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Date	Fixed Income Fund		Equity Fund		AEP Stock Fund	
	VPU	UCPD	VPU	UCPD	VPU	UCPD
12/31/86	2.6233	.3812	4.3578	.2295	3.4096	.2933
1/31/87	2.6518	.3771	4.9397	.2024	3.8628	.2589
2/28/87	2.6775	.3734	5.1423	.1944	3.7315	.2679
3/31/87	2.7057	.3695	5.2830	.1892	3.5921	.2783
4/30/87	2.7335	.3658	5.2395	.1908	3.5472	.2819
5/31/87	2.7623	.3620	5.2923	.1889	3.4429	.2904
6/30/87	2.7904	.3583	5.5476	.1802	3.5542	.2813
7/31/87	2.8196	.3547	5.8344	.1713	3.5391	.2825
8/31/87	2.8491	.3509	6.0573	.1650	3.6220	.2760
9/30/87	2.8779	.3474	5.9286	.1686	3.6401	.2747
10/31/87	2.9079	.3438	4.6636	.2144	3.5893	.2786

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.

Update.

Employee support makes ACE program a huge success

Employee support for the ACE Team program, through which employees receive recognition for turning in names of prospects for heat pumps and add-on heat pumps, is continuing at a high level.

Glenn Reynolds, marketing and customer services director, says, "As of December 1, employees had turned in the names of more than 6,200 prospects. Of these, over a third — 2,297 to be exact — had purchased units."

The ACE Team program began in October 1986 as a means of identifying people in the market for new or replacement heating and/or cooling systems so that they could be contacted and made aware of the heat pump's and add-on heat pump's benefits.

Employees who have not joined the ACE Team and who would like to (and earn one or more of the recognition items) will find it as simple as 1-2-3.

- 1. Obtain a prospect form from your division Marketing and Customer Services Department or your plant Personnel Department.
- 2. Complete the prospect form reporting a qualified customer. (A qualified customer is one, including yourself, who has expressed an interest in installing a new heating or cooling system in his home or place of business.)
- Forward the designated form to your local division Marketing and Customer Services Department through company mail.
- A Marketing and Customer Services Department representative will contact the customer and provide information about how electricity can meet his needs. □

KPCO receives Community Chest award



Kingsport Power Company employees have received an award for 100 percent participation in the 1987-88 Kingsport Area Community Chest campaign. Pictured at the presentation ceremony are, I. to r., Charles Lingar, Kingsport Power personnel supervisor; Susan Arp, Community Chest campaign coordinator; and William Kite, Community Chest executive director.

Contract awarded for first building in GO Service Center in Roanoke County

Appalachian Power Company last month awarded a contract to Lionberger Construction Company for construction of the first of three buildings planned for the new General Office Service Center in Roanoke County, Virginia.

Completion of the 73,000 square foot building is scheduled for late 1988. It will provide new accommodations for approximately 90 employees in the Roanoke-based meter and stores operations, station switchboard wiring and relay shops, and hydro maintenance people.

John W. Vaughan, president of Appalachian, said that while no exact timetable has been established for the construction of additional buildings at the site, it is anticipated they will be added "in a timely manner." He said the second building will provide facilities for the repair of various kinds of electrical instruments and transportation equipment. The third will accommodate administrative, engineering, and design operations. Ultimately, the service center is expected to house about 350 Appalachian employees presently working in various area locations. Vaughan added, "By consolidating several of our local operations in this new facility, we expect to improve the efficiency of service to the company's entire 19,000 square mile territory in southwestern Virginia and southern West Virginia. The site for the new center is ideally situated because of its ready access to Interstate 81 and thus to all of the company's operating area."

Interest raised on savings bonds

The Treasury has raised the semiannual interest rate on savings bonds to 7.17% from 5.84%. The rate, which is adjusted May 1 and November 1, equals 85% of the average yield on five-year Treasury securities outstanding for the previous six months. It is used in determining the interest rate that applies to bonds held at least five years. □

Engineering execs elected to new offices



Williams





Struyk

Bennett

Three engineering executives of the American Electric Power Service Corporation last month were elected to new offices, effective January 1.

David H. Williams, Jr. was elected senior executive vice president — engineering and construction.

John R. Struyk, who had been vice president — engineering and design, was elevated to senior vice president — engineering and design.

And Bruce H. Bennett was elected assistant vice president — civil engineering and materials handling. He had been manager of the Civil Engineering Division.

In announcing the promotions, W. S. White, Jr., AEP chairman, noted that the expansion of Williams' responsibilities was in anticipation of the January 31 retirement of John E. Dolan, vice chairman — engineering and construction. As of February 1, Williams will report to White and be responsible for all engineering and construction matters on the seven-state AEP System.

The promotion of Struyk, White explained, was in recognition of his expanded administrative responsibilities. Also, the company's Materials Handling Division, now under Struyk, has been placed under Bennett. In addition, Dr. James J. Markowsky, the newly elected vice president — mechanical and environmental engineering, has assumed the additional administrative responsibilities for the Environmental Engineering Division and the Technical Education Station, White said. □

Gregory Vassell ends 36-year career



Gregory Vassell can't drive very far from Columbus without being reminded of his 36 years with the AEP Service Corporation. The high-voltage transmission lines that crisscross the central Ohio landscape

are where they are due, in part, to Vassell's work in system planning.

The senior vice president — system planning retired December 31. From the beginning, Vassell was interested in the theoretical side of power engineering and has found his years in planning interesting and rewarding.

Vassell has been involved with the power pool concept — the backbone of the AEP System — for 36 of the 37 years it has been in existence. AEP's use of 345,000volt transmission lines — then the highest voltage in the U.S. — allowed the company to take advantage of economies of scale in the construction of power plants.

With a strong internal system, AEP found it practical to interconnect with other utilities. The northeastern blackout of 1965 and its aftermath had Vassell analyzing what happened and how to prevent it in the future. That work led to his involvement with the formation of the East Central Area Reliability Coordination Agreement (ECAR).

Development of the 765,000-volt transmission system called for Vassell's assistance in planning as well as recommending the most effective locations for AEP's new series of 1.3 million-kilowatt power plants.

As to his retirement, Vassell is applying the same principles of planning that he has used throughout his career: "Never make a decision one day earlier than you need to."

Charleston office receives award



Floyd Taylor, Jr., Charleston division manager (right), presented the award to James Crane, building supervisor.

The Charleston Division headquarters building on Virginia Street was publicly recognized as a LIFE-SAFE building by then-Mayor James E. Roark and John A. Chapman, president of the Charleston Regional Chamber of Commerce & Development. The awards were given to 13 buildings that met standards set by the Charleston Chamber of Commerce Fire Prevention Committee and the Charleston Fire Department Inspection Bureau. The standards require an approved evacuation plan, two fire drills each year, designation of fire wardens within sections of the building, two annual training sessions for fire wardens, an annual inspection by the Charleston Fire Department, recertification CPR and basic first aid training. The LIFE-SAFE program is a pioneering effort to make Charleston a safe city through cooperative efforts of property owners and managers.

335 apply for education awards

Seventy-three children of Appalachian Power employees are among the 335 across the AEP System who had applied by mid-October for the 34 awards in the 1987 AEP System Education Awards Program.

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

Hudson, Dowd are elected AEP directors





Hudson

Dowd

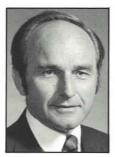
Lester A. Hudson, Jr. president of Dan River, Inc., Danville, Virginia, and A. Joseph Dowd, secretary of American Electric Power Company and senior vice president and general counsel of the AEP Service Corporation, last month were elected AEP directors. Their election increased the membership of the Board of Directors from 12 to 14.

Hudson, who is chief executive officer of Dan River, joined that company, a major textile manufacturer, in 1970. He was elected president of its Danville Group in 1977, a director of Dan River in 1980, president and chief operating officer in 1981 and its CEO last year.

He is a member of the Executive Committee of the Virginia Manufacturers Association and of the Virginia International Trade Commission. He is a director of Piedmont Broadcasting Corporation and American National Bankshares, both of Danville, and the Southern Carolina National Corporation, Columbia, South Carolina. In educational circles, he is chairman of the Board of Trustees of Averett College, a member of the Board of Associates at Furman and a director of the Virginia Foundation for Independent Colleges.

Dowd, with AEP for 25 years, has been general counsel since 1973 and a senior vice president since 1975. He joined the company in 1962 as a senior attorney, then rose through assistant and associate general counsel to general counsel. He has been an assistant secretary of AEP's principal subsidiaries since 1969 and secretary of the parent since 1974. He was elected vice president in 1973, then senior vice president in 1975. He has been active in both the American Bar Association and Edison Electric Institute, particularly in matters pertaining to environmental law. He is chairman of the Operating Committee of Living Lakes, Inc., an organization involved in research in the restoration of acidifed waters.

Varley to join AEPSC rate dept.



Andrew Varley, chairman of the lowa State Utilities Board, will join the American Electric Power Service Corporation this month, Richard E. Disbrow, AEP president and chief operating officer, announced

December 10.

Varley submitted his resignation to Iowa Governor Terry Branstad last month, effective January 8, and will join AEP shortly after that date. In his announcement, Disbrow said that Varley initially will undertake a series of special assignments, reporting to the president, and that it is anticipated that he subsequently will succeed C. F. DeSieno, vice president rates, as head of AEP's Rate Department when he retires later in the year.

