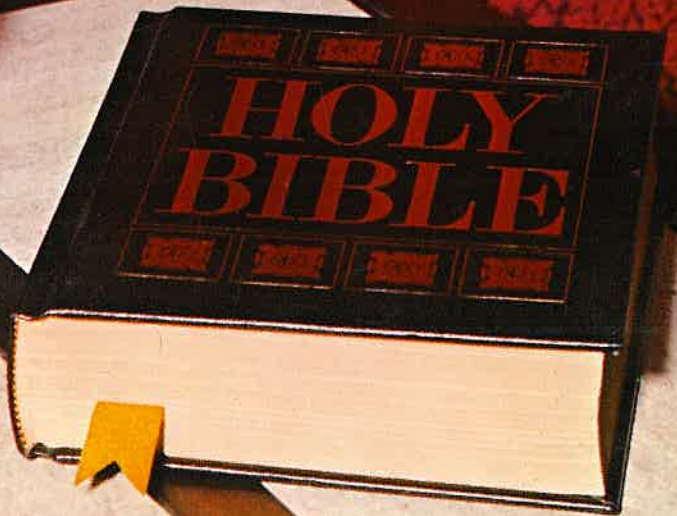


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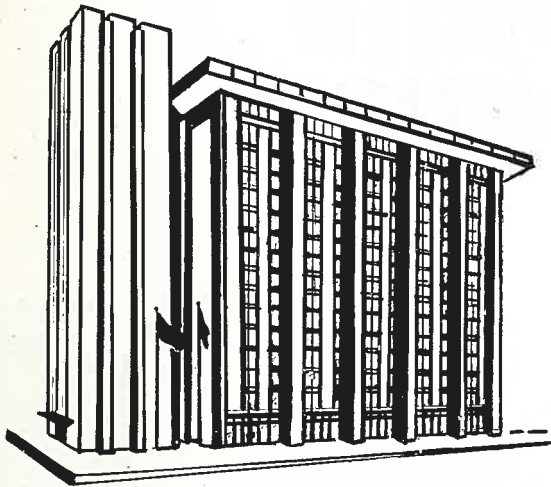
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**MERRY CHRISTMAS
 AND
 HAPPY NEW YEAR
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HIGHWAY DIRECTOR ELECTED TO POST IN NATIONAL ORGANIZATION



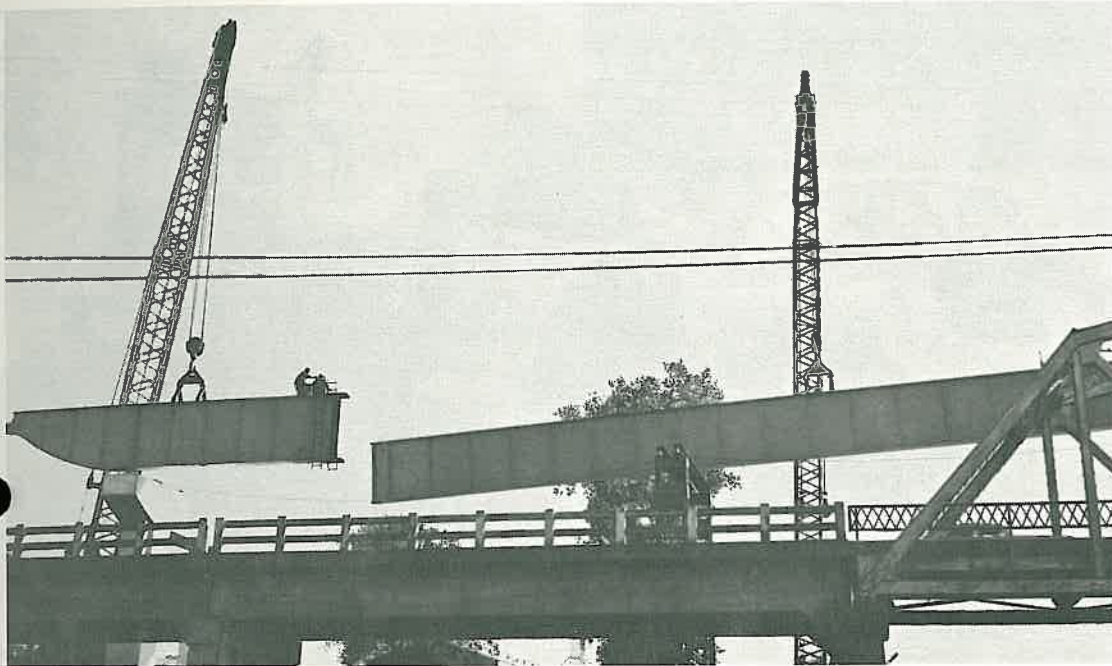
Highway Director Ward Goodman was elected as regional vice president of the American Association of State Highway Officials at their 55th annual meeting held in Philadelphia. The two year term will extend through 1971.

Membership in AASHO includes top highway officials in the 50 states, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico and Federal Highway Administration. There are three other regional vice presidents. Region 2 includes 12 states in the southeastern United States.

Goodman was chief engineer and deputy director for 12 years before being appointed director in January, 1967. He is a member of several AASHO committees, including the Committee on Bridges and Structures, of which he is chairman, and the Planning and Design Policies Committee. He has just completed a four-year term as a member of the Executive Committee. He is listed in Who's Who in Engineering and is a recipient of the AASHO Merit Award.

Goodman is a graduate of the University of Arkansas and a registered professional engineer.

DARDANELLE BRIDGE SUPERSTRUCTURE



One misstep could mean curtains for these steel hangers who work without safety belts.

The contractor, John F. Beasley Construction Co. of Chicago, Ill. is in the process of hanging steel on the new Arkansas River bridge under construction on Highway 7 between Dardanelle and Russellville. The bridge is one continuous composite plate girder span 2,076 feet long and four lanes wide. It is one on the eight traffic bridges on the river in Arkansas which had to be replaced or altered to accommodate boat traffic in connection with the river navigation program.

Foster and Creighton Company of Nashville, Tenn. built the substructure. The bridge will cost an estimated \$3.9 million.

Setting the first overhead girders in place.



U.S. 67-167

RELOCATION



Roadbed construction on U. S. 67 - 167 is speeded up by the use of two 42-c.y. earthmovers which help each other load in lieu of a dozer. The two pieces of equipment are connected by a rod operated by a hydraulic lift (inset). One mover pushes the second one until it is loaded and then the second one pulls the first until it is also loaded.

Inspector Thomas J. Huey watches a loaded mover about to pull out for dumping area.





Work progresses on the relocation of U. S. 67-167 between Cabot and Beebe. The overall relocation will be four lanes divided extending from the Pulaski-White county line north of Jacksonville to Bald Knob.

W. D. Jeffrey Construction Co. of Fort Smith is the contractor for the County Line-Beebe section. Nine miles of the job has been paved. The project will cost an estimated \$2.2 million plus right of way costs. W. A. Dodds is the resident engineer.

Photographer Johnnie Gray, who is usually behind the camera, managed to get himself in this picture.



A RUGGED ROCKY ROAD

One day in the future a sleek black band of asphalt designated Highway 161 will wind through the rocky, hilly terrain of western White County but now the preliminary construction reminds one of the stagecoach routes of western film fame. Huge boulders must be pushed aside and rock bluffs must be blasted away to let the highway pass through at grade. Wear and tear on machinery can almost be measured by the minute.

The route, already extant as an unimproved narrow gravel road, is being relocated in some sections. It will connect U. S. 67 - 167 from the Pulaski-White county line to U. S. 64 and Highway 5 near El Paso. The 11.6 mile project is being built by Reynolds & Williams Construction Co. of Little Rock entirely from state funds. It will cost an estimated \$1,195,000. S. L. Swink is resident engineer for the Highway Department.

Boulders yield unwillingly along the proposed location. The road will pass through the rock cut at the top of the picture after it is cleared.





Rock is blasted loose and hauled away.

Highway 161 – the “now” highway – not every motorist’s dream.



