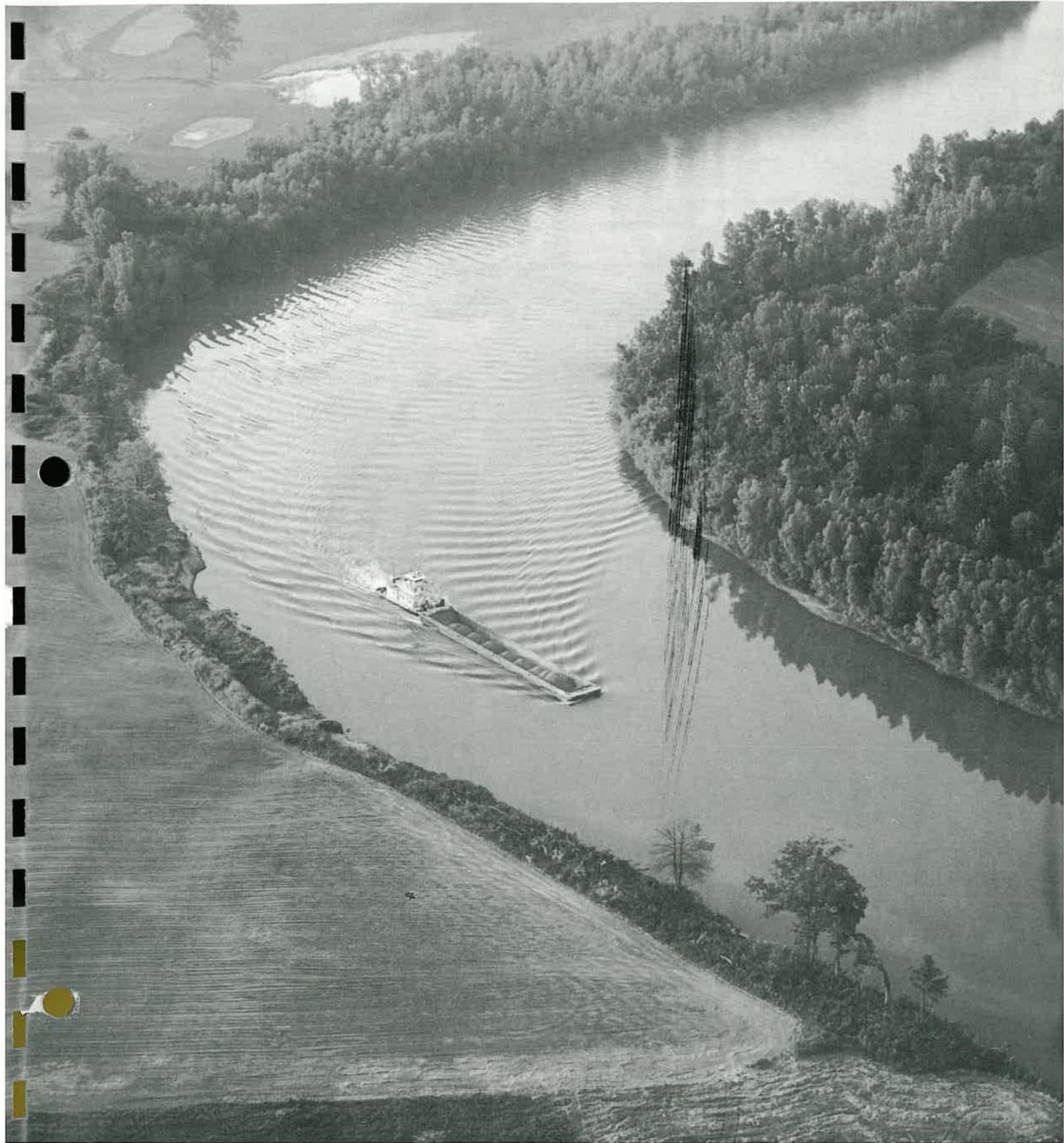
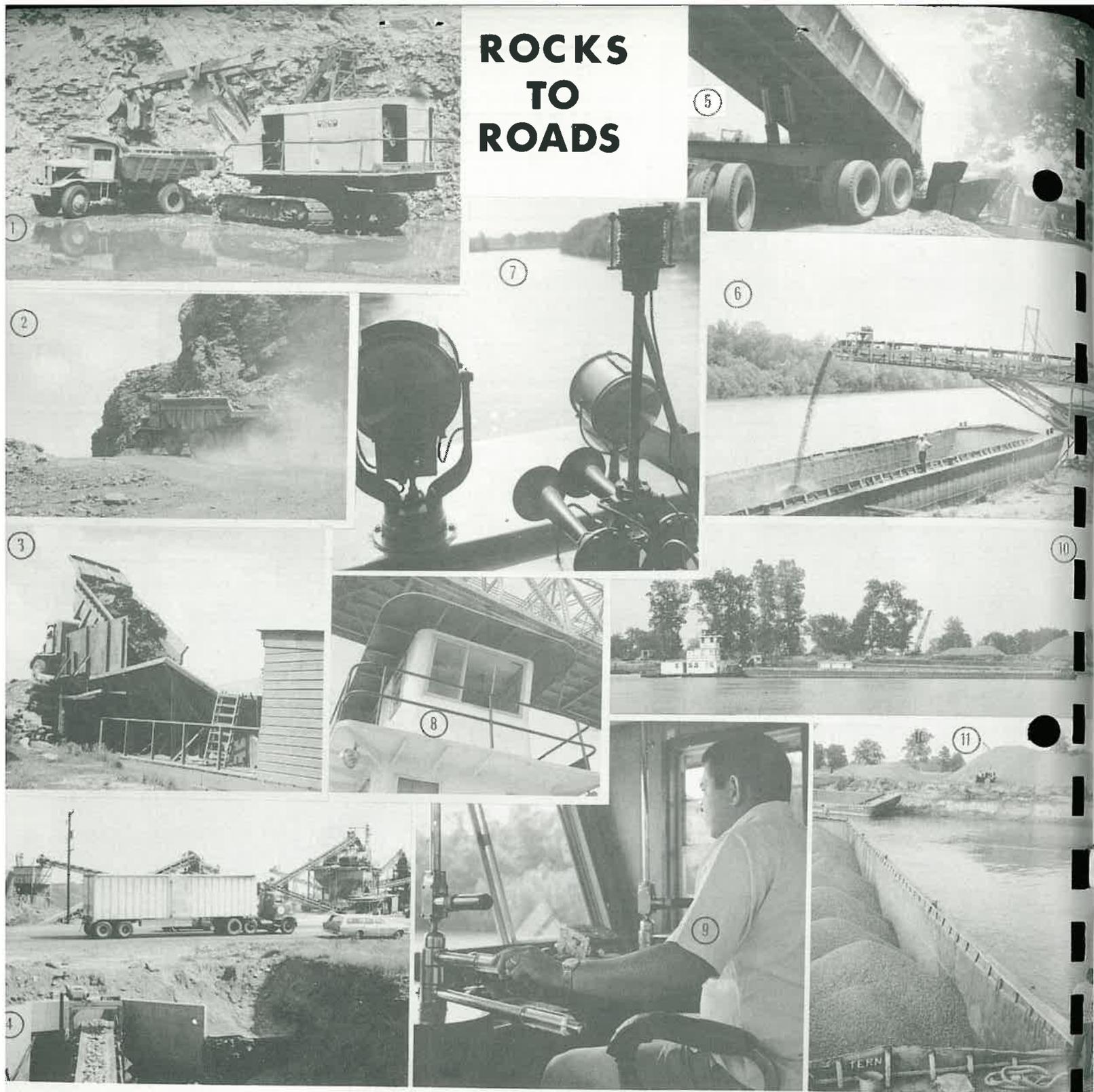


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ROCKS TO ROADS



Rock to be used as base material on I-40 construction is gouged from a quarry and loaded onto trucks (1) south of Bald Knob on Highway 167. It is hauled (2) to a crusher (3) hauled by conveyor under the highway to a screening plant on the White River near Augusta (5) and (6). Approximately one day is required to load the barge with the 1,000 tons of crushed stone for its trip down stream to I-40 bridge sight. The tug is equipped with lights and horn (7) for the 100-mile journey down the winding White River that requires 7½ hours. The Johnnie Nell's pilot house (8) is shown against the substructure on the Highway 64 bridge as it passes under near Augusta. Pilot Jackie Lovelace of Houlka, Miss. is the man at the helm (9) of the \$85,000 air conditioned boat which carries a crew of 5. The tow reaches its destination (10) and the barge is eased into the dock (11) where its cargo will be stockpiled until needed.

LETTERS

ARKANSAS STATE HIGHWAY DEPT.
Little Rock, Ark.

Gentlemen:

Though I do not know the identity of our "Good Samaritan," I do wish to write this note of appreciation.