Varley was appointed to the Utilities Board in 1979 to fill an unexpired term and reappointed to a full six-year term in 1983. He has been the board's chairman since 1980.

Varley served 12 years in the Iowa House of Representatives (1967-78), including two years (1971-72) as majority leader and two years (1973-74) as speaker.

Varley is a member of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners and its Executive Committee, and a past chairman of its Committee on Electricity. He also is a past president of the Mid-America Regulatory Conference.

Maliszewski, Markowsky elected directors





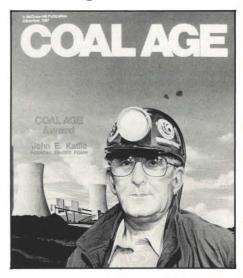
Maliszewski

Markowsky

Raymond M. Maliszewski and Dr. James L. Markowsky, vice presidents of the AEP Service Corporation, last month were elected directors of that company.

In addition, Markowsky, who had been vice president — mechanical engineering, was elected vice president — mechanical and environmental engineering. Maliszewski, vice president — system planning, on January 1 succeeded the retiring Gregory S. Vassell as head of the Service Corporation's System Planning Department.

Katlic receives Coal Age Award



John E. (Jack) Katlic, the AEP Service Corporation's senior vice president —fuel supply, has been named recipient of the 1987 Coal Age Award for distinguished contribution to the coal industry.

INFORMATION Benefit

New year brings changes in retirement, medical plans

Several changes in the AEP System's Medical and Retirement Plans, including improvements in both, were announced last month by John W. Vaughan, president of Appalachian Power Company. The changes took effect January 1.

Highlights of the changes are:

- A higher Medical Plan lifetime maximum benefit.
- Retirement Plan benefit accrual for employees 65 and older.
- · A higher deductible for medical expenses, and
- An increased premium for Medical Plan coverage for dependents.

In a letter to employees, Vaughan wrote, "Benefit plans must be many things — affordable for both the employees and the company, competitive with other companies, and of course, meet employees' needs." He added that the changes in the AEP benefits program were in response to those objectives and needs.

Medical Plan

SUBSTANCE ABUSE — Coverage for drug and alcohol abuse has been combined under a common category of substance abuse. This coverage will provide benefits for: (a) up to a 28-day in-patient treatment period in an effective treatment facility, (b) up to two courses of in-patient treatment per lifetime, and (c) up to a \$1,000 out-patient treatment benefit in a calendar year. Previously, drug abuse treatment benefits had been paid under the "treatment of mental and nervous disorders" portion of the plan, while alcoholism had been covered under a special provision with separate benefits for just alcoholism.

DEDUCTIBLE — The medical expense deductible now is \$150 for an employee or \$450 for a family. The former deductible of \$100 (and \$300), in effect the past four years, "had been eroded by continuing high medical cost inflation."

CATASTROPHIC EXPENSES — To afford added protection against catastrophic medical expenses, the lifetime maximum benefit is now \$750,000, an increase of 50 percent from the previous maximum of \$500,000.

OUT-OF-POCKET MAXIMUM — The plan has an employee out-of-pocket maximum (stop-loss) feature. If an individual's deductible and co-payment expenses reach \$1,000 in a calendar year, the plan begins paying at 100 percent rather than 80 percent for the remainder of that year and all of the following year. In the past, the employee's 50 percent co-payment for out-patient mental health expenses was used to determine the \$1,000 out-of-pocket maximum. However, such benefits payable at 50 percent did not increase to the 100 percent level. The plan has been changed so that the employee's co-payment amounts for such expenses will not apply toward the \$1,000 stop-loss feature. This is consistent with the maintenance of a 50 percent benefit level for out-patient mental health expenses.

DEPENDENT COVERAGE — Each January the employee's contribution toward coverage for dependents is adjusted in order to maintain the traditional ratio of the employee paying 20 percent and the company paying 80 percent of such cost. With significantly increased costs in recent years, employee contributions have been raised as follows:

Old	New
One dependent \$14.55	\$17.21
Two or more dependents 20.60	24.35

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Retirement Plan

SERVICE ACCRUAL — In the past, an employee who worked past his or her 65th birthday could not accrue retirement benefits. Now, he or she can. An employee who reached or will reach 65 on or after January 1, 1988 will accrue pension benefits. For an employee who had reached 65 before January 1 — and for whom benefits had stopped accruing at that age — such accrual resumed January 1. However, such accrual does not apply retro-actively to service after 65 that occurred prior to that date. (Retirement benefits are based on an employee's highest 36 months of earnings. However, only those earnings received during the time when benefit accrual occurred apply.) □

Retiree is tutor for Vietnamese refugee

T en years after his retirement as a general bookkeeper in General Office Accounting, Roanoke, Willard Sutor went back to school. He had to brush up on his English grammar so that he could become a tutor for refugees moving into the Roanoke area.

Willard explains, "The older I got, the more I thought that I ought to do something for somebody else. I had seen in the newspaper several times where English tutors were needed for refugees coming into the country. I did not know anyone who had ever done that, so I called the telephone number listed in the article and talked to Alice Duehl, education coordinator for the Office of Refugee Resettlement.

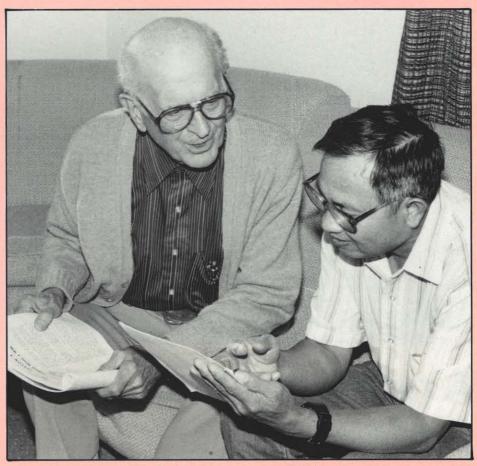
"Alice worked up a class, which I attended on Saturday mornings. We brushed up on our English and learned how to teach foreigners. You don't teach them like school teachers would. When I got through the class, I had a choice of Cambodian, Vietnamese, Laotian or other refugees. I put down Vietnamese ... I don't know why. Then Alice took me over and introduced me to Thieu Ngoc Mai."

Willard continues, "The first night Alice turned me loose with Thieu, when I got home, my wife Betsy asked, 'How did you all get on?' I said, 'I couldn't understand him, he couldn't understand me, and we had a of a time.' It was a new experience, I'm telling you. The first couple of lessons, I came home with a headache.

"I've stuck with it for a year and Thieu and I get along just fine now. I have gotten to the point where I can understand him, and I can tell by his expression whether he is understanding me or not. He doesn't particularly care about the grammar, but he loves to talk and write as best he can. Of course, I do have assignments to go over and his papers to grade. Thieu has certainly made headway, and he is just as nice as he can be."

Willard continues, "Alice told me when we first started that I should learn some of the Vietnamese language because this would encourage Thieu and show him that I am interested. I write down a word, he pronounces it and goes over it with me. We just laugh and have a good time together.

"Thieu is about 55, and he has nine children. The oldest is 23 and the young-



Willard Sutor, left, listens as Thieu Ngoc Mai pronounces some English words.

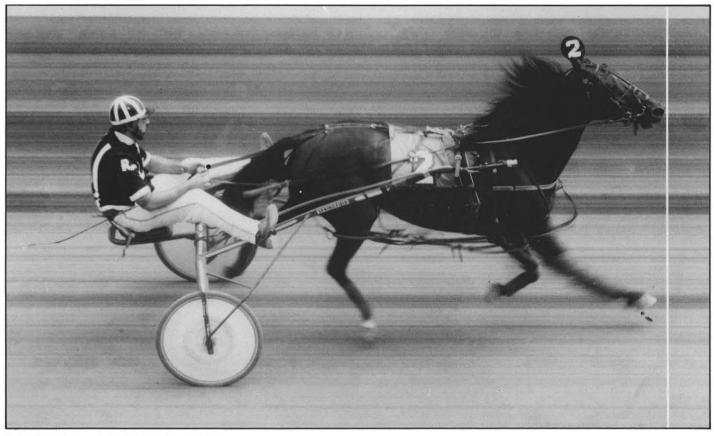
est is 12. They understand me fairly well because they are in school and have picked up the language more easily than their father."

Willard adds, "Thieu's wife and one daughter are still in Vietnam. He is trying to get them out; but, because of the Communists, he is having a rough time. His wife has to find a friend she can trust to help her get out. If Thieu were to go back, he would be put in jail. Hopefully, he will be able to get them out some day.

"Thieu doesn't talk much about himself, but little by little I have learned a few things about him. He was born in Hanoi but moved to Saigon when he was young. He was a paratrooper with the Allied Forces in South Vietnam. When Thieu fled the country, he was driven down to the water in an old truck at night and escaped by boat. There were quite a number of other refugees on the boat, and they each had to pay the boat captain. There are a lot of pirates on the water, and the boat he was on was held up and everything was taken away. They were adrift for a number of days. Big ocean liners passed them, but finally a Norwegian ship came by and let down some cans of fuel and food. That is the only way they were able to proceed.

