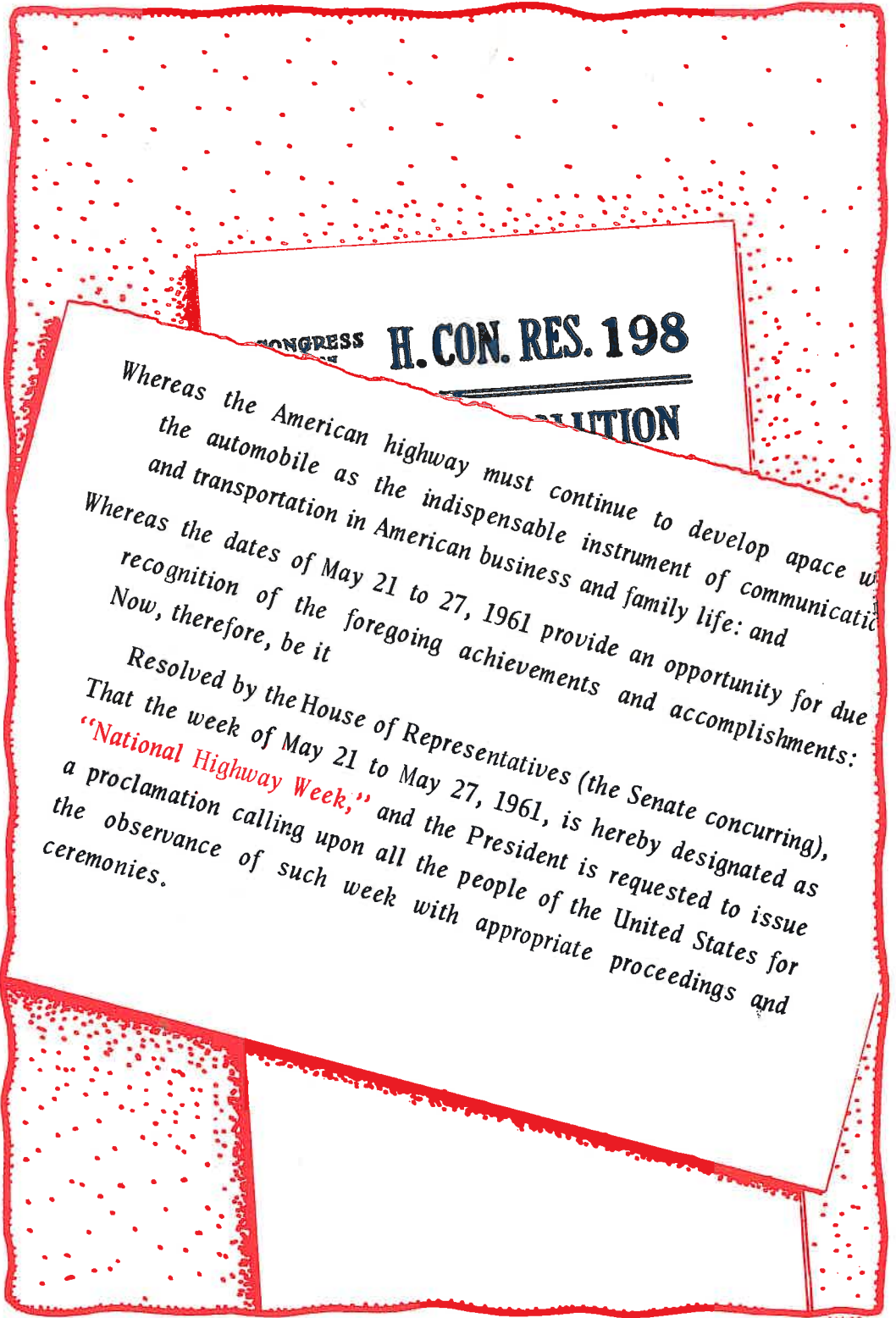




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RESOLUTION

Whereas the American highway must continue to develop apace with the automobile as the indispensable instrument of communication and transportation in American business and family life: and Whereas the dates of May 21 to 27, 1961 provide an opportunity for due recognition of the foregoing achievements and accomplishments: Now, therefore, be it

Resolved by the House of Representatives (the Senate concurring), That the week of May 21 to May 27, 1961, is hereby designated as "*National Highway Week*," and the President is requested to issue a proclamation calling upon all the people of the United States for the observance of such week with appropriate proceedings and ceremonies.

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COVER PICTURE: We again express our appreciation to the members of the art unit of P&R, for our attractive cover, designed to commemorate "National Highway Week" May 21-May 27.

LETTERS

When Jim Zinn was helping us to send out the last issue of "Arkansas Highways," he wrote a short note on the one going to Mrs. Mary M. Hill, who formerly worked at Equipment at Jacksonville, as C. Don Hayes' secretary. The following is her reply, in part.

Dear Jimmy:

Thank you for your friendly "hello." It did warm my heart. You perhaps have heard that I am working part time. I work from 8 a.m. until 12 noon, five days a week, as secretary to the minister at the Central Presbyterian Church here, and love it. So you see, "Old Rocking Chair" hasn't gotten me yet.

I enjoy the Highway magazine each month and it is a very nice thing for the Department to remember the "has beens."

With best wishes

Sincerely,
 Mary McLane Hill

Our hats are off to the men in District 9 for the polite manner in which they were handling motorists up near Pindall on Highway 65. During a drive up there last month we noticed Highway crews and equipment up ahead. Shortly we were stopped by an employee and cautioned most courteously to be extremely careful for the next two miles due to much heavy equipment on the road. It was obvious that he was truly concerned for the safety of the motorist. He could have put over his message in a curt or blunt way, but he chose to be polite, which impressed us very much. We're sorry we didn't get the fellow's name.

-Ed.

What is Your Accident

Proneness Level Today



THE KILLER behind a steering wheel could be your own emotion - out of control - according to a leading psychiatrist.

Anger, for example, can be murderous or suicidal for a motorist, says Dr. Karl Menninger, chairman of the well-known Menninger Foundation in Topeka, Kansas.

Dr. Menninger, writing in "Home and Highway" magazine, pointed out that people tend to avoid responsibility for accidents.

"Accidents, we say, are caused by fate, by hard luck, by inadvertence or ignorance or carelessness or distraction or alcohol," he said.

But if a driver becomes careless, the psychiatrist asked, what factors in him contributed to that costly, careless moment?

"There is a little murder and a little suicide dwelling in every man's heart. Give him such a powerful weapon as a car, inflame his inhibitions or irritations or frustrations, then add alcohol or fatigue, and the murder or suicide may get committed."

Discussing "accident proneness," which has been a widely used term, Dr. Menninger commented:

"Today we would rather say that accident proneness is something that all of us have more or less, and more on one day than on another. The question is, what is your accident proneness level today?"

"It fluctuates with various factors. Resentments stemming from childhood, weariness, fatigue, a series of disappointments. And sometimes these feelings lead to an accident.

"We know that relatively few accidents are wholly accidental. The number of accidents ascribable to pure chance must be well below 15 per cent."

Dr. Menninger concluded:

"No healthy-minded person ever says - 'It can't happen to me.' He might meet a fool, you know. Or he might even temporarily be one."

University of Arkansas Engineering Students

Visit Highway Department

The Highway Department was host to 40 senior civil engineering students and one faculty member from the University of Arkansas on April 27 as part of the recruiting program.

The students met at 8:15 a.m. in the Commission Room of the Little Rock building and were welcomed by Director Oliver and Assistant Chief Engineer John T. Pendergrass. After a brief address on the workings of the Department, they were guided on a tour of several construction projects in the Greater Little Rock area by Freeway Engineer John Lawrence.

Upon their return to the building they were escorted by designated engineers on a tour of the offices and engineering departments.

Various individuals within the Department sponsored the visitors, acting as their guide, and host for a luncheon at a Little Rock cafeteria. Personnel Officer Dale Davison acted as master of ceremonies.