I was riding up with a friend, her grandson and a puppy to her farm here. About sixteen miles this side of Texarkana (after crossing the bridge, Red River Relief, Miller County) the bolts were sheared off the rear wheel. We could not move. Then this kind engineer came to our rescue. He radioed for a wrecker which towed us back to Texarkana. All this occurred at around 2 p.m. Another employee offered us a ride back when he was going on some errand.

Such kindness certainly is outstanding - hence this note.

Yours very truly,
Mrs. I. L. Kellogg

(The good samaritans were J. W. Chapman of Materials and Tests and R. H. "Bob" Mattox, district engineer at Hope. You gentlemen do us proud.)

(O-O-O-P-S, a goof appeared in the June issue of the magazine.) Thought we would share this letter from a Mountain Home reader.

To the Editor
Arkansas Highways Magazine
c/o Arkansas State Highway Department
Little Rock, Arkansas

Dear Sir or Madame:

Received my copy of the Highway Magazine a few days ago. Am always glad to get it and enjoy reading it very much. Was interested in the method used in recovering the motor patrol from the Current River, and also the pictures of the operations. Was very sorry that you did not show the pictures of the two "wenches" who furnished the motive power to pull the patrol out to the bank. Could you give me their horsepower, weights and measurements? Perhaps this is a cheaper source of power than what has always been used in operations of a similar kind at the "Henderson Ferry" on Lake Norfolk. Will be awaiting anxiously to the answers to the above questions.

Yours truly,
H.K. Scandrett (Retired)

Mr. George K. Coffman
8105 Mabelvale Pike
Little Rock, Ark.

Dear Mr. Coffman:

It gives me a great deal of pleasure to notify you that you were the No. 1 student in our Class 66-F, Basic Police Training course.

You are to be congratulated, as the competition was very keen and the course of instruction extensive.

By attaining the No. 1 position in your class, you are now eligible for competition in an award to be presented by the Peace Officers Association in the near future. This award will be a \$100 Savings Bond and plaque. All students attaining individual No. 1 class standings will be interviewed prior to the selection of the student of the year. You will be notified well in advance regarding the procedures involved in selecting the individual to receive this award.

Sincerely,
ARKANSAS LAW ENFORCEMENT TRAINING ACAD.
George V. Armstrong
GVa/mc

cc: Mr. Roy L. Johnson, Director
Weights & Standards Division
Arkansas Highway Department

BOUQUET TIME

from the June 19 Commercial Appeal

A TIP of the hat . . .

. . . to the Arkansas Highway Commission and those who work for it in decisions about interstate roads, and the execution of those decisions.

The idea all along has been to tackle the worst problems first.

Result: a completed interstate, West Memphis to Missouri line; a completed by-pass of the West Memphis metropolitan area; a completed by-pass of the Little Rock metropolitan area; many miles of completed highways and by-passes in congested country beyond Little Rock - and now the latest, opening, which will be July 25, an 11-mile by-pass of Forrest City and the Crowley's Ridge jungle of blind curves and steep hills. (Opening date of the Forrest City section will be August 11. - Ed.)

FIVE EMPLOYEES RECOGNIZED FOR SERVICE



Five Department employees were recognized for their years of service and four of them received longevity awards during the June 22 meeting of the Highway Commission.

W. K. "Bart" Bartleson, head of the Data Analysis, Reduction and Computer Programming Section at Planning and Research; Brewster M. Shalmy, District 2 maintenance superintendent at Pine Bluff; and Edwin A. "Eddie" Williams, bridge designer, have completed 30 years with the Department. J. P. Clayton, District 4 engineer at Fort Smith; and Fay Karnes, area foreman in Washington County, have each completed 25 years.

The section headed by BART BARTLESON is better known as the road inventory section and Bart probably knows more about the 75,000 miles of roads and streets in Arkansas, who uses them and their condition than anyone else in the state. Some of the methods he originated for analyzing and presenting road inventory information is being used by other states. A native of Jacksonville, Fla., Bart studied civil engineering at the University of Florida. He worked for a railroad in Arkansas before coming to the Highway Department. He and Mrs. Bartleson, the former Margaret Lancaster of Wynne, reside at 58 Flag Road. They have one daughter, Bonnie Kay, who is employed in Little Rock. Bart is an elder at First Presbyterian Church. As is to be expected of an elder, Bart is an honest man - he admits that his favorite hobby is loafing.

BREWSTER M. SHALMY is a lifelong resident of Pine Bluff. He began work for the Highway Department soon after graduation from high school. Brewster is a member of the Quapaw Masonic Lodge and a Shriner. He and Mrs. Shalmy, formerly

Nancy V. DeFir of McGehee, are very active members of Lakeside Methodist Church. They live at 601 W. 26th. Brewster likes to spend his spare time fishing and relaxing with friends at Eden Park Country Club. The Shalmys have three sons.

EDDIE WILLIAMS retired upon completion of 30 years with the Department, all of them within the Bridge Design division. He was born in Boone, Iowa, and studied civil engineering at Washburn University of Topeka, Kan. He worked in Oklahoma and Louisiana before coming to Arkansas in 1927. Eddie holds registration No. 389 as a professional engineer and has membership in both the Arkansas and National societies of professional engineers.

Williams and his wife of 43 years, the former Esther Barsachs of St. Louis, reside at 3 Alpine Court. His hobbies include reading, stamp collecting and sports cars.

JUNE CLAYTON is a lifelong resident of Ozark in Franklin County. He is a graduate of the University of Arkansas and a registered professional engineer. Early employment included the Arkansas and Louisiana highway departments and various construction companies. He was re-employed by Arkansas Highway Department as a resident engineer in 1952. Since 1959 he has been the District 4 engineer with headquarters at Fort Smith.

Clayton and his wife of 37 years, Edna, and their daughter June enjoy keeping their ranch in tiptop condition and watching the cattle grow.

FAY KARNES came to work with the Highway Department as a laborer in 1941. His home is West Fork in Washington County where he is now area foreman. He and Mrs. Karnes are members of First Baptist Church of West Fork. He likes to hunt, fish, watch baseball and go square dancing.



Edwin C. Williams of 3 Alpine Court was given the traditional congenial send off by fellow employees of the bridge Design after 36 years with the Department, all of them in Bridge Design.

Bridge Design Engineer L.P. Carlson presented Eddie an AM/FM transistor radio on behalf of the Division's employees. Mrs. Williams was on hand to enjoy the presentation ala cake and punch.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Williams

Mr. Williams with Mr. Carlson



CALORIE TIME FOR CECEIL

Ceceil Byrns, secretary to Maintenance Engineer Jim Lowder, was pleasantly surprised on Friday, July 1 when the co-workers jumped the gun to help her celebrate her birthday, which was on Saturday the 2nd. The cake was a lovely confection served with coffee to Mr. and Mrs. Lowder, shown with Ceceil, Director W. E. Hicks, Chief Engineer Ward Goodman, and members of the maintenance office. (Only the day was important – not the year, though Jack Benny's age was mentioned a time or two.) Ceceil, one of the warmest, most affectionate persons in the main building, was the recipient of several other gifts and cards from well-wishers.



Mena Traffic Study Underway

The origin and destination survey phase of the Mena Traffic Study has been completed by the Planning and Research Division in cooperation with other division and Mena officials. Purpose of the study is to define what will be needed as far as state highways are concerned for the next 20 years in the Mena area.

The initial phase, which was completed June 16, consisted of collecting data concerning traffic movements in Mena. This included stopping motorists on major roads leading into Mena and finding out the origins and destinations of their trips. The side picture shows an origin and destination survey station in operation.

COLLEGE GIRLS SUMMER EMPLOYEES



There's nothing like a line of pretty girls to entice a man to have his picture made. Here Director Walter Hicks lines up with the young ladies who are summer employees in the main headquarters building. Left to right they are: Sally Johnston of Little Rock working in Accounting; Ann Shumaker (daughter of Mr. Bill Shumaker, former head of the Construction Division), Little Rock, and of course, working in Construction; Janella Howell of Little Rock, who is also in Accounting; Mary Nell

Sikes of North Little Rock, Personnel; Dana LaRue Jones, North Little Rock, Purchasing; and Marilyn Robinson of North Little Rock, Director's office. She will be a sophomore at Bethany (Okla.) Nazarene College in the fall. Sally Johnston, sophomore, University of Arkansas; Ann Shumaker, Hendrix sophomore; Janella Howell, Junior, Southern Methodist University; Mary Nell, Arkansas State Teachers, senior; and Dana LaRue Jones, sophomore, Henderson.

ADH ESTABLISHES BEAUTIFICATION SECTION



In order to comply with the Federal beautification act passed by Congress last year, the Arkansas Highway Department has established a five man section whose work is focused upon making the state's roads and rights-of-way more appealing to the eye. The section, which is an appendage of the Maintenance Division, is headed by J. B. "Ben" Hogan, seated, a registered professional engineer who was the resident engineer on interstate work at Forrest City for some time until being promoted to Beautification Engineer. Hogan, 31, is a graduate of Sylvan Hills High School in North Little Rock. He holds a B.A. in mathematics from Hendrix College and a B.S. in Civil Engineering from Columbia University. While a student at Columbia he designed bridges in Thule, Greenland for a New York construction firm. He was employed by the Arkansas Highway Department as a junior bridge designer in 1958 and promoted to acting resident engineer in July of 1962. He has been a resident engineer since January 1963 and has worked on interstate projects since February of 1964.