"The boat went first to Indonesia, where they stayed for some weeks, and then to the Philippines. In the Philippines Thieu learned a little bit of English and something about our government before coming to the United States. The Catholic Diocese out of Richmond became his sponsor, and the Office of Refugee Resettlement comes under that."

Willard concludes, "The work I do is strictly volunteer. But it is fascinating, and I really do enjoy it. I hope I can keep it up."



Ralph Calvert races at the West Virginia State Fair.

A race to the finish line

The sport of harness racing and America grew up together. There were trotters and pacers in the country long before the Revolutionary War. But it wasn't until the country gained its independence that these horses were used for sport as well as for transportation. Over the years harness racing has developed into an all-American sport that is enjoyed from coast to coast.

Ralph Calvert, Mountaineer Plant utility worker, enjoys the sport so much that he used to race fulltime for a living. "There was so much travel involved that I was away from home all the time," Ralph recalls. "I might race in Cleveland one night and Cincinnati the next. That wasn't fair to my family, so now I just race as a hobby."

Ralph says, "I like to fool with horses or I wouldn't do it. The two minutes that you are on the race track is the fun part. The rest of it is work. It is a seven-day a week job. You have to feed twice a day and clean stalls once a day whether it is high water or 90 degrees outside.

"Right now I am training six days a week. I bought a filly last August, and it will be July before I get her ready to race. When you get a young horse like this one, just getting to race is an accomplishment because there is only a ten percent chance that a horse will make it."

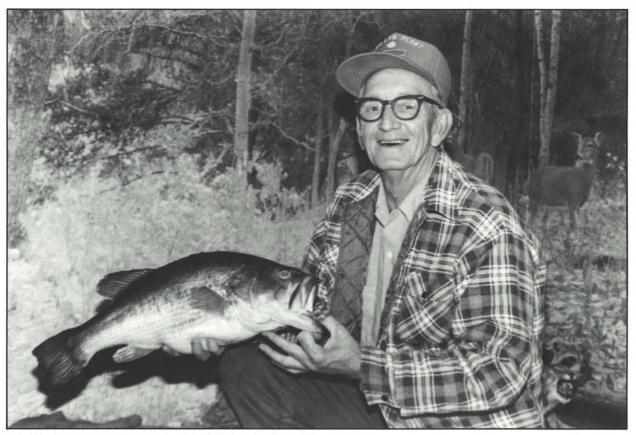
Ralph continues, "Harness racing is a year-round sport. There have been times that I have trained and raced when it was snowing. I raced in Cincinnati one year on the 17th of January when it was 17 below zero, and that wasn't chill factor. It was cold!

"Harness racing can be a pretty expensive hobby. Buying the horse is the cheap part. It's the rest that is expensive. The entry fees and stake fees can run pretty high; it all depends on what you want to go for. At the Ohio Sires Stakes, I think it is \$500 for entry, \$500 for stake, and \$1,000 to start. And, if you have to pay a trainer, it is out of sight.

"This coming season, I may be in some baby races at Scioto. It depends on the horse, whatever she is good enough to do. After some of the stake races, if she is good enough as a two-year-old, then I may stake her a little heavier as a threeyear-old. I'll probably race her at 10 or 12 fairs during 1988, which will be about one a week. The West Virginia State Fair is a nice place, and the race horse people are always treated good."

Ralph adds, "All drivers are licensed by the United States Trotting Association. First you start out with a matinee license, which allows you to race only the matinees. Then a fair license allows you to race at county fairs. A qualifying license is good for qualifying races at the raceway only. Each license takes in everything before it. To get a 'P' license, which is a professional license, you have to make so many satisfactory drives in front of the judges. That enables you to race at the raceway, but it limits the races you can do. When you earn an 'A' license by making so many satisfactory professional drives before the judge, the license is good anywhere in the United States. And, at the raceways, you also have to have a trainer's license.'

Ralph concludes, "I have friends who made a fortune in harness racing, but I haven't been that lucky. I've had horses that made money, but I have not had any big winners. I have raced at the Sires Stake and the Governor's Cup of West Virginia, which was a lot of fun. I consider it a success if I can pay my bills — and that doesn't always happen. I hope to continue harness racing because I enjoy it, but it all depends on shift work here at the plant."



Lefty Weatherly shows off his record catch. Photo by Anita Rosen, Princeton Times.

Bass catch just misses state mark

efty Weatherly has been tossing a reel ever since, as he puts it, "I was big enough to slip off to the nearest stream." But it wasn't until a few weeks ago that he hooked and landed a record catch.

Lefty, who was a maintenance mechanic A at Glen Lyn Plant before going on LTD leave, has used fishing as a therapy since suffering a heart attack a few years ago.

On this particular morning, Lefty and his nephew, Jerry, headed for Moncove Lake in Monroe County, West Virginia. Since the early morning shadows still covered much of the lake at 7 a.m., the fishermen headed for a sunny spot. They wanted to keep warm but they also knew the fish would be more active in the sunshine. The 144-acre lake was calm, and they had it to themselves because hunting season was in. Lefty settled back for a good morning of fishing, and baited his hook with "Lefty's Mountaineer Blue Gill."

The little carved wooden lure is his own design. "It's no ordinary fish lure," he says. "It's carved out of cedar with a pocket knife and it works like a charm."

By mid-morning, he had pulled in eight or so from his spot near a weed bank. Then the big one hit. "I told my nephew about 45 minutes before that I'd like to have something to hang on the mantel to look at during the winter," Lefty recalls. "When it struck, I thought I had me a mantelpiece, but I didn't have time to think about the size. I knew I had a good one because of the action of the rod and how it was bending. My arm got so tired; but, after about 15 minutes, we got him in the boat. He broke water only one time, and we knew it was a bass, but I had no idea it was a record."

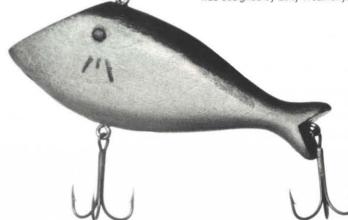
Not realizing he would have had a state record, Lefty kept on fishing for about three hours and the fish began to dehydrate. When they got to Gap Mills Store with state approved scales, the widemouth bass weighed in at 10 pounds, 12 ounces — only one ounce from being the largest ever caught in West Virginia.

Lefty's not at all unhappy with his catch, however. It still is a record for Moncove Lake and for Southern West Virginia. Now it's back to whittling more lures to try for the next big one.

Lefty will receive recognition from the Department of Natural Resources, and taxidermist Carl Horton will make Lefty's dream come true. The 24¼-inch widemouth bass with the 19-inch girth will be preserved for years to come. □

Adapted from article by Anita Rosen, Princeton (WV) Times.

This fishing lure called Lefty's Mountaineer Blue Gill was designed by Lefty Weatherly.



Civil Air Patrol is family activity

ow do you combine lifelong interests in aviation and the military into a recreational and community welfare activity that can also involve your spouse and your teenage daughter? George Johnston, Clintwood line mechanic A, has found an answer that works for him.

George is commander of the Civil Air Patrol's Grundy Composite Squadron. His wife Senna serves as the unit's administrative officer, and daughter Patricia, 13, is an active member of the unit's cadet program for young people.

A private pilot since 1980 who flies small two- and four-place aircraft, George has a lengthy military background, including nine years of active U.S. Army service before joining Appalachian. He is still a sergeant in the Virginia National Guard.

"While the Civil Air Patrol is the auxiliary of the U.S. Air Force, its peacetime missions are humanitarian and educational," George explains. "Specifically, Civil Air Patrol is a primary search and rescue resource for the Air Force Rescue Coordination Center and, in fact, flies three of every four aerial search hours directed by the AFRCC. In addition, our members are prepared to assist during natural disasters and other emergencies."

George illustrates his point with a story about the flood of 1977 when rising water shut off large sections in the Grundy area from relief and disrupted communications. "Civil Air Patrol members came in with their four-wheel drive vehicles and shortwave radios to carry food and drinking water to people stranded in outlying areas and to provide a temporary communications link with the outside world," he says.

Other missions of the organization are a program for young people between 13 and 18. Patricia, a cadet airman first class, attended a week-long encampment at Langley Air Force Base last summer, where she was selected as the top female cadet.

"We also are charged by Congress with providing an aerospace education program for Americans, a duty discharged primarily through an internal education program and through workshops and other programs conducted with and for teachers in middle and high schools and colleges," George explains.



Seena and George Johnston

George says his interest in the Civil Air patrol initially stemmed from his mountain flying. "We have some pretty rugged terrain in our part of the state; and, if I ever went down, I want some competent people to come looking for me," he says.

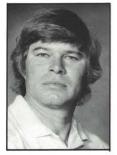
His interest in emergency services is displayed by the unit's training activities which include joint training with the Buchanan County emergency services office and a number of related training programs being conducted at weekly meetings and on weekends.

"I like being able to participate in the program as a family," George says. "We all like being able to do something that might, just might, save a life."



Patricia Johnston, left, and C/LTC Marie Normandie

Promotions_





Marcum

Watts

Randall Marcum, line mechanic A, was promoted to line crew supervisor NE in Williamson on October 3.

Don Watts, line crew supervisor, was promoted to general line crew supervisor in Huntington on December 1.

