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FIVE AHD MEN RECEIVE RETIREMENT AWARDS FROM COMMISSION

Five men, with a total of 118 years' service, retired from the Highway Department and were presented awards by the Commission on April 29. Acting Director Ward Goodman made the presentations and spoke briefly about the career of each

recipient.

George Lambert Fry, assistant to the chief engineer, retired after 38 years' service; William Clinton Fry, area foreman in District 8, received a 26-year certificate; Stanley Melvin Newman, resident engineer in District 1, 24 years' service; John Clarence Thompson, heavy truck driver in District 5, 19 years' service; and Dick Martin Bryan, job superintendent, District 8, 11 years.

A large audience was on hand to watch the ceremonies. Special guests were Mrs. Fry, Mrs. Thompson, Mrs. Goodman, and Mr. Pruitt, who was guest

of Mr. Bryan.

GEORGE FRY began his long career 12 years after the Highway Department was founded. He was bom in Chester, Tenn., and graduated from high school at Boliver. He gained his vast engineering knowledge through correspondence courses, and in his work, which included five years in Memphis. He joined the Department in 1925 and is among the few who have served continuously for such a long period of time.

George started as resident engineer and since then has held such titles as location engineer, assistant district engineer, assistant division engineer, engineer of Roadway Design, principal engineer, and the job he held when he retired. George has been called the "watchdog" of the taxpayer's money since he had a talent for obtaining the best design at the least possible expense. George did much to bring Arkansas out of the mud to our present modern highways. He remembers well the days when, in surveying across a river, he would swim, pulling the chain across; now the "tenderfoots" go after a boat and motor. His willingness to lead, not drive; to teach his men to swim, not sink, plus his high personal standards, are just a few of his outstanding traits.

George married the former Miss Myrtle Meadow of Waverly, Tenn., and they will observe their fortieth anniversary soon. They have one daughter, Mrs. Jane Byrd of Greensboro, N.C., and two grandchildren.

George is a registered professional engineer; a member of the Pulaski Heights Presbyterian Church, a member of the Arkansas Society of Professional Engineers.

WILLIAM FRY, better known among his friends as Bill, was born in Tennessee also, at Lynnville. When a small boy he moved with his family to Atkins, Ark., where he received his early education,

graduating from high school in 1924.

Following in the footsteps of his father, he began his working career on a farm. After a few years he opened his own mercantile store but sold it during the lean years of the 30's. He came to the Department in 1934 as tractor operator but has held several other titles, such as truck driver, patrol operator, county foreman and, since June, 1955, area foreman in District 8. The roads in Bill's territory are from one extreme to the other - rolling over hilly terrain to low bottom land, and it takes



Front row, left to right are: George Fry, William Fry, John Thompson, Stanley Newman, and Dick Bryan. In back, Commissioners Hampton, Harsh, and Taylor, and Acting Director Goodman.

men of his ability to keep them in excellent condition. Not only does he have that qualification but has an unusual ability to generate goodwill among

ployees and the traveling public.

Bill married the former Miss Ocie Smith of Russellville in 1926. They were married 36 years prior to her death in 1963. He has two children, William of Springfield, Mo., and Nealia Jane Swain of Atkins, plus five grandchildren.

Bill is an active member of the Atkins Methodist Church where he serves on the Board of Stewards.

STANLEY NEWMAN is a native of Helena. He graduated from the high school there in 1916 and enrolled at the University of Arkansas where he received a BS degree in 1920. He continued his studies, specializing in structures at the Massachusettes Institute of Technology.

His working career began as a designer for a consulting engineer but after a few years' experience, established his own firm. Although successful, he discontinued practice to accept a residency with the Highway Department in 1929. He has been in and out a number of times, but returned in 1944 and has remained since. He is a registered professional

engineer.

Among Stan's titles during his years with AHD are inspector, locating engineer, resident engineer or assistant construction engineer, and staff specialist, a title he was given when the Helena Bridge

was being constructed.

Stanley is married to the former Miss Mina Ehrman Helena. He is active in civic affairs at Helena - a member of the Helena Chamber of Commerce; chairman of the Helena Planning Commission; and a member of the Phillips County Planning Commission. He attends Temple Beth El Synagogue. Stan served in

the Army during World War II.

JOHN THOMPSON was born in Greene County, at Paragould, where he received his early education. Starting his career with the Department in 1935 as a "grease monkey," he advanced to a mechanics' helper and later to heavy truck driver. His service with the Department was frequently interrupted when work was slack or when the state was without funds. Like many of our employees, he worked for the WPA and several construction companies. Somehow, he always managed to work on road projects. All of his years with AHD have been spent working out of the District Office at Batesville and he can well remember when 30 cents per hour was good pay for driving a truck. He has always been a conscientious employee, available any hour of the day or night should an emergency arise.

Thompson is married to the former Miss Vallic Parsley. They have two children, Nadine Winn of Lawton, Okla., and Harold Lee of Texarkana, Tex.,

and one grandchild.

The Thompsons are active in the First Baptist Church at Batesville, where he is secretary of the ining Union. John numbers horseback riding as one of his favorite pasttimes and watching the Yankees on television.

DICK BRYAN is a transplanted Arkansan. He was

born at Matoon, Ill., but moved with his family to Oklahoma early in life. He attended schools there and graduated from high school in 1917.

His supervisory talents began to show when he was appointed manager of a plantation in Mississippi. After that, he sought employment as a carpenter and traveled wherever the work was available. This led to Atkansas where he settled down in Russellville.

He joined the Department in 1953.

His services in the Department have been utilized as bridge foreman and, in 1962, he was promoted to job superintendent. He is highly qualified to direct the repairs of steel, concrete, and timber structures and is always on hand to supervise the operation of opening bridges across the Arkansas River at Morrilton and Dardan elle.

Dick married the former Miss Anna Overstreet, who died in 1958. They had three sons, two of whom are residing in California, and one in Florida. He has five grandchildren. Dick is a member of the Russell-ville Baptist Church.

Raymond Holland, District 9, Retires



On Wednesday, April 15, Raymond Holland was presented with his retirement certificate by Jewell Whitaker at a party held at the District Office at Harrison. Many of his friends and co-workers attended the presentation and extended their wishes for a long and happy retirement. Raymond first came to the Department April 1, 1930 and over a period of 20 years, performed the duties of asphalt plant foreman, Boone County foreman, and assistant job superintendent. Raymond and his wife, Mary, reside in Harrison and have one son, Don, who lives in Missouri.

