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Jack J. Stanley, line mechanic B in the Clintwood area of Abingdon Division, had the winning entry in The Illuminator Christmas Spirit photo contest. Look for the other winners on pages 12-13.

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AEP Savings Plan

Date	Fixed Income Fund		Equity Fund		AEP Stock Fund	
	VPU	UCPD	VPU	UCPD	VPU	UCPD
1/31/84	\$1.8180	.5501	\$2.6026	.3842	\$1.6432	.6086
2/29/84	1.8360	.5447	2.5162	.3974	1.5575	.6421
3/31/84	1.8557	.5389	2.5621	.3903	1.5018	.6659
4/30/84	1.8749	.5334	2.5767	.3881	1.5249	.6558
5/31/84	1.8950	.5277	2.4376	.4102	1.4952	.6688
6/30/84	1.9146	.5223	2.4822	.4028	1.6287	.6139
7/31/84	1.9351	.5167	2.4399	.4098	1.6894	.5919
8/31/84	1.9558	.5112	2.7085	.3692	1.8172	.5502
9/30/84	1.9760	.5060	2.7195	.3677	1.9096	.5236
10/31/84	1.9971	.5007	2.7244	.3671	2.0360	.4912

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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International Association of Business Communicators

A bright future in Washington County

"A Bright Future in Washington County" is the title and the subject of the latest economic development videotape produced by Appalachian Power Company. About 250 Washington County business people and their guests attended a preview showing and presentation of the video program during the county Chamber of Commerce's annual meeting in November.

"The videotape was created to inform interested viewers about the county's special strengths as they are viewed by industrial executives considering expansions or new plant sites," says Abingdon Division Manager R. Dan Carson. "The widespread use of video by business and industry has made it an excellent medium for conveying this type of message in a vivid and interesting manner."

According to Carson, who is vice president-economic development of the county chamber, the videotape will be used by Appalachian and the Chamber of Commerce to attract industries to the area. Carson said that the videotape will also help the county meet certification requirements of the Virginia Division of Industrial Development. Once certified, the county will be eligible for assistance by the state office in its search for new industries and the jobs they will create.



The Barter Theater in Abingdon is one of many places highlighted in the Washington County economic development videotape. The Theater's producing director, Rex Partington (on stage), is narrator of the program. APCo's Public Affairs Director Dick Burton looks on while Video Services Coordinator Gary Kazanjian operates the camera and Abingdon Administrative Assistant Bill Roeser holds cue cards.

In addition to local business and industry, many Washington County residents appear in the videotape in school, work and recreation activities. The story is narrated by Rex Partington, producing director of the Barter Theater, who vol-

unteered his talents for the project. The program was written and produced at no cost to the county by Appalachian's Public Affairs Department as part of the company's economic development activities. □

Philip Sporn Memorial Room dedicated

The "new" Philip Sporn Memorial Room was officially opened October 29 next to the library on the 16th floor of 1 Riverside Plaza, Columbus.

The room, which serves as both a resource for employees and a tribute to the late retired president of American Electric Power Company, first opened in AEP's New York office in 1979 and was moved to Columbus at the completion of the company's relocation to Columbus last year.

Present for the dedication were Sporn's widow, Sadie, and son, Arthur.

A sort of mini-museum of Sporn memorabilia, books, philosophy and history, the room also focuses on different aspects of Sporn's life through wall panels, maps and displays. It is open Monday-Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. □



Sadie Sporn and her son, Arthur (center), officially open the Philip Sporn Memorial Room at 1 Riverside Plaza, Columbus.

Kingsport Power gets rate increase

The Tennessee Public Service Commission has approved an increase of about \$1 million in electric rates charged by Kingsport Power Company, effective November 15. This increase is approximately the amount the company had requested, excluding a proposed tax on unbilled revenue which will be considered later.

The Commission ordered the 1.7 percent increase in rates to be spread equally to all customers rather than on cost of service. □

Social Security, Medicare changes take effect Jan. 1

A number of adjustments in Social Security, involving both cost and benefits, will take effect January 1. The changes are the result of automatic indexing tied to the cost of living or to average national earnings figures.

The changes include:

- An increase in the taxable wage base from \$37,800 to \$39,600 (because average earnings across the country rose from \$14,531 in 1982 to \$15,239 in 1983).
- An increase in the tax rate to 7.05 percent, applicable to both employee and employer. The current effective tax rate for employees is 6.7 percent; for employers, 7 percent.
- An increase in the maximum employee tax from \$2,533 to \$2,792 (i.e., \$39,600 x 7.05 percent) per year.
- An increase of 3.5 percent in Social Security benefits (because of an increase in the Consumer Price Index).
- A new maximum monthly benefit of \$717 (for a worker retiring at age 65 in January 1985).
- And an increase in the level of earnings permissible (called an "earnings test") for benefit recipients without incurring a reduction in such benefits:

	1984	1985
Under age 65	\$5,160	\$5,400
Ages 65-69	6,960	7,320
Age 70 and over	No limit	

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Two changes in Medicare also become effective January 1. They are:

- Under Medicare Part A (hospital expenses), an increase from \$356 to \$400 in the deductible for in-patient hospital services.
- Under Medicare Part B (medical expenses), an increase from \$14.60 to \$15.50 in the individual's monthly premium. (No change was made in the deductible for Part B because medical expenses are not indexed.) □

EPA proposes tall stack rules

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency last month proposed new regulations to set certain limitations on the use of tall stacks to disperse air pollution from industrial sources. Such regulations could affect a number of AEP System power plants.

According to the EPA, "The proposed regulations are designed to help meet the National Ambient Air Quality Standards for sulfur dioxide and other pollutants in cases where dispersion by tall stacks would be deemed inappropriate . . . States would be required to determine what methods other than tall stacks should be part of their clean air plans for given cases."

In addition, it would "limit the extent to which industries could rely on the dispersion of pollutants into the atmosphere instead of installing additional control equipment to reduce emissions of the air pollutants."

EPA is expected to issue a final order by January 18.

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AEP commented on the action in a prepared statement, saying:

"Although we have not seen the proposed regulations, from what we understand they could have a significant impact on AEP System customers, particularly those in Ohio.

"In order to comply with the regulations as proposed, we may have to undertake costly construction work, including the possibility of adding scrubbers, and/or switching to out-of-state low-sulfur coal.

The result would be higher costs for customers and loss of coal-mining jobs. "Exactly what will be required at each plant and how much it will cost will depend on the results of complex computer models stipulated by the EPA." □

41.1% of 1982 AEP dividend non-taxable

That portion of the American Electric Power Company dividend paid in both 1981 and 1982 that is non-taxable, for federal income tax purposes, has been revised upward.

AEP announced last month that 41.1 percent of its cash dividend of \$2.26 per share paid in 1982 was not taxable. The company's preliminary determination, made in January 1983, had been that only 24 percent of its 1982 dividend was taxable.

Earlier, in September, AEP informed its shareowners that the non-taxable portion of its \$2.26 dividend paid in 1981 had been changed to 57.4 percent from the preliminary figure of 43.8 percent.

The new percentages for both years have been approved by the Internal Revenue Service but, as always, are subject to final IRS audit.

The revised non-taxability percentages, in both cases, resulted from the company's filing of an amended tax return. The deadline for an individual's amended income tax return for 1981 is April 15, 1985; for 1982 is April 15, 1986.

From now on, AEP's dividends will probably be fully taxable.

The company, in a recent communication to the shareowners, indicated that, due to its current level of taxable income, it appeared likely that this year's dividends will be fully taxable. The company also indicated that it was likely, under "normal" conditions and the present tax code, that payments on AEP stock in 1985 and future years would be fully taxable as dividend income. This likelihood was attributed to provisions of the Tax Reform Act of 1984, which take effect next year and which materially affect the computation of earnings and profits used to determine the non-taxability of dividends. □

Chairman White is charter member of Coal Council

W. S. White, Jr., chairman of American Electric Power Company and of Appalachian and Kingsport Power Companies, is one of 23 "charter members" of a new National Coal Council.

Established by the Reagan Administration, the council is patterned after the National Petroleum Council, set up by the government in the mid-1940s. The move was made, according to Energy Secretary Donald Hodel, because "the time has come to give coal, our most abundant fossil fuel resource, the same voice within the federal government that has existed for petroleum for nearly four decades."

The council will function as a self-supporting advisory committee for making policy recommendations to the government and improving cooperation with industry on research, production, transportation, marketing and uses of coal.

The initial 23 members include representatives of coal companies, coal-related manufacturers, railroads, state governments and various energy and environment-related organizations, as well as electric utilities. Hodel plans to expand the makeup of the council to 100 to 125 members.

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John C. Brennan, senior vice president — public affairs of the AEP Service Corporation, has been elected a director of the American Coal Foundation. He will represent the nation's electric utilities on that board. ACF was organized in 1981 to promote the advantages and uses of coal. □

AEP Management Program set for Ohio State University

The 1985 four-week AEP Management Development Program has been scheduled for April 28-May 24 at The Ohio State University, Columbus.

Fifty-four management personnel from

all companies of the AEP System and Ohio Valley Electric Corporation will participate. Both the nomination of candidates and selection of participants are based on past performance and future potential, according to Norman C. Gibbs, director of management development of the AEP Service Corporation.

The program will be held at the Holiday Inn on the Lane, as it was last year, and the teaching staff will be comprised primarily of Ohio State faculty members. AEP Service Corporation management members will serve as guest speakers.

Designed to enhance participants' self-development through planned study and discussion, the program encompasses management subjects of a general nature as well as specific management of an electric utility. □

Dick, Lee go to Energy Services



Dick



Lee

Donald A. Dick in October was elected a vice president of AEP Energy Services, Inc. He will succeed Dorman M. Miller as vice president and managing director of that company upon Miller's retirement January 1.

Dick will continue to serve as vice president — division operations of the AEP Service Corporation.

Also, Kenton C. Lee was promoted to manager of administration for AEP Energy services, effective September 18, responsible for day-to-day administrative requirements of the company. He will continue as administrative assistant to Frank N. Bien, vice chairman — operations, until the latter's retirement at the end of the year, and, in addition, will assist Dick in division operations. □

Tax on educational assistance benefits to be refunded

On November 2, President Reagan signed legislation extending through 1985 a provision of the Federal income tax law permitting employers to pay tax-free educational assistance benefits to employees. The legislation is retroactive to January 1, 1984.

As a result, all taxes on educational assistance benefits that were withheld earlier this year, from the paychecks of employees of American Electric Power System companies will be refunded in a subsequent paycheck. Also, no such taxes will be withheld from future paychecks — at least through 1985.

