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Signs and Striping in Arkansas



Otha Hewitt, head of Traffic Services

The motoring public is a critical taskmaster. We are informed in no uncertain terms when certain sections of highways are in need of construction because of obsolescence or inadequacies; when the detours through or around construction cause inconvenience; or when the maintenance forces do not make repairs immediately. And perhaps this is as it should be, for it is the public who supplies the revenue to build and maintain these highways and therefore has a right to expect that this money will be expended for the purpose intended.

But this public is often slow to offer praise or compliment to those forces who are so ably doing the job which aids in making motoring a pleasure. Probably, the best test of the efficiency of a highway organization is the amount of public criticism or the freedom from criticism.

To this extent, the Traffic Services Section, under the Maintenance Division of the Highway Department has been organized into a closely knit group of efficient employees who are interested in their work and take pride in their accomplishments. All operations are under the direct supervision of Otha Hewitt. He has a profound knowledge of the operation's needs and the complete authority to take steps he deems appropriate and necessary.



This section, which employ about 55 persons, gives prompt attention to signs and center-striping and has been unusually free of criticism. It operates on the basis of performance with a minimum of reports. In this respect it has reached the ultimate in reducing paperwork and yet adequate records are maintained to determine unit costs, work performed, and expenditures. Funds for the operation of this function are authorized on a lump sum basis for statewide use. This permits complete freedom of choice of which roads to serve; how to divide the expenditures, what division of expenditures, what division of expenditures to incur for signs or striping; and even what distribution to make among the maintenance divisions of counties.

This is an enormous undertaking but it must be realized that the Arkansas Highway System consists of 527 miles of Interstate routes, 2,860 miles of primary roads, 7,585 miles of secondary roads, and approximately 198 miles of non-aid routes, half of which are paved. The budget for Traffic Services is currently in excess of \$800,000 annually.

Like all other activities in the Department, signing and striping has witnessed a tremendous growth in order to satisfy the public demands. In the 1950-51 fiscal year, 1,867 miles of center striping and incidental striping was performed at a total cost of \$100,007. In the following year, 2,382 miles of this service cost \$100,212. In the fiscal year 1961-62, the total cost of striping 9,094 miles was \$476,841, at an average cost of \$52.40 per mile.

At the end of the past fiscal year the sign shop manufactured 50,759 signs at a total cost of \$213,703, and 23,478 signs were installed by the sign truck on special assignments at a total cost of \$115,868. These figures are recited as an illustration of the volume of work accomplished.

Center-striping is the major activity and involves a little over 50 per cent of the expenditures of the section. The activity is accomplished by four striping machines and crews, each operating on a statewide basis. Knowledge of the need for striping is gained from contact with construction projects, direct inquiry of construction personnel or a telephone call to determine the status and approximate completion date. From personal knowledge a list is prepared of the roads to be striped in the coming week by each machine. These lists are distributed each Friday to the foreman and the crews proceed

on the following week to strip the roads in the order listed. At the end of the week, the roads remaining on the list are placed at the head of the list for the following week and additional roads are appended. The crews are not confined to areas, but the roads are placed on the lists in a logical order to save travel distance. The remarkable part of this procedure is that the striping crews are always present as soon as the pavement is completed and promptly provides the striping which is so essential for safe travel, and this is accomplished without relying on any type of formal notice or report.

The Highway Department emphasizes that all highways be kept properly striped. Present paint requirements for center-striping are 147,000 gallons annually at a cost of \$325,000.

Signing Highways

Signing of highways is another essential service provided for the convenience of the public which is seldom fully appreciated. To be successful and afford the information intended, good judgment must be exercised. It must always be borne in mind that the signs will serve strangers who have no knowledge of the highway and are dependent on the sign message as they interpret it. It is, therefore, essential that the message be clear, concise, legible, and above all, accurate and easily understood.

The sign shop is modern in every detail and manufactures all signs used on the highway system. Two men design the sign requirements and because of their experience and proficiency they have become expert. They are able to anticipate the driver's reaction to sign messages; place the sign in the most conspicuous place and avoid having the sign obscured by other objects; and provide proper safeguards to the traveler during unfavorable weather conditions. They carefully log the road, recording the location and type sign needed. If standard type signs are to be supplied, such are noted by code designation, but if special signs are required, an appropriate sketch is prepared. This log is carefully



Richard (Sandy) Williams, is spraying this sign with a clear finish to protect it from the elements.

reviewed and checked to assure completeness and accuracy. If satisfactory, this log is approved and submitted to the sign shop for fulfilling. About 16 employees prepare the signs as required by the log and store them in sequence.

The six sign trucks and each accompanying crew of two men are on a statewide travel status. The crews pick up the signs and materials required for the entire trip from the central sign shop. Occasionally, however, it is necessary to revise plans and sign a road to meet emergency conditions. This is an uncommon occurrence and is generally avoided because the sign truck must return to the shop, unload the material previously scheduled and load the new material.

Traffic Services is a big operation—it plays a mighty important role in our Highway Department system operation.



Floyd Pharris, Jr., filling a sign order in the shop's storeroom.



Henry McCrotty and James Squires are making MPH's by the silk screen process in the modern North Little Rock shop.

WILLIAM L. MOORE



William Lawrence Moore, District 9 engineer and a young man who has made a meteoric rise in his career with the Highway Department, seems to have a lot of things going for him: youth, personality, ambition, and an outstanding engineering ability.

And those are not mere superlatives without foundation. Ask any of his employees and they'll tell you he's tops as a boss. Ask some of his engineering colleagues around the Department and they'll answer with something like, "a fine young man and good engineer." Ask some of the fairer sex and they may reply: "He's a doll."

Booneville, Ark., claims Bill as a native son. The second son of Howard Gordon Moore, Sr., and Evona Kimbro Moore, he was born August 27, 1928. The eldest son, Howard Gordon Moore, Jr. was born two years previously. He is an electrical engineer in Shreveport, La. Mr. Moore, Sr. was superintendent of schools in Booneville for 30 years until his retirement. He and Mrs. Moore now reside in Conway.

After attending the Booneville elementary schools, Bill graduated from the Booneville High School in 1946. In the fall he entered Arkansas Tech at Russellville and graduated with an associate science degree in 1948. He enrolled in the College of Civil Engineering at the University of Arkansas and received his degree in 1950.

His first job after graduating was as a science and social studies teacher in the Booneville Junior High School. He also coached athletics. The reason for this type of employment was due to the uncertain military future as a result of the Korean situation. For several years Bill was Intelligence Officer (captain) in the 217th Engineering Battalion at Russellville. He is an inactive member of the reserve.

After the school teaching stint he took the Associate Basic Company Officers Course in the Engineering School at Ft. Belvoir, Va., graduating in March 1952, after which he came to the Highway Department. His first job was as instrumentman in the Construction Division at Booneville. He was there a year and then transferred to Hot Springs for six months, Monticello for four months, and Fordyce two months.

In 1954 he was working in Texarkana and there he met his wife, the attractive Jo Nell Ballew. They were married December 18, 1954 in Shreveport. From then on he moved about quite a bit as assistant resident engineer, working in Prescott, Hope, and back to Texarkana. In July 1955 he was sent to Fordyce as a resident engineer and was there until March 1957 when he transferred to DeValls Bluff.

He became resident engineer on construction of the third bridge in 1957, working out of the Little Rock Construction Office. On July 1, 1958 he was made expressway engineer on the Little Rock-North Little Rock Expressway and was on this project until October 1 1960 when he was transferred to Harrison and his present position.

Bill likes to hunt, fish, and we hear he plays a good game of golf. He likes to look at a "hole card" and is adept at drawing deuces - and discarding them. He's been known to discard three of them when trying to make a full house. A loyal roofer for the Arkansas Razorbacks, he follows them throughout their season each year and, because of this, he's become an accomplished cheer leader, out "Soo-Pig-Soo-eee"ing even the most practiced pro. His retentive memory has gained him a wonderful selection of parlor stories. Without hesitation, he can rattle off a story to fit nearly any occasion. We're told he has a good one about the man who rode the grizzly bear down the mountain.