DIPLOMACY AND THE HIGHWAY ENGINEER

The Skillful Diplomat is as Precise and Careful in his Treatment of Facts as is the Skillful Engineer

> by: L. W. Prentiss Executive Vice President ARBA

THE QUALITIES desirable in an engineer, and in the highway engineer particularly, can be summed up in professional competence, personal integrity, intestinal fortitude, dedication to the job, and diplomacy. The first four qualities are found in almost all of our highway engineers.

But what about "diplomacy?"

Unfortunately, many engineers tend to think of diplomacy in terms of the epigram by John Hay:

There are three species of creature who when they seem coming are going, when they seem going they

come: diplomats, women, and crabs.

We tend to think of the diplomat as a man who wears a mask. He may smile while the government he represents is planning a sneak attack, or he may bluff and bluster, threatening violence, when no violence is intended.

Engineers, on the other hand, are trained to deal in facts. Their recommendations and reports are likely to be blunt and direct. Normally, facts can speak for themselves, without need or benefit of window-dressing. But, in situations where the facts may be obscure, the engineer tends to reserve judgement until he can dig out the facts and figures and look at them with a great deal of care.

Of course, the impression that the diplomat's chief business is to mislead people is not at all correct. He too deals in facts. A major part of his job is that of collecting facts about the government and economics of the country where he is stationed, and reporting these facts, as accurately as possible, to his home office. When he functions as a spokesman for his government, he must be very careful to know exactly what he is to say and say it in the precise manner and at the precise time which the situation demands.

The skillful diplomat is as precise and careful in his treatment of facts as is the skillful engineer.

What's the problem, then? Why isn't the engineer

a natural diplomat?

The problem is that the engineer tends to think that, once the facts have been exposed, everybody knows about them. Or, at least, he assumes that a person who is interested in any given state of affairs, but who does not know the facts, will take it upon himself to learn the facts. In short, engineers have a tendency to think that people in general will think the same way that engineers do.

Experience teaches us that this is not so. People think emotionally. They tend to believe what they read in the papers, leaping to the conclusion that the people who work for the newspapers have seen

all the facts and have properly sorted them out. The general public does not delve for facts, it is little inclined to look beneath the surface of things.

Too often, engineers become impatient, and then stubborn. They want to push ahead with the course of action dictated by the facts, regardless of the opposition of those who do not understand the facts.

Things go much easier for the engineer who has learned to be a diplomat.

Here, then, is an outline for a short course in diplomacy for highway engineers:

1. Be sure that you understand the facts yourself.

2. Remember that the people who work for you represent you in the community, whether you want them to or not. Be sure that they have a clear understanding of what is going on in your department and why. They must also understand how important it is for them to impress the public favorably with this understanding.

3. When you have a new project to sell, don't try to move too fast. It's often a good idea to plant a few suggestions with key people. If they are intelligent people, they will think about your suggestions and develop them into the project you had in mind. They will be much more likely to support their

brain-children than yours.

4. As a corollary to the above, don't waste time trying to prove how smart you are. People will be much more impressed with your ability to recognize how smart they are.

5. Operate in the open as much as possible. If anyone shows an interest in information you have on file in your office, make it easy for them to inspect

6. Answerall questions courteously and factually, but do not burden your interviewers with a lot of trivial data that is not asked for. Sometimes an over-enthusiastic, detailed explanation will leave the impression that "George has a good head for details but he doesn't see the big picture."

7. Don't get mad at stupid people. Sympathize

with them.

8. Don't get mad at smart people. Try to find out the real reason they are opposing you and, when a reasonable compromise is possible, work things

9. Think public relations. Accurate information properly presented is one of the basic tools diplomacy.

To the average motorist, a road is a road. He is

GEORGE FRYS HONORED WITH PARTY

A party was given for George Fry and Mrs. Fry on April 29, the day George received his retirement certificate for 38 years' service.

Held in the office of Assistant Chief Engineer John T. Pendergrass, it was attended by practically all Central Office employees, who dropped by to bid

their friend goodbye.

The table was beautifully decorated with a white cloth, which held a centerpiece of spring flowers, flanked by two silver candelabras. An assortment of cakes, cookies, mints, nuts, lime punch, and coffee were served. Those responsible for the table arrangements and serving were Leontee Connelly, Katherine Sadler, Virginia Deckard, June Dillon, Bertie Carr, Carolyn Carnley, and Daisy Conley. Mrs. Ward Goodman and Mrs. Pendergrass poured.

The Frys were presented with gifts of luggage from their many friends in the Highway Department.

We wish George many happy years of retirement. He has eamed them well.



Mr. and Mrs. Fry, pictured at the festivities held in their honor.

Diplomacy - (con't)

aware that there are state roads and county roads and city roads, but the distinctions between them are not particularly important to the driver. State, county, and city highway administrators are likely to be regarded as parts of the same governmental machine. So the highway engineer is likely to be regarded as "Mr. Highways" by the people of his community - the man who knows the answers about road construction and road maintenance, the man who can be depended on to give sound advise to local community leaders in all matters affecting ighway transportation.

Perhaps you welcome this role. If so, fine. Whether you welcome it or not it is part of your job. Be prepared to handle it as tactfully and expeditiously as possible.



Fred Pulliam, squad boss in Roadway Design, who worked many years for Fry when he was head of the Roadway Design Division, presented the gifts to Mr. and Mrs. Fry.

JONESBORO PLAN TO BE DISCUSSED AT LONDON, ENGLAND

The "Jones boro Transportation, Land Use and Population Plan" has been selected for intensive discussion of comprehensive coordinated urban street and highway planning at the Seventh International Study Week in Traffic Engineering to be held in London, England, September 21-26, 1964. The Study Week is sponsored by the Permanent International Association of Road Congresses, the International Road Federation, and the World Touring and Automobile Organization.

The "Jonesboro Plan" was prepared by the Division of Planning and Research, the Jonesboro Traffic Study Advisory Commission, and the University of Arkansas City Planning Division, in cooperation with the Bureau of Public Roads and the Housing and Home Finance Agency. The Plan, completed in 1962, was a pioneer effort in coordination of urban and transportation planning and was the first study of its kind to be undertaken for a small city. The study has received national recognition and was also presented at the Fourth World Meeting of International Road Federation in Madrid, Spain, in October, 1962.

Information for the International Study Week discussion, consisting of a description of the plan, a map drawn in kilometers using international map symbols, and certain statistical data, was furnished by the Division of Planning and Research and the city of Jonesboro.

--B. K. Cooper
A ssistant Division Head
Planning and Research

NLR SENIOR SPENDS CAREER DAY AT AHD



Miss Pam Newell, a senior at North Little Rock High School, is shown with Acting Highway Director Ward Goodman who helped orientate her to the Highway Department on April 22. Pam was one of approximately 30 students who spent the day getting acquainted with and working in various offices in Little Rock and North Little Rock.