(The educational benefits exemption began in 1979 and expired last December 31. Earlier this year, when Congress had not included any extension in its 1984 tax legislation, the company began its withholding program. Subsequent inclusion of the extension in the bill that was eventually passed by the Congress and signed by the President led to the current refund.) □

319 apply for education awards

A total of 319 children of AEP System employees have applied for the 36 awards in the 1984 AEP System Education Awards Program. The same number of children applied for the awards last year.

The awards are \$3,500 each, with \$2,000 granted for the first year of college and \$1,500 for the second.

Following is a breakdown of the applicants by AEP System companies.

Ohio Power	92
Appalachian Power	46
Indiana & Michigan Electric Co.	42
AEP Service Corp.	43
Columbus and Southern	35
Coal Companies	26
Kentucky Power	7
Michigan Power	7
Wheeling Electric	7
Kingsport Power	6



Dan Naff, right, and his Little Brother, Peanut Doss, take time out from raking leaves to throw a few football passes.

BIG BROTHERS

As the holiday season approaches, our thoughts turn to giving. Perhaps no gift is more precious than the gift of oneself — the gift of one's time, one's interest. Those people involved in the Big Brother/ Big Sister Program know what such giving is all about. They give of themselves not just during the holidays but all year.

One person who has discovered the rewards of such giving is Dan Naff, second deed of trust manager for Dominion Bank and the husband of Linda Naff, T&D clerk A, GO T&D Administrative, Roanoke. A Big Brother since 1978, Dan was recently named Big Brother of the Year for the region comprised of Virginia, West Virginia, Maryland and North Carolina.

Dan recalls, "The Big Brothers/Big Sisters office was located in Peoples Federal, where I used to work. I got to know some of the people who worked there. Michael Falligant, then Big Brother director, convinced me to give it a try."

Dan continues, "Once you decide to be a volunteer, you have to fill out an application. A committee, usually the people who work at the agency, screens the applicants and decides whether to accept you as a volunteer. The committee checks your references and does a police check, too. Then the case worker will try to match you up with a Little Brother according to your interests, activities and personality.

"Most of the time there are a lot of Little Brothers waiting. We have fifty unmatched Little Brothers in the Roanoke Valley now."

Dan adds, "The case worker usually goes out to the home of the Little Brother or Little Sister and meets with the mother. All these children are fatherless. When the case worker thinks he has a match, you go out on a trial basis.

"I took out three Little Brothers at one time. We went skateboarding — my first and last time. That was an experience! Out of the three, I was fortunate enough

to pick Houston Doss — Peanut.

"Even with the four of us there, Peanut and I seemed to hit it off pretty good. The other kids were nice, too. I don't know what it was about Peanut — nothing I could put my finger on. He was just real talkative and outgoing."

Peanut chimes in, "I was glad when Dan picked me. My first match didn't work out. I remember that I was real quiet when I first got in the car; but, after I got to talking, I guess Dan couldn't keep me quiet."

Dan comments, "Peanut and I think alike as far as what is right and wrong. We like a lot of the same things — all kinds of sports and eating. Peanut will eat just about anything I eat. We just get along well. We have a comfortable type of relationship. He knows what I expect of him, and I know what he thinks or expects of me. We communicate pretty well."

There is no set amount of time for Big Brothers and Little Brothers to spend together, although the agency suggests three or four hours a week. Actually, the amount of time required is flexible.

Dan says, "Sometimes it just doesn't suit to get together. But Peanut and I see each other almost every week unless I am out of town. This summer Peanut spent a couple months in Richmond, and Linda and I took him up and went back to get him. The main thing the agency asks is that a volunteer be consistent — not go out one Saturday and then wait three weeks to go out again.

"When Peanut and I were first matched, most everything we did was over the weekend. Now we spend a lot more than four hours a week together. He has gone to the beach with us several times, and sometimes Peanut will spend the weekend with us or we will go camping. One of the hardest things is trying to think of something to do every week because there are only so many things to do in Roanoke. We are talking about going skiing this year."

Dan states, "The program is an excellent way to make a contribution to a young boy's life. Peanut is included in our

family get-togethers, and he fits right in. I probably have gotten as much out of the program as Peanut has, probably more. I think a lot of Big Brothers and Big Sisters would say that. I've done things I probably wouldn't do — just like going skateboarding. We have had some good times together."

Peanut claims, "If I hadn't gotten matched up with Dan, I probably would be in trouble. I look up to him as someone I can come to with problems. My main goal is not to try to be like him but to be the same kind of person he is. My mother is in favor of Big Brothers all the way."

Dan continues, "I belong to some other organizations, but Big Brothers is the one that I put a lot of time and energy into. I have held a number of offices, including president, and have been on the board of directors for six years. When I was president, I spent a lot of

sure Peanut and I will continue our relationship, but I will try to get another Little Brother."

Linda's comment says it all: "I couldn't love Peanut more if he were my own!"

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Roanoke Electrical Engineer Alexis Jones, a Big Brother volunteer for four years, was single when he got involved in the program. Since then he has married and just recently became a father.

Alexis recalls, "Ira Peters, Roanoke Division personnel supervisor, mentioned the program to me and asked if I would be interested in getting involved.

"I interviewed with two Little Brothers, and I hit it off with Keith Cooper. We have a good match. Keith has four sisters, and I am the only male companion he has on a regular basis.

"Keith and I try to get together every two weeks but usually it is every week. He

does things with me, like raking leaves, working on the car, or going to an auto parts store, that wouldn't be pleasurable for my wife.

"I feel like I have gained a little insight as to what kinds of things a boy his age struggles with. I have younger brothers, but somehow I have taken more time with Keith to try to counsel with him and learn from him. He has been a very good friend, and I enjoy having him around. He is very helpful, like a second hand. Keith is going to be a lifelong friend. He's twelve now and has another five years to go in the program. But as long as he is in the same region, I know we will stay in contact." □



Know The Joy Of Giving

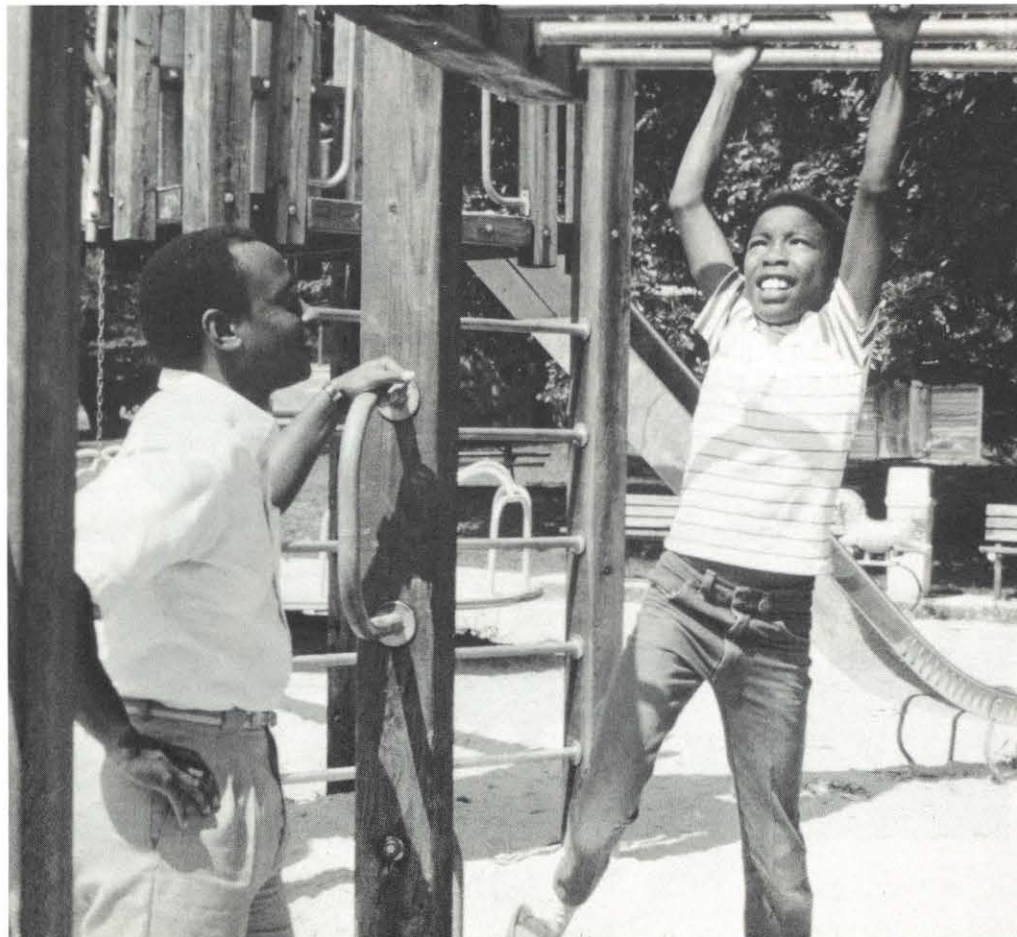
time making presentations, especially during United Way time. With Big Brothers, you set your own schedule. It is not like belonging to a club and being required to attend meetings. We do have organized activities about once a month that all Big Brothers, Big Sisters and their Littles can go to, such as putt-putt tournaments, picnics and bowling tournaments.

"Occasionally the case workers will take out some of the unmatched children. We have 200 volunteers and matches, but there are usually 50 to 60 on the waiting list. Summertime is always a bad time. People move out of town and have to drop out of the program.

"We have a lot of single men and women as volunteers. Our younger ones are just about all single. We have programs set up at area colleges, and the college students are volunteers while they are in school. The program at Roanoke College has been pretty successful. Some of the local civic groups donate money and some take out unmatched Little Brothers."

Little Brothers remain in the program until they are 17 or graduate from high school. Peanut, at age 16, has only one more year. However, Dan says, "I am

Alexis Jones, left, watches as his Little Brother, Keith Cooper, does a few chin-ups.



Precisely at 7:55 A.M. on Sunday, December 7, 1941, a devastating Japanese aerial attack struck the island of Oahu, Territory of Hawaii. When it was over, the battleships of the United States Pacific Fleet, moored by pairs in their Pearl Harbor base, had received a mortal blow. The Army air

Pearl Harbor with the berthing plan, and another on which he had marked the airfields on Oahu, with a special report describing the structural details of the hangars at Hickam and Wheeler fields. Yoshikawa also determined that Sunday was the day of the week when the most ships would normally be in

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strength in Hawaii was a tangled mass of smoking wreckage. The worst disaster in the military annals of the United States had ushered the country into World War II.

According to Ladislav Farago, author of *The Broken Seal: The Story of "Operation Magic" and the Pearl Harbor Disaster*, the Japanese government in 1941 relied upon one single, clever spy, Ensign Takeo Yoshikawa. Except for having entered Hawaii under assumed name and diplomatic cover, Yoshikawa did all his spying without violating any American laws.