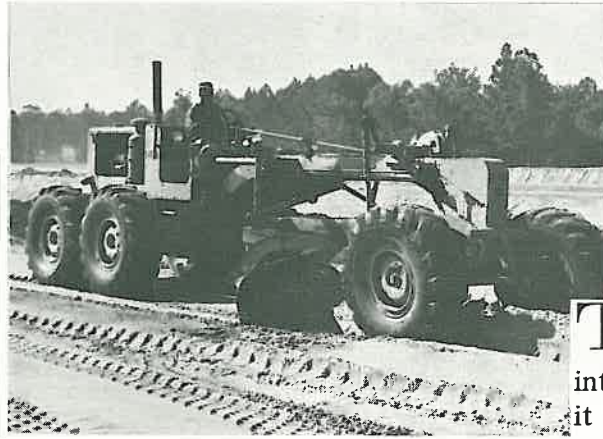
I-430

BEGINS TO EMERGE

Rock is dumped along the water's edge to stabilize the embankment.



The earthmover scoops up a load of wet sand.



Building up the roadbed.

The un-engineer, watching construction crews pushing sand into the river and then scooping it out again with an earthmover, might quickly conclude that the roadbuilders don't know much about their business - but don't doubt for a minute that they do. S & W Construction Co. of Tennessee, Inc., Memphis, is doing that so that the sand being used as fill on the upper section of I-430 now under construction will have more compaction. The work is part of Job 6856, construction of I-430 from the north side of the Arkansas River to the Crystal Hill interchange of I-40 west of North Little Rock.

CURRENT CONSTRUCTION



Construction company men put down asphaltic concrete hot mix overlay on U. S. 67 near the north city limits of Newport. The work is part of a widening to four lanes and overlay job from the White River bridge in Newport to the Diaz overpass, a distance of 4.8 miles, on the Newport-Tuckerman road. Southeast Construction Co. of Pine Bluff is the contractor. Ralph H. Wyatt of Batesville is the resident engineer. Cost of the improvement will be approximately \$1,144,000.



A betterment project on Highway 7 from Russellville to Dover includes extension of minor drainage structures, construction of shoulders, replacement of one bridge and resurfacing the seven miles with asphaltic concrete hot mix. The work, which is being done by contract and maintenance forces, will cost about \$150,000.



Replacement of the Rock Island Railroad overpass is part of the improvement to Highway 273, a two-mile connection between Highway 229 and U. S. 167 north of Fordyce in Dallas County. Other work will include gravel base course and double bituminous surface treatment of 2.2 miles. Burrow-Glover Construction Co. of Malvern and Schmeckbro, Inc. of Little Rock are co-contractors on the job. Bob Myers is resident engineer for the Highway Department.



Construction Insp. Buddy Beard watches concrete being poured for caps on overpass structure.

HIGHWAY 9 BRIDGE DEDICATED



Director Ward Goodman, left, helps Miss Arkansas support the out-sized scissors used to cut the ribbon. Chief Engr. J. T. Pendergrass is at the right.

The new bridge across Arkansas River on Highway 9 at Morrilton was dedicated with formal ribbon cutting ceremonies the afternoon of October 23. The dedication was held on the bridge with former lieutenant governor Nathan Gordon of Morrilton acting as master of ceremonies. Conway County Sheriff Marlin Hawkins made the welcome address and Rev. John Smith pronounced the invocation.

A. V. Ormond, past president of the Arkansas Basin Association, made the dedicatory address. Introductions and pertinent remarks were made by Highway Director Ward Goodman and Col. Charles Steele, district engineer of the Little Rock District of the U. S. Corps of Engineers.

Miss Arkansas, Marilyn Kay Allen of North Little Rock, was on hand to add beauty to the occasion and officially cut the ribbon.

The bridge was erected by the Corps of Engineers as part of the Arkansas River navigational project. Rosiek Construction Co. of Detroit, Mich. was the contractor. The new, wider structure is a boon to the people of the area who have used a dangerously narrow former railroad bridge as the connection between north and south of the river for many years.



The High School band, under the direction of Phil Burns, left, provided entertainment preceding the dedication ceremonies.



There
and Everywhere

ALASKA — A \$3 million engineering feasibility survey of a rail-highway transportation corridor through the far north state was recently approved by Secretary of Transportation John A. Volpe. The corridor is planned to serve north and northwestern Alaska. Volpe said that "Alaskan transportation problems are now off the top shelf and on the front burner where they belong." The United States' mineral requirements alone are expected to double in the next thirty years and that's what Alaska has an abundance of - oil, copper, uranium and other critical metals vital to the country's economy.

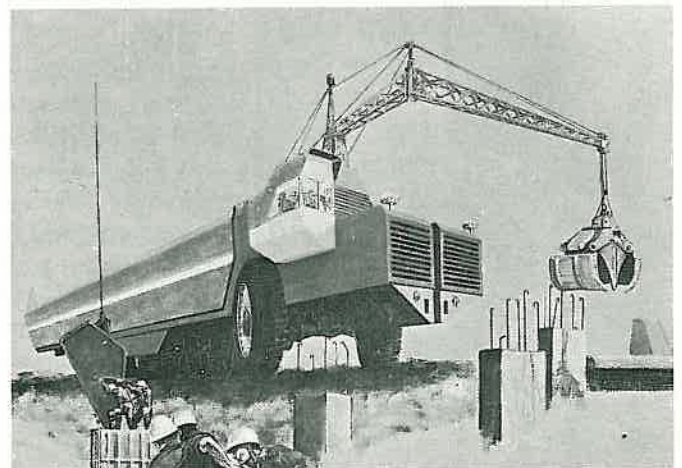
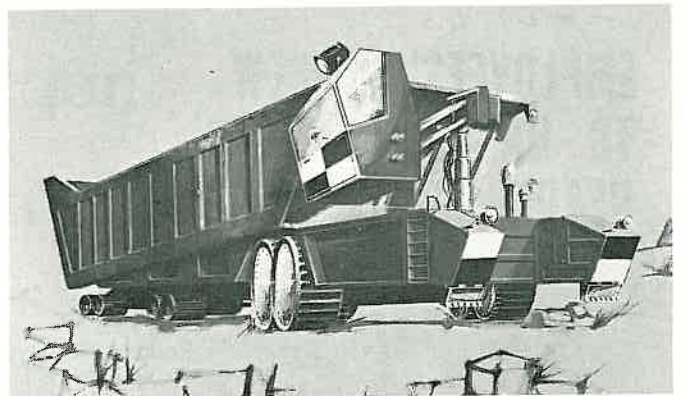
GHANA — This West African country, located on the fringe of an earthquake region, has built a 2,160-foot, 17-span bridge across the Volta River which is virtually earthquake-proof insofar as engineering know-how could design it. To absorb possible tremors, each of the piers was founded on sixteen 44-inch diameter piles, driven deep into rock. The piles were produced by means of a special boring island with lifting machinery, equipped with a combination of a drill tower, and a pipe flushing and drilling plant which allowed vertical and batter piles to be constructed irrespective of any change in water level. The rising pier shafts above the finished pile group were completed in a dry working space by means of a specially constructed circular steel cofferdam. The two-lane structure, which cost \$5.5 million to build, replaced a ferry system on the main route between West Africa and East Ghana.



MAINE — An electronic system designed to help motorists pass other vehicles safely on two-lane roads will be placed in operation on an experimental basis in this state soon. The Passing Aid System (PAS), to be installed on a 15-mile section of U.S. 2 between Canaan and Newport, is designed to help a motorist stuck behind a slow-moving vehicle on a two-lane road but afraid to pass because either he can't see whether the lane is clear of traffic approaching from the opposite direction or has difficulty estimating whether it is safe to pass when the nearest opposing vehicle is in view. Through the use of computers and sensors, the system will tell the motorist of the available time to pass. Devices on the roadside will transmit the information to cars equipped to receive it, and to a limited number of roadside displays at selected locations along the 15-mile route. Sensors will be installed under the pavement every 200 feet.

NEVADA — Some 90 miles of Nevada highways have been solely the concern of a group of Paiute Indians for at least a quarter of a century. They are seldom heard from but are faithfully on the job maintaining the mileage, 50 of which is on their reservation, according to the Nevada Highway Department. The six-man crew was strengthened by a student during the summer - an Indian, also, naturally.

ITALY — How about this for futuristic design? The Fiat people have these designs and others on their drawing boards for future earthmoving and construction equipment. Emphasis has been placed on greater size, greater efficiency, lower costs and comfortable work conditions for operators.



145 CUMULATIVE YEARS



The four gentlemen at right represent 145 cumulative years of service to the Department, Harold Bastian, left, and Eddie Williams, second from left, came out to enjoy refreshments with Walker Haigh, second from right, when he received his 35-year certificate at the September 26 commission meeting. Both Bastian and Williams are retired from Bridge Design and Walker will retire in December. Bridge Design Engr. L. P. Carlson at right will also retire in December. He has 38 years of service. Bastian worked 37 years and Williams, 35.