The visitors were: William A. Drewry, faculty, University of Arkansas; Russell Fox, president of the student chapter of ASCE; John R. Archer, Vestal S. Armstrong, James D. Baird, S. S. Acheson, John J. Blake, Jimmie L. Booher, James L. Briley, Jerry D. Chitwood, Dan B. Clinton, Carroll E. Corbell, Richard H. Davis, Jr., James McCarthy, Walter L. Graves, Daniel I. Hall, Kenneth M. Hall, William C. Hathaway, Jimmy H. Hinton, Max M. Holloway, Robert D. Holloway, Hugh M. Jeffus, Lynn P. Jenkins.

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Director Oliver seems to have his audience in a happy mood in this picture, taken at a cafeteria where the group ate lunch. At right is Assistant Chief Engineer John T. Pendergrass. At left is Russell Fox, president of the student chapter of ASCE.



The visitors from the University of Arkansas are shown here on the south end of the Greater Little Rock Freeway Bridge. John Lawrence, freeway engineer with AHD, is standing in the front row holding a rolled up map. Their bus driver chauffeur is second from left.

Camden District Headquarters Completed... Opening Celebrated

The Camden District Headquarters celebrated the completion and opening of the new Ouachita County Maintenance Headquarters at Camden on April 27.

Over 100 persons attended the noon barbeque held in the new building - including the employees of the Camden office and all county foremen in the District. Barbeque, fish, and all the trimmings were enjoyed by attendants and guests County Representatives Van Mosley and David Pryor, City Manager Add Ellyson, and City Engineer Ed Turner. Little Rock guests were Maintenance Engineer R. B. Winfrey and his assistants and Procurement Officer Jim Meredith. Also on hand for the occasion were District 2 Engineer John S. Harris, and Maintenance Superintendent Brewster Shalmy of Pine Bluff.

Bun Heldebrand, county maintenance foreman, was in charge of the celebration. W. E. Hicks, engineer of District 7, was master of ceremonies, assisted by G. E. Nunnally, district maintenance supervisor. Talks were made by the officials attending the dinner. Representatives Mosley and Pryor pledged continued adherence to the principles of the Mack-Blackwell Amendment, under which the Highway Department operates.

Land for the new headquarters building was acquired from the city of Camden. It is situated on five acres on Highway No. 4, one mile east from its junction with Highway No. 79, northeast of Camden.



Bun Heldebrand, county foreman, is shown standing before the new Ouachita County Area Headquarters building at Camden.



Highway Department employees are enjoying fish and barbeque at the dedication ceremonies.

HENRY UHRMAN, M&T TECHNICIAN HAS CLOSE CALL IN FREAK ACCIDENT

Henry Uhrman, engineering technician in Materials and Tests, was buried alive for almost seven minutes on April 13 in a near-fatal accident. Perhaps from his horrifying experience others can profit by using more safety precautions and being forever on the alert.

The accident occurred while he was inspecting crushed stone produced at rock quarry near Cabot. He had gone to the bin for a sample of the stone - obtained by swinging a dishpan through the stream of material. The weight of the stone, falling at a rate of almost four tons per minute caused him to lose his balance and he was pulled into the bin.

When the truck loader under the bin opened the gate to fill a truck he discovered Henry's feet and legs sticking out of the gate. The onrush of the crushed stone continued to pour on him, preventing him from getting to his feet during the few minutes it took to stop the plant. Henry's size could have been the factor that saved his life. Since he is rather big, he was stuck in the gate rather than being pulled all the way in, as a smaller man would, perhaps.

While some of the men went for a cutting torch and to call an ambulance, others were pulling and digging in a frantic effort to extricate him from his stone grave. He was finally pulled out, blue and unconscious. The plant men agreed that he had been covered at least seven minutes.

Efforts to revive him began immediately. After working with him and dashing him with cold water, he rallied after about five minutes, and was rushed to a doctor. Fortunately no bones were broken but he did sustain cuts, bruises, scratches, and had some lumps on his head from being dragged through the narrow gate. We're sure Henry suffered these injuries gladly. The most serious effect was inhalation of considerable stone dust which, it was feared, could cause pneumonia. He was released by the doctor after being under observation for about 10 days.

This story has a happy ending. Henry returned to his job on April 24.

Let's hope there is not a "next time," but if there is, will it end on a happy note?

(The details of this incident were given by Russell Newsom, staff specialist in Materials and Tests. Ed.)

CONSTRUCTION

To the STATE it's a
JOB

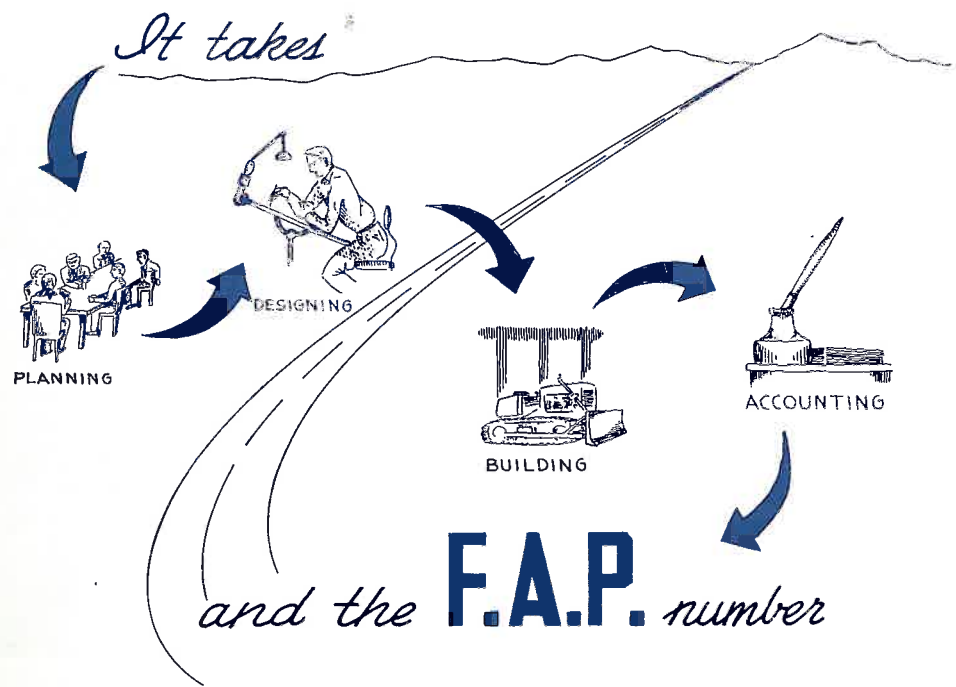
To the BUREAU it's a
PROJECT

Both
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NUMBERS

As a STATE, costs are accumulated by JOB NUMBERS. To obtain PAYMENT from the BUREAU OF PUBLIC ROADS, these costs MUST also be accumulated by PROJECT NUMBERS, which members designate the Federal.

Highway System	Route	Section	Number of times there have been agreements on this Section
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CASH for construction is received from the Bureau of Public Roads ONLY when the cost is incurred, reported, and billed by PROJECT NUMBER!!!



**BEN F. STRANGE WITH AHD 30 YEARS
RETIRED APRIL 1**



Ben F. Strange, senior inspector in the Division of Materials and Tests, retired from the Highway Department April 1 after more than 30 years with the Highway Department.

Strange began his career in 1927, serving for a number of years in both the Maintenance and Construction Divisions. Since its inception in 1932, he has been employed with Materials and Tests; including four years as concrete slab inspector. Except for a four-year period during World War II, when he was employed by the U. S. Corps of Engineers, his services had been uninterrupted.

During the years he was engaged in major runway construction projects in Arkansas, Louisiana, and Oklahoma.

Strange was born on a farm near Laurel, Mississippi in 1894. During World War I, he served in the Transportation Corps and after discharge from the Army he entered the University of Arkansas. There he studied mechanical engineering for three and one-half years.

His activities have been confined to the area of West Central and Northwest Arkansas, however, he has worked on various projects all over the State. He and Mrs. Strange make their home in Fort Smith.

Mr. and Mrs. Strange have one son, John Nelson, considered a brilliant research engineer who is with the U. S. Waterways Experiment Station in Vicksburg, Mississippi.

Strange is looking forward to his leisure time so as to indulge in one of his favorite hobbies - gardening, and trips to Vicksburg now and then to visit his son and grandchildren. He will accompany his son on one of his trips to Washington, D. C. in the near future.