However, nothing can compete with his main 'hobby'—his two young sons, William Kimbro Moore, age 6, who just started to "Big School," an event he was looking forward to, and Stephen Lockwood Moore, 4. They are their daddy's pride and joy—and typical boys. Many afternoons in the summer after work finds Bill in the yard playing ball with his sons or pitching for a neighborhood game. He's a great believer in 'togetherness' where his family is concerned.

They love company and frequently entertain out-of-town friends over week ends, as well as young couples in Harrison. Their specialties are cookouts and bridge parties. Jo Nell is an avid bridge player and manages to indulge in her hobby quite often. We hear she is a good cook and homemaker.

The Moores are members of the First Methodist Church. Bill's other affiliations include Arkansas Society of Professional Engineers, National Society of Professional Engineers, and he was a charter member of a toastmasters club while in Little Rock. Jo Nell is active in the Women's Guild of the church and the Women's Society of Professional Engineers.

Bill seems to be a well adjusted person who, although young in years, has the maturity and knowledge of a man much older. And, it's no wonder that, with his patience and understanding, coupled with a sense of humor and good sportsmanship, he has gained the friendship of all the employees in District 9...In fact, the entire Department.



MAN OF THE MONTH



NEW SAFETY DIRECTOR HIRED FOR DEPARTMENT

William E. Huie, former personnel and safety supervisor engineer with the Georgia-Pacific Corporation, Crossett Division, Crossett, Ark., became safety director for the Highway Department September 4.

Huie will develop and implement a safety program in the Department to promote safer working conditions and stress accident prevention measures among Highway personnel.

The appointment was made after a committee was formed last July to study the accident problem and to develop a course of action. The high incidence of accidents involving Highway personnel and equipment, is cause for concern and justifies serious consideration and immediate actions. The committee is made up of Highway Director F. R. Oliver, State Maintenance Engineer R. B. Winfrey, and Director of Equipment C. Don Hayes.

Huie held the Crossett job for over seven years. He was responsible for the safety of approximately 1,000 employees. He held classes and conferences for supervisory personnel, aimed at keeping the personnel informed on matters concerning leadership, job analyses, basic economics, speech and communications, and other facts concerning the company; employee counselling, personnel interviews for prospective technical employees, personnel placement, and pre-employment testing and screening.

His background qualifies him for his new position. A native of Heber Springs, he is a graduate of Arkansas Tech at Russellville where he received his BSE degree,

and he took extension courses at George Washington University, and at the Industrial Safety Training Institute, National Safety Council in Chicago on "Fundamentals of Industrial Safety" and "Safety Management Techniques."

Huie is a veteran of World War II and the Korean conflict. He holds the rank of captain in the U.S. Air Force Reserve. He is a professional member of the National Safety Council on the Executive Committee; general chairman of the Wood Products Section of the Safety Council, and holds dual membership in the American Society of Safety Engineers in the Ark-La-Tex Chapter, and the Arkansas Chapter. He belongs to many civic clubs.

The other half of the Huie family consists of Glennie, his attractive wife of 11 years, who teaches English in the public schools. Their new residence in Little Rock is 2115 Kavanaugh.

POLICY ON HIGHWAY PERSONNEL MISCONDUCT

The U. S. Department of Commerce has advised that the following Policy, issued by Secretary of Commerce Luther H. Hodges, formally adopted, and duly published in the Federal Register, is now in effect:

"Any state personnel, contractor or contractor personnel, and any Federal Bureau of Public Roads personnel involved in any irregularity in connection with a Federal-aid highway project will be unacceptable for employment on any highway project in which Federal funds participate for a period of 3 months to 3 years.

"Notice of proposed action to be taken would be furnished to the individual or individuals involved and opportunity provided for a hearing before a hearing board designated by the Federal Highway Administrator. The recommendation of the hearing board would be reported to the Federal Highway Administrator who would make the final decision as to the administrative action to be taken by the Bureau."

The Arkansas State Highway Commission joins the Department of Commerce in adopting this policy which serves as clear notice that misconduct and irregularities in connection with all highway projects cannot be tolerated, and that persons so involved will not be eligible for continued employment with the Department.

Highway Director F. R. Oliver

Special Motel Rates at Fayetteville

A letter from F. E. Brown, owner-manager of the Sands Motel at Fayetteville, states that due to the increasing number of state and federal employees traveling in northwest Arkansas, they will offer special rates to any state or federal employee who identifies himself as such at the time of registration. A room with one double bed, one person, is \$5. A room with two double beds, two persons, \$9. The motel is located at 229 No. College St.

PLAY BALL!!

by:

Mary M. Day
Public Relations
Office



The saying goes that in the springtime a young man's fancy lightly turns to thoughts of love. There is no saying that boys' thoughts turn to baseball in the spring—nevertheless, they do. Any teacher knows that the thoughts reflected by the lost look on the face of a youngster gazing out a window a few weeks before school is out, are not on arithmetic or science but, instead, are pondering how thrilling it would be to hit a high pop fly or bang one over the fence.

Once the school term is completed for another year, the fresh green carpet on the baseball diamonds quickly succumb to the stamp and shuffle of many youngster's steps.

In prior years, baseball to me was the errand which consumed Sunday summer TV and the topic of conversation, and which, if you don't care for it, leaves you with virtually no one to talk with during the series.

But this summer baseball was a different story with me. In performing my role as a mother, I, dutifully but reluctantly, got myself out to the park for my son's first game, fully resigned to spending a couple of boring hours, and trying to convince myself that it was not really as hot as I very well knew it was. I must honestly admit that just one hard hit in center field and a good catch from the same place at a strategic point in the game changed all that. From that moment on I was out there every game slapping mosquitoes, coaching from the stands, and cheering. Then it seemed as though everyone with whom I talked had a son playing baseball too, and I thought you might be as interested as I to know who our Highway Department offspring are in baseball. There are many and range in age from 18 to 7.

Larry Magness, son of Joe Magness, M&T, seems to be our youngest. He plays in the field for a team at Geyer Springs. He is following in the footsteps of his father who, I found out by chance, also is a ball player, playing on a softball church team.

Mark Jones, 8, son of Ralph Jones, resident engineer, is a pitcher in the Optimist League. Another son, Chris, 11, plays right field in the Junior Deputy League. Mike Mattox, 8, son of Bridge Maintenance engineer Bob Mattox, is playing his second year on a team in the Geyer Springs League. Lindy Broyles, 8, son of Paul Broyles, Right of Way, is a catcher and plays shortstop for a super market team in the Mablevale Little League Association. Michael Ledbetter, 8, son of A. C. Ledbetter also of Right of Way, plays center and right field on a Benton Optimist League team. Eddie Mercer, 8, son of Henry C. Mercer of Planning and Research, plays left field for a Little Rock Boys Club team. Eddie's

brother, Henry Mercer III, 13, catches and plays third base for the Boys Club League.

Benny Van Patten, 9, plays second base and shortstop for a team in the Little Rock City League. Benny is the offspring of B. A. Van Patten, Right of Way. Tony Lambert, 9, son of Mendel Lambert in Construction, plays second base for a Boys Club team. Robert Venable, 9, son of Charlie Venable of Surveys, is shortstop on a Mablevale team. James Walker Watson, 9, alternates shortstop and third base on a Burns Park team, and is the son of Walker Watson, Right of Way. Steve Parker, 9, is the son of Robbie Parker of P&R, and is a shortstop for a Boys Club team. Thomas D. Lewis, 9, son of B. C. Lewis, also of P&R, is first baseman on a Geyer Springs team.