Hogan will be an assistant division head to maintenance Engineer James Lowder. He is married to the former Jean Morden, also a native of North Little Rock.

From left to right: Bobbie Eugene Fulton, Raymond Holland, M.M. "Bud" Witter, and Raymond Behrens are members of the section.

Fulton, a native of Spottsville, Ky. had a B.S. degree in agronomy from Murray (Ky.) State college, and a master's in soils from the University of Arkansas. He served in the Air Force as a staff

sergeant from 1948 to 1952. The Fultons are making their home at 5 Sheraton Drive in Meadowcliff.

Bud Witter was employed by the Department in March of 1965 as a turf specialist to act as a consultant in beautification and erosion projects involving landscaping, herbicides and insecticides, fertilizer, sodding, seeding and related areas. He is a graduate of the University of Ohio with a degree in agriculture and has done graduate work at the University of Arkansas. He has had previous experience in turf work with Capital Equipment Company and Louis-Diesel Engine Company. He and his wife, Lucy, reside at Riviera Apartments. They have two sons, both of whom live in Ohio.

Raymond C. Behrens, 49, comes to the Department as a landscape adviser after having done the same work for the last five years as co-owner of the Green Thumb Garden Center. He is experienced in all types of residential and commercial landscaping. He was also employed by Adkins-Phelps Seed Co. for five years. Behrens will be active in both selection and cost estimates. He will also act as a consultant to the districts on landscaping problems.

John Raymond Holland is the fifth member of the beautification team. He was employed by the Department in 1964 as a laborer at the Paragould district headquarters. Holland, 26, is a native of Greene County. He will be a technician in the beautification section. He and his wife have moved to Little Rock and are making their home at 6024 Kenwood.



HAPPY IS THE HUNTER

Earl "Cowboy" Collie, of Guion, now a retired railroad brakeman, is a man with quite a colorful background. He is the father of Buddie Collie, Batesville, a member of the District 5 Sign crew.

Mr. Collie is pictured with a display of memorabilia reflecting his proficiency as a hunter and trapper of earlier years. Among the items on display are three awards from the National Fur Show held annually in Chicago which he won two years consecutively and once again three years later.

One of Mr. Collie's favorite stories concerns a wager of \$50.00 he made to ride a wild buffalo in 1912, no doubt spurred on by ideas of what the winnings would contribute to his forthcoming marriage. He did win the money but had to resort to having the sheriff collect his money. Worse yet, use of the marriage license purchased the day of the wild ride had to be delayed for three months because of the severe jolting given by the buffalo.

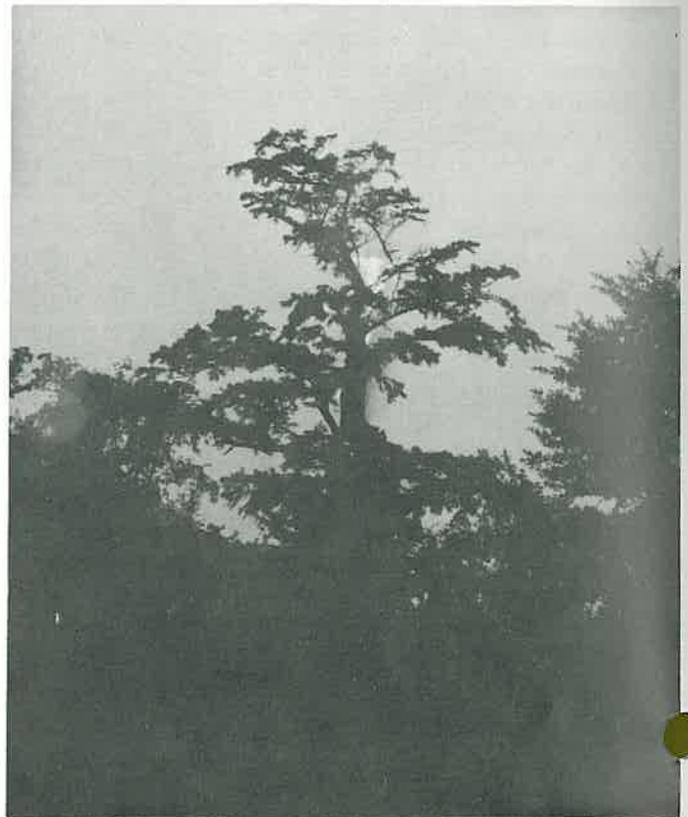
SEMPER PARATUS

Johnnie Gray, like the Coast Guard, is always prepared for action, like when he saw a lightning bolt hit a huge cedar tree as he drove along the highway recently during a thunderstorm. Always alert to the opportunity to photog the unusual, quickly drove as near as possible to the tree and made this picture while it was still burning. It was a huge cedar tree standing in Cedar Creek near where it crosses Highway 54 east at Dumas. A huge column of smoke billowing from the tree was lost in photography due to the darkness which resulted from the storm.

CORRECTION for picture caption in June Issue —

It read: "The Highway Department's youngest employee? No, he's 3-year-old Dennis Jack Randall, son of Resident Engineer Jack Coleman and Mrs. Coleman of Alma. Young Dennis knows at his tender age how important it is to wear a hard hat for safety precautions."

The caption should have read, "The Highway Department's youngest employee? No, he's 3-year-old Dennis Jack Randall, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jack Coleman, of Ozark. Young Dennis knows at his tender age how important it is to wear a hard hat for safety precautions. Mr. Coleman is Resident Engineer of District 4."



ARKANSAS POST MONUMENT

When the National Park Service assumed the upkeep and preservation of Arkansas Post monument in June of 1964 Arkansas countians felt that a county museum was a necessity since the Park Service planned for the monument to cover events up to and through the Indian, Spanish and French periods only. So interested citizens in the county began to work toward a means of housing the many rare items of later periods which had already been collected and housed in the Post Museum.

The result of their diligence consists of four buildings which have been constructed at a cost of \$65,000 on a three-acre site at the junction of Highways 1 and 169 south of Gillett. The project was financed by a millage voted in by Arkansas county residents. The Arkansas Post became the first permanent white settlement in the lower Mississippi Valley when explorer Henri DeToni came down the river in 1686 looking for his French friend LaSalle, and established it.

On Thursday, July 7 the new museum complex was dedicated. On hand for the ceremony was Highway Commission Chairman Wayne and Mrs. Hampton and their daughter, Meredith. Mrs. Thelma Mattmiller, curator, explains the workings and history of an ancient spinning wheel to the Hamptons and Cleon Collier, left, a Gillette farmer who was chairman of the museum's building committee.



Mr. E. W. Wittlake, director of Arkansas State College's museum at Jonesboro, and Mrs. Wittlake discuss the brilliant coloring of pottery made by Quapaw Indians and unearthed by Lewis Rush of Crocketts Bluff. The Quapaws were a tribe of Algonquins which came down the Mississippi from the northern United States. The collection includes some 200 vessels, 8,000 - 10,000 arrowheads, several tomahawks, 2 skulls, grooved stone axes and an assortment of beads.



STATES TOURIST-TRAVEL BUSINESS FAR FROM PEANUTS

The most comprehensive travel survey ever undertaken by the State Highway Department, almost a year in the making, shows that 48 million persons traveled in Arkansas during 1964 and spent almost \$260 million.

Slightly less than half or 22.1 million were from out-of-state, being into Arkansas \$129.5 million in "fresh" money.

All but 8.6 per cent traveled by car or pickup truck and swelled public coffers by more than \$3.25 million.

Travel-related businesses realized a \$100-million volume by the out-of-state tourists during the year.

The figures were for 1964 because the study, launched early in 1965, was not completed until recently.

The study pointed out that there is little, if any, difference in whether a tourist is traveling to or through Arkansas — but the latter averaged more persons per party.

Some other pertinent details: — 43 percent of all travel by visitors from other states was for recreation.

— Out-of-state tourists in automobiles averaged 2.6 persons per party staying 3.3 nights and spending \$49 per party.

— Arkansans traveling by car on trips of 50 miles or more from home averaged 2.4 persons per group, stay-in hotels or motels 1.7 nights with an average expenditure per group of \$19.

— Little Rock and Pulaski County drew more out-of-state visitors than any other county, followed by Garland, Baxter, Sebastian and Marion counties in that order.

— Nine out of ten airplane travelers came from out-of-state, but only half the bus travelers came from outside Arkansas.

— Plane, bus and train travelers spent \$30 million.

The report showed that nearly half of the recreation travelers favored the summer season, while more business trips were made in the autumn and more social trips came in the spring.

Information was obtained through interviews made at 59 of 82 possible highway exits in Arkansas, 29 of them on major highways.

Interviews were made both on weekdays and on Saturdays and Sundays.