**AFTER 16 YEARS OF SERVICE,
A. L. MOSER, SR., RETIRES**

Alonza L. Moser, Sr., affectionately known as "Runt," employed by the Highway Department 16 years ago, retired last month as station operator at District 5.

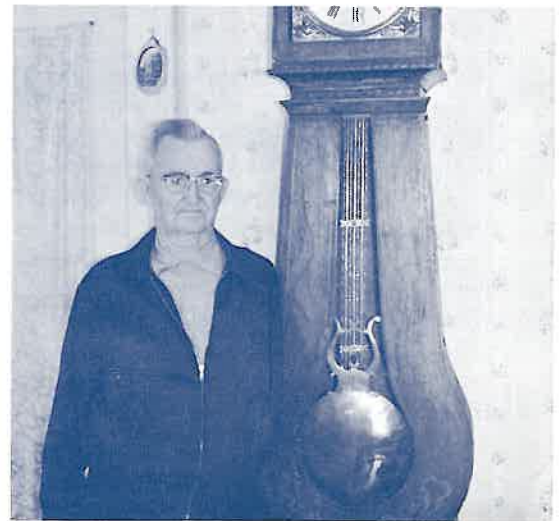
Mr. Moser, 69 years old on April 3, saw many changes take place during his employment. The most outstanding rewarding one was that practically all roads are now paved in District 5, compared to only about 60 miles of pavement when he was employed. His first superior was the late Mr. Cone Murphy. Since that time he was worked with Homer Hill, Luther Bearden, C. M. Matthews, Bernard Bice, and George C. Cavaness.

Prior to his Highway Department work he was a lineman for the Southwestern Bell Telephone Company. Due to an accident when he came in contact with a live wire, he suffered the loss of his left arm, however, he nor his friends consider this any great handicap. Proof of this is evidenced in the lovely flowers and grounds at District 5, for which he is responsible and which are admired each year by the public. In fact, even though "Runt" is a patient in Fray's Hospital at this writing, recovering from extensive surgery, he is making big plans for the future to take advantage of his free time to indulge in his hobbies - gardening and hunting.

A native of IZARD County, Alonzo and Mrs. Moser, the former Miss Agness Cunningham, have two sons, Edward Craig (Fritz) of Little Rock, and M/Sgt. A. L. Moser, Jr. of Fort Bliss, Texas, and seven grandchildren.

"Runt," who always had a friendly smile and greeting, will be missed very much by all his co-workers in District 5, but their very best wishes go with him for a fast recovery and many happy years ahead

(Editor's note: We wish to thank Mr. Moser for doing such a good job as District 5 news reporter for the magazine.)



A. L. Moser

People in the News...

On April 11, 12, and 13, Director Oliver, Chief Engineer Ward Goodman; Materials and Tests Engineer Henry Schneider; Roadway Design Engineer George Fry, and Maintenance Engineer R. B. Winfrey were in Oklahoma City as guests of the Asphalt Institute. During their stay they visited a hot-mix construction project 52 miles west of Oklahoma City. They also visited a recently completed black base construction on Interstate 35, south of Perry, Oklahoma, and saw the first hot-mix sand asphalt base constructed almost three years ago on Interstate 40, west of Clinton. They were guests at a dinner at the Skirvin Hotel, at which Oklahoma Highway officials and several member company asphalt representatives attended.

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Mr. Oliver spoke at the Arkadelphia Chamber of Commerce Director's luncheon on April 25. And on May 4, Mr. Oliver and Mr. Goodman attended the AASHO Region II Transport Committee meeting. From Nashville, Mr. Oliver went on to Washington, D. C. to confer with Bureau of Public Roads officials.



Jim Meredith, at left, procurement officer for the Department and educational vice president of Hi-Noon Toastmasters Club, is shown presenting Ward Goodman a gavel from members of the Club as a momentoe for having served as president for the past six months. Mr. Goodman's term expired in March.

The gavel is a very handsome one—silver-banded, with an inscription of Mr. Goodman's name, rank of office, and the year '61. In the center is the emblem of Toastmasters International.

Other new officers of Hi-Noon are: Ancil Reed, attorney, president; Col. John Buxton, administrative vice president; Baldy Vinson of Bridge Design, AHD, secretary; Roy Rosin, M&T, treasurer; and John Tallant, Construction Division, sergeant-at-arms.

Neill Bohlinger, general counsel for the Department, has accepted several invitations to be quest speaker at various functions during the next month or so. As Past Commander-in-Chief of the Sons of Confederate Veterans, he spoke at the organization's Memorial Day observance April 30 in the Confederate section of the National Cemetery in Little Rock...He will deliver the Commencement address at the graduating class of Heber Springs High School on May 19. The class is the first to graduate in the new school recently completed. He will also give the Commencement address at the graduating ceremonies of Marianna High School on May 26. He received an invitation from Loyd McDermott, Department Adjutant of the American Legion, to address the boys of "Boys State" June 6 in Lloyd England Hall at Camp Robinson. This will be the fifth time he has spoken to the Boys State.

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R. W. Parker, traffic engineer in Planning and Research, has been appointed to the Origin and Destination Survey Committee of the Highway Research Board. The Board was created in 1920 as a division of the National Academy of Sciences. Its purposes are to encourage research and to provide a national clearinghouse and correlation service for research activities and information on highway administration, transport, and technology.

Members of the committee are selected on the basis of their abilities to contribute to the studies of subjects under consideration and are appointed from state highway departments, federal agencies, colleges and universities, counties, cities, industry, and other qualified personnel.

The functions of the Origin and Destination Survey Committee are to: (a) suggest and plan research, (b) correlate and evaluate research results, and (c) stimulate the presentation of research reports. Parker will serve for the next three years as the Highway Department's representative on this Committee.

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Lester Jester, of Planning and Research, Traffic Engineering Section, will enter the graduate school of Purdue University at Lafayette, Indiana next September to work toward a master's degree in civil engineering with a major in transportation. Lester will serve on the teaching faculty of the engineering school and as a graduate assistant in the traffic engineering laboratory of the Joint Highway Research Project. The laboratory work will require at least 20 hours per week but will furnish the research for his thesis.

Lester and his family visited Lafayette in early April to meet with his faculty advisor, Professor Harold Michael, associate director of the Joint Highway Research Project, and to work out his tentative schedule, meet the faculty, sign up for housing in the married students' apartments, and look over the campus. The campus is located on a high bluff on the west bank of the Wabash River, overlooking the city. Their impressions of the campus were heightened by the heavy blanket of snow which fell during their visit - a warning of the winters they will face at Purdue. →



Two new attorneys joined the staff of the Highway Department's Legal Division on April 16. Lee Allen is at top, and Ray Middleton, Jr., is at bottom. More about the two gentlemen on page 10 in the Legal Division news.

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"Safety of our Children - A Community Responsibility" was the subject of the talk Jim Carvell, of the Traffic Engineering Section, Planning and Research, made at a PTA meeting in Conway the last of March. He discussed methods used in placing a "Hazard Rating" at school crossings, recommended measures for reducing hazards at the crossings, and explained the responsibility of the parents and teachers to the elementary school child in developing greater assurance and skill as a pedestrian - a skill that will last him through life. Carvell and the Traffic Section welcome every opportunity in which they can help develop a better understanding of the problem and the acceptance of our respective responsibilities for the safety of our children.

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An administrative circular was put out by Director Oliver on May 2, which restricts the personal use of stationery, postage, reproduction facilities and employees' time.

The circular stated that there have been instances where it was reported that supplies and reproduction facilities have been used for church, club, and other outside organizations, menus, programs, etc.

Such practice cannot be condoned, and must be stopped immediately, according to the circular. Employees of the reproduction section are instructed to refuse to print any non-official items. In case of doubt, the items should be submitted to the Director or Chief Engineer for review.

Drafting Employees in AHD

Include Five Women

Engineering is the first and foremost important ingredient which goes into the making of a highway department. It requires years of study to gain the knowledge and skill which are "musts" in the highly technical field.

