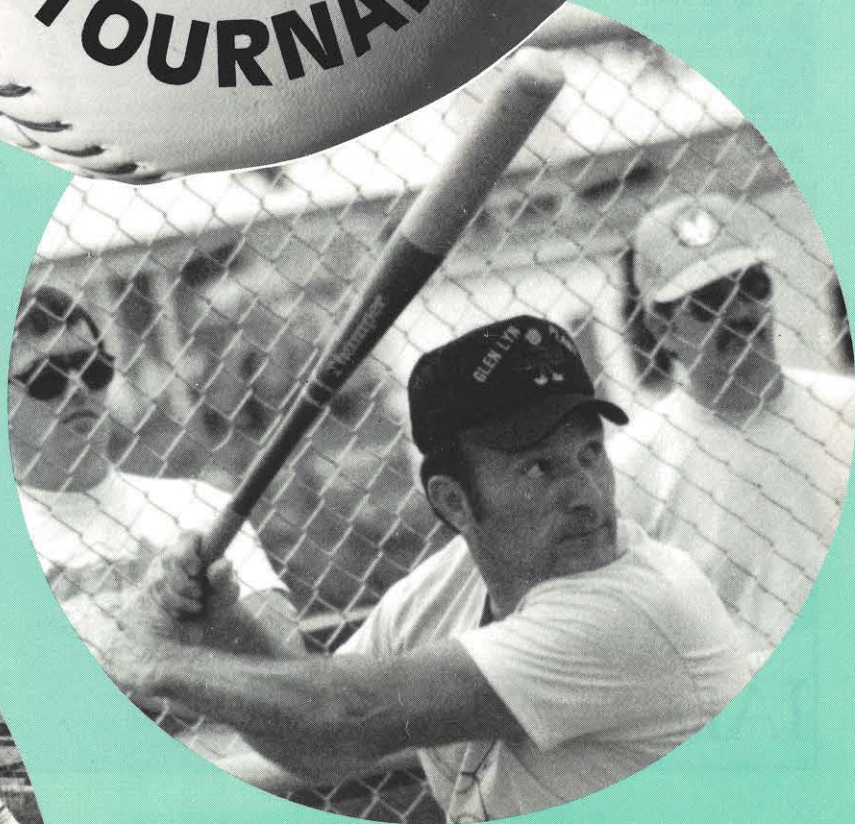
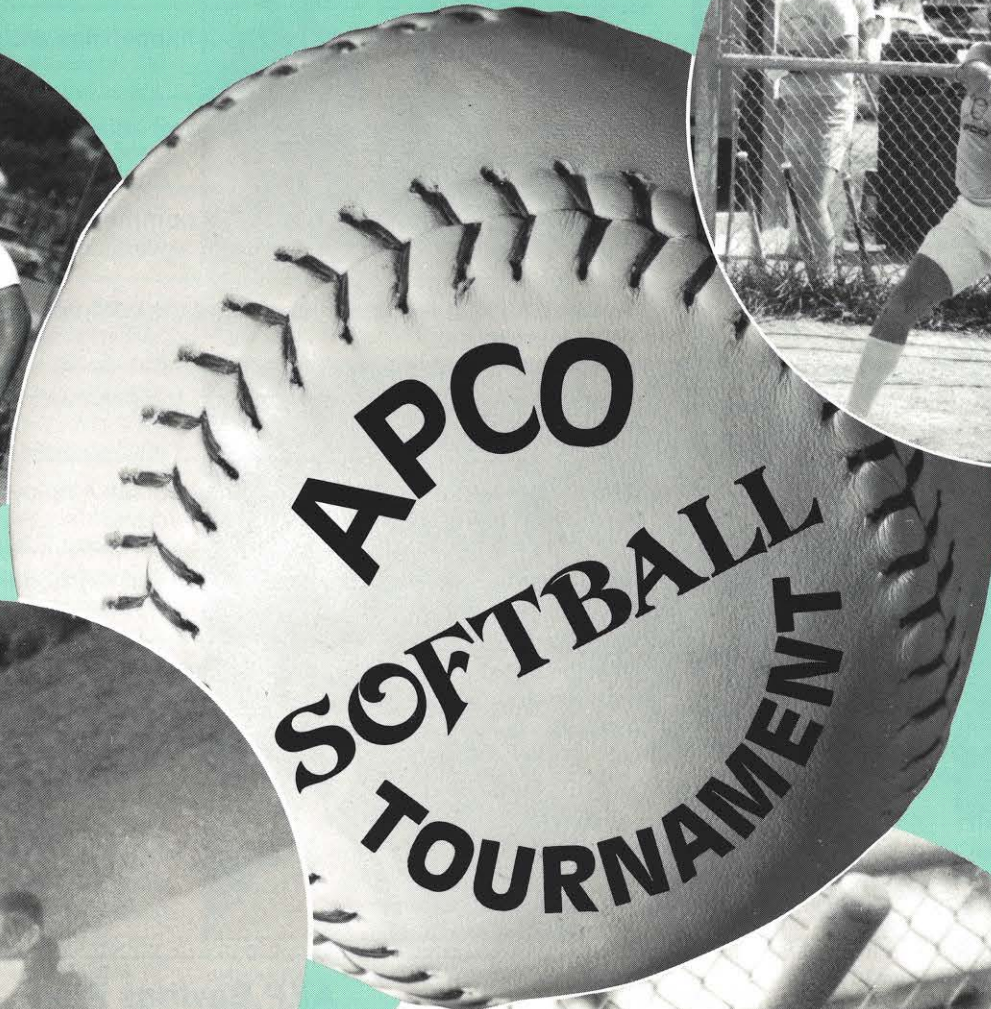
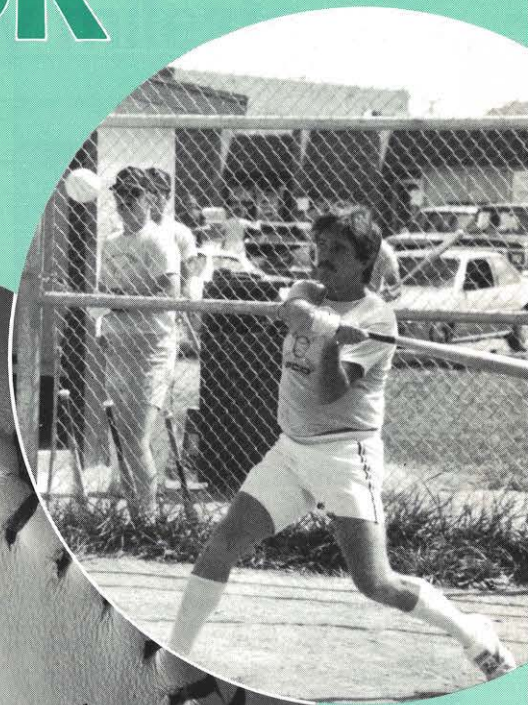
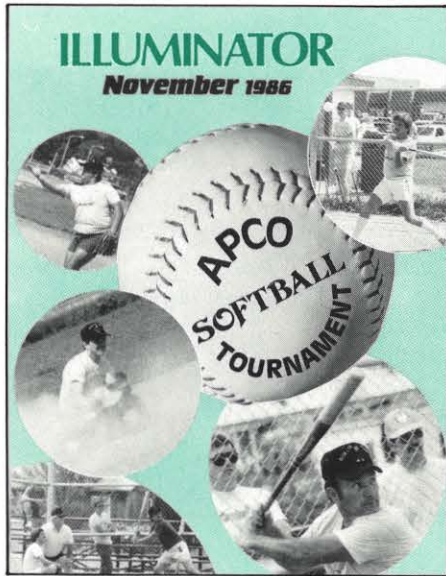


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Some 150 employees from throughout Appalachian Power participated in the slow pitch softball tournament in Princeton. See story on page 8.

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AEP Savings Plan

Date	Fixed Income Fund		Equity Fund		AEP Stock Fund	
	VPU	UCPD	VPU	UCPD	VPU	UCPD
10/31/85	2.2654	.4414	3.2758	.3052	2.5130	.3979
11/30/85	2.2888	.4369	3.5108	.2848	2.5752	.3883
12/31/85	2.3133	.4322	3.6790	.2718	2.7013	.3701
1/31/86	2.3389	.4275	3.7117	.2694	2.9059	.3441
2/28/86	2.3620	.4233	3.9736	.2516	3.0887	.3237
3/31/86	2.3874	.4188	4.1952	.2383	3.2630	.3064
4/30/86	2.4117	.4146	4.1455	.2412	3.0279	.3302
5/31/86	2.4376	.4102	4.3627	.2292	3.0799	.3247
6/30/86	2.4629	.4060	4.4441	.2250	3.1686	.3156
7/31/86	2.4894	.4017	4.1898	.2386	3.5090	.2849
8/31/86	2.5160	.3975	4.5045	.2220	3.7421	.2672
9/30/86	2.5420	.3934	4.1383	.2416	3.2777	.3051

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.

Three locations reach safety milestones

Employees' dedication to accident prevention while performing their duties has resulted in three Appalachian Power locations attaining a million safe work hours.

Charleston Division's safety milestone, achieved in July, was one of several the employees have received over the years. According to Floyd H. Taylor, division manager, Charleston employees have achieved one million safe work hours on five previous occasions. They also reached two million safe work hours once.

Taylor notes, "This places them among company leaders and demonstrates their safety awareness. But it is important to remember that safety and records depend upon the moment-by-moment individual performance of all employees in the division."

Roanoke Division employees achieved one million hours without a disabling injury on August 11. This was the seventh time that the division had reached this lofty goal.

Roanoke Division Manager Robert D. Webster said, "I am quite proud of the Roanoke Division employees. This performance covered a span of about 16 months, and it is the first time in 18 years that the division has reached this mark. I want to thank employees for their contribution to this performance. It's an achievement which has a much deeper meaning than just establishing a significant record. It means that employees were spared serious pain and injury and that their families, too, were spared the stress and anguish of having a loved one hurt. As we look at the future, I want to encourage the employees to continue their safety awareness on a daily basis and to be on the alert to protect themselves and their fellow employees."

The Bluefield Division's safety slogan, "no compromises on safety," paid off on September 29, when employees reached the one-million safe work hour mark. This is the fifth time that Bluefield employees achieved this goal. According to Tom Rotenberry, division manager, recognition dinners will be held throughout the division to honor employees. □



Pictured with a safety poster stating Bluefield Division's safety slogan, "no compromises on safety," are some employees who have contributed to the division's most recent accomplishment. From left, Beth Ann Blankenship, T&D clerk C; Danny Neely, department assistant-marketing and customer services; Betty Boyd, drafter B; Cecil Rhudy, area servicer; and Bob Simmons, stores supervisor.



Employees in both Charleston and Roanoke Divisions celebrated their one million safe work hours with dinners. Roanoke Division employees are shown in the photo above and Charleston Division employees below.



Blowers appointed Kyger Creek manager

Raymond H. Blowers, Jr., has been appointed manager of the Kyger Creek Plant of Ohio Valley Electric Corporation at Cheshire, Ohio, effective November 1. Formerly assistant manager, he succeeds Louis R. Ford, Jr., who retired after 16 years as plant manager. □

R&D program to cost \$83 million next 3 years

The American Electric Power System expects to invest approximately \$83 million on its research and development program over a three-year period, 1986-1988 (see table below).

Last year, AEP spent approximately \$6.33 million on research and development. (Of this amount, \$5.71 million was reported to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission. The balance was not reported because monies spent on some areas, such as load research, are not considered by the FERC to be R&D.)

The large increase in annual expenditures can be attributed to the design and construction of the Tidd PFBC demonstration plant scheduled to begin later this year. (It should be understood that these numbers are estimates and are revised periodically to reflect additions and deletions of R&D projects.)

	(in thousands)		
	1986	1987	1988
Existing coal-fired generation	\$ 1,488	\$ 2,106	\$ 2,130
New coal-fired generation	9,865	20,296	37,030
Existing nuclear generation	581	828	485
Future nuclear generation	14	14	14
Transmission	2,366	2,346	1,377
Distribution	95	43	30
Planning, operation and control	542	377	238
Load management	94	83	88
Rate research	68	74	78
Effective use of electricity	144	91	102
Renewable energy sources	50	46	41
Total expenditure forecast	\$15,307	\$26,304	\$41,613



A flag raising ceremony was held in connection with the open house at the new Ripley office.

New Ripley office opened to public

Appalachian Power's customers in Ripley, West Virginia, now have a more modern and convenient place at which to conduct business with the company.

The customer services section of Appalachian's new \$1.25 million facility was opened to the public on October 20. The transmission and distribution crews began working from the new location earlier this year.

The 7,400 square foot building is less than a mile west of Ripley on Route 33. The four-acre site also contains a separate covered parking area for company vehicles and storage for transformers and poles.

"In the past, employees have worked out of three leased facilities in the Ripley area," says Fred Helm, Huntington division manager. "All operations are now consolidated at the new facility." □

Stuart office moves to new location

Appalachian Power Company's office in Stuart, Virginia, has moved to a new location in the old Sears Building on Main Street.

The previous headquarters, also on Main Street, had been the home for Appalachian since 1939, when the-then Appalachian Electric Power Company purchased the rights of the Old East Coast Utilities Company.

The new office has approximately 3,000 square feet of office space, allowing the consolidation of office facilities and a storeroom which was located more than a mile from the old office location. "Having all operations under one roof will permit us to serve the needs of our customers more effectively now and in the future," states Lynn Short, Stuart area supervisor. □

KPCo program will aid needy customers

Kingsport Power Company will sponsor a Neighbor to Neighbor program to assist needy customers in paying their electric bills during the winter months.