Yoshikawa once said that when he first arrived in Honolulu, the only useful information he had about the place was that the Seaview Inn served an excellent balloon-fish soup. In only a few months, however, he learned everything one could find out about Hawaii — from trivial rumors abroad in the taverns and barber shops to such crucial details of Pearl Harbor's defenses as underwater obstructions, beach gradients, the protective net in the entrance channel, and the exact schedule and range of the American patrol planes. The maps he used during his tours of the island were issued by the Hawaii Visitors Bureau.

Yoshikawa smuggled to another intelligence officer a package containing sketches, a map he had drawn of

Pearl Harbor.

In December 1953, the *Ehime Shimbun*, a provincial Japanese newspaper, published an interview with a former officer of the Imperial Navy who stated that "an ensign named Takeo Yoshikawa" had been "assigned as intelligence officer to the Japanese consulate at Honolulu prior to the Pearl Harbor attack on December 7, 1941." The interview was reprinted in the *New York Times* on December 9, 1953. In the wake of this publicity, Yoshikawa received several offers from newspapers and magazines to tell his own story. He did not accept these invitations.

However, in the summer of 1960, Lieutenant Colonel Norman Stanford, USMC, the American assistant naval attache in Tokyo, managed to track Yoshikawa down at Matsuyama on Shikoku Island, where he was managing a gasoline station. The Japanese never rewarded Yoshikawa with a promotion or decoration for his extraordinary service.

Yoshikawa himself viewed his fate philosophically. "I am older now," he told Colonel Stanford, "and dwelling more in the past as the years go by. Some things are certainly ordained In truth, if only for a moment in time, I held history in the palm of my hand."

remembered



Harry Guilliams, retired Roanoke meter supervisor, was serving in Hawaii with the 864th Automatic Weapons Battalion when Pearl Harbor was bombed.

Harry recalls, "Our main job was to take care of the air strip at Hickam Field. Looking back, we didn't take care of it too well. Three or four weeks before the attack, we were put on alert and about a week before, we were called out of the field back to the base. At that time we were living in tents.

"We should have been familiar with the Japanese airplanes, but we weren't. The Navy was always carrying on some kind of maneuver, and we thought that is what they were doing until we started seeing the ships exploding. The Japanese dropped torpedoes down the smokestacks of a couple of the big battleships. When we realized we were being attacked, we went into action ourselves.

"All the officers and the first sergeant lived in town. I was the ranking man in my unit who was there when the first attack came. We had just finished breakfast. As soon as I realized what was happening, I had to take over. We had all our ammunition and guns stored away, and we had to go through the process of running down who had the keys.

"Two waves of planes hit us, and by the second attack we had gotten everything

together. Our officers were coming back to the base in taxi cabs and any way they could get there. Some of my officers wore my uniforms because they had left theirs at home and came in civilian clothes.

"All our airplanes were setting in rows on the strip while the Japanese were bombing. The men tried their best to get the airplanes off the ground, but we didn't get any of them off.

"During the second attack, we managed to get at least one Japanese airplane, and they credited me for getting that one. One of the planes strafed the vehicle I had, and that is when we knocked him down. He was about to run out of ammunition because his inside guns were not firing. When he came down to strafe my vehicle, the shells went on each side. He made a second circle, smoke came out, and he crashed.

"Dark came before we knew it. There was so much activity going on. We set up our radio equipment, and we were getting all kinds of information. They kept telling us that Japanese were landing on the northern part of the island and that boats were coming in on the northern shore. That night we even shot at airplanes coming in from the States because we didn't have any communication with them."

Harry continues, "If the war hadn't started, I probably would still be in Hawaii. It was the only place I ever lived that the climate fit my clothes!

"Shortly after the war got started, they started training my unit, and we knew we weren't going to stay there. The first invasion we made was on Eniwetok and the second one was on May 15, 1944, when we landed on Saipan with the 41st Marine Division. Of course, a lot of things

had happened in between. When we got to Saipan, our job, like it was in Hawaii, was to take care of the air strip that the engineers had built.

"My battalion shot down 36 airplanes in one day, and we had a lot of men killed and injured. Then my unit went to Kenyan and on to Guam. I was wounded on Guam, and they sent me back to the States. That was the end for me, and I went to work for the power company before the war was over."

Harry was awarded the Purple Heart, the Bronze Star and the Legion of Merit. He joined the 780th Field Artillery reserve unit and was called to active duty during the Korean War. During that war, he was awarded two Bronze Stars, one with the Oak Leaf Cluster.

Harry is vice commander of Post 1264, Roanoke Veterans Council; a member of the color guard; and a member of Chapter 3 of the Disabled American Veterans.

He is also the organizer and president of the Pearl Harbor Survivors Association in the Roanoke Valley, which will hold its first meeting December 7. There are five chapters in the State of Virginia, and the Roanoke chapter is geographically the largest. Harry says, "If there are any Pearl Harbor survivors who read this article, I hope they will get in touch with me."

In 1985 Harry plans to return to Hawaii with other members of the national organization of Pearl Harbor Survivors. "A reunion is held every year," Harry says. "Last year it was in Texas; this year it is in New York, but I couldn't go because of forming the chapter here in Roanoke. I will be 71 when the organization has its 50th reunion."

Above: Harry Guilliams as president of the Pearl Harbor Survivors Association, Roanoke chapter. Below: Harry as a sergeant during World War II.





Jasper admits, "When I went in the Army, there wasn't a war going on. After the war broke out, I had a good reason for being there. I had lied about my age when I joined, and my daddy asked me if I wanted to get out. I told him 'you didn't put me in here and I want to stay'.

Jasper was a volunteer for another job, for which he earned a certificate of merit. He says, "We were penned down all day, trying to cross a river, and every time we started across, the Germans would blow the bridge out. Then we finally got across and got behind them, and we ran out of ammunition. I got up and went back to the river and carried up all the ammunition I could get. That was another volunteer job. I don't know why I did it."

Altogether, Jasper had 39 years in military service. He retired from the Seabees Reserve as an E6. "One year, when I was on two weeks' training in Rhode Island, we were put on alert. That's when they had submarines ready to go to the Bay of Pigs invasion. I was in the reserve during the Korean Conflict, the Cuban missile crisis, and Vietnam." □

Jasper Doss, retired Roanoke line crew supervisor, is another World War II veteran who remembers December 7. A private in Company C, 21st Infantry, Jasper was stationed at Schofield Barracks on that day in 1941.

He recalls, "We had been on maneuvers for two weeks, and came in on December 6. They said that half of us could go on pass while the other half stayed on duty. I decided I would stay, and we got notice that we were going to get paid.

"I played cards all night long and had lost all my money — \$21. I borrowed \$5 from a buddy so I could get my \$21 back and \$5 for him. My buddy said he was going to early chow, and I told him I was going to lay on my bunk and to wake me up when he came back.

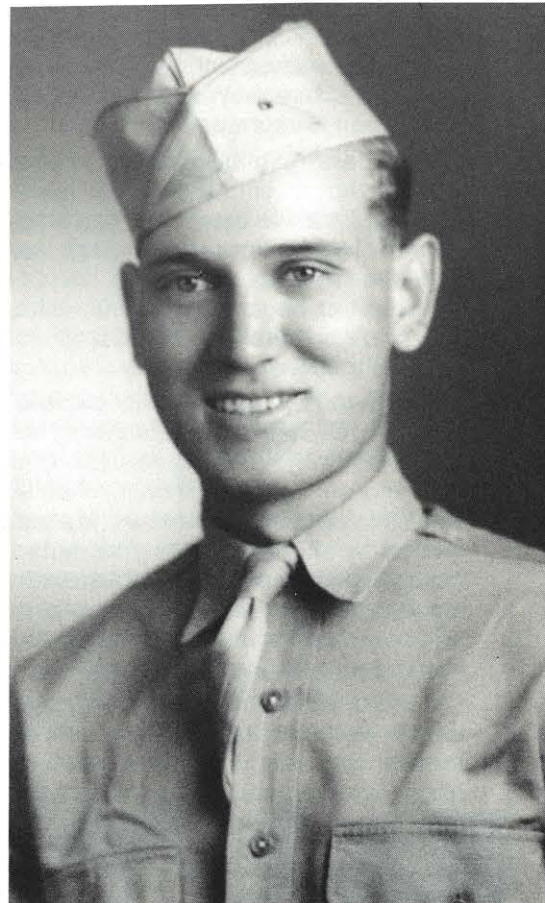
"We heard airplanes going over, but the Air Force was always doing maneuvers and that's what we thought it was. Then an old Army sergeant who had been in World War I came in and said, 'hit the floor, this is war'.

"The supply sergeant wasn't on base, so we went down to the supply room and it was locked. We took a fire axe and broke the door down and got machine guns and ammunition. They took us out on the drill field then, issued us rifles and ammunition, and loaded us in trucks. We went out on the beaches and started

building pill boxes and stringing barbed wire. The scariest part was after dark, when they started sending shells over our heads. The artillery was shelling Japanese fishing boats. The boats were called in, and they didn't come so they started shelling them. That scared the devil out of us because we thought the Japs were landing."

Jasper continues, "We were out on the beaches three or four months before we got to go back to the barracks. They would send in details of four or five men to clean up the barracks. They said they swept up two bushel baskets of ammunition all over the floor.

"I stayed in Hawaii until late 1942, and then we went to Australia to take commando training. Then we went to New Guinea, and from there I came back to the States on the point system. My outfit went on to the Philippines. After my leave, I wound up in Mississippi, where they were training new divisions. I ended up in Europe in the Third Army. General Patton was the best man over there. I went all the way across France, through Belgium, across the Alps, and was in Lynnes, Austria, when the war ended. They said our division was going to leave and go to the Philippines, and they asked me if I wanted out. I came back from Europe on the point system again."



Above: Jasper Doss poses with some military memorabilia. Below: Jasper as an Army private.

Oh, you beautiful dolls

Since the Cabbage Patch craze swept across the United States last Christmas, numerous versions of soft sculpture dolls have appeared on the market. Although not quite as popular this holiday season, the soft sculpture dolls are still among the best selling items.

Janie Stewart's soft sculpture dolls, in fact, have no trouble finding homes. The wife of Bill Stewart, Point Pleasant line crew supervisor, Janie began making dolls about a year ago, just before Christmas.

She says, "I bought a McCall's pattern and made a couple of dolls. Then I attended a class in soft sculpturing which was offered by a Homemakers Club. The teacher gave us a doll pattern, and we started from scratch. It took two days of work to completely finish the doll. Through the class, I got a lot of different ideas, more on the Cabbage Patch line."

Janie continues, "I made several dolls and gave them for Christmas gifts. As soon as people started showing the dolls around, I began getting orders. Several people have bought as many as four dolls.