Out-of-state visitors spent \$29 million for lodging; \$30.5 million for food; \$24 million for vehicle use; \$16.5 million for recreation, and \$10 for miscellaneous expenditures.

Tourism accounted for an average of \$68.80 per trip on recreational jaunts as compared to \$51.50 on a combination business-recreation trip. Business trips averaged \$37.70 and social trips ranged around \$26.

Springtime visitors spent the most money, probably because of the 50-day horse racing season at Hot Springs, the report acknowledged.

Visitors came from 49 states and 12 foreign countries, with Texas heading the list. Texans also outspent the others, at least during all seasons but winter, when Illinois visitors coming to enjoy Hot Springs' thermal baths spent more.

Eighty per cent entered Arkansas through 29 major gateways ranging from 10,000 at one point to over a million at another.

Commuters into the state were excluded since they contribute only a nominal amount to Arkansas' economy. Prime points of entry for commuters are West Memphis, Fort Smith and Texarkana.

The direct Southern route for East-West through West Memphis provided the largest number of out-of-state vehicles.

The report indicated that 93 per cent of the out-of-state travelers were making repeat visits to Arkansas and most of those interviewed said they were influenced to return because of a previous trip.

Advertising by the Arkansas Publicity and Parks Commission claims a \$4.4-million return from an investment of \$200,000.

In the area of favorable comment, the report said 93 per cent of the total number interviewed pointed to beautiful scenery, nice people, wonderful recreational areas and good roads."

The majority of unfavorable comments was in regard to poor road conditions and a lack of roadside parks.

In the 40s and early 50s, 40 per cent of out-of-state visitors commented unfavorably, according to old reports.

GIRLS STATE WEEK



Miss Carol Phillips, a senior from Malvern High School, was chosen to act as Highway Director on Friday of Girls State week in June. Highway Director W. E. Hicks acquaints Miss Phillips with some responsibilities of the office.

BOYS STATE WEEK

Phil Malcom, left, of Hot Springs, one of two Boys State delegates chosen to attend Boys Nation in Washington, D. C. later this summer, was one of the 29 boys who were appointed to Highway Department positions when the group visited the capitol grounds during the encampment at Camp Robinson the week of June 6. Each young man was appointed to an administrative or staff position before coming to the Department.

Director W. E. Hicks welcomed the group. Asst. Chief Engineer Bill Moore, once a Boys Stater, too, spoke. Bert Rownd, engineer of surveys, Don Martin, section head in Right of Way, John Lawrence, engineer of construction and Gerald Sisk, assistant division head in Maintenance, each told the group what the primary purpose of their respective divisions is.

After viewing the current Highway Department film, a mythical Highway Commission meeting was held and the group discussed the pros and cons of the Highway Beautification law and the commissioners voted to authorize the Department to comply with federal regulations of the law:

Tandy Menefee of El Dorado was chairman of the Commission. The vice chairman was Tom Paulus Warren. Phil Malcom, Phil Church, and Rob McCrary all of Hot Springs, were the other three commissioners. The director was represented by Phillip Grable of Little Rock.



HIGH COST OF SAVING 1 OR 2 CENTS A MILE Taken from Bergen (N.J.) Record June 17, 1966 by WILLIAM A. CALDWELL

We'll never, pray God, get used to such automobile accidents as the one in which those four kids died on 9W the other night - bloodied the bright young heads, smashed to lifeless pulp the lithe young bodies and all the dreaming. We'll never get used to it. The adrenalin trickles into the bloodstream, and the horror has to be vented somehow; so we sweat it out of us in the form of rage.

It has to be somebody's fault.

So let's find somebody to blame. Blame the driver. Blame all speeding drivers. Blame the car. Blame Detroit for rotten design. Blame the cops. They're never around when you need one.

Look farther. Look homeward.

"Of course, such solutions will cost money," says Professor Michael. "But we are faced with a multi-million-dollar problem which cannot be properly attacked with pennies. If the motorist is willing to spend the 8 to 10 cents a mile he now spends for his vehicle and its operation, he should be willing to spend more than the 1 or 2 cents he now puts out for the highway-driver part of the system."

He is Harold A. Michael, associate director of the joint highway research project at Purdue University, and he has come to the conclusion that the myths we live by are turning into myths by which we die.

One of the myths is that every driver can and should be a perfect driver. It's costing 50,000 lives a year.

Room For Error

"This notion has led to a system - vehicle, driver, and road - safe only for the error-free driver, and there is no such thing," Professor Michael says in the June issue of the Purdue engineering schools' "Backgrounder". "Driving in this system is complex - too complex - for any driver to do well all the time. The result is accidents.

Route 9W is an old, wretchedly designed, thoroughly treacherous road. Compare it with Professor Michael's definition of what any old road might be if we were as deeply moved by horror as we profess to be. Not all roads can be access-controlled multilane freeways. But this we can do:

1. Reduce the number of access and egress points to minimize friction between through traffic and traffic getting on or off more slowly.
2. Build acceleration and deceleration lanes at access and exit points, plus extra left or right-turn storage lanes, again to reduce friction.
3. Eliminate obstructions near the roadside -

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FOREMAN, ARE YOU SOFT ON SAFETY?

Can a foreman afford to be soft on safety? Should we discipline a man who has had an accident, when his injury resulted from his violation of a safety rule?

Are we being hard-nosed if we take disciplinary action against a man who has already suffered pain and lost work-time because of his offense?

When self-injury has resulted from even the most flagrant of rule violations, a foreman is often tempted to say, "Well, the guy has already learned his lesson! He'll never do that again!"

It is a human impulse, but maybe he fails to see far enough. One man has learned his lesson – but how about the rest of the crew? What will be their reaction to seeing a rule violation ignored by a supervisor? Will they think the boss was being a nice guy this one time – or will they think he doesn't really want to enforce any of the established rules?

As a foreman, conscious of your responsibility for the safety of your crew, how soft-hearted can you afford to be?

True enough, it's foolish to punish a man when the punishment will serve no useful purpose. But before you dismiss the whole idea, consider a certain type of accident that is reenacted somewhere almost every day. You've seen this kind yourself.

Something goes wrong with the job. Maybe a machine operator has made a mistake, maybe some component part has failed – but suddenly things start to go badly wrong. There's going to be some badly damaged equipment in just a few seconds. Still, nobody's going to get hurt.

Nobody? How about Joe Blow? He's a good man – knows the equipment like a book. Old Joe realizes that if he clammers over the moving conveyor belt, ducks under the railing near the high voltage sign and kicks out the main switch, then the machinery will be saved.

Dangerous? Sure – but he's always been pretty lucky. A violation of rules? Yeah – but, one might ask, who's going to gripe about a few rules being broken at a time like this? Safety rules are all right in their place, but doesn't everybody know that production comes first? And besides, won't the boss be grateful to a guy for risking his neck that way?

You aren't going to have any ordinary, run-of-the-mill, property-damage accidents – you're going to have great, big, gaudy amputations, and electrocutions! Because if you have very many Joe Blows in your crew – Brother you are in trouble.

The victims will all be nice guys who just misunderstood what the Safety program was all

about. They just got the wrong idea about safety from somebody.

Did they get it from you?

Are you Safety Conscious?

TEN COMMANDMENTS OF SAFETY

- I. Thou shalt take no short cuts.
- II. Thou shalt keep safeguards in place.
- III. Thou shalt not use equipment without authority.
- IV. Remember always to follow safety rules and safe practices; if in doubt ask thy boss.
- V. Bear in mind that bad use and care of hand tools causeth much suffering.
- VI. Keep thy footing safe, for falls are the root of much evil.
- VII. Thou shalt not play practical jokes, for they menace thy friend.
- VIII. Take care that thy clothing be suitable to thy job.
- IX. Thou shalt help thy fellow employee to be as safe a worker as thyself.
- X. Thou shalt seek first aid promptly; neglect no scratch nor wound.

YOU TELL ON YOURSELF

You tell on yourself by the chances you take,
By the thoughtless examples you often make.
The way you follow the rules of the game,
No one else would attempt to explain.

You tell on yourself in back of the wheel,
As you hit the brakes with a questioning squeal.
You thought you'd ignore the stop sign ahead
But a blind corner forced you to take action instead.

You tell on yourself by the way you balk
At each suggestion or Safety talk.
You've been around and you know it's true
The desire for improvement must start with you.

You tell on yourself and determine your fate
So check your actions before it's too late.
With a little discipline, care and skill,
You can effect a cure without plaster or pill.

Drive like your life depends on it – It does!

"I AM A TIRED AMERICAN"

BY ALAN McINTOSH

Publisher, The Rock County (Minn.) Herald

I am a tired American.

I'm tired of being called the ugly American.

I'm tired of having the world panhandlers use my country as a whipping boy 365 days a year.

I am a tired American - weary of having American embassies and information centers stoned, burned, and sacked by mobs operating under orders from dictators who preach peace and breed conflict...

