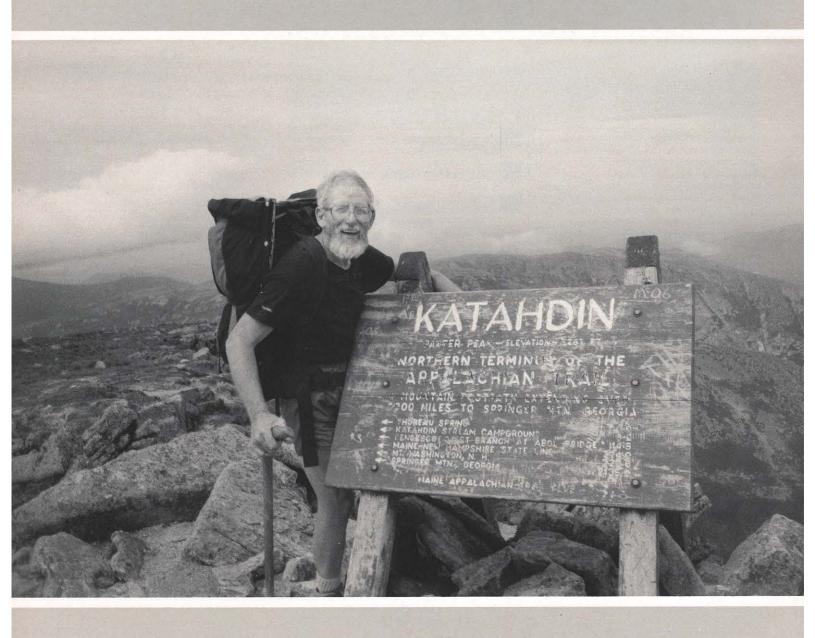
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APCo, KPCo again sponsor Neighbor programs

Appalachian Power and Kingsport Power Companies again this year are sponsoring Neighbor-to-Neighbor programs to help people in crisis situations pay their winter electric bills.

Appalachian shareowners will match customer contributions up to \$37,500 each in Virginia and West Virginia. The disbursement of funds will be administered by the Virginia Department of Social Services and the West Virginia Department of Human Resources, which also determine eligibility of the recipients.

Kingsport Power shareowners will match contributions up to \$2,500. The Kingsport Area Hawkins County Chapter of the American Red Cross will determine the eligibility of those who receive energy assistance, and the Kingsport Community Ministry will disburse the funds. The power companies and the service agencies share the admninistrative costs of the program so that all funds go directly to help those in need.

Brochures describing the Neighbor-to-Neighbor program will be inserted in customers' electric bills from November through February.

Over the past ten years, more than \$2,090,462 has been raised through this program to help 34,667 families in Appalachian's service area. Kingsport Power's Neighbor program has helped 1,381 Tennessee families by donations of \$129,230 in six years.

Deloitte & Touche again has volunteered its services to audit the Neighbor-to-Neighbor programs at their completion. \square



Participating in the ribbon cutting ceremony for Appalachian's new Pineville office and service center are, I. to r., Ted White, Bluefield division manager; Austin McMillion, Pineville area supervisor; Brenda Marshall, Pineville customer services office supervisor; Joe Vipperman, president of Appalachian Power; George Ford, Wyoming County Commission; Gene Taylor, Mayor of Pineville; H. R. Davis, Wyoming County Commission; Honorable Richard Browning, Delegate, 19th Legislative District; Charlie Simmons, vice president-construction and maintenance for Appalachian; and Tom Rotenberry, West Virginia vice president for Appalachian.

Pineville office, service center dedicated

Appalachian Power Company's new office and service center on Castle Rock Avenue in Pineville was dedicated on October 12.

Participating in the ceremony were Joseph H. Vipperman, president, Appalachian Power Company; Ted L. White, Appalachian's Bluefield division manager; Delegate Richard Browning, 19th Legislative District; Gene Taylor, Mayor of Pineville; Wyoming County Commissioners; Civil Air Patrol Wyoming County Composite Squadron #47111; and Rev. William C. Goode, pastor, Coon Fork Baptist Church and a line mechanic A in Pineville.

The \$2.1-million facility houses offices and work shops for 23 employees in the area's managerial, marketing and customer services, and transmission and distribution departments. It also provides facilities for inside storage of materials and maintenance of company vehicles as well as outdoor storage and staging for poles and transformers.

White noted that "at 14,800 square feet, more than four times the size of our former building, the facility will enable us to continue providing quality, reliable electric service for our growing customer

base in Wyoming and Raleigh counties well into the next century." $\hfill \Box$

W. Va. Safety Council honors Amos Plant

The John E. Amos Plant last month received an award from the West Virginia Safety Council in recognition of three million safe work hours, which employees reached on August 5. The Council's Safety Performance Award for an organization with 201 to 750 employees was presented to the plant at the Council's annual awards banquet in Charleston.

Amos employees also completed three consecutive years without a disabling injury on September 29.

Third quarter earnings decrease

American Electric Power Company last month reported third quarter earnings of \$107,795,000, a decrease of 20.7% from 1991 earnings of \$135,961,000. Earnings per share for the quarter were 58¢, a decrease of 16¢ from the 74¢ reported in 1991.

For the 12 months ended September 30, earnings decreased 13.3% to \$427,379,000 from \$493,086,000. Per share earnings declined 35¢ from \$2.67 to \$2.32.

Operating revenues for the third quarter were \$1.282 billion, a 0.6% decrease from restated revenues of \$1.289 billion in 1991. For the 12-month period, revenues of \$5.015 billion were down \$44 million, or 0.9% from restated revenues of \$5.059 billion in 1991.

Richard E. Disbrow, chairman and chief executive officer, attributed the decline in earnings and earnings per share in both the 12-month period and the third quarter to much milder weather, price competition in the wholesale sales market and increased operating expenses, despite strict cost control efforts. A delay and shortfall in recovery of the cost of the Wm.H.Zimmer Generating Station also negatively affected 12-month earnings.

Although industrial sales were at an alltime high, a decline in sales to commercial and residential consumers, due to moderate weather and price competition in the wholesale market, impacted revenues in both periods.

Appalachian Power reported third quarter earnings of \$22,717,959, a decrease of 29.3% from 1991 earnings of \$32,128,002. Operating revenues for the third quarter were \$343,270,500, a 0.1% increase from restated earnings of \$342,980,003 in 1991.

For the 12 months ended September 30, earnings decreased 1% to \$113,679,737 from \$114,836,945. Operating revenues for the 12-month period were \$1,397,088,958, up 1.2% from restated revenues of \$1,381,083,283 for 1991. □



These employees were responsible for the first excellent rating the Bluefield office received on an audit of its customer services operations. They are: seated, I. to r., Pat Banks, Mary Lou Mash, Edna Bone, Teresa Branham, Faye Hankins, Lynette Childress, and Libby Lester. Standing, I. to r., John Romans, Steve Browning, Fred Farley, Jeff Smith, David Hawley, Tracy Weiss, Jack Crotty, and Jerri Murphy.

Bluefield, Milton get excellent ratings

Appalachian Power's Bluefield and Milton offices have received their first excellent ratings on audits of customer services operations. The Bluefield audit covered the period July 1, 1989, through March 31, 1992, and the Milton audit covered the period November 1, 1987, through January 31, 1992.

The audit by AEP Service Corporation

personnel covers items such as cash in drawer, meter reading, petty cash, confirmation of expense accounts, verification of accounts receivable, delinquent accounts and collection procedures, investigative forms and procedures, service orders, and employee discounts.



Milton customer services employees are: front row, I. to r., Linda Harshbarger; Regina Cardwell; Vickie Sowards; and Joe Bunting. Back row, I. to r., Ray Ridgeway; Roger O'Dell; George Dewees; and Dave Badcliff.