Contributions to the program are voluntary, and Kingsport Power will match such contributions up to \$2,500 between December 1, 1986, and April 30, 1987. The company's contributions will come from its shareowners and not ratepayers.

The program is available to qualifying Kingsport Power customers, whose eligibility will be certified by the Upper East Tennessee Human Development Agency. The funds will be disbursed by the Kingsport Community Ministry Center. Every dollar contributed to the Neighbor to Neighbor Program will go toward helping the needy.

Customers are being notified of the new program through a special notice inserted in the electric bills mailed during November. □

Ringoen elected to AEP board



Richard M. Ringoen, chairman, president and chief executive officer of the Ball Corporation in Muncie, Indiana, has been elected to the board of directors of American Electric Power Company. The elec-

tion of Ringoen increases to 13 the membership of the board.

In 1982 and 1984, *Financial World* gave Ringoen its Bronze Award as the top CEO in the container industry. The *Wall Street Transcript* selected Ringoen for its CEO Silver Award, Container Industry, in 1982 and 1983, and in 1984 that publica-

tion honored him with its Gold Award as the "best CEO in the container industry."

Ringoen is also a director of Arvin Industries, Inc., of Columbus, Indiana; CTS Corporation of Elkhart, Indiana; and The Dorsey Corporation of Chattanooga, Tennessee. □

White elected to conference board

W. S. White, Jr., chairman of American Electric Power Company, Appalachian Power Company, and Kingsport Power Company, has been elected a regular member of The Conference Board.

The 70-year-old organization is a management information service involved in management practice, economics, and public policy. It has a staff of more than 350 and an international membership of more than 3,600 organizations. □

Jones takes new post with AEPSC

John R. Jones has been elected assistant vice president - project management of the AEP Service Corporation. He had been project manager responsible for coordinating the engineering, design and construction of new generating and transmission facilities.

Jones joined Appalachian Power Company in 1966 as a maintenance engineer at the Clinch River Plant. Since 1969, he has been involved in the engineering and construction management of AEP's major power plants. He holds a bachelor of science degree in mechanical engineering from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University. □

INFORMATION

On Benefits

AEP companies contribute to PAYSOP

The AEP System companies last month made their third annual contribution to the System's Employee Stock Ownership Plan (PAYSOP) on behalf of the plan's participants. This year's contribution was \$3,386,869.

The PAYSOP plan, adopted in January 1984 and made retroactive to January 1, 1983, was set to end in 1987, but the Tax Reform Act passed this fall by Congress will bring it to a close one year earlier. Under the plan, System companies make contributions to employee accounts, held in trust, with money that otherwise would have to be paid in federal taxes. Next year's contribution, for the year 1986, will be the last.

Employees do not contribute to PAYSOP. Instead, the companies contribute the tax credit of 0.5 percent of the total compensation of all participants each year during what was to have been the five-year period 1983-87.

Most employees of the AEP System became PAYSOP participants automatically if they were 20 years old and had one year of company service.

Each contribution to the plan is made, for the prior year, after the System companies have filed their federal

income tax returns on or about September 15. The companies then have 30 days in which to transmit their annual contributions to the plan's trustee, Bankers' Trust Company of New York. The trustee, in turn, has 30 days in which to purchase AEP common stock, which then is allocated in appropriate shares to each participant's account. Stock may be purchased on the open market, as has been done in the past, or directly from AEP in the form of newly issued shares.

Each eligible employee on the payroll on December 31 receives an allocation of AEP common stock based on his or her earnings (up to \$100,000) in the year just ended. For example, an employee with \$25,000 of compensation would have 0.5 percent of that amount — or \$125 — allocated to his or her account. Then, early next year, he or she will receive an annual statement reflecting the December 31, 1986 valuation of the account.

For most employees, PAYSOP accounts are distributed upon retirement. The only other time they are distributed is in the event of an employee's disability, termination or death. □

INFORMATION

On Benefits

New guaranteed interest rate for Fixed Income Fund

A new but lower guaranteed interest rate of 7.45 percent has been established for employee contributions to the Fixed Income Fund of the AEP System Employees Savings Plan over the next 12 months. The rate, pegged to current interest rate levels, is the result of an agreement with Pacific Mutual Life Insurance Company, a new underwriter for the fund.

Like previous interest rates in recent years, the new 7.45 percent rate became effective November 1 and will apply to all "new money" contributed to the fund through next October 31. However, unlike all previous agreements — which paid the guaranteed rate on the November 1–October 31 block of money for periods ranging from seven to 10 years — the latest agreement is for one year only.

The 7.45 percent rate is the lowest since the Savings Plan was established on January 1, 1978, and substantially below the 11.25 percent level in effect the past 12 months. However, according to Gerald P. Maloney, senior vice president - finance of the AEP Service Corporation and chairman of the Savings Plan Committee, "This new rate, even though less than the double-digit rates of the early 1980s, is quite favorable when compared with other contracts currently available in the market.

"This year," he explained, "because of the relatively lower interest rate, we decided to make the contract for one year only. This short-term approach was taken because we anticipate that interest rates will be about the same or higher a year from now when a new contract would be negotiated."

Maloney emphasized that the Fixed Income Fund, even with the new, lower rate, remains "a very attractive investment." The average annual rate of return is currently about 13.1 percent, and the fund now exceeds \$170 million in guaranteed insurance contracts.

"Surprisingly, the addition of the new contract will have only a slight effect on the upcoming year's projected average rate of return, which will be approximately 13 percent or slightly less. The average rate is heavily affected by the weight given to the contract purchased in 1982 at the rate of 15.75 percent (when many employees rolled prior pension contributions into the plan). More than half of the Fixed Income Fund is in this contract, and the amount increases each year by another 15.75 percent," Maloney added.

"It is important to remember that all employees participating in the Fixed Income Fund, even the newest members, benefit from the blended rate of return from all the contracts, even those earning more than 15 percent. Thus, the average rate of return for the next 12 months for all participants should be roughly 13 percent for both old and new money," he continued.

Pacific Mutual is the fourth insurance company to guarantee interest rates for the Fixed Income Fund over the past nine years. The others were The Equitable Life Assurance Society of the United States (1978-83), Metropolitan Life Insurance Company (1984) and Prudential Insurance Company of America (1985). A recapitulation of all contracts to date follows:

	Contributions Made From	To	Will Earn	Through
Equitable	1-1-78	6-30-78	7.85%	12-31-87
	7-1-78	8-31-79	8.35%	6-30-88
	9-1-79	12-31-79	8.90%	8-31-89
	1-1-80	3-31-80	10.60%	3-31-80
			and then 14.85%	12-31-80
			and then 11.85%	12-31-89
	4-1-80	12-31-80	14.85%	12-31-80
			and then 11.85%	12-31-89
	1-1-81	3-31-81	11.85%	12-31-89
	4-1-81	7-31-82	11.85%	7-31-82
		and then 15.75%	10-31-89	
	8-1-82	10-31-83	15.75%	10-31-89
	11-1-83	10-31-84	12.65%	10-31-90
Metropolitan	11-1-84	10-31-85	13.10%	10-31-91
Prudential	11-1-85	10-31-86	11.25%	10-31-92
Pacific Mutual	11-1-86	10-31-87	7.45%	10-31-87

Eligible employees may invest up to 16 percent of their base compensation in the Savings Plan, and the company will match the initial 6 percent 50 cents on the dollar. That is, for every \$2 invested by the employee (up to 6 percent), the company adds \$1 of AEP stock to the account. Earnings on all contributions, both the employee's and the company's, are added to the employee's account.

The Savings Plan consists of three funds, and the employee may participate in one or equally in two or all three. They are: the aforementioned Fixed Income Fund (with its earnings guaranteed), the Equity Fund (Standard & Poor's 500 Index Fund) and the AEP Stock Fund (consisting entirely of AEP common stock). □

Lynchburg shareowner stars in TV commercial

Daily Bread, a public service organization in Lynchburg which provides free lunches for indigents, was the setting for the production of an AEP television commercial in September.

The "star" of the commercial is AEP Shareowner Thomas S. Kirkpatrick, Jr., a retired road contractor who serves as president of Daily Bread. His "supporting cast" were volunteer workers at Daily Bread, including Kitty Davenport, wife of Lynchburg Division Manager Bob Davenport.

AEP is beginning the second year of a television and newspaper advertising campaign highlighting representative shareowners. The Kirkpatrick commercial is one of three being shot this year. The other two are in Fort Wayne, Indiana, and Canton, Ohio.

Arranged through Griswold Advertising of Cleveland, Ohio, and shot by Academy Films of Baltimore, Maryland, the filming of the commercial underlined the amount of time and work it takes to put together a 30-second spot. Aside from travel time to and from the respective locations of the ad agency and film crew, the shoot took around 12 hours. Much of the time was devoted to setting up, getting proper lighting and reflection, rehearsals, and numerous "takes."

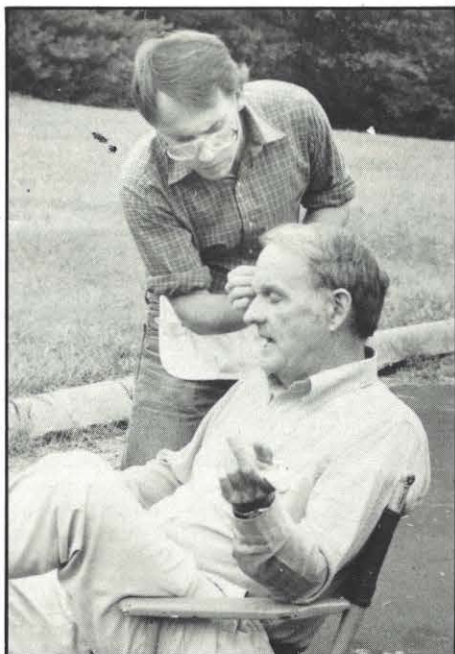
During the shoot, a news person from

WSET-TV in Lynchburg interviewed Kirkpatrick for a story on the evening news.

The commercial is slated for airing on December 8 and will be shown throughout 1987, along with the others. □



These Daily Bread volunteers pose for a "still" photograph to be used in a newspaper advertisement. L. to r., Kitty Davenport, wife of Lynchburg Division Manager Bob Davenport; Kirkpatrick; Betty Kirkpatrick; and Franklin Moomaw.



Thomas Kirkpatrick, Jr., receives a touch up from the makeup man.



The camera rolls as Kirkpatrick unloads groceries for the Daily Bread kitchen.

SOFTBALL a hit at Appalachian

Softball has been a hit with Appalachian Power employees for a long time. Oldtimers speak fondly of the fun and fellowship they enjoyed during company softball tournaments in the 50's, but such events haven't been held since that time.

Younger employees had an opportunity to make a few memories of their own during a company-wide slow pitch softball tournament at Princeton, West Virginia, on September 6 and 7. Some 150 employees representing John Amos, Glen Lyn, Mountaineer, and Philip Sporn Plants as well as Beckley, Bluefield, Pulaski, Roanoke, and Welch participated.

Employees from several locations had expressed an interest in such a tournament. A phone call from Glen Lyn Plant Personnel Supervisor Randy Nicewonder to Personnel Director Ed Bradley was all it took to start the ball in play.

Randy says, "It was a lot of work, but I believe everyone had a great time so it was worth the effort. I didn't realize the company had so many good softball players."

Philip Sporn Plant won the double elimination tournament, with Mountaineer Plant finishing second and Bluefield



A team from Philip Sporn Plant took the championship in the company-wide slow pitch softball tournament. Members are, front row, l. to r., Steve Halley, maintenance mechanic A; Pat Aeiker, maintenance mechanic B; Skipper Johnson, equipment operator B; Harold Russell, assistant yard superintendent; Mat Russell (bat boy), son of Harold Russell; Pat Soulsby, equipment operator A. Back row, Jim Cottrill, maintenance mechanic A; Carl Swisher, equipment operator B; Kelvin Honaker, utility worker A; Mitchell Mace, equipment operator B; Ray Wilford, utility worker A; and Buddy Peayt, maintenance mechanic C.

third. The top three teams were awarded trophies, and members of the first and second place teams received individual shirts.