Abingdon

Martha Farmer from customer accounts representative C to customer accounts representative B. Marion.

Helen Findley from customer accounts representative C to customer accounts representative B.

Beckley

Serena Bishop from junior clerk to T&D clerk C.

Central Machine Shop

Mong Khonh Thongteum from winder 3rd class to winder 2nd class.

General Office

Calvin Robertson from classification and accounts payable clerk C to classification and accounts payable clerk B. GO Accounting, Roanoke.

Carol Mowry from secretary-stenographer B to station clerk A, GO T&D Station, Roanoke.

Gary Johnson from hydro mechanic C to hydro mechanic B. GO Hydro. Claytor.

Larry Lilly from transmission station mechanic C to transmission station mechanic B, GO T&D Station, Marmet.

Richard Kelley from engineering technician to engineering technician senior, GO T&D Communication, Roanoke.

Huntington

Rick Spurlock from line mechanic B to line mechanic A.

Kim Gerlach from T&D clerk C. Huntington, to stenographer, Point Pleasant.

Kingsport

Kay Morrison from T&D clerk B to T&D clerk A.

Carolyn Gibson from marketing and customer services representative to marketing and customer services representative senior.

Logan-Williamson

George Copley from line mechanic A to general service restorer, Logan.

Diane Bias from customer accounts representative B to customer accounts representative A, Madison.

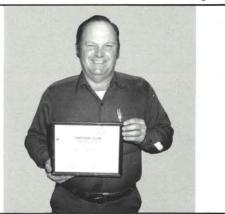
Roanoke

David Humphreys, customer accounts assistant, from Roanoke to Lynchburg.

Terry Francisco from junior clerk to customer accounts representative C. \Box

Daniels earns Tortoise Club membership

Ronnie Daniels, Bluefield line crew supervisor nonexempt, is living proof that it pays to wear protective equipment on the job. Daniels was working where trees were being cut out of the company's right-of-way and one fell, striking him on the head. Fortunately, his hard hat took the impact. Because Daniels' hat prevented him from sustaining a serious injury, he has been awarded a membership in the Southeastern Electric Exchange's Tortoise Club.



Carroll earns Wise Owl award



Charles Carroll, maintenance mechanic B at Kanawha River Plant, knows from experience the value of wearing safety glasses. He was using a cutting torch to cut I-beams at station #1 in coal handling when a piece of slag popped and embedded in the right lens of his glasses. Because the glasses prevented his eyes from being injured, Carroll has been awarded membership in the Wise Owl Club of America, sponsored by the National Society to Prevent Blindness. Carroll (left) is presented the award by Plant Manager Jim Bennett.

Retirements.

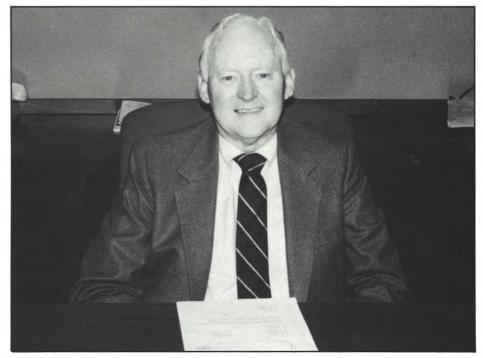
John Faust, president of Kingsport Power, retires

It was no accident that brought John E. Faust into the electric power business. His interest in electricity began as a boy when his hobby was short-wave radio. "I first built battery-operated sets and stayed up all night many times picking up ham operators from all over the world. I made my spending money repairing radios and later by wiring houses and repairing small appliances," he recalls.

It was only natural that Faust, who was valedictorian of his high school graduating class, enroll in electrical engineering at the University of Tennessee. He was a sophomore when the attack on Pearl Harbor brought the United States into World War II. "I had just turned 18 and registered for the draft so I decided to enlist," he says. "The Army left me in school for another guarter and then sent me to Fort Belvoir for basic training in the Corps of Engineers. When this was completed, I was selected to go to Catholic University in Washington to continue my engineering education. After a year of accelerated study, I received an engineering certificate and was ready for an assignment. But the invasion of Europe was then being planned and soldiers were needed more than engineers. My entire class was assigned to an infantry division which was embarking for the invasion. We landed in France and fought across Europe to the Elbe River near Berlin where the war ended. Of the 40 men in my platoon, only 13 survived."

Faust returned to U. T. after the war to continue the study of electrical engineering and also enrolled in the industrial management curriculum. He graduated in 1948 with a double major and ranked in the top 10 percent of his class. "I was interviewed by many companies; but, when Kingsport Power offered me a job as a power sales engineer, I knew this was what I wanted to do." Faust served as senior power sales engineer, executive assistant and assistant vice president before becoming executive vice president in 1974. He was elected president in 1980.

"It certainly wasn't the best time to take over the management of a power company," Faust remembers. "Peak coal prices, the heating season and my pro-



Faust

motion all arrived at the same time. I spent most of my time during the first few months answering high bill compaints, speaking to civic groups and preparing for a Public Service Commission hearing. But there were many rewarding moments too, such as calls and letters of encouragement from friends of the company who remembered the long years of good service and reasonable rates. And all of our employees pitched in and did a wonderful job handling customer complaints.

"Now, at the end of my career, I think the company is in very good shape. We expect to have the highest earnings in 1987 that we have ever had despite the fact that we have among the lowest electric rates in the United States. We are, in fact, considerably lower than TVA. For a long time we have had the highest average annual consumption for residential customers in the nation. That is the result of having an electric heat saturation of 73 percent. We have had natural gas here for many years, but there really has not been very stiff competition until recent years.

"The thing I am most proud of is the

excellent relations we have had with our customers over the years. We are almost surrounded by TVA, yet there never has been any activity directed toward changing to TVA power in the Kingsport area. In our service area, we consistently rank very high in customer satisfaction."

Most of Faust's spare time over the years has been spent with civic work. He is a past president of the Kingsport Board of Education, Jaycees, the Boys Club, the Red Cross, and the Tri-Cities Chapter of the American Institute of Industrial Engineers. He also has been a director of the Palmer Memorial Center for Crippled Children, Community Chest, Chamber of Commerce and Rotary Club. He currently is a director of Junior Achievement, Holston Valley Hospital, the Kingsport Area Business Council on Health Care and the First American National Bank. He also has held many leadership positions in the First Broad Street United Methodist Church. "I have been easing out of some things but I will continue to serve in a number of community groups."

Faust is married to the former Marie Dye of Scott County, Virginia. They have a son, daughter, and two grandchildren. □

A familiar face is gone from Appalachian's Pennhall training facility on Smith Mountain Lake. A. B. Tuck, Roanoke reservoir supervisor NE, elected early retirement on January 1. A. B. recalls, "My wife Frances and I were hired in 1966 to manage the facility; and, although she resigned after 10 years, she still is interested in hearing about the folks who come here. I'm going to leave a lot of myself at Pennhall, too, but I wear a lot of different hats. I also was in charge of the crew which does lake work from Leesville Dam

"What I have enjoyed the most about my years with Appalachian is the nice people I work with and the peace of mind that came with knowing I had a steady job," says Huntington General Line Crew Supervisor Walter Harris. "I was working for Keystone Construction, an Appalachian contractor, when Paul Harlan asked if I would like to have a job here. Appalachian was looking for someone who had experience with stick work. For the first six months I was here, I made a nickel less an hour than my previous job. But I like to

"You couldn't work for a better company than Appalachian," declares Huntington Line Crew Supervisor L. E. Perkey, who elected early retirement on January 1. "The people are absolutely super, and I never missed a payday." During World War II, Perkey served in the Pacific as a combat radioman for the U.S. Navy. He was recalled to active duty in 1967 and assigned to the Naval support unit for State Department Security in Washington, DC. He was in Vietnam during the TET offensive and later worked in the building or maintenance of embassies in Uruguay,

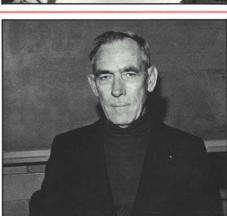
The month of December is a special one for Pulaski Garage Supervisor Lenford Willard. He was born on Christmas Day, and joined Appalachian on December 27. His wedding anniversary is December 28, and he retired on December 31. "I was really lucky to get on with Appalachian," he says. "The benefits here are much better than they are anywhere else. I used to work for the Chevrolet dealership in Pulaski and did mechanical work on Appalachian's vehicles. When they decided to operate their own garage, Posey Payne asked if I would be interested in a all the way into Roanoke. Appalachian has been a great company to work for, and I'd like to mention that D. C. Kennedy, retired Roanoke division manager, has meant a lot to me and my family. With a 250-acre farm, 50 head of Angus cattle, rental property, and a pontoon boat business, I'll have plenty of things to do. I also build spec houses now and then. But I don't plan to work all the time. We will travel some but mainly just do what we want to do."