1992 OIP savings goal exceeded in third quarter

Appalachian Power Company's Operations Improvement Program (OIP) goal for 1992 was exceeded during the third quarter, reports Personnel Services Manager J. Emmett Blackwell, who coordinates the program.

"Two hundred sixty proposals with an estimated savings of \$5,072,098 or 111.8% of our goal had been accepted by the end of September," Blackwell noted. "In addition, 121 safety and 19 environmental proposals were accepted.

"While the number of employees participating in this year's program has increased, the amount of savings is \$700,000 less than at this time last year. We, therefore, encourage employees to continue looking for better ways to do their jobs and to share them with others across the company. As employee stockholders, we all benefit when we can find ways to save money for the company. OIP is simply an opportunity for a good employee to contribute to a good

PSC approves higher fuel increment in W. Va.

The Public Service Commission of West Virginia (PSC) last month approved on a temporary basis a higher increment in the fuel portion of Appalachian Power's rates, effective for service rendered on and after November 1.

The PSC issued an order October 23 allowing Appalachian to collect increased rates in the amount of \$18.8 million.

Under the approved rates, the monthly electric bill of a West Virginia residential customer using 1,000 kilowatt-hours will increase \$1.81, or 3.07%. The company had filed a request on June 26, asking the PSC for permission to increase the fuel portion of its rates by \$27.2 million, effective October 1. The request was filed in connection with Appalachian's annual review of energy production costs, including fuel and purchased power.

Consideration of the company's request by the PSC is continuing; and, upon its final determination either late this year or in early 1993, the new November 1 rates may be adjusted prospectively. company," Blackwell concluded.

Employees who made the top OIP proposals for the third quarter, and their prizes, are:

Division: first place, 5 shares of AEP stock each, Scott Chambers and Mike Fotos of Huntington; second place, 2 shares each, Clyde Day, Paul Eaton, and Ed Hornbuckle of Huntington.

Plant: first place, 5 shares each, Teresa Rogers of Amos Plant and Quinn Mongan of GO Environmental, Roanoke; second place, 5 shares, Bob Spencer of Central Machine Shop.

General Office: first place, 10 shares, Jim Elswick of GOT&D, Roanoke; second place, 5 shares, Bill Crawford of GO Marketing and Customer Services, Roanoke.

The third quarter safety winners, and their awards, are:

Division: \$25 cash, Scott Chambers of Huntington.

Plant: \$4.16 each to Paul Ashworth, Fred Brinker, Gary Dunn, John Evans, Arnold Marcum, and Bryan White of Mountaineer Plant.

General Office: \$6.25 each to Bill Amos, Kirk Gibson, Tom Martin, and O. V. Rutledge of System Operation, Roanoke.

Environmental winners, and their awards, for the third quarter are:

Division and General Office: none.

Plant: \$12.50 each to Ronald Brown and Christopher Carroll of Amos Plant.

OIP coordinator award winners for the third quarter are Tim Brammer of Bluefield, Charlie Cook of Centralized Plant Maintenance, and Earl Smith of GO Human Resources, Roanoke. They each won 5 shares of AEP stock. □

Enrollment set for Dependent Care Assistance Plan

During November all full-time employees are eligible for enrollment in the Dependent Care Assistance Plan for calendar year 1993.

The Dependent Care Assistance Plan enables employees to voluntarily direct part of their pay, on a pre-tax basis, into a special spending account and to subsequently receive non-taxable reimbursements for certain work-related dependent care expenses.

Enrollment cards and worksheets that can be used to estimate dependent care expenses are available in the Human Resources Department. Employees who participated in the plan in 1992 and who wish to continue in 1993, as well as those employees who wish to participate for the first time in 1993, must complete an enrollment card. All enrollment cards must be completed on or before November 30, 1992.

Lynchburg celebrates one safe year



Lynchburg Division employees were treated to biscuits and fruit in recognition of their having worked one year without a disabling injury as of September 28.



Continuous emission monitoring systems ready to debut

Installation of continuous emission monitoring systems at AEP System generating units affected by the acid deposition control program of the 1990 Clean Air Act Amendments is now underway.

Last month, installation of a continuous emission monitoring system (CEMS) began at Unit 1 of Ohio Power Company's Cardinal Plant. Cardinal Unit 1 is the first of 11 AEP System stacks that will be equipped with the monitoring devices during the next eight months in order to comply with Phase I of the program.

Continuous emission monitoring systems that are required for Phase I compliance must be certified by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency by November 15, 1993, even though Phase I emission limitations do not actually take effect until January 1, 1995.

Actually, AEP's deadline for completing the CEMS installations is mid-July of 1993, four months before the November 15, 1993 deadline. This will allow sufficient time for the U.S. EPA's review and approval of all the certification test results prior to November 15, 1993.

Besides Cardinal Unit 1, Phase I compliance will require CEMS equipment to be installed on the stacks for Gavin Units 1-2, Kammer Units 1-3, Mitchell Units 1-2, Muskingum River Units 1-5, Conesville Units 1-4, Tanners Creek Unit 4 and Picway Unit 5.

In addition, the AEP Service Corporation is managing the installation of continuous emission monitoring systems at Cardinal Unit 2, which is owned by Buckeye Power. AEP is also handling the installation of CEMS equipment at Ohio Valley Electric Corporation's Kyger Creek Plant, which has one stack, and Clifty Creek Plant, which has two.

Total cost of completing the monitoring systems required under Phase Including the Buckeye Power and OVEC units--is \$19.8 million. For Phase II, the AEP System will have to equip 15 additional stacks (including one Buckeye Power stack) with continuous emission monitoring systems, a project which will cost \$21.5 million.

"The installation, operation and maintenance of these continuous

emission monitoring systems will be a critical part of the compliance process," says Dale E. Heydlauff, vice president-environmental affairs for the AEP Service Corporation.

"It will be on the basis of the data from these instruments, for the most part, that EPA will judge whether we are in compliance," he emphasizes. Under the provisions of the Clean Air Act amendments, the monitoring systems have to report emissions of sulfur dioxide, nitrogen oxides and carbon dioxide. They also have to measure the rate of gas flow in the stack, in terms of standard cubic feet per hour, and opacity.

John M. McManus, director-acid rain compliance and special environmental issues for the AEP Service Corporation, will serve as the AEP System's "designated representative," a new position required by law as part of the 1990 Clean Air Act Amendments. In that position, McManus will interface with the U.S. EPA in all matters pertaining to acid rain compliance reporting and allowance trades for all fossil-fired generating units on the AEP System.

Proposed EPA regulations place a premium on maintaining availability of the emission monitoring systems at 95 percent or better, and keeping any monitor outages to eight hours or less.

"We felt that we could maintain the availability of the monitors at 95 percent or more, but we had concerns that we would have outages longer than 24 hours," says Ernie Pfund, manager of the New Plant I&C Section in the Instrumentation and Controls Engineering Division of the AEP Service Corporation. "Consequently, the company has elected to install redundant systems so that we will be virtually certain that one of the two monitoring systems is always operable."

Maintaining the accuracy of the monitoring systems will be essential because each system will be required to undergo daily testing.

The continuous emission monitoring systems that are being installed are dilution extraction systems, according to James R. Fletcher, principal engineer in the New Plant Instrumentation and Controls Section. The dilution medium is

air at a dew point of -100 degrees F. The effect of dilution is to maintain the combined flue gas and air dew point below -30 degrees F. The diluted sample is analyzed with instruments similar to those used to determine ambient air quality.

"The flue gas will be drawn from the stack by means of probes that will be located approximately eight stack diameters above the top of the breechings," Fletcher says.