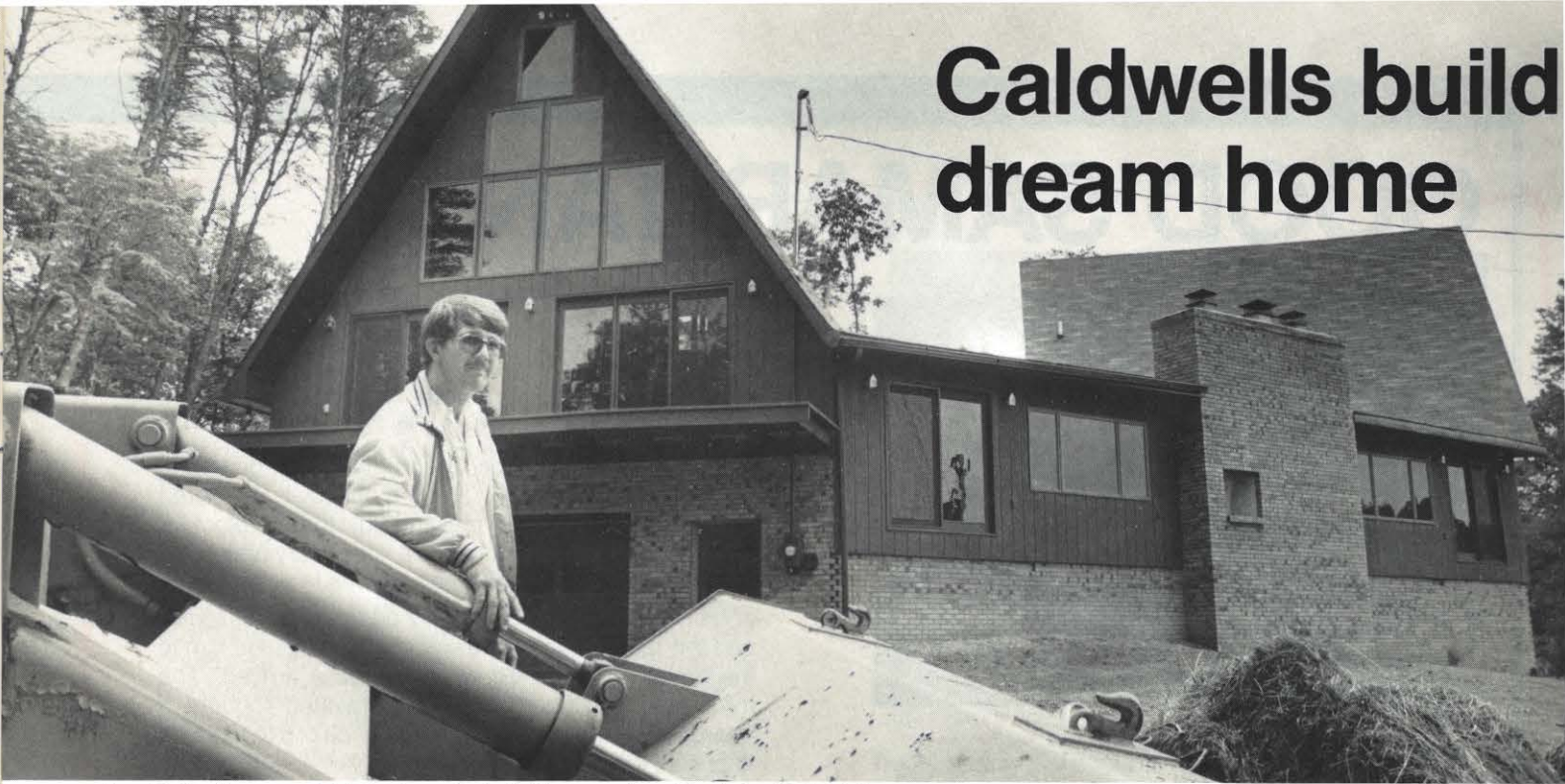


Runner-up in the slow pitch softball tournament was the team from Mountaineer Plant. Members are, front row, l. to r., Rich Kent, control technician senior; Bryan Smith, coal equipment operator; Leonard Cornell, maintenance mechanic A; Greg Keffer, barge handler; Ron Steele, coal equipment operator; and David Hood, utility worker. Back row, Randy Young, maintenance mechanic A; Frank Gilkey, maintenance mechanic B; Ray Minnis, equipment operator B; Rodney Pearson, equipment operator B; Tim Howard, barge handler; Steve Baird, equipment operator A; and Kenny Williams, maintenance mechanic B.



Bluefield Division took third place in the company-wide softball tournament. Members are, front row, l. to r., Mark Blankenship, line mechanic D; Robert Warner, meter reader; and Johnny Odham, line mechanic C. Middle row, Jack Crotty, Jr., meter reader; Phillip Spangler, energy services technologist; Daniel Currence, head meter reader; Billy Ball, communication specialist, GO T&D Communication; Larry Jeffries, stores attendant B; Lewis Crouch, Jr., station mechanic B; and Rodney Mitchem, transmission mechanic D, GO T&D Transmission. Back row, Donnie Bailey, line mechanic C; J.A. Blessing, station mechanic A; and Alfred Elliott, line mechanic C.

Caldwells build dream home



Steve Caldwell poses outside the home he built. Photo courtesy Charleston Daily Mail.

In 1973, when Steve Caldwell was attending West Virginia State College, one of his assignments for an architectural drawing class was a plan for his dream house. "I had always wanted an A-frame, so that's what I drew," Steve recalls.

Shortly after Steve and his wife Debbie (CMS personnel clerk) were married, they decided to turn that dream house into reality. This past May, after more than three years of construction, the couple spent the first night in the sprawling house, located on his family's 300-acre farm east of Hurricane, West Virginia.

The 3300 square foot house features a pair of bookend, two-story A-frames connected by a long, one-story recreation room and kitchen. One of the house's A-frames contains a living room, dining room, and two bedrooms. The other A-frame includes the master bedroom and a basement. The house has nine rooms in all. The exterior of the house is brick and wood with lots of big windows. Actually the house varies little from the design Steve made thirteen years ago, although some of Debbie's ideas are included. She says, "Steve had an open bedroom and we ended up closing that in. We made a sewing room for me, and I wanted an island in the kitchen. We also added a skylight to one of the bedrooms. We wished we had added more skylights. So far that is the only thing we would change."

Steve estimates that 85 percent of the work on the home was done by him and a few close relatives. He worked on the house almost every day during the summer and on weekends during the school year. (A track coach at Dunbar High School, his team has won several double-A state championships.)

The couple selected a site for the house in 1982 — on a hillside overlooking the family pond. The location is about a football field away from the gravel road that runs through the family farm, so Steve's father, Olen Campbell, built a road through a field up to the site. He has a backhoe and bulldozer, which were also used to build the footers, put in the septic tank system, and do grade work around the house. Debbie's father, James Walls, and Steve did all the building construction.

Steve guesses that the house contains 800 pounds of nails and 25,000 feet of wood, mostly oak, pine and poplar. About 33 gallons of stain was applied to the exterior. The lumber for the

house's walls, floors and ceilings came from trees on the Caldwell farm. They started cutting lumber for the house in 1978. The logs were taken to a sawmill and hewn into boards. Then the boards were stacked and allowed to dry. "One of the hardest parts was sizing the lumber to the same thickness," Steve recalls. "We did that ourselves at home on a planer. We would get lumber back from the mill that was a quarter-inch off or a half-inch off and make the adjustments at the farm."

Just about the only work on the house that Steve did not do was laying the brick, putting the shingles on the roof, laying the carpet, and installing the drywall and heating and cooling systems. Debbie did much of the varnishing work and selected fixtures and appliances.

The Caldwell's son Stephen II was born prematurely during the construction of the house and that slowed work down for a while. They lived in a trailer on the farm until their house was inhabitable this past spring.

The yard has since been seeded and work is underway on a long deck around the outside of the house. The deck will feature an outdoor fireplace. Steve also wants to build a barn behind the house and complete the landscaping. He concludes, "I don't know if you ever complete a house. Everybody tells me that I'll never be finished!" □



Debbie Caldwell in her favorite room — a combination rec room/kitchen.

GOOD SAMARITANS



Witt

Charleston Head Custodian John Witt was awarded a certificate of appreciation for outstanding service for helping to apprehend a purse snatcher at the Charleston Town Center. The award was presented by Charleston Mayor James E. Roark.

John had walked to the mall at lunch time and was in the parking building along Quarrier Street when he saw a woman chasing a young man, who was about 6 foot and weighed about 170 pounds. "When she said, 'help!

stop him! help me,' John recalls, "I jumped over the retaining wall and started chasing him. The man headed for the Montgomery Ward side of the parking garage toward the Sears store. Two other men started after the man from the other end.

"When he saw them, he turned and threw down the pocketbook. He jumped over the rail down to where I was. He ran right toward me, and I just threw a block." It was John's first tackle because a knee injury prevented him from playing football when he was in school.

John continues, "Store security people were called in, and the man tried to get away again. I wrestled him to the ground and pinned him until police arrived." The man later was charged with aggravated robbery, a charge that carries a possible sentence of 5 to 18 years in prison, if convicted.

John adds, "I've thought about an incident like this happening and what my reaction would be. I'm glad I was able to help. My wife and two children go to the mall all the time, and I'd want someone to help them if they had this same situation. If anyone's the hero, it is the victim. He dragged her down two flights of stairs before fleeing with the purse. But I have to give her credit. She went after him!" □



Durst

A 19-year-old construction worker was given a second chance at life because of the quick response of Bill Durst, maintenance mechanic A at Centralized Plant Maintenance.

Bill explains, "My wife and I were driving up Route 7 on the morning of September 19. We came in view of an accident scene and saw people running. I noticed two men on the ground; and, when I saw a boom and power line close together, I figured they had gotten the equipment in the line. I turned around and went back to see if I could help. A fellow was checking out a man on

the left side of the truck and found that he was dead. Then the fellow came around to check out the young man on the other side. I told the fellow I knew CPR and asked if I could help. He replied, 'yes, please.' I said, 'Do you have anything?' He answered 'nothing.'

"We got the young man breathing and stayed with him until the rescue squad arrived. He had been hit pretty hard. I noticed a hole about the size of a dime in the bottom of his tennis shoes where electricity had gone through to the ground. As the fellow and I left, we waved and grinned at each other without saying a word. But I knew he was pleased, too, with what we'd done. My response was automatic. I didn't even think about what I was doing until I was well into the CPR. Then I checked to make sure everything was right. At the time, I felt nothing. But, as I was driving up the road, I felt like I was on pins and needles. I found out that the young man lived about a week after the accident."

Bill concludes, "I was on the original crew when CPM was formed. Emmett Huntley, our manager then, insisted on everyone taking CPR. We have had many refresher courses since then. I'm grateful for the company training that enabled me to help the young man, and I wrote a letter of thanks to Emmett Huntley just the other day." □

I've worked as a meter reader for seven years and have always had a fear of finding someone dead," says Betty McClaugherty, an employee in the Christiansburg office. That fear almost came true one morning in September.

About 8:50 a.m., as she was taking meter readings near Hall's Service Station, Betty found an unconscious woman lying on the ground outside her home. "I really didn't know what was wrong with her," Betty recalls. "I tried to go inside the house for help, but the door was locked.

"Since my truck is not equipped with a radio, I drove down the road until I found someone at home so I could use the telephone to call the Christiansburg Rescue Squad. The home I called from turned out to be the niece of the injured woman."

Returning to the woman's home, Betty found that the woman was now awake but didn't know what day it was. The woman, in her 70's, told Betty that she had come outside to run off a big dog in her yard. The woman was "soaked to the T" with grass on her face and glasses, and she apparently had tried to get up. Neighbors said they had heard dogs barking about 10:30 p.m. on Monday night; and, since the woman said she had not been outside on Wednesday, the day she was discovered, Betty believes the woman had been outside throughout Tuesday night.

Oak Hill Collector Emory McGuffin routinely makes personal contacts with customers prior to disconnection of electric service. Recently such a call turned into a mission of mercy for an elderly, partially paralyzed woman.

Emory explains, "I had to fight off the dogs before I could get up to the house. I noticed that the door was standing ajar about ten inches, but I got no response when I knocked. I was getting ready to leave when I heard someone holler, 'can you help me?' I hesitated; but, when she hollered again, I went in. I had been in the house before and knew that the lady was confined to a wheelchair. I figured she had a problem, and it turned out that I was right.

"The woman's daughter had left about 8 a.m. that morning and hadn't gotten back by 5:30 p.m. when I was there. Sometime during the day the woman had tried to lift herself off the leather couch and onto her wheelchair. The wheelchair had slipped, and she had fallen to the floor. She explained to me what happened and asked that I pick her up and put her on the couch. She weighs about 300 pounds and is completely helpless from the waist down."

Emory continues, "It was hard to get a hold on her because it seemed like her flesh wanted to pull away. Her dress was soaking wet, too, which was embarrassing. Finally I got her turned around to where I could get both arms in behind her. It took all my strength to



McClaugherty

Betty and the woman's niece covered the woman with a quilt and waited for the rescue squad to arrive. "I think I've seen dead people with more color in the face than she had," Betty notes. "I guess she had laid there so long... As it turned out, the woman had a broken hip and had to undergo surgery."

The niece told Betty that the woman had a maid who came in to help around the house, but that Wednesday was her day off. "I guess I was at the right place at the right time," Betty says. "It was quite an experience. Meter readers aren't always held in the highest regard, and I hope this incident might change people's perceptions of the company." □



McGuffin

pull her up onto the couch. Then she decided she wanted to get in the wheelchair. I rolled it over to the couch, but it was the collapsible kind and started to fold. There was a little dog under the wheelchair; and, every time she said something, the dog bit me in the leg. I couldn't turn loose of her so it took a while to get the wheelchair straightened out. Finally I got her in the chair. She thanked me and asked if I would go into town and try to find her grandson. I told her I couldn't, but I contacted a policeman, who promised to go over and check on her."

Emory concludes, "I have been here 30 years and have seen a lot of things, but this is one of the most pitiful sights I ever saw. Since that experience, the woman has been placed in a nursing home where she can get the proper care." □

Promotions

Edwin H. Shelton, maintenance engineer senior, was promoted to maintenance supervisor at Kanawha River Plant on October 1. He holds a bachelor of science degree in mechanical engineering from West Virginia Institute of Technology.

Greg Price, performance technician non-exempt, was promoted to senior chemist exempt at Mountaineer Plant on September 1. He holds a bachelor of science degree in geology from Marshall University.

Robert D. Husted, performance supervising engineer, was promoted to performance superintendent at John E. Amos Plant on October 1. He holds a bachelor of science degree in electrical engineering from Ohio Northern University.