The North Little Rock Chamber of Commerce has been sponsoring a student career day since 1959. This year's students were from the second-year shorthand class.

Students are asked to express a preference as to where they would like to work on this special day, then the Chamber makes the necessary contacts to see if the businesses selected will cooperate in the program.

Pam, 17, is the daughter of Major and Mrs. Frank H. Whittington, 4518 Edgemore. She plans to attend Stephens College at Columbia, Mo. next fall. She is a member of the Catettes, FFLA, and Y-Teens.

HONORS HEAPED ON DAUGHTER OF AHD EMPLOYEE

Miss Judy Matthews of North Little Rock, daughter of H. B. (Fat) Matthews, staff engineer in the Construction Division, has accumulated perhaps more friends, more honors, and more stray dogs (her one weakness) during her four years of college work than any other student ever to attend Henderson State.

A tall, vivacious red-head, Judy's latest honor was when she was selected by the National Council of Alpha Sigma Alpha to be the sorority's first field secretary. Judy left Beta Mu chapter and Henderson State Teachers College in Arkadelphia last January to begin traveling throughout the United States to visit various chapters.

She graduated with a 3.77 cumulative grade average in a 4.0 system in the top ten per cent of her class. She majored in mathematics, with English as

GENERAL SAFETY INSTRUCTIONS FOR LIFTING

Wrong lifting methods cause unnecessary strains. If you will follow the practices suggested below, you will get better results from your efforts and guard yourself against injuries.

1. Be sure you have a good footing, then lift SLOWLY with a smooth, even motion. Do not jerk!

2. Be sure hands are not damp or greasy, and get a good hand hold.

3. When lifting a heavy object, position your body to the load to make a straight lift. Never lift while in an awkward position.

4. When lifting from the floor, keep your arms and back as straight as practicable, bend your knees, then lift with the leg muscles.

5. When it is necessary to lift from an elevation, such as a bench, table, or shelf, bring the object as close to your body as possible, keep your back straight, and lift with your legs.

6. When there is excessive weight and one person cannot handle object safely, ask for help. When in doubt, always ask for help.

-- Bill Huie, Safety Director

a minor field, and was the recipient of several scholarships, among them the coveted Alcoa Schola ship. Twice included in Who's Who in American Universities and Colleges, Judy was active in all phases of campus life. She served as co-business manager of the Oracle (the campus newspaper); coeditor of the 1963 Star (the yearbook); and was president of her dormitory. She was also a member of the Panhellenic Council, the Associated Women Students Council, Heart and Key Service Organization. Kappa Delta Pi, the Student National Education Association, the Student Christian Association, Alpha Chi Honorary Fraternity, and the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics. She served Beta Mu chapter as scholarship chairman and vice president, and received the chapter's Outstanding Member Award. She was also chosen Senior Class Favorite by her classmates.



Judy Matthews

HIGHWAY DAMES

Undaunted by thundershowers and Little Rock's parking problems, the Arkansas Highway Dames gathered for a day of lunch, bridge, and talk at the Wonder Bakery Hostess Room for their April meeting.

Forty members and guests enjoyed a tour of the bakery's bread-making process and then gathered for a welcome by Mrs. H. H. (Wilma) Perkins, president of the Dames. A salad luncheon was served after which games of bridge, canasta, and "just talk" completed the afternoon's entertainment.

The last meeting of the year will be the annual picnic in May. The exact date and location will be announced later.

-- Mary Virginia Smith (Mrs. M. S.)



Mrs. Kent Brown, Mrs. Goodman, Eugenia Deal, and Lottie Kohler.



Mrs. Jack McDonald, Mrs. M. S. Smith, and Mrs. H. H. Perkins.



Mrs. Lanky Rives, Mrs. Steward Pattillo, Mrs. Mark Woolsey, and J. T. Pendergrass.



Mrs. John Lane, Mrs. William Moore, Mrs. Travis Wells, and Mrs. Edward Branch,

DISTRICT 7 HAS BAR-B-QUE

A barbeque was held March 27 at the Magnolia maintenance yard, with approximately two-hundred persons attending. This included wives of Highway Department personnel, and guests and spouses. The music was furnished by a local band comprised of



Shown at the barbeque in District 7 are, clockwise, Mrs. John Harsh, Mrs. Charlie Baucum, Magnolia Police Chief Cleaver, Commissioner John Harsh, and District 7 Engineer, W. E. Hicks.

several AHD employees who work in the area. C. L. Baucum, resident engineer, furnished the pictures here. The party was sponsored by County Foreman Ray Rogers, who financed it by selling cold drink bottles and other salable items picked up in cleaning the right of ways.



The band members are, left to right, guitar, Booth; guitar, Jacks; violin, Booth; and piano, Jacks. Standing are Fred Duncan, Harold Jacks, Olin Machen, all of the County maintenance crew.

AROUND THE DEPARTMENT



Tyronza Hines

We have a new employee, Rose Clingan, who is our bookkeeping machine operator. Rose is married and resides at 1710 Center Street.



Rose Clingan

Pat Koonce and Jack Keilch received their certificates of service on April 17. Pat received her 5-year awards and Jack his 15-year awards. The occasion was celebrated with a decorative cake and ice cream. James McCarthy presented the awards to Pat and Jack.

Several of us enjoyed the Ice Capades at Barton Coliseum. Those who went were Lou Bradford, Joy Marshall, Brenda Sutton, Irene Hawkins, Olin Randle, Tom

Dixson, and this writer.

The measles are making the rounds again. Tanya Lay was the unlucky one to have them in Accounting and we're all hoping that we can escape them once again.

We are always glad to get acquainted with the families of our co-workers, and especially the children. Carl Morris' wife brought their little daughter, Marquetta Joy, to the office recently. Marquetta is now 13 months old and this was the first time to see her since she was only a few weeks old.

Linda Tucker and her mother paid us a visit on March 31, and we all got to take a peep at Linda's two-month-old son, Dwayne Scott. Linda was insurance clerk before going on leave.

We all enjoyed meeting Pat Koonce's mother, Mrs. Carl Racster, of Evansville, Ind., who came by for a short visit. Mr. and

Mrs. Racster visited Pat and her children for several days.

Johnnie Beavers was proud when he heard of his son's promotion to 1st. Lieutenant. Charles, the older son of Mollie and Johnnie, is stationed at Eglin Air Base at Ft. Walton Beach, Fla.

Mollie and Johnnie enjoyed a week end trip to Mountain Home recently, visiting Mollie's mother and other relatives.