Richard Johnson, 10, son of Art Johnson, Data Processing, plays second base for a Junior Deputy team. Eddie Rownd, 10, son of Bert Rownd, Surveys, alternates as pitcher and third baseman in a Geyer Springs team, managed by Papa Bert. John Farris, 10, is second baseman for a North Little Rock Boys Club team, and it is managed by his father, Floyd of the Sign Shop. Floyd is rather proud of the fact that this was their first year of organized baseball and they won 14 out of 15 games played.

Larry Whelchel, 11, son of Y. W. Whelchel, administrative assistant, plays left field on a Little Rock Boys Club team. Danny Hooten, 11, is an outfielder for a team at Geyer Springs. His dad is Herbert Hooten, Right of Way. Mike Hooten, Danny's brother, pitches and is first baseman for a team at Geyer Springs. My youngun' Randy Day, is 11, and plays center and right field on a team in the Little Rock City League.

Tony Barton, 12, son of Nedra Barton, Data Processing, is right fielder on a City League team. Jimmy Matthews, Bridge Design, alternates between pitching and first base on a Geyer Springs team. Jimmy pitched one no-hitter this year and has a batting average of .450 and his dad manages the team. Bobby Koonce, 12, son of Pat Koonce in Accounting, is third baseman for a Junior Deputy team. John McCarthy, 12, son of James E. McCarthy, chief of Accounting, plays shortstop and in the field for Junior Deputies.

Gary Davis, 13, son of Dora Davis, Maintenance, is catcher and substitutes on an intermediate team for the YMCA. Emil E. Reichstadt is 13, the son of Arthur Reichstadt in Right of Way, and Emil plays with the YMCA team also, but his season was cut short because of an emergency appendectomy.

Ricky Daes, 11, son of Verna Daes, Microfilming, has played just about every position on his team in the Geyer Springs League. Verna's nephew, Dewey Melton, 16, is a pitcher and also plays on a team at Geyer Springs. Larry Sneed, 14, son of Leon Sneed, Equipment Division at Jacksonville, plays second base on a pony league team. Douglas Turney, 14, son of R. C. Turney, M&T, doesn't play but manages a City League Teeny team. Travis Beard, 14, son of Alton Beard, also in M&T, plays second base on a church team.

Robert Trammel, 17, son of Glenn Trammel, is center fielder for an American Legion team. We've probably

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Camden Officials Visit Department...

Leave \$100,000 Check

On August 27 Camden city officials made a special trip to Little Rock and the Highway Department to present a check for \$100,000 to Director F. R. Oliver.

The money is the city's share of right of way costs for a proposed \$2 million expressway through Camden. The total cost of the right of way is estimated to be \$265,000 for 2.7 miles. The money came from a bond issue approved in April by Camden voters.

Camden City Manager George A. Lewis presented the check to Mr. Oliver in his office before a small audience of Camden officials including City Directors C. R. Magness, George H. Clippert, Jack D. Freer; Mayor Ray Parham, and Doyne Hunnicutt; and Highway Commissioners John E. Crain, Sr., Arnil Taylor, Glenn F. Wallace, Truman Baker, and Wayne Hampton.

The expressway, called Highway Spur 4 in Camden by the Highway Department, was programmed in 1960. It will leave Highways 4 and 24 just east of Berg Lake, go southeast to connect with U.S. Highway 79 below Radio station KAMD, and with State Highway 7 (Adams Avenue) at Duck Inn. It will be a network of underpasses, overpasses, and cloverleaves.

First priority for urban improvement is given by the Highway Department to cities who furnish all the necessary right of way. Second priority is given to those cities which participate in the cost of acquiring right of way, such as Camden. Last priority is given to those cities

for which the Department must bear the expense of all required right of way.

Mr. Oliver said that right of way crews were to begin mapping the route of the new traffic artery the first week in this month. When all right of way has been acquired, then a date can be set for awarding the contract.

The City of Camden feels today that they are one step nearer to the realization of an expressway to relieve their downtown traffic congestion.



Mr. Oliver, center, accepts the check from Camden City Manager George A. Lewis, at right, in Mr. Oliver's office. Looking on are Highway Commissioners Truman Baker, Wayne Hampton, and Glenn F. Wallace.

ARKANSAS HIGHWAY DAMES PICNIC

Due to either Major Berry and his rainmaking equipment, natural causes, or just plain Lady Luck, a nice cooling rain made the weather delightful for the picnic the Arkansas Highway Dames held in honor of their husbands at Lake Nixon on Saturday, August 25. A wonderful amount of culinary art was displayed - golden fried chicken and many other delectable dishes, including an assortment of sweets.

A good time was had by all. Our thanks to Mrs. C. A. Shumaker of the Entertainment Committee, Mrs. Bob Mattox and Mrs. Jim Matthews of the Food Committee, and to Mrs. Reid Beckel, Mrs. Max Hall, Mrs. Don Reed, and Mrs. Gus Clifton, who were hostesses for the event. Also, our thanks to the John Halls for making and furnishing the delicious coffee.

Incidentally, there were some forgotten dishes which the owners may claim by contacting Mrs. Baldy Vinson,

president. At the Boyle Park meeting, someone got the wrong pie server by mistake. Please check your silver so that an exchange can be made and the pie servers returned to their rightful owners.

The September meeting will be a bingo party on September 27, beginning at noon, in the Meeting Room of the Arkansas Power and Light Building. Pie and coffee will be served. The Food Committee will call for pie-making volunteers. Also, you are asked to bring or send a "White Elephant" item for a prize. To date we have some interesting looking packages. This meeting should be fun, so plan to attend. It is an opportunity to meet the wives of our husband's co-workers. The meeting time will enable members who work to come and visit and enable mothers to get home before the children get out of school.

Mrs. Henry A. Dreher

To inform people on the executive level of the vast developments in the electronic data processing field, the IBM Corporation hosted many Little Rock executives, including Director F. R. Oliver, at their IBM facilities at Endicott, N. Y. August 23-24. The Corporation payed all expenses for the group, which also included other Arkansas executives and those in the surrounding states.

Mr. Oliver and Chief Engineer Ward Goodman attended the AASHO Electronics Committee Regional Conference September 6-8 at New Orleans. Mr. Oliver was moderator for one of the business sessions. Mr. Goodman is a member of the Electronics Committee.

Survey Engineer Bert Rownd attended the National Highway Management Conference No. 13 at Santa Fe, N. M., September 9-15. Bert was chosen to attend by the National Highway Users Conference after he was nominated by the AASHO regional representative on the Highway Management Advisory Committee.

Bill Looney and B. C. Lewis of Planning and Research, spent three days in July with Mississippi officials to study the economic effect of the new Helena Bridge. Graham Noble accompanied them to investigate Mississippi A.T.R. Maintenance Program.

Dowell Anders, chief attorney in the Legal Division, had quite an honor bestowed on him by the American Right of Way Association. His paper, "The Jury's Approach to the Determination of Damages in Land Condemnation Suits," which he delivered before the Legal Affairs Committee of the American Association of State Highway officials in Denver last year, was chosen for publication as an educational article in the October 1962 issue of their official magazine, "Right of Way."



When the District 1 group had a fish fry August 28, they paused long enough to smile prettily for the camera. Left to right in the top pic are: Mary A. Harrell, Glenda Grafton, Director Oliver, Rosemary Weeden, Janet McEl-duff, Chief Engineer Ward Goodman, Mildred Stacy, Dick Ethridge, and District Engineer C. M. Matthews. Some of the men are grouped in the second pic but we did not receive their names.

Northeast Chapter ASPE Meets at Blytheville

By: H. C. Martin
Resident Engineer

District 10 Engineer John F. Price and several of the resident engineers in the District attended an interesting meeting of the Northeast Chapter of the Arkansas Society of Professional Engineers in Blytheville on August 24.