But, engineering has several counterparts and one of them is drafting. The draftsman has carved his own niche in the foundation of our Department, playing an important role in the road-building system. And while it isn't necessary to obtain an academic degree to become a draftsman, it does require knowledge of mechanical drawing and plenty of talent. And in the case of BETTY GRIMES in Legal Division, a certain perception of the principles of law.

Betty is one of five female draftsmen employed by AHD. She started working October 1, 1956 as an engineering technician in the Right of Way Division. She was transferred to Legal in February of this year.

Betty's duties are varied but she works in close proximity with the appraisors in Right of Way and attorneys in preparation of trials in condemnation cases covering the entire state. Specifically, she prepares the exhibits showing land and proposed highway routes in securing rights of way for the Department. Her work is done from plans, title certificates, survey plats, aerial photos, and much other pertinent data. She often has to act as intermediary for lawyers and engineering employees since the two fields are miles apart and Betty has some knowledge of both. Betty has years of experience, having worked as draftsman for various firms in Little Rock and St. Louis. She is a native of Searcy, but moved to Little Rock where she attended schools. She is a graduate of Little Rock High (now Central) and while in St. Louis, attended night school at Washington University studying advanced topography and drafting.

In private life Betty is the mother of four children, one married and soon to make her a grandmother. She is a member of "The Saxon Singers," a group much in demand around Little Rock. She also has performed in two of the Arkansas State Opera Company's productions: "Carmen," playing "Rosita," one of the gypsies, and she had a major role in "Cavalleria Rusticana."

KATHERINE BRASEL, better known as Katie, is the eldest in service of the five women draftsmen. She came to work September 1, 1945 in Statistics and Analysis (now Planning and Research), preparing and revising state, county, and city maps, preparing graphs, charts, and miscellaneous mapping. Her present job is practically the same with some variations.



Betty Grimes of Legal



Katie Brasel, Mary Ann Dickson, and Helen McNutt, all of Planning and Research.



Virginia Lewis of Right of Way

Prior to her employment with the Department she worked for the U. S. Bureau of Mines, Department of Interior at Little Rock. She prepared for her drafting career at her native Hot Springs, where she graduated from Hot Springs High School and later attended the Arkansas State Trade School.

Katie is not only a competent draftsman, she is endowed with other capabilities as well. Several years ago when she bought the land for her house on Taylor Loop road, about 12 miles out on Highway 10, it was little more than a briar patch and bed of rocks. She cleared the entire acre for building and even helped build the house itself, putting up sheet rock, caulking and painting. She plans to add on to it in the near future, to make more room for her two nieces, both of whom she is raising. Patsy, 9 years old, has been with Katie since she was an infant. She has had Sherry, 5, for a couple of years.

HELEN McNUTT, also of Planning and Research, was employed in February 1955. Helen's job as draftsman includes plotting new road inventory from photos to base map for drafting, preparing photos and indices photos for recording road inventory, scales and applies section lines and county lines to photos, etc.

Helen acquired her experience with several private firms and the U.S. Engineers in Little Rock. A native of Little Rock, Helen attended Little Rock Junior College (now Little Rock University) for a year and Hendrix College at Conway for a year. She took courses with the University of Arkansas, attended Part-Time School in Little Rock, and studied five courses with the U.S. Engineers in topographic drafting and photogrammetry and projection.

Helen's hobbies are sewing, which she does quite well, and reading. She and her daughter Helen, a nurse, are building up a very fine library with many books on art, archeology, etc. Her other daughter, Julia Naylor, is a former feature writer for a Little Rock paper's magazine section. She is currently awaiting the stork. Helen hopes it will bring a boy to go with her 3-year-old granddaughter.

MARY ANN DICKSON is a new employee in Planning and Research. She took her place at the drafting board on April 10, coming to the Department from Arkansas Industrial Development Commission. Prior to that she

was a student at Little Rock University for three years, spending the summers as an employee with the Geology and Conservation Commission. For a while she freelanced in design, art work, and drafting at her home. She has resumed her studies in art and mechanical drawing, attending night classes at LRU. In her spare time she likes to paint - oils and watercolors, and charcoal drawings.

VIRGINIA DAIR LEWIS is the fifth woman draftsman in AHD. She has been employed in Right of Way since 1956. Until the first of this year, her work was drawing

Virginia is responsible for the accuracy and completeness of the job assigned her. She compiles all information available from records, abstractors, surveyors, court orders, etc., to make computations for closures and for computing the exact area of the taking. It is her responsibility to have drawn and recorded on the sketch map all information required by the Appraisal, Acquisition, and Legal Divisions, to facilitate procurement of land.

She came to Little Rock in 1953. She was employed as a draftsman with U. S. Time Corp. until a spot was open the U.S. Corps of Engineers. She has several years experience with other firms in Arkansas and in other states.

She attended elementary schools in her native Illinois, but graduated from Hope, Arkansas High School. Other education included night classes at SMU, Texarkana Junior College, ICS courses, studying "Mapping Principles and Math," and figure drawing at the Chicago Art Institute.

Virginia is the mother of two children. Her son, Gardner, will graduate from Hall High this month, and her daughter Gin, will make her a grandmother this month. Gardner plans to begin his engineering studies next fall at the University of Arkansas.

Her spare time is spent painting in oils. She has recently enrolled at the Art Center studying with Mr. Bing. She is very enthused over his help.

"WORDS OF INSPIRATION"

"Honour thy father and thy mother, as the Lord thy God hath commanded thee; that thy days may be prolonged, and that it may go well with thee, in the land which the Lord thy God giveth thee." - Deuteronomy 5:16

AROUND THE DEPARTMENTS

accounting

Blanche Smith

Aleene Boysen is the proud owner of a new 1961 Impala Chevrolet. The silver hubcaps go beautifully with the heavenly blue color. Congratulations, Aleene!

Seems like we are all afflicted with spring fever in our department...the traveling kind. Joe McCarthy and Jonny Beavers went to District 7 at Camden, and no sooner returned than they were off again, this time to Harrison and Henderson Ferry.

Pat Koonce had her "umpteenth" birthday on April 12 and was surprised to find a cake with ? candles - literally placed on the cake in a question mark - on her desk when she arrived for work. The calories really flowed that day as her four children also presented her with a cake after dinner. Several of the women in the building took her to lunch at Magnolia Cafeteria to help celebrate.

We were sorry to learn of the death of Peggy Zeiner's Grandfather, Albert T. Crutchfield, of Prattsville, Arkansas.

bridge design

Virginia Tackett

We are happy to report that our boss, L. P. Carlson, came home from the hospital April 20 in splendid shape after his surgery. He is under orders to recuperate for 3 weeks before returning to the office and is finding the sunshine and warm weather both pleasant and helpful, but a mighty temptation.

In the Stork Derby, Peggy and Bill Price came in just short of a week ahead of Sally and Reid Beckel. Norman Scott arrived on Sunday, April 9, and an early picture shows him as a bright-eyed replica of his older brother Perry. Bill reports that he is a perfectly adjusted baby and that he spends a lot of time in his "infant seat" watching all the family activities with (Bill's words!) "his beady little eyes." He's a handsome child and we're all proud of him. (See picture.)

Sally and Reid are also parents of a new baby boy - 8 lb. 2 oz. Jeffrey Reid, who was born at Baptist Hospital April 13. A black haired, olive skinned charmer, he drew his share of admiring comments at the Grand Prairie Grand Prix at Stuttgart just 10 days later. Sally and Reid reported the races were fun and Jeffrey's behavior impeccable. (See picture.)

Tommy Bond is transferring to M & T according to the training schedule, and we

will miss him a great deal. We all feel like he's learned a lot this past two months. We're looking forward to our four new trainees, Ralph Stiefvater, Lonnie Parson, Dale Spencer, and Lawrence Fletcher.