Evelyn and J. J. Schamer's daughter, Margaret, flew over from Memphis recently to spend a week end with her

Pat Koonce had more guests the week end of April 25 when her brother and sisterin-law, Mr. and Mrs. Darrell Racster, and their baby daughter, Krystal, visited her. They reside in Evansville, Ind.

Our sympathies are extended to the family of D. H. Hamilton, who died April 20, at the age of 81. Mr. Hamilton was chief of Accounting for many years and was a friend to all who knew him. Those attending the funeral were James Mc Carthy, Jack Keilch, and J. J. Schamer, who was a pallbearer.



Dishongh and Perkins

The Final Estimate Section has four new employees: Mike Herndon, 1607 Booker, Little Rock; Jeff H. Flake, 4717 Lakeshore Drive, North Little Rock; Gary Lewis, Quitman, Ark.; and William Moore, 2705 Peyton, Little Rock. We welcome each of you into our group.

George West of the Final Estimate Section and Brenda Joy Sutton have made public the date of June 20 for their wedding. Brenda works in Accounting Division and is the daughter of Jeff Sutton, who works for Glenn Cotham, resident

engineer. We wish them the best.

Lynda Wallace, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Perkins, is at home with her parents at 4219 Lockridge, North Little Rock. She and her husband, A. F. Wallace, were in Laurel, Md., until April 4, when he was transferred to Keesler Air Force Base in Biloxi, Miss., for a 17-week training course. Lynda is infanticipating the last of July and will stay here until that

Jerry Brannon, who has been with the Final Estimate Section since September 1963, was injured in an accident in El Dorado April 19 and has had to have surgery on his shoulder in Memorial Hospital in North Little Rock. Jerry is recovering now although is in severe pain at times. We hope he recovers soon.

The last issue of the magazine which carried a good picture of the party for

C. A. Shumaker's 35-year pin party mistakenly listed H. H. Perkins as H. H. Hurley ("Mack" might not appreciate the referred relationship). (We're sorry about that, "Perk." Guess the H's got us confused. Editor)

Eddie Rogers, son of E. W. Rogers of the Final Estimate Section, will graduate from Hall High at the end of this semester. He plans to take pre-med at L. R. Univer-

sity this fall.

Tommy Koehler is still attending L. R. U. taking pre-engineering. He plans to begin full-time studies this fall. It will be a great loss to the section, however, we are all behind Tommy in his desire to receive a degree in engineering.
Ronnie Smith is taking a float trip down

Buffalo the week of May 4. He shouldn't have any trouble finding water. We wish

him lots of luck.

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. McCain vacationed in Tennessee the week of April 27...hope they had luck fishing.



Bonnie Thomas

Helen McNutt's daughter, Helen, was married recently to Marvin James of West Helena. They are living in Little Rock where both are employed.

Mary Jane Kniepkamp spent several days with a friend from Chicago. They spent a week touring various places in

Jane and Karl Huff spent a week vacationing in Missouri and other mid-western

states. Both enjoyed the trip.

Asa McCord's wife, Margaret, had surgery recently. We wish her a speedy recovery and hope she will be home soon. Buddy Lewter spent a week in the hospital for tests and examinations but is back at work again. Ed Johnson's daughter, Romona, had a tonsillectomy and spent a night in the hospital. Pat Patton's wife, Jane, had a bout recently with the measles.

Leroy Beckett and Marjarine Turner are sporting new cars this month. Leroy has a new Valiant station wagon and Marjarine

has a new Plymouth.

P&R has several new employees who will be working with us for the next ning months. They are Lindsey Bently
David Collins, David Conner, Chester
Jester, Daniel Paladino, Kenneth Scott,
James Walls, and Larry Winberly. These fellows will be working on the Travel-Tourist Survey which is in operation now.



EQUIPMENT

Sally Crook

Bonnie Hill became another year older April 28. Teasingly, she requested an orchid corsage and she received it - an artificial one. Her co-workers in the Procurement Office took her to dinner at Take-A-Taco April 30 and presented her with a gift. All four girls enjoyed Bonnie's birthday almost as much as she did.

Doris Healy, clerk in the Equipment

Doris Healy, clerk in the Equipment Division, had an emergency appendectomy April 14. We're all glad to have her back on the job.

Frank Boyett took a week's vacation April 6-10. He and his family went to Texas and Oklahoma and visited relatives there. He said they enjoyed it and there were no mishaps on the trip.

Henry Kirchoff spent Easter week end with his mother, Mrs. J. B. Kirchoff and other relatives and friends in Paragould.

Seven years ago Neal Healy and Shirley Lamb took their families to Greenville, Miss., to attend their wedding. Shirley and Neal returned to Greenville April 11 to refresh old memories. They enjoyed spending the day visiting the city and gathering souvenirs for their family and Shirley's friends in the office.

Helen Latture's son James, and Judy welch were married Friday, March 27 in Jonesboro. They are now at home there where both are seniors at Arkansas State

Sally and Larry Hibbs took some friends with them the week end of April 18 to Lake Nimrod. Few fish were caught but they had a gay time. Sally works in the Procurement Office.

We extend our sympathies to Lem Kirkpatrick, whose father-in-law, Dr. Walter Nowlin, died April 11.



PERSONNEL

Juniata Morgan

It sure seems natural for me to he sitting here on the very last day racking my brain for some news to write. I did the same thing every month when I was reporter for Procurement before resigning last August to move to Monticello. We moved back to Little Rock in December and I came to work in Personnel on March 23. I replaced Lucille McDonald who left the last of January to await the stork. Its good to be back.

The stork came calling on Lucille and dobert sooner than expected, and little Cynthia Lou was born March 23. Lucille brought her by to see us a few days ago. Naturally she is a little doll, and it was obvious that both mother and daughter are

doing fine. We congratulate the new parents.

We welcome Dorothy Lehman to our office. Dorothy came to work April 23 replacing Sandra Moye who resigned to move to Searcy. Dorothy's husband, Nail, is with the Borden Company. They have three children, Charles, 20, who attends Old Miss, Ronnie, 17, and Peggy, 13.



Dorothy Lehman

Jane Greenlee took five days vacation the last part of March. Since the boys were in school and husband Gerald was working, she didn't have a chance to go anywhere so about all she did was clean house.

Sibble Cox took two days annual leave. She and husband Robert packed their camping equipment and drove up to Greer's Ferry for one day and night. Although they enjoyed the trip and the scenery, Sibble didn't get to fish all she wanted to. There were so many motor boats and water skiers it was hard to find a quite place to fish. Sibble caught her biggest fish at home in her own lake.