"I buy a lot of material at one time and cut about 20 or 25 patterns. I make the bodies, arms and legs, and stuff them, and then I make the heads. Making the hair, which requires from an hour and a half to two hours, is the most time-consuming part.

"I use a water base paint for the eyes and seal them with a glass coat to make the dolls washable. It takes about five hours to complete a doll, not counting time for making their clothes." Janie makes all the clothing for the girl dolls, including their shoes, but buys clothes for the boy dolls because their clothing is more complicated to make.

"All the dolls have a different personality, and we give each one of them a name. When I sell the dolls, I give a birth certificate and an extra diaper with them. Each doll is different. I have tried and tried, but I can't make any two alike. Some, of course, I like better than others."

Janie claims, "I have always wanted a little girl to sew for so I guess that is why I like to make the dolls so well."

An accomplished seamstress, Janie makes most of the clothes for herself, her husband, and two sons, including



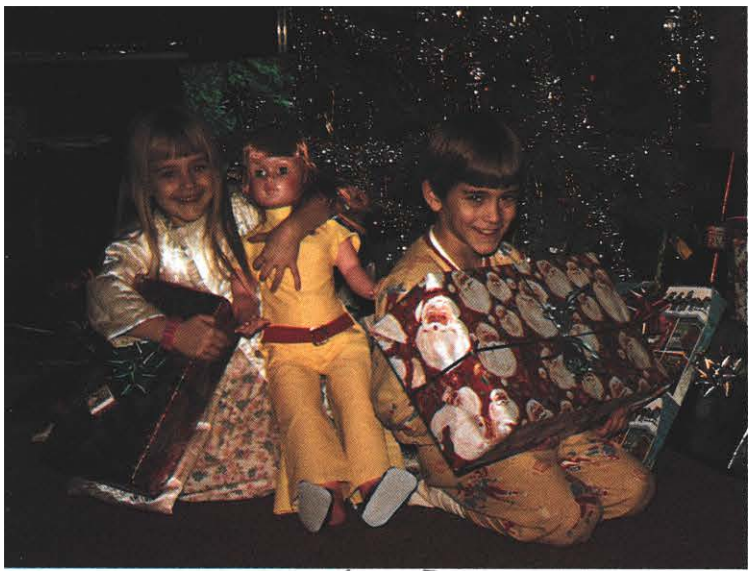
Janie Stewart has no trouble finding adoptive homes for her dolls.

their suits. "I never buy anything unless I really have to because I can make clothes so much better and cheaper than anything at the store. The boys are really pleased with everything I make for them, and they would rather have Mom make clothing than go out and buy it."

Janie, who took only one year of home economics in school, thinks she may have inherited her sewing talent from her grandmother. She concludes, "No one in this area does sewing any more except me. I do a lot of sewing for the local high school. I make cheerleader and majorette outfits and costumes for the Black Knight Revue every year. I

really enjoy sewing. It gives me something to do while the boys are in school."

Janie has won several blue ribbons at the Mason County Fair for her handiwork. □



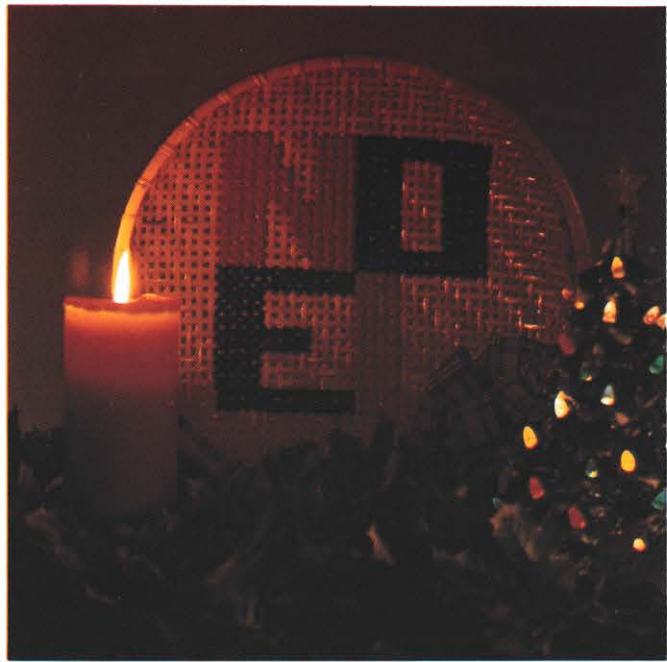
Submitted by Billy L. Altice, Roanoke engineering technician senior.

Competition for The Illuminator's Christmas Spirit photo contest brought entries from numerous locations around the Appalachian Power System. Employees sent a total of 112 photographs for consideration.

The task of choosing the winners was performed by a panel of experts in the field: F. Gerald Booth, senior vice president — sales, House of Print; Fred Cramer of Cramer Graphics, a Roanoke artist and photographer; and Don Harris, a Roanoke artist. Each entry was coded upon receipt so that the judges did not know the identity of the photographers.

The cover photo, by Jack J. Stanley, line mechanic B in the

The Spirit



Submitted by Wayne Pugh, marketing and customer services training coordinator, GO Marketing and Customer Services, Roanoke.



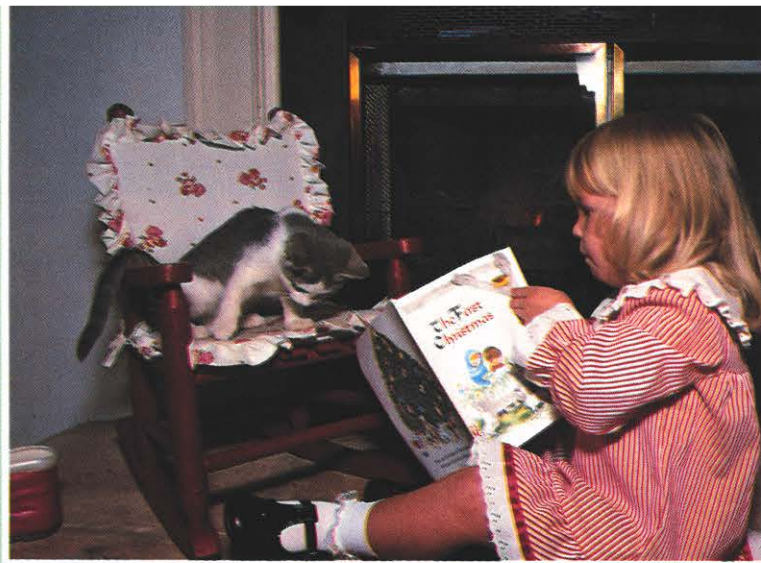
Submitted by Daniel L. Cummings, John Amos Plant control technician.

Clintwood area of Abingdon Division, was chosen by the judges for its warm colors and Christmas feeling.

Stanley will receive a \$75 U. S. savings bond for submitting the cover photo. A \$50 savings bond will be awarded to each of the five runners-up. Each winner also will receive a Kodak 3100 disc camera outfit, courtesy of Eastman Kodak.

Congratulations to the winners and thanks to all the contestants.

No matter how it's photographed, the Christmas season means hope and joy to all. □



Submitted by Michael Rock, methods engineer, General Office Executive, Roanoke.

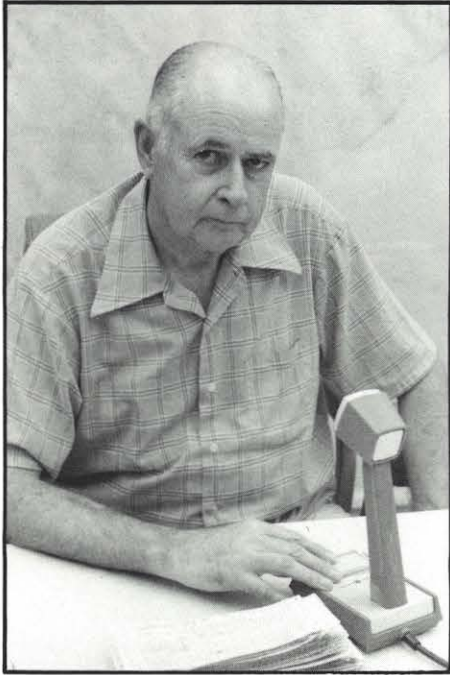
of Christmas



Submitted by Brenda Campbell, stores accounting clerk A, General Office Accounting, Roanoke.

Retirements

Houston Morris



On the afternoon of November 30, Houston Morris' 65th birthday, the Lynchburg T&D Clerk hung up the phone and walked away after 38 years of handling trouble calls and dispatching meter and service crews.

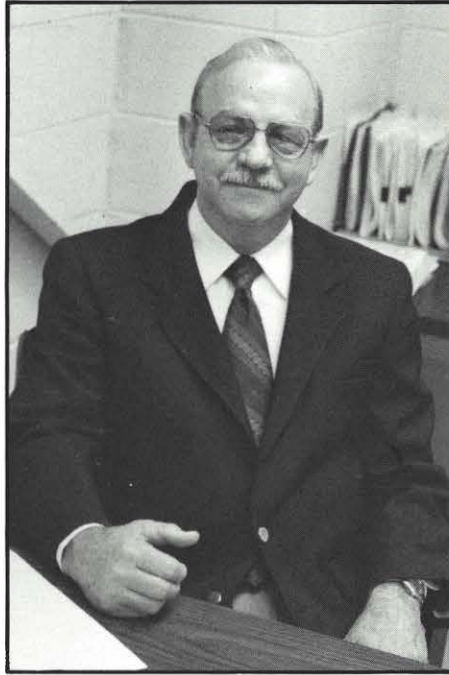
Houston laughs, "Out of all the calls I've handled, there's one I've never forgotten. A lady called about 3 o'clock in the morning and tried to give me her name and location, but I couldn't understand what she was saying. All of a sudden she came in loud and clear. She said, 'I'm sorry, it's dark in here and I was talking into the wrong end of the phone'."

Houston says, "I have enjoyed my years with the company, but I am really looking forward to retirement. Naturally, I will miss the employees I have been with a long time. I plan to stay at Elon in Amherst County where I live now."

Houston enjoys gardening, fishing and hunting. "I have kept regular hunting dogs for years, but now I'm raising registered Beagle hounds and expect to begin entering them in trials," he adds. "There are a number of clubs not too far away in Virginia, Tennessee and North Carolina."

Houston is a member of the Ruritan Club, the American Legion, and the Elon Presbyterian Church, where he has been treasurer for many years. □

George Bratton



"I don't know how I will like retirement life because I haven't tried it yet," claims George Bratton, Jr., who, until December 1, was Roanoke service supervisor.