I am a tired American - choked up to here on this business of trying to intimidate our Government by placard, picket line, and sit-ins by the hordes of dirty unwashed who rush to man the barricades against the forces of law, order, and decency.

I am a tired American - weary of the beatniks who say they should have the right to determine what laws of the land they are willing to obey.

I am a tired American - fed up with the mobs of scabby-faced, long-haired youths and short-haired girls who claim they represent the "new wave" of America and who sneer at the old-fashioned virtues of honesty, integrity, and morality on which America grew to greatness.

I am a tired American - weary unto death of having my tax dollars go to dictators who play both sides against the middle with threats of what will happen if we cut off the golden stream of dollars.

I am a tired American - nauseated by the lazy-do-nothings who wouldn't take a job if you drove them to and from work in a Rolls Royce...

I am a tired American - who is getting madder by the minute at the filth peddlers who have launched Americans in an obscenity race, who try to foist on us the belief that filth is an integral part of culture...

I am a tired American - weary of the bearded bums who tramp the picket lines and the sit-ins - who Prefer Chinese Communism to capitalism - who see no evil in Castro, but sneer at President Johnson as a threat to peace.

I am a tired American - who has lost all patience with that civil rights group which is showing propaganda movies on college campuses from coast to coast - movies denouncing the United States, movies made in Communist China.

I am a tired American - who is angered by the self-righteous breastbeater critics of America, at home and abroad, who set impossible yardsticks for the United States, but who never apply the same standards to the French, the British, the Russians, the Chinese.

I am a tired American - who resents the pimply-faced beatniks who try to represent Americans as the "bad guys on the black horses."

I am a tired American - who is weary of some Negro leaders who, for shock purposes, scream four-letter words in church meetings.

I am a tired American - sickened by the slack-jawed bigots who wrap themselves in bedsheets in the dead of night and roam the countryside looking for innocent victims.

I am a tired American - who dislikes clergymen who have made a career out of integration causes, yet send their own children to private schools.

I am a tired American - who resents those who try to peddle the belief in schools and colleges that capitalism is a dirty word and that free enterprise and private initiative are only synonyms for greed. They say they hate capitalism, but they are always right at the head of the line demanding their share of the American way of life.

I am a tired American - who gets more than a little bit weary of the clique in our State Department which chooses to regard a policy of timidity as prudent - the same group which subscribes to a "no-win" policy in Vietnam.

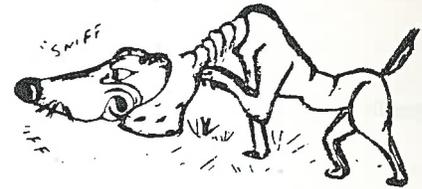
I am a tired American - real tired of those who are trying to sell me the belief that America is not the greatest nation in all the world - a generous hearted nation - a nation dedicated to the policy of trying to help the "have nots" achieve some of the good things that our system of free enterprise brought about.

I am an American - who gets a lump in his throat when he hears the "Star Spangled Banner" and who holds back tears when he hears those chilling high notes of the brassy trumpet when Old Glory reaches the top of the flag pole.

I am a tired American - who wants to start snapping at those phony "high priests" who want us to bow down and worship their false idols and who seek to destroy the belief that America is the land of the free and the home of the brave.

I am a tired American - who thanks a merciful Lord that he was lucky to be born an American citizen - a nation under God, with truly mercy and justice for all.

AROUND the DEPARTMENT



We are all proud of our boss, C. Don Hayes, who was re-elected as an employee-member to serve on the Board of Trustees of the Highway Employees Retirement System. Congratulations, Mr. Hayes.



ACCOUNTING DIVISION

Mildred Harness

On June 9 we had a pot luck for Erma Ferguson in honor of her marriage. We gave her a gift of Corning ware and wished her many years of happiness. Erma became Mrs. Charles W. Smith in a double ring ceremony at 8:00 P.M., on June 10, in the Cumberland Presbyterian Church of Rose City. Johnny Gray took photographs and made slides of the wedding and reception that followed in the social room of the Church.

Janella Howell is back working with us again this summer. Good to have you back, dear. We have a newcomer, Sally Johnston. Sally is a graduate of Hall High School and will be a sophomore at the University of Arkansas this fall.

Margie Dewey and husband, Major Ed Dewey, left June 6 for 22 days of vacation in San Diego and San Francisco, lucky people.

Rose Clingan had a short vacation the second week in June.

Tyronza and Sonny Hines celebrated their 4th wedding anniversary on June 30, we wish them many more years of happiness.

Billie Bain's son, Schuyler, had his tonsils out the week he came home from school. What a dirty trick to play on him, Billie!

Johnny Beaver's two granddaughters are visiting him and Molly. Son, Charles and wife Kay, came along just to make sure they didn't spoil them.

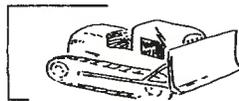
Pat Koonce traveled to Evansville, Indiana the week end of June 18, to attend a high school class reunion. While there she had a short visit with her daughters who are spending the summer with her parents.

We are sorry to see Leland Bull leave us and go to Internal Audit. Leland has been studying procedures in Accounting although he is an Internal Auditor. He is a 1965 graduate of Arkansas Tech in Russellville and taught school last year in his home town, Belleville, Arkansas. Leland's hobbies are tennis, skiing, hunting and fishing (girls, he is also single.)

If, instead of a gem or even a flower we could cast the gift of a lovely thought into the heart of a friend, that would be giving as the Angels give.



Leland Bull



EQUIPMENT

Sally Crook

June seems to be vacation month here -

The L. E. Harpers are presently enjoying a two-week vacation at Lake Ouachita. Since they both enjoy "roughing it" their time will be spent fishing and relaxing while camping out.

Roy Keathley and family toured North Arkansas, fishing at Norfolk and Calico Rock. They camped out four days at Overcup Lake where he reports the fishing is very good.

W. W. Yancy and wife enjoyed a visit from their son Tom, daughter-in-law, Sandra and grandson, James Kevin from Atlanta, Georgia, June 13 to 17. He brought James, Kevin out to see us and he is really a fine looking boy.

Other vacationers this month were George Ashworth, Carl Colvert, H. M. Cotton and J. E. Hardcastle.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon Sneed's son William Conrad and Phyllis Jean Laser were married June 18 at Westover Hills Presbyterian Church. The couple now resides in the Riviera Apartments in Little Rock. Our best wishes to the newlyweds.

C. B. Brooks, Jr. is driving a White 1966 Dodge Coronet which he acquired this week. Leon Sneed is driving a fire-engine red Plymouth - 1963 model.

C. Don Hayes presented James Hardcastle with his 20-year pin and certificate of Service June 8, 1966. Congratulations, Jim.

We welcome Ronald Williams who has joined us as a summer employee. Ronald is a Medical Student at the University of Arkansas Medical Center. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. J. Roland Williams of Jacksonville.



COUNTY PROGRAM

Barbara Oldham

Everyone in this Department seemed to enjoy the July 4th weekend. It was divided on who had the most fun...nearly half worked in the yard cutting grass, etc. Of course, its always fun to have a good sunburn to go along with a fine looking yard. Somehow the yard always comes out looking better at the end of a long day of digging, weeding, and watering. Wonder why??

We still have our golf players. They seem to be getting better...or maybe they are not telling all that goes on while they are out golfing. What about it fellows?...

Gene Thomas, a draftsman in our Department, spent two weeks in summer camp at Fort Hood, Texas the last week in June and the first week in July.

Charles Rain, Jr. will be leaving for summer camp on July 25, 1966 for Camp McCoy, Wis.

Your reporter's husband Jim, was home for the July 4th weekend. While he was here, we attended a family reunion that is held every year on July 3rd. in Burns Park, North Little Rock.

Oh! I almost forgot to remind Jim Mitchell to read that "Demolition" Job Special again. Jim, it might come in handy next July 4th.

Bye until next time...and remember, if you see someone without a smile, give them yours.



LEGAL DIVISION

Virginia Tackett

Although it has been some weeks since Jackie Gills left the Division on maternity leave, and Joyce Porter came back to take her place, this is the first opportunity we have had to share this news with the rest of the Department. We said goodbye for a while to Jackie with a small party and gift for the expected arrival. When we hear whether or not it's a sister or brother for Mike Gills,

A chrysanthemum by any other name would at least be easier to spell.

we will pass the news along. We miss Jackie but it's great to have Joyce back with us.

It was with real pleasure that we watched our boss, George Green, present Helen Hackett with her ten year pin. There wasn't enough light inside without a flashbulb, which we didn't have, so we have the picture of George and Helen outside with a background of scaling paint. Our new building would have been a more appropriate background, still there have been many happy occasions and much work shared in this old building that has been described on occasion as "the YMCA Hut," and Helen has been in on practically all of them.