Some of the Accounting crew has been working in our office recently. We all got together one day and had a pizza lunch. Sibble Cox brought the pizza, and if you have never eaten any of Sibble's pizza, you can take this reporter's word for it, its delicious!



Lou Hardy

Procurement has a great news flash this month - Miss Pamela Caple, daughter of Frank and Sylvia Caple, was a contestant in the North Little Rock "Miss City Beautiful" contest and came out holding the honor and title of "Miss Congeniality" for 1964-65. Pam is a senior this year at North Little Rock High. She's 5'9" tall,

135 pounds of personality plus, with brown hair, blue eyes and her measurements are 35-24-36. We are all proud of Pam and if you have noticed Frank Caple lately, you may have seen him going around with his coat unbuttoned.

Betty and Harold Claude celebrated their twenty-first wedding anniversary April 16 by dining at Hank's Dog House and then attending the Ice Capades. Frank Caple and family and also this writer and son, Kent, attended the show on ice.

We had only one birthday this month - Harold Claude on April 18.

Lewis Wade and family have been seeing some of the countryside recently. They visited Greer's Ferry Dam, Batesville, and Morrilton. The Wade household has been getting a face lifting. Wade has been painting the interior of their home in between the rains.

Frank Caple took several days off and drove to Augusta, Ga., for the Master's Golf Tournament and from all reports, had a wonderful time.

Willene Dorris' mother was taken to Maryland to the hospital for observation and possibly surgery on a condition which has developed in her eye.

The old fishing bug has bitten several in this Department: Bud and Willene Dorris and also Aubrey and Maurice Carroll. When may we expect the fish fry?

The Hardy family has a new member. A little black puppy named "Marty". If he lives through the tail-pulling and sitting-on he gets from Kevin, he will be a permanent member.



Shirley Childress

The Appraisal Section moved April 6 from West Capitol to the old Materials and Test building.

Charles Scott of the Appraisal Section is now the proud owner of a 1964, 500 Galaxie. It is white with blue interior.

Another owner of a beautiful new car is W. D. Little, chief of the Engineering Section. It is a light blue 1964 Pontiac convertible. He and Mrs. Little tried it out April 18 by taking a trip to Sherman, Tex.

Brenda Vocque of the Utilities Section quit April 15 to await the arrival of the stork sometime in July. The Utilities Section held a party in her honor, serving cake and coffee, and presented her with an electric sterilizer.

Before Brenda left all the girls of Rightof-Way took her to Fair Park for a picnic
lunch. Everyone brought a dish and we had
a delicious meal of fried chicken, baked
beans, potato salad, tomatoes, pickles,
olives and ice tea. Edith Garland, a former employee in Acquisition and now a
neighbor of Brenda's, attended the picnic
with us. It was real nice to see Edith
again and see the pictures of her 3month-old son, Mark.

Dolores French, Donna Reddin and Carolyn Halbert gave a stork shower for Brenda at Dolores's new home. The shower was attended by the girls from Right-of-

Way and was enjoyed by all.

We would like to welcome our two new employees, Bill B. Courtney and Linda Sue Karber. Linda Sue started to work in the Utilities Section April 16. Linda is a North Little Rock girl and is single. Bill Courtney is a draftsman in the Engineering Section. Bill has been with us since April 1; he lives in Little Rock and is single. (See pics below)





Bill Courtney & Linda Karber

Mrs. George Howell is at home after spending 4 weeks in the hospital recovering from a stroke suffered in her home last month. She has been making a remarkable recovery and we are all pleased to hear the good reports.

W. D. Luton's son brought him an interesting gift from Mexico last month. It was a live beetle that had rhinestones glued to his back and a little chain hooked on to the stone with a pen on the end of it so it can be wom. No one would believe he was real until he started to move, then you would really get some interesting reactions.



Barbara Little, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. D. Little, was married to Richard A. Higginbotham April 17 in the First Baptist Church of Jacksonville, by Rev. Bryan McSpaddin and Rev. Clyde Parsons. The reception was held at the Ramada Inn in Jackson ville.



June Dillon

It's been two months since we have been in the magazine, therefore some of the news may not be current. Much of it has to do with illness.

John and Gracie Dunn recently had visitors from Shreveport for the week end: Gracie's two sisters and a sister-in-law.

The Brooks Nichols family have had their lifetime quota of illnesses in these first few months of 1964. The three girls have had mumps, measles, and chickenpox. Linda was in the hospital several weeks but is recuperating at home now. Then Brooks had the mumps and was out of the office three weeks. Welcome back, Brooks. (P.S. Brooks is now a squad boss with a squad of four men.)

Kelly Vanlandingham, 3-year-old son of Roadway Designer Delbert, was in the hospital for a tonsillectomy.

Delbert took his examination for registration as a professional engineer April 17. We hope he passes with flying colors.

John Hicks was hospitalized for a time but is back at work now. His wife, Peggy, was in the hospital at the same time.

Mrs. Chester Siesicki was also hospitalized but is at home now. Chester was in Connecticut last month visiting his mother who has been ill.

John Adams was also hospitalized has returned to work...Sam Acheson was out of the office three days with a virus... Fred Pulliam had a complete overhaul in the hospital not long ago but we're happy he's back with us now.

Ray Maxey has a pretty bride. He and Lynda were married February 7 in Perry-

ville. (See pic)

Robert Morgan and Daphne Greer were married February 29. This means an anniversary gift once in four years.

Billy Hurt has moved into a new home at Alexander. The romantic address is very appealing - No. 2 Whispering Drive. Frank Lemon received his 10-year pin

and certificate of service last month. Ray Gamer resigned to work for civil

service at Ft. Polk, La. Ray had been with the Department 26 years.

Robert Thomas is a grandfather again! Buddy and wife are the parents of a boy, Robert Keith. Little Keith and parents live in Ft. Smith.

After six granddaughters, Travis Orton finally has that grandson!

Don Potter is the owner of a beautiful blue Pontiac. It has been rumored that wife Oleda is driving most of the time these days.

Glenn Trammel served three days on the Federal Grand Jury last month. Glenn was very impressed with the dignity of the Court.

Bud Smith came to Little Rock la month for his checkup. Several of us visited him in the hospital and were very pleased to see him looking so well.

The two new faces you have been seeing in Roadway are Richard Butler, who is married and lives at 2516 South Valentine, and Ray Dickinson, who is single and lives at Rt. 1, North Little Rock.

I hope I have successfully covered the news of the last two months. If I've missed anything, fellas, give me more news next time.



Newlyweds, Mr. & Mrs. Ray Maxey



Sharon & Judy

Some of the crew here in our offices were sporting some prize-winning sunburns one Monday recently. They bore an uncanny resemblance to those seen at the Sports Car Races at Stuttgart.