Bob Stewart, meter electrician A, was promoted to meter crew supervisor non-exempt in Kingsport on September 27. He holds a bachelor of science degree in business management from East Tennessee State University.

Jack Meador, station construction representative, was promoted to station construction representative senior, GO T&D Station, Roanoke, on August 1. He attended Ferrum Junior College and Virginia Southern Business College.

Jim Linthicum, meter electrician A, was promoted to meter electrician supervisor nonexempt in Huntington on October 4. He holds an associate in applied science degree from Tri-County Technical Institute.

Larry Caldwell, stores attendant A, was promoted to stores supervisor in Huntington on October 1. He holds an associate in applied science degree in industrial management from Marshall University.

John Amos

Ronald Wymer from maintenance mechanic D to maintenance mechanic C.

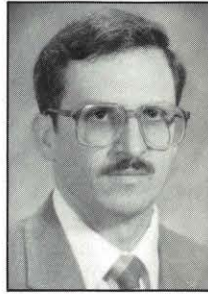
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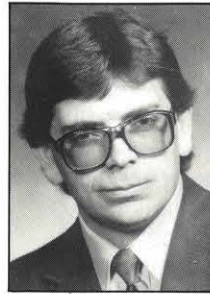
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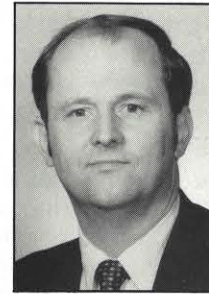
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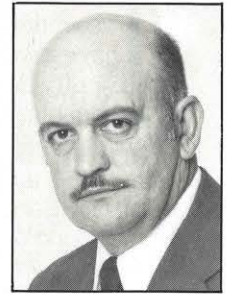
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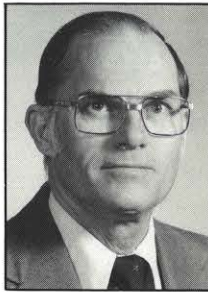
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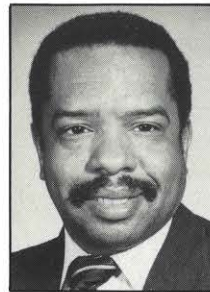
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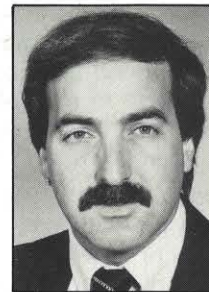
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Beckley

Jeff Athey from line mechanic D to line mechanic C.

Trina Griffith from customer accounts representative C to customer accounts representative B.

Bluefield

Ronald Killen from express driver to meter reader, Grundy.

Paul Shortt from line mechanic D to line mechanic C, Grundy.

Kenneth Lester from custodian to line mechanic D, Welch.

Sandra Carter from junior clerk to customer accounts representative C, Tazewell.

Central Machine Shop

Deloris Williams from junior clerk to stores clerk C.

Charleston

Cheryl Chapman from office messenger to junior clerk.

General Office

L. D. Adkins from station operator B to station operator A, GO Operations, Huntington.

B. H. Frantz from payroll clerk A to payroll special clerk, GO Accounting, Roanoke.

Mary Ellen Hale from junior stenographer to personnel clerk C, GO Personnel, Roanoke.

L. M. Mikels, Jr., from engineering technician to engineering technician senior, GO T&D Station, Bluefield.

Glen Lyn

Louis Prunesti from utility worker B to utility worker A.

Kanawha River

Tim Carrico from equipment operator C to equipment operator B.

Keith Settle from maintenance mechanic D to maintenance mechanic C.

Mark Copley from maintenance mechanic D to maintenance mechanic C.

Jeff Harrah from maintenance mechanic D to maintenance mechanic C.

Terry McKnight from maintenance mechanic D to maintenance mechanic C.

Don Shamblin from maintenance mechanic D to maintenance mechanic C.

Roy Carroll from maintenance mechanic D to maintenance mechanic C.

Greg Payne from utility worker A to equipment operator C.

Logan-Williamson

Lisa Smith from customer accounts representative C to customer accounts representative B, Williamson.

Puiaski

Gary Edwards from meter electrician B to meter electrician A.

Roanoke

Thomas B. Lawlor, Jr., from marketing and customer services advisor to administrative assistant A.

Mark Lawrence from administrative assistant A to marketing and customer services representative.

Philip Sporn

Richard Warden from maintenance mechanic B to maintenance mechanic A.

Brady Huffman from utility worker A to equipment operator C. □

Mountaineer

Celebrates World Record Run

STATE OF WEST VIRGINIA
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT
CHARLESTON

A P R O C L A M A T I O N
By the Governor

WHEREAS, the Mountaineer Plant of the Appalachian Power Company on September 26, 1986 set a world record for the longest continuous run for an electric power generating plant; and,

WHEREAS, on that date, the Mountaineer plant had run continuously 440 days without a shutdown for any reason whatsoever; and,

WHEREAS, such a record is only possible when employees and management work together diligently to ensure job quality; and,

WHEREAS, the employees and management of the Mountaineer Plant serve as a living example of what can be accomplished through motivated teamwork and a desire for excellence.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, ARCH A. MOORE, JR., Governor of the State of West Virginia, do hereby declare Thursday, October 16, 1986, as:

MOUNTAINEER PLANT DAY

in West Virginia, and do further urge all West Virginians to recognize with me the record-breaking contributions made by plant manager William M. Robinson, Jr., and the employees of the Mountaineer Plant.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State to be affixed.

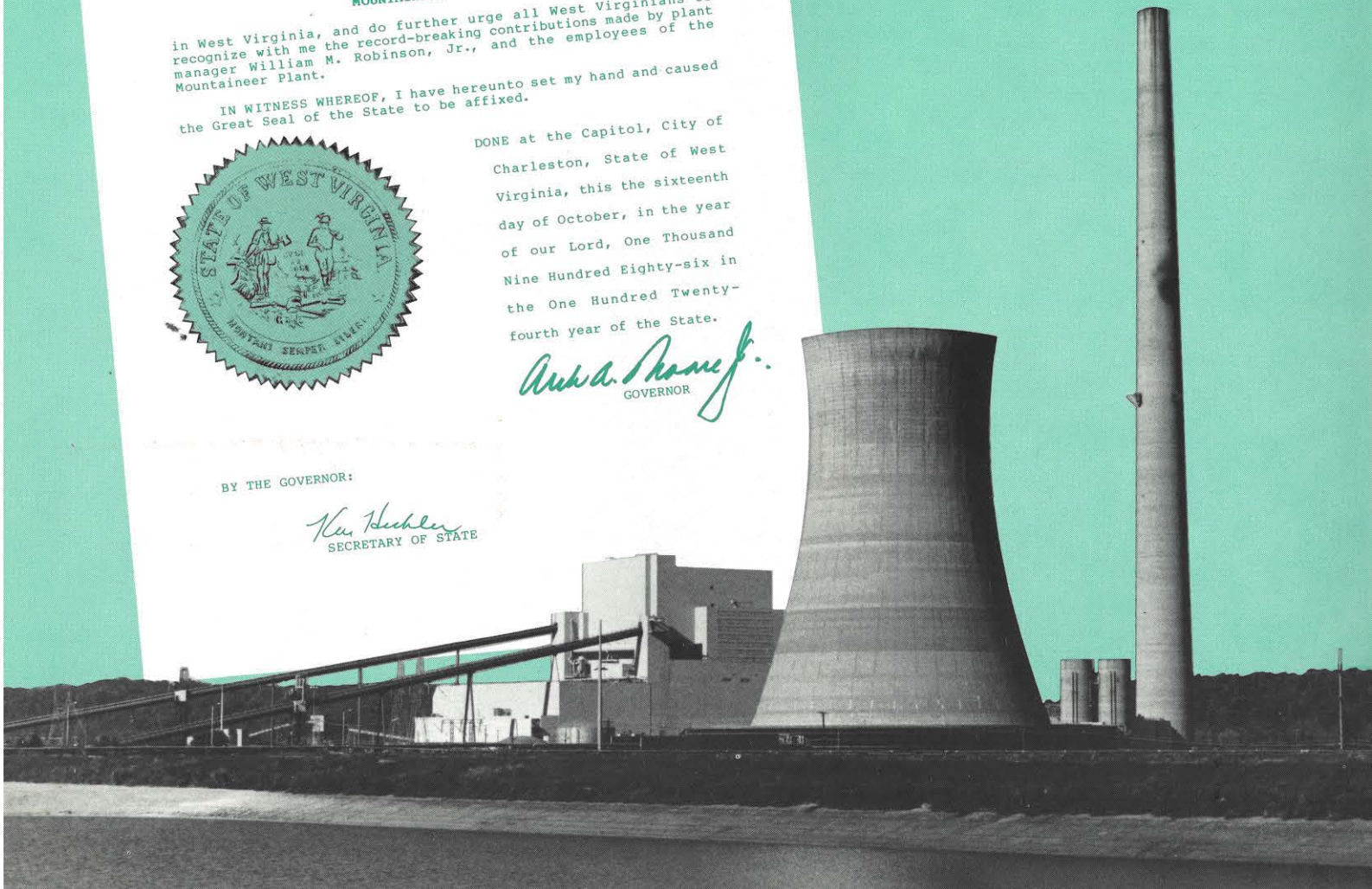


DONE at the Capitol, City of Charleston, State of West Virginia, this the sixteenth day of October, in the year of our Lord, One Thousand Nine Hundred Eighty-six in the One Hundred Twenty-fourth year of the State.

Arch A. Moore, Jr.
GOVERNOR

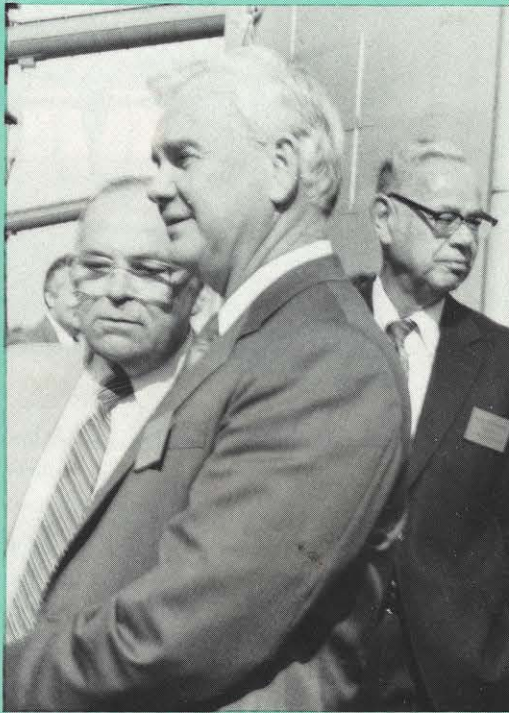
BY THE GOVERNOR:

Ken Heckler
SECRETARY OF STATE





West Virginia Governor Arch A. Moore, Jr., (left), presents a proclamation to William M. Robinson, Mountaineer plant manager.



John Dolan, left, AEP vice chairman - engineering and construction, chats with William Vannoy, chairman and chief executive officer of Babcock & Wilcox Company. Mountaineer Plant Manager William Robinson is at right.

A commemorative ceremony was held at the Mountaineer Plant on October 16 in observance of the continuous world record run of its single 1.3-million-kilowatt generating unit.

On September 27, this coal-fired unit — equal in capacity to the largest in the world — had operated for 440 consecutive days. At the time of the celebration, the record stood at 459 days. And, at the Illuminator's presstime, it was still going strong.

The Mountaineer unit, placed in commercial operation in 1980, was the fourth in the American Electric Power System's series of five such units: two in West Virginia, two in Ohio and one in Indiana. In addition, one more is under construction (at the Rockport Plant in Indiana) and a seventh is proposed (at the Zimmer Plant in Ohio).

Heading the list of attendees was West Virginia Governor Arch A. Moore, Jr., who presented the keynote address to an audience that included state legislators, members of the state's Public Service Commission, local elected officials, and employees of the plant and their families. Governor Moore paid tribute to the men and women of Mountaineer, noting that



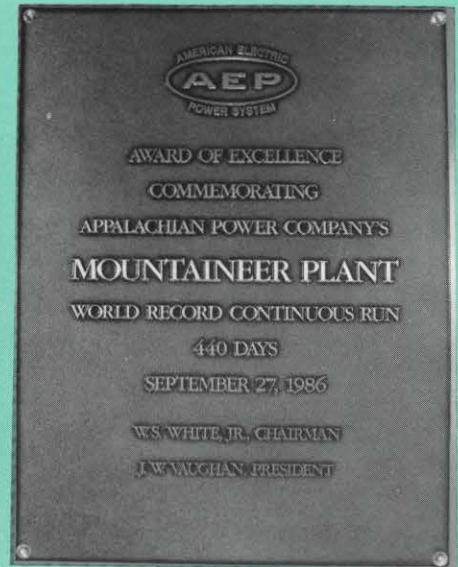


During Mountaineer Plant's 440-day record run, it burned 3.9 million tons of coal in the generation of more than 11.3 billion kilowatt-hours of electricity.

they have made a significant contribution to what he called a "different West Virginia, a forward looking West Virginia." He added, "The employees and management of Mountaineer serve as living examples of what can be accomplished through motivated teamwork and a desire for excellence. I don't believe this day should go by without an appropriate

proclamation from the state. I have executed this morning, in the capitol, a proclamation declaring October 16 as Mountaineer Plant Day in the State of West Virginia."