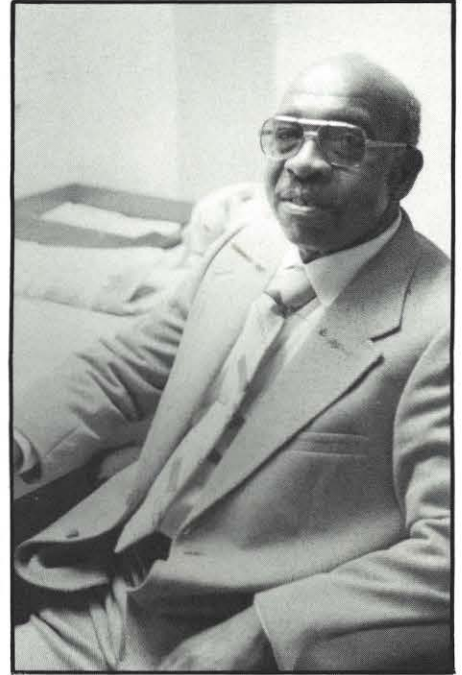
George continues, "I went through a flood, a few hurricanes, and the big ice storm of '79. Those made for some pretty interesting experiences all through my time with Appalachian."

George's group handles all service calls such as streetlight outages, voltage complaints, and the like. "Every time we get a call, probably an average of 200 a day, it is a customer with some kind of problem."

One of the more interesting calls he received was from a customer who claimed electricity was spilling out all over her floor. A frequent caller was an 80-year-old woman who heard noises in her house. "She was just lonely," George claims. "I recognized her voice, and I'd talk with her and ask how she was feeling. After a few minutes, she was usually satisfied."

In a month or so, George and his wife Ruby will head south to visit a son in Tampa, Florida. "We don't have plans to travel much, just a short trip or two. I'll spend some time in my woodwork shop out back and might hunt and fish a little bit, but I don't have any big plans." □

James Harris

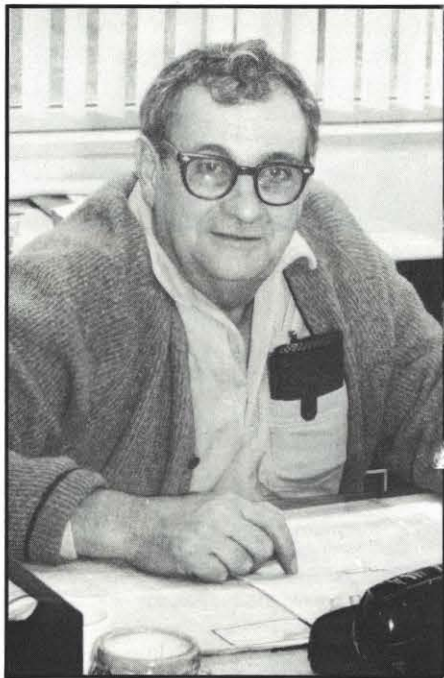


"On Christmas day of 1945, I was coming through the 'pearly gates' in California on my way home from the Philippines," recalls James Harris. This year on Christmas day, James will be relaxing at home following his December 1st retirement as head custodian in the General Office General Services Department, Roanoke.

James continues, "I worked on construction for a while after being discharged from the Army. Then Lawrence Hopson, now retired, told me about a job opening at Appalachian, and I put in my application. When I started to work in 1946, the Appalachian office was located over Peoples Drug Store. We moved into the present headquarters building in 1949." James adds, "After 38 years, I think I will let some of these younger guys take over. The work has gotten harder as we have gotten more employees." He says proudly, "For several years I was responsible for taking care of the executive offices."

James' plans for the future include gardening, hunting, fishing and possibly some travel. He and his wife Elizabeth will continue to reside in Moneta, Virginia. They attend the Jehovah Witnesses Church in Roanoke. □

Jim Hart



"Good-bye and adios!" With these parting words, Jim Hart retired December 1 from his job as yard superintendent at John Amos Plant.

A native of New Haven, West Virginia, Jim served in the Eighth Air Force during World War II as a B-24 navigator. A second lieutenant, he was stationed in England and at several United States locations.

Jim began his utility career in 1949 as a tractor operator at Philip Sporn Plant. He worked there as a conveyor operator, crane operator, labor foreman, assistant yard foreman and yard foreman before transferring to Amos in 1970 as yard superintendent.

Jim's plans for retirement include hunting, fishing and vegetable gardening as well as doing odd jobs around his home.

"I don't plan to travel too much except in West Virginia," Jim notes. "I've seen the biggest part of the state but want to see it again. I have five children and four grandchildren, and I plan to visit and spend some time with them." □

Virginia Smythers



"Life with Appalachian is a new adventure every day. It is with regret that I close the book on this part of my life," says Virginia Smythers, who was a customer accounts representative A in Pulaski before retiring December 1.

She continues, "I have been a part of APCo since it was a very young company. My father, Robert Smythers, was Buck hydro operator, and I was born and raised in that community. My two brothers, Gleason and Tenson, and I followed in our father's footsteps. An uncle, Curtis Delp, is an APCo retiree and we have several cousins still working for the power company. As you can see, this company has always been dear to our hearts.

"The employees that I have known all my life and the new ones that I have been associated with through the years seem more like relatives to me than friends," Virginia claims.

"As for early retirement, my main interest will be to make life happier and more comfortable for my mother. I hope to do some work at First United Methodist Church and to travel some.

"I shall always keep an eye on Appalachian and will be pleased and excited with each step of progress it makes. Where your interest is, there lies your heart." □

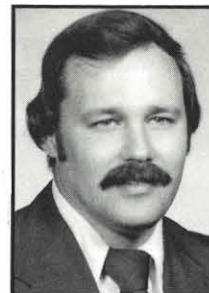
Keep up with your retired friends

A directory listing the names, addresses and birthdates of retired employees of Appalachian and Kingsport Power Companies has been mailed to each retiree.

A limited number of the directories are also available for active employees. To secure a copy, contact your local personnel office or call Betty Lou Carter, editor of publications, Roanoke extension 2604.

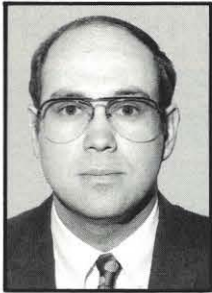
Shornak joins CMS as supervising electrical engineer

David F. Shornak has joined Central Machine Shop as a supervising electrical engineer. His primary responsibility is to provide on-site technical direction to motor shop crews in generator repair work and engineering support for the motor rewind facility.

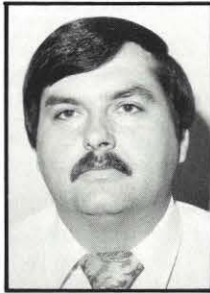


An electrical engineering graduate of Virginia Polytechnic Institute & State University, Shornak has ten years' experience with Westinghouse in new generator installation and maintenance as well as voltage regulation. □

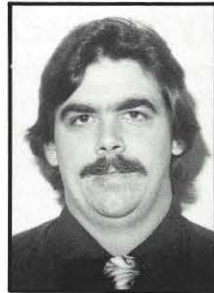
Promotions



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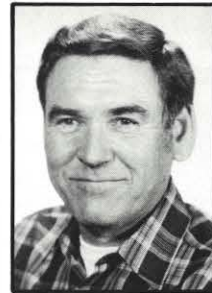
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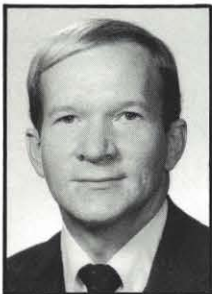
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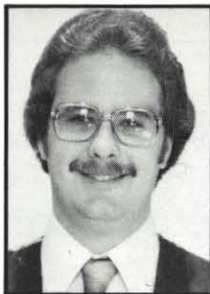
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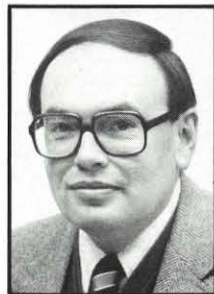
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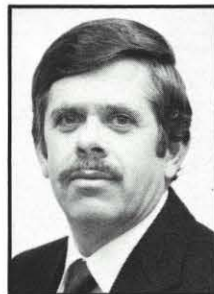
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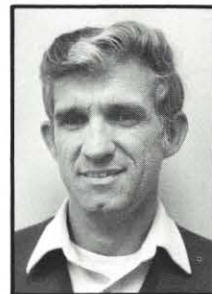
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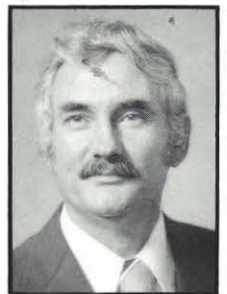
Farris



Poff



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Rasnick

Douglas Lynn Draper, performance supervising engineer, was promoted to production superintendent — operations at Philip Sporn Plant on November 16. He holds a bachelor of arts degree in general studies from the University of Charleston and is working toward an MBA degree at the West Virginia College of Graduate Studies.

Paul M. Darnell, Jr., equipment operator A, was promoted to unit supervisor at Philip Sporn Plant on October 1.

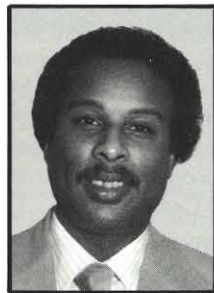
Jeffrey W. Hubbard, equipment operator A, was promoted to unit supervisor at Philip Sporn Plant on October 1.

Gary L. Hess, unit supervisor, was promoted to assistant shift operating engineer at John E. Amos Plant on October 1.

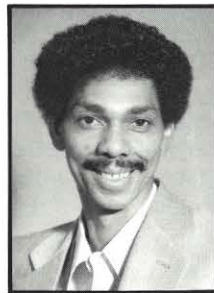
Lewis G. Burns, line mechanic A, was promoted to line crew supervisor non-exempt in Charleston on October 13.

Gary H. Jones, production superintendent-maintenance, was promoted to maintenance superintendent at Philip Sporn Plant on November 1. He holds a bachelor of science degree in mechanical engineering from the West Virginia Institute of Technology.

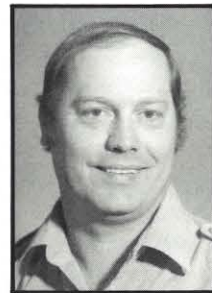
Freddie J. Elswick, II, equipment operator A, was promoted to unit supervisor at John E. Amos Plant on November 1.



Mitchell



Belcher



Addington

Greg W. Smith, associate rate analyst, was promoted to staff assistant in Kingsport on November 1. He holds a bachelor of science degree in accounting from Steed College.

Jimmie Lee Farris, engineering technologist supervisor, was promoted to hydro operations superintendent, GO Hydro, Roanoke, on November 1. He holds an associate in applied science degree in electrical engineering technology from Virginia Western Community College.