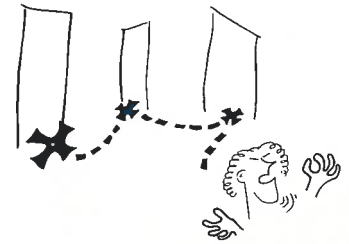


At top is Norman Scott Price, and Jeffrey Reid Beckel at bottom.

data processing

Carolyn Reddin

The biggest news item we have this month is Tony Yandell becoming a PROUD PAPA. The happy event took place April 20, at Baptist Hospital, when Mrs. Yandell presented Tony with a fine baby boy. Congratulations to the happy couple. This news flash more than compensates for our lack of any other news items this month. Lenora Lister was ill for a couple of days, but we're happy to report that she returned fit as a fiddle.



equipment

Avalee Padgett

Employees in the Equipment Office welcome Carol Hilton. Carol is replacing Doris Healy while she is on leave to await the stork. Our very best wishes to Doris.

Hugh Fuqua underwent eye surgery at Baptist Hospital during the week of April 16. We all hope he has a speedy recovery and is able to be back at work in the near future.

Fishing season must be here, as we can hear many fish stories. James Hardcastle and his wife caught their limit of crappie at Lake Nimrod over the week end of April 22. Frank Boyett reports no luck fishing, but he is still trying.

Our congratulations to Bill and Larry Sneed on being awarded the God and Country Award in Scouting. Bill and Larry are sons of Leon Sneed in Equipment Office, and they are both members of Boy Scout Troup No. 24.

legal

Betty Grimes

Last month's "Arkansas Highways" pictured Les Evitts who was transferred to Legal when he was admitted to the Arkansas Bar. Les has been friend, fellow employee, and "snooker buddy" for so long we, in Legal, just can't think of him as a new man on the staff. We are glad, however, to have Les on board as an "official" member of the crew. Those of us who come early enough for the pre-eight coffee session enjoy hearing the daily antics of young J. Les, a precocious two-year-old who is obviously the apple of his daddy's eye.

Lee Allen, an Arkansan and Southerner by choice rather than birth, is our new Claims Attorney. Lee received his LLB degree from Oklahoma City College of Law in '41, working days and attending school at night. For the past few years he has worked as an independent claims adjuster in the Arkansas area. Lee, his wife Connie, and son Lee, Jr., have made Little Rock their home. Lee's only complaint is that Little Rock is too far from Lake Providence, Louisiana where his daughter and two grandchildren live.

Another new attorney is Middleton Ray, Jr., who received his BA and LLB degrees from the University of Arkansas. Prior to his employment with AHD, Middleton was

law clerk in the office of George Rose Smith, Supreme Court Justice. He and his wife, Betty Lou, have three pre-school children: Cynthia Lee, 4½; Middleton III ½; and Mary Melissa, who joined the family as recently as February 22. Middleton is a captain in the Marine Corps Reserve.

Helen Hackett's husband, Wyland, attended a convention held in the Shamrock Hotel in Houston, Texas, so Helen went along for the ride. The wet cold weather followed them all the way but Helen says she managed to have a wonderful time in spite of it.

Your reporter was happy to have played a part in the benefit staged at the University Medical Center Auditorium on the night of April 10. "The Saxon Singers," of which I am a member, performed in "Les Trois Arts," a benefit for the Muscular Dystrophy Association. Others on the program were numbers by the Arkansas Dance Theatre, and the Arkansas Arts Center Chamber Orchestra. The Saxon Singers presented 18 "Liebeslieder" waltzes.

materials and tests

Julia Mae Halliburton

Our news for last month was sent in too late to get in the issue, so we're catching up now...

The Magness family all came down with the mumps, including Joe, one of our engineers, but he got along o.k. and has returned to work.

Dale Loe, one of our engineers-in-training, received an eye injury but recovered we're happy to report, and his eyesight will not be affected. He has returned to work.

Maureen Rodgers' mother, Mrs. West of Dumas, had an eye operation at Baptist Hospital. She has returned to her home after convalescing at the home of Maureen.

Billy Wood has really been telling of the big fish that got away and a few that he kept...We wonder if all of it is true... Henry Dreher has gotten the fishing bug and now it's his turn to make with the stories after he and Jamye have been a few times.

Russell M. Newsom spent a recent week end at Wynne visiting his father.

Ben F. Strange, materials inspector, retired recently after more than 30 years of service with the Department. We will miss him but hope he has many happy years ahead.

Congratulations to John D. Storey, who received his 10-year service pin and certificate of merit.

Carolyn Webb of Sylvan Hills is a new employee as well as James Welch and H. Hart. Glad to have them all with us.

M. B. Gentry, another engineer-in-training who was with us for a while, was transferred to work in Construction.

Thornton Rowe was out three days due to illness...Regel Cotton, a former employee, stopped by to see us recently, and he's looking fine.

G. W. Roark, who retired in February, was a visitor to our office recently also. He says he is keeping busy with his flowers and enjoying his two granddaughters, who take up quite a bit of his time.

Thornton and wife Hazel took in the Arkansas Derby on the last day of the races at Hot Springs. He had a winner but he is keeping his ticket as a souvenir.

H. W. Schneider attended the Asphalt Institute meeting in Oklahoma...J. Crabtree took a few days of his vacation the week of April 9...James L. Owens of Harrison was in Little Rock for the Contractor's party held at the Marion Hotel.

Frances Roller reports that fishing has been pretty good at Lake Ouachita the last two or three week ends.

personnel

M.A.

When Ray Garner of Roadway Design took off one day to go fishing at Lake Maumelle, he came by the building around noon to show several of his friends the kind of luck he had - and what luck! After some of them had seen the whoppin'-size crappie, they came down suddenly with a very common malady known as "fishing fever," which probably won't abate until Fall. Among those hard-hit was Dale W. Davison, Personnel officer, who lost no time in getting out to Lake Maumelle the following week end. His fishing companion one day was Ray and they had a repeat of Ray's previous luck. And, if at any time or any place any of you see or hear employees comparing lures or showing off their latest purchase "guaranteed to pull 'em in," don't be surprised as that is one of the side effects of the fishing sickness.

Hoyt Thomas, after debating for several weeks, finally decided to trade off his car. He got a cute little Comet, 1961 model - white with red top and upholstery. Happy driving, Hoyt.

Jim Higgins, assistant officer of Personnel, plowed up a spot of land for a garden on his father's property at Vilonia the week end of April 22. Jim was somewhat "stove up," the following Monday but any discomfort will be well worth it as his capable wife Maxine, will utilize all surplus vegetables aside from their daily use by canning, preserving, and freezing for some delectable meals later. Besides Maxine's efficiency along those lines she is an excellent seamstress and mother to their three fine young sons.

Sibble and Robert Cox, with daughter Betty, drove to Magnolia the week end of April 22, to visit son and brother, Bob, Jr., and his family. While there they fished at Lake Bodcaw, and caught 24 big, fat

bream. Sibble said they fought like the dickens - which is part of the fun in catching them.

Jane Greenlee's husband Gerald, who does insulation work, was called on a job a pretty far 'piece' from home in April to Eau Claire, Wisconsin, which made it impossible to get home on week ends as usual. Jane is hoping the job will be completed and he will get closer to home soon.

Robbie Ingle and Ruth Foll gave a merchandising party at Ruth's apartment the night of April 24. The attendance was not large but they managed to get some sales and each is entitled to a hostess prize.

Ruth drove up to her home at Mountain View on Thursday, April 20, for an extended week end with her parents.

Birdie (Robin) Wright, our switchboard operator, escorted Boss Dale W. Davison to the ABWA (American Business Women's Association) Bosses' Night Banquet held in March, and which we failed to mention in the last issue.

It was a real pleasure to visit with some of the District 9 Headquarters group at Harrison on April 27, and to meet many of the persons whose names were so familiar. The girls in the office, Edris Hulsey and Minnie B. Shinn, were very sweet and gracious. I enjoyed conversations with District Maintenance Superintendent Jewel Whitaker and others, all of whom made me feel welcome. It was impossible not to feel some wistfulness (and a little envious) over the beautiful surroundings and the serene and calm atmosphere of the office, in spite of busy activity. My sincere thanks to them for a nice afternoon. On the return trip, my husband and I drove down (I should say up and down) one of the 10 most scenic highways in the United States - Highway 7. It's obvious why it was one of those selected. We were completely awed by the majestic beauty of the Ozarks, lush with Spring greenery and dogwood. The highway is paved (of course!) and in good condition. We're glad we chose that route.

planning and research

Bonnie Liner

There are new faces in Planning and Research again this month. In Traffic Section we have Jimmy Smith. Jimmy comes from Dumas, Arkansas, and is a 1958 graduate of the University of Arkansas.