W. S. White, Jr., chairman of AEP and Appalachian Power, gave credit to John E. Dolan, AEP vice chairman - engineering and construction, as the individual

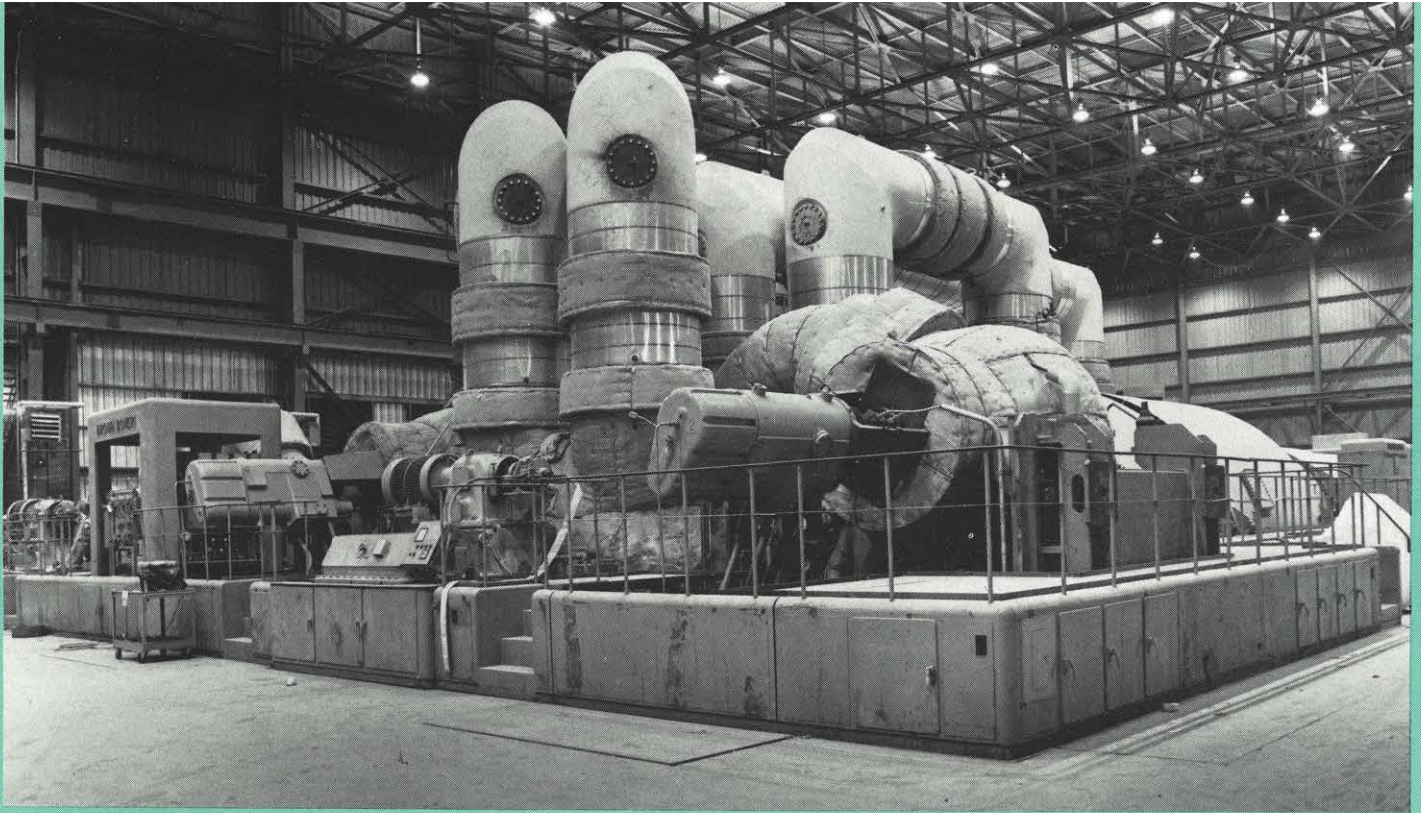


largely responsible for AEP's new series of 1.3-million-kw generating units that has revolutionized the art of electric energy generation. He also recognized Babcock and Wilcox for its work in development of the steam generator (boiler) for the 1.3-million-kw series, and Brown-Boveri for the turbine-generator for the series.

John W. Vaughan, president of Appalachian Power, gave credit to the plant's management and employees for making the operation longevity record possible. He added that, indirectly, this record is a tribute to the fine performance of



Appalachian Power President John W. Vaughan addresses attendees at the Mountaineer celebration.



Brown-Boveri developed the turbine-generator for the 1.3-million kw series of generating units.

hundreds of people — AEP Service Corporation, Centralized Plant Maintenance, and Central Machine, to name a few. He said, "Work done by employees on any 1.3 million kw unit results in improvements and refinements as new ones are placed in service."

He noted that, in less than four months, Mountaineer had set three new standards. On June 26 it had operated 347 consecutive days, record for a coal-fired unit (the

previous record, 346 days, had been held by Monogahela Power Company's Harrison Plant in West Virginia). On July 14 it became the first coal fired plant to operate for a full year. And on September 27 it completed 440 days of continuous operation, a record for all steam-electric units (the previous record, 439 days, had been held by Duke Power Company's Oconee Plant, a nuclear generating station in South Carolina).

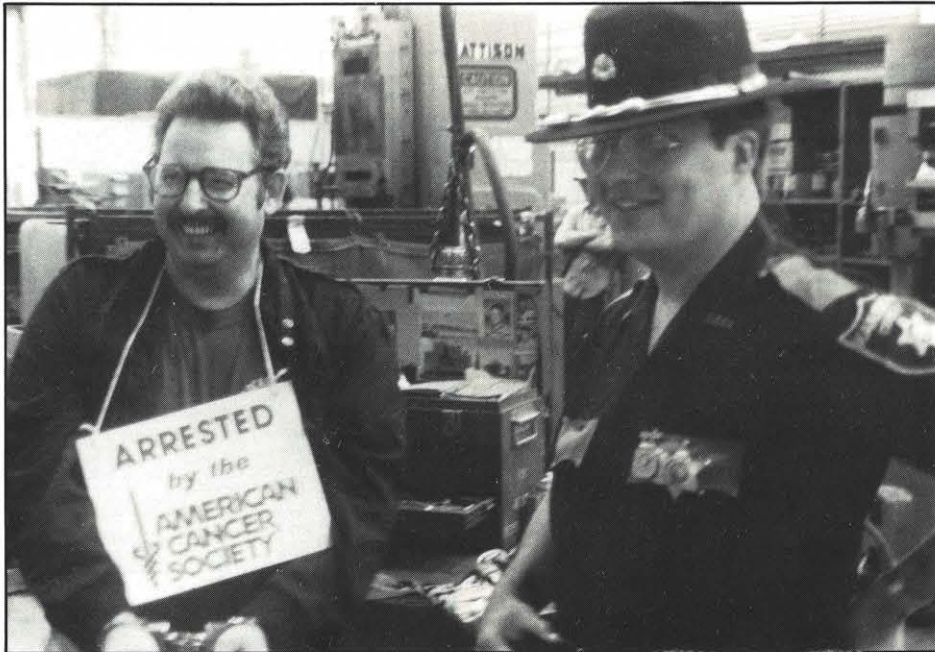
Mountaineer, during its record run to October 16, generated more than 11.3-billion kilowatthours of electric energy and, in so doing, burned more than 3.9-million tons of coal.

Following the half-hour ceremony, employees, family members, and guests were treated to a catered picnic-style luncheon. □

AEP Chairman W. S. White, Jr., and Mountaineer Plant Manager William M. Robinson.

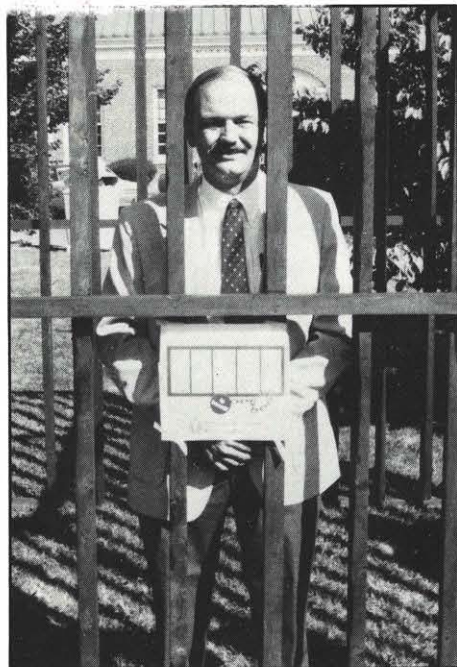


Do you know these 'cons?'



Nesselrotte

Allen Nesselrotte, power equipment mechanic 1st class at Central Machine Shop, was handcuffed as his co-workers watched.



Lyons

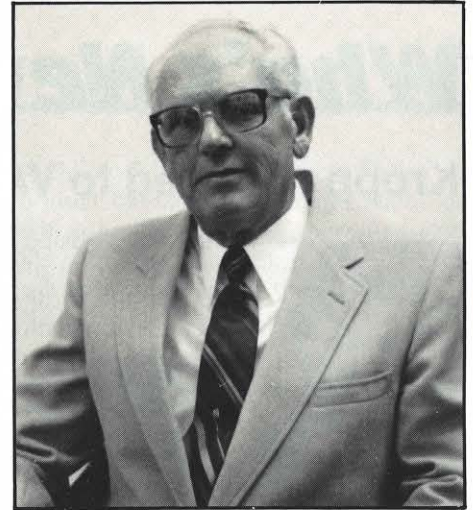
Raymond Lyons, Christiansburg office supervisor, was placed behind bars.

No, these employees hadn't done anything wrong. They were "victims" of fund-raising projects for the American Cancer Society and the American Heart Association.

Nesselrotte said he knew something was up when he glanced at the warrant while the arresting officer was reading it and saw Jack Cobb's name as the complainant. Cobb, NDE inspector 1st class, had collected the required \$25 fee from co-workers to have Nesselrotte arrested for the Cancer Society. The officer showed compassion, however. He released Nesselrotte when he found out that Nesselrotte had a doctor's appointment after work.

Lyons, who was placed under "cardiac arrest", had to raise \$105 for the American Heart Association before he was released from jail.

In all, the two cons stood up under their ordeals very well, and neither said, "I'll get you, you dirty rats!" At least not out loud. □



Thompson

Thompson elects early retirement

Oscar Thompson, Logan station mechanic A, elected early retirement on October 31, exactly 40 years to the day after he first went to work.

He says, "I was working at 4 a.m. one morning last winter in 16 below zero temperature and decided no more — I'll finish out the year and that will be it!"

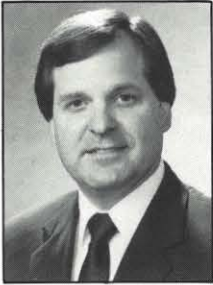
Oscar continues, "I made a good choice when I came here because you just can't beat Appalachian. The company has been good to me, and I have been good to the company. I never missed a payday, and I've raised and educated two girls."

Oscar began his career as a laborer at Logan Plant and transferred to the then Logan District when the plant was closed in 1954. "Everyone says go to Florida, but I'd rather be close to my family," Oscar declares. "I have three grandsons, 7, 12, and 18, and they will take the biggest part of my time. I plan on doing a little fishing, too, and my wife and I will continue walking four or more miles each day. I'll also stay busy with my church work. We're building a new wing on the Crooked Creek Church of Christ, and I helped wire it. When there's work to be done, I don't stand back." □

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Who's News

Kropp admitted to VA Bar Association



Edward L. "Skip" Kropp, environmental affairs director of Appalachian Power, was sworn into the Virginia Bar Association by the Supreme Court of Virginia on September 4.

Kropp also is a member of the Ohio Bar Association and the American Bar Association. He holds a bachelor of science degree in industrial engineering and master of science degree in environmental engineering from Purdue University and a juris doctor from Capital Law School.

A native of Indianapolis, Indiana, Kropp performed air pollution research projects for Battelle Memorial Institute, Columbus, Ohio, from 1971-1975. He joined Columbus and Southern Ohio Electric Company in 1978 as supervisor of quality assurance and was a legal assistant, attorney and environmental attorney for C&SOE before transferring to the American Electric Power Service Corporation in 1980. He was named environmental affairs director of Appalachian in 1983.

Kropp is on the legal committee of the Air Pollution Control Association and has presented two papers before the organization. □

Quick on the trigger



Blaine Hypes, transmission C, GO T&D Transmission, Bluefield, was the winner of the Triangle Combat Shooters Second Annual Shootout on September 28 at the Triangle Sportsmens Club in Bluefield, VA. Using a Smith & Wesson 686, he placed first in a field of 42 competitors to claim the top prize of a Charter Arms Off-Duty .38 spl. and trophy. Action pistol is the fastest growing shooting sport in the country and requires the competitors to be not only accurate but also extremely fast. The match consisted of four stages: accuracy, speed, and two running assaults. Blaine had an aggregate of 244 points/69.15 seconds for a score of 3.529, well above the second place finisher.