J. Ralph Poff, Jr., engineering technologist, was promoted to engineering technologist supervisor, GO Hydro, Roanoke, on November 1. He holds an associate in applied science degree in electrical electronics engineering technology from Virginia Western Community College.

Russell M. Elliott, meter electrician A nonexempt, was promoted to line construction and maintenance representative (exempt) in Lynchburg on November 1.

John O. Rasnick, station mechanic A nonexempt, was promoted to line construction and maintenance representative (exempt) in Abingdon on November 16.

James E. Mitchell, stores coordinator, was promoted to plant stores assistant senior at Philip Sporn Plant on November 1. He is working toward a degree in business administration at Rio Grande College.

Danny Belcher, equipment operator A, was promoted to unit supervisor at Clinch River Plant on October 16.

Emmett M. Addington, Jr., equipment operator A, was promoted to unit supervisor at Clinch River Plant on June 1.

John Amos

W. L. Hudson from utility worker to coal handler.
W. H. Pauley from utility worker to equipment operator C.
L. L. Bays from utility worker to equipment operator C.
M. A. Gibson from utility worker to maintenance mechanic D.
R. A. Moore from utility worker to maintenance mechanic D.

Centralized Plant Maintenance

Olla J. Arbogast from maintenance mechanic B to maintenance mechanic A.
Starling Massar from maintenance mechanic B to maintenance mechanic A.
Ralph E. Thomas from maintenance mechanic B to maintenance mechanic A.

Charleston

V. L. Young from meter clerk C to stenographer.
Sue Pryce from personnel clerk A to secretary.
Metzel Turley from secretary-stenographer A, Charleston, to secretary, Central Machine Shop.

Clinch River

W. S. Comer from utility worker B to utility worker A.
M. R. Sims from utility worker B to utility worker A.
P. E. Musick from utility worker B to utility worker A.
R. A. Delauder from utility worker B to utility worker A.
B. D. Mullins from utility worker A to equipment operator C.

General Office

H. L. Johnson from custodian to head custodian.
T. D. Thomas from electric plant clerk C to electric plant clerk B.
T. S. Rowland from office messenger to junior clerk.
J. E. Holland from hydro mechanic C to hydro mechanic B.

Glen Lyn

N. L. Shrader from utility worker B to utility worker A.

Huntington

P. J. Harbour from junior clerk to customer accounts representative C.

Kingsport

Danny Blankenbeckler from service clerk C to service clerk B.

Logan-Williamson

T. S. Garrett from junior clerk to clerk.

Roanoke

R. B. Breeding from junior clerk to customer accounts representative C.
R. D. Johnson from line mechanic A to general servicer.
V. M. Metz from T&D clerk A to secretary-stenographer, Fieldale.

Philip Sporn

M. A. Kearns from utility worker A to coal handler.
John P. Davis II from plant staff accountant junior to plant staff accountant. □

Humphreys named assistant plant manager at Sporn

Norman R. Humphreys has been promoted to assistant plant manager of Philip Sporn Plant, effective November 1. He succeeds William J. Probert, who earlier was promoted to manager of Ohio Power Company's Ohio Centralized Plant



Maintenance (OCPM) group.

Humphreys holds a bachelor of science degree in industrial technology from Ohio University. He has also attended the American Electric Power System Management Program at the University of Michigan Graduate School of Business Administration. Humphreys began his utility career in 1971 as a performance engineer at Sporn and during 1972-73 served as a start-up engineer at Indiana & Michigan Electric Company's Donald C. Cook Nuclear Plant. After returning to Sporn, he held various positions before being promoted to maintenance superintendent in 1982. □

Newcomers

Abingdon

Jeffery Davenport, engineering technician. Timothy Edwards, meter reader, Clintwood.

John Amos

Ronald Young and Roger Johnson, utility workers. Teresa Cook, junior clerk.

Beckley

Susie Hall, meter reader, Oak Hill. Jeffery Hall, parttime custodian. David Edwards, engineering technician.

Bluefield

Clarence Belcher, line mechanic D, Welch. Harry Thomas, line mechanic D, Princeton. Don Jones, line mechanic D, Princeton. Sandra Carter, junior clerk, Tazewell. Larry Beavers, junior clerk, Welch. Valarie Jean Tozer, telephone operator, Welch.

Charleston

Ken Looney, line mechanic D, Montgomery.

Clinch River Plant

L. C. Summers and A. B. Walsh, Jr., utility workers B.

General Office

Sherry Martin, junior stenographer, GO Accounting, Roanoke. Rene Pollard, junior data entry operator, GO Accounting, Roanoke.

Glen Lyn Plant

Jeffery Wiegand, performance engineer.

Huntington.

Tanya Full and W. B. Mosser, departmental assistant-marketing and customer services. Kenneth Joe Anderson and Donnie Hodges, junior clerks. C. R. Osburn, Jr., and J. D. Finley, engineering technicians.

Logan-Williamson

John Freeman, engineering technician, Williamson. Samuel Dingess, automotive mechanic B, Williamson. William Mitchell, electrical engineer, Logan. Charles Isaacs, line mechanic D, Logan. Donald Baisden, Jr., stores attendant B, Logan.

Lynchburg

Robin Stephens, junior clerk.

Pulaski

James Swain, line mechanic D, Galax. Barry Wolfe, T&D clerk C, Christiansburg.

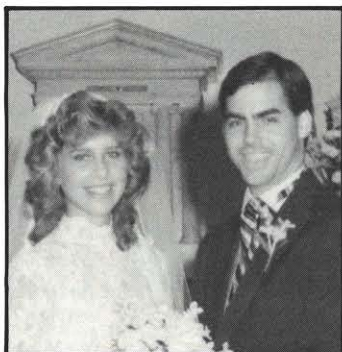
Philip Sporn

Phillip King, David Jones, Raymond Willford, Paul Chadwell, Richard Johnson, Charles Towner, William Little, Michael Meadows, Mark MacKnight, Robert Taylor and David Sommerville, utility workers B. Edna Ables and Kevin Gallagher, plant janitors. Zane Rodeheaver, performance engineer. □

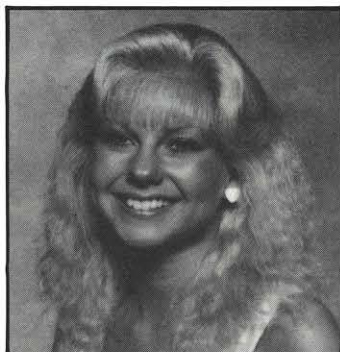
Weddings



Spangler-McKnight



Simpson-Hurley



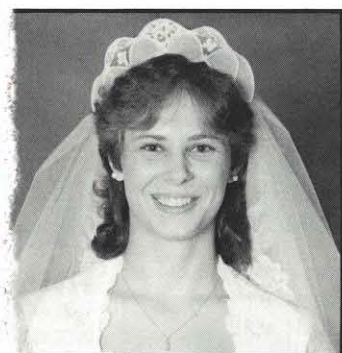
King-Sult



Zak-Scott



Woolwine-Chandler



Young-Caldwell



Gerber-Grogan



Bane-Dahmer

Penny McKnight to **Richard Wayne Spangler**, Kanawha River Plant maintenance mechanic D, August 30.

Maureen Francesca Hurley to **Jeffrey Scott Simpson**, September 15. Jeffrey is the son of Marvin C. Simpson, Jr., Kingsport executive assistant.

Cathy L. Sult to Gary L. King, October 25. Cathy is the daughter of Ellis Sult, transmission inspector, GO T&D Transmission, Bluefield.

Lori Ann Scott to Tal Scott Zak, September 21. Lori is the daughter of Evelyn M. Scott, personnel clerk B, GO Personnel, Roanoke.

Shelley Caldwell to David Young, October 5. Shelley is the daughter of Jack Caldwell, Charleston general servicer.

Carol Lynn Dahmer to Robert C. Bane, II, October 20. Carol is the daughter of Eugene Dahmer, Charleston meter electrician A.

Debra Lynn Grogan to **Kevin Duane Gerber**, October 4. Kevin is the son of Donald A. Gerber, Glen Lyn Plant equipment operator B.

Bonnie L. Chandler to **Don Woolwine**, Christiansburg line crew supervisor NE, September 27.

Peggy Anne Mustard to **C. Steven Dilow**, Abingdon line mechanic C, October 12.

Cynthia Ann Rhodes to **Ray D. England**, John Amos Plant coal handler, October 20.

Vickie L. Wyrick, communication clerk C, GO T&D Communication, Roanoke, to Steven W. Guard, October 6.

Beth Layne to **Mike Sheets**, Mountaineer Plant maintenance mechanic B, October 27.

Regina Isom, Galax customer accounts representative C, to Larry Lowman, October 31.

Teri Lynn Anderson to **Joe Donahoe**, Mountaineer Plant control technician, September 15.

Charlotte Dunford to Earl Joseph Gilbert, III, October 16. Charlotte is the daughter of W. M. Robinson, Mountaineer Plant manager.

Judith Vaught to **Ernest Kirk**, Pearisburg line mechanic B, October 20.

Wed 50 years

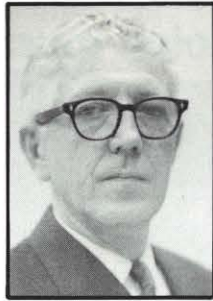


More than 300 friends and relatives attended the golden wedding anniversary celebration of Earl and Julia Hager, held November 4 in Greenview United Methodist Church, Green Valley, West Virginia. Earl is a retired system transmission foreman, GO T&D Transmission, Bluefield. The Hagers, who now reside in Roanoke, Virginia, had one daughter, the late Elizabeth Ann Gregory. They have one grandson.

Friends We'll Miss



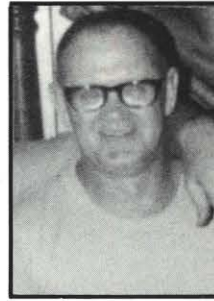
Woodburn



Murphy



Butcher



Roush



Collins

Robert Y. "Woodie" Woodburn, 84, retired Glen Lyn Plant office supervisor, died October 23. A native of Pennsylvania, he began his career in 1929 as a timekeeper and retired October 1, 1965. Woodburn is survived by his widow Mary Elizabeth, Glenwood Park Methodist Home, Route 1, Box 464, Princeton, West Virginia.

George Frederick Murphy, 70, retired automotive transportation supervisor, GO General Services, Roanoke, died October 28. A native of Gratton, West Virginia, he was employed in 1937 as a

clerk in Huntington and retired February 1, 1969. Murphy is survived by his widow Claudine, 2254 Norwegian Drive, Apartment 58, Clearwater, Florida; one daughter and one grandchild.