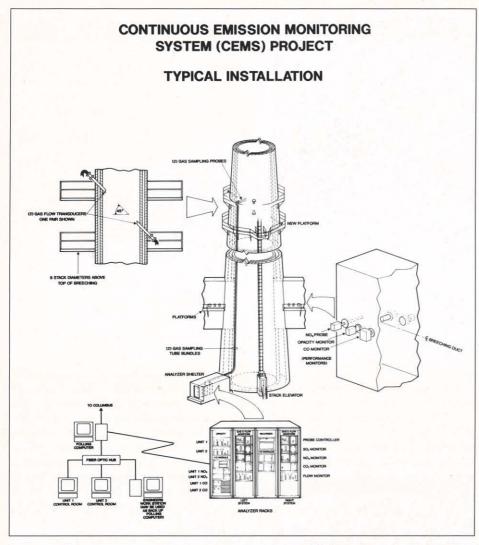
Small, prefabricated buildings known as analyzer shelters will be located adjacent to each stack. The flue gas samples will be conveyed to the analyzer shelters (which will be about 10 feet by 24 feet in size), which will contain the sulfur-dioxide, nitrogen-oxide and carbon-dioxide analyzers.

These analyzers will convert the gas concentration data into output voltage signals that can be read by data acquisition units that are to be housed in the racks with the analyzers. The data acquisition units will transmit the information to a polling computer at the plant. The polling computer will relay emissions information to plant operators, informing them about levels and trends of emissions. The polling computer also will transmit quality-assured emissions data to Service Corporation headquarters in Columbus. The Service Corporation, in turn, will perform certain additional qualityassurance functions to ensure the integrity of the data before reporting the emissions information to the EPA.

Traditionally, fuel analysis has been the primary method of calculating sulfur dioxide emissions, Fletcher adds. That involves determining the sulfur content of the coal through laboratory analysis and multiplying by the tons burned.

In order to measure the flow of flue gases up the stacks, AEP has selected a device known as an ultrasonic transit time-difference volumetric flow meter.

"Basically, this involves a pair of transducers mounted at 45-degree angles to the stack's centerline," Fletcher says. "Transducers alternately transmit and receive pulses of ultrasonic energy. By knowing the diameter of the stack, the distance between the transducers, the



barometric pressure and the gas temperature, the flow can be determined in standard cubic feet per hour."

At the same time that the emissions monitoring devices are being installed, AEP will be installing certain performance monitoring instruments. These new instruments will include carbon-monoxide analyzers to help determine efficiency of combustion, as well as additional nitrogen-oxide monitors so that each individual unit's emissions can be determined.

"We are also replacing the opacity instruments at each unit," Fletcher says. In addition to managing the installation of the monitoring equipment at each stack, the AEP Service Corporation will also be managing each generating unit's account of sulfur-dioxide emission allowances, Heydlauff points out.

"Each generating unit on the AEP System

has a specified number of sulfur-dioxide emission allowances for each year under Phase I, with each allowance representing the authority to emit a ton of sulfur dioxide. Each allowance is going to be numbered so that it is identifiable, and so that it could conceivably be traded or sold.

"Obviously, once Phase I takes effect, the Service Corporation will be closely monitoring the emissions data from the plants throughout the year to ensure that the emission allowance accounts can be balanced properly at year's end.

"The designated representative and the alternative designated representative are the only ones authorized to take allowances out of the account, or put allowances in. They will control the transfer of emission credits between generating units in the AEP System," Heydlauff says. Utilities that overemit face a \$2,000-perton fine. In addition, each ton overemitted

is subtracted from the next year's emission allowances, and is considered a violation of the Clean Air Act. Furthermore, the designated representative and his alternate are personally liable for any noncompliance on the part of the AEP companies.

McManus notes that AEP will be reporting carbon dioxide emissions "even though there are no regulations or limitations on those as yet. But several pieces of legislation have been introduced in Congress that would address the concern over carbon-dioxide emissions."

Engineering work for the Phase II monitoring program has already begun, Pfund says. Starting in late 1993 and continuing throughmid-1994, continuous emission monitoring systems will be installed at Amos Units 1-3, Big Sandy Units 1-2, Glen Lyn Units 5-6, Clinch River Units 1-3, Kanawha River Units 1-2, Mountaineer Unit 1, Conesville Units 5-6, Rockport Units 1-2, Sporn Units 1-5, Tanners Creek Units 1-3 and Buckeye Power's Cardinal Unit 3.

"These Phase II monitors have to be in place, operational and certified by the EPA by January 1, 1995, even though Phase II limitations required by the Clean Air Act Amendments don't take effect until the year 2000," he says.

"This is a project that will involve many System employees, both in the Service Corporation and in the operating companies," says Charles D. "Charlie" Weaver, manager-fossil plant operations for the AEP Service Corporation. "The installation of a continuous emission monitoring system will require a significant investment of manpower in the maintenance and support activities. The week-long training program that the plant engineers and technicians attend at 1 Riverside Plaza is just the beginning of a new work commitment for the plants."

"The importance of accuracy and precision in the installation and operation of these systems is obvious," McManus concludes, "because these monitoring systems will play a crucial role in our efforts to comply with the new Clean Air Act emission limitations."



Farmer hikes entire Appalachian Trail

When Grundy Line Crew Supervisor Henry Farmer elected early retirement last November, he told the Illuminator that his plans included traveling. And travel he has, although differently from most retirees.

Henry spent four and a half months earlier this year hiking the entire Appalachian Trail (A. T.), a continuous, marked footpath extending 2,135 miles from Katahdin, a granite monolith in the central Maine wilderness, south to Springer Mountain in Georgia along the crest of the Appalachian mountain range.

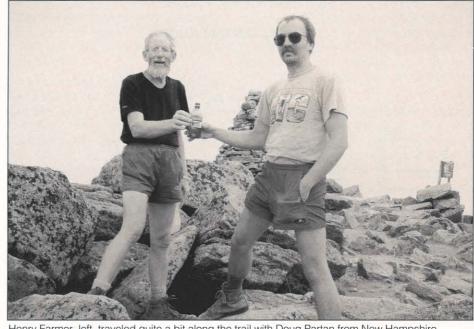
"I picked up a couple of books on the trail at the library and found them interesting reading," Henry explained. "The first thing I knew, I was interested enough to find a backpack and equipment and get in contact with the Appalachian Trail Conference at Harpers Ferry, W. Va.," Henry said.

In the early days of the trail, the Conference determined the route and coordinated the original work of the organizations and individuals who made it an actuality. Today its purpose is to maintain the trail and to conserve and develop the primeval environment of the region as a natural resource.

Henry declared, "I've enjoyed the outdoors ever since I was a Boy Scout, and I've been a Scoutmaster for years. So the seed was probably planted--my love for nature--many years ago. I needed a change in my life after retiring, so I did it for adventure."

Henry added, "I had no idea that I'd want to walk all of it or even believed I was capable of walking that far when I first started out. My intentions were to walk 450 miles from Springer Mountain in Georgia to Damascus, Va. My neighbors took me down, and we dropped off supplies at different points on the trail along the way. The manuals published by the Conference list such things as how far it is from certain points to where you might be able to do your laundry or pick up supplies at a store. Some people have their supplies mailed in care of general delivery at post offices along the way. If the mail is marked 'hold for thru hikers,' they will keep it longer than 15 days."

After Henry had been on the trail about a



Henry Farmer, left, traveled quite a bit along the trail with Doug Partan from New Hampshire.

month, he met his wife Janice in Erwin, Tenn. "I told her I thought I could walk the whole trail. She just looked at me and said, 'what?' I guess at my age there were a lot of questions and concerns, but my mind was made up. I was going to walk

According to Henry, it is impossible to physically prepare to walk the trail. "You can prepare mentally to walk it, but physically it comes to you as you start walking. You have to actually build up to it before you can do 16 or 18 miles a day. And even then how many miles you can walk a day depends on the type of territory you're in. I got down to skin and bones because you burn more calories than you can possibly take in," he related.

It's not only the physical strength, stamina, and energy required to walk the A. T. that Henry recalled but also the natural, physical beauty of the surroundings that at times inspired him to keep going and keep walking.