One Friday recently, our attention was arrested by five children who filed into the office claiming to be Van Campbell's grandchildren. We were all delighted to meet this little crew of "Campbellites" after hearing so much about them.

We welcome the following new employees: B. J. Hill of North Little Rock, who is working in the sign shop; M. S. Jones of Smithville; S. W. Leach, Conway; J. R. Pruitt, Jr., of Beebe; W. F. Blalock of Ola; Leonard Payne, Jr., and D. J. Rice of Searcy, who are all working with our center stripe crews.

Earl Hillis has bought a 1962 Mercury Monterey. It's white with a red and white

interior. Looks like a new car.

J. A. Richards, who had been with us since October, 1962, resigned April 3 to take a job with a construction firm.

Bill McClain is doing a lot of work on his property in Jacksonville. He plans to pild a house there after he sells his resent home in North Little Rock. He is setting out a number of fruit and pecan

Our center stripe crews have been doing some edge striping over the state. They have done an average of 10 miles in each of the 10 districts. Ninety-eight miles were already completed and this work brings the total to 207 miles. This striping along the edge of the highways is beneficial in many ways. It is a driving aid during night-time driving and also helps in rainy or foggy weather.



DISTRICT



Leslie Long

The roses along our front fence are blooming and a colorful sight to see.

On March 31, the District 2 employees gathered around and surprised Ouida Cruce by presenting her with a gift certificate. Punch and cake were served. We were sorry to see Ouida leave us and wish her luck.

A safety meeting was conducted April 16 at the area headquarters at DeWitt. Those attending were the Arkansas County crew, the St. Charles Ferry crew, and the eavy grading crew.

We are always happy to have visitors... Our most recent one was Jake Clements. We welcome James Arnold Albritton back to work in the Pine Bluff resident

engineer's crew. He resigned October 11, 1963, to enter military service.



We haven't had a ribbon-cutting ceremoney but our shop crew are happy about their new addition, which features electric doors, flourescent lighting, and electric hoist. Keeping safety in mind, with the additional space provided, another feature is our new welding shop.

The St. Charles Ferry on the White River was closed March 21. It is necessary to close the ferry when the river gauge

reaches 24.5.

Earl Appling and Sanford Varnell, who have both been hospitalized, have returned to work. And, two of our retired employees, C. B. Ussery and Garland Vick, are back in their homes after also being hospitalized.

Mr. and Mrs. Farrell Burks of Wilman are parents of a baby girl born April 7, named Lisa Ann. Mary and LeRoy Lunsford have a baby son, Scottie, who was born April 20. Congratulations to both

happy couples.



DISTRICT



Olive Jackson

A safety meeting was conducted at the District Office April 14 by Frank O'Donnell of Little Rock. The meeting was attended by Messrs. Jim Lowder, A. M. Clark, Ted Maryman, Floyd Pharris, Sam Huckabee, and all job superintendents and area foremen.

April service award recipients were: John Lawrence Burke, 15 years; and Charles Raymond Carlton and Sherrell F. Tumer, 10 years.

Employees who are on the sick list at this writing are: Earl (Mutt) Hampton of Hope who has been in the hospital, and Roy Payne of Nashville. We are glad that W. T. Tallant of Murfreesboro is back on the job after being hospitalized at the Veteran's Hospital in Little Rock.

Marjorie and Bennett Wood of Little Rock are parents of a little son, Jonathon David, who arrived March 26. Ardell and Nellie

Clark are grandparents. Also, Mr. and Mrs. Coy Campbell, Jr., of Texarkana, are parents of a little son, Coy Scott Campbell, who arrived April 9.

Jesse Griffin of Nevada County, who has 10 years' service with AHD, retired as of April 15. We extend best wishes to him during his retirement years.

Clovis and Chloie Tittle enjoyed a nice vacation the first week in April when they visited their daughter and her husband, Betty and John Guidos and two little girls in Atlanta, Ga. On their return they visited friends in Huntsville, Ark.

Harold Jones, motor patrol operator in Miller County, has left the Department to accept other employment in Texarkana. Also, Larry Collier of Hempstead County, has resigned for a job in Dallas.

Our deepest sympathies are extended to Margie and Jerry Johnson in the death of Margie's father, Mr. Harry F. Moody of Onaga, Kans., who died April 9.



DISTRICT



The Informers

We were pleased to have John Danner visit with us March 31, which happened to be his fifth anniversary of retirement. John seems to be enjoying his leisure time and we enjoy his visits.

Mona Gross, secretary, visited a friend in the St. Louis area over a week end recently.

Emily Rogers, payroll clerk, and her husband, John, are sporting a new 1964 Chevrolet Belaire. It's sure pretty. By the way, John has been appointed acting Sebastian County and Probate clerk. Congratulations, John.

Clyde Embrey (Mena crew) and Cleatis Whitson (Ozark) received their 5-year

service awards. V. W. Nelson's (Waldron) wife was in the hospital in Ft. Smith for surgery. Vern reports she is convalescing at home.

Curtis Oliver's mother was also hospitalized in Ft. Smith. After returning home,

she fell and broke a hip and had to return to the hospital. She was scheduled for surgery April 28. Our sincere wishes that she is able to be home again by the time the magazine is distributed. Curtis is foreman in Scott County.

M. C. Peevy, resident engineer, and friends took a vacation the week of April 20 to fish. He won't say where they went or how many they caught but he said he ate all the fish he wanted at three meals.

The R. N. Parkers visited friends and relatives in the southern part of the state over April 25 week end. Parker is maintenance superintendent in District 4.

We can sympathize with District 3 regarding the rains the last of April because we had 5 inches the afternoon of April 23.

We didn't get flooded out but it came up in the driveway. We had more water than we knew what to do with on the highways but it sure helped the water situation around Ft. Smith.

Our sympathies are extended to Norris Denson and family in the recent death of his 10-month-old granddaughter. Also to the family of Pete Goodwin of the Waldron crew. Pete suffered a cerebral hemmorhage while working April 20 and died that night. Pete was held in high regard by his fellow workers and by all who knew him.



DISTRICT



Carl Davis

The following employees received service awards in April: Jack Clayton and Dean Bolin, 10 years; and William N. Pendergrass, Hassell W. Glover, and Guy Wilson, 15 years.

Joe Reynolds, mechanic, has been transferred from the shop to a job as heavy truck driver.

Mrs. Lawson Johnson is a patient in the North Arkansas Clinic.



We miss J. C. (Tompy) Thompson, heavy truck driver, who has retired after 19 years of service with the Department. We wish Tompy a happy retirement.