Ruth D. Butcher, 78, retired plant clerk at Glen Lyn Plant, died November 13. A native of Monroe County, West Virginia, she was employed in 1944 as a clerk junior and retired June 1, 1968. Butcher is survived by one nephew, J. Larry Dunn, Pearisburg T&D clerk A, and one niece.

David L. Roush, 45, Centralized Plant

Maintenance maintenance mechanic B, died October 24. A native of Meigs County, Ohio, he joined the company in 1979. Roush is survived by his widow Mary, Route 2, Box 38, Letart, West Virginia; one daughter; two sons; and one grandchild.

Laura Estelle Smith Collins, 75, retired Huntington secretarial-stenographer, died October 21. A native of Lincoln County, West Virginia, she was employed in 1945 as a junior stenographer and retired January 1, 1974. Collins is survived by one son.

50th Anniversary



Ray and Bernadine Lester celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary with a reception given by their children at the Round Meadow County Club, Christiansburg, Virginia, on October 13. Ray is a retired residential representative in Pulaski Division's Christiansburg office. The Lesters have three children and nine grandchildren.

Births

Abingdon

Clark Thomas, son of **Isaac J. Webb, III**, Gate City area supervisor, November 21.

Roger L., son of **Randy Lee Meade**, Gate City line mechanic A, November 17.

John Amos

Amanda, daughter of **Jack Shirkey**, coal equipment operator, November 11.

Beckley

Adam Christopher, son of **Bernie Lough**, line mechanic A, November 1.

Charleston

Joanna Marie, daughter of **Joe Sawyers**, meter reader, July 12.

Clinch River

Michael, son of **Michael Monk**, instrument mechanic C, October 28.

General Office

Anita Lynn, daughter of **Kurt Dailey**, safety assistant, GO Personnel, Roanoke, June 21.

Jessica Elaine, daughter of **James Michael Lawson**, utility worker B, GO Hydro, Roanoke, November 11.

Jenna Nicole, daughter of **J. D. Bush**, station

mechanic A, GO T&D Station, Roanoke, November 12.

Emily Sue, daughter of **Darrell Mark Beck**, load research coordinator, GO Rates & Contracts, Roanoke, November 13.

Kanawha River

Brandon Thayer and Megan Danialle, twin son and daughter of **Stephen Holstein**, utility worker B, November 2.

Kingsport

Heather Dionne, daughter of **Michael Webb**, meter reader, September 29.

Roanoke

Russell Travis, son of **Barry Burnette**, Fieldale meter reader, October 2.

Jessica Elizabeth, daughter of **Ike Spangler**, line mechanic C, October 24.

Alexis Godfrey, Jr., son of **Alexis Jones**, electrical engineer, October 5.

Philip Sporn

Renee Ann, daughter of **William Martin**, equipment operator B, October 16.

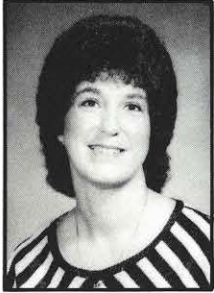
John William, son of **John Nelson**, maintenance mechanic C, October 21.

Kodi Blythe, son of **Kelly Hawk**, utility worker A, October 23. □

Who's News

Beckley

Elizabeth Nixon, customer accounts representative C, has been chosen Valentine Queen of the Xi Alpha Gamma Chapter, Beta Sigma Phi Sorority for 1984-85. A sorority member for six years, Elizabeth serves as chapter vice president, city council representative, membership coordinator and chairperson of the program and membership committees.



Division Manager **Tom Rotenberry** has been elected to a three-year term on the board of directors of the Beckley-Raleigh County Chamber of Commerce.

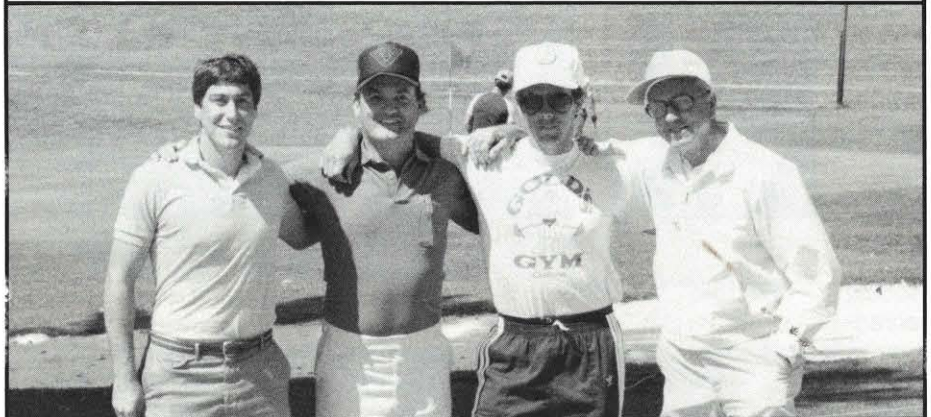
R. L. Loudermilk, marketing and customer services supervisor, was elected to a one-year term as secretary of Southern West Virginia Home Builders Association. □

Personality of the day



Nancy Dickerson, stenographer, GO Marketing & Customer Services, Roanoke, received this bouquet of flowers from a local florist after being named personality of the day by WFIR Radio. A letter of nomination mailed to the station read, "Nancy deserves this recognition because she is a friend that is always ready to lend a helping hand." □

Captain's choice tourney winners



Two teams tied for first place, at six under par, in the Pulaski Division Captain's Choice Golf Tournament at the Blue Ridge Golf Course, Galax. Cash prizes were awarded, along with golf balls for the longest drive on hole number one and closest to the pin on hole number seventeen. Elwood Bobbitt, Galax line crew supervisor NE, had the longest drive on number one, and Floyd Retiree Brady Kidd was closest to the pin on seventeen. The winning team pictured above is composed of Jim Alouf, Pulaski energy services engineer; Joe Weddle, Pulaski marketing and customer services supervisor; Larry Anderson, Wytheville line mechanic A; and Ray Lester, Christiansburg retiree. The winning team below is composed of Elwood Bobbitt, Galax line crew supervisor NE; Fred Myers, Pulaski customer accounts supervisor; Jimmy Earles, Christiansburg line crew supervisor NE; and Jerry Whitehurst, division manager.



Bluefield

New officers have been elected for the Bluefield Employees' Benevolent Association. They are: **Ted Stevens**, photographer and reproducer, chairman; **Sandi Brooks**, junior stenographer, secretary; and **Cheryl Armistead**, meter electrician B, treasurer. Board members are **Dick Bowman**, administrative assistant; **Bill Franklin**, communication supervisor, GO T&D Communications; and **Joe Turner**, meter electrician D. □

General Office

Randy, son of Kathy Weddle, payroll clerk A, GO Accounting, Roanoke, was elected to the homecoming court at Lord Botetourt High School.

Kurt Dailey, safety assistant, was elected president of the Southwest Virginia Section of American Society of Safety Engineers.

Matthew, son of Hank Sullivan, programs manager, GO Public Affairs, Roanoke, was selected for the regional concert band. He plays trombone in the Northside Junior High School Band. □

Roanoke



Susan, daughter of Barbara Hill, meter reader, was selected as homecoming queen of James River High School.

Heather Marie, daughter of Sam Martin, Fieldale general servicer, has been selected to participate in the GO-ACADEMIC program for gifted students in the Henry County Public School System. She is a seventh grader at John Redd Smith Elementary School, Collinsville. □

Kanawha River



Shannon, daughter of John Rocker, barge handler on LTD leave, was selected as 11th grade attendant to Miss Pioneer at East Bank High School. She was escorted by Walter Kincaid. Shannon is also a majorette and member of the band. □

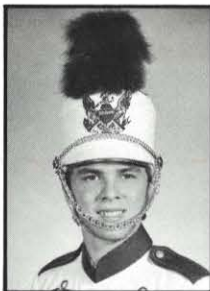
Wilson receives United Way award



Bob Wilson (right), Charleston station mechanic C, was presented an outstanding community service award by **Donald "Windy" Winthrow** (left) of the United Way of Kanawha Valley board of trustees. Bob serves on the United Way Labor Advisory Council and worked in the 1984-85 United Way fund-raising campaign.

Huntington

James, son of Jean Harrison, junior clerk, was chosen field commander for Huntington High School's band. James plays alto saxophone and is a past member of the all-county band and the all-area band.



Fred Helm, division manager, has been selected as a member of the Engineering Societies Joint Committee for West Virginia. The committee was organized to advise the West Virginia Board of Regents concerning issues affecting the quality of graduates from colleges of engineering in the state.

Three employees have been nominated as "outstanding young men of America"

for their community service work. They are **Elvin Epting**, electrical engineer senior; **Larry Jackson**, energy services engineer; and **Mark McVey**, electrical engineer. The award is endorsed by the U.S. Jaycees. □

Central Machine Shop

Stephanie, wife of John Burks, winder 2nd class, was chosen teacher of the year in Putnam County. She is a kindergarten teacher at West Teays Elementary School, Hurricane. □

Charleston

Andy, son of Rodger Woodrum, energy services supervisor, won first place in the Charleston Farmers Market pumpkin painting contest. □

Pulaski

Renae Denice, daughter of Donna Smelser, Wytheville customer accounts representative C, was elected freshman class president of George Wythe High School and was selected for membership in the National Junior Honor Society.

Shirley Moon, customer accounts representative B, was elected president of the United Methodist Women of New Century United Methodist Church.

Mel Honeycutt was selected as woman of the year for 1984 by the Radford Business and Professional Women's Club. The wife of Horace Honeycutt, Claytor retiree, Mel is supervisor-secretary in the audio-visual services department of Radford University.

Galax Retiree **Fred Bennington** was presented an honorary lifetime membership in the Galax-Carroll-Grayson Chamber of Commerce in recognition of his work as a "tireless and dedicated individual for the betterment of the Twin Counties." □

Hunters

General Office

Jerry L. Fernatt, survey party chief, GO T&D Civil Engineering, Roanoke, 95 lb. doe with bow.

Glen Lyn Plant

Bobby Clemons, unit supervisor, 125 lb., 4-point mule deer and antelope. **Roy Pendleton, Jr.**, unit supervisor, 180 lb., 10-point mule deer and antelope. **Roy Pendleton**, retired unit supervisor, 150 lb., 6-point mule deer and antelope. **Don Thompson**, shift operating engineer, 100 lb. mule deer and antelope.