"There were times when I got discouraged and felt really low. I'd get to thinking about quitting or think about how good things were at home, and it would rain for three or four days. But once you get on the trail, you're closer to God and nature, and it's just a wonderful feeling."

Henry slept about 60 percent of the time

in shelters along the trail and the rest of the time camping out in his tent. "At the Graymoor Monastery in New York, a friar meets you at the door. They feed you supper, give you a room for the night and breakfast the next morning. They had a laundry and showers. Sometimes these shelters charge you a fee, sometimes you can work it out in chores, and sometimes it is free. This one in particular is free," he recalled.

Henry, who completed the trail on August 17 on top of Mt. Katahdin, was the 24th thru-hikerfor 1992. His wife and a neighbor made the 12-hour climb and descent with him.

Shortly after his return home, Henry and Janice took a 19-day tour of Europe, which had been planned before he decided to walk the trail. "I really wanted to do some hiking in Switzerland," he said, "but I was unable to. However, I did pick up some literature and made contacts on European biking trails while we were there."

He concluded, "The next thing we want to do is tour Alaska, which we hope to do next spring. Whether I'll ever get back to Europe, I don't know."



APCo employees donate winter clothes to needy

Members of some of Roanoke's needy families will be warmer this winter, thanks to the generosity of Appalachian Power employees. Both division and general office employees are represented in the Appa-Mo, Jolly Watt, and Reddi-Lite social clubs, which sponsored a drive last month to collect outer garments.

Twenty-five large plastic bags of men's, women's, and children's hats, coats, sweaters, shoes, and gloves were donated to the Roanoke Rescue Mission.

Tim Thomas, Appa-Mo Club president, commented, "Working downtown as we do, we have the opportunity to see people that some only read about in the papers or see on television. We see the homeless wandering the streets each day, the blankets and cardboard boxes left in the alleys or doorways for the next night's sleep, and the people gathered at the Mission's door for their next meal."

Thomas continued, "We at APCo are very fortunate to have jobs, to be able to feed and clothe our families. We feel a need to give something to help those who don't have the same luxuries in life. We hope our efforts will help in some small way to make a difference in these



Pictured with some of the winter clothes donated to the Roanoke Rescue Mission are, I. to r., Tim Thomas, Appa-Mo Club president; Nita Pollifrone; Becky Markham; Rene' Kendrick; and Tom Throckmorton, Jolly Watt Club president.

people's lives."

Members of the Appa-Mo charity committee include Nita Pollifrone, Rene'

Kendrick, Becky Markham, and Luggum King. □

GO T&D Transmission crew aids accident victim



 $\label{lem:members} Members of the GOT\&D Transmission crew which helped an accident victim are, I. to r., Edward Fuqua, Larry Cannon, Randall Odell, David Brown, Donnie Jones, Barry Harman, and Charlie Jones. Not pictured is Transmission Line Crew Supervisor Sam Snyder, who was off sick at the time of the accident.$

A GO T&D Transmission crew based in Abingdon provided assistance to the victim of a traffic accident recently.

According to Charlie Jones, transmission mechanic A, the crew was leaving St. Paul, Va., en route to the Clinch River

Plant when they came upon a car overturned on the shoulder of the road.

Jones said, "The engine was still running and smoke was coming from the car. I told Larry Cannon to get a fire extinguisher and try to get the fire out while I called

Dispatch to send an ambulance and the state police. When I got out, I heard a woman, who apparently had been thrown from the car, crying, 'my baby, my baby, my baby."

Jones continued, "All the car windows were broken out, so Larry crawled in to cut off the motor. He found the baby strapped in a carrier, so he unhooked the child and passed him out to Dave Brown. When Dave gave the baby to the woman, she quieted down."

Jones concluded, "The woman said the only place she was hurting was in her hip, but we didn't have anything to treat that. By that time, members of a rescue squad were arriving in their private cars. We stayed around for about 30 minutes, directing traffic."

OWER PEOPLE

Promotions

Dave Thompson, performance technician NE, was promoted to the exempt position of environmental specialist II at Mountaineer Plant on September 1. He holds a bachelor of science degree in biological science from Marshall University.

Carma Slater, customer services representative A, was promoted to customer services office supervisor NE in Charleston on October 3.

Mark James, economic development consultant, GO Executive, Charleston, has been named director-economic development for the AEP Service Corporation, Columbus, effective December 1. He holds a bachelor's degree in environmental studies and geography from Edinboro State University and a master's degree from Oregon State University, where he majored in economic geography and minored in land use planning. He is a certified industrial developer.

Robert Atkins, III, engineering technician senior, was promoted to engineering technologist I, GO T&D Telecommunications, Abingdon, on July 1. He holds an associate of applied science degree in electronics from New River Community College.

Rick Sowards, Jr., line mechanic B, was promoted to line crew supervisor NE in Point Pleasant on September 12.

Michael Kelly, accounting staff assistant II, was promoted to accounting staff assistant, GO Accounting, Roanoke, on August 1. He holds a bachelor of science degree in accounting from Virginia Polytechnic Institute and State University.

Timothy Clemons, engineering technician, was promoted to transmission inspector, GO T&D Transmission, Bluefield, on July 1. He holds an associate in applied science degree in civil engineering technology from Bluefield State College.

Mike King, area servicer, was promoted to line crew supervisor NE in Montgomery on October 3.

David Edwards, engineering technician senior, was promoted to engineering technologist I in Pulaski on October 1. He



Thompson



Slater



James



Atkins



Sowards



Kelly



Clemons



King



Edwards

holds associate in science degrees in electrical engineering and mechanical engineering from West Virginia Institute of Technology and a bachelor of science degree in electrical engineering technology from Bluefield State College.

Abingdon

Linda Tomlinson from junior clerk to T&D clerk C.

John Amos

Kenneth Parsons from performance technician to performance technician senior.

James Robertson from coal handler to braker.

Bluefield

Roger Puckett from line mechanic B to line mechanic A

Sheila Cline from T&D clerk C to T&D clerk B.

Michael Reed from line mechanic C to line me-

chanic B, Princeton.

Central Machine Shop

Sidney Warner from welder 2nd class to welder 1st class.

Charleston

Vickie McGhee from customer services representative D to customer services representative C

John Denzie from junior clerk to T&D scheduler B, Montgomery.

Clinch River

James Trail from utility worker A to coal handler. **Larry Hicks** from coal handler to utility coal attendant.

David Stamper from utility coal attendant to coal equipment operator.

General Office

Don Richardson from transmission clerk B to transmission clerk A, GO T&D Transmission, Bluefield.

Cyril Burkhart from construction technician C to construction technician B, GO Miscellaneous, Clinch River.

Jason Wall from transmission mechanic D to transmission mechanic C, GOT&D Transmission, Bluefield

Charles Williams from transmission mechanic D to transmission mechanic C, GO T&D Transmission, Bluefield.

Linard Moore from hydro mechanic C to hydro mechanic B, GO Hydro, Roanoke.

Timothy Summers from transmission mechanic B to transmission mechanic A, GOT&D Transmission, Turner

Stephen Ramsey from transmission mechanic B to transmission mechanic A, GO T&D Transmission, Turner

Harlan Cox, Jr., from transmission mechanic D to transmission mechanic C, GOT&D Transmission, Bluefield

John Benois, Jr., from automotive mechanic B to fleet maintenance mechanic B, GO General Services Roanoke

Robie Tuck from hydro mechanic D to hydro mechanic C, GO Hydro, Roanoke.

David Brown from transmission mechanic B to transmission mechanic A, GOT&D Transmission, Abinadon

John Riddle from transmission mechanic D to transmission mechanic C, GOT&D Transmission. Kenova

James Mills from transmission station mechanic D to transmission station mechanic C, GO T&D Station, Roanoke

Norman Caldwell from hydro mechanic B to hydro mechanic A, Kanawha Valley Power.