EMPLOYEES' NEPHEW TO UNDERGO HEART SURGERY



Rodney Heffington, two-year-old nephew of Jimmie Farnam of the Maintenance Division, is scheduled for heart surgery as soon as a throat infection is cleared up. Rodney, born with a hole in the heart, is uninsurable. In order to offset some of the \$3,000 plus costs of surgery, Arkansas Baptist Medical Center has offered to deduct \$28 for each pint of blood contributed to the hospital's blood bank in Rodney's behalf.

More than 30 people have already donated blood and others can still be received from persons wishing to have a part in this worthy cause.

Jimmie extends thanks to those who have already made a contribution.

CHRISTMAS SUPERSTITIONS

Wear something fresh and new on Christmas Day - your luck will improve. But don't wear new shoes.

If you wish to avoid trouble, don't wash clothes on the Friday before Christmas. And don't wash and press a Christmas present before you give it; you will wash out the good luck and press in the bad.

If you leave a loaf of bread on the table after Christmas Eve supper you will be sure to have a full supply until next Christmas.

Eat apples as the clock strikes midnight on Christmas Eve. This will guarantee perfect health for the year ahead.

GIPSON Recognized By Red Cross

Calvin Gipson (center), a Highway employee from Atkins who was responsible for rescuing a motorist from a burning car (story, October issue), was recognized by the American Red Cross on October 31 for outstanding service in the face of danger.

J. Merle Lemley, chairman of the Russellville chapter of the Red Cross, (second from left) made the presentation. Shown with them are Dist. Engr. John F. Price of Russellville, extreme left, Mrs. Gipson and Safety Officer Roland Humble of the Little Rock central offices.

Gipson used a 2¾ lb. dry chemical fire extinguisher



from his state vehicle to smother the flames enough to make the rescue. His prompt action saved the man's life because the car's gas tank exploded seconds later, turning the car into a mass of flames.

Bridge Inspection Almost Finished

A comprehensive, two-phase inspection of all bridges maintained by the Highway Department begun early in 1968 is scheduled for completion by the end of December. The inspection is being made in compliance with the President's Task Force on Bridge Safety which was initiated as a result of the collapse of the Silver Bridge across the Ohio River between Point Pleasant, W. Va. and Kanauga, Ohio on December 15, 1967.

The first phase of inspection included all bridges constructed prior to 1935 and a dozen or so other critical or strategically located structures. That phase, which included 2,067 bridges, was completed in November of 1968.

Inspection of all bridges built after 1935, a total of 3,376, make up the second phase, which is almost

finished.

Two types of inspection are made, one is primarily visual. The second is an indepth examination of both substructure and superstructure including channel and foundations, piling, steel caissons, pier shafts and columns, caps and abutments, bearings, expansion devices, deck, reinforced concrete slab, girders and arches, I-beams, trusses and connections, suspended spans, timber spans, railing, paint, electrical equipment if any, and approaches and guard fence. In-depth inspections are made each five years.

Heavy bridge crews, headed by Bridge Maint. Engr. John Hall, are greatly aided by a mobile hydraulic scaffold dubbed the Snooper in making inspections of larger bridges. District maintenance personnel make inspections of the smaller structures.

Highway Dames

STAGE AUCTION

The Highway Dames auxiliary staged an auction in the central headquarters auditorium at noon on November 20 to make money for their operating expenses this year. Mrs. Rebecca Daggett delightfully fulfilled the role of the auctioneer and appeared to have had some lessons or coaching in the business. An attractive assortment of gifts for resale were contributed by the members and included decorator and boutique items, linens, plants, cosmetics, bathroom and kitchen accessories and even a cake.

The item which aroused the greatest interest and was put up for sale first was a manger scene fashioned by Bonnie Magness from styrofoam cones, bits of material and clothes hangers and sprayed with gold paint. Sybil Maddox of M & T was the high bidder at \$5.

Christmas Card Contributions Being Accepted

The Dames are making their traditional Christmas card contributions with the

money to be used to aid some employee in need. Contributions are given by members to the fund in lieu of an exchange of Christmas cards. Highway employees are also invited to participate in this worthy effort.

Those who had contributed by press time were:

Arkansas Highway Commission
Mr. and Mrs. Ward Goodman
Mr. and Mrs. David L. Moore
Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Elledge
Mr. and Mrs. Norman Pumphrey
Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Head
Mr. and Mrs. Sidney J. Lee
Mr. and Mrs. S. H. Daggett
Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Ashcraft
Mr. and Mrs. Bert Rownd
Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Butler
Mr. and Mrs. James E. Lowder
Mr. and Mrs. John W. Kizer
Mr. and Mrs. Dennison Yates, Sr.
Mr. and Mrs. Joe Magness
Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Longcoy

Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Holland
Mr. and Mrs. Henry Gray
Mr. and Mrs. John Vandenburg
Mr. and Mrs. Charles Jacobs
Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Pendergrass
Mr. and Mrs. Pat Huddleston
Mr. and Mrs. Jervis F. Conway
Mr. and Mrs. Roy L. Johnson
Mr. and Mrs. Arthur W. Johnson
Mr. and Mrs. Roy E. Shelby



The manger scene with its designer, Bonnie Magness, left, and its owner, Sybil Maddox.

Mrs. Daggett gets into the spirit of the auction while outlining the uses of a bit of fluff intended for use as a brush and lint remover.



MRS. WARNOCK

All Out For Harding

Mrs. Robert S. Warnock of Magnolia, mother-in-law of Commissioner John Harsh, is the only feminine member of the Board of Trustees of Harding College at Searcy but that doesn't nearly bespeak the romance that has been going on between Mrs. Warnock and the college for more than forty years. Nor is her present appointment to the Board her first one. The irony is, that Mrs. Warnock did not attend Harding - a Church of Christ college - herself; she attended Henderson-Brown at Arkadelphia, a Methodist college! However, the reason was because Harding was not established until the year that Nina Grayson Warnock returned to Magnolia from school, 1919.

She quickly explains that she was devout in the Church of Christ as a student, reflecting her mother's strong influence, and while at Henderson-Brown, the students marched to church in uniform. They were required to attend church but not necessarily the Methodist, so, she says, ". . . when we marched by the Church of Christ building, I dropped out of line."

Harding was first established as Arkansas Christian College in Mor-



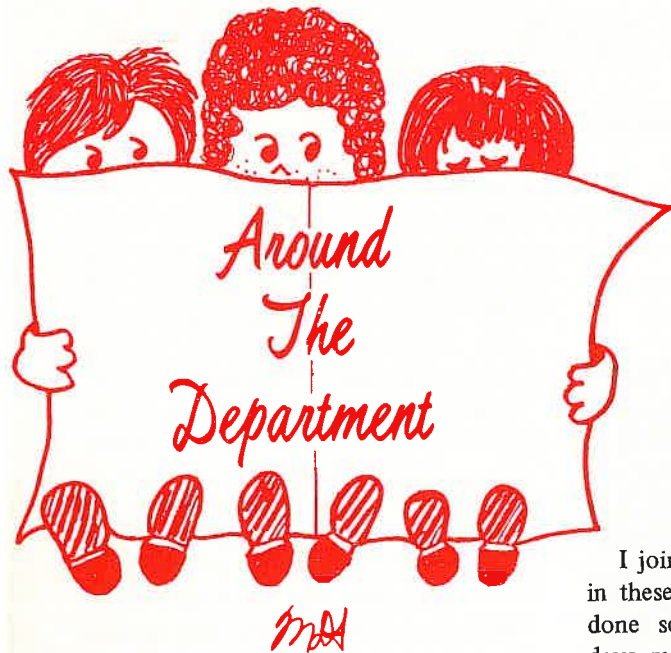
rilton in 1919. In about 1924 the school bought the assets of Harper College in Harper, Kans. and moved what was movable to Morrilton and named the school Harding College. It was then that Mrs. Warnock was first named to the Board.

All colleges were suffering financially at that time and Mrs. Warnock was young, so after two years she resigned from the Board because ". . . I had no experience in matters of that sort." In 1934, Harding bought the assets of Galloway College in Searcy and Harding was moved there. It presently has an enrollment of nearly 2,000 students. Mrs. Warnock has been

back on the Board of Trustees two years and says she is enjoying it. She comments, "I may not be any more valuable to the Board at this age of life, but I do know more."