George Green and Helen Hackett

While Hazel Carraro and her daughter Gloria are off on a holiday in Mexico with friends, the rest of us settled for a long weekend over the 4th. Doris Harper and her family planned a trip to Lake Ouachita and Thomas Keys and his family went to Gurdon for a Williams family reunion, his mother's family. After a few minor automotive mishaps on the way, Tom reports they had an enjoyable day. George Green took an extra day off so that they might visit his family in DeWitt after the crowds left the highways and most of the rest of us either loafed or visited the family.

It's been noticed around the office that Don Langston is back from his two weeks military service. He spent a couple of weeks sharpening up his military and international law in the Judge Advocate's School.

We're mighty pleased to welcome Staff Attorney Ken Brock to our ranks. He comes from Clinton, Mississippi, where he worked with All State Insurance Company. Ken's family consists of his wife, Betty, and a nice group of boys and girls, Randy, 11, Nancy, 9, Piper, 8, and Lance, 2. Ken hopes to have a home party for them to join him before school starts in the fall. We're looking forward to meeting them all, especially that Lance. Yep, he was named for HIM. I already asked.



Attorney Ken Brock

MATERIALS AND TESTS

Julia Halliburton

Congratulations to James Baird, James Briley and Jimmie Hobbs, who received their 5 year pin and certificate.

Robert Ryan, a technician in this Div. resigned this week. Good luck Robert.

Born to Carmath and Betty Phillips June 28 at Baptist Hospital, an 8 pound 6 ounce daughter, their second, named Shana Rene.

Glad to report that George E. Smith IV, 2-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. George Smith of Bauxite who suffered 3rd degree burns recently, is improving.

Our deepest sympathies are conveyed to the family of Henry McCoy (Mac) Core. Mac died Thursday July 7 at his home. He had been with Traffic Services for 15 yrs. as a field man for the center striping crew.

PLANNING AND RESEARCH

Billie Whiteside

Many of us attended the Commission meeting when W. K. Bartleson, head of the Data Analysis Section, received his 30-year service awards, and afterwards a party was held in this Division. Cakes were baked for the occasion by Fern Speights, June Brown, Jo Nell Threet, Joann Jones, Nell Carvell, and Darlene Cross. One cake bore the inscription, "BART - 30 - A.H.D." Special guests were Mrs. Bartleson and their daughter, Bonnie. Edith Garland, of the front office, received her 5-year awards, and she and Bart are shown congratulating each other. We hope Edith stays for 30 years; and we're certainly glad Bart is still with us.

This Division has been brightened by a bevy of attractive girls. Here for the summer are three college students - Mary Lou Alley, Norma Westfall, and Patricia Ann Hicks. Permanent employees are Martha Ann Cushing, cartographer-trainee, who lives in Sheridan,



Edith Garland and W.K. Bartleson

is married, and the mother of a little girl, and comes to us from the Texas Highway Department; Delores Jenkins, cartographer-trainee, a 1965 graduate of North Little Rock High School, who has been employed by the Department of Agriculture, and Sharon Pelley, receptionist in the front office, who is married, lives in Jacksonville, and has been employed by International Business Forms. Also with us this summer are former employees Ralph Pack and Hugh Davis. We extend a warm welcome to all of them.



Mary Lou Alley, Norma Westfall, Patricia Ann Hicks, Martha Ann Cushing, Delores Jenkins and Sharon Pelley.

P&R has also lost several people. Mary Ann Schuh, cartographer-art illustrator, and Richard Hoskins, a technical artist, both left at the end of June. Richard, who had been with us only a short time, plans to return to college and obtain a degree in the field of commercial art. The feminine members of P&R gave a noontime farewell party-baby shower for Mary Ann, who had been with us five years. Cakes were brought by Mary Jane Acheson and this reporter, and guests included Mary Ann's mother and mother-in-law. We will miss the bright and pretty Mary Ann. And Dennis Clift, a cartographer-trainee, resigned recently to accept a job with Dow-Smith.

Ed Johnson and Jim Head from P&R went to Fort Smith to attend the regional meeting sponsored by the Bureau of Public Roads, receiving instruction on procedure to be used in the preparation of the Highway Beautification Estimate as required by Congress.

Jay Hensley reports he completed his course in Advanced Soil Mechanics and Foundation Design at G.I.T. and

plans to take another course next fall.

Howard Snow's son, Stu, was married on June 18 and has already returned to Iceland for military duty.

The J. C. Longcoys have moved into their brand new home at 7 Carroll Circle, Mabelvale. When it was almost finished, Mr. Longcoy gave some of us from the office a conducted tour during the noon hour. The house is built of soft colored brick, really new, but simulated to look "old." There is a very large kitchen-family room around which the house is planned, and the kitchen is a homemaker's dream. There are also living room, three bedrooms, storage room, etc. Doors inside the house, including closet doors, are the fold-back kind, very attractive and space-saving. There is also a sliding glass door from family room to patio.

Many of our week end gardeners have been coming in suntanned from their activities. My dark red damask roses did especially well this year - these are "ancient" roses first discovered in Persia, the ones from which the perfume is made, and grow great strong canes covered with roses. We have had every kind of floral offering about the building, from sweetpeas to glads.

Sue Walls has a new nephew, born June 23, named John Phillip Cullins.

We were sorry to hear that Joe Lovell's mother died June 7. The following attended the funeral services at Paris: M. L. Beckett, Fred McCormack, Pete Benetz, Henry Mercer, and Katie Brasel, all of Mapping and Drafting.



We would like to welcome Carol Hardwick of DeWitt to the fold this summer. She graduated from Henderson State Teachers College last spring with a Bachelors of Music in Education. This fall she will teach music in the first 8 grades of Parker, Arizona's public schools.



Woody Laird is very proud of the skiing rig he bought recently but in picture shown here it's hard to tell if he is beaming because of his boat or the big bass he is holding.

Larry Lorence and wife Grace recently had some very interesting guests. They were the Gordon Johannson family, sister and brother-in-law of Grace and their five children. The Johannsons' owned a coffee and cattle plantation near Nairobi, Kenya (Africa) until recently when Kenya acquired self rule and the government bought up all large estates and plantations from private landowners. When their plantation, which had been owned by the family since 1903, was taken over by the government, the Johannsons' came to the United States to look for a new home. They first settled in Florida. However, Florida flat and sandy as it is, did not appeal to them and they are now on a trek to Oregon where they hope to find something as picturesque as their home in East Africa. On their way they visited for a week at the Lorences' in Malvern with their five healthy youngsters. Larry said, although they were forewarned it was much like playing host to a tornado but fun was had by all.

June is usually thought of as a month for weddings but it is also a favorite vacation month. The employees choosing June as their vacation month were Carolyn Halbert, who spent her vacation visiting her parents and friends in

Prattsville, and came back telling "fish stories" and Evalena Squires, who along with husband Joe and daughter Shannon spent a few days at home and a few at Gulf Port, Mississippi. Another employee Curtis Hutchens and family also choose Gulf Port as their vacation spot. Bob Hamilton along with his wife and daughter flew to Hampton, Iowa to celebrate his parents' 54th wedding anniversary. Charlotte Lee and Sherrie Buckels spent a few days in Galveston, Texas soaking up the sunshine. Charlotte soaked up a little too much tho and her top layer of skin peeled off. My family spent 3 days in Grand Prairie, Texas where we visited Six Flags Over Texas and thoroughly enjoyed ourselves. A few weeks after we were in Texas, Gip Robertson and his family were also visitors at Six Flags Over Texas.

Don Martin, his wife Ernestine and three daughters, Anne, Margaret and Alice went on what sounds like a wonderful vacation. They drove thru Mississippi along Gulf Coast from New Orleans to Panama City and across northern Florida to St. Simon's Island. After leaving Florida they spent three days and two nights in Brunswick, Georgia and then drove back home.

Mr. Luton and his wife Alice spent a few days on their farm near Memphis, Tennessee.

A few people used the long 4th of July weekend as an opportunity for short trips. Among those were Kenneth Suthmer and family who spent a few days at Greers Ferry and Charlie Scott and wife Allen travelled to Murfreesboro to meet the children and grandchildren for an outing on Lake Greeson. Neil and Nola Gibbs spent three days at Neil's grandmother's home in Alicia Arkansas. A cousin of Neils' was visiting from Michigan so Neil took him fishing at Greers Ferry. Neil doesn't want this information out tho, so don't tell anybody.

Glendol Jackson and son Johnny spent July 2 and 3 at Daisys, Arkansas where they were participants in a Cub Scout Father and Son week-end at Camp Tula.

Herbert Hooten attended the Highway Beautification meeting at Ft. Worth, Tex. on June 23.

Charlotte has had a rather exciting June this year. After her trip to Galveston, her sister, brother-in-law and their 3 children came home for a few weeks and except for the few days she was sick, Charlotte enjoyed them thoroughly even if her nephew did break her sunglasses. Another sister from Dallas, Texas was home for the 4th of July holiday and brother Jim came home one weekend from college to see his sister's family.

Arthur Reichstadt's wife, Macy flew to Knoxville, Tennessee to see their son Arthur Eugene graduate from the University of Tennessee during the first week of June. A few weeks after graduation their son was married to Julian Kallsnick of Hot Springs, Arkansas. The couple is now residing in San Luis Obispo, Calif.