Teddy Pendleberry from hydro mechanic B to hydro mechanic A, Kanawha Valley Power.

Thomas French, Jr., from engineering technologist I to telecommunications specialist, GO T&D Telecommunications, Bluefield.

Kingsport

Jim McConnell from line mechanic C to line mechanic B.

Logan-Williamson

Kevin Bates from line mechanic C to line mechanic B. Logan.

Patty Garrett from stenographer to secretarystenographer B, Logan.

Lynchburg

Ann Wade from customer services representative B to customer services representative A. Margie Robinson from customer services representative D to customer services representative

Mountaineer

Larry Rupe from performance technician to performance technician senior.

Pulaski

Steve Knowles from marketing and customer services advisor to marketing and customer services representative, Christiansburg

James Swain from line mechanic C to line mechanic B, Galax.

Roanoke

Charles Echols, Jr. from administrative assistant to marketing and customer services representative senior.

Philip Sporn

Brenda Rebholz from control technician junior to control technician.

Friends We'll Miss



Ward





Henley







Hesson



Ring



Langford

James Lloyd Ward, 76, retired station operator A, System Operation, Kingsport, died September 30. A native of Maybank, Texas, he was employed in 1946 as a rodman for Kingsport Utilities, Inc., and retired in 1978. Ward is survived by his wife Elsie, 1520 Lowell Drive, Kingsport, Tenn.; one son; one daughter; three grandchildren; one great-grandchild; two sisters; and one brother.

Carl G. Powers, 76, retired Wytheville T&D clerk A, died September 30. A native of Wythe County, Va., he was employed in 1945 as a clerk senior and retired in 1978. Powers is survived by his wife Helen, 425 Rolling Hills Drive, Wytheville, Va.; one son; three stepsons; nine grandchildren; and five great-grandchildren.

William A. Henley, 68, retired operations drafting supervisor, System Operation, Roanoke, died September 20. A native of Roanoke, Va., he was employed in 1947 as a clerk junior in Roanoke and retired in 1985. Henley is survived by his wife Lillian, 2416 Mayfield Drive, Roanoke, Va.; one son; one daughter; five grandchildren; two sisters; and two brothers.

Eugene T. Perry, 54, Central Machine Shop production supervisor, died October 7 as the result of an automobile

accident while on his way to work. A native of Huntington, W. Va., he began his career in 1973 as a maintenance man C. Perry is survived by his wife Lytia. Route 3, Box 74, Hurricane, W. Va.; one son; one daughter; three grandchildren; his mother and father; two sisters; and four brothers.

J. D. Mills, 68, retired Kingsport custodian, died October 7. A native of Spartanburg, S. C., he was hired in 1968 as a janitor and elected early retirement in 1985. Mills is survived by his wife Lena, 2137 Sherwood Road, Kingsport, Tenn., and one stepdaughter.

Otis W. Hesson, 76, retired Point Pleasant T&D clerk A, died October 1. A native of Graham Station, W. Va., he was hired in 1945 as a groundman and retired in 1978. Hesson is survived by his wife Edna, Route 1, Box 414, Point Pleasant, W. Va.; two sons; and four daughters.

Willie D. Ring, 51, Clinch River Plant coal equipment operator, died September 5. A native of Russell County, Va., he began his career in 1976 as a utility man B and went on long term disability leave last month. Ring is survived by his wife Anice, Route 2, Box 486,

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Retirements



Sam Russell, Kingsport line crew supervisor NE, elected early retirement October 1 after 40 years' service. Sam worked for the telephone company and R. H. Bouligny electrical contractor

before joining Kingsport Utilities in 1952 as a lineman C. "Beulah and I had been married almost a year by that time," Sam recalled, "and I realized that I needed to work for a company that had good benefits." Sam's father had 25 years of broken service with the power company.

He continued, "The people at the power company were the most open and friendly I ever worked with. I had some mean days, a lot of stormy weather, and a lot of callouts when I worked trouble, but I really enjoyed working for the company. I liked the freedom of working outdoors. I just couldn't stand inside work."

Sam said if he had it to do all over again, "I would make my way to some good college, get an engineering degree, and tell Kingsport Power they needed the best electrical engineer in the country and I am it!"

The Russells took a trip to Atlantic City, N. J., prior to his retirement. Sam learned to do oil painting by watching an artist on television and particularly likes to paint winter scenery.

The couple has one son, two daughters, two grandchildren, and two stepgrandchildren. They attend Cedar View Independent Methodist Church. \Box



Although Don Baisden's career with Appalachian was short, six years and four months, he said "Appalachian Power is the best place I ever worked. It paid more, had better benefits, and

the people were real nice."

Don was a stores attendant B in Logan before electing early retirement on August 1. He previously worked for Island Creek Coal Company, the Logan County Sheriff's Department, and Logan Hardware and Supply.

The Baisdens will spend the next four months in Jacksonville, Fl., where they have rented a condo. "My wife Geneva really likes it down there," Don said; and, if I decide I like it, too, we'll move down there permanently."



Appalachian Power was the best place lever worked. Everybody was wonderful to me, and I wish I were still there," declared Joe Pridemore.

Joe previously worked for a Chev-

rolet dealer and then was self-employed before being hired in 1966 as an auto repairman helper in Logan. He was an auto mechanic A went he went on long term disability leave in 1977 and officially retired on May 1 of this year.

Joe said he keeps busy by "piddling around outside, mowing my yard and my neighbor's yard. I visit the power company every so often."

An Army veteran, Joe and his wife Betty have two sons, two daughters, and five grandchildren. □



im Smith, Rainelle line mechanic C, officially retired on October 1 after seven years on long term disability leave.

An Air Force veteran, Jim previously worked for Potomac

Electric Power Company in Washington, D. C., before joining Appalachian in 1969 as a meter reader.

"Appalachian Power is a wonderful company to work for," Jim declared, "and I enjoyed the people I worked with. I'll never forget Jim Farmer (retired customer accounting supervisor) who hired me." He added, "If it weren't for Aetna, I probably wouldn't be here. They have paid out hundreds of thousands of dollars for me and my son over the years."

Jim is a deacon in the First Baptist Church of Rainelle and enjoys working in his garden and yard. "They're the only hobbies I have. I'm really not able to do much," he said.

Jim and his wife Millie have one son, one daughter, and one grandchild. $\hfill\square$



working ever since I was 11 years old, and I'm tired. If I'd known it didn't stop, I wouldn't have started so soon,"

Mary Mayfield said with a laugh. 'Teddy' was customer ser-

vices office supervisor NE in Charleston before electing early retirement on November 1.

Teddy, who began her career with Appalachian in 1973 as a cashier, said she particularly enjoyed meeting the customers. "A lot of funny things happened over the years," she added.

"My best girlfriend, Elaine Ricks, retired from the St. Albans office in September," Teddy said. "Whenever we take a notion to go somewhere, we'll go. We both enjoy fishing and singing in the choir at the First Baptist Church of Vandalia. I don't know what we might do in the future, but my family is here so I'm not going anywhere." Teddy has one son, two daughters, and seven grandchildren.



After 42 years' service with the power company, Charleston Line Crew Supervisor Felix Porter elected early retirement on November 1. "I had open heart surgery in March, and the

doctor recommended that I retire," Felix explained. "Since I hadn't really expected to go yet, I don't have one thing planned. But as soon as I get off my doctor pills, Bonny and I will take off. All we do is run around, and we love it. We've worn out two cars going to Kansas and South Carolina to babysit the grandchildren." The Porters have one son, two daughters, and four grandchildren.

Felix worked for the gas company prior to joining Appalachian in 1950 as a maintenance man helper at the old Slack Street Plant. "My brother, J. D., (retired Roanoke marketing and customer services supervisor) already worked here; and, when an opening came up, they hired me on. I liked outside work, and I always enjoyed what I was doing. But I enjoyed the friendship of the people more than anything else."