The meeting was one of the highlights of our chapter activities, and was arranged by Ray Clouse of Blytheville Air Force Base; Burrell Fair of the St. Francis Levee Board; and Jim Patridge of the U. S. Corps of Engineers in the Memphis District. The Corps of Engineers was our host for the afternoon and later showed us an interesting movie at the dinner meeting.

Approximately 25 engineers attended the event. We met at Barfield Landing, east of Blytheville, where a boat from the Corps of Engineers picked us up at 2 p.m. This tour was carefully planned by the Corps of Engineers to show us their Revetment Sinking Plant which works every summer placing concrete mats along the slopes of the Mississippi River to keep its channel under control.

The trip down the river lasted about an hour and was very pleasant, affording us an opportunity to relax and get better acquainted. Also, for some of us, it brought back half-forgotten memories of a time when we lived on the water for months at a time.

When we tied up to the barge on which the work was going on, we divided into two groups and each group had a capable guide who showed us the entire complicated procedure of placing one mat 140 feet by 375 feet from the shore line to a depth of 75 feet in the water. In one season's time, this crew of nearly 400 men lay many miles of this type of mat. None of it is done by contract.



Ferol Jones, secretary to Chief Engineer Ward Goodman, models the chapeaux she wore when she was a guest of the North Little Rock Business Women's Club. Each of the ladies wore a hat that represented her business firm or line of work. Ferol's was of straw, and adorned with sand, miniature building equipment, traffic signs, and other articles representing the Department.

The operation is a tribute to the ingenuity of our Corps of Engineers who are meeting the need to control the river, which is still so vital to our economy.

We arrived back in Blytheville at 6 p.m. and enjoyed an hour's rest period. Those who cared to 'partake' were refreshed in the tap room of the Noble Hotel after a hot, dry, but thoroughly enjoyable afternoon.

At 7 p.m. we met in the Goff Hotel for dinner. While dinner was being prepared we held our monthly business meeting. After dinner, the Corps showed us their movie, "Restless River." This film gave the background, the reasons, and the need of man-made controls of the river. This control will be a never ending task. The meeting gave us a new insight into the problem, and respect for the Corps of Engineers and the work they are doing.

CORRECTION

Never one to do anything halfway, we 'outdid' even ourselves on picture identification in the August issue of "Arkansas Highways." We not only incorrectly identified Highway Commissioner Glenn F. Wallace as Mr. Crain in *one* picture, but *two!* It's all on page 6 - the whole nightmarish business. Mr. Wallace, gentleman that he is, paid us a visit after we wrote him a letter, and his sense of humor and gracious attitude over the incident made us feel better. He quipped that apologies should go to Mr. Crain, not him. We are publicly making our apologies here and now, to both of them. And, to further rectify the error, we are printing their pictures with the correct identification.



Glenn F. Wallace



John E. Crain, Sr.

Play Ball!! (Con't from p. 6)

missed some youngsters, and if so, we're sorry. It's difficult to get a complete list.

Several employees in the Department play baseball and softball. Larry Deal, Office Engineer, is also an American Legion player. His position is shortstop. Johnny Dunbar, M&T, is outfielder for the Henderson Methodist Church's softball team. On August 14 they played for the state championship and retained their defending champion status for the second year in a row. Dick Pils, M&T, is catcher for First Lutheran Church's softball team. Lee Gibbons, P&R, manages the Babe Ruth League of Rosedale's Optimist players. They came fifth in the state championship playoff in which 35 teams participated.

It does seem that baseball is the No. 1 sport.



Hubert Thompson, with the Bureau of Public Roads, furnished us with this picture of four AHD men who, although their faces are indistinguishable, seem to have a ponderous air about them. Perhaps they are trying to figure out if a bridge should span that section of the White River right behind them. (That's a river?) Actually they were making a plans inspection of State Job 9446, at a crossing of the White River about a mile from its source at Boston, Ark. The engineers are Curtis Pangle, Bill Moore, George Fry, and Glenn Trammell. And, that is a part of the White River, we're told.



This young miss is a member of the Highway Department and has been for over 10 years. She works in the Central Offices. Can you guess her identity?

COVER: "Standing Rock," a limestone formation, looks dwarfed from the air but it is approximately the size of a house. It is located on the White River, about a mile upstream from Highway 12 and 8 miles east of Rogers. In time the rock will be completely covered by a lake formed upon completion of Beaver Dam, near Eureka Springs.



AROUND THE DEPARTMENTS

ACCOUNTING

Blanche Smith

Johnny Beavers and wife Mollie, attended the DAV Convention in Atlantic City the week of August 19. They drove up in Johnnie's pink Cadillac, which he has since traded off for an Oldsmobile 98 - 1962 model.

Jim McCarthy and family enjoyed an outing at Hot Springs for several days.

Lola Buck spent a week at Eureka Springs at the Crescent Hotel. She was joined there by daughter Cordelia and family of St. Louis.

Pat Koonce made the annual jaunt to Evansville, Ind., to bring back her kids, Gerry, Bob, Wilma, and Janice for the school year.

Joy Marshall visited in Longview, Tex., on her vacation.

Les Perry took a week off to get acquainted with his brand-new son and heir, Greg Alan, who was born August 17. We congratulate Les and Roberta.

Occasions for potluck and/or cake 'n coffee 'n gifts were threefold. The arrival of the Perry's baby; Pat Wheat's leaving temporarily, to await the arrival of her second child; and Peggy Keedy's resignation to go to Denver, Colo. Peggy wasn't gone long however, and we understand she is back in Little Rock, as of this writing.

Betty Russenberger is a new employee in Accounting. She is replacing Pat Wheat on the bookkeeping machine.

BLYTHERVILLE CONSTRUCTION OFFICE

Johnnie Alexander

All our Arkansas National Guard boys returned from Camp safe and sound, although they had quite a few minor accidents this year.

Recent visitors to our office were Mr. Payne and Mr. O'Guinn from Paragould, Ed Orsini, from Little Rock, and L. T. McCullough of the Bureau of Public Roads.

We chatted with one of our ex-residents recently. K. J. Carpenter and his family have moved back to Blytheville and he is now associated with the Air Base engineers.

Your reporter and husband enjoyed a week end of fishing in Kentucky this month. My catch was turtles, but Wayne had better luck. By the time this is printed we will have moved into our brand-new mobile home, of which we're very proud. It's a 50X10 model, white, with turquoise trim.

BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS

Hazel McKim

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Smith spend most of their leisure time horseback riding since Norman got two beautiful horses.

Rosie Burks enjoyed her vacation. She stayed home and rested.

Elsie McKim spent her vacation in California. She has told us so much about

her trip that we all know she had a marvelous time.

Joe Hohnback enjoyed his vacation at home, also, just resting and visiting with friends.

Lovie Crownrich had as guests the week end of August 24, her daughter and son-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Humphrey from Beaumont, Tex.

CONSTRUCTION

Gerry Kissire

Margaret Weathers spent a few days of her vacation in Houston, Tex., with her daughter and son-in-law, Virginia and Win Hand. Also enjoyed her grandchildren, Steve and Sandy.

Lucille Dishongh has a new red Chevrolet Impala hard top. Sure pretty.

H. B. Matthews is also the owner of a new car...a Renault. He reports 27.6 miles to a gallon of gas. Sounds too wonderful.

The C. A. Shumaker family vacationed a few days in Texas the first week in September, and returned with daughter Ann, who had spent two weeks there.

We all welcome Frank Neighbors to our office. Frank returned to the Department after a tour of active duty with the Corps of Engineers and will be an assistant construction engineer.

The Edwin Rogers and son Eddie, reported a marvelous time on their vacation in Seattle.

H. B. and Gladys Matthews entertained Margaret, Lucille, Charlene McClain, and this reporter with a birthday luncheon August 28 in their home in North Little Rock. All four birthdays are within a month of each other so one celebration did the trick. We enjoyed delicious barbecued chicken and all the things that went with it.