Mrs. Warnock is one of those enterprising individuals who can get things moving. When she returned to Magnolia from school four or five families comprised the Church of Christ and there was not a man among them, not even a preacher, for leadership except for an occasional visitor. She provided that leadership for ten years. She organized a Wednesday night Bible class and taught a Sunday School class on Sunday morning. In the absence of any men, she also presided over communion. Later when the congregation moved to build a new church building, Mrs. Warnock's father, a wealthy lumberman though not a member of the church, was apparently impressed enough by the zeal of his daughter to give half the money needed. Mrs. Warnock raised the rest herself.

For the past two years she has also served as president of the Columbia County chapter of Associated Women for Harding and works untiringly for that organization.



It's that special season of the year again, although we have had so much pretty, balmy weather that it doesn't seem much like December. For we Americans, special turkey prices and Christmas decorations make the scene about the same time in the stores, and once we get the turkey dinner leftovers put away, we get down to the business of preparing for Christmas. The Magazine staff has already been the recipient of a box of Christmas goodies (the gooder, the fatter, of course) to help us get in the spirit of things. And for the last two mornings, my clock-radio has awakened me to the tune of Christmas carols. To me, music is one of the most enjoyable parts of the Yuletide season.

I am not one of those who has pre-printed cards ready to drop in the mail by the 1st, gifts bought and packages mailed by the 10th, and baking done by the 15th. Rather, I am one of those who enjoys spending an hour shopping for cards, trying to decide between Currier and Ives snow scenes or ones with a warm cheery fireplace; attending the Christmas season musical programs; singing in the Messiah; and listening to Christmas music and looking at pretty decorations everywhere I go. I am also one of those who vows each year to not over-indulge in the candies, dips and chips, etc., but always does. This year will probably be no exception - on both counts.

I join Liz Jacobs, who says elsewhere in these pages that if she got everything done so early, then the pre-Christmas days might as well be the 30th of February. But even if I got Christmas taken care of early, there would still be a million things to do - like getting this magazine to the press, for instance. Weldon Hart of the Texas Good Roads Association summed up our circumstances when he wryly observed his own situation: With so many things happening, we are running so far behind we think we are in first place!

It's good to see V. O. Campbell of the Traffic Division back to work, for part-days at least, after foot surgery. Of course, he won't be running any foot races until he can toss away that walker, but he says it's better that not navigating at all.

Charles Hooker of the Surveys Division is still recuperating at home after his heart attack.

Mrs. "Lanky" Rives (he is also in Surveys) is presently hospitalized at St. Vincent's with what they fear is a heart attack. She had not been out of the hospital many days after having one light attack. Our hope is that all goes well with both Charlie and Mrs. Rives.

We apple lovers are a jealous green over those beauties that Dallas Vire brings to work. Lucille Dishongh swears that he had one a particular day that weighed a pound and a half. That sounds a little like a hungry guess to me.

Frank Scroggins, who faithfully manned the elevator for us a long time in the old building, was out visiting some of us a few days ago. He is the same jolly Frank.

Saw former employee Maurine Walker at the shopping center a few nights ago and she was wearing her usual pretty smile.

Another former employee, Gail Fisher and her two adorable little daughters, were also visiting in the building one day recently.



New employees in Personnel are Phyllis Womack, seated, who transferred from the Russellville headquarters, and Emma Galyean.



Nathan Whitehead, right, received a goodwill ambassador's certificate from Permit Officer Buddy Dumas when he retired. We regret that ill health forced Nathan to take an early retirement.

Betcha didn't know one of our girls has been to the Police Academy for training! Well, she has. The Department sent June Brown, whose job is concerned with highway accident statistics and reports, to the Law Enforcement Academy at Camden for a week's instruction. The training included an intro-

duction to the state's enforcement agencies' records system, analysis of police traffic data, accident data, enforcement data and personnel data. Eleven other ladies, connected in various capacities with enforcement agencies, were in the class. June is employed in the Current Planning Section of the Planning and Research Division. Instructors were from the Traffic Institute of Northwestern University, Evanston, Ill.



June Brown

It was a bit sad to attend an open house for Mamie Fanning on December 1 because so many of us will miss her a great deal. She is a great lady who held the respect of many Department friends, as evidenced by the great number who came to say goodbye. Mamie has been through a trying experience, including two operations, since being involved in an auto accident about three months ago. She had been employed in the Reproduction Section for 18 years, where her primary duty was operation of the photostat camera.

A RANDOM THOUGHT - I see where some auto safety researchers at Cornell have suggested that the states build some expressways designed for 100-mile-an-hour traffic. Arkansas is already out front there, and if you don't believe it, just get on the interstate and drive 70 miles an hour in a line of traffic and see how soon yours is the only car in sight!

Have a joyous Christmas and a happy New Year. It should get off to a great start at the Sugar Bowl!!



Allen Dunn, assistant section head of Reproduction, presented Mrs. Fanning a goodwill ambassador's certificate at the open house.



Christmas Carol



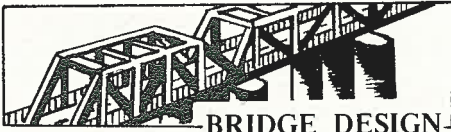
In the old time, runs the story,
There was once a wondrous night,
When from out the unseen glory
Burst a song of glad delight;

*It was when the stars were gleaming,
Shepherds watched their flock, and then
In their waking, or their dreaming
Angels sang, "Good will to Men!"*

Since that day the children's voices
Have caught up the glad refrain;
And tonight the heart rejoices
That the hour comes round again;

*Merry Christmas! Merry Christmas!
Let us make the heavens ring!
Echo back the angels' message
With the songs the children sing.*

—Anonymous



BRIDGE DESIGN

by Willie Whitmire

We welcome Donald P. Harbour to our division. Don comes to us from the Oklahoma Highway Department. He is married, has a daughter, Kristin, 4 years old, and resides in Cloverdale. Don enjoys all water sports, especially scuba diving.



Donald P. Harbour

COMPUTER SERVICES

by Fay Sullivan

We would like to extend a welcome to the new employees who have joined our work force over the last few months. Key punch operators include Jo Anne Dailey, Deborah Hardin, Evelyn Handley and Brenda Brown. Computer operators who have come to work recently are Gary French, John Carter (who was called into active military service on November 7) and Earl Eubanks, who came to work November 3.

As of this writing Brenda Brown is in the hospital due to an automobile accident. She is doing fine and we are hoping to have her back with us soon.

We extend our sympathy to Carolyn Reddin on the loss of her mother recently.



CONSTRUCTION

by John C. Helgen

Our boss, H. B. Matthews, and his wife spent the weekend of October 11 visiting their daughter Judy and her hus-

band in New Orleans. They enjoyed the visit greatly and Princess, their toy French poodle, enjoyed "getting away for awhile."

Charles Mitchell, one of our three assistant construction engineers, won the \$50 football pot on the T.C.U. game played October 4. Asked if he had it spent already, he replied that it would never hit the bottom of his pocket.

And then Lucille Dishongh and Don Cahoone split a \$50 football pot which they won on the Rice game played November 8. Lucy said she had to beg Don to take a chance but she just knew it was a time to win.

Mr. Matthews was off two weeks after a tonsillectomy on October 20 but he is fully recovered now and back to work. A boy his age deserves to be praised for bravery in having this done. He says, however, that had he known how sore his throat would be, he may still have those tonsils. We are all proud he is back and has a clear bill of health.

Geraldine Kissire came back to work November 17 after a stay in a Searcy hospital and a period of rest and recuperation at her home in Morrilton.

Some people just don't know a chance when they have one! Margaret Weathers was in Houston the weekend of the Rice game and didn't even go! Instead she chose to go Christmas shopping for her daughter and son-in-law. Now there's a great mother-in-law for you!



LEGAL DIVISION

by The Staff

The Legal Division has a new attorney, Gene Webb. He joined our staff on September 16. He was formerly with Allstate Insurance Company here in Little Rock. Gene and his wife, Maxine, live at 19 Kingspark Road. They have two daughters. He prides himself on being a good cook.

In September W. D. Kelly, head of the Title Section, retired after 13 years with the Highway Department. Virginia Tackett, one of the trial attorneys, transferred to the Title Section and is filling the position vacated by Mr. Kelly's retirement.