In the Mapping and Drafting Section we have Mary Ann Dickinson. Mary Ann lives in Little Rock and is a part-time student at Little Rock University.

Harold Dunn finished his last day here in the Division April 11. He now operates a service station on the Baseline and Geyer Springs Road. We wish him lots of luck with his new business venture.

Some of our group have celebrated blessed events during the past few weeks. Jim Williams in Road Life and Road Inventory has a baby boy born April 8, weighing 5 pounds.

Dale Spencer, one of our engineering trainees has a baby girl born Friday, April 14, weighing 7 pounds, 13 ounces. AND, Marlin Powell and his wife were especially favored with a 15 month old baby boy weighing 25 lbs. Congratulations to all of these proud parents.

Leroy Beckett's wife, Mary Ruth, was in the hospital for major surgery. She is back at home now and doing very well.

Spring has officially "sprung" and while many of us have the usual spring fever, many of us have the usual spring colds, hay fever and sore throats. Bill Headrick was in bed for a week with a sore throat, but is back at work again going in full "swing."

The doctor has confirmed our convictions. We have always known that Bill Moore is a "Sourpuss." After a dizzier-than-usual day not long ago, the doctor told him that he needed more sugar in his system.

district 1

Janet McElduff

May we take this opportunity to re-introduce ourselves? It has been since August of 1958 that District 1 had any news in the "Arkansas Highways," a fact that definitely is not to our credit. We would however, like to join the "gang" and share our news of District 1 with you.

The girls in the office enjoyed looking through the old issues of the magazine recently in an effort to ascertain just when the last news item was released from this District. It was noted in the March-April issue of 1956 that Barry Smith, son of Red Smith, our equipment supervisor, received recognition as one of the best spellers in his grade at Wynne Elementary School, with the encouragement to keep up the good work. We are pleased to report that five years later Barry has once again received the same recognition, in that he represented the Wynne Junior High School in the county spelling bee this Spring. I might add that my daughter, Ellen McElduff, represented the elementary school too. Though they did not win, both Barry and Ellen did a good job. The girls had laughs too over items such as the announcement in 1954 of the birth of Bob Stacy, son of Mildred Stacy, our bookkeeper. Bob is now a big first grader. And in December of 1954 when Dick (female) Ethridge, our fuel clerk, was welcomed to this office force. Time does fly and perhaps in the coming months we will gradually bring you up to date on all of our force.

Since 1958 we have acquired a new District Engineer, being C. M. Matthews

who was transferred here in December of 1959 from Harrison. He and his family have made a welcome addition to the community, especially in the school area. His daughter Martha, is one of the most popular teachers in junior high, and Charlotte, who is a junior in high school, was selected as queen of the "Stinger," the high school annual.

We have all shared in the delight and pleasure that James Hamilton, our maintenance superintendent, and Leota his wife, have had in the arrival of their first grandchild, a fine boy, who was born in November of 1960. Visits to Florida are even more tempting than ever now for the Hamiltons.

Since the last news in 1958 we have two new employees in the office. Rosemary Weeden, who is a native of Wynne, joined us in June of 1960 as a clerk in the stockroom. Rosemary and Maxine English, who is an old-timer, make a good working team in the stockroom. With the transfer by A. P. & L. of my husband from Helena to Wynne, I joined the Highway Department in September of 1960 as secretary to Mr. Matthews.

Within the last two years we have completed five new area headquarter buildings. We still have two areas without buildings, but plans are in progress to complete this project with the near future. Each area foreman is equally proud of his building, and each has taken a personal interest in improvements around the buildings. There have been fish-frys and barbeques to celebrate the openings of these area headquarters.

Since 1958 we have had the usual number of office celebrations - birthdays, Christmas, and the like. One of the cutest birthday cakes was in honor of Mildred Stacy's birthday in January - a delicious orange chiffon baked by Glenda Crafton and very appropriately colored Omaha Orange!

News from out in the field is light with this edition, but we hope to have a basket-full in time to send in next time. We are proud to announce that Billy Cline is the father of a fine baby boy. Billy is assistant to the resident engineer at Marion. Charles Mitchell joined us in February of this year, He is an engineering assistant and is stationed in Brinkley.

The shop crew have put in many hard hours getting the mowers in shape for summer, and are glad the job is complete. Our loquacious bull-dozer operator, Jess Gaynor, visited his daughter and doctor son-in-law in Virginia over Easter. Pat Russell has recently moved into his new home in Bay Village, and Jeff Lindley has just returned from a trip to Biloxi, Mississippi. He and his mother-in-law and sister-in-law enjoyed the Azalea Trail. He says he left his wife at home to do the chores.

We trust that receiving news from District 1 will not be too much of a shock to the Editor. It is our avowed intent to let

the rest of the State know that there is a District 1 of the Highway Department! (Yes, we were shocked! But very happy to hear from District 1 again. And we hope you keep your word about future news. Ed

district 2

Ouida Grimes

Mr. and Mrs. Garland Vick, Lincoln County area foreman, have moved into their new home in Star City. We all hope you have a lot of happy days in it.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Bobby Vinson, who are the proud new parents of a baby son born April 1, 1961, in the Jefferson Hospital. His name is Michael Lee.

The contractor, Arthur J. Arney, started to work April 17 on the new addition to our District Office. We are looking forward to the completion date.

We have recently completed the Maintenance Area Headquarters Buildings at Hamburg and McGehee. We now have area headquarter buildings in all of our counties except Jefferson.

Job 2619, the International Paper Mill road, was recently completed. It consisted of placing crushed stone base and asphaltic concrete hot mix surfacing on 1.8 miles of Highway 81 in Jefferson County. The work was done by Southeast Construction Company of Pine Bluff. L. K. Howell was resident engineer.

James Pierce and family are the owners of a new red Comet. Congratulations!

Congratulations also to James Roy Minchew, who received his 10 year service awards in April, and Mack Lee Walker, who received his 5 year awards.

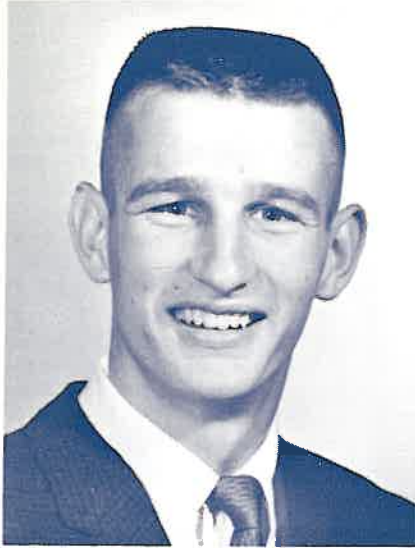
W. J. Ryals of Lake Village killed a big wild turkey that dressed 21 pounds and had a 10 inch beard!!

We are very proud of our employees' children. Dicky Jarboe, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert O. Jarboe of Lake Village, was elected president of the student body for the 1961-62 school year at the Lakeside High School. Dicky is president of the Junior Class and a member of the National Honor Society. He lettered in football and basketball. (See picture of Jarboe on next page.)

James W. Perry's son, Bob J. Perry a freshman at the University of Arkansas, has been named president of Alpha Gamma Rho Fraternity Pledge Class in elections held on the Fayetteville campus. A student in the College of Agriculture, he is a graduate of Monticello High School.

Harry Keith Wilson, twin son of our Mr. and Mrs. Woodrow K. Wilson, married Miss Ruth Anne Dodson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John William Dodson all of Monticello. Harold Kelvin Wilson served his brother as best man. A reception was held

in the church parlors following the ceremony. They are home at 806 North Bailey, Monticello. Both are students at Arkansas A & M College. We wish them the best of luck.



Dicky Jarboe, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Jarboe of Lake Village.

they are as proud as can be and needless to say she will probably be spoiled from all the attention she will receive. We are very happy for the Starks on this event.