This writer spent a week in St. Charles, Mo., visiting daughter and son-in-law, Nita and Alvin Cashon, and granddaughter Debbie. I also got acquainted with my new grandson.

We extend our sympathies to Mrs. John Tallant on the loss of her mother. Mrs. Tallant and daughter Kay, have returned from Sacramento, Calif., where they attended the funeral.

COUNTY PROGRAM

Barbara Oldham

Alice Ann, lovely daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Rain, is now two months old.

There is a new addition in the Max Hall family. A new 1962 Mercury Monterey. It's a beautiful black cherry color. We know they're proud of it.

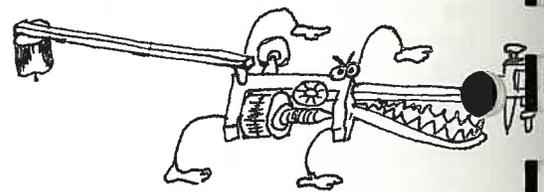
Jack Teasdale has a new picture in his office that is quite interesting. It's a light house and fish in a net scene made by his daughter Pat, from chipped rocks and glass.

We welcome a new employee, Fred Cook. Fred is 21 years old and single. He is interested in horses and owns a brown and white Pinto, which he rides frequently. We're glad to have Fred with us...he has a pleasant personality.



Fred Cook

The drawing shown here was made by one of the boys in County Roads who wishes to remain anonymous. It's his interpretation of a planimeter, more often called a "dog" and a few other things, we understand. The anonymous artist added the legs, but it looks more like an alligator than a dog.



"Grrrr...rr"

DATA PROCESSING CENTER

Elsie King

Carolyn Reddin left us August 31 to await the stork. Carolyn will return January 1.

Nedra Barton spent her vacation in Missouri visiting her parents.

Tony Yandell visited us not long ago. Tony, now employed with an insurance firm, formerly worked in our section.

Dale Hoggard and Jim McGraw attended classes at the IBM Corporation the week of August 9.

EQUIPMENT

Doris Healy

Joe Stinson was presented his 15-year awards by our Boss, C. Don Hayes, on July 31. Congratulations, Joe.

Welcome to Milard Singleton and Oscar Doran, new employees in Central Shop.

Jim Lea, one of our summer employees, returned to school, and Imogene Mayfield left us September 1 to return to her home

of Illinois. We're sorry to lose them. Best wishes to both.

Shirley Healy of the Procurement Office, received a lovely gift from her fellow workers on her birthday, August 6. Happy Birthday, Shirl, and many more.

Our Arkansas Travelers for August were: Maurice Head, California; Parker Harden, Rockaway Beach, Mo.; Avalee Padgett and family, Blanchard Springs for a week of camping, trout fishing, and enjoying the great outdoors.

Mr. Hayes was the guest of the Ford Motor Company at their 1963 Ford Fleet Preview held in Dearborn, Mich., on August 23-24. While attending the showing he stayed at the Sheraton Cadillac Hotel in Detroit.

Frank Pitts, who is in the National Guard, took his two weeks' training July 30-August 10 at Fort Polk, La.

FREEWAY

Patsy Mayhan

On August 8, a section of the Freeway, from the new bridge to Fifteenth Street in North Little Rock, was opened to traffic. Freeway Engineer Bob Crafton stated he wanted to thank all those in the Department for helping to get the facility ready for the opening.

John Lawrence, District 8 engineer and formerly our boss, visited our office recently and we were all so glad to see him. He says he is happy with his new job and evidently he finds it less strenuous than something, because he sure looks good, and more rested. We hope John drops in often to see us.

Donald Cahoon has been promoted to acting resident engineer on the North Terminal Interchange. Don is a 1959 graduate of Kansas State University and has been employed on the Freeway for two years.

J. C. Hedrick's wife entered St. Vincent's Hospital August 20 for surgery. J. C. says she was due to be released September 1. We wish her a speedy recovery.

LEGAL DIVISION

Betty Grimes

Dowell Anders, our division chief, has "fired" me on an average of once every six months since I've been with the Department (and that's quite a few times). When he fired me the other day, however, for the third time in less than eight months, I figured I'd better get on the ball and get the division's news in on time. Actually, he's a wonderful boss, even though he never lets me forget that he caught me in two mistakes. We're all proud of him, and we're sure that pride is shared by the entire department, because a paper of his is being published in the American Right of Way Association's magazine, "Right of Way." (More on this elsewhere in this issue.)

All members of Legal Division express regrets over the resignation of our "shot in the arm" attorney, John Leslie Evitts. Les is setting up private practice in his

home town of Benton, Ark., and although we will miss him, we wish him the best of everything. Les's greatest regret on leaving is that he was ready to begin work on the huge undertaking of obtaining the "right of way" for the Casablanca to Capetown, via Cairo, Expressway. He had the condemnation proceedings for the Cairo-South Bypass and the Gulf of Sidra-Bridge and Approaches, all but ready to file. We're sure there is not another attorney in the division to handle these cases. (That's a big joke in the Legal Division, and he's kidded about it a lot.)



Tom Keys and his family had a most interesting vacation trip this year. In 10 days they covered a distance of more than 2,800 miles, with the highlights of their trip being stopovers in New Orleans, Tampa, Fla.; Charleston, S.C.; and Savanna, Ga. Tom was disgusted by being out of film for his camera when he saw a huge two-story house sitting right smack in the middle of a four-lane divided highway right of way, with the service road completed up to both sides of the building. Had it not been so far to the next town, Tom said he would have doubled back to get the picture.

Brenda and Buddy Pruitt had a narrow squeak when their Volkswagon had a blowout and overturned the night of August 22. Their injuries, while painful and extensive did, not require hospitalization. They both felt lucky to be alive after seeing the remnants of their car.

Although we're sorry because of the serious illness of some of our division's loved ones, we're glad they are improved and on the mend. Linda Colbert's youngest son, David, received both a break and fracture of the right femur after a tumble from his grandmother's front porch. Bill Moseley's mother, Mrs. Rex Moseley of Warren, and Bill Donham's son, "Bucky," are both recuperating from extensive abdominal surgery. Young Donham worked this summer in the Survey Division and will return to the University of Arkansas this semester.

Ed Boyett and Donham, both of whom have recently returned to the Department, were participants in the Highway Law Workshop at the University of Wisconsin. They returned from the seminar with renewed spirit and many invigorating ideas, particularly as to the trial of condemnation

cases involving mineral deposits. Ed's wife and children accompanied him as far as Winona, Minn., where Mary enjoyed a visit with her family.

Four of our attorneys have spent their allotted time in service to their country at summer camp this year. Pvt. Don Langston's tour of duty took him to Ft. Sill, Okla.; First Lt. Clay Robinson to Camp Wolters, Tex.; Capt. Lee Allen to the Aberdeen Proving Ground, Md.; and Maj. Dowell Anders to Ft. Polk, La. Dowell was also required to attend the Judge Advocate Officers Refresher Course in Charlottesville, Va., and went on to Washington, D.C. to be admitted to practice before the United States Court of Military Appeals.

We're sure we have several new personnel you have not met via the pages of "Arkansas Highways," although many of you have met them in the course of their duties. We'll only mention our two latest additions, Pat Mhoon and Joyce Barry, however, and promise not to be so lax as a reporter in the future.

MICROFILMING

Sarah Neel

Verna and Ivan Daes, with their two youngest younguns', Darren and Ray, drove up to Indiana over the Labor Day week end for a big annual family reunion held by Verna's family. They also visited Ivan's mother and father, and brought back their eldest son, Ricky, who had been vacationing with his grandparents, and nephew, Dewey.

Janet Kail and Bill Sahlin were married September 1 at the Church of Christ, Sixth and Izard, in a formal wedding. They honeymooned in Missouri.

