser, customer accounts representative C. Elizabeth Kelley, engineering technician. D. F. "Red" Taylor, line mechanic B.

#### Roanoke

15 years: Ralph Morgan, line mechanic A. Loretha Jordan, secretary/stenographer A. 5 years: John Tucker, electrical engineer senior. Richard Jarrett, meter reader. Susan Smith, stores attendant.

#### Philip Sporn

30 years: William Weigand, plant clerk B. 5 years: Charles Johnson, barge attendant. □

## WEDDINGS



Southall-Thompson



Biller-Cruickshank







Taylor-Jarvis



Spencer-Taylor



Walton-Haskins



Drenan-Childers



Lester-Hess



Ouesenberry-Church



Crenshaw-Pennington



Cordle-Jennings

Teresa Lynn Thompson to Dana Norris Southall, June 25. Teresa Lynn is the daughter of Dana L. Thompson, John Amos Plant maintenance supervisor.

Krista L. Cruickshank to Francis X. Biller, May 14. Krista is the daughter of Robert J. Cruickshank, Kanawha River plant performance superintendent.

Mary Stuart Henry to Gary Paul Bolt. Pulaski marketing and customer services advisor, June 11.

Susan Diane Moore, Classification and accounts payable clerk, GO Accounting, Roanoke, to Samuel Hammond Huff, III, June 11.

Margaret Leigh Jarvis to Jeffrey A. Taylor, May 28. Jeff is the son of Floyd H. Taylor, Jr., Logan-Williamson division

Joyce Elaine Taylor to Dirk C. Spencer. Jr., May 26. Joyce is the daughter of Floyd H. Taylor, Jr., Logan-Williamson division manager.

Shirley Haskins, transmission clerk C, GO T&D Transmission Line, Bluefield. to Larry Walton, March 5.

Karen Kay Childers to Thomas George Drenan, March 26. Thomas is the son of Jim Drenan, Milton line crew supervisor nonexempt, Huntington Division.

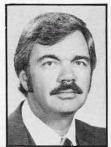
Joan Hess, Grundy cashier A, to Johnny C. Lester, May 27.

Kimberly Marie Church to George Michael Quesenberry, June 11. Mike is the son of Nelson Quesenberry, Pulaski line construction and maintenance representative.

Victoria Pennington, Abingdon drafter C, to Ellis Shayne Crenshaw. May 7.

Meiissa Ann John Js to Timothy Allan Cordle, May 28. Melissa Ann is the daughter of Harry Jennings, Pulaski records supervisor. □

# FRIENDS WE'LL MISS







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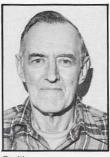
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Smith



Havzlett



Reicher



B. Johnson



Boz

Norman Michael Tyler, 45, electrical test specialist, GO T&D Station, Roanoke, died June 7. A native of Roanoke, Virginia, he joined the company in 1956 as a system stationman helper and went on LTD leave May 27, 1983. Tyler is survived by his widow Mary Jo, 1707 Starview Drive, Salem, Virginia; three daughters and one son.

Mark E. Young, 64, retired Charleston station mechanic A, died May 29. A native of Welford, West Virginia, he began his career in 1951 as a maintenance man helper and elected early retirement January 1, 1979. Young is survived by his widow Dorothy, 4124 Teays Valley Road, Scott Depot, West Virginia; and three sons.

sylvester J. "Red" Johnson, 61, retired Pulaski Division line mechanic A, died May 25. A native of Camden, New Jersey, he began his career in 1947 as a groundman B at Galax and elected early retirement February 1, 1983. Johnson is survived by his widow Roberta, 200 Academy Drive, Galax, Va.; two sons; four grandchildren and two sisters.

Sidney Sarver, 74, retired Glen Lyn Plant unit foreman, died May 31. A native of Pembroke, Virginia, he joined the company in 1942 as a laborer and retired January 1, 1972. Sarver is survived by his widow Callie, Route 1, Box 217, Peterstown, West Virginia; four sons;

four daughters; 21 grandchildren and 10 great grandchildren.