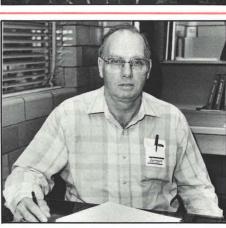
tell people that I worked one day and got a day's vacation. I joined the company on December 23," he explains. "I have always tried to be a good employee and do the right thing. But I am looking forward to retiring (on January 1) and am thankful to have good health. My wife Glenna and I enjoy being together, and we plan to do quite a bit of traveling. We also love to work around the house and the yard. We have two sons, one daughter and six granddaughters. Our son, David, is a line mechanic A at St. Albans." □

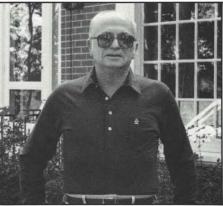
Poland and Abidjan on the Ivory Coast. He had nearly 40 years' service with the Navy Seabees when he retired in 1985. "My wife Elsie and I have three children," Perkey says. "Our son Sam lives in Ashland and our daughters, Lynne and Carol Christine, in Athens, GA. We spend our winters with the girls and summers here." Perkey is a past master of Crescent Lodge #32, Ceredo, and belongs to all the Scottish and York Rite bodies. He is a Shriner and member of the VFW, DAV and American Legion.

job. I've been on LTD for about a year and a half, and I've missed working. I come back to the garage to visit pretty often. I don't have a lot of plans for retirement since my wife is still working. I'll stay busy with gardening, mowing the yard, and working around the house. I watch television a lot but I haven't gotten started on the soaps yet." Lenford and his wife Eileen have one daughter. During World War II, he served in the South Pacific. □

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A utility career spanning more than 36 years came to a close on January 1 with the early retirement of **Bill Fry**, maintenance mechanic B at Philip Sporn Plant. "I served in the Navy during World War II," he recalls, "and after that I was self-employed for a while. Then I went to work in the Navy shipyard. When I was laid off, an electrician told me I should go to a public utility and put in an application for a steady job. My home was in Mason County, so that's why I came to Sporn." He began his career in 1950 as a laborer

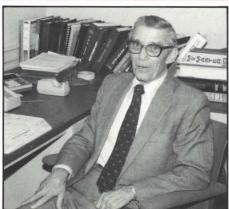
and later held the positions of maintenance helper, results helper, and maintenance mechanic B. He has been on LTD leave since heart surgery a couple of years ago. "I feel good now, but I haven't been able to do a lot. I walk about four miles every other day for exercise," he says. Bill and his wife Vivian have 3 sons and 4 grandchildren. One son, Michael, works for Ohio Power at Pomeroy. Bill is a member of the United Methodist Church in Mason, the American Legion, and VFW. □



"Appalachian has been a good company to work for," claims Beckley Area Servicer **Arnold 'Sam' Yost**, who retired January 1. "It is work you can depend on. Over the years I never had to worry about being laid off. Before coming to work here, I played about a year and a half of professional baseball under the old New York Giants. As a matter of fact, I used to be quite active in sports. I played basketball and softball for Woodrow Wilson High School. I made all-state in basketball two years and was named to the High School Hall of Fame for softball. I have two sons who play ball, and wherever they go, I go. I am a person who likes to take things day by day — I always have, so I don't have a lot of plans for retirement. I golf occasionally and have a garden and yard to keep me busy. I want to hunt and fish some, and the wife and I will probably go to the beach during the summer. We have five children, nine grandchildren, and one great-grandchild." Sam is secretary-treasurer of the West Raleigh Baptist Church.



At one time, **Charlie Edmonds** planned an Air Force career. He was drafted into service during World War II and then pulled two three-year terms as an enlisted man. But, after serving in the Korean War, he decided that was enough. "I was discharged in 1953," he recalls, "and worked at several jobs after that. Then in 1977 I hired on as a utility man B at Philip Sporn Plant." He since has held the positions of utility operator, auxiliary equipment operator, and maintenance mechanic. "I had planned to work until I reached the age of 65," Charlie says, "but; because of my health, I just decided to retire on January 1. I have had some good jobs here and made good money, but I'm getting anxious to go. I don't know what I will do during retirement. Just sit around and take it easy for a while, but later on I'll have to find something to keep me busy like farming or gardening. I enjoy hunting and fishing, too. For the time being, we'll stay in Glenwood (WV) because our son is still in high school."



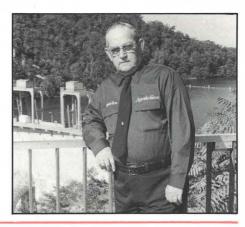
"My work has been so diversified that I never got bored," claims Pulaski Station Superintendent Warren Childers, who retired on January 1. "I joined the company right after World War II when the rural line building program was resumed. We were averaging better than 600 miles of line a year during those early days. One of the most memorable experiences for me was being in on the concept of 34.5 kv distribution and being involved in the installation of the first circuits in Pulaski Division. Another was the increase in the yearly generation of power from Byllesby and Buck Hydros so that new records were set over the past few years. Another interesting job was the conversion to 12,000 volt distribution in all the towns. Working with people in the General Office and other areas of the system has been a great pleasure to me." Warren adds, "I don't have any particular plans for retirement other than to just take it one day at a time. We like this section of the country so we'll stay here, but we expect to do some traveling." "I have been here nearly 31 years lacking 10 days — and I figure it's time to go," says Jack Towler, senior visitors center attendant at Smith Mountain, who retired January 1. "When you get my age, you don't know how many more good years you'll have, and it isn't any sense to work all of them. Last year, when we had all that snow, I wondered why I was still here!" Jack adds, "I was in on the preliminary work for Smith Mountain Dam. We did surveying, looked after core drilling, and cut down all the trees off the side of this mountain. I have been here at the

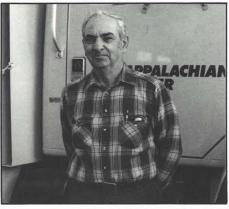
"I feel about retirement like I did about going in the service ... I wonder what it will be like," says Charleston Line Crew Supervisor **Delt Crosier**, who elected early retirement on January 1. "I've been here more than 41 years, and it seems like I've done just about everything . . . relief, trouble shooting, you name it. Just recently the company bought a brand new truck to replace my old worn out one. I'd like to have a chance to use it but not enough to stay on." One of Delt's most memorable experiences occurred when he was in the Navy during World War II. "I was a

Bobby Miller, Point Pleasant line mechanic A, elected early retirement on January 1. He had been on LTD leave since 1979. Bobby recalls, "I was doing construction work on a railroad bridge in the area when some Appalachian bosses I knew through the Scouting program asked me if I were looking for a job. I told them I was always trying to better myself, so they told me there was a meter reading job open. I applied and went to work for Appalachian the next week. During my 31 years there, I worked as a groundman, lineman and area serviceman. I wouldn't take a million visitors center ever since it was first opened. I've worked under a lot of mighty nice people — the best. And I've made a lot of friends in the company and met a lot of visitors from all walks of life." He concludes, "I don't have any particular plans for retirement, just take a day at a time. I help one of my sons look after the cattle on his farm. I don't fish but I might have to take it up." Jack is a member of the New Bethel Church of the Brethren. "I'll have more time to help out there," he says.

deep sea diver and helped raise the Philippine treasury. When McArthur left, they dropped all the gold in the ocean. When we went into Manila, we raised it, put it on barges, and brought it back. It was in big ingots, and there was a lieutenant watching to see that we didn't carry it off." Delt concludes, "I don't have a lot of plans for retirement. I like to turkey hunt, and we will probably travel some." The Crosiers have 3 children and 5 grandchildren. □

dollars for some of the memories I made while working. I still wake up at night when there is a big snow or lightning storm, pull the covers up around my neck, and think 'boy, am I glad I don't have to go out.' I remember what it was like to work for hours and hours at a stretch and eat cold sandwiches and drink cold coffee whenever I could get it!" Until the last couple of years, Bobby spent much of his leisure time hunting and fishing. "My son has a camper in the mountains, and that is where I spent several months in the spring. During hunting season I go up and





serve as chief dishwasher and caretaker of the camp. Any more the mountains are getting too high for me to try to go up. I still do a little trout fishing or go fishing here in the Ohio River. Other than that, I am a television bug." Bobby is a member of the Methodist church, Masonic Lodge, Scottish Rite, and American Legion. He belonged to the West Virginia National Guard for 15 years. Bobby has 4 sons and 4 grandchildren.

Newcomers.

Abingdon

Jeffery Scyphers, building supervisor.

John Amos

Paul Massie, performance engineer.

Beckley

Stevie Meadows, energy services engineer.

Karen Gray, junior clerk.

Centralized Plant Maintenance

- C. K. Kinneer, maintenance mechanic B.
- D. W. Kyle, maintenance mechanic B.
- T. H. Poston, maintenance mechanic B.
- L. W. McCarty, maintenance mechanic B.
- R. E. Nibert, maintenance mechanic B.
- T. E. Siders, maintenance mechanic B.

Charleston

Jerry Tarver, line mechanic D.

Glen Lyn

Rickie Charlton, utility worker B.

Huntington

Kevin Vass, department assistant-customer accounts.

Sharon Jones, junior clerk, Milton.

Lynchburg

Tammy Love, meter reader.

Who's News_

General Office



Scott Parker has been selected to be included in "Who's Who Among American High School Students." A senior at Northside High School, Scott is the son of Gordon Parker, building maintenance superin-Services, Roanoke.

tendent, GO General Services, Roanoke.