Retirees help with bloodmobile



The Red Cross always can be counted on to help out in times of need. Recently, however, it was the Red Cross who needed assistance and some of Roanoke's retirees came to its rescue. One month prior to a planned bloodmobile in the company's Franklin Road office, the Roanoke Chapter of the Red Cross notified GO Personnel that it did not have enough people to operate the five scheduled bloodmobiles in the valley. When the plight was explained to the Roanoke Retirees Association, several volunteers agreed to be trained to help out with the Appalachian event. Pictured above are, l. to r., Mary Jamison, Jeanette Kidd, Larry Dougan, Warren Coburn, GO T&D Communications, and Alice Weddle of the Red Cross. Alice is the wife of Jeff Weddle, GO Marketing & Customer Services. Other retiree volunteers not pictured were Margaret Winn, Doris Carter, Owen Hawkins, and Betty Dalton, widow of the late Leroy Dalton.

Philip Sporn



Stacey, daughter of George Reed, equipment operator A, has been named an Academic All American by the National Secondary Education Council. She will appear in the Academic All-American Scholar

Directory, which is published nationally. She also placed in the Western Sectional FBLA competition for entrepreneurship. □

Abingdon



Tonya, daughter of T. M. Carter, engineering technician senior, was crowned homecoming queen at Rich Valley High School. This was the final homecoming for the school because of consolidation. Tonya, a senior, will be listed in the 1986-87 edition of "Who's Who Among American High School Students."

Dawn Sauls, a senior at Chilhowie High School, was selected as head majorette for the Chilhowie Warrior Band. Her sister, **Paula**, an eighth grader at Chilhowie, was chosen as a JV Cheerleader. They are the daughters of Paul Sauls, Marion line crew supervisor non-exempt.



Lyn, daughter of D. K. Brown, line crew supervisor nonexempt, was chosen as a cheerleader for the Cleveland Junior High eighth grade cheerleading squad. She attended cheerleading camp, sponsored by the International Cheerleading Foundation, at King College this past summer.

Melinda, daughter of Hunter Thayer, general line crew supervisor, was elected captain of the Emory & Henry volleyball team for the current school year.

Sherry, wife of Gary Hester, Marion line mechanic B, was elected to the board of directors of the Mount Rogers Shelter Home.

Paul Sauls, Marion line crew supervisor nonexempt, served as general chairman of the Chilhowie Apple Festival. He also is a member of its board of directors.

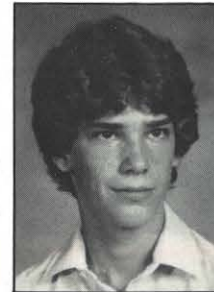
Mark Skeen, Clintwood office supervisor, was named to the public relations committee of the newly-formed Dickenson County Chamber of Commerce. □

General Office

Skipp Kropp, environmental affairs director, was elected president of the 150-family Woodbridge Neighborhood Association. He also is serving as chairman of the Mother's Day Out advisory committee of the First United Methodist Church, Salem.

Junior, husband of Patricia Greenway, stenographer, GO Personnel, Roanoke, played in the Emergency Services Softball League, and his team won the best sportsmanship award. He also played in the Blue and Gray Softball Tournament

for Make A Wish Foundation. This is an annual event for the State Police, for which Junior is a special agent. Although they cannot sponsor, the State Police will donate their time in helping terminally ill children receive their last wishes.



Todd, son of Bobby Daniel, electric plant supervising clerk, GO Accounting, Roanoke, has been attending an Engineering Enrichment Camp at Virginia Polytechnic Institute & State University for one

week during the past three summers. In 1984 and 1985, he went as a camper; this year he was a junior counselor. Activities included industrial laboratory, computers, computer programming seminars, and an SAT practice test. In 1985 Todd was a fourth place winner in the competition for rubber band-powered cars. He also participated in toothpick bridge building. □

Moore named entertainer of year



Dwayne Moore (far left) was named "entertainer of the year" for 1986 at Kings Dominion. Dwayne, who recently graduated from James Madison University with a degree in management and management information systems, worked this summer as a performer and singer in a show called "Break-Away." While at Salem High School, Dwayne was corps commander of the Pride of Salem and also sang in the chorale. He is the son of Fred Moore, operations information supervisor, GO Operations, Roanoke.

Pulaski golf tournament winners



The Pulaski Division's Captain's Choice Fall Golf Tournament was held at Thorn Spring Golf Club in Pulaski County. Members of the first place team are, l. to r., Jimmy Earles (captain), Christiansburg line crew supervisor nonexempt; Jerry Whitehurst, division manager; Bud Ryan, retiree; and J. B. Brillheart, administrative assistant. The team finished 6 under par.

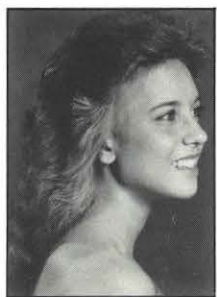
Pulaski

Kelly and Evelyn Buckland were elected president and secretary, respectively, of the Pulaski County Farm Bureau.

Mary Tarr Whitehurst's water color painting, Boathouse/Mountain Lake #2, which was accepted for the Catharine Lorillard Wolfe 90th Annual Juried Exhibition at the National Arts Club, New York City, won in the water color category. Mary and her husband Jerry, division manager, attended the show, where she accepted the Joyce Williams Excellence in Water Color Painting Award.

Joe Weddle, division superintendent, has been appointed to the technical advisory committee at New River Community College. □

Clinch River



Cherie, daughter of Kenneth Ferguson, equipment operator A, was selected for inclusion in "Who's Who Among American High School Students." A June graduate of Lebanon High School, she

is attending Radford University. □

Beckley



Sam, husband of Eileen Worley, secretary, was honored as "Kiwianian of the Year" by the Beckley Kiwanis Club.

Elizabeth Scott, stores clerk A, was recognized by the Beckley Appalachian Regional Hospital for 500 hours of volunteer service.

Philip, son of Trina Griffith, customer accounts representative B, was selected as student of the month for September at Central Elementary School. He is a first grader.

Harold Lilly, retired area servicer, was one of forty people invited by Governor Moore's office to attend a week-long conference at Canaan Valley State Park on community development. He participated in a workshop on community traffic safety. □

Charleston

Floyd H. Taylor, Jr., division manager, was named to the 1986-87 United Way of Kanawha Valley fund raising campaign cabinet. He will serve as co-chairman of the utilities division.

Cal Carlini, retired division manager, was named acting director of the Business & Industrial Development Corporation of Kanawha Valley.



Beverly Duckwyler has been inducted into the Marshall University Athletic Hall of Fame. The daughter of Elaine Ricks, St. Albans customer accounts representative A, Beverly is only the second woman to

achieve this honor. She was an original member of the Marshall Green Gals basketball team in 1969. The Green Gals (now known as the Lady Herd) won two consecutive West Virginia Intercollegiate Tournament titles, compiled a 34 game winning streak, and never lost to a state school. The 1970-71 team played in the National Invitational Tournament and a year later advanced to the AIAW Midwest Regional. Beverly, 5'10", played center. After leaving Marshall, she had a brief pro stint with the Milwaukee Does. She later coached at Huntington High. For the past seven years, she has been a teacher and coach in Paducah, KY. This season is Beverly's second as head coach at Paducah Tihlman High. (Photo courtesy Huntington Herald Dispatch.) □

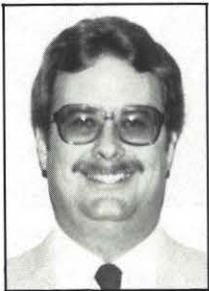
Roanoke

Lynn Short, Stuart area supervisor, is co-chairman of The Patrick County United Way 1987 campaign.

Rob Glenn, energy services supervisor, is listed in the 1986 edition of Outstanding Young Men in America. This is the fourth consecutive year he has received the honor. □

Kanawha River

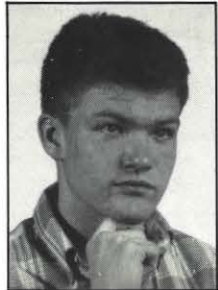
Judy Buttress, city clerk of Buckner, Missouri, has been awarded the designation of certified municipal clerk (CMC) for achieving the high educational, experience, and service requirements established by the International Institute of Municipal Clerks. She is the daughter of the late Kenneth Williams, who retired from Cabin Creek Plant. □



Kingsport

Greg Smith, staff assistant, was selected as the 1985-86 Optimist of the Year by the Optimist Club of Downtown Kingsport.

Bluefield



Mike, son of H. T. Goforth, building supervisor, was selected for inclusion in "Who's Who Among American High School Students". A senior at Bluefield High School, Mike also was elected to

serve on the student council.

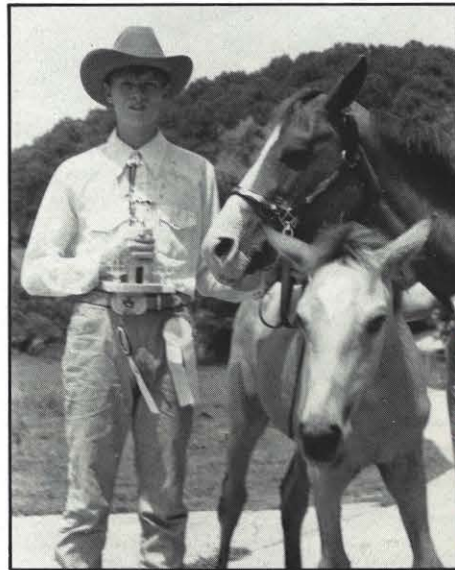
New officers of the Bluefield Employees Benevolent Association for 1987 are: chairman, **Jackie Bundy**, transmission special clerk, GO T&D Transmission; secretary, **Linda Wiley**, secretary-stenographer A; and treasurer, **P. T. Spangler**, energy services technologist. Board members are **Teresa Belcher**, junior stenographer, GO T&D Transmission; **Fred Farley**, customer accounts representative A; and **Walter Belcher**, automotive supervisor nonexempt.

Elected as officers of the Welch Employees Benevolent Association for 1987 are: chairman, **Jody Lusk**, meter electrician B; secretary-treasurer, **Mike Thomson**; and board member, **H. S. White**, general line supervisor.

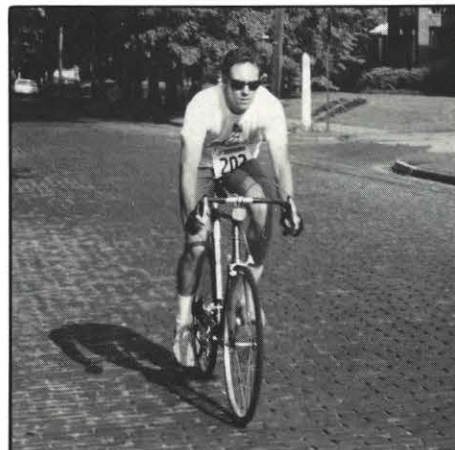
Robert, son of Bob Edwards, engineering technologist senior, was elected by

members of the junior class to serve on the student council at Princeton High School.

Huntington



Travis Hensley won first place in Horse Production I category at the Lawrence County Fair 4-H horse show with his mare, Brandy, and foal, Misty. The foal must be newborn to nine months old. He also won second place in the Western Horse Horsemanship category and third place in the Western Bareback category. The winning horses are registered American Quarter Horses. Travis was asked to enter his horses in the Ohio State Fair but declined because he felt Misty was too young to make the trip. Travis is the son of Randy Hensley, station mechanic A.

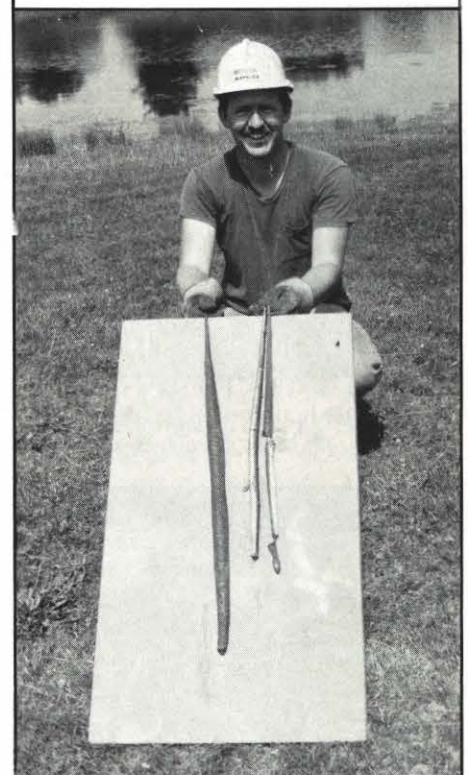


Jeff Barlow, department assistant - customer accounts, participated in the Great Tri-State Adventure, a bike tour

designed to raise money for the National MS Society and for the Charleston Chapter of the not-for-profit organization. Each rider was required to pay a \$15 registration fee and to raise \$150 in pledges, or \$1 a mile. Jeff, who raised \$250, declares, "I thoroughly enjoyed it and am ready to go again."

John Browning, retired driver-ground helper, won low gross in a golf tournament sponsored by the Stepping Stones organization which raises funds for the Ohio Valley Christian College in Parkersburg. All proceeds from the tournament went to the college. □

Snake trouble



On a recent trouble call to Thorn Spring Golf Club, Darrell "Red" Taylor, Pulaski line mechanic A, encountered a family of snakes inside a pad-mounted transformer. The snakes were first thought to be copperheads, but a closer examination revealed they were water snakes. Taylor notes that pad-mounted transformers seem to be a favorite hideout for snakes and nests of stinging insects.

Lynchburg



Michael, son of Debi Watkins, stenographer, was selected to participate in the Lynchburg Public Schools' Gifted Opportunity Program at R. S. Payne Elementary School. He was one of 45 fourth graders

in the city selected on the basis of their composite achievement and education potential percentiles. The program includes language, mathematics, social studies, science and cultural arts.