Bob Valentine

Fish fries! Fish fries! After sampling Messrs. Nute and Appleby's cooking, the District 6 employees feted all District personnel with a 'fry' Saturday, April 25. There was much to eat; catfish, hushpuppies, onions, pickles, fried 'taters' and salad, thanks to those wonderful cooks, B. E. Woodyard and I. H. Nute. Yours truly was in charge of the onion slicing; Billie Jones and Lou Brains handled most of the necessary arrangements of obtaining the food, etc., and Georgia Russenberger was game chairman but, due to rain, no games were played. Eating seemed to be the most popular sport for the 92 guests.

George Ingle, Bill Gingerich, and Bobbie Battie received their service awards in April. Ingle, the assistant maintenance superintendent, and Gingerich, Saline County foreman, were honored with 15year pins and Battie received a 5-year

award.

This reporter and family moved to Little Rock from North of the river, the last of April and welcome any visitors to drop by at 3117 Alemeda Drive.

Frank McKay, stock clerk, recently spent four days travelling through the Smokie Mountains of Tennessee. Really, it didn't take him that long to go through the mountains - he took a trip with a friend to North Carolina and really enjoyed the Smokies.



Clarence Hobson and Billie Jones.





Burnham & Campbell

Norman Pumphrey and wife have bought a home in Fordyce and will soon be ready for visitors.



Don McDaniel, at left, must have heard a good one at the District 6 picnic. Others are B. E. Woodyard, Hurman Blaylock, and Bob Valentine.

Mary Nell Carlson's husband, Joe, is home from the hospital and recovering rapidly.

J. C. Wilson received his 10-year service awards and Kenneth Bussell and Rufus Homes received their 5-year awards.

Donald Brandon, Hampton, was appointed to serve as president of the Lion's Club, in place of his father, Dewey Brandon, who was fatally injured in an automobile accident. We know Donald will do a good job.

The fishermen down our way have had some mighty good luck recently. The bream and crappie have been biting around Camden. Jewel Prince caught enough fish for the office to have a fish fry and we are waiting with much interest for them to be cooked...Mr. Nunnally was accused of going to the cabin to have a picture made of the fish every time he had a good catch. We can't say how often this happened but he had several different strings and we are sending a picture of one string for proof. He said he and his brother, J. Q., had trouble keeping the fish from sinking the boat as they were hopping in from all



G. E. Nunnally



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Netha Brown

After the district safety meeting on April 24, two of District 8 employees were honored with a small party. William C. Fry, area foremen in Pope County, and Dick M. Bryan, job superintendent, left the Department to take advantage of retirement benefits. Bill's retirement was effective March 27, and Dick left the last of April. We miss both of these men but since they live in Pope County, we hope they will come see us often.

Charles O. Dickens, an employee in Van Buren County, has retired on dis-

ability benefits.

From the office of Donald Mitchell, resident engineer at Clinton, Louise White, field clerk, sends us the following news

items:

All the talk around here is "fishin" talk," and it's mighty BIG talk. It seems that the boys are really catching them. Our Boss, Don, hasn't had time to unpack his boat as yet but we think the bug has bitten him for sure because he got wife Betty up at 4 a.m. a couple of Saturdays ago to try their luck. We haven't heard too many tales from him but James Cecil Pate, engineering technician, produced the evidence. He and a friend, Franklin Smith, caught 20 large mouth bass in about two ours on Greers Ferry Lake. The largest lighed 5 pounds, 10 ounces, another weighed 4 pounds, and two others weighed 3 and 3/4 pounds and 3 and 1/2 pounds. The 20 weighed a total of 32 pounds!

We have a blessed event - Billy Ray and Nellie Anderson are the proud parents of a 7 pound baby girl, born April 10. They have named her Jaqueline Ann. Bill is still smelling up the office with his cigars and says she is a remarkable baby as he hasn't had to walk the floor with her yet.

Seeing is believing: That really is a mule working on our right-of-way in Dis-

trict 8!

Birthdays have been flying thick and fast around the Clinton residency. The employees placed a rather unique "Happy Birthday" card on the bulletin board for Donald R. Mitchell, resident engineer, on April 28 and discovered that Keith Richardson, chainman, had celebrated his the day before.



DISTRICT

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Isabelle Psalmonds

Sorry we drew a blank on news last month. We could make excuses, but we t off writing until the last minute then and we didn't have time.

Those in District 10 who received service awards in April were John W. Bracken and Cecil M. Avery, 10 years; and Cecil E. Short and Wain O. Turner, 5 years.



James Pate & Franklin Smith

J. C. (Babe) Pillow, crew leader at Paragould, says it wasn't an April Fool's joke when Penny Lynette weighed in at 6 pounds, 6 ounces on April 1. Penny is the first child for the Pillows and they are really proud of her.

District 10 had its share of flood damage during the recent heavy rains. We lost a bridge at Bayou DeView and had a slide at Hilton Interchange on Highway I-55. (See pictures elsewhere in this magazine. Ed.)

Clif Martin, resident engineer at Paragould, and his crew gave a party at the field office April 3 to honor George Wadley, instrumentman, who resigned after some 30 years with the Department. His wife Jane, who has helped him to be punctual all these years was also present to enjoy the occasion. The crew presented George with a Parker fountain pen as a farewell gift. One of the highlights of the

party was when Sonny Wilkinson, materials inspector, read an original poem about George. Coffee and cake were served. The cake was decorated in orange and black - highway colors.

Some time ago, Raymond Hamilton, mechanic, was granted a leave of absence so he could take his family to Tucson, Ariz., because of his daughter's health. We are glad that the daughter has improved enough for them to be back and at his old job.

Onny Herron, mechanic, suffered a heart attack and has been hospitalized. Hurry

and get well, Onny.

Three former employees in District 10 have died recently. They are Ed Edmondson and Bill Webb, both of Walnut Ridge, and O. A. Sullens, Hoxie. We extend our sympathies to their families.



Shown at the party for George Wadley in Paragould, are, left to right, front row: Jackie Black, Sonny Wilkinson, Wadley, Mrs. Wadley, George Moss, Bob Faulkner, Jack Griffith. Second row: Bobby Franks, Clif Martin, L. S. Wycoff, M. L. Darr, Tommy Talley, R. G. Brown, Jim Horton, Dick Hayes, and Richard Stuart.



DISTRICT



Braswell & Morton

Belated congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Harley Thomason on the arrival in February of a new daughter, Rebecca Lynn.

The Irie Lees were doubly happy when their daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Elton Stamps, became parents of twin boys in February.