Melanie Carter was selected as first chair mallets in the Junior High All-Regional Concert Band. She is a ninth grader at Northside Junior High School and a member of the marching band at Northside Senior

High. Melanie is the daughter of Betty Lou Carter, editor of publications, GO Public Affairs, Roanoke.

Don Johnson, public affairs information manager, has been elected commander of U. S. Coast Guard Auxiliary Flotilla 81, Roanoke, for 1988.

Betty Lou Carter, editor of publications, GO Public Affairs, Roanoke, has been elected chairwoman of the stewards commission, Peters Creek Church of the Brethren.

Logan-Williamson



Jean Perry, Logan customer accounts representative A, won the Class C Singles bowling event at the West Virginia Women's Bowling Association Senior Tournament at Parkersburg. Her three-

game score with handicap was 660.

Sonny White, division manager, was elected second vice chairman of the Logan County Chapter of the American Red Cross.





The annual Bluefield Division employee/guest golf tournament was held at Pipestem State Park on October 24. The winners were: front row, I. to r., Rubert Gruver, division stores assistant, first place — first flight; Mike Farmer, general servicer, third place — second flight; Jim Harmon, division engineering supervisor, second place — second flight; and Harry Street, automotive mechanic C, third place — third flight. Back row, Tobie Eaton, division manager, first place — second flight; Jim Snead, electrical engineer, first place — third flight; and Billy Ball, GO communication specialist, second place — third flight. Not pictured is Dan Sayers, GO R/w maintenance coordinator, third place — first flight.



High School Students." Janet attends Williamson High School, where she is secretary of the Key Club and Hi-Y Co-ed Club. She also is a student council representative and a member of the Hi-Q Quiz Bowl team.

Janet, daughter of James Siggers, Williamson custodian, has been elected the 1988 Youth-In-Government speaker of the house. She also has been selected for inclusion in "Who's Who Among American "Janet attends Wil-

Centralized Plant Maintenance



Pvt. Gary Tillis has graduated from the U. S. Marine Corps Recruit Training Center at Parris Island, South Carolina. He currently is being trained in motor transportation at Camp Pendleton, California.

Gary is the son of Jerry Tillis, maintenance mechanic B. □

Abingdon



Cathy Cook, left, and Scott Branson.

Cathy, daughter of J. L. Cook, station mechanic A, played the role of Cinderella in Theatre Bristol's production of Rodgers and Hammerstein's "Cinderella" at the United Company's Humanities Center in Bristol last month. She also was crowned homecoming 'queen at Abingdon High School.



Dot Hawley, T&D clerk A, was named "working girl of the week" in a contest sponsored by Bristol Radio Station WFHG. She received a dozen red roses, a free haircut and style, and dinner for two at T. G.'s Restaurant. Dot's name was submitted by fellow employees in the Records Department.

New officers of the Washington County Chamber of Commerce for 1987-88 include **Jim Hughes**, marketing and customer services manager, president-elect, and Pete Montague, division manager, vice president of economic development.



Kevin Stoots, a two-time all-state performer, won the individual title at the Group AA state cross country meet. He is the son of Gary Stoots, Marion meter reader.

Jackie, daughter of Hunter Thayer, general line crew supervisor, was a member of the Abingdon High School Lady Falcon basketball team which won the Highlands District championship and advanced to the Group AA semi-finals.

Lynchburg



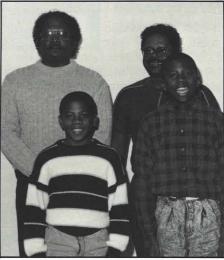
Kanawha River



Robert Saunders, son of Gloria Rhem, plant clerk A, was recognized by Marshall University as one of the outstanding black high school students in the Tri-State Area. He is a junior at DuPont High School.



Andre, son of personnel supervisor Mike Howard, was named All-Conference Football from Dunbar Junior High School. He is a ninth grader.



Front row, I. to r., Michael Howard and Shawn Riley. Back row, Mike Howard and Carl Riley.

The Dunbar Mini-Pups of the Chemical Valley Midget League were undefeated and unscored on this year. This is the second consecutive year the team went undefeated. Personnel supervisor Mike Howard is the team's coach, and Carl Riley, husband of Claudina Riley, junior clerk, is assistant coach. Mike's son, Michael, is a halfback for the team and Claudina's son, Shawn, is an end. □

ices representative. □ Beckley

Bob Kilgore, division manager, has been named chairman of the Economic Development Committee for the Beckley-Raleigh County Chamber of Commerce.

Damon Murphy won an award for his participation in Timberlake Christian School's Amerthon, an annual event to

raise funds for children's tuitions. Damon,

sponsored by 20 people, ran $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles and raised \$390. He is the son of George

Murphy, marketing and customer serv-

Gene Warner, meter reader, was chosen "business person of the day" by WCIR Radio. □

Roanoke



Lori, daughter of Bob Gardner, meter reader, was selected as a member of the Franklin County Dance Company for the third consecutive year. A ninth grader at Franklin County High School, she is

vice president of the freshman student council and a member of the freshman homecoming court.



Todd, son of Jerry Joyce, Fieldale station mechanic A, has been named to "Who's Who Among American High School Students." He also has been accepted for membership into The Society of Dis-

tinguished American High School Students. He was selected for the Music Educators' National Conference Honor Marching Band that performed in the Florida Citrus Bowl Parade on December 31 in Orlando. Todd is a senior at Patrick County High School, Stuart.





Stephen, son of John Wilmer, office supervisor, played football for the Cave Spring Vikings, who won the Roanoke County Sandlot Super Bowl Little League championship.

The North Roanoke Chargers football team, coached by **Bob Ragland**, drafter A, won the Roanoke County Pee Wee championship for the third consecutive year. The Chargers competed in the City/

County League and finished with 8 wins and 1 loss in league play. They also were runner-up in the 4th Annual Sandlot Super Bowl sponsored by the Roanoke Chamber of Commerce. The Chargers' final record was 9 wins and 2 losses. Both losses were by one touchdown to Roanoke City champions, the undefeated Wilmont Cowboys. The Chargers were selected as the winner of the first John A. Kelley Sandlot Super Bowl Sportsmanship Award. Shannon Ragland, son of Bob Ragland, played offensive guard and defensive tackle.

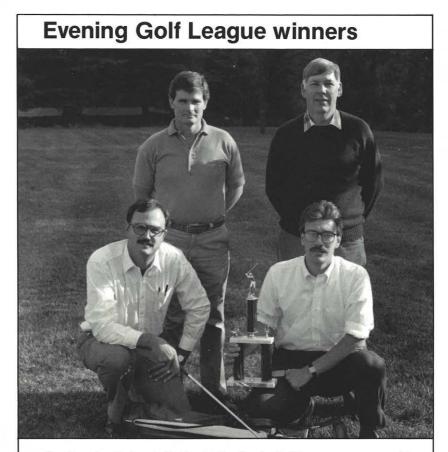
Bluefield

Ben Donevant, personnel supervisor, has been elected president of the National Railway Historical Society, Pocahontas Chapter, for 1988. Bill Fisher, engineering technician senior, has been appointed historian.



Keith, son of Calvin Belcher, Welch meter reader, is the recipient of several academic honors. He was nominated to become a Congressional Scholar representing West Virginia in the National Young Lead-

ers Conference, Washington, DC, in October. He also was nominated as an International Foreign Language award winner, a National Leadership award winner, and a National Mathematics award winner. His biography appears in the 1987 United States Achievement Academy National Awards yearbook. Keith also is an Academic All-American Scholar.



The championship team in the Appalachian Evening Golf League was composed of (kneeling, I. to r.), Frank Stiff and Mike Kosinski and (standing) Eddie Purves and Bob Bower. The league, which had seven teams of active and retired employees from Roanoke Division and General Office, played at Countryside Golf Club on Wednesdays. The runner-up team was Frank Cook, Ron Hogan, Ira Peters, and Bruce Tolson. Calvin Sisson was named player of the year for 1987. The winning team in the Captain's Choice Tournament was composed of Tim Earhart, Gary Lewis, Richard Reese, and Frank Stiff.

Huntington



Michele, daughter of Joyce George, customer accounts representative A, is the recipient of the Genevra Wilkinson Staker Scholarship, awarded to a Cabell County student who has demonstrated significant academ-

ic achievement and good citizenship and who has made major contributions to her community. A 1987 graduate of Huntington East High School, she is a student at Randolph-Macon Woman's College.



Joe Haynes, administrative assistant, was chosen to be a contestant in the Miss West Virginia Teen USA Pageant. She is a sophomore at Huntington East High School.

Tracy, daughter of

Sue, wife of David Straley, meter electrician A, was presented the Associate of the Year award for 1987 by the Tri-State Homebuilders Association. She is part owner and business manager of Design

Connexion, an interior design firm.



Dorothy Brown (left), extension agent from West Virginia University, presents a check to Lenore Bush. Photo courtesy Hurricane Breeze.

Lenore, daughter of Jim Bush, Ripley line crew supervisor NE, was named 4-H Club reporter of the year by the Hurricane Breeze. She was selected on the basis of her contributions reporting 4-H Club news and special features to the Breeze during the last club year. She was awarded a \$25 check.

James, son of D. F. Machir, Point Pleasant line crew supervisor, will spend two years as a missionary in Osaka, Japan. A member of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints, Jim attends Brigham Young University.