Kanawha River Plant

Bennie Nicholson, maintenance supervisor, 130 lb., 8-point buck with bow. □

Roanoke

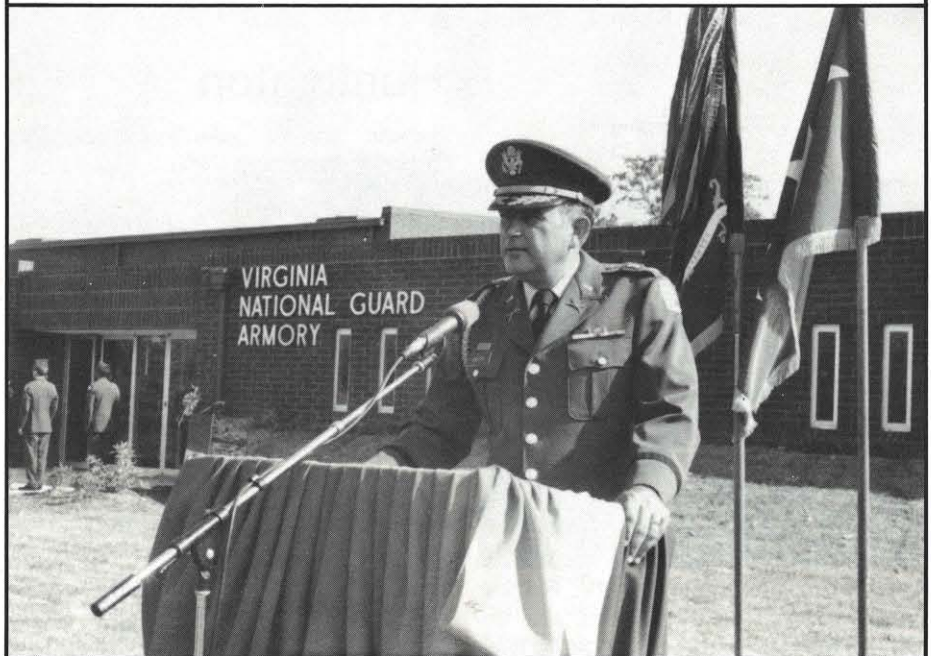
J. B. Aird, III, station crew supervisor, 3-point buck. **Mike Lugar**, station mechanic C, 5-point buck and 16 lb. turkey gobbler. **Marshall**, son of Emma Clark, station mechanic A, 3-point buck. □

Trick or treat



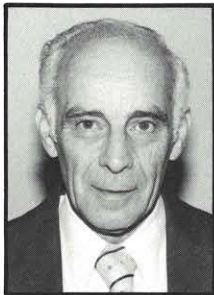
Vampires, witches and other goblins roamed the halls of Mountaineer Plant on Halloween Day as employees dressed in the spirit of the occasion. Pictured above are: front row, l. to r., Pam Simpkins, plant clerk B; Brenda Blackston, plant clerk B; and Shirley Durfee, stores clerk C. Back row, Debby Tygrett, plant clerk A; Diana King, plant clerk C; Janice Adkins, secretary; and Brenda Hamm, stores clerk B.

National Guard Armory dedicated

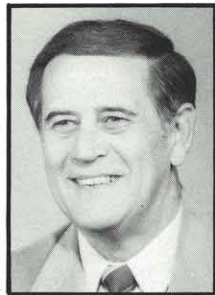


Lt. Col. Frederick Austin, battalion commander, addresses the audience at the recent dedication ceremony of the new Virginia National Guard Armory in Lynchburg. The Armory will house the Second Battalion 116th Infantry and the 116th Infantry Brigade. Fred, a Lynchburg line crew supervisor, has 24 years' National Guard service.

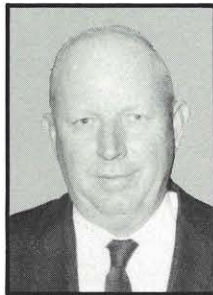
Service Anniversaries



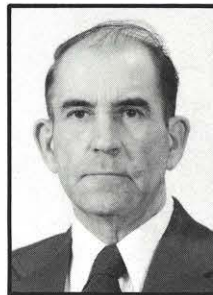
Lloyd Linkous
personnel supervisor
Bluefield
35 years



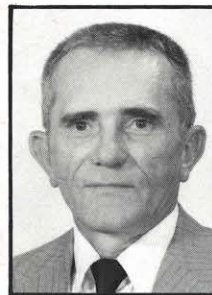
Bernie Coley
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GO-Roanoke
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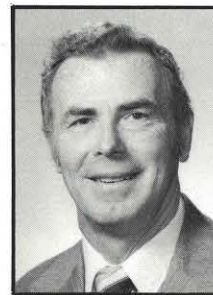
Arthur Self
meter serv. mech. C
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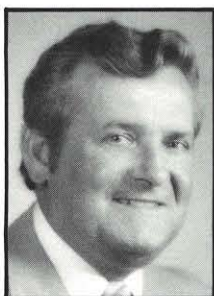
Jim White
unit supervisor
Glen Lyn
30 years



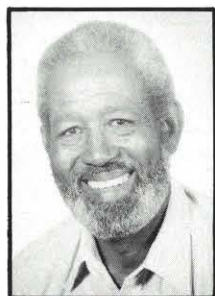
Don Thompson
shift op. engineer
Glen Lyn
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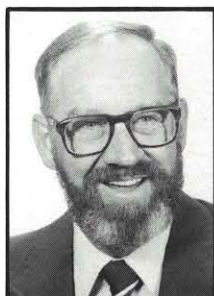
Ralph Holmes
line mechanic A
St. Albans
30 years



Kenneth Triplett
eng. technician sr.
Lynchburg
25 years



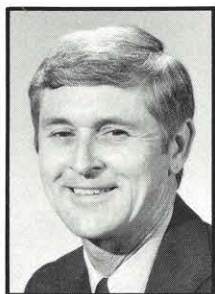
Bob Allen
collector
Charleston
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Keith Brown
area servicer
Clendenin
20 years



Gene Hylton
gen. rec. cont. supv.
GO-Roanoke
20 years



Mike Joyce
station gen. supv.
Roanoke
20 years

John Amos

5 years: **K. A. Kidd**, equipment operator C. **J. L. Fisher**, control technician. **W. H. Crites, Jr.**, control technician. **M. N. McLaughlin**, maintenance mechanic C.

Beckley

5 years: **Larry Darnell**, stores attendant B.

Bluefield

15 years: **Tracy Weiss**, office supervisor, Welch. **Rickey Mitchell**, line mechanic A, Pineville.

Central Machine Shop

10 years: **Ray Casto**, machinist 1st class. **Jim Johnson**, machinist 1st class. **David Wilson**, winder 1st class. **Bob Wilson**, production supervisor. **Greg Stewart**, winder 2nd class.

Centralized Plant Maintenance

10 years: **L. A. Davison**, maintenance mechanic B. 5 years: **H. D. Bartles**, maintenance mechanic B. **P. D. Davis**, maintenance mechanic B. **K. L. McComas**, maintenance mechanic B. **L. E. Pulver**, maintenance mechanic B. **E. G. Rawson**, maintenance mechanic B.

Charleston

15 years: **Jackie Plantz**, customer accounts representative C. **Jerry Holt**, engineering technician senior. 5 years: **Steve Trout**, meter reader, St. Albans.

Clinch River

15 years: **Terry Saddler**, maintenance mechanic B.

General Office

35 years: **Richard Evans**, transmission mechanic A, GO T&D Transmission, Bluefield. 15 years: **Dale Fisher**, hydro maintenance supervisor, GO Hydro, Smith Mountain. **Charles Wright**, drafter A, GO T&D Station Design, Roanoke. **Jesse Swiney**, drafter B, GO Operations, Roanoke. **Joyce Lawson**, secretary, GO Accounting, Roanoke. **Adrian Willis**, drafter B, GO T&D R/e & R/w, Roanoke. **Aaron Giles**, station construction representative, GO T&D Station, Roanoke. **Phillip Cooper**, data processing operator A, GO Accounting, Roanoke. **Hank Colwell**, forestry control utilization superintendent, GO T&D Forestry, Roanoke. 10 years: **Milton Clark**, customer accounting clerk A, GO

Accounting, Roanoke. 5 years: **Lee Ann Bryant**, stenographer, GO Rates & Contracts, Roanoke. **Jerry Williams**, electric plant clerk C, GO Accounting, Roanoke. **David Campbell**, mail clerk C, GO General Services, Roanoke. **Scott Icard**, governmental affairs representative, GO Executive, Charleston. **Jessie Shelley**, transmission station mechanic B, GO T&D Station, Bluefield.

Huntington

15 years: **Donald Haddox**, meter supervisor.

Kanawha River

15 years: **David Hall**, maintenance mechanic B. 10 years: **Larry Stone**, coal equipment operator.

Kingsport

5 years: **Greg Smith**, staff assistant. **Danny Blankenbeckler**, service clerk B.

Lynchburg

5 years: **Mike Barksdale**, line mechanic C. **Gill Kidd, Jr.**, line mechanic C. **Smith Fletcher, Jr.**, line mechanic C. **Mike Hutchinson**, line mechanic C.

Mountaineer

5 years: **Jim Greene**, barge unloader operator. **Harold Stewart**, maintenance mechanic A. **Brad Yoho**, performance engineer senior.

Pulaski

5 years: **Harry Grubb**, meter reader, Wytheville.

Roanoke

15 years: **Ronnie McGhee**, line mechanic A, Fieldale. 5 years: **William Booze**, station mechanic D.

Philip Sporn

5 years: **Alice Gardner**, equipment operator C. **Robert Freyberg**, equipment operator B. □



During the holiday season, we give thanks for our many blessings and present gifts to our loved ones and friends. But there is another kind of giving . . . to those in need.

Appalachian Power Company stockholders will contribute up to \$75,000 during the 1984-85 heating season to match

customer and employee contributions to the company's Neighbor-to-Neighbor program. The commitment is for up to \$37,500 in both Virginia and West Virginia, the two states the company serves. This program provides funds to assist needy people with their electric bills during the heating season.

According to Appalachian President John W. Vaughan, stockholders provided the same amount in matching funds last year. As in the past, disbursement of funds to the needy will be administered in Virginia by the Department of Social Services and in West Virginia by the Department of Human Services.

"While we have seen a continuing improvement in economic conditions," Vaughan notes, "we recognize that there are many people in need in the areas we serve. The Neighbor-to-Neighbor program is our way of providing a means for our stockholders, customers, and employees to help."

Appalachian is including notices about the program in electric bills during the months of December and January.

Since the Neighbor-to-Neighbor program was begun in 1983, Appalachian customers and employees have assisted more than 7,800 needy families in paying their winter electric bills. All funds collected were distributed by the West Virginia Department of Human Services and the Virginia Department of Social Services. Not one penny was spent on administrative costs.

Deloitte Haskins & Sells, a certified public accounting firm, has volunteered its services to audit the Neighbor-to-Neighbor program at its completion in the spring of 1985. The firm also donated its auditing services in each of the previous two years in which the Neighbor-to-Neighbor program has been in existence. □

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