George Green, left, and Tom Keys.



Jimmy Dowell, left, and Tom Keys.



Doris Harper, left, and Tom Keys.

Congratulations are in order for George Green, Jimmy Dowell and Doris Harper who were honored at a party on November 14 to celebrate receiving their service pins and certificates, George for 10 years, and Jimmy and Doris for 5 years each. Refreshments of punch and cookies were served.

We Legal girls thank Pam Lewis from R/W Appraisal for "sitting in" for us while we attended the annual Legal Secretary's Day in Court on October 21. The events of the day began with attendance in the courts of Judges Warren Wood and Tom Digby, followed by a luncheon at the Top of the Rock Club.

Birthdays for the month included those of Kathleen Green on October 11, Doris Harper on the 20th, Hazel Carraro

on the 21st and Virginia Tackett on November 12.

Doris Harper is a grandmother for the second time. Bobby Lee Jennings was born to her daughter and son-in-law, Michelle and Jimmy Jennings, on October 24.

Annette and Phillip Youtz celebrated their second wedding anniversary on November 10.

Janie Dowell, daughter of Jimmy Dowell, is the Kappa Kappa Gamma Sorority candidate for Sorority Pledge Queen at the University of Arkansas.

Doris Harper took a three weeks' vacation touring eight countries (England, Holland, Germany, Austria, Italy, Liechtenstein, France and Switzerland) of Western Europe the last of August and first two weeks of September. While in London she visited with members of her family.

Wayland and Helen Hackett took a trip through the Ozark Mountains last week.

Chief Counsel Tom and Marilyn Keys were among those who attended the AASHO convention in Philadelphia.

MATERIALS & TESTS

by Sibyl Maddox

Deer season is here and several of our employees have left to try their luck at killing a deer. Even if their luck fails, it will still be lots of fun.

Maurice Tillery, who has been with this Division since May of 1963, has recently resigned to accept employment with the Gerald Neal Piano and Organ Company. He will be teaching organ at their Hot Springs store. We will miss him and wish him luck.

Julia Halliburton motored to Memphis, November 8, to attend the Council Meeting of the Ozark Region, International Toastmistress Clubs. While there her group led a workshop on leadership.

William Wall, one of our newest employees, had the misfortune of having a wreck and demolishing his car. He was not injured. He is now sporting a new Dodge Charger. Sorry about the accident, but congratulations on the new car.

Kenneth Medlock, son of Hayes and

Wilma Medlock of Plumerville, and Jan Pilkington of Little Rock were united in marriage, November 7 at the Plumerville Church of Christ. The minister, Don Williams, performed the ceremony. A reception was held in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Leon Cowan of Plumerville. The groom works for Mehlburger Consulting Engineers and she works at the Court House as a secretary.

Your reporter was recently elected President of the Golden Chapter of the American Business Women's Association for 1969-70.

Our Division enjoyed a chili dinner recently. Sure hit the spot, as the weather was nippy and nothing tastes better than good hot chili on a cold day.

Mrs. Pat Downing, daughter of Sibyl Maddox, was recently elected "Woman of the Year" of her chapter of the American Business Women's Association.



Melissa Magness

The mini-cheerleader is Melissa Magness, daughter of M & T Engr. Joe and Bonnie Magness. She is 18 months old, and from what I hear, a real little corker.

Employees in M & T have been enjoying lots of goodies brought to us by Terrell Watts. Sure isn't helping all of us who are supposed to be on a diet.

MANGER PIES

The mince pie, a Christmas tradition, developed from mutton pies. English cooks originally baked the pie in the shape of a manger.



PLANNING & RESEARCH

by Penny Bullock

Paul Edwards, an employee in the Mapping Section, returned to the Department on November 1 after serving in the Army with a tour of duty in Viet Nam. He returned from Viet Nam in March and has since been stationed in Washington state. His wife, the former Theresa Massey, joined him there. She also visited Paul on an R & R in Hawaii in September of last year. He has been with the Department 4½ years. Welcome back, Paul.



Paul Edwards

The great white hunter, Pete Benetz, spent three days in the deer woods. He said he didn't fire a shot but did enjoy the hunting. A deer was killed in the camp and according to Pete, six men ate 30 deer steaks! Now, come on, Pete!

Jacqueline Michele Reynolds, born October 31, 1969, is the daughter and first child of Jack and Anita Reynolds. She was born in Ardmore, Okla., where Anita had made a last minute dash to visit her mother. Jacqueline is now home and Jack says she is a very good young lady.

Morris Smith vacationed for two days. He seemed rested and relaxed upon his return so we assume he had a pleasant time away from work.

Jim Gilbert went deer hunting and from his description, it sounds as if he has a good supply of deer meat in his freezer for the long winter.

Leroy Beckett, head of the Mapping Section, received his 30-year service award on October 3. In celebration of the occasion, the employees of Planning and Research honored him with a reception. The Highway Commission and Director took time from their busy schedules to attend. They were given a first-hand briefing on mapping by Leroy and then were served cake and punch. Many co-workers and other department personnel paid a visit to the office in recognition of Leroy having served 30 years with the Department.

Beckett explains to the Highway Commission some of the detailed work necessary in the mapping process. Director Goodman is at extreme left.



Charles Parsons attended the Texas-SMU game in Dallas. He is convinced that the Razorbacks will face a very tough opponent on December 6. Well, we will know for certain by the time this is printed.

Ronnie Ross, senior at Metropolitan High School, has joined the Mapping Section in a training program designated as Cooperative Office Education, Distributive Education and Diversified Occupations which permits high school students to attend regular classes during the morning hours and receive on-the-job training in the afternoon. Ronnie is one of two students afforded this training by the Highway Department.



Ronnie Ross

Dowell Eubanks' son Ken is home on leave following a tour of duty in Viet Nam. Mr. Eubanks is one of our Road Inventory men.

Danny Flowers and his wife Sara spent the weekend in Dallas and while there attended the Arkansas-SMU game.

Advance Planning is glad to have Dave Conner back in the office. Dave has been working in Northwest Arkansas for the past few months collecting data for a transportation study. Welcome back, Dave.

Carroll McChesney went deer hunting in El Dorado this weekend. With the day ending and no luck, Carroll was ready to go home when he heard a rustling in the edge of the woods and knew it was a deer. After much preparation for the kill, what should rush out but an armadillo!! Well, Carroll, better luck next time.

We are also happy to welcome Thelma Jones to our Current Planning Section. Thelma graduated from AM&N College in Pine Bluff with a degree in Home Economics and Science. She is married and has one son Tylous Levone Jones. He was hospitalized for two months from second degree burns but has returned home and is doing fine.



Thelma Jones

Marie Crawford is a new employee in the Advance Planning section. She is from East End community and lives at home with her parents. Marie is 19 and graduated from Sheridan High School. By the way, boys, Marie is single.

David Harris, 4-year old son of Margaret Harris is shown here with some of the large turnips his grandfather raised. These two weighed 5¼ lbs. each!



Marie Crawford



David Harris

PROCUREMENT

by Liz Jacobs

Perhaps this department has more contests than any other (for instance "The best coffee pot and cup cleaners" contest among the girls, graded by the men, as related in last month's issue). This month it's "measuring the length of skirts". The categories fall sort of like this: "rubbing the knee" Tommie Ellis and Joyce Lee; "hugging or hovering over the knee", Patsy Navens and Liz Jacobs; "it's not a blouse, but too long for a skirt band" (the winning division by the way), Norma Hawk and Glenda McIntyre. Ted DeVice and Lewis Warren have proposed to set up their own "Hem It Up Shoppe" back at the paper-cutting machine for anyone who wants to join the winner's circle.

No sooner did we get Lem Kirkpatrick back to work and over his bout of pneumonia (14 bubblegumless days in all) than Bernie Cox caught the "flu-bug" and had to miss a few days. The only bug that ever moves fast enough to catch up with Frank Caple is the golf bug, and thank goodness, that is easily cured with a spoonful of sunshine and a day off. Anyway, it's nice to have Lem's mischie-

vous, and Bernie's pleasant, smile back with us. Hope the "bug" is satisfied with these two victims and leaves the rest of us alone. By the way, Lem's now the grandpa of a baby boy, and if you think that makes our casonova slow down any, you just haven't met him in the hall lately!