The Roy Durnings are building a new home in West Fork and plan to move soon. When's the house-warming, Roy??

Janice Snyder is the new field clerk at Fayetteville residency. Janice is married and has a two-year-old daughter, Rhonda Jo. Welcome, Janice.

Omel Fields and family recently spent a week end in Amarillo, Tex. visiting

relatives.

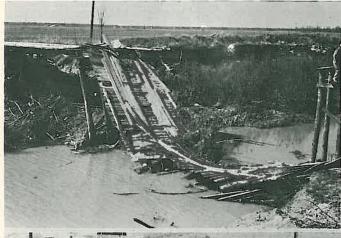
Happy Birthday to: J. L. Owens, Raymond Cantrell, Omel Fields, I. G. Brantley, Ira Dodson, Hillman Watkins, R. C. Ballard, H. S. Bell, Corby Berry, A. L. Biggers, Leonard Edgmon, Voyt Jackson, Paul Jennings, Arley Keeter, Thurman Kelley, J. T. Knight, Lonnie Layton, Huey P. Long, J. B. McFerrin, Jay Parker, Audie Ross, C. D. Snow, Neal Taylor, "Peck" Trammell, Ervin Widner, and Robert Wood.

Service pins were awarded to J. L. Owens and Ray Duffy for 15 years, and to Jack Holtby for 10 years.

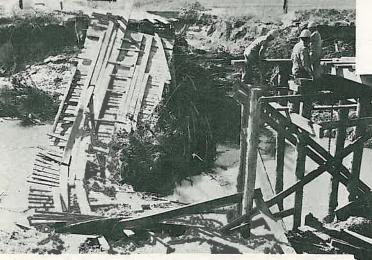
Congratulations to our new bride and groom, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald King. Mrs. King is the former Sue Keeling, clerk in the Springdale office.

Maxie Green, Henderson Ferry pilot, retired after 20 years' service and a unique career with AHD. Maxie was one of the first employees to be hired when Henderson Ferry started operating and his entire service took place on water, at an average of 10,000 miles per year with no accidents of any consequence to the ferries he operated or to his passengers. We regre that Maxie's career had to end due to ill health, but feel sure that he will enjoy his leisure time sitting on his front porch watching his cattle graze and visiting with his friends. We hope his adjustment to being a "land lubber" will be as rewarding to him as was his good record during his career with the Department.

John Burlsworth has been fishing, as usual, but we haven't heard whether or not he is having any luck. Marion Downs reported he caught a boat load of crappie two days in a row, so "Old John" had better get busy or start reporting his catches.







A slide at Hilton Interchange on Interstate 55, flowing over Highway 181.

District 10 had a run of bad luck during the heavy rains in April. The top picture shows a bridge over Bayou DeView lost in a flood when the bridge from a county road upstream floated down and overcame the efforts of drift crew. At bottom, the bridge is being repaired.



This is the same location showing depth of the slide near overpass abutment. John H. Sanders, District 10 maintenance superintendent surveys the damage.

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Frank Scroggins



Roosevelt Franklin

Two of our Buildings and Grounds men recently received service awards. Frank Scroggins, elevator operator, received his pin and certificate for 10 years; Roosevelt Franklin, 5 years. The presentations were made by Gene Cagle, maintenance superintendent, in April, in the Commission Room. Congratulations to Frank and Roosevelt.



Watching her daughter struggling with an ear of corn, the mother offered to cut off the kernels for her. She was quickly rebuffed...for her daughter replied: "No, I like it on the bone."

A quickie movie producer, short on cash, was trying to persuade one hungry actor to appear in his picture for an incredibly small fee.

"I know it's not much," the producer apologized, "but I'm sure you'll be glad, you took the part."

"For that miserable fee?" the actor scoffed.
"Not just for the fee," the producer explained, "in the first and last scenes you eat a sandwich."

"You haven't many buildings in this new town of yours."

"I know," responded the enthusiastic realtor, "but look at the parking space."

Another elderly citizen went to see his doctor and said, "Doctor, I am worried about my eyesight. I keep seeing red and green lights, just like traffic lights."

The doctor asked, "Have you seen an oculist yet?"

"No," the oldster replied, "only red and green lights."

A young man boasted, "My grandfather is 85 years old and he never uses glasses."

"Oh," said an old friend, "is it because he always drinks right out of the bottle?"

An old Indian was standing on the top of a hill with his son, looking over the beautiful valley below. Said the old Indian, "Someday, my son, all this land will belong to the Indians again. Paleface all go to the moon."

A mother entered the supermarket with her four bouncing boys and pleaded: "Isn't there a cereal that will sap their energy?"

A man was boasting of the fine qualities of his Volkswagen which had been among the first purchased in the country and telling what fine care he was taking of it. A friend asked, "What are you going to do with it when it wears out, scrap it?"

"No," was the answer, "I am going to put it in an old Volks home."

"Some women sure are lucky," Mrs. Smith remarked to a neighbor. "Take Mrs. Peters, for instance. Her husband is perfect in every way. I sure wish my man was perfect, don't you?"

"Not on your life," declared her neighbor. "I'm glad my Jim isn't perfect...l like to nag!"

A determined young lady strade into a bank and walked straight to the paying teller's window.

"I want to know how much money my husband drew out of this bank last week," she said in an angry voice.

"I'm sorry, madam," said the teller, "but I connot give you that information."

"But you're the paying teller, aren't you?" she exclaimed.
"Yes," said the teller blandly, "but I am not the telling teller!"

Harry was in his late fifties and balding and his birthday was nearing. His wife asked him what he'd like for the occasion.

Glancing slyly at her, he replied, "Well, I think I'd like a gorgeous girl, about 19, blond and curvaceous and...."

As he paused, searching for the right word, his better-half suggested, ".....and blind?"



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RETURN POSTAGE GUARANTEED

COVER: The signing and striping of our Arkansas highways has become such a vast project that the operation, formerly a section under the Maintenance Division, was made a separate division July 1, 1963. Headed by Otha Hewitt, the division employs approximately 61 persons, most of whom are kept busy all over the state striping and re-striping, placing new signs and re-placing old ones on the 529 miles of Interstate routes, 3,000 of primary roads, and 8,700 of secondary roads. The budget for Traffic Services is currently \$1 million.

A recent example of a major signing operation was the erection of signs on the Greater Little Rock Freeway. The work on the signs was begun in February and completed May 1. The signs were placed from the South Terminal Interchange at the Biddle Shops in Litt Rock to the North Terminal Interchange in North Little Rock. There are 575 support and overhead (24) signs and 1,217 delineators aid motorists along the 6-mile stretch.