An Army veteran, Felix enjoys fishing and does maintenance work for his church, Cross Lanes United Methodist.

He concluded, "I had my own electrical business for 28 years, and I still get calls every day." $\hfill\Box$



worked construction after getting out of school and was just going around from pillar to post," recalled Jim Crum. "I had worked on atomic plants in Tennessee and Portsmouth before

going to Kaiser. It was getting wintertime; and, when it rained us out one day, I started back down the river, putting in applications."

Jim was hired as a meter reader in December 1957 and held that position until electing early retirement from the Ripley office on November 1. "I liked being outside and the fact that I was my own boss, more or less, as long as I did my work. I made some real good friends with my customers over the years, but now you don't have time to stop and talk."

"We have an 86-acre farm at Cottage ville," Jim said, "so I'll play farmer during retirement. I raise some cattle, tobacco, and a garden. In my spare time, I like to make dulcimers and square dance. We do a lot of traveling, too." He is a member of the Masonic Lodge in Ripley.

The Crums have three sons, two grandsons, and two granddaughters. Jim's wife Jo Ann is a finance secretary at the Ripley Middle School. □



'm looking forward to retirement, although you can't work someplace for 36 years and not miss it," said Clinch River Plant Maintenance Supervisor **Arnie Nester** shortly before his

November 1 retirement.

Arnie began his career in 1956 as a system utility helper, System Operation, Saltville, and transferred to Clinch River in 1960 as a laborer. He advanced through several positions before being promoted in 1970 to the position he held at retirement. "I enjoyed working with many fine people throughout Appalachian and the AEP Service Corporation," he said. "The power company has been a good company, and the people I worked with have been wonderful. I'm proud of my safety record and appreciate the help from other employees."

Arnie and his wife Lorene will continue to live in Lebanon for the time being. Retirement plans include working at home, visiting family, and traveling.



used to work for American Viscose at Nitro; and, when I thought they were going to close down the plant, I put my application in at Amos because I had heard a lot of good things about Appa-

lachian Power," recalled **Jack Bailey**. "It's a move I've never regretted. APCo has been really good for me and my family, and I appreciate it. I was paid a good wage and had good benefits, and the people at the plant have been super to me. I'll miss them, but it's time to move on to another phase," he added.

Jack was a maintenance mechanic A at Amos Plant before electing early retirement on November 1 after 17 years' service. "The savings plan is great," he declared. "It means the difference in my being able to retire at 62 instead of having to work until I'm 65. It's the best thing that ever happened as far as security is concerned," he noted.

Jack continued, "I've never really planned anything other than just enjoying myself in retirement. I don't plan on working. We are going to Florida with the two grandchildren for a while. Barbara just retired from the flower shop where she worked parttime; so, when we want to pick up and go, we can. We have some acreage in Pocahontas County where I can hunt and trout fish, and I walk some and bicycle ride about five miles a day."

He concluded, "We've had a really good life; and, if I were to die tomorrow, I'm thankful for what I've had." □

Abingdon

Gary McGhee, Gate City area supervisor, has been selected to teach Junior Achievement classes for Scott County Elementary School students. He and David Vanover, Clintwood customer services office supervisor, served as mentors for the Youth Economic Development Summit held at the Southwest Virginia 4-H Center. □

Beckley

Todd Norris, engineering technician, was elected management development vice president of the Beckley/ Raleigh County Jaycees.

Dave Reeves, Oak Hill meter reader, and his wife **Wilma** received the Redbud Garden Club's yard of the month award for July.

David Ransom, Rainelle engineering technician senior, won first place, first flight in the Greenbrier Hills Country Club's Men's Championship Golf Tournament.

Jennifer, daughter of Jimmie Dunford, stores attendant B, was a member of the Sophia Senior League girls softball all-star team which won the West Virginia District 4 championship and finished fourth in the West Virginia girls state softball tournament. □

Bluefield



Isaac Webb, T&D superintendent, was named Kiwanian of the Year by the Bluefield, W. Va., Kiwanis Club. Isaac is the club's outgoing president. He also is president of the Mercer County Habitat for Human-

ity project sponsored by the club.

Robert Farley, line superintendent, was elected to a three-year term on the board of directors of the Princeton Mercer County Chamber of Commerce. □

Who's News

Charleston



Dooley

Dan Dooley, building supervisor, placed 512 out of 1400 participants in the Charleston Regatta 15-mile distance run with a time of 2:04:59. Kenneth Wines, meter electrician A, placed 794 with a time of 2:20:34.

Mona Sue Charlton, senior telephone operator, won \$500 in the West Virginia lottery for the second time. Her husband **Carl** has also been a winner.

Joe Jones, marketing and customer services supervisor, received the 1992 associate member of the year award from the Home Builders Association of Greater Charleston. He has served as public relations chairman for the past two years and coordinated the highly successful West Virginia dream home project. Joe also serves on the West Virginia Home Show committee. □

Clinch River

Herman Hale has been appointed chairperson of the Virginia Society of Certified Public Accountants scholarship task force for the 1992-93 fiscal year. A partner with Phibbs, Burkholder, Geisert & Huffman, CPAs, he has served as president of the Society's Blue Ridge Chapter. Herman is the son of the late Herman Hale, former maintenance man.

High Voltage Chili proves popular



Huntington Division employees served "high voltage chili" from their "Electric Mex Cafe" to over 300 people during Huntington's annual Chilifest. Chef for the day was Dale Chatterton, electrical engineer senior, assisted by Trudy Conley, engineering technician; Polly Given, T&D clerk C; and Patty Bostic, secretary stenographer B. Pictured I. to r., are Conley, Given, Chatterton (dressed as Louie the Lightning Bug); Bostic; and Britton, daughter of Administrative Assistant Jon Atchley.

General Office

Heather Leigh, stepdaughter of John Floyd, Jr., transmission mechanic A, GO T&D Transmission Line, Bluefield, has been selected for inclusion in *Who's Who Among American High School Students*. A sophomore at Graham High School, she is active in sports and a member of the flag corps.

Steve Jamison, compensation and benefits manager, GO Human Resources, Roanoke, has been elected by Roanoke City Council to a three-year term on the city's personnel and employment practices commission.

Lloyd III, son of Patsy McIntyre, secretary-stenographer, GO T&D R/e & R/w, Charleston, has been named sports color analyst for the Lady Mountaineers at West Virginia University on Radio Station WWVU FM 92. For the past 1½ years, Lloyd has been sports announcer for WWVU, ranked among the top 10 university radio stations in the nation.

Paul Kehrer, engineer senior, GO T&D Telecommunications, Roanoke, was named "Jaycee of the quarter" at the Cave Spring Jaycees banquet.

Archie Pugh, engineer III, GO T&D Civil Engineering, Roanoke, was elected to a three-year term on the alumni advisory board for the Department of Civil Engineering at Virginia Tech.

Joe Vipperman, president of Appalachian Power, has been named chairman of the board-elect of the Roanoke Regional Chamber of Commerce.

Jerry Williams, electric plant clerk A, GO Accounting, Roanoke, won \$203 for placing 14th with a score of 754 in the individual category of the Virginia State Bowling Association Tournament.

Larry Houston, telecommunications specialist, GOT&DTelecommunications, Abingdon, was a member of the team which won the annual Smyth County Chamber of Commerce Industry Appreciation Golf Tournament. The team scored nine under par (72).

Mark Lawrence, governmental affairs manager, GO Executive, Roanoke, has been reelected to a one-year term on the Virginia Museum of Transportation board of directors. He also has been appointed chairman of the Museum's public relations committee. Mark will serve another.