October will have to be known as the "partyless" month for Procurement - we schemed, plotted, and even thought about giving advanced - birthday parties (couldn't find anyone who wanted an earlier birthday than absolutely necessary), tried to get Norma, Patsy, Joyce, or Glenda to get married so we could have a shower, but no compliance from this area either. (Lewis Warren asked me to comment, "It wasn't because they didn't try, though".)

Envy, Envy, . . . about every week or so, a big, long florist's box is set on Norma Hawk's desk, and it always contains beautiful red roses from one of her admirers.

Boss Frank Caple was on TV October 31 (in case anyone had their eyes open at 7:30 a.m. that morning). He did a couple of magic "treats" for Halloween. One was producing a fat, little hard-headed "spook" inside a white handkerchief, and then making him disappear. Excellent! . . . just wish you could make

some of these piles of work disappear as quickly! (Maybe if he hit us on top of the head like he did the spook it just might happen !!) Lewis Warren has been voted "Housewife of the Month", and has dishwater hands to prove it. His wife was in the hospital for several days, so Lewis found out what we married ladies do with all our time. I understand he almost bought out a certain soup company "fixing" the kids' hot meals. I think all men should get to experience being a housewife for at least a few days, then they would learn to appreciate their "old ladies", as they refer to them.



Elizabeth Ann DeVice

Look what we have here!! Isn't she just the most beautiful little doll? This is Elizabeth Ann DeVice, born September 9. She looks as though she is really giving something very serious thought. . . probably the worrisome problem of how to break the new parents in just right. I bet she won't have any problem with Poppa Ted!

Do you realize it's only three paychecks until Christmas? I think I will wait to do most of my shopping the last two weeks. I can't resist the enchantment of being part of the Christmas rush crowd. Too, I can really get excited about Christmas when I spend many weary hours pulling my three sweet, snarling angels and a hubby, who's wearing the expression of a cash register gone berserk, thru a snatching, grabbing crowd. I may not get first choice in my selection of gifts, but what the heck, Christmas is supposed to be a joyful time and I enjoy it this way. If I had to sit around with my gifts all bought, wrapped, and properly labeled many weeks in advance, well it might as well be the 31st of February as far as I'm concerned. From all of us in Procurement . . . "A MERRY, MERRY, CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR"!



Administrative Section

By Linda Trogden

Gip and Patsy Robertson reported they had a very nice time in Philadelphia where they attended the AASHO convention.

Mr. and Mrs. Don Martin spent two days at Greer's Ferry recently. They were delighted to have their daughter from the University of Arkansas to make the trip with them.

Appraisal Section

By Kathy Phelps

We have some real Razorback boosters. Charlie Scott, Bryan McArthur and their wives went to Houston and "coached"

the Razorbacks to a victory over Rice. Bob Shockley and his wife went to Dallas and coached them to their victory over SMU.

Pam Lewis finally got her husband, Bob, back. He is in the U.S.A.F. and returned November 22 from Thailand, where he has been stationed for a year. Needless to say, Pam has not quite "been with us" lately. We're very happy for her. I'm sure it has been a long year for both of them.

We have several big deer hunters, but I think they must have stayed in by the fire, because they missed all the deer. We were looking forward to a big venison supper. We're disappointed, guys.



ROADWAY DESIGN

by Benny Robbins

Needless to say all of us in the Roadway Design Division are looking forward to the Thanksgiving Holidays, the better to eat more? We had a cake and coffee to celebrate service awards for Sid Lee, Robert Thomas and John Dunn, 15 yrs. and George Major, 5 yrs. The presentation of pens was made by Bill Hurt.

Hugh Treece's daughter, Joann, was married November 8 to Robert Moran. The ceremony was performed in Asbury Methodist Church in L.R. The couple are employed, and will reside, in Little Rock.

The new employee in Bob Narrell's squad is Willie Green. Also we will have Danny Moore back with us by the time this is in print. He has been away on military duty. Welcome back, Danny, and welcome, Willie.

Glenn Trammel went to Kansas City to visit his grandson and other relatives.

We were glad to see Jim Cottingham, who came by to see us. He had to retire due to bad health. He and his family moved to Crystal Springs, Miss. Lots of luck, Jim, and we miss you.

Bob Mize, Bobby Welch and Richard Butler, along with two others, went deer hunting with bow and arrow. They saw about eight but got what the little boy shot at? ? ? ? ? Too bad, boys, better luck next time.

Richard Butler's daughter Stephanie will be five years old November 24. Happy birthday, Stephanie! Hope you have many more happy ones. Isn't she a cutie?



Stephanie Butler

As some of you know, we have had sick folks in our Division. Fred Pulliam had an operation. He went into the hospital on October 14, got out on October 23, and came back to work on October 30. If that isn't a quick recovery for you! And just as chipper as ever too! Robert Thomas was nailing in the last nail on a ceiling job (it's always the last nail that will do you in) and the ladder fell, causing Robert to crush his heel bone. He was in the hospital for five days and then home for seven more. He is back now - on crutches - but back anyway. Robert says he appreciates all the thoughtfulness he received from his friends while he was in the hospital. As for us, we are glad to have Robert's smiling face back.

Gary Sipes, and his wife Billye are the proud parents of a bouncing baby boy, born to them on Wednesday, November 19. We will have a picture next time. They named the baby Morris Glynn.

Bob Mize and his son, Doug are real happy with this three point buck that Bob killed this season. Bob, his father and his brother went on a one-day hunt in the Saline River bottoms in Saline County to get this one. Incidentally Bob's brother has just returned from Vietnam and the family is glad to have him back.



Bob Mize and his son, Doug.



Frank Blalock

well are not surprised when they inquire how his family is, to hear about Sam first. He will be standing the 1970 stud season at the Woods' farm at DeWitt.



Connie and Sam

SIGN SHOP

by Ferguson & Hopkins

We are glad to have V. O. Campbell back to work. He had foot surgery and has been off about two months. Good to see you around again, Mr. Campbell.

Well, boys, our single girl is getting married. Diane Ferguson and John D. Veazey are to be married November 27 at 7:30 P.M. in the Hickory Plains Missionary Baptist Church. After a short trip the couple will be at home in North Little Rock, Ark. John is employed by Little Rock Road Machinery Company.

We had two birthday celebrations in November — Frank Blalock and Harold Guinn. Harold says he is only 29 — Only he knows for sure.

Jimmie Berryhill is sporting a new car these days, a 1970 Malibu. It's a beaut.

Lou Net Rickett, a former employee, paid us a visit November 7. It was real nice to see her and we hope she will come again soon.

Sharry Latture and Sue Alford visited the office on October 31. Good to see them again too.

A lot of our guys were deer hunting the week of November 10 but this picture of Frank Blalock was the only one I was able to get.

WEIGHTS AND STANDARDS

by Memmy Turner



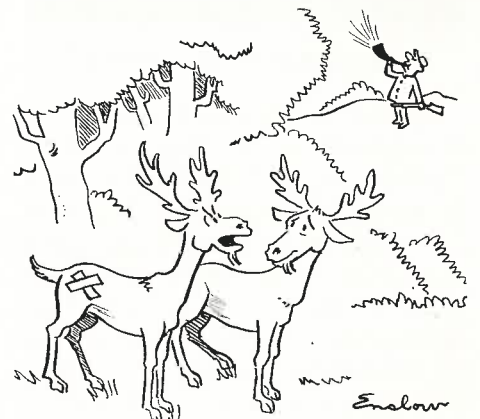
Johnson, left, and Atkins

Steve Atkins, half of Roving Unit No. 283, received his 15-year service certificate and lapel pin in November. He lives in Hope. Division Chief Roy L. Johnson made the presentation in his office.



Miss Connie Woods of DeWitt is mounted on Rimbo River, the pride and joy of Jay Hunnicut. The registered quarterhorse stallion, better known as Sam, placed fourth in the 3-year-old halter class at the Arkansas Livestock Show this year. Those who know Jay



"It won't work, Charlie. The heat's turning it to cheese in the radiator!"



"It's your turn — I answered it last time."

 DISTRICT  3
by Sharon Bailey

Congratulations to Eldrege Lee for 25 years service and to Kermit Glasgow and Otha Black for 20 years.

Lucky deer hunters that I know about are: Sherril Turner of Howard County and Bobby Flaherty of Pike County, who each killed an 8-pointer; and Billy Wayne Stewart of Pike County who killed an 8-inch spike.