Other proud parents are Sherwood and Wanda Faye Page of Prescott, who have a baby boy, Charles Russell, born April 7, and Thomas Vernetia Adams, a son, Thomas Dale on April 18. Some of the "proud as peacock" grandparents include Ardell and Nellie Clark, whose grandson Clark Bennett Woods, made his arrival on April 12 in Memphis. His parents are Marjorie and Bennett Woods. Marie and George Lively welcomed their new granddaughter Rebecca Lynn Bruce on April 8. Pamela and Max Bruce are her parents.

The office personnel are very proud of the new ceiling in the offices, which is white acoustical tile. This work was done by Forrest Lee, Mike Floyd, C. L. Sharp, U. C. Rhodes, H. L. Myrick, and R. M. Bullard. These men are to be complimented as they did an excellent job.

Our deepest sympathies are extended to Waldo and Melvin Wylie, whose father died on April 4. Mr. Wylie was from Gillham.

and Stuart was uninjured. After five days in a hospital at Linares, N.L. Mexico, Ed traveled with his father via automobile 80 miles to Monterrey where he was put aboard a plane for Little Rock. He was accompanied by his brother Bill on the air trip. He is now at home and well on the way to recovery, expecting to trade a plaster cast for a lighter brace the latter part of May. He is able to be up and expects to return to the University for final examinations and his degree. Good luck, Ed.

We extend our sincere sympathies to W. L. Gingerich in the death of his son-in-law.

district 7

Burnham and Campbell

W. I. Loftin and Hamp Wilson retired April 1. Loftin was with the Department for 11 years and Wilson, 10 years. They will be missed by their co-workers who wish them the best of luck. We are looking forward to a big fish fry real soon. Hamp is the best perch fisherman in Ouachita County and the fish are ready...How about you, Hamp?

We are happy to have W. H. (Pete) Nelson back on the job after a slight injury while operating a front end loader.

Mr. and Mrs. W. V. Bradshaw accompanied his parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Bradshaw to Sherman, Texas to meet their daughter, Virginia. Virginia drove her grandparents to Los Angeles for a two-weeks trip.

District 7 enjoyed visits from the following from Little Rock recently: J. E. McCarthy, Jonnie Beavers, G. W. Stanford, and Ronald Keene.

Congratulations to the service award recipients in April. They were Guy Garfield Golden, 20 years; Frank William Mulligan, 15 years; and Henry Willis Garner and Henry W. Herring, 5 years.

New employees in the Construction Division with Resident Engineer C. L. Baucum are, James L. Williams and Jessie W. Millican. Those with J. C. Webb are James K. Coston, Richard R. Warnock, and James D. Rowland.

The Hugh Andersons and W. V. Bradshaws visited in Tulsa with the Bradshaw's daughter Virginia, who is employed with the Bovaird Supply Company...Virginia Hicks, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Hicks, accompanied Virginia Bradshaw on a trip to spend the Easter holidays with their respective parents.

Robin Carlson, small daughter of Mary Nell Carlson, recently had a tonsillectomy but has returned to school.

Harold Moore spent his vacations taking the thermal baths at Hot Springs. He returned feeling like a new man and exceptionally clean...

district 6

Jones and Trawick

Edith Greene recently returned from a vacation at Pyen, where she visited her sister Mary. Edith was accompanied by her brother Dutch, from Oklahoma. She returned with a 1960 Ford and the rest of us wish we could spend our vacations as profitably.

Ralph Hunt retired from the Highway Department on April 5 after 25 years of service. We gave a "going-away" party for Ralph and presented him with a silver Ronson lighter set. Ralph will be missed greatly by his many friends in District 6, and we wish him much happiness in his retirement years.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. David Moore on the birth of a baby daughter, Rhonda Gail, born April 11, weighing 6 pounds, 12 ounces.

Edward Jeter, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Jeter, and a former employee of Construction and Planning and Research divisions, was seriously injured in a car accident April 1 about 200 miles south of the Mexican border. Edward and two other University of Arkansas students, Dan Olsen of Copenhagen, Denmark, and Stuart Harris of Stamps, Arkansas, were enroute Mexico City for the Easter holidays when a cow strayed into the path of Ed's Volkswagen, causing Olsen, who was driving, to lose control of the car. Ed, asleep in the front seat, was thrown through the windshield and landed against a tree. He received head lacerations, a minor skull fracture, and three broken vertebrae of his neck. Dan suffered a broken collar bone

district 3

Olive Jackson

Carl Morris of Accounting in Little Rock was in our office on April 19, for the first time. We were very happy to have him. Also, some other visitors from Little Rock were with us, Jake Clements and A. G. Rives.

J. E. Lowder, acting district engineer, attended a board meeting of the Arkansas Society of Professional Engineers in Little Rock on Friday, April 14.

Visiting in the home of Lester and Hester Purtle on Sunday, April 16 to celebrate Lester's birthday were the following children: Mrs. Margaret Alexander and family of Crossett; Wallace Purtle and family of Prescott; Mrs. Bill Imus and family of Brinkley; Mrs. C. Mildred Griebel and family of Little Rock; and his step mother-in-law, Mrs. Lizzie Gullick of Prescott.

We are happy to report that Welcome D. McAteer, who has been in the hospital at Camden, is now convalescing at his home. Also, Elmer Horn, who has been in the hospital at Nashville, is back on the job.

Congratulations to the following April recipients of service awards: James Lester Purtle, 20 years; Harlan Andrew Grimes, 10 years; and Hosey Lester Myrick and Franklin Sherwood Page, 5 years.

After having six fine sons, Margaret and James Stark finally got a little daughter, Lillie Mae, who arrived March 25...

District Engineer W. E. Hicks and George Orsburn, Clark County maintenance foreman, attended a Chamber of Commerce luncheon at Arkadelphia April 25, at which Mr. Oliver made a talk to the group, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Bartell spent a two-week vacation in Kansas, California and other points of interest.

Peggy Millican reports that Mr. Baucum's office enjoyed the following visitors the past month: Paul Schenke, Mr. Rice, Mr. Boydston, and Mr. Alexandria with the Bureau of Public Roads, and H. R. Lucus of the Construction Office in Little Rock.

Wedding bells will be ringing soon at the home of the C. L. Baucums for their daughter, Wanda. The wedding is planned for June 3 in Magnolia. The lucky man is Bobby Fawcett of Cabot. We wish them the very best of luck.

O. A. Ballard, inspector, returned to work on April 1 but was only with us two weeks then had to resign due to ill health.

We are happy to have Shelton Adams, Jr., with us, as a new employee in Bradley County.

John Livingston has been making the news headlines with the large bass and numerous smaller bass he caught on recent trips with friends to the Lake of the Narrows.

district 8

Netha Brown

We are very pleased that the weather has finally turned pretty for a number of reasons—but one big reason is that the work on the addition to our building is progressing very rapidly now. The stock room is to be moved into the new room, and the present stock room will be turned into badly needed office space. We here in the office have been "supervising" the work and believe that the Highway boys are doing a very good job.

It is a pleasure to report that Otho Elliott has returned to work after recuperating from a broken leg.

district 9

Morton and Hulsey

Congratulations to Jeff Davis, Homer Snodgrass, and Buck Shay, who received 25-year service awards at the March Commission Meeting. Others receiving awards recently were: John Burlsworth and Dell Kendall, 20 years; S. H. Blair, Tommie Day, J. F. Tembrook, and Dick Hinchman, 5 years.

Homer Snodgrass, mentioned above, retired from AHD. we extend our best wishes to him for a long and happy retirement. We welcome Jadie Allen, who replaced Mr. Snodgrass as area foreman in Washington County.

We welcome the following new employees in Construction: Don Kemp, Fayetteville; Timmie Roberts, Harrison; Marlene Cartmell, Huntsville, and Diana Treece, Leslie.

Jim Selby, resident engineer at Fayetteville, was in the hospital for several days but we are glad to say he has completely recovered and is back at work.

Ray Crouse and family have sold their house in Harrison and moved to a farm on Highway 7-South, near Pruitt, Arkansas.

The Springdale Headquarters has a new superintendent and he is none other than Alton Farley, an employee of the Department for many years. We feel that Alton will very capably carry on the duties of his new assignment.