\$1,000 raised for Christmas For Kids



Huntington Division employees, retirees, family members, and friends held a Labor Day safety break on I-64 as a fund raiser for their Christmas For Kids project. By accepting donations from travelers for a snack or cup of coffee, over \$1,000 was raised for this year's underprivileged children's Christmas party. Pictured above working in the booth is Rileigh, daughter of Administrative Assistant Jon Atchley.

one-year term on the Virginia YMCA corporate advisory committee. $\hfill\Box$

Huntington



Scott, son of Ed Hornbuckle, line crew supervisor NE, was elected vice president of the junior class at the U. S. Naval Academy.



William, son of Elouise Baker, customer services representative A, was selected to attend the Cabell County MiniTeenInstitutefor middle school students. A sixth grader at Cammack Middle

School, William was selected based on his leadership potential and the ability to help make his school a better place to learn. After the camp, he will be encouraged to become involved in a variety of activities at school which will help promote healthy lifestyles and sound decisions. \square

Kanawha River



Chanda, daughter of Fredrick Brown, maintenance mechanic A, scored the 1,000th point of her basketball career on September 25. She finished the game with 1,006 after scoring 23 points in a win

over Oak Hill. The Fayetteville High School senior averages 17 ppg and has hit 5 percent (18-for-36) of her free throws. She has been a four-year starter for the Lady Pirates and a two-time all-stater.

Roanoke



Herb Campbell, retired line mechanic C, has been elected mayor by the Craigsville Town Council. He also is head of the Craigsville Planning Commission.

Lynchburg

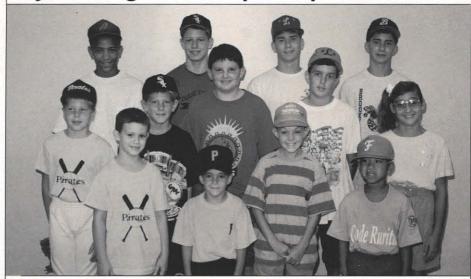


Mark, son of Division Manager Barry Snodgrass, placed second in the 12-13 age group in Boonsboro Country Club's Junior Club championship.



Ann Wade, customer services representative A, finished the Summer Church Mixed Bowling League with the highest average score (169). She also had high league game (235) and received the sportsmanship award. Her team placed third against 15 other teams in the league. □

Lynchburg baseball participants



Children of Lynchburg Division employees who participated in organized baseball during the 1992 season are: front row, I. to r., Jeff, son of Ann Wade, Rustburg Dixie Youth League; Justin, son of Gill Kidd, Rustburg Dixie Youth League T-ball; Robbie, son of Barry Snodgrass, Lynchburg Minor League; and Daniel, son of Larry Dickerman, Forest Recreation League T-ball. Middle row, I. to r., Paul, son of Mike Barksdale, Rustburg Dixie Youth League Pre-minor; Kirk, son of Tom McConaghy, Madison Heights Dixie Youth League-AAA; Brian, son of Billy Habel, Amherst-Nelson Dixie Youth League all-star team; Mark, son of Barry Snodgrass, Lynchburg Little League all-star team; and Tori, granddaughter of Fred Austin, Campbell County Youth League. Back row, I. to r., Eric, son of Otis West, Madison Heights Dixie Youth League; Chris, son of Ann Wade, Rustburg Dixie Youth League-Major; Jeffrey, son of Ralph Bird, Lynchburg Little League Big League; and Randy, son of Ralph Bird, Lynchburg Little League Senior League.

Philip Sporn



Michelle, daughter of Mike Brown, auxiliary equipment operator, has joined the Navy and will take basic training in Orlando. A 1992 graduate of Southern High School, she received these senior awards: choir and agriculture

keys and DEKALB award. Through the FFA chapter and district, she won the following awards: Bob Lee citizenship, star chapter farmer, sales and service, farm management, public speaking, soil judging, and two FFA scholarships. She received her state FFA degree at the Ohio state FFA convention and while there performed in the state chorus and talent show.



Hunter, son of Milton Roush, maintenance mechanic B, was a member of the first place T-ball team in the Mason County Little Men's League. This was his seocnd year on the Pleasant Valley Hospital team.

Master's degree

Wayne Heninger, purchasing supervisor, GO Purchasing, Roanoke, has been awarded a master of administration degree in personnel management from Lynchburg College. □

Three couples celebrate golden anniversaries



Cecil and Gerolene Buckner celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on September 19 with a reception given by their children at the Appalachian Power auditorium in Pulaski. Cecil is a retired Pulaski collector. They have two sons and two daughters. One son, John Buckner, is a station mechanic B in Pulaski.



George and Thelma Chumbley celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on October 3 at a reception in Pulaski given by their children. George is a retired T&D clerk A in Pulaski. They have two sons and one daughter. One son, David Chumbley, is Bluefield meter supervisor.



Carl and Gracie Smith celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary September 19 with an open house reception at the Ansted Baptist Church. Carl is a retired Oak Hill area serviceman. The couple has one son, two daughters, and six grandchildren.

Births

Abingdon

Cameron David, son of **David Vanover**, Clintwood customer services office supervisor, September 12

John Amos

Elijah Paul, son of **Jerry Jeffers**, equipment operator B, September 18.

Beckley

Jason Edgar. son of **Dave Myles**, Rainelle line mechanic C, September 25.

Caleb Steven, son of **Teresa Wills**, stenographer,

Kevin Scott, son of **Jim Crouse**, engineering technician, September 16.

General Office

Kyle Marshall, son of **Earnest King**, hydro mechanic C, GO Hydro, Roanoke, August 27.

Matthew Scott, son of **Chip Harris**, telecommunications supervising engineer, GO T&D Telecommunications, Roanoke, May 7.

Christina Nichole, daughter of **Daniel Powell**, engineer II, GO T&D Telecommunications, Bluefield, May 21.

Kelly Breanne, daughter of **Todd Marlowe**, engineer senior, GO T&D Telecommunications, Roanoke, September 15.

Huntington

Cara Hesson, daughter of **Angala Hesson**, Point Pleasant customer services representative C, October 1.

Roanoke

Cara Leigh, daughter of **Sherry Hoopes**, T&D clerk B, June 4.

Ainslee Riane, daughter of **William Gauldin, Jr.**, engineering technician, September 24.

Zachary Kyle, son of **Lloyd Bridges, Jr.**, Rocky Mount line mechanic C, September 18.

William Gregory, son of **Gregory Barton**, line mechanic C, September 25.

Melina Renee', daughter of **Mike Mercier**, engineering supervising engineer, October 12. □

Weddings

Lyons-Sawyers



Donna Marie Sawyers to **Steven Trevor Lyons**, Pulaski custodian, September 19.

Orr-Galliher

Naomi Galliher to **John S. Orr**, retired Abingdon line crew supervisor NE, June 6.

Smith-Foster

Doris Foster, Charleston office supervisor, to Sterling Smith, August 17. □

Service Anniversaries



Frances Marcum secretary Bluefield 35 years



Lois Smith cust. serv. off. supv. NE Roanoke 35 years



Jim Vance supervising drafter Bluefield 35 years



Tom Durrett area servicer St. Albans 35 years



Gene Garner trans. inspector GO-Bluefield 35 years



Jimmie Creasey inst. maint. supv. Kanawha River 35 years



John Wilmer cust. serv. off. supv. Roanoke 30 years



Purcell Humphreys line crew supervisor Roanoke 30 years



Carlton Updike trans. sta. mech. A GO-Roanoke 25 years



Frank Hanson, III customer servicer Abingdon 25 years



Stuart Shinault line con. & maint. rep. Bluefield 25 years



Bill Farmer eng. tech. sr. Lynchburg 25 years



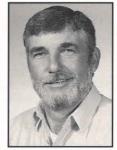
Jan Bradburn collector Huntington 25 years



D. C. Adams trans. sta. mech. A GO-Roanoke 25 years



Jack Hunt line con. & maint rep. Kingsport 25 years



Tom Puffenbarger area servicer Rainelle 25 years



Larry Stiltner area supervisor Grundy 25 years



Larry Samples line crew supv. NE Charleston 25 years



Buren Carter reg. & sta. repts. supv. GO-Roanoke 25 years



Dave Morris area servicer Charleston 25 years



George Arnold cust. acctg. supv. GO-Roanoke 25 years



Barry Hicks eng. technician sr. Hillsville 25 years



Burl Miller line crew supv. NE Charleston 25 years



Jim Bennett maint. mech.-welder ACPM 25 years



Merle Wykle line mechanic A roanoke 20 years



Nancy Noffsinger plant clerk A John Amos 20 years



Gene Peyton production supv. CMS 20 years



David Childress staff engineer GO-Roanoke 20 years



Red Hall line crew supv. NE Bluefield 20 years



Sam Craddock manager CMS 20 years

environmental specialist II.