Mr. and Mrs. Granvel Townsend's daughter, Mary Nell, was married to Richard Mathis of Maud, Tex. on August 15. The couple is now residing at Maud where they are employees of Day & Zimmermann, Inc. Granvel works in Maintenance out of Lewisville and has been with the Department a little over two years. Pictured are Mary Nell and her husband at a shower which was given in their honor on September 26.





Mary Nell and Richard Mathis

I'm sure that Grandison Royston, Jr., an employee in our Hope residency, must be proud of his children. His daughter, Margie, was recently picked as one of four winners in the Ouachitonian beauty pageant and will be featured in the 1970 yearbook. She is a junior psychology-sociology major at Ouachita, a member of the Ouachitones singing group, Gamma Phi social club and a cheerleader. His son, Grandy, has been named to Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities. He is

also a student at Ouachita in his senior year as a biology major. He is a member of Rho Sigma social club.

We extend our sympathy to the family of Albert Hodges due to the death of his brother, Louis Hodges of Baskom, Ohio, and to the family of R. M. Harrison in the death of his brother, Emmett Harrison of Lockesburg.

 DISTRICT  4



The office personnel here at District Headquarters have been working a little short-handed the past month so none of us have been able to give proper attention to the preparation of the news. However, we do wish to extend our deepest sympathy to Marge Parnell, our fuel clerk, on the death of her mother, Mrs. Gwyn, and also to Oscar, who many of you will remember as a retired Highway Department employee. Mrs. Gwyn passed away at her home at 12:30 A.M. on Tuesday, October 21.

We also extend sympathy to Bill G. Sanders and his family on the death of Mrs. Sanders' father, H. C. Rogers, on October 21.

Lyman L. Roper is going around with a wide grin on his face these days since little Autumn Yvonne put in her appearance on October 29. Lyman says that even though she does have her days and nights mixed, he wouldn't trade at all.

Helen Butler, who works in the Stockroom, is due a 15-year pin this month. She will receive it when she returns to work November 24. She has been off since November 3 due to major surgery, her second session since August. Helen says she is feeling just great though, and it will be great to have her back. (Won't it, Pete and Jim?)

Will call this quits for now. We're glad the other divisions and districts aren't as negligent with their news as we are with ours, because we do enjoy the news from other sections of the state.

 DISTRICT  5

In the process of road construction on Highway 69, Job Supt. Harold Taylor uncovered some Indian burials dating back to about 1,000 A.D., according to John Huen, State Archaeologist, who investigated the site.

Fulton County Area Foreman Bert Mathis and Mrs. Mathis have returned home from a 13-day trip to Kansas City and San Marie, Calif. They visited with their son, Lex, and family in Kansas City and enjoyed watching the Kansas City Chiefs and the Miami Dolphins play. Then they went to California to visit with their daughter, Neva, and family. Some highlights of their trip there were sightseeing at Knotts Berry Farm and Disneyland. Bert said he saw several hippies in the Los Angeles area but that his vocabulary was limited in describing them.

Lawson Johnson, ferry foreman, and Harold May, mechanic, have returned from their big hunt in Gray Bull, Wyo. Their stories on what was killed varies, but both agree that they had a good hunt.

Several employees took vacations during the deer season. Those killing deer included Job Supt. Orville Schales, Randy Satterwhite, permit clerk; and Tommy Jones, engineering aide.

W. R. "Pud" Bolin, retired employee of District Five Maintenance, was a recent visitor in the office. We always enjoy his visits.

Mr. and Mrs. Vic Drake are the proud parents of a baby girl, Helen Loyce, born October 31. The proud grandfather is Harold Taylor, job superintendent.

The Oscar Syferts and daughters, Mr. and Mrs. Jim McKinney from Las Cruces, N. Mex., and Mr. and Mrs. Jim Warren and daughter Susan from Russellville, will spend the Thanksgiving holiday in Strasbury, Ill. with Oscar's sister, Mrs. Edgar Frede and family.

A proud moment for Res. Engr. John Ed Smith, Jr. was when his son John Ed III, a senior at Batesville High School, was elected one of the tri-captains of the year for the Batesville Pioneers.





John Ed Smith, III

A coffee and cake reception was held at the District office Wednesday, November 26 in honor of W. "Bill" Gingerich, Saline County area foreman, who is retiring after 20 years and 8 months service. When asked how he intended to spend retirement, his reaction was "... not to hit a lick at a snake." Bill and Mrs. Gingerich intend to make their home at Des Arc. We wish him the best of luck, and extend our sympathy to his wife and the squirrel population of Prairie County.

A "welcome aboard" is in order to Odie Sullivan, who is transferring from the District-wide crew to become the new Saline County area foreman.

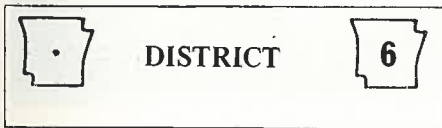
Deer season is with us again and the following people brought home the venison: From Construction: Don Brown, Chuck Tully, Fred Schroeder and Bob Parker. From Maintenance: W. W. Powell, W. J. Johnson and H. Price. From the District office: Butch Garner and George (10 points) Ingle. George tells just how to get a big one - "Sprinkle salt on his tail." Congratulations, all you "Dead-eyes."

Thomas M. Grubbs and Linda Ruth Cotton were married Sunday, October 12. Congratulations to both of you. We wish you much happiness. Mike, how did you capture such a pretty bride?

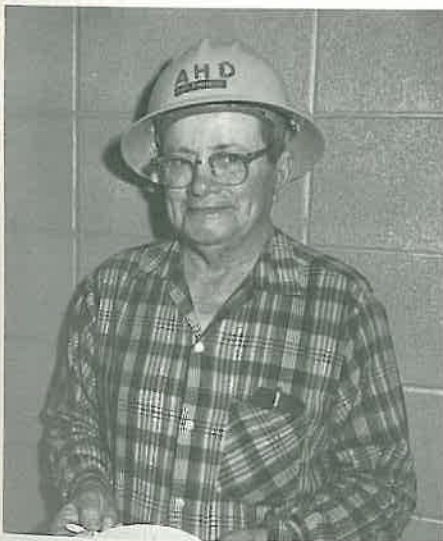
We have three new engineering aides in our office: Max Harmon, Joe Smith and Emerson Starks. Max and his wife Susan live at the Med Center apartments where she is in nurses training. Joe and his wife Judy have two children, Butch and Debra. He has worked for the Department once before. Emerson and his family, wife LaRue and children Dion, Dana and Myron, moved here from California. We hope they will be happy living in Little Rock.



Melany Gee



Jim Gee's Residency



Bill Gingerich



Mrs. Thomas M. Grubbs

Tommy Williams and his family have recently moved to Little Rock from Donaldson, Ark. to be nearer his job. Tommy is a construction inspector in this residency and a 13-year employee. He is outnumbered by the ladies at his house - his wife Norma, and daughters Lisa, Debbie, Regina, Kathy and Cindy.

This little doll is Jim and Betty Gee's daughter, Melany Katherine. They are very proud of her and you can see why. The Gees also have a handsome son, David, 4½.

Joe Floyd and Wallace Cook are really inspectors but they are also real handy handymen sometimes, too. We can always depend on them to take care of such things as plumbing problems, because no matter what comes up, they can usually take care of it. We appreciate them.

Congratulations to Leon and Shirley Trickey who are the proud parents of Carey Neal born September 3. They already have Cindy, 4, and Mark, 2. Leon is an Engineering Aide IVB and has been with the Department for more than eight years.

Civil Engr. Steve Sloan and Cheryl Jean Gill of Dumas were married September 29 and honeymooned in Tennessee, Miami and the Florida Keys. Steve has been in basic training at Ft. Leonard Wood, Mo. and returned home just two

days before the wedding.



Carey Neal Trickey



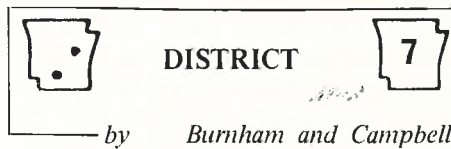
Mr. and Mrs. Steve Sloan

Bill Dodds' Residency

G. L. Dumeny's daughter, Cecelia, has won a trip to the National 4-H Congress which will be held in Chicago November 30 — December 4. Cecelia, 15, and a sophomore at Mt. St. Mary's Academy, is the winner of the state 4-H dress revue. Her trip will be sponsored by the Simplicity Pattern Company. She has carried her clothing project for four years and participated in the dress revue each year. This year she made 30 garments including school clothes, best dresses, play and work clothes, tailored outfits and party dresses. Her trip-winning garment is this short party dress in a muted floral print in shades of pink, blue, yellow, white and green. She plans a career in home economics or homemaking.