This writer had as a Labor Day week end guest, her very good friend, Mrs. E. R. Caldwell of Hot Springs. Mrs. Caldwell stayed with me quite a bit during my husband's illness.

OFFICES OF CHIEF ENGINEER

Leontee Connelly

The Chief Engineer's Office welcomes Mildred Schmolke (Mrs.), who became secretary to J. T. Pendergrass, assistant chief engineer, upon the resignation of JoAnn Almond.

Bill Rainwater, assistant engineer in the Office Engineer's section, spent the month of July working for Uncle Sam. We were all glad to have him home with us again. The Toastmasters Club also missed him.

Chuck Freeman, of the office of Office Engineer, and his family, motored to Dallas for a vacation. Little Van Freeman, Chuck's youngster, thoroughly enjoyed "Six Flags Over Texas" while down there.

Charles Wroblewski also returned from active duty with the Air National Guard. He reported the weather up in Michigan was wonderful and even had to wear a jacket.

Pete Daggett and Mrs. Daggett spent their vacation in Mississippi and Blytheville, visiting relatives.

Charles McCarty just returned from California where he spent two weeks with the Marines. When he returned he decided he needed more education and so, he left us to return to the University of Arkansas. The Office Engineers force had cake and coffee and gave him a gift, to wish him good luck. The younger set had a luncheon for him. Larry Deal plans to stay with "Mrs. C." until January 1, when he will return to Arkansas State College at Jonesboro.

PERSONNEL

M.A.

The Labor Day week end afforded some of our personnel to have one 'final fling' before bringing to a close most summer activities. And we must admit, it's good to see the leaves turn their beautiful colors...the promise that autumn is on its way.

Robbie and Herston Ingle, with another couple, spent the long week end up on Mount Nebo, swimming (Robbie returned to work stiff and sore from this exercise), picnicking, and hiking.

Ruth Foll spent the week end at home with parents in Mountain View. Much of her leisure time was spent playing badminton.

Jane Greenlee and husband Gerald, left August 30 on a chartered bus, bound for Atlantic City, N.J. The trip was made in conjunction with Gerald's union and Jane was quite thrilled that they were selected to go. She was hoping they could get into New York to take in a show. Since they are still gone as of this writing, we'll tell you more about it in the next issue.

Dale Davison, Personnel officer, wife Margie, and their children, drove down to New Orleans for the Labor Day week end, to visit Margie's father and some of their many friends there.

Paul Wroten spent the long week end in Perryville, visiting his mother...Jackie Wallace, who felt as many of us do about traveling on the highways during a holiday week end, decided it might be safer to stay at home.

We're going to miss Laura Hixson, who returned to Little Rock University after being with us most of the summer. Laura was sort of a "roving" employee, filling in where needed, while some of the girls around the building vacationed, but she was with us long enough for us to get to know her and we enjoyed her company.

Shirley Bain has been off for several weeks - a few days of which were spent in the hospital. Shirley had a blood clot in one of her legs which was giving her trouble and, because they can get serious, her doctor ordered absolute bed rest. We hope Shirley will be back with us soon.

Hoyt and Linda Thomas have a son and heir. Brooks Lorne Thomas arrived August 11 at Baptist Hospital, weighing 8 pounds, 8 ounces. The little one had such a mane of black hair his daddy had to take him -

at 9 days of age - to get a haircut, at a barbershop, yet! Linda brought him up when he was a month old. We cooed and 'ooh'ed' over him but he couldn't have cared less since he slept most of the time. He is a fine one. At the same time Brooks was sleeping away his visit, Herston Ingle brought his and Robbie's youngster, Randy, up to the office. Eight months old now, Randy is the fattest-faced, blackest-eyed little doll! And, good-natured. (See Pic.)

Sibble Cox and family had as guests over the Labor Day week end, her sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Quinley from Oklahoma City.



"Hey, let's twist!" says Randy Ingle, who looks all set to go.

PLANNING AND RESEARCH

Bonnie Thomas

There have been several changes in our personnel during the past few weeks. Bill Cypert, a North Little Rock boy, is a new employee in the front office. Bill took Ralph Pack's place after he was transferred to Road Inventory Section. Frank Pirnique started working July 1, in Traffic Analysis Section. Frank is from Little Rock and graduated from Northwestern State College in Natchitoches, La. M. J. Hensley spent a couple of weeks in our Division during the month of August in compliance with the Trainee Program. We are glad to have these fellows with us.

JoAnn Johnson has been transferred to another division and Bonnie Thomas is back at her old desk.

Bonnie Bartleson, Bud Garrison, and Bernie Cox, all summer employees, left to return to college. Nona Boudra is planning to attend Ouachita Baptist College in Arkadelphia this fall and Jim Barnett will enroll at Texas A & M College to work on his master's degree.

Several people in P & R are planning to attend night classes at Little Rock University.

The stork finally visited the Pete Benetz family with a little girl. She was born August 19 and her name is Dana Ellen. Bill Moore is a proud grandfather again. Billie Ruth Hatcher, his daughter, had

a baby girl August 20. The little one weighed 8 pounds, 1½ ounces, and is named Leslie Anne. Congratulations to Pete and to Grandpop Bill.

There are a few lucky ones who have managed to "get away from it all." Mayo White and his family spent a few days in Kentucky visiting his son. Buddy Lewter and his family made their annual trip to Florida again this year. Nathan and Blanche Bingham spent a few days at Fort Hood, Texas visiting relatives. Various ones have taken off a day or two for fishing trips, swimming and just plain relaxing.

Jim Barnett and Ralph Pack spent two weeks at National Guard camp in Alpena, Mich. Ed Johnson was at guard camp at Fort Sill, Okla. To hear these fellows talk it was not the kind of vacation you plan on all year.

There are new automobiles being parked around the building, these days. J. R. Henderson has a new Chevrolet Impala, Nathan Bingham has a new Pontiac, Mayo White a new Ford, and Bill Moore is driving a new volkswagon.

Lee Gibbons, who has been managing a Babe Ruth Baseball team this summer, reports that his boys finished second in the district and did real well in the state tournament.

Archie Wyatt's wife Dathia, has been recuperating from a snake bite she received a few weeks ago on a trip to Lake Ouachita. We hope she is doing fine now.

PROCUREMENT

Amy Tedford

Vacations is the topic this month and north Arkansas has been "explored" by some of our personnel.

Juniata Morgan and family took a trip to Eureka Springs and on to Jonesboro. And the week end of August 24, Frank and Sylvia Caple, with daughters Pam and Debbie, set out to find a good cool spot they drove to Ft. Smith, Eureka Springs, and the "Shepherd of the Hills" country in Missouri.

This writer and family enjoyed the beautiful scenery on Highway 7 from Russellville to Harrison, then over to Eureka Springs. After leaving there we drove into the edge of Missouri, then to Bull Shoals Dam, and over to Henderson Ferry - there, I and son Mike, took our first ferry ride. We also stopped at Buffalo River State Park on our way home. So far, everyone has made the same statement, "we enjoyed it, but it was just not long enough."

Jim, Martha, and Conley Meredith took a wonderful two weeks' vacation which took them up to Canada, Niagara Falls, Cape Cod, Philadelphia, Washington, D.C., Valley Forge, the Pennsylvania Dutch country, Wilmington, Del., and through the Blue Ridge and Smokey Mountains. The trip took them through 18 states. Other week ends this summer have included trips to Louisiana, Dallas, and camping-fishing trips to our state.

Lewis Wade's son Kevin, is scheduled to have surgery on his eye this month. We

all extend our best wishes to Kevin for a speedy recovery.

Gail Mikoleit, our newest girl, was not feeling up to par when she arrived to work the morning. The night before a watermelon seed became lodged in her throat, which required emergency treatment at a hospital and her family doctor's office. Her advice to all is "beware of watermelon seeds."