Pulaski

15 years: Barbara Pope, meter reader, Wytheville. Buddy Felts, meter electrician A. Jerry Fleeman, meter reader, Galax. 10 years: Dennis Cox, area T&D scheduler, Galax. 5 years: Steve Knowles, marketing and customer services representative, Christiansburg.

Roanoke

20 years: Marshall Karnes, meter electrician A. 15 years: Cathy Kibler, T&D clerk A. Emma Clark, station mechanic A. Michael Lugar, station mechanic A. Brian Sheetz, station mechanic A. 10 years: Brenda Nichols, secretary-stenographer B, Fieldale.

Philip Sporn

40 years: Paul Forbes, chemist assistant. 15 years: Terry Benson, maintenance mechanic A. Joseph Forbes, Jr., maintenance mechanic B. Jackie Crump, maintenance mechanic B. Jackie Crump, maintenance mechanic A. Perry Kennedy, barge handler. 10 years: Mark King, chemist assistant. 5 years: Michael Tennant, control technician. □

Friends

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Lebanon, Va.; one son; one daughter; two grandchildren; one sister; one brother; and his mother.

W. Bruce Langford, 73, retired Ripley area service restorer, died October 1. A native of Florist, Va., he joined Appalachian in 1949 as a lineman C and retired in 1983. Langford is survived by one son and one daughter.

Annie L. Stover, 56, Beckley customer services representative C, died September 29. A native of Maynor, W. Va., she was hired in 1989 as a customer services representative D and had been on long term disability leave since June of this year. Stover is survived by her mother, one sister, and one brother.



Len Haid maint. planner Mountaineer 20 years



Bettye Kinzie cl. & accts. pay. clk. A GO-Roanoke 20 years

20 years

Eileen Worley

secretary

Beckley

General Office 15 years: Richard Frazier, transmission station mechanic A, GO T&D Station, Kenova. Kenneth Norman, transmission mechanic A, GO T&D Transmission, Roanoke. James Merritt, stores attendant, GO T&D Stores, Roanoke. Douglas Turner, control electrician A, GO T&D Relay, Roanoke. David Nance, energy services coordinator, GO Marketing and Customer Services, Roanoke. 10 years: Robert Wolford, transmission mechanic B, GOT&D Transmission, Bluefield. Rick Kelley, engineering technologist I, GOT&D Telecommunications, Roanoke. Frank Cook, assistant systems analyst, GO Accounting, Roanoke. Jo Lynn Staton, electric plant clerk A, GO Accounting, Roanoke. 5 years: John Walters, surveyor instrument, GO T&D Civil Engineering, Roanoke.

Huntington

10 years: **Peggy Harbour**, customer services representative A.

Logan-Williamson

10 years: Ronnie Dalton, line crew supervisor NE, Logan. Mark Hill, line mechanic B, Madison. 5 years: Ron Wellman, electrical engineer I, Logan.

Lynchburg

15 years: **Fred Thornhill**, line mechanic A. 5 years: **Ronnie Cooke**, engineering technician.

Mountaineer

15 years: **Bill Osborne**, barge handler. **Larry Rupe**, performance technician senior. **Don Nelson**, plantclerk A. 10 years: **Dave Thompson**,



15 years: **Fred Sauls**, line mechanic A, Clintwood. 5 years: **Tommy Austin**, meter reader, Clintwood.

John Amos

5 years: Paul Massie, plant engineer I.

Beckley

15 years: **Terena Griffith**, customer services representative A. **Gene Pritt**, line mechanic A, Oak Hill

Bluefield

15 years: **Dennis Cole**, line mechanic A. **Mike Richardson**, line crew supervisor NE, Welch. 5 years: **Jim Viers**, line mechanic C, Grundy.

Central Machine Shop

15 years: **Darrell Bledsoe**, production supervisor.

Centralized Plant Maintenance

15 years: **Tom Weaver**, maintenance mechanic. **Kenny Ratliff**, maintenance supervisor. **Jerry Tillis**, maintenance mechanic.

Charleston

15 years: **Roger Harrison**, meter electrician A. 10 years: **Bob Jones**, area supervisor, St. Albans.

Clinch River

15 years: **Angeletta Wilson**, maintenance mechanic C. 5 years: **Danny Arney**, utility worker A.



Appalachian Power requests commission approvals to test DSM programs

Appalachian Power Company has requested the Virginia State Corporation Commission (SCC) and the Public Service Commission of West Virginia (PSC) for approval to test pilot energy conservation and load management programs in selected areas. The company said the pilot Demand Side Management (DSM) programs, which include residential rate experiments, will help test the effectiveness of DSM programs in encouraging customers to reduce the amount of electric energy they would otherwise use.

The DSM programs to be offered for evaluation are:

- High-Efficiency Light Bulbs: The company will offer residential customers in its Roanoke and Charleston divisions an opportunity to purchase up to three high-efficiency light bulbs at a \$5 discount from a company-specified vendor. A total of 25,000 bulbs will be available for purchase by customers in each division.
- Low-Income Weatherizing: Up to 150 low-income households in the Roanoke and Charleston divisions will be offered assistance of up to \$1,000 to weatherize their homes. Weatherization will include such services as the installation of insulation, caulking,

weatherstripping, and electric furnace repairs.

- Water Heater Wrap/Shower Heads: Water heater wraps and energy-saving shower heads will be installed in as many as 2,500 owner-occupied homes using electric water heaters in the Virginia portion of Bluefield division and 2,500 in Huntington division.
- Mobile Home Heat Pump: Appalachian will provide up to \$700 towards the labor cost of replacing central resistance heating with high-efficiency heat pump systems in 375 mobile homes each in the Abingdon and Beckley divisions.
- Storage Water Heating: This program incorporates use of customer-owned, highly efficient hot water tanks that heat water only during off-peak hours (nights, weekends, and holidays), yet provide hot water at all hours. A lower experimental off-peak electric rate will be made available to the first 500 eligible residential customers in each state to sign up for the program. The rate will apply to companyapproved electric thermal storage water heaters. The pilot program will save residential customers money and promotes reduction of on-peak demand.
- Commercial and Industrial

Lighting: The company will provide funding for lighting energy audits and matching funding for relamping with highefficiency, fluorescent bulbs and ballasts for up to 20 small commercial and 6 industrial customers in the Lynchburg and Pulaski divisions and 15 small commercial and 5 industrial customers in Huntington division.

• School Energy Efficiency Program: The company will have comprehensive energy audits conducted in six West Virginia public schools (three each in Logan and Bluefield divisions) and will fund energy-efficient improvements in each school up to a maximum of \$10,000 per school.

"The new pilot programs in Virginia are among the first to be proposed since the SCC issued new guidelines in March of this year," noted Joseph H. Vipperman, Appalachian's president. He added that the new Demand Side Management programs are only the latest in a long list of conservation methods implemented or suggested to customers by the company since at least the 1950s.

Depending upon the timing of authorization by the commissions, the new programs could be available to customers by the end of this year.

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