Anne, daughter of Jim Dorman, engineering technologist, was selected for inclusion in "Who's Who Among American High School Students" for the second consecutive year. Only six percent of the

nation's junior and senior high school students are included in "Who's Who" each year and less than one-half of one percent are honored for two years. Anne is a graduate of Brookville High School.



Randy, son of Ralph Bird, Jr., power engineer, pitched a one hit shutout for his baseball team in the Minor League Division of the Lynchburg Little League. In the five-inning game, he struck out ten of twenty batters and walked three. His team finished first in the Minor League Division with a record of ten wins, one loss, and three ties. Randy also has earned the Cub Scouts "God and Me" award for projects he completed over a

Bluefield Station wins again



For the fourth consecutive year, the Station Department captured first place in Bluefield Division's annual summer softball tournament. The GO Transmission Department was runner-up. Members of this year's winning team are: front row, l. to r., Jimmy Rasi, brother of Tony Rasi; Johnny Odham, line mechanic C; Aaron Rasi (holding winner's trophy), son of Tony Rasi; Dave Dodson, GO communications specialist; Lewis Crouch, station mechanic B; and Todd Marlowe, GO communications engineer. Back row, l. to r., Gib Walker, station mechanic C; Robbie Clayton, son of Mike Clayton; Skip Wilson, station mechanic A; Herman St. Clair, station superintendent; Mike Clayton, station crew supervisor; Bill Ball, GO communications specialist; Jerry Blessing, station mechanic A; and Tony Rasi, T&D clerk A, who served as tournament director. Not pictured are Jerry Rasi, brother of Tony Rasi, and Mark Hartley, station mechanic D.

three-month period at Heritage Baptist Church.

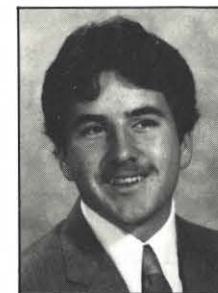


Dan, son of Dick Shepard, customer accounts supervisor, had rounds of 78 and 72 to take second place in the Junior Hall of Fame Golf Tournament at Botetourt Country Club. The tourney was played over

two different courses. For the sixth consecutive year, Dan and Dick have won the father-son tournament at Blue Hills Golf Course in Roanoke.

W. David Crews, personnel supervisor, has been installed as vice chairman of the Board of Volunteer Directors of the Metropolitan Lynchburg Chapter of the American Red Cross. He also is chairman of the Red Cross Services to the U.S. Armed Forces and Veterans. He has served as a member of the Red Cross Disaster Committee for the Central Virginia area.

CLASS OF 1986



Ronald J. Peyton, son of Carlos G. Peyton, Central Machine Shop production supervisor, associate in electronic engineering technology, National Institute of Technology.



Sonya Burton, stepdaughter of Robert Cruickshank, Kanawha River plant performance superintendent, associate degree in radiologic technology and bachelor of university studies -

radiology, Morehead State University. □

Weddings

Chatterton-Hensley



Tina Janette Hensley to Ivan Dale Chatterton, Jr., Huntington electrical engineer, August 23.

Smith-Murphy



Clare Murphy to Lindsey Smith, Pulaski energy services engineer, August 23.

Williams-Lafferty



Sarah Lafferty to Gary Williams, Kanawha River Plant barge handler, August 29.

Greene-Smith



Vicki Smith to Jerry L. Greene, II, Logan-Williamson engineering technician, June 22.

Marlowe-Dalton



Teresa Michele Dalton to Jeffrey Todd Marlowe, communications engineer, GOT&D Communications, Bluefield, July 19. Teresa is the daughter of Paul Dalton, Bluefield garage supervisor.

Scrivener-Triplett



Tracy Leigh Triplett to Raymond Bruce Scrivener, September 20. Tracy is the daughter of Kenneth Thomas Triplett, Lynchburg engineering technician senior.

Briers-Mercer



Sabrah Denise Mercer to Mark Edward Briers, October 4. Mark is the son of George E. Briers, Jr., Clinch River plant manager.

Hubbard-Moorefield



Kathy Ann Moorefield to Richard Thomas Hubbard, September 20. Richard is the son of William Thomas Hubbard, electric plant accounting supervisor, GO Accounting, Roanoke.

Findley-Owens



Sandra A. Owens to Larry W. Findley, August 30. Larry is the son of Helen F. Findley, Abingdon customer accounts representative C.

McMillion-Woolridge



Marsha Dawn Woolridge to Austin L. McMillion, Jr., Beckley electrical engineer, September 27.

Jones-Downey



Kelly Lynn Downey to Steven Vann Jones, August 2. Kelly is the daughter of Richard P. Downey, Roanoke engineering technician senior.

Susan Harper, Mountaineer Plant performance engineer, to Greg Price, Mountaineer Plant senior chemist, August 16.

Jill Lynn Heslep, Philip Sporn maintenance mechanic C, to Max L. Knopp, Philip Sporn maintenance mechanic C, September 20.

Lorna G. Moles to Donald R. Hamrick, maintenance mechanic C at John Amos Plant, September 25.

Births

Abingdon

Benjamin, son of **C. S. Dillow**, line mechanic C, August 12.

Justin Drew, son of **Connie Jackson**, customer accounts representative B, August 25.

Michael Scott, son of **Claude Branch**, Marion meter reader, October 5.

John Amos

Matthew Ryan, son of **Joseph Leffew**, coal equipment operator, September 2.

Amber Nicole, daughter of **Larry Bays**, equipment operator C, September 7.

Beckley

Todd Stephen, son of **Kevin Garlow**, customer accounts servicer, September 29.

Bluefield

Stephanie Paige, daughter of **Dewey Hill**, Petersburg line mechanic B, August 20.

Whitni Shannon, daughter of **Douglas Raines**, Grundy line mechanic C, September 3.

Central Machine Shop

Amy JoLee, daughter of **Earl Roberts**, winder 3rd class, September 29.

Charleston

Tyler Andrew, son of **Jeff Teuscher**, energy services engineer, August 23.

Clinch River

Bobbie, daughter of **Bobby Mullins**, equipment operator C, September 20.

General Office

Corrie Ruth, daughter of **W. C. Miller**, regional chief operator, GO Operations, Danville, August 23.

Jeffrey Wayne, son of **Jimmy Wagoner**, electric plant accounting clerk B, GO Accounting, Roanoke, August 23.

Hunter McLelland, son of **Dan Nichols**, associate programmer, GO Accounting, Roanoke, September 26.

Travis Lee, son of **David Brown**, transmission mechanic C, GO T&D Transmission, Abingdon, August 17.

Kari Kristina, daughter of **Howard Poage**, data processing operator A, GO Accounting, and **Robin Poage**, stenographer, GO Purchasing, Roanoke, October 10.

Christopher Matthew, son of **Vicki Guard**, communication clerk C, GO T&D Communication, Roanoke, August 29.

Zachary Ryan, son of **Donald Overstreet**, office messenger, GO General Services, Roanoke, September 2.

Glen Lyn

Hannah LeAnn, daughter of **Gregory Helm**, maintenance mechanic D, August 30.

Lyndsey Christine, daughter of **Mark Repass**, coal sampler, September 13.

Kanawha River

Sara Gail, daughter of **Randy Kitchen**, equipment operator A, August 18.

Megan Lynn, daughter of **Craig Ervin**, barge handler, August 11.

Audrey Elizabeth, daughter of **Ed Shelton**, maintenance engineer senior, August 27.

Kanawha Valley Power

Bryan Andrew, son of **Cathy Batten**, plant clerk B, August 12.

Logan-Williamson

Jessica Raye, daughter of **George Thomas Reed**, Williamson meter reader, August 2.

Sarah Elizabeth, daughter of **Patricia Garrett**, Logan customer accounts representative C, September 9.

Mountaineer

Jennifer Elizabeth, daughter of **Paul Schindler**, personnel trainee, August 15.

Michael William, son of **Buddy Blank**, performance supervising engineer, August 2.

Tarra Rae, daughter of **Ray Minnis**, equipment operator B, September 11.

Kenneth Jerrod, son of **Jim Amsbary**, coal handler, September 3.

Pulaski

Andrew Morgan, son of **Barry Long**, marketing and customer services manager, September 24.

Lance Keyton, son of **Harry Grubb**, Wytheville meter reader, August 19.

Bradley Michael, son of **Debbie Grubb**, customer accounts representative B, August 27.

Philip Sporn

Andrew Jeremy, son of **Charles Towner**, utility worker-A, September 18.

Jessica Lynn, daughter of **Dana Hartley**, maintenance mechanic B, September 26. □

Wed fifty years



Margaret and Ray Brooks celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary in September with a reception at the Baptist Church in Carpenter, Ohio. The couple has three children, nine grandchildren, and six great-grandchildren. Ray is a retired Cabin Creek Plant tractor operator.

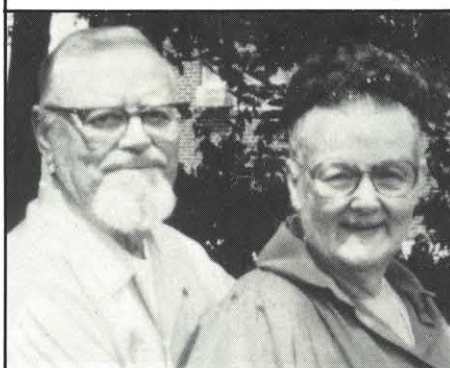


James and Frances Wysong celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary on September 19 with a reception given by their family. The couple has four children, six grandchildren, and two stepgrandchildren. Jim is a retired commercial representative in Huntington.



Keith and Mary Arnold celebrated their fiftieth wedding anniversary on October 8. He is a retired shift operating engineer at Philip Sporn Plant. The couple has two children, seven grandchildren, and one great-grandchild. Their son, Jerry Arnold, is a utility supervisor at Mountaineer Plant. Their son-in-law, John VanMeter, worked at Centralized Plant Maintenance before transferring to Rockport Plant.

53rd anniversary



Merrill and Mildred Clark celebrated their fifty-third wedding anniversary on August 12. They have two daughters, one son, eleven grandchildren, and two great-grandchildren. Merrill is a retired electrical engineer senior in Point Pleasant.

Friends We'll Miss

Joel E. Fitzgerald, 75, retired Roanoke streetlight attendant, died September 24. A native of Salem, Virginia, he began his career in 1945 as a rodman and retired in 1973. Fitzgerald is survived by two sisters.

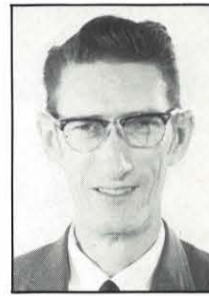


Fitzgerald

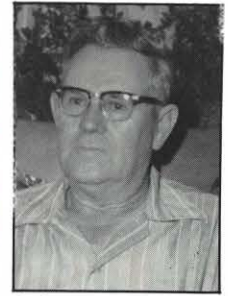
James I. Gilbert, Jr., 73, retired right of way agent. GO T&D Real Estate and Right of Way, Roanoke, died September 20. A native of Roanoke, Virginia, he began his career in 1937 as a rural service solicitor in Bluefield and elected early retirement in 1978. Gilbert is survived by his wife Edith, RFD 3, Moneta, VA; one son; two daughters; and eight grandchildren.



Gilbert

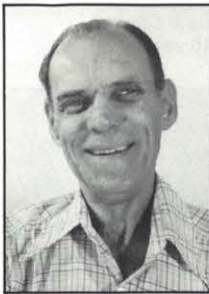


Mossman



Taylor

Eslie E. "Slim" Mossman, 73, retired assistant shift operating engineer at Philip Sporn Plant, died September 18. A native of Vinton County, Ohio, he was employed in 1941 as a boiler room helper at Newark and retired in 1973. Mossman is survived by three sons, one daughter, and several grandchildren. His son, Robert Mossman, Sr., is assistant shift operating engineer at Gavin Plant. His grandson, Robert Mossman, Jr., is a chemist assistant at Mountaineer Plant, and his grandson, Vincent Mossman, is an equipment operator B at Sporn Plant.



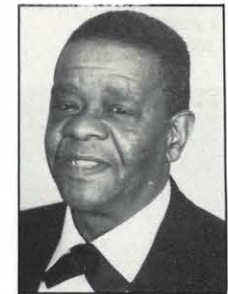
Jeffers



Lawrence



Grimm



Watkins

Walter M. Taylor, 74, retired maintenance man at Byllesby Hydro, died October 10. A native of Carroll County, he was hired in 1941 as a laborer and elected early disability retirement in 1974. Taylor is survived by his wife Girtrude, Route 1, Box 375, Fries, VA; two sons; one daughter; five grandchildren; and three sisters.

George A. Jeffers, 66, retired assistant shift operating engineer at Mountaineer Plant, died September 28. A native of Mason County, West Virginia, he joined Philip Sporn Plant in 1950 as a laborer and elected early retirement in 1981. Jeffers is survived by his wife Pauline, Route 1, Box 152, Letart, WV; three daughters; and seven grandchildren.

Harold Max Lawrence, 80, retired Christiansburg general clerk senior, died October 16. A native of Montgomery County, Virginia, he began his career in 1927 as an electrician helper at Cabin Creek Plant and elected early disability retirement in 1964. Lawrence is survived by his wife Juanita, English Meadow, Christiansburg, VA.

Henry J. Grimm, 85, retired Charleston head T&D clerk, died October 2. A native of Tamaqua, Pennsylvania, he was employed in 1923 as a timekeeper in Charleston and retired in 1965. Grimm is survived by his wife Alta, 1931 - 503 Braeburn Drive, Salem, VA.