Gail Mikoleit, new girl in Procurement

ROADWAY DESIGN

June Dillon

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Johnston have a new DeSable Buick, but that was not the main event in the Johnston family recently. Their son's wedding took first place. James married the former Margaret Grant of Los Angeles on August 11.

Glenn Trammel and wife Eva Marie, were in Walnut Ridge the first week in August, to see Robert, their son, play baseball in the State Tournament. Robert plays center field.

C. F. (Chuck) Jones and Mrs. Jones, have a new arrival at their home. Robert Christopher weighed in at 6 pounds, 1 ounce, when he arrived August 8 at Memorial Hospital in North Little Rock. Congrats to the Joneses. Chuck left us September 1 to work in the district. Incidentally, Chuck was our fisherman for August. When he went fishing near Cabot he caught his limit of bass.

The Delbert Vanlandingshams moved into their new home in the West Heights Addition during the week of August 27.

Frank Hutchison and wife Betty, attended Betty's Drew Central Class Reunion in Monticello on August 25. Frank said more than half of her class was there for their 15-year reunion.

Charles Toland and wife, and their two children, went camping and vacationing in their Volkswagon station wagon camper recently. They went to Wichita, Kan.; Roaring River, Mo.; Bull Shoals, Ark.; Buffalo River State Park, and on their return trip home they looked at the interstate road system in Joplin, Mo.

Travis Orton's son John Sydney, will marry Linda Kay Razer on Saturday,

September 15, in the Pulaski Heights Methodist Church.

Frank Lemon has a pretty white Chevy station wagon.

Ray Maxey purchased a beautiful engagement ring for a little blonde, Shirley Pope, of Paris, Ark. The wedding date is set for October 3. They will reside in Little Rock.

Ronnie Tribell is the Little Rock City Target Archery champion as of last year and since there was no tournament this year, he still retains the title.

Paul Haydon, Howard Webb, and Duane Reel were in military camp this summer. Howard said this was his last year to go.

Duane, his wife, and two daughters, were at Lake Nimrod the week end of August 25, swimming, fishing, and a lot of water skiing.

Fletcher Clement and Paul Orton resigned August 24 to return to school. Charlie Ross will leave this month and it's his last summer to work with us as he will graduate. Others who will leave this month are Ronnie Tribell and Mr. Eison.

Babe Williams and wife had relatives visiting from Wisconsin. They all took in a show at the Vapors at Hot Springs one night.

We welcome James Briley, engineer in training, to Roadway Design this month.

Ray Garner says he was going to visit Devil's Den State Park and "everything in Arkansas" on his vacation the week of September 1. Knowing Ray, he just may do it.

Fred Pulliam and his family vacationed in Grandhaven, Mich., the week of August 19.

John Adams spent his vacation golfing and selling ice cream (?).

DISTRICT 1

Janel McElduff

Vacations are beginning to slack off, but among those making a quick week end tour recently were Rosemary and Ab Weeden. They headed northwest, in Arkansas that is, and had a nice relaxing week end. Jess Gaynor and his wife had a most wonderful trip out West this summer! Jess could make a million if he would tape his descriptions of the trip, scenery, happenings, etc!

All of our college boys are making preparations to return to school soon. We'll look forward to having them back next summer. Speaking of college, Dick Ethridge's son, Richard, is entering as a freshman at Arkansas State College in Jonesboro.

We welcome Herbert Todd, new shop foreman, and Vernon Crowell, mechanic, in the shop in Wynne. James E. Belknap is back with Resident Engineer B. M. Cline after a six months' leave of absence doing a military tour. We don't see much of W. F. Deaderick, Marianna resident engineer, or S. M. Newman, Helena resident engineer, nor of their crews, but would like to have some news of them.

Congratulations to Bobby Harrell, "almost 15"-year-old son of Mary Ann Harrell! Bobby won first place in his flight at the golf tournament at Overton

Park, in Memphis, recently. Quite a feat for one that age! We think Bobby's so handsome we are enclosing his picture, but according to Bobby, the best thing about this picture is the trophy!



Golf Champ Bobby Harrell

M. J. Jordan had a serious operation early in August, but is back on the job and glad to be!

On August 28 we had a rather impromptu fish fry, and as frequently happens, those things which are unplanned usually turn out to be the best. We were delighted to have Mr. Oliver, Mr. Goodman, Mr. Winfrey and Ed Ray join us, not only for lunch, but to enjoy a visit with them. "Red" Smith and Ralph Vickers did the honors on the cooking, with the girls in the office showing their efficiency in potato peeling and onion slicing. I ran home to get a knife sharpener and came back with a delicious chocolate cake that my 15 year old daughter, Janet Lee, had baked for her bunking party that night, she being perfectly agreeable as long as I promised to bake another one for her party. We all had a wonderful meal and are looking forward to Mr. Winfrey bringing his colored slides back for a showing of pictures he took.

We have all enjoyed recipes printed in the Highway magazine previously, and would like to add our contribution of the above mentioned cake. It is know in our office as "Dick's Sheet Cake" having originated with Dick Ethridge recipe file, is easy and quick to make, perfectly delicious, and can be cut into 40 pieces.

DICK'S SHEET CAKE

1. Mix in bowl: 2 cups sugar, 2 cups flour.
2. Put following in pan and let come to boil, then pour over dry ingredients: 1 stick oleo, 3½ tablespoon cocoa,

cup water and ½ cup shortening.
 3. Beat together: 2 eggs with ½ cup butter-milk, and add 1 teas. soda and 1 teas. vanilla.

Add step 3 to first 2 steps. Grease and flour an 11 x 18 jelly roll pan and bake cake at 400 degrees for 20 minutes.

While cake is baking, mix (in same pan you've already dirtied for boiling chocolate mixture for cake) 1 stick butter or oleo. 3½ tablespoons cocoa, and 6 tablespoons milk. Bring to boil and add 1 box powdered sugar and beat until smooth. Add vanilla and spread over warm cake as it came from the oven.

(A couple of pictures of District 1 employees, taken the day of their fish fry, are printed on page 8...Ed.)

DISTRICT 2

Ouida Grimes

We always enjoy having visitors in District 2. R. B. Keene, James McCarthy, and Warren Stanford visited in our office on August 21. Junior Wycoff of Paragould visited with us August 23.

Bill Wood was transferred to District 8 at Russellville September 1. We sure miss him. Good luck, Bill.

Woodrow Wilson of Monticello had surgery in the Drew County Memorial August 8, and we send him get-well wishes.

Quinton "Pete" Cope is back on the job after having been off a long time due to illness.

James C. Frazier and his personnel had a barbeque at the construction office in McGehee August 25 for the college boys that are going back to school. Mr. and Mrs. John Harris were special guests. This event was enjoyed by everyone who attended and we feel that get-togethers like this are good for the morale of the personnel.

Job 2631 in Drew County, Monticello-Northwest, on Highway 35, was completed August 17. The project consisted of grading, minor drainage structures, portland cement stabilized base and double bituminous surface treatment. George Karnes was resident engineer. Reynolds and Williams were the contractors.

DISTRICT 3

Olive Jackson

J. E. Lowder, District 3 engineer, attended a Lafayette County Development Meeting at Lewisville on August 27. At the meeting, Jim made a talk concerning the Highway Commission's policy of roadside parks.

Construction of our new area headquarters building at Texarkana is nearing completion. "Dock" Greeson, area foreman, Miller County, who is very proud of this much needed building, is looking forward to getting moved. We understand Dock is planning on a barbeque sometime in the near future at his new location.

Edgar and Audry Andrews left August 31 for a 10-day trip to Las Vegas, Nev., where they visited their daughter and son-in-law, Carolyn and Bobby Hendrix, and family. From there they planned to go on to Los Angeles.

We welcome A. B. Ortigo, our new mechanic in the district shop.

Joe and Janie Craig are proud parents of a little girl, Teri Ann, who arrived August 10. Teri Ann is their first child.