Hubert L. Surber, 75, retired Glen Lyn Plant operations supervisor, died May 22. A native of Smyth County, Virginia, he was employed in 1923 as a laborer and retired July 1, 1970. Surber is survived by his widow Ailene, Box 7, Glen Lyn, Virginia; one son; four sisters and four grandchildren.

Daniel Edward Murray, 60, Beckley line crew supervisor exempt, died May 24 of an apparent heart attack. A native of Harrison, Kentucky, he began his career in 1948 as a lineman B. Murray is survived by his widow Jannette, 101 Foote Street, Beckley, West Virginia; two sons and one daughter.

John Edward Beall, 63, retired meter supervising engineer-lab, GOT&D Meter, Roanoke, died June 4. A native of South Charleston, West Virginia, he was employed in 1939 as a meter helper in Beckley and elected early retirement February 1, 1983. Beall is survived by his widow Virginia, 1917 Aberdeen Avenue, Roanoke, Virginia.

Cecil Anderson Smith, 62, retired Philip Sporn maintenance supervisor, died May 23. A native of Mason County, West Virginia, he was employed in 1950 as a laborer and elected early disability retirement February 1, 1983. Smith is survived by his widow Hazel, Box 111, Mason,

West Virginia; one son and one daughter.

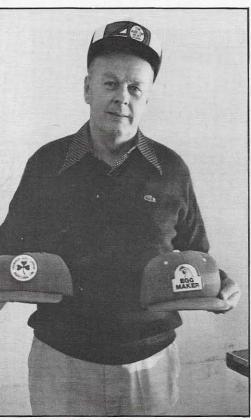
Miner Lee Hayzlett, Jr., 57, transmission station supervisor, GO T&D Station, Charleston, died June 13. A native of Charleston, West Virginia, he began his career in 1953 as a system stationman helper. Hayzlett is survived by his widow Madeleine, 4451 Washington Street, Charleston, West Virginia; two daughters; two sons; and eight grandchildren.

Harold W. "Squirrely" Belcher, 67, retired Cabin Creek Plant boiler operator A, died May 19. A native of Peterstown, West Virginia, he was employed in 1943 as a janitor and elected early retirement October 1, 1975. Belcher is survived by his widow Glenna, Shrewsbury, West Virginia; one son; three daughters; one brother; one sister and 13 grandchildren.

Bessie L. Johnson, 83, retired Lynchburg head cashier, died May 31. A native of Amherst, Virginia, she was employed in 1923 as a cashier and retired January 1, 1964. Johnson is survived by one sister.

Daniel S. Bozo, 61, retired Beckley customer servicer, died May 31. A native of Stonega, Virginia, he was employed in 1947 as a meter reader and elected early retirement February 1, 1983. Bozo is survived by his widow Rosie, P. O. Box 61, Bradley, West Virginia. □

# A different cap for each occasion



Jim Drenan shows off two of his favorite caps.

It all started innocently enough. A friend of Jim Drenan's, who owns a Cadillac agency, gave him a cap advertising his dealership. "I kept getting them different places," Jim says, "and the first thing you know I had quite a collection. I have accumulated more than 100 over the past six or eight months."

Jim, a line crew supervisor nonexempt in the Milton area of Huntington Division, says it is not unusual for people to bring him caps and just leave them on his desk. "I expect I haven't bought more than two or three of them."

Out of his large collection, Jim has two favorites. "One of them has a picture of a chicken on it, and the other one has a big green cloverleaf on it," he says.

Does he ever wear the caps? "Once in a while I wear one," Jim admits. "It all depends on what kind of an outfit I have on. I have about 75 of the caps at my mother-in-law's, and the rest I keep in a walk-in closet at home. My wife keeps asking me what in the world I'm going to do with all of them."

Jim concludes, "I have heard of two or three other people in this area who collect caps, too. A friend of mine who travels out West was telling me about a man who has six or seven thousand. He says that if you go in the man's shop with a cap he doesn't have, he will try to trade you out of it."



A few of the more than 100 caps in Jim Drenan's collection.

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