Alvin Roy Guthrie, 84, retired head-accounts receivable and control section, GO Accounting, Roanoke, died September 13. A native of Gorman, Maryland, he was employed in 1926 as a cash poster in Charleston and retired in 1965. Guthrie is survived by his wife Lillian, 3767 Parliament Road, #95, Roanoke, VA.

George O. Watkins, 83, retired Charleston custodian, died October 21. A native of Charleston, West Virginia, he joined Appalachian in 1942 and retired in 1969. Watkins is survived by his wife Norvelle, 515 Bonner Court, Apt. 59, Charleston, WV.

Morris McCrary, asst. accounting manager, dies



Morris E. McCrary, Jr., 53, assistant secretary and assistant accounting manager of Appalachian Power Company, died October 20 following a lengthy illness.

A native of Birmingham, Alabama,

McCrary held bachelor of science and master of science degrees in business administration from the University of North Carolina. He also attended the Massachusetts Institute of Technology's program for senior executives and the American Electric Power System Management Program at the University of Michigan Graduate School of Business Administration.

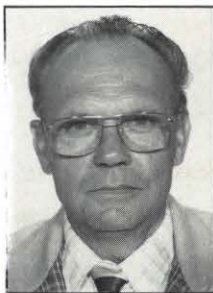
McCrary joined Appalachian in 1959 as an administrative assistant and was promoted to assistant accounting manager in 1966. He was a certified public accountant.

Survivors include his wife Annis; one son; two daughters; one grandchild; his mother; one brother; and two sisters. □

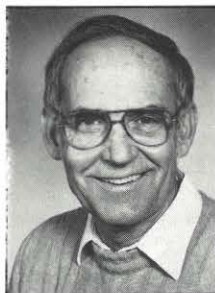
Service Anniversaries



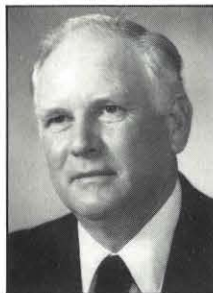
Jesse Ashworth
mk. & cust. serv. supv.
Lynchburg
40 years



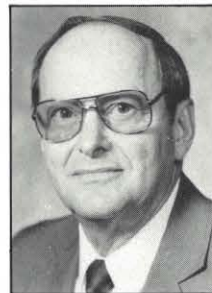
Marler Sharp
cust. acct. supv. NE
Hillsville
40 years



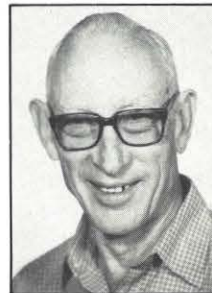
William Stricklen
gen. line crew supv.
Point Pleasant
40 years



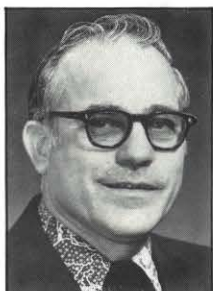
Harry Rasnick
line crew supv. NE
Gate City
40 years



E. L. Bevins
customer acct. supv.
Logan
40 years



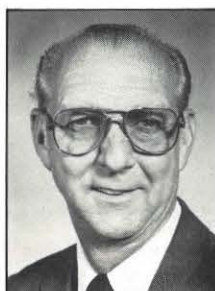
Roger Fairfield
electrical engineer sr.
Charleston
35 years



Carl Gibbs
maint. mechanic B
Philip Sporn
30 years



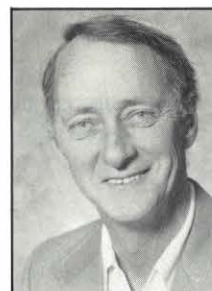
Hazel Sampson
cust. serv. clerk A
Charleston
30 years



Teddy McComas
T&D clerk A
Huntington
30 years



F. E. Queen
right of way agent
Logan
30 years



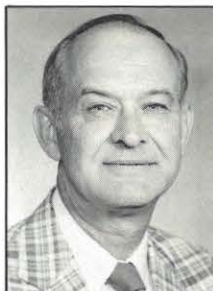
R. C. Atkins
area servicer
Madison
30 years



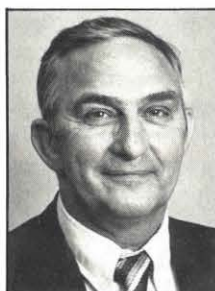
James Johnston
plant clerk A
Glen Lyn
30 years



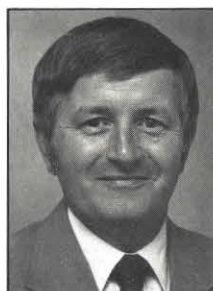
Delbert Murray
asst. shift op. eng.
Philip Sporn
30 years



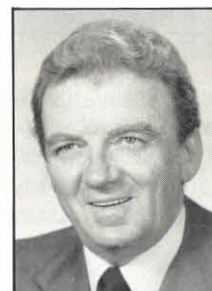
Wilson Howell
control electrician A
GO-Roanoke
25 years



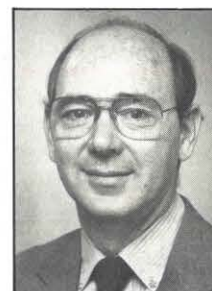
Daniel Higgins
maintenance supervisor
Clinch River
25 years



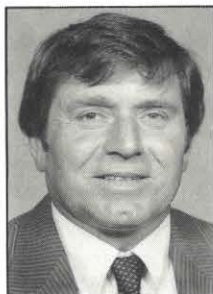
John Barrett
utility supervisor
Clinch River
25 years



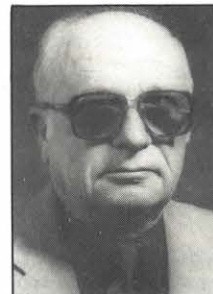
James Barnette
shift operating eng.
Clinch River
25 years



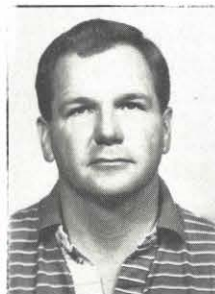
Ira Owens
instrument mech. A
Clinch River
25 years



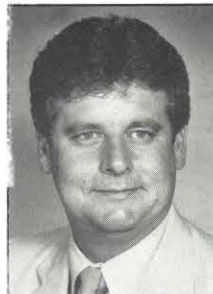
Willie Feazelle
line crew supv. NE
Roanoke
20 years



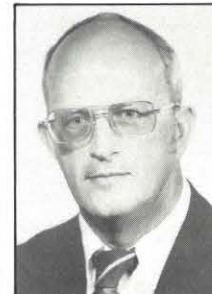
A. B. Tuck
reservoir supervisor NE
Roanoke
20 years



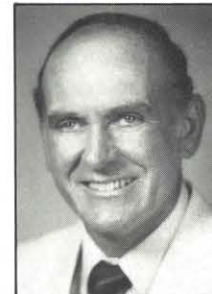
Buddy Umberger
line crew supv. NE
Wytheville
20 years



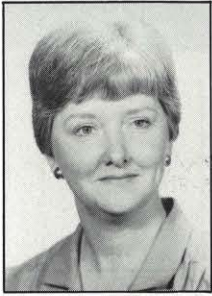
Russell Bostic, Jr.
general servicer
Huntington
20 years



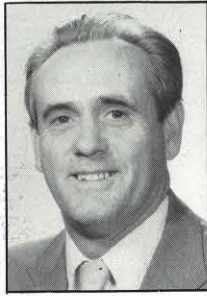
Charlie Moore
line con. & maint. rep.
Charleston
20 years



Norman Fowler
eng. technician sr.
Lynchburg
20 years



Patsy McIntyre
stenographer
GO-Charleston
20 years



Dannie Carte
yard superintendent
John Amos
20 years

John Amos

20 years: **James Martin**, utility supervisor (LTD). 15 years: **Gregory Bird**, transportation specialist. **Thomas Hancock, II**, coal equipment operator. **David Oldaker**, coal equipment operator (LTD). 10 years: **Charles Browning**, equipment operator B. **Ronald Cobb**, equipment operator B.

Bluefield

10 years: **James Archer**, engineering technician senior.

Central Machine Shop

10 years: **Alex Anderson**, machinist 2nd class.

Centralized Plant Maintenance

30 years: **W. E. Stivers**, maintenance mechanic B (LTD).

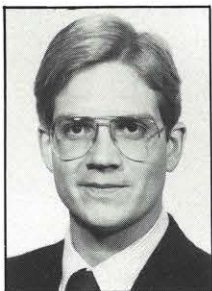
Charleston

30 years: **Charlie Johnson**, customer accounts representative B (LTD). 10 years: **Gary Bledsoe**, meter reader.

Clinch River

20 years: **Roger Meade**, instrument mechanic B. 15 years: **Ernest Justice**, assistant shift operating engineer. 10 years: **Gilbert Christenberry**, maintenance superintendent.

Boggess is loaned executive



John Boggess, Charleston energy services engineer, is serving as a loaned executive to the United Way of Kanawha Valley during its 1986-87 fund raising campaign.

He is responsible for developing and presenting fund raising programs to employees of the major commercial and industrial companies in the Kanawha Valley. □

General Office

40 years: **Mary Lee Farrier**, secretary, GO Personnel, Roanoke. 35 years: **Elizabeth Harrison**, secretary-stenographer B, GO T&D Civil Engineering, Roanoke. 15 years: **Frank Campbell**, office services clerk A, GO General Services, Roanoke. 5 years: **Mary Testerman**, tape librarian C, GO Accounting, Roanoke. **Harold Crosier**, data processing operator B, GO Accounting, Roanoke. **Mark Armstrong**, station operator A, GO Operations, Roanoke.

Huntington

10 years: **Maxie Finnegan**, meter reader.

Kingsport

15 years: **Coy Klepper**, meter clerk A.

Mountaineer

10 years: **Mike Thompson**, maintenance mechanic C.

Pulaski

5 years: **Wayne Hurt**, personnel supervisor.

Philip Sporn

10 years: **Okey Livingston**, maintenance mechanic A.

Newcomers

Beckley

Anna Murdock, junior clerk, Oak Hill.

Bluefield

Stanley Ennis, line mechanic D, Welch.

Linda Sue Young, junior clerk, Welch.

Lee Nather, meter reader.

Beth Ann Blankenship, T&D clerk C.

Central Machine Shop

Daniel Romaca, power equipment mechanic 3rd class.

Charleston

Allen Haynes, line mechanic D.

Denzel Smith, line mechanic D.

Steven Boyd, engineering technician.

General Office

Mark Holt, tracer, GO T&D Civil Engineering, Roanoke.

Michael Belcher, station operator D, GO Operations, Huntington.

Mark Miller, station operator D, GO Operations, Abingdon.

Daniel Nichols, associate programmer, GO Accounting, Roanoke.

Larry Jackson, heating and air conditioning coordinator, GO Marketing and Customer Services, Roanoke.

Huntington

Dale Chatterton, Jr., electrical engineer.

Lisa Napier, energy services engineer.

Kanawha River

Willie Barnes, utility worker B.

Lorenzo Sandoro, utility worker B.

Logan-Williamson

Anthony Kirk, engineering technician.

Donald Baisden, Sr., stores attendant B.

Mountaineer

Robert Mossman, performance technician junior.

William Kurnot, utility worker.

Dana Daniels, utility worker.

Roanoke

Molly Shelton, telephone operator (division), Fieldale.

Barbara Carter, engineering technician.

David Stanley, engineering technician.

Todd Hancock, engineering technician. □

Mabe joins CMS as production engineer



Bryan K. Mabe has joined Central Machine Shop as production engineer. His primary responsibility is to provide mechanical engineering support for shop production activities, including the design of special

tooling for specific jobs and assistance in the development of standard practices and procedures.

Mabe holds a bachelor of science degree in mechanical engineering from the West Virginia Institute of Technology. □

Wood sketches for relaxation

Lab Technician Ann Wood is as much at home with a sketch pad as she is with test tubes in the AEP General Lab, Huntington.

Co-workers learned of Ann's artistic ability when she brought in a portrait of Jason Hutchinson, son of Lab Technician Phyllis Hutchinson. "Usually I have most of a portrait done within three or four hours, but Jason's took longer," Ann says. "There is a certain look you have to capture, and Jason was tough to get, especially the way he had his head tucked down. I spent a lot of time on his sweater in the portrait, too."

She continues, "I've always been interested in art. When I was in the first grade, I did a picture of a tree, and the teacher was so impressed that she framed it and sent it home to my mother. The only formal art training I had was in high school. My teacher used to tell me that I had the ability to go forward but that I just wouldn't do it. I always thought I would like to take more art classes, but I never found the time. With four children, I never had time to pick up a pencil! And, before I came to work for AEP, I worked three jobs for a while. Now that the kids are gone, I can spend the whole evening sketching if I want to."

Ann adds, "Most of the time, I take a photograph and copy it. I did a sketch of President Reagan when he was inaugurated and one of his lady, which was on the cover of a magazine. I think trees are



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beautiful, and I do a lot of those. The hardest thing about that is getting the texture right.

"I read books about artists whose style I particularly like, and I do a lot of practicing. I have a shading pencil but often I use just a regular pencil. Maybe I'm just afraid of color, but I really like black and white."

Ann concludes, "Whenever I go some place, I take a sketch pad along. I can relax and get away from the world. Sketching is something I really enjoy." □

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