Hayden Snelgroes was a patient in the VA Hospital at Poplar Bluff, Missouri for two months following a major operation. We are very happy that he has recovered and is back on the job at Henderson Ferry.

We understand that Troy Pruitt, Henderson Ferry supervisor, and Hugh Perryman, pilot, recently purchased Rotary Garden Tillers and are planning on going into the gardening business in a big way...Troy says he bought the tiller for his wife but we feel sure that Mrs. Pruitt will see that he gets a little experience, also.

Reports from Henderson Ferry is that the fish are really biting! Thurman Snelgroes brought in an extra nice string of lunker-size bass recently. Also having good luck were Mr. W. F. Oliver, who spent the week end at Henderson, Arkansas.

Troy Pruitt is in the process of repairing and repainting the barges at Henderson Ferry - getting ready for the heavy traffic during the coming months.

The new asphalt mixing plant at Flippin is now in full production under the supervision of Ray Duffy.

The spring rains have caused a number of slides in Newton and Searcy Counties, which have really kept the crews "hop-ping." At last report, we had seven slides in Newton County and two in Searcy County.

district 10

Kathryn Booker

Congratulations to the following in District 10 who received 5 year Certificates of Merit and Service Pins, during the past month: J. H. Burton and Carl Harris.

We enjoyed visits from the following from the Little Rock office during the past month: C. A. Shumaker, Ed Orsini, Tom Smith, Carl Hosack, and Thurman Payne.

J. C. Cobb and N. B. Ladd attended the First Aid Training School held March 13-16 in the Commission Room of the Little Rock Highway Building. They reported a very informative course.

Sorry we failed to mention in our last reporting that Bill O'Quinn received his 30-Year Certificate of Merit and Service award at the February Commission Meeting. Congratulations to "Mr. Bill" for job well done.

Clifford Saylor, heavy turck driver for maintenance in our district, and Mrs. Saylor, are the very proud parents of a new baby boy, Paul Dewayne, born April 23 at the Community Methodist Hospital in Paragould. Young Paul weighed 7 pounds, 2 ounces. Congratulations to the happy couple!

Other visitors this month from Little Rock were: Ward Goodman, C. A. Shumaker, and R. B. Winfrey...Always enjoy these visits and come back soon.

Marinell Coe of Tuckerman, Arkansas, granddaughter of Henry Coe, assistant maintenance superintendent here, has just received another honor - the Beard Citizenship Award, given to a Tuckerman High School senior each year. Marinell was chosen by the faculty to receive the award on the basis of many outstanding qualifications. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Clitus Coe of Tuckerman. Congratulations to Marinell for this achievement. Henry Coe is justifiably proud of his granddaughter.

We deeply regret the untimely passing of Bill Green, 30, Columbia, Missouri, as a result of injuries received from a recent automobile accident in Columbia. Our sympathies are extended his wife, the former Dorothy Lovelace and children and other members of his family. Mr. Green was the son-in-law of F. F. Lovelace, mechanic in our shop.

WHO??



This one is a cinch. At least to those who know her. She's a sec, and has been working since 1958.

CROSSWORD PUZZLE

Original by Edwin Hoggard, P&R

**THIS'LL
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By
Jimmy Zinn



ONE WAY TICKET

Several years ago, a farmer on Panther Creek in Marion County was doing a little moonshining on the side. A U.S. Marshall got wind of it; stopped at his home and inquired of his eight year old son where his father could be found.

"He's over at th' still runnin' off a batch," was the lad's naive reply.

"Will you take me to him," asked the officer.

"Shore, I'll take you to him fer money enough," answered the boy.

"Will \$100 be enough," offered the officer.

"Shore, Mister I'll take you to him fer \$100," agreed the lad.

The pair had gone about a mile when the boy said, "Mister you aint give me that \$100 yet."

"Wait until we get back and you'll get it," promised the Marshall.

"But Mister," drawled the lad, "you aint a-comin' back."

A well-known general on a trip to Spain had his aide cable ahead for reservations, asking for "the top floor, finest accommodations, best view, etc., etc., etc."

Arriving at the hotel, the general was greeted enthusiastically by the management and was shown to his luxurious quarters. There, to his surprise, sat three stunning señoritas.

"For heaven's sake," he gasped. "Who are these young ladies?"

"These," replied the manager, "are the three etceteras!"

Sitting for, it seemed to him hours fishing, the small boy suddenly threw down his pole and cried, "I quit."

"What's the matter?" his father asked.

"Nothing, really, 'cept can't seem to get waited on."

The doctor who'd made the multiple delivery was standing by and proudly remarked, "You know triplets happen only about once in ten thousand times."

"Ten thousand TIMES?" echoed the bewildered young father. "Why that's impossible - we've only been married a year!"

At a party a doctor was complaining about all the women who approached him for advice on these occasions. "You know," he said to the man sitting beside him, "You're a lawyer, do you think I should charge them for this advice even if I give it after office hours?"

"By all means," said the lawyer. "Advice is advice."

Next day the doctor received an envelope from the lawyer. The bill read simply: "For advice - \$50."

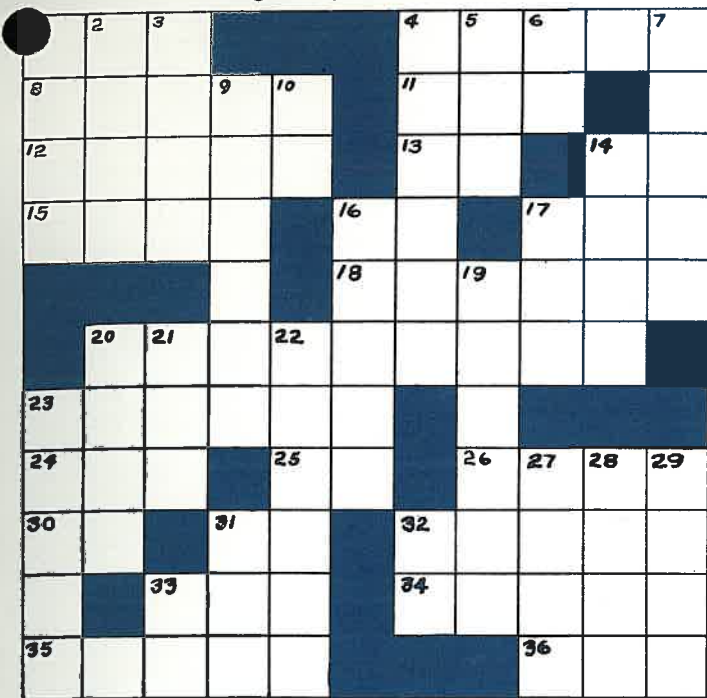
When Junior brought home his first report card the father signed it with an 'X' explaining: "I don't want your teacher to think that anyone who can read and write could have a son like that."

A draftee was rudely awakened by his platoon sergeant after his night in the Army barracks.

"Say you, it's 4:30," bellowed the sergeant.

"Four-thirty!" gasped the rookie. "Man, you'd better get to bed. We got a big day tomorrow."

If Harry should wed Carrie - would it be Carrie - Harry, or vice versa?



ACROSS

1. Exclude
4. Create a picture
8. Run away to be married
11. Annex
12. Coral island
13. Toward
14. Depart
15. Love to excess
16. Spanish "yes"
17. Thick black liquid
18. Flag
20. Act of resounding
23. Round flat caps
24. Single unit
25. That man
26. Epochs
30. Presence by
31. I
32. Sky blue
33. Respectful address to a man
34. Wild fight
35. Entranceways
36. Organ of hearing

DOWN

1. Member on a jewelry string
2. Singing voice
3. Underground plant tentacle
4. Surface mellowing of copper
5. Fuss
6. Lowest subconscious part of the mind
7. Plant barb
9. To be agreeable
10. Spanish "the"
14. Pledge
16. Intelligence
17. Habitual twitching
19. Spasmodic expulsion of the breath
20. Cost paid for occupancy
21. Before
22. Those apart
23. Short plank
27. Regulation
28. Region
29. Fortune teller
31. Russian community
32. Form of "to be"
33. Therefore

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