Gene and Carolyn Pendergraft and four children recently returned from a nice trip to points in New Mexico. Carolyn, who is president of the W.M.U. of the First Baptist Church in Hope, and who represented the church, attended a two-week Baptist encampment at Gloretta, N.M. They also visited Gene's brother, Bob, and his family in Portales. Some of the points of interest on the trip were Carlsbad Caverns and Six Flags Over Texas at Ft. Worth.

Our deepest sympathies are extended to Georgia Whittemore in the loss of her sister, Mrs. Henry Hitt, who passed away August 10.

DISTRICT 5

Carl Davis

Several in District 5 have been patients in the hospital but we are happy to report that they are all out and much improved. They were: Coy Frazer, Virgil Taylor, Bernard Bice, and "Tompie" Thompson.

Our payroll clerk, Mary Lee McCown, chipped the bone in her elbow while out with the younger crowd skating! She hasn't been skating lately, incidentally. Her arm hasn't completely healed.

Oscar Syfert and his family had a very nice week of vacationing in New Mexico while Orville Gold and his family went to Texas for a week.

Cleo Ford dropped by the shop recently and enjoyed visiting with several of his old cronies.

Our sympathies are extended to W. C. Barker, crew leader in Fulton County, and his family on the death of his mother.



O. H. Stanbrough, Jr., District 5 equipment supervisor, taking a coffee break. Stanbrough has been with the Department 10 years.

DISTRICT 8

Charles Irwin, the bookkeeper here for the past three years, has resigned to accept another position, in Dardanelle. We wish Charles a lot of luck on his new job.

Roy Hallabaugh flew to Atlanta, Ga., August 22 for the graduation of his daughter Wanda, from Airline Stewardess School. Wanda will be working for Delta Air Lines stationed at Memphis.

Danny Gray, son of U. L. and Ann Gray, suffered minor injuries when his motor scooter was struck by a car. The scooter, which had been purchased the day before, was completely demolished, but Danny received a new one.

J. E. Ragsdale, better known in District 8 as "Rooster," returned to work August 1. He was injured on the job last November and has had several hospital stays since the accident. We're glad to have him back.

James Brewer, James Brown, and Silas Powers are on military leave. They are spending two weeks with the Russellville Army Reserve Unit at Fort Sill, Okla. Bobby Hillis had two weeks military service at Alpena, Mich., with the Arkansas National Guard.

(Sorry we didn't know the reporter's name, since he or she failed to sign their copy. It's good to hear from District 8 again.Ed.)

DISTRICT 10

Isabelle Psalmonds

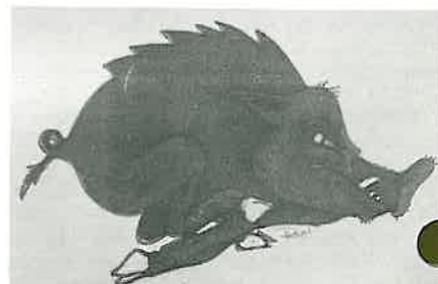
Visitors in the District Office were L. A. McCain, W. P. Steward, Ed Orsini, A. G. Rivers, and Thurmond Payne.

Mr. and Mrs. James M. Garrett are the proud parents of a 6 pound, 11 ounce girl born August 16. Her name is Sara Margaret. James is acting resident engineer at Lepanto.

We extend our sincere sympathies to Floyd Utley and family, whose son, Ronnie, died August 14 as a result of an automobile accident. Floyd works with the district bridge crew. Our sympathies also to Joe Vance, job superintendent, and his family on the death of his mother-in-law.

(Space would not permit printing the pics of road construction in District 10. We'll use them in the next issue.Ed.)

GO HOGS! Beat 'em ALL!



Drawn by Roni Tribell

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Arkansas State Highway Dept.
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Sir:

I recently completed a most enjoyable vacation which included an extensive tour over the whole state of Arkansas.

Certainly, to a stranger, nothing is more welcome than plenty of clear, easily understood road signs and information to guide him along his way. I am proud to congratulate you for providing these in abundance, and I believe that the people of Arkansas should really be proud of their wonderful Highway System. Such makes the tourist feel welcome and makes him want to come back again.

Also, I was particularly impressed with the cleanness of your highway right-of-ways. Every road we traveled was remarkably litter-free in contrast to many of the other states we were in.

Again, thanks for helping me to have a wonderful trip through your fine state.

Sincerely,

Mack North
Box 372
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The wife of a noted TV announcer put her small son to bed and told him. "Now, Ronnie, say your prayers."

"Oh, Lord," mumbled the little fellow, "Please bless mamma and papa, and give us this day our slow-baked, oven-fresh, vitamin-enriched bread."

Judge (to witness): - "Was your friend in the habit of talking to himself when he was alone?"

Witness- "To tell you the truth, your Honor, I never was with him when he was alone."

At one state highway department, the headquarters building faces the state penitentiary across the highway. Both are landscaped with great sweeps of lawn.

A highway department employee, sweating away a hot summer day over a man-powered lawn mower, was disgruntled to spot a trustee mowing with style and ease on a riding mower.

"Hey!" the highway man called across the highway, "Wonder how I could get a rig like that?"

"Easy," the inmate told him, poker-faced. "Just write a hot check."

Sam and Joe were in the duck blind, and Sam was boasting to Joe about his great abilities as a hunter.

Then a flight of ducks came over and Sam took careful aim. He fired. Not a single duck came down.

Sam turned to Joe and with awe in his voice said, "Joe, you are now witnessing a miracle. Somewhere in that flight of ducks, there flies a dead one."

A Texan was telling his agent about teaching his son to drive one of the family Cadillacs. "But, Tex," exclaimed the agent, "your boy is only ten."

"Shucks, Ah knows thet," he replied. "Thet's why Ah only let him drive in the house."

The little boy approached his father who was standing on the edge of a cliff, admiring the scenery. He piped, "Mama says it isn't safe here and you're either to come away or else give me the picnic basket."

Mother: How was school today, Johnny?

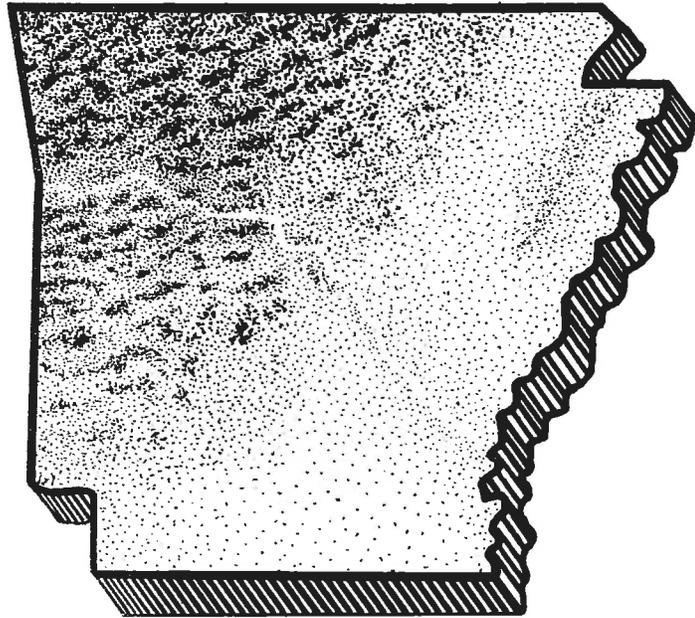
Johnny: Oh, that old teacher asked us fool questions...like where everybody was born.

Mother: You certainly knew the answer to that question...The Woman's Hospital.

Johnny: Betcha life, I knew. But I didn't want them to think I was a sissy, so I said Yankee Stadium!

Boss - "Here's that raise, John, I hope you're satisfied with it."
John - "Thanks, Mr. Wainwright, and here's that tape recording of last year's Christmas party."

"Is this all you do, read jokes?"



"....land of pleasant driving."