Cribb's Lucky Star, a Brittany spaniel owned by **David Gillilan**, line mechanic A, won third place for the day's event and fourth place overall in the 3-day Thanksgiving Classic held in Winchester, Kentucky, by the National Shoot-to-Retrieve Field Trial Association. David received a trophy and a 50 lb. bag of dog food. The 96 dogs in the classic were judged on bird-finding ability, retrieve ability, obedience, and total ground covered. David has been elected vice president of the Kentucky Region of the National Shootto-Retrieve Field Trial Association. He also is a certified judge. □



Thomas G. Parr, engineering technician, GO T&D Station, Roanoke, associate in applied science in electrical/ electronics engineering technologies, Virginia Western Community College.

John W. McGraw, son of Walter G. McGraw, retired Beckley residential representative senior, bachelor of science in aerospace engineering, Auburn University (cum laude).

Kingsport

Bob Bennett, junior personnel assistant, was elected president of the Wednesday Orators Toastmasters for 1988. □

Charleston

Wayne Pugh, marketing and customer services supervisor, was elected to the board of directors of the Home Builders Association of Greater Charleston.

Art Burdette, engineering supervisor, was named to the West Virginia Institute of Technology engineering advisory board.

Philip Sporn



Billie, daughter of William Morgan, stores attendant, wascrowned queen of grades 1-3 at Sunnyside Elementary's Fall Festival. She was crowned and presented with a Walkman cassette player by

George Mallot, assistant to the Mayor of Huntington.



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Rudy Pilson, Fieldale line crew supervisor, 140-lb. doe.

Ryan Perry, Fieldale line mechanic C, 175-Ib., 8-point buck and 140-Ib., 5-point buck.

Mike Lawson, Fieldale line mechanic A, 150-lb. doe.

John Bussey, Fieldale meter electrician A, 100-lb., 4-point buck.

Ronnie McGhee, Fieldale line mechanic A, 130-lb, 3-point buck and 130-lb, 6-point buck.

Gary Shepard, Stuart line mechanic A, 130-lb., 5-point buck and 130-lb, 8-point buck.

Philip Sporn

Joe Cundiff, maintenance mechanic B, 6-point buck (bow).

Buddy Peaytt, maintenance mechanic B, spike buck (bow).

Johnny Ohlinger, equipment operator B, 3-point buck.

Hunters Score.

Abingdon

Warren Lindsey, line mechanic A. 8-point buck.

John Amos

Aubrey Asbury, utility worker, 125-lb., 8-point buck. Donald Pauley, utility worker, 125-lb., 7-point buck. Charles Mosser, utility worker, 120-lb. spike buck. John Woyan, equipment operator B, 7-point buck and 2-point buck.

Preston Hall, unit supervisor, 6-point buck.

Bryan Ward, equipment operator C, 7-point buck. Garry Toothman, equipment operator B, 8-point buck.

Beckley

Mike Bates, Rainelle meter reader, 110-lb., 4-point buck.

Matthew Wamsley, son of Sherry Farley, telephone operator, 140-Ib., 6-point buck.

Clyde Barker, personnel supervisor, 135-lb., 3-point buck.

Don Hawks, automotive mechanic A, 120-lb, 5-point buck.

Glenn O'Neal, station crew supervisor, 100-lb. spike buck.

Larry Lilly, station mechanic A, 120-lb., 4-point buck.

Chuck Palmer, station mechanic A, 120-lb., 4-point buck.

Dale Pittman, station mechanic B, 130-lb., 6-point buck.

Dwight Linkous, customer services advisor, 100lb. doe (bow).

Gregg Eads, department assistant-marketing and customer services, 110-lb. spike buck.

Charleston

Bob Bradshaw, power engineer, 2 100-lb. spike bucks.

Tom Craft, equipment service representative, 150-Ib., 6-point buck.

Clayton Starcher, meter electrician A, 150-lb., 6-point buck.

Ben Selbe, area servicer, 100-lb., 6-point buck.

Dave Stinnett, line crew supervisor, 170-lb., 10-point buck and 70-lb. doe.

Mike King, line mechanic A, 100-lb. doe; 2 150-lb., 4-point bucks; 200-lb., 16-pt. buck.

Mike Stephens, engineering technician assistant, 130-lb., 4-point buck.

Art Burdette, engineering supervisor, 100-lb., 4-point buck.

Rob Johnson, engineering technician, 130-Ib., 3-point buck.

Ken Posey, electrical engineer, 125-lb., 4-point buck; 100-lb., 7-point buck; 110-lb. spike buck.

Merrel Sankoff, electrical engineer, 130-lb., 5-point buck.

John Rader, electrical engineer, 110-lb., 7-point buck.

Larry Massile, engineering technician, 100-lb., 3-point buck.

Tim Barnette, line mechanic C, 140-lb., 7-point buck.

General Office

Frank Oresta, fleet maintenance supervisor, GO General Services, Bluefield, 8-point buck.

Dave Dodson, communication specialist, GOT&D Communication, Bluefield, 5-point buck.

Cory Tyzinski, son of Gerry Tyzinski, engineering technician senior, GO T&D Civil Engineering, Roanoke, 150 lb., 8-point buck.

Monty Bruce, son of Patricia Greenway, stenographer, GO Personnel, Roanoke, 132 lb., 9-point buck.

Raymond Fisher, engineering technologist, GO T&D Station, Roanoke, 140 lb., 5-point buck.

Bob Duncan, engineering technician, GO T&D Station, Bluefield, 123-lb., 4-point buck.

Kanawha River

Robert Sparkman, maintenance mechanic C, 8-point buck.

Philip Pauley, husband of Audra Pauley, secretary, doe (bow) and 8-point buck.

Logan-Williamson

Rudy Vass, Williamson meter electrician B, 138-lb., 9-point buck.

Billy Smutko, Madison line mechanic A, 220-lb., 8-point buck.

Sam Garrett, husband of Patricia Garrett, Logan customer accounts representative C, 130-lb., 3-point buck.

Rick Warner, Logan electrical engineer, 140-lb., 6-point buck.

Mark Summers, Madison line mechanic A, 2 135lb., 6-point bucks.

Lynchburg

Nowlin Maddox, line mechanic A, 175 lb., 9-point buck.

Terry Knight, records supervisor, 8-point buck.

John Thomas, station crew supervisor NE, 12 lb. turkey.

Brian Lecik, engineering technician, 150 lb., 6-point buck.

Paul Keys, right of way agent, 142 lb., 6-point buck. Fred Bryant, engineering technician assistant, 135 lb., 6-point buck and 135 lb. doe.

Pulaski

G. F. Shrader, meter electrician supervisor, 115 lb., 2-point buck.

Arnold Anderson, equipment service advisor, 196 lb., 9-point buck.

Mark Schronce, drafter, doe (bow).

Tommy Akers, engineering technician, 125 lb. doe. Barry Wolfe, Christiansburg T&D clerk, 125 lb., 5-point buck.

Harry Hubble, Christiansburg meter reader, 4-point buck.

Mike Spence, Galax engineering technician, spike buck and doe (bow).

Carl Martin, Galax meter reader, spike buck and 3-point buck.

Kenneth Belton, Galax line mechanic C, 5-point buck.

Sonny Westmoreland, Galax line crew supervisor NE, 4-point buck.

Tater Anderson, Galax line mechanic A, 4-point buck.

Mute Wingate, Galax service restorer, spike buck (bow).

Roanoke

W. H. Terry, Stuart engineering technician senior, 150-lb, 6-point buck and 12-lb. turkey.

Frank Nichols, Rocky Mount line mechanic A, 2 110-Ib. does; 190-Ib., 8-point buck; and 200-Ib., 9point buck.

Wayne Bowling, Rocky Mount line crew supervisor, 120-Ib., 5-point buck.

Clyde Bernard, Rocky Mount line mechanic D, 130-lb. and 110-lb. does.

Billy Thurman, Rocky Mount line mechanic C, 160-lb., 9-point buck and 130-lb., 6-point buck.

Sam Robinson, Rocky Mount line crew supervisor, 100-lb., 4-point buck.

Don McGhee, Fieldale meter reader, 150-lb., 7-point buck.

J. E. Nichols, Fieldale area superintendent, 130-lb., 8-point buck and 125-lb., 8-point buck.

Leon Woods, meter electrician A, 155-lb., 8-point buck and 90-lb. doe.

Glenn Mullins, station mechanic A, 160-lb., 9-point buck.

Mike Lugar, station mechanic B, 2 12-lb. turkey hens.

J. B. Aird, III, T&D superintendent, 100-lb. spike buck.

Gary McGhee, electrical engineer, 105-lb., 4-point buck; 90-lb., 3-point buck; 14-lb. and 16-lb. turkeys.

Kurt Sisson, line mechanic A, 90-Ib. spike buck and 16-Ib. turkey.

Steve Richardson, line mechanic B, 105-lb., 8-point buck and 9½-lb. turkey.

Don Hall, line mechanic B, 125-lb., 7-point buck.

Mark Stegall, line mechanic C, 115-lb., 7-point buck and 90-lb. spike buck.

Mike Price, line mechanic A, 150-lb., 9-point buck. Jeff Harlow, line mechanic C, 130-lb., 10-point buck.

Pat Meyers, line mechanic A, 140-lb., 7-point buck and 90-lb. spike buck.