Cecelia Dumeny



Congratulations to Permit Officer Maxwell S. Smith, who has completed 20 years' service, Equip. Opr. II James Morgan, 15 years, and Payroll Clerk Carolyn Milner for 10 years.



Maint. Supt. G. E. Nunnally, right, presents Maxwell's certificate.

We are glad to have Mr. Nunnally back after an illness and hospital stay. He says the only pleasant part of being sick was a nice visit from his daughter, Anne McKanna and grandson John.

We want to introduce Res. Engr. Bob Myers to the readers. He filled the vacancy created when former Resident Nor-



Carolyn receives her certificate from Dist. Engr. Coy Campbell.

man Pumphrey was promoted to assistant construction engineer and moved to the central headquarters at Little Rock.



Res. Engr. Bob Myers

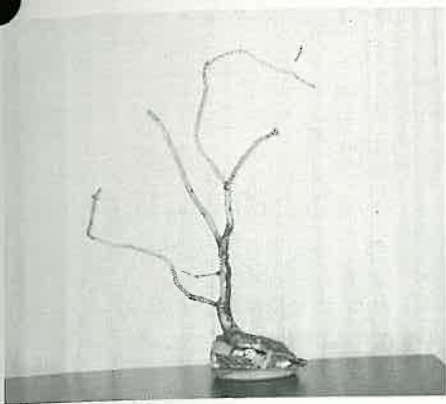
Donald Beard, inspector for Myers, is also back at work after a heart attack.

Ralph Toward, Stock Clerk III, and Mamie are enjoying having their three-year-old grandson, Ed Toward, Jr. from Dallas, a few weeks.

Fuel Clerk Mildred Russ was delighted to have a two-week visit from her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Silcox of near Mobile, Ala. Mildred has added to our office decor by placing brass plates and flying duck plaques, several planters and an artificial flower arrangement at vantage points. We appreciate these thoughtful, attractive touches.

Asst. Maint. Supt. Jewell Prince's wife Kathryn made this unusual decorative piece for his office by painstakingly polishing a tree root to its natural finish.

She then waxed it and added several natural rocks as a base. Very pretty!



Welcome to two new employees in Myers' residency. Guy Spears, Engr. Aide IVB, transferred from West Memphis. John E. Beasley, Engr. Aide IIB, is from Camden.



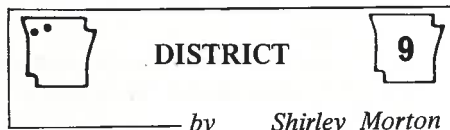
John Beasley



Sula Burnham

Bookkeeper Sula Burnham observed her birthday this month. (*The "40 Years" cake is traditional with Dist. 7 employees. Ed.*) We extend our sincere sympathy again to Sula and her daughter Susan whose husband and father, Harlan Burnham, passed away Friday, November 14 after an extended illness.

The deer hunters have returned — a few happy, but several others empty-handed. The unfortunate ones will be returning for another trip, as we have two more seasons.



Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Frank McCollough (M & T Engr. Aide) on the arrival of a baby boy on October 31. He has been named Stacy Frank. The McColloughs also have a daughter, Leslie, age two.

Our deer hunters were out early the first morning of the first deer season and reports have come in from nearly every county in the district that several were lucky enough to bring home a big buck. Those who were not so fortunate will have another week or so later on to try their luck.

The homes of Ullis Cline at Yellville and Nelson McCutcheon, who recently moved to a farm southwest of Harrison, burned a few weeks ago. Our sympathy is extended to them in their misfortune. Ullis is a truck driver in Marion County and Nelson is an engineering aide at the Harrison residency of Gary Godfrey.

Tillman and Dottie Fancher motored to Salinas, Calif. to visit Dottie's mother, who will celebrate her 91st birthday on December 29. They also visited with other relatives and friends while in California and reported a nice trip. Tillman is Carroll County area foreman.

Cloman "Cy" Auman was honored with a retirement party at the district office in November. Cake and coffee were served and he was presented a gift from his AHD friends. Cy, our custodian for

the past seven and one-half years, was 67 years old on November 23. We will miss him and wish him good luck and good health during the coming years.

Ruben Hurst, foreman at Martin's Ferry, has moved his family into a 12' x 64' house trailer located near the ferry in the Norfolk area. They are very comfortably settled in their new home and are busy with landscaping, building walks, etc. Their eldest son, who was inducted into the Army a few months ago, is now stationed at Ft. Leonard Wood, Mo.

The Huntsville "Road Runners" independent basketball team won their first game of the season from the Berryville Independents by a score of 63-25. The game was played in the high school gym at Huntsville. The team members are: Carl Sanders, Wallace Brt, Kenneth Selby, Glen Faulkner, Bill Harbison, Ed McLaughlin, all AHD employees, and Richard Emonson and Kenneth Cornett of Huntsville. The next game will be at Elkins on November 19. Good luck, fellas!! (We hope to have a photo of the team in their sharp new uniforms next issue).

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Cantrell of Bergman were presented certificates and pins for five years as 4-H Club leaders at the Boone County 4-H Club Leaders' Appreciation Banquet held October 27 in Harrison. James O. Gibson, Jr., associate County Extension Agent, made the presentation. Cantrell is employed with Gary Godfrey's residency at Harrison.



Gibson, left, and Mr. and Mrs. Cantrell

THIS'LL KILL YA

Congratulations to Job Supt. James Tritch, Area Foreman J. C. Pillow and Arthur Pickett, truck driver, all from Paragould; they received 15-year service awards and pins in November.

Essie Butler and husband Don spent part of their vacation in Florida. She reported a good trip.

Several of the men went deer hunting this year but we haven't heard many comments. Did hear that Jerry Black, mechanic, and Granger McDaniel, watchman, both of Paragould, and Lowell Moore and Jerry Murray, equipment operators in Clay County, all bagged one each.



Granger McDaniel, left, and his hunting buddy, Charles Diggs, with their deer. The kills were made at a camp near Hamburg.

So sorry to know that Jim Taylor, radio technician, has been in the hospital and had such a rough time. We miss seeing you around, Jim. Hurry and get back in circulation.

Job Supt. Rex Hall has been on sick leave due to surgery. It is good to see him back on the job.

Our sincere sympathy to Joe Pickett, Engr. Aide IVA, Walnut Ridge, whose father died November 11, 1969.



First Cannibal: "Am I late for dinner?"

Second cannibal: "Yes, everybody's eaten."

A man was giving some advice to his son. At the end of a rather stern lecture, he said: "Now, my boy, you understand perfectly what I mean?"

"Yes," replied the boy, "what it boils down to is this: If I do well it's because of heredity, and if I fail it's my own fault."

Teacher: "Name the four seasons."

Six-year-old: "Salt, pepper, mustard and ketchup."

A little old lady entered a department store. Instantly a band began to play, an orchid was pinned on her dress, a \$100 bill put in her hand. She found herself being photographed from all sides and TV cameras beamed down on her.

"You're our one millionth customer," the master of ceremonies told her, smiling broadly. "And now can you tell us what you came here for today?"

"Yes," said the little old lady. "I'm on my way to the complaint department."

Office secretary, on phone: "He's out to lunch now, but he won't be gone long - nobody took him."

They keep trying to tell us that women are smarter than men, but did you ever see a man wearing a shirt that buttoned in the back?

Women really have it made today. You hire a secretary— and you wind up paying her to learn how to spell while she's looking for a husband.

A young lady who taught kindergarten got engaged to the school principal - an event predicted by every little five-year old in her class. One day she appeared sporting a magnificent diamond on her finger.

"Gosh," exclaimed one little boy. "Is that ring for real?"

"Okay," he conceded. "Then let's see it squirt water."

We're always sorry when Christmas is over because we know that after the family has hung up their stockings on Christmas Eve it will be a whole year before any one of them hangs up anything again.



Sincere good wishes for a Merry Christmas and a New Year of happiness, health and prosperity. Let us hope that all mankind will feel the wonder of Christmas and so fulfill the ageless promise for PEACE ON EARTH GOODWILL TOWARD MEN.

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