RIGHT OF WAY

Shirley Childress

The Right-of-Way Division had to say goodbye to another employee, Art Emmerling, during the month of June because of retirement. We are very happy for Art but will miss him too, so his farewell party was a mixture of happy feelings and sad ones. Art will be working in his own business now as a consultant so he has not really retired 100%. Art, quite a culinary buff, was presented an electric knife from the Division. The Utilities Section treated Art to lunch at Granoff's and presented him with a desk set. Cake, coffee, cokes and nuts were served at the party after a personal poem about Art was read by the composer Alton Van Patten.

The Utilities section also lost another employee, David Nelsen, the same day Art left. David was also treated to lunch at Granoff's and presented with a gift which contained a billfold, key chain and jewelry case. David will not only be missed by the Utilities Section but the entire Right-of-Way Division and the coffee fund. Good luck on your new job with North Arkansas Electric Corporation, David.



ROADWAY DESIGN

Virginia Ashlin

The B. K. Coopers vacationed in Florida around the last of June. Lucky people! They had a wonderful time, but we missed them.

Brooks Nichols attended the Regional Highway Beautification Conference at Ft. Worth, Tex., June 23-24.

The Nichols' twins, Kay and Gay, had tonsillectomies recently but both girls are fine now.

Ralph Rogers and family spent their vacation on a lake. Their little daughter had surgery just a week before they were to leave, but her recovery was rapid and the lake was a nice place to recuperate. Ralph said they had a good time, and returned with a nice tan.

Charles Toland and family vacationed last month, also. They were in Dallas, Tex., and New Orleans, La.

John and Peggy Hicks attended a homecoming at Leslie. They visited with Peggy's parents, the J. A. Brattons while there. John said they saw many of their old friends and neighbors.

Rick Henriksen is taking a few days off, but I didn't find out what his plans were.

Also vacationing were Pat and Lois Thompson. Their plans were to go to Denver, Colo., the Grand Canyon, and then on to the bright lights of Las Vegas.

A vacation of a different sort is being enjoyed (we hope) by two of our guys. Bill Duncan is spending two weeks as a guest of his Uncle Sam at Ft. Polk, La., and Charles Ashcraft is lolling around in the sun at Ft. Hood, Tex.

Our bowling league sort of fell through as far as trophies go this year, but we do have a fisherman in our midst as evidence by the picture. These beauties



were caught by Travis Orton and J. A. Bigbee the morning of June 10. The smallest weighed 3-3/4 pounds, and the largest, 6 1/4. The secret of such fishing is to get up and be on Lake Maumelle about 4 a.m. in the morning. All I can say to that is, FORGET IT!

We were pleasantly surprised by a letter from Mrs. W. C. Johnston, wife of our former boss, who is now retired and living in Marshall. She said Mr. J. was

fine. She also brought pictures of their first grandson who is precious. He's also setting quite a record for himself as a world traveller. He was born in Monterrey, Mexico, vacationed here in the States, and at the tender age of three months, lives in Hong Cong. We enjoyed her visit so much and hope she'll come again soon and bring Mr. J. the next time.

Gail Hamm is the very proud owner of a beautiful 1966 Oldsmobile. It's gold with a black vinyl top and has more buttons and gadgets inside than a drug store has pills. Congratulations, Gail.

Welcome to Richard Siegler, who will be working with us for the rest of the summer.

Jim Patrick and his wife have another new colt that was born in June. That makes four horses they own now.

During Girls State, Marsha Narrell came up with the other girls to say hello to her dad, Bob Narrell. She's a very attractive girl and we know Bob and Wanda are proud of her.

Congratulations are due the Wayne Suttons on the arrival of their first child, a big 7 pound, 8 ounce boy, born June 29 at 8 p.m.



DISTRICT



Leslie Long

What's it like celebrating your 30th anniversary?, was a question asked Brewster Shalmy many times last week. Brewster has been a most enthusiastic Highway Employee for 30 years and has always proven equal to the demands his job made upon him. Other recipients of service awards this month are Lester "Tadpole" Rabb for 20 years and Thomas White for 10 years. Congratulations to all of you, from all of us.

Howard Meeks, one of our mechanics and Rheba Patterson were married on May 27, at the Forest Park Assembly of God Church. Rheba is a registered nurse. We wish them the best of luck and much happiness.

Our participation in the College Work Study Program has brought us Marca Melinda Frew, to work in our stockroom, performing various clerical duties. Also we have Thomas Lee Sharp and Calvin Daniel Austin in our Jefferson County crew. All reside in Pine Bluff and are students at Arkansas A&M, Monticello. We have James Michael Cross in our Monticello Resident Engr. office. He resides at Monticello and attends A&M College.

We welcome Jim Lee Leopard, our new low-boy driver. His favorite pastime? FISHING. Hershel Edward Phillips returned to us again this year for summer employment. He is assisting in Shop and Stockroom. He attends Arkansas A&M, majoring in Business Administration. Bobby Don Doss is spending his first summer with us, working in the Jefferson

County crew. He is a student at Arkansas A&M, is a member of National Education Association and Arkansas Education Association.

Russell Gaddy is not to be outdone. He is very proud of HIS girls (nieces, i.e.) They are working as Teacher's Aids as a part of the Elementary Program and will return to Arkansas A&M next year.

Pat Shalmy flew into Memphis for an interview with the City Planning Commission and Brewster and Sunny met him there. He had a few hectic days before returning to Tuscon. They are all hopeful that Pat and Nancy will eventually settle in Memphis.

Billy Ray Shaver of the Hamburg crew is sporting a spanking new Dodge. And from Desha County, we have news that the Henry Gibbs Mays are the proud parents of a 7 pound 8 ounce daughter, Tommy Maskell, born May 13 at St. Mary's Hospital.

Believe It or Not? Alfred B. Jones received a long distance call from Little Rock last week informing him he was at long last a grandfather. It has been some three years since he had heard from his daughter, Bernice Bell. Harley, her husband is in the Air Corps and they have been hard to keep tabs on. They are now stationed at Roswell, New Mexico. The Harleys were visiting in Little Rock and called "Jonsey" to come see little Mona Jo, the new addition.

Gene and Jeri Woodfield had guests, her nephew and family from Tulare, Calif. He is employed by Montgomery Ward and travels almost 150 miles daily to Los Angeles. They all took a couple or so days vacation at Mt. Magazine, fishing, swimming, and such. Gene and Jeri also treated their guests with some of their speciality cook-outs and trimmings.

This is the space for me to rave about the Red Apple Inn. I spent a couple of days at Greers Ferry at the lush paradise on Eden Isle. The spacious rooms at the Inn are beautifully decorated with hand carved Spanish and Italian furniture. The surroundings leave nothing to be desired. Meals are pleasantly prepared and served at a unique poolside dining pavilion. There is fishing, swimming, tennis, golf, after 5 Room, and even a Liars Den. On Saturday nite the guests were entertained with an ole fashion country dance and music.

"Red" Goins and John Hollis are still our most diligent and successful fishermen. They have been haunting Jacks Bay and Arkansas River recently. Should have enuf for a fish fry before summers end, so I'm told. Here's hoping.

Willie Key has quite a different fishing method. He pays 50¢ for the privilege of fishing and 60¢ a pound for all he catches. On his last fishing spree he discovered he had nine more fish than money, s-o-o-o-o-o-o-o-o-o nine had to so back.

We have a wholesome respect for Bo Cruce and Nelson Morgan from Audit Section, who are presently engaged in an inventory audit at District 2. They are always welcome and we always have plenty of questions with which to ply them.



DISTRICT



Bailey and Lewallen

They say that June is the month of brides and we aren't different here in District 3. The following couples get our congratulations and our best wishes:

Jessie Tullis married Linda Gail Walden on June 24 at the bride's home. They went to Hot Springs on their honeymoon and are now residing at 914 East Second in Hope.



Pictured is Linda Pharris, Floyd Pharris' daughter, who wed William W. Walden of Hope the evening of June 17 at the Rocky Mound Baptist Church. The couple is now at home on North Hazel in Hope.

Albert Schobey and Maxine Johnson were married June 11 and are now living at 100 North Hervey in Hope.

One of Betty Penny's friends from her school days, Linda Cooper from DeKalb, Texas, came to visit for a few days. They mostly talked over old times but did work in a visit to Hot Springs while she was here.

Terry Arnett went to Petit Jean Mountain one weekend with her family and reported that a good time was had by all.

LeRoy Hatfield visited one of his sons in Houston. While there he visited the Astrodome and some of the other sites.

Alton Treadway's car that he ordered some time ago came in this month. It is a gorgeous yellow Corvette Convertible, all tinted glass, AM-FM radio, bucket seats, scratch on dash, handle for passenger to hold onto, and if you don't use hair spray, your hair will blow all over the highway. (The above description was written by the "boys" at Texarkana).

The Sammy McDowells became the proud parents of a baby boy named Tony Lee on June 20. Tony weighed in at 8

pounds, 2 ounces. This is their first baby and the first grandbaby on both sides of the family. Congratulations to you all.

Lovella Meyer's children, Eddie, Loretta, Rose and Donna, helped their school, Central Elementary in Texarkana, to win the trophy on Junior Champ Day with a total of 26 points. This day was from 8:00 a.m. to 6:30 p.m. and hundreds of children were there. Each of her children entered several events and came home with ribbons for their efforts.

Congratulations to David Osborn and his wife. They have a new son named Jerry Howard who was born June 5, and weighed 8 pounds, 6½ ounces. The Osborns have one other son named David Michael.



Pictured is John David Barham, son of John William of our Sign Crew, who is 3 years old and the Barham's only child.

Service awards were given to Arthur Pilgreen for 20 years and Fidelis J.R. Koelzer for 10 years. Congratulations to both of you.

Our sympathies are extended to Ben Wilson on the death of his mother.

We also extend our sympathies to the family of Lewis F. Jones, Highway Department employee of 12 years. Mr. Jones was burnt to death in his home in Doddridge the morning of June 30.



DISTRICT



Burnham and Campbell

The following were presented service awards recently: 20 year award to Charles Lee Baucum, Res. Inspector for District 7; 10 years to William Marvin Rowland, Jr. truck driver and 5 years to Jessie Wayne Millican. Congratulations men, let's see you around for many more years.



DISTRICT



Shirley Morton

Mr. and Mrs. Jack Holtby and grandsons enjoyed a visit with son and father, Bob Holtby, in Austin, Tex., with side trips to other points in Texas and Mexico.

Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Williams have returned from a vacation trip to Oklahoma and Texas. While in Texas they spent a few days visiting in Dallas with relatives.

V.O. Selby and Glenn Stewart have returned to work after spending two weeks on military leave at Ft. Chaffee.

Minnie Shinn flew to Colorado Springs, Colo., to be with her mother, who is very ill.

Our best wishes for a long and happy retirement are sent to Dallas Matchett who retired in June.

Fay Karnes received his 25-year service awards at the June Commission meeting. Congratulations, Fay.

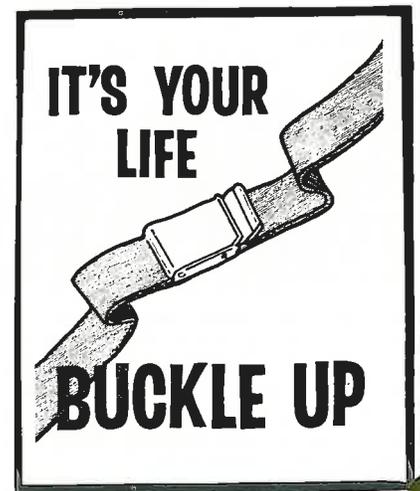
We were sorry to hear that Helen Baxter, clerk at Springdale, had resigned. It was a pleasure to work with Helen and we will miss her.

Audrey Andrews has been employed to replace Helen and we are very happy to welcome her to the Springdale office.

Frank O'Donnell, Carl Morris, J. C. Perkins, Jr., Dennison Yates, John Tallant, John Adams, and Max Hall recently visited our District. Also, enjoyed visits from some of our retired employees, Wade Foley, Bill Hawkins, W. H. Porter, and Ertie Lawrence.

Fishin must have 'slowed' considerably - John isn't bragging too much these days.

Our deepest sympathies are extended to the family of Cleo Copeland, who died May 23. Cleo was employed as a deck hand at Henderson Ferry for many years.



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Thistle
 Kill Ya!



Two black crows were sitting on the fence when a jet plane swooped low over them and roughed up their feathers. "Brother," said one, "I wish I could fly that fast." "You could, my friend," said the other, "if you had two exhausts and they were both on fire."

A man came home from work one night sporting a new hat, which was fine except it was four sizes too large and looked like it had been soaked in a tub of water. The man confessed that he had picked it up at a bargain basement sale—and that he knew it looked terrible on him.

"So, why did you buy it?" demanded his wife. "It was this way," explained the man. "When I tried it on and caught a load of myself in the mirror, I looked too stupid to argue with the clerk."

Young man: Waitress, I don't like to complain, but there are no oysters in this oyster stew."

Waitress: "So . . . There are no dogs in dog biscuits."

Looking over the rim of the volcano's crater, one American tourist said to another:

Really something huge, isn't it? Reminds one of hell, doesn't it?"

One of the natives who overheard the remark, shrugged his shoulders, threw up his hands and exclaimed:

"These Americans. They've been everywhere."

Doctor: "You should take a hot bath before retiring."

Patient: "But, Doc, I won't be retiring for another 15 years."

Girl: "You must have had a nice vacation. That's a fine tan you have."

Boy: "Naw. It rained all the time."

Girl: "Then how did you get that tan?"

Boy: "That's not tan. It's rust."

"We had to shoot our dog yesterday."

"Was he mad?"

"Well, he wasn't exactly pleased about it."

Nervous man (running into police station): "I need help. A man stole my car."

"Did you see him?" asked the desk officer.

"No. But I got the license number as he pulled away."

When a medical student, applying for a scholarship at the university, was asked why he needed assistance, he wrote: "My wife and I are now separated and this has left me my sole means of support."

There is little doubt that car ownership has an adverse effect upon scholarship. As far back as 1935, the high school students who owned cars were at the bottom of their class, flunked out, became garage mechanics, opened their own garage, added an automobile agency, and retired at the age of 40 with no idea of how to spend their money.

When you see a man opening the car door for his wife, you can be sure of one of two things: either the car is new, or the wife is.

The drunk staggered into the bar and shouted: "Happy New Year everybody."

The guy closest to him said: "Aw, shut up. It's the middle of August."

"August," the drunk mumbled, "oh, my gosh, my wife will kill me. I've never been this late before."

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trees, posts, abutments, signs (the kids' car wrapped itself around a tree close to the shoulder).

4. Get right of ways wide enough to extend the shoulders so that the imperfect driver has a chance to escape alive from the product of his errors.

"Of course," he had said, "Such solutions will cost money." Moreover, they'll cost the elsewhere school of highway design (cf. Tenafly, Paramus, and Englewood) its hallucination that home rule means the right of a neighborhood to prevent the adequacy of roads on which every one must risk his neck.

Deadly Mythology

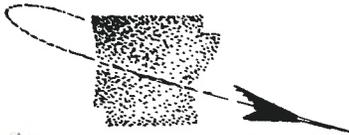
Professor Michael has catalogued some other myths we die by.

One is that accidents are caused by drunks, morons, hogs, hot rods, and screwballs. So take them off the road — and no more accidents! No, he says; 10% of all drivers have accidents. "If we took off the road all the people who have accidents this year, we'd have about as many accidents next year — from a different 10% of nice people."

Myth: speed causes accidents. Fact: It causes severe accidents, but the incidence is something else. The prevailing speed is the safe one. Anything above that or below is dangerous. The slow-poke is a murderer. Why?

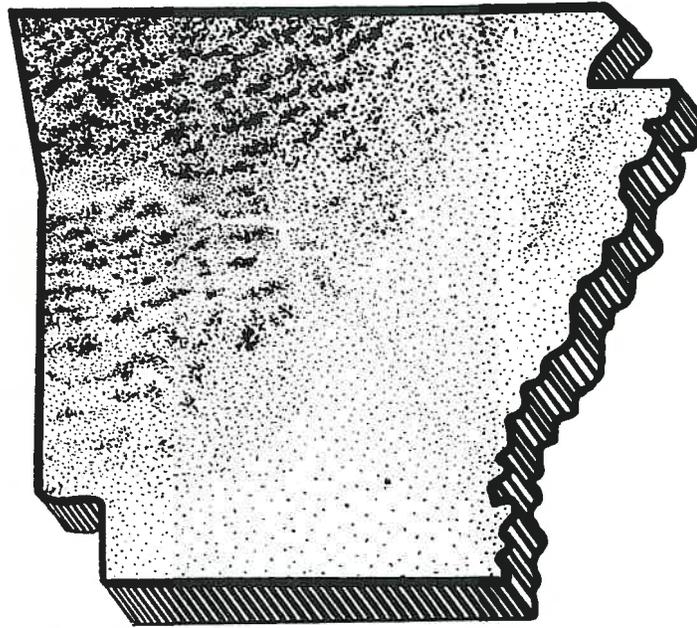
Well, myth: tailgating causes accidents. Again, no; the tailgater knows what he's doing, knows it's dangerous, and has his crate under control. The rear-end collision is usually caused by a driver coming up fast from a distance and misjudging his speed of closing on the slowpoke ahead.

But solutions would cost money. We're getting by with a currency less precious than that. It's called life.



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The load of stone is bound for I 40 construction near DeValls Bluff. Approximately one day is required loading the barge and the 100 mile trip downstream takes another 7½ hours. Young Transport owns a smaller tow-boat, the W. C. Beatty, which also hauls rock.