Randy Dudding, line mechanic A, 150-lb., 8-point buck; 145-lb., 8-point buck; and 12-lb. turkey.

Larry Mayhew, line mechanic C, 130-lb. spike buck and 130-lb. doe.

Frank Frango, stores supervisor, 90-lb. spike buck.

Steve Foster, Fieldale automotive mechanic A, 175-Ib., 11-point buck and 80-Ib. doe.

Jimmy Newman, Fieldale line crew supervisor, 140-lb. spike buck and 120-lb. doe.

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Weddings_

Hopkins-Vinyard



Janet Vinyard, Kanawha River Plant junior clerk, to John R. Hopkins, October 10.

Caviness-Edwards



Susan Edwards to T. W. Caviness, Jr., Pulaski station mechanic B, November 7.

Noyes-Chase



Paula Chase to Tom Noyes, August 30. Paula is the daughter of Gayle Chase, Kingsport line mechanic A.

Ward-Sisson



Martha Ann Sisson to Steven Ralph Ward, November 7. Martha is the daughter of Sebert Sisson, retired Hillsville customer services representative.

Cradic-Wallen

Thlema Wallen, Gate City junior clerk, to Christopher Cradic, November 19.

Willard-Rife

Lisa Rife to Mark Willard, Christiansburg meter reader, November 21.

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George and Blossom LeGrande celebrated their 65th wedding anniversary on December 6. The couple has one son. George is a retired line crew supervisor exempt in Logan.



John Amos

Cody Adam, son of Mark Dunlap, maintenance mechanic C, November 18.

Clinch River

Steven Craig, son of Michael Sims, coal handler, December 10.

General Office

Frances Allison, chosen daughter of **Michael Riggins**, electrical engineer senior, GO T&D Station Design, September 30.

Glen Lyn

Mary Ann, daughter of **Norman Hollie**, equipment operator C, November 13.

Kanawha River

David Michael, II, son of **Mike Hastings**, maintenance mechanic B, November 17.

Logan-Williamson

Michael Scott, son of James Hannah, Logan line mechanic B, November 16.

Jerry Michael, Jr., son of Jerry Jones, Williamson line mechanic B, November 24.

Roanoke

L. G., IV, son of **Guy Norton**, **III**, Fieldale meter reader, September 7.

Friends We'll Miss_



Bess Westerfield, 81, retired head cashier in Charleston, died November 23. A native of St. Albans, West Virginia, she began her career in 1937 as a clerk in Charleston and retired in 1971. Westerfield is survived by one daughter and nine grandchildren.



Alton H. Barlow, 71, retired station mechanic A, GO T&D Station, Roanoke, died November 14. A native of Tazewell County, he was employed in 1948 as a system utility man helper B and retired in 1981. Barlow is survived by his wife Ethel, Route 8, Box 9, Roanoke, VA; two sons; and two grandchildren.



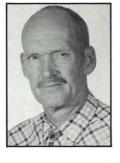
Clarence Rosenbaum, 73, retired Pulaski line foreman NE, died November 29. A native of Wythe County, Virginia, he joined the company in 1941 as a groundman and truck driver and retired in 1977. Rosenbaum is survived by his wife Daphna, RR 1, Box 297B, Fries, VA; two sons; one daughter; and three grandchildren.



Alton Parker Jones, 83, retired Christiansburg area supervisor A, died December 8. A native of Speedwell, Virginia, he was employed in 1925 as a lineman and retired in 1969. Jones is survived by one daughter and seven grandchildren.



Raymond A. Elliott, 69, retired Glen Lyn Plant maintenance mechanic A, died November 24. A native of Smyth County, Virginia, he was hired in 1951 as a laborer at Glen Lyn and elected early retirement in 1980. Elliott is survived by his wife Mary, 109 Roberta Street, Narrows, VA; one son; two daughters; six grandchildren, two great-grandchildren; and three sisters.

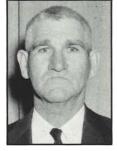


Samuel E. Holliday, Jr., 71, retired maintenance mechanic A at Philip Sporn Plant, died December 3. A native of Greenbrier County, West Virginia, he was employed in 1951 as a laborer and elected early retirement in 1978. Holliday is survived by his wife Marjorie, Route 2, Point Pleasant WV; one daughter; two stepdaughters; one stepson; three grandchildren; and three stepgrandchildren.



A. Jack Ingram, 57, maintenance mechanic A for Centralized Plant Maintenance, died November 19 after a long illness. A native of Bancroft, West Virginia, he was employed in 1977 as a maintenance mechanic B. He had been on long term disability leave since 1985. Ingram is survived by his wife Ada, 446 McDonald Street, South Charleston, WV; two sons; and one daughter.

John Albert Rocker, 53, Kanawha River Plant barge attendant, died November 22. A native of Owens, West Virginia, he began his career in 1970 as a laborer and has been on LTD leave since 1975. Rocker is survived by his wife Ann, 110 132nd Street, Chesapeake, West Virginia; one son; three daughters; and three granddaughters.



Jesse Franklin Brown, 78, retired Pulaski truck driver-groundman, died December 9. A native of Pulaski, Virginia, he was employed in 1937 as a laborer and elected early disability retirement in 1963. Brown is survived by two sons and two grandchildren.



Fred H. Rouse, 83, retired regional dispatcher, GO Operations, Turner Station, died November 16. A native of Abingdon, Virginia, he was hired in 1933 as an electrician's helper in Hazard, Kentucky. He has been retired since 1964. Rouse is survived by his wife Beulah, 903 S. Drew Street, St. Albans, West Virginia; two sons; and six grandchildren. □

Service Anniversaries.



J. E. Chapman line crew supv. Pineville 40 years



Lawrence Clark asst. shift op. eng. Philip Sporn 40 years

Jim Crum

Huntington

Jerry Scott

Philip Sporn

30 years

maint. mech. A

30 years

meter reader



George White asst. shift op. eng. Philip Sporn 40 years

Tom Allen

30 years

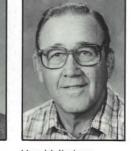
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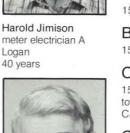
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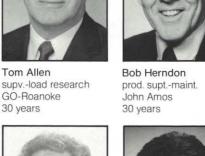


meter electrician A Logan











Joyce George cust. accts. rep. A Huntington 25 years



Bill Hagerman eng. tech. sr. Roanoke 20 years

Abinadon

15 years: Haze Clark, meter reader, Lebanon. 10 years: Paul Hill, area T&D clerk B. Clintwood, Russell Fields, automotive mechanic A.

John Amos

10 years: Hrudaya Kanth, performance technician supervisor.

Beckley

15 years: J. C. Gwinn, Oak Hill line mechanic A.

Bluefield

15 years: Phil Arrington, line mechanic A.

Clinch River

15 years: Kenneth Bolling, coal equipment operator. 10 years: Michael Monk, instrument mechanic

General Office

15 years: David Conley, transmission mechanic A, GO T&D Transmission, Kenova. Stephen Ramsey, transmission mechanic B, GO T&D Transmission. Turner. Charlotte Collins, classification and accounts payable clerk A, GO Accounting, Roanoke. Donald Howell, meter staff engineer, GO T&D Meter, Roanoke. 10 years: Glen Adams, transmission station mechanic A, GO T&D Station, Marmet.

Huntington

10 years: Joe Day, line mechanic A.

Kanawha River 5 years: Gilbert Hill, equipment operator C.

Kingsport 15 years: Gary Williams, line mechanic A.

Logan-Williamson

5 years: Debra Marcum, stenographer, Williamson.

Lynchburg

15 years: Tom McConaghy, engineering technician senior.

Pulaski

10 years: Nancy Malley, meter electrician B.

Roanoke

15 years: Steve Neely, line mechanic A, Fieldale. Bennett Shuff, meter reader, Stuart.





James Webb mk. & cust. serv. rep. Charleston 30 years



George Lowe accts. pay. supv. GO-Roanoke 20 years



Tommy Alderman line crew supv. NE Hillsville 20 years



Brenda Campbell stores acctg. clk. A GO-Roanoke 20 years

Campbell wins tickets to Redskins game

rank Campbell, office services clerk A, GO General Services, Roanoke, had his football fervor dampened somewhat by the players' strike early in the season. That all changed last month, however, when he won two tickets to the December 13 Washington Redskins vs Dallas Cowboys pro football game in the nation's capital, along with roundtrip air fare and hotel accommodations for two nights.

"It's the first thing I've ever won," Frank says, "despite the fact I've entered a few contests in the past." When pressed, he admits that he'll probably enter more in the future. The contest was a promotion by a large grocery store chain and a Roanoke radio station.

Frank's wife Bonnie isn't much of a football fan and didn't go with him. "She said she'd prefer to go shopping while I was at the game. You know how expensive those free tickets could have become?" he asked. Instead, his father, Dennis W. "Wimpy" Campbell, went with him to the game.

Frank says he had never been to a pro game before and looked forward to it. His favorite to win the game? "The Redskins.



Wimpy Campbell, left, and Frank Campbell board the plane to Washington They're closer to being our hometown team. I'm not a Cowboy fan, anyway. past," he says.

They've been at the top too long in the